



LAKES OF BRIGHTWATER
MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS

April-May-June 2014

Brightwater Reflections



Coming Events

HOA Monthly Meetings

Clubhouse 6:00 PM

Tuesday, April 15

Tuesday, May 20

Tuesday, July 15

ANNUAL MEETING

Southminster Presbyterian

June (date TBA)

Neighborhood Coffee

Clubhouse 10—11:30 AM

Monday, April 14

Monday, May 12

Monday, September 8

Brightwater Garden Club

Clubhouse 6:30 PM

Monday, April 28

Pool Tag Distribution

Saturday, April 12 10AM-1PM

Saturday, April 19 10AM-1PM

Saturday, May 3 11AM-3PM

Also available: Sign up for Tennis Keys, eBulletin, Flag Service, Crime Watch. After these dates, tags will only be available from Crest Management for a \$20 fee.

Pool Opening and Splash Day

May 3 11AM—3PM

Middle School Pool Party

Monday, June 9 7—9PM

New Brightwater Communications Package *Ruchira Paul*

The Communications Committee is excited to announce that the HOA Board has approved updating the Newsletter, e-Bulletin and Website, and has contracted with **Prepared Publications** for the design, distribution and maintenance of all three. The look and layout for these will be freshened and coordinated to reflect Brightwater's image, and the contents will remain timely and useful to residents.

For almost 20 years, our residents have received the Newsletter (in monthly, bi-monthly and quarterly formats). In 2006, an electronic bulletin was added to disseminate news quickly, such as lost pets, security concerns and notices of monthly/seasonal neighborhood events (sent only to residents who subscribe to it). Six years ago, a Website was created to facilitate access to neighborhood information, including HOA facilities, events and activities, committees and clubs, legal documents and city and county contacts.

Our publication tools have until now been created and distributed by volunteers. The Communications Committee recently proposed to contract for this work, feeling the change would bring a better, more unified image to all our publications and reduce the burden on volunteers, some of whom have done their jobs for years. **Prepared Publications** was selected; the company professionally manages similar projects for 16 other Texas HOAs (a majority in Fort Bend County). Here are some of the changes:

- All three communications will have a common Brightwater header / banner.
- To cover the new service and keep costs on par with our current budget, the Newsletter will carry selected paid advertisements, screened by the committee and approved by the Board. It will be published quarterly and be printed in color.
- The Website will continue to offer important HOA information, but soon will also enable residents to complete forms and submit questions on line (e.g. ACC applications to Crest Management and e-mails to Board members.)

As our publications change hands, I want to acknowledge the volunteers who have served to make Brightwater a well informed and connected community over the years. They are:

Allen Grant - e-Bulletin editor, advisory committee

Betty Grant - neighborhood directory, advisory committee

Kent Hudson - first committee chair, police liaison, advisory committee

Nancy Hudson - newsletter editor, advisory committee, budget & planning

Diane Mauricio - newsletter editor, website design, budget & planning, neighborhood directory

Don Moore - website design

Ruchira Paul - e-Bulletin editor, committee chair, police liaison

Armando Ramirez - graphic art for the e-Bulletin

We have had the support and cooperation of other committee chairs, the Board and residents in putting together an integrated communications package. The current committee – Diane Mauricio, Nancy Hudson and Ruchira Paul – will continue to oversee the quality of our publications under the new vendor. If you have any questions regarding advertisements or need to report an incident for the e-Bulletin, please get in touch with any one of us.

Regular Events

Neighborhood Coffee:

Meets at Clubhouse on the 2nd Monday of the month September through May from 10-11:30 AM. Next meetings are April 14 and May 12. After the summer break we will begin again September 8. All residents are welcome! Come and enjoy a cup of coffee and some tasty refreshments with your neighbors!

Evening Needleworkers:

The evening sewing group meets on the 1st Monday of the month. The next meetings are April 7, May 5, June 2, and September 1. at 7:00 PM. We don't meet during July and August. For more information, call Elaine at 281-499-6660.

