

20th Annual LFCA *Memorial Scholarship Award*

Class of 2019 Winners Announced

The Lakewood Forest Civic Association is very pleased to announce that Emma Matson, Willow Schmeling, Parker Peterson, Virginia Strickler, Ariana Ericksen, Ryan Herron and Madeleine Cluck are the 2019 recipients of our 20th Annual Memorial Scholarship Award program. We congratulate these outstanding high school seniors on their winning essays and their student accomplishments. We wish each of them the best of luck in their future pursuits.

The Civic Association received 21 very competitive entries, about double the number submitted in most years. Our five judges on the Scholarship Committee worked very hard on evaluating and scoring all the entries. In the end and due to the high number of excellent entries received, the committee agreed to recommend the LFCA Board to make seven awards totaling \$5,250 versus the more usual three-to-four awards totaling up to about \$3,500. The LFCA Board unanimously agreed.

The Memorial Scholarship Award program is just part of what your Civic Association is able to do with your modest \$10 annual voluntary membership dues. If you are not yet a member, please consider becoming one today.

Congratulations again to Emma, Willow, Parker, Virginia, Ariana, Ryan, and Madeleine. Please see pages 3 through 5 for their pictures and bios. We also salute all of our Class of 2019 graduates from Cypress Creek High School, Tomball Memorial High School, homeschool, and private school.

You all make Lakewood Forest very proud!

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We would like to feature you in the **June** issue of the Lakewood Forest Civic News. Here's what we need on a 3x5 index card by **Friday, May 10.**

Your photo (a light background works best. **Do not glue or staple your picture to the index card!**)

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Your parents' names

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Activities, honors, etc. (Please list first those most important to you. In case your list is longer than the space available, we will start deleting from the end of your list.)

Your future plans

Include a **stamped, self-addressed envelope**, and we will return your photo.

Mail your photo and information to Lakewood Forest Civic Association, 13121 Louetta Road, PMB #1025, Cypress, TX 77429 **in time to reach us by May 10.**

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Monthly meeting information will be posted on the Fund website.

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2019 Scholarship Award Winners



Emma Matson is a senior at Cypress Creek High School. Her parents are Mark and Sonia Matson, and Emma has two older brothers. Emma is the varsity swim team captain for the last two years and qualified for both regional and state competition, also earning Academic All District honors. She is graduating 25th in her class with a National Merit Commended, AP Scholar with

Distinction, and other honors and awards. With a career interest in cybersecurity, Emma plans to pursue a computer science degree from Texas A&M University and a masters there as well. The Civic Association is pleased to award Emma a \$1,000 scholarship.



Willow Schmeling is a senior at Cypress Creek High School. Her parents are Gary and Elaine Schmeling. When she was nine years old her parents moved her and her younger brother into Lakewood Forest from Denver, CO. She soon joined the Lakewood Lightning (eight-year member) and has been working as a lifeguard and summer camp counselor at the Lakewood

Residents' Club. Willow played varsity tennis for four years and earned All District honors the past three. She is graduating 21st in her class and is a member of the National Honor Society. Willow will pursue a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering at Texas A&M University. The Civic Association is pleased to award Willow a \$1,000 scholarship.

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Parker Peterson is a senior at Cypress Creek High School. Her parents, Gregg and Kim Peterson, met at Tomball High School and married soon after college. She grew up in Lakewood Forest with her older sister. Parker is a six-year member of the National Charity League and earned several awards, including President's Gold, while serving in various officer positions. She's a member

of the National Honor Society and earned Academic All District tennis honors. Parker played varsity tennis for three years. Graduating in the top 10% of her class, Parker will be attending Baylor University seeking a bachelor's degree in pre-med biochemistry leading to a career in dermatology. The Civic Association is pleased to award Parker a \$750 scholarship.



Virginia Strickler is a senior at Cypress Creek High School and grew up in Lakewood Forest with her parents Michael and Donna Strickler and her older sister. Active in FFA all four years, she raised rabbits, held leadership positions, and earned several FFA degrees and awards. Virginia played oboe for the marching band, took solo and ensemble First Division honors, and held band officer positions.

She helped her team place third in the UIL Math Bowl and is a member of both Mu Alpha Theta (math honor society) and the National Honor Society. While active in youth leadership in her church, Virginia also has been a small group leader for children at Camp Hope. Graduating in the top 10% of her class, Virginia will major in animal science/pre vet at Clemson University. The Civic Association is pleased to award Virginia a \$750 scholarship.



Ariana Ericksen is a senior at Tomball Memorial High School. She grew up in Lakewood Forest with her older brother and parents Michael and Veronica Ericksen. Ariana loves soccer and played on the varsity soccer team all four years at TMHS, Team Captain the past two years. She has won academic all state and all district soccer awards and is a member of the National Honor Society. She is a National Hispanic Recognition Scholar and her class Vice President. Graduating in the top 10% of her class, Ariana will major in kinesiology at Texas A&M University. Upon getting her degree, Ariana plans to go to a physical therapy school to become a hospital physical therapist. The Civic Association is pleased to award Ariana a \$750 scholarship.