HOA Monthly Board Meeting:

Held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Clubhouse. Residents welcome at 6:00 PM. The next regular meetings are April 15 and May 20. ANNUAL MEETING is in June with date to be announced. The following meeting is July 15.

Brightwater Garden Club:

Please join us at the Clubhouse at 6:30 PM on **Monday**, April 28, for a fascinating presentation on "The Amazing World of Cacti and Succulents" by John McQueen. You will indeed be amazed! This is our last meeting for the season. Please Join us again September 22! For more information, contact Diane Giltner at 281-409-0695.



Board News

Rita McMahon, HOA President

Spring has arrived and with it Brightwater HOA has embarked on many changes in our neighborhood:

The Splash Pad: Ready and waiting for the 10-and-under residents to experience its wonders starting on May 3rd

Landscape Architect: We have hired Mr. Robert E. Forsythe, owner of **ref/la** as our landscape architect to create changes to Brightwater. Mr. Forsythe was part of the original development of the neighborhood and he is very excited to be a part of our upgrade and revitalization

HOA Communications: *Prepared Publications* has been hired to prepare and distribute our newsletters and e-Bulletin, and design and maintain our website.

Assessments and Deed Restrictions: The Board has worked diligently with Crest Management to provide notification to residents of due dates for payments and their responsibilities as members of our neighborhood. ALL residents are welcome at the monthly board meetings and input is welcome and appreciated

Park Planning: A committee has met to revitalize the boat park located next to the tennis courts. The committee has requested bids from three companies and these will be evaluated and critiqued in the next month

Clubhouse/Pool Area/Pavilion: All of the stucco in these areas has been repainted. In keeping with a refreshed look, all the broken blue tiles have been replaced.

We hope to see our residents out and about on the walking trails, at the pool and Splash Pad, playing tennis, and at our parks. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Board or Crest Management.

MCPD Crime and Security Report for Brightwater

Diane Giltner

Mid-January to Mid March 2014

MCPD responded to numerous calls that were resolved, dismissed or disregarded. Most calls were false residential alarms. Calls requiring police action:

- 1 Arrest warrant
- 1 Auto accident

Lieutenant Kevin Bureson, MCPD liaison to Brightwater, attends monthly HOA meetings. He reports criminal incidents have been down across Missouri City.

Brightwater Crime Watch Report (BCW)

Diane Giltner

Feb. 20: BCW Volunteer reported damage to a decorative light pole and tree on Brightwater Drive between Lakeside Meadow and Stillwater. Police reported a van hit the light pole and tree at approximately 3:20 AM. The driver was ticket for failure to maintain a single lane.

To arrange for a Vacation Watch, contact Brightwater Crime Watch (281-499-0695) and Missouri City Police Department (281-403-8700)



CREST CONTACT NUMBERS

Liz Trapolino with Crest Management is the Account Manager for the Brightwater Homeowners Association. If you have any correspondence, issues or questions, please direct those to her attention at:

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Newsbites



Garbage Issues: City Ordinance requires garbage containers to be screened from view. It prohibits placing them curbside prior to the evening before collection and leaving them after midnight on collection day. First time violators receive a warning; second time violators are cited to court.

March Yard of the Month: 4402 Waterlily Court — Despite a harsh winter, this yard looks fresh, well maintained and has a welcome splash of color with Cyclamens and variegated Vincas.

April Yard of the Month: 4111 Waterview Court — A well designed yard with a multitude of colors and textures—roses in urns, Hawthorne trees, bamboo, boxwood, yellow pansies, loropetalum, oxalis, and more.

Community Garage Sale: This Missouri City Garage Sale will be held **April 26 from 8 AM to 1 PM** at the Community Center at 3849 Cartwright Road.

Prescription Take Back: On **April 26, 10 AM to 2 PM**, you can take unwanted or outdated prescriptions for disposal at the Public Safety Building at 3849 Cartwright Road.

Electronic Recycling: On **June 14 from 8 AM to 2 PM** you can bring unwanted electronics for recycling to the Public Safety Building at 3849 Cartwright Road. The last event was so successful it filled the truck in a matter of hours.



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