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Ryan Henney-Herron is a senior at Cypress Creek High School. He was born in Austin and spent some time in Boston before his parents, Susan Henney and Doug Herron, finally settled in Lakewood Forest. Ryan is an Eagle Scout and his project was providing unused or reconditioned medical equipment to Tanzanian families through Project CURE. He plays trombone for the marching band

as a section leader and won Division 1 Superior solo and ensemble awards as first chair. Ryan is a member of the National Honor Society and the Key Club. Graduating 13th in his class, Ryan intends to study anthropology at Tulane University, The University of Texas, or The University of Washington and combine that with studies in finance or chemistry. The Civic Association is pleased to award Ryan a \$500 scholarship.



Madeleine Cluck is a senior at Tomball Memorial High School. She grew up in Lakewood Forest with her two siblings and parents John and Elizabeth Cluck. Madeleine is a Presidential Service Award recipient for her extensive volunteer work through the National Charity League for places such as Camp Hope, Boys and Girls Country, Special Olympics, and others. She is

a member of the National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, and the Key Club. Madeleine is a National Merit commended scholar and an AP scholar. She led a team of 10 in raising over \$3,500 in seven weeks for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Graduating first in her class, Madeleine intends to major in biomedical engineering at Rice University, hoping to develop artificial organs and transplant devices. The Civic Association is pleased to award Madeleine a \$500 scholarship.

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The Lakewood Forest Civic Association hosted its first ever Easter “Egg-stravaganza” Hunt on April 13. Many new neighbors and longtime residents got to know each other while kids got spectacular balloon designs by Cody with Magic Twists and had their faces painted by Eileen. If you missed this year’s egg hunt, don’t fret – it will be back again next year. Special thanks to the volunteer board members and their spouses who made it happen.



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The Lakewood Forest Civic Association is excited to once again sponsor the annual Patriotic 4th of July Parade. We are preparing for another spectacular event. The parade will start on **Thursday, July 4** at 9:30 a.m. from the Lakewood Residents' Club. More details will be available in the June *Civic News* newsletter, so watch for it.

Come decked out in your most patriotic display as the top entries in each category receive ribbons and trophies. The top overall entries will be awarded the highly coveted George Washington (male) and Betsy Ross (female) trophies.

After the parade while we announce the category winners, cool off with the ever-popular Freeze Pops and ice-cold water and enjoy other tasty snacks, courtesy of your Civic Association.

Kids, parents, grandparents, and pets – all ages are welcome to participate. Also invited are Scout troops, teams, and other organized (and not so organized) groups. Walkers, bike riders, wagon riders, decorated cars and floats, antique and classic cars – all can join in for a fun parade through the neighborhood. Decorate those bikes and wagons, plan a patriotic costume, shine up that garage queen, or just wear the red, white and blue. It's up to you.

Volunteering

Every year this event could not happen without the volunteer efforts of people just like you. We need judges, registrars, flag setters/retrievers, setup and cleanup help, and go-fers. High schoolers can earn those valuable community service volunteer hours while having fun. With many hands, the work is light and fun. All we need is just a bit of your time. If interested, please contact Michael Lindauer at 281-627-3742 or mlhoutex@gmail.com.

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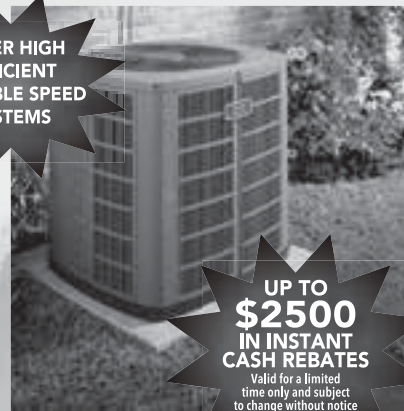
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Lakewood Forest Garden Club



The Lakewood Forest Garden Club met on April 5 with President Candice Beaver presiding for the general meeting. We were greeted to an Easter theme starting with colorful egg-shaped napkins at the beverage table. Co-hostesses who decorated and laid out a lovely table of breakfast foods were Fran Hamil (Chair), Karen Ybanez, Marilyn Bullen, Susan Ivey and Maggie White. Bunnies and eggs among the fresh flowers and a gorgeous centerpiece created a light, springtime atmosphere. Hospitality Chairman Susan Hanson

and the members of the garden club expressed their appreciation for a job well done.

An excellent program on orchids was presented by speaker Bill Propst who demonstrated the planting, pruning and watering methods which have helped him become a successful grower of an amazing variety of orchids. He emphasized the importance of the motto to “water orchids weakly – weekly.” We even learned that vanilla beans used for flavoring come from orchids. Yes, of the genus *Vanilla planifolia*. Fascinating!



Yvonne Newsome gave an interesting talk about the “mona lavender” plant, milk weed and several others given as door prizes. The story of the “Confederate Rose” was shared by Becky Bailey. This old southern rose symbolizes the war between the states with colors ranging from white to light pink to dark pink, representing the blood that was shed in those battles.

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Yard of the Month for April was judged the last week of March in Section 10. First place was awarded to Jim and Julie Huggard at 12806 Hazelway Lane and Honorable Mention went to Ben and Becky Anderson at 12923 Wincrest Court. Congratulations!

Yard of the Month for May was judged by members of the garden club the last week of April in Sections 2, 5, 9, 12 and Lakewood Place. You are not required to enter your yard for judging but all subdivision fees must be current to be a winner. The first place winner receives a \$50 gift certificate from Plants For All Seasons and a \$25 gift certificate is awarded to the honorable mention winner.



Houston Rose Society

The topic of the **May 9** meeting of the Houston Rose society will be "Companion Plants for Your Rose Garden." The program will be presented by Angela Chandler. Angela is a lifelong gardener with a passion for learning and teaching. She is a popular speaker in the Houston area and can often be found giving classes at The Arbor Gate. Please note the location for the **May 9** meeting is the Cherie Flores Pavilion located at 1500 Hermann Drive, Houston 77004. Come at 7 p.m. for refreshments. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Free admission. Visit www.houstonrose.org for more information.

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Yard of the Month

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Once a yard has received the "Yard of the Month" award, it is not eligible for further awards for one year. The first place winner for each month will receive a \$40 gift certificate from Plants for All Seasons and recognition in the next *Civic News*. An honorable mention yard will receive a \$25 gift certificate from Plants for All Seasons. Yards are judged in March, April, May, June, October, and November.

Judging is done by members of the garden club on a rotating basis, using the subdivision sections as listed in the Lakewood Forest Directory. It is usually done the last week of the previous month; i.e., judging for **October** would be held the last week of **September**.

Overall landscape design should be compatible with the architecture of the house; e.g., no windows hidden by shrubs, color, balanced design, etc..... 20 points

Grass: green, except in winter; mowed
and edged; weed-free 15 points

Beds: cleaned, edged and mulched..... 15 points

Color contrast: e.g. well placed variegated
or colored shrubs, use of flowers and bulbs
such as caladiums to add interest 15 points

General neatness: e.g., air conditioner hidden
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May To-Do List

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In the Flowerbeds

If you haven't planted your summer flowers, you still have time! A few things that like it **hot** are Angelonia, Gomphrena, Zinnia, Purslane, Vinca, Lantana, blue daze... and so much more! Make sure you prepare your beds by adding compost and fertilizer before you plant and always add a hardwood mulch after planting to help retain moisture during the summer months.

In the Lawn

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Source: Houston Association of Realtors MLS as of 4/13/2019 Sold in last 6 months.

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We had a good turnout for the annual Open House event on March 31. Many families from Lakewood Forest and other nearby neighborhoods came by to see the club and learn about the benefits of club membership. Over a dozen new families joined the club!



If you missed the Open House, we would love to show you the club! Call Shannon at 281-376-1893 to arrange a tour.

Net Generation Youth Tennis Classes 1-2 p.m. Wednesday afternoons

This is a beginner to intermediate tennis skills building class for children aged 5-18.

Cost: \$5/child or \$10/family for LRC members, \$10/child or \$15/family for nonmembers.

We provide the tennis equipment and balls.

To register a child for the class, text or email Dan McClellan at daniel-mcclellan@sbcglobal.net / 317-979-7320.

Net Generation classes are taught with age and ability in mind, with courts and equipment sized appropriately to make learning easy and fun. With smaller courts, shorter racquets, and lower bouncing balls, young players will achieve greater physical activity and feel successful at tennis right from the start. This class is intended for home school children but we plan to add an after school or weekend class in the future. Class is taught by background-checked and certified tennis pro.

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May 4 and 11

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Ponding is a rapidly growing gardening hobby in Houston! Waterfalls, fountains, goldfish, show-quality koi, water lilies, and beautiful surrounding gardens all showcase the joy of a backyard paradise. Owners and pond builders will be on hand to discuss the various aspects of constructing and maintaining a pond.

This is a self-guided tour, with ponds on the south side of town open on **May 4**, and ponds on the north open **May 11**.

Tickets, good for both days, cost \$10, and include a brochure with a description of the ponds and a map with driving directions to each home. Tickets may be purchased at any of the tour homes on the day of the tour, or in advance at www.houstonpondsociety.org or www.lonestarkoi.com.

The 2019 Houston Pond and Water Garden Tour is co-sponsored by the Houston Pond Society and the Lone Star Koi Club. See lonestarkoi.com or houstonpondsociety.com for more information or contact Jeff Stone, pond tour chairman, at houstonstone@gmail.com or 281-488-2543.

Northwest Forest REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Northwest Forest Republican Women will meet Monday, **May 13** at 11 a.m. at Shirley Acres – 217 Woerner Road. The program at 11:30 a.m. will be a panel of three recently retired judges moderated by Judge Lincoln Goodwin, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4. Lunch is \$25 with reservations at tonicamp@comcast.net by **Thursday, May 9**.

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Questions regarding the newsletter go to **Barbara**, **281-370-3183**. If you wish to place an ad (other than a classified ad) in the newsletter, please contact Champions Printing & Publishing, Inc. The Civic Association will handle all classified ads.



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Call Barbara at 281-370-3183 with questions.

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