



Lakewood Forest Fund (HOA)

Serving the Residents of Lakewood Forest



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CONGRATULATIONS





MONTHLY BOARD MEETING OF LAKEWOOD FOREST FUND TRUSTEES (HOA)

Monday, May 3rd
via ZOOM @ 7:00 PM
Meeting ID: 490 416 5823
Passcode: 8Pk2mk

Prior to joining a meeting; please read the ZOOM guidelines on HOA website. If an attendee does not follow the guidelines than the administrator running the Zoom will redirect the attendee into the waiting room until the attendee adheres to the guidelines which is entering with video and audio turned off. Agenda will be available for viewing on Association website under "Board of Trustees" page approximately 3 days prior to meeting.

Bob Lewis - President
Boe Bowen - Vice President
Bobbi Munz - Secretary
Scott Johnson - Treasurer
Sandy Matto - Community Events & Outreach Chair
Christy Jones - Trustee
Martin Cuellar - Trustee

HOA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AS OF APRIL 27th

Operating: \$ 1,063,181.20
Community Project: \$ 296,430.17
Contingency: \$ 25,000.00
Reserves: \$ 456,608.04

Total Income YTD: \$ 1,593,078.00
Total Expenses YTD: \$ 638,743.44

YTD EXPENSES

Administrative: \$ 134,572.59
Office & Building Expense: \$ 3,525.03
IT, Equipment, Clerical Costs: \$ 10,351.62
Grounds Maintenance: \$ 39,092.33
Community Events: \$ 1,657.82
Utilities: \$ 207,470.54
Community Projects (interest): \$ 156.20
Security: \$ 132,851.84

DEED RESTRICTION REMINDERS

Deed restrictions for Lakewood Forest require that homes be neat & attractive in appearance therefore residents should take measures to:

- Remove mold and mildew on the outside of their homes
 - Mow, edge and weed yards on a regular basis
 - Maintain fence and replace pickets when necessary
 - Replace rotted wood visible on exterior of home
 - Place trash cans and recycle bins out of public view
 - Refresh look of home when painting is needed; all paint colors must be approved regardless if you are painting the same color
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BOARD MEMBER BIO OF THE MONTH

Scott Johnson, Treasurer

I have served as Treasurer of the Lakewood Forest Fund and appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve you. I am currently also serving as Treasurer of both the Lakewood Forest Civic Association and Emergency Services District 13, which provides fire protection for our area as the Cypress Creek Fire Department. I wish to continue managing the monies collected from our annual assessment and other sources in a conservative manner and hold the line on future rate increases while making sure that we continue to provide a high level of services to all of us in Lakewood Forest. We have a wonderful neighborhood and with your support I hope to be a part of keeping it that way.



LAKEWOOD FOREST HOA & CIVIC ASSOCIATION MAKE DONATIONS TO LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR BEE & BUTTERFLY GARDENS

Hamilton, Moore and Lakewood elementary schools all received a donation from Lakewood Forest HOA and Civic Association to purchase more plants for their mindfully cultivated bee & butterfly gardens. These gardens provide a safe place for the bees & butterflies to rest, feed, and find mates all while allowing the students to enjoy, observe and study them in their habitat.

Pictured above from left to right:
Jodi Cole, LFCA President
Scott Johnson, LFCA & LWF Treasurer
Sage Papaioannou, HES Principal
Sandy Matto, LWF Trustee & Community Outreach Chair

**Lakewood Forest HOA & Civic Association
proud sponsors of
Lakewood Lightning Swim Team**



GO LIGHTNING!!!



LAKEWOOD FOREST CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Please Consider Joining the Lakewood Forest Civic Association Board

The Lakewood Forest Civic Association (LFCA) has a small but active group of members that serve as the Board of Directors. We currently have a few board positions open and would love to have you join us. It only takes a few hours a month to be a board member, depending on your involvement with activities.

The LFCA is an independent organization that works for the betterment of Lakewood Forest. We are not part of the Lakewood Forest Fund ("the HOA") but we do work with them to sponsor various activities. Throughout the year, the LFCA hosts events such as the spring Eggstravaganza egg hunt, the neighborhood Patriotic Parade in July, and National Night Out in October.

We run a scholarship program for Lakewood Forest high school seniors; send care packages to our active duty military members; donate funds to our local elementary

schools to buy supplies and other necessities; arrange for curb number painting throughout our large subdivision; publish the monthly Civic News newsletter, the newcomer's guide to Lakewood Forest, and a residents' directory; and organize advertising for the semi-annual community garage sale.

In short, we do a lot with the annual \$10 donation we get from our members!

The board meets monthly on the first Tuesday of the month. Meetings are held in-person at the Lakewood Forest Fund office at 12415 Louetta Road. Options for a virtual meeting are also available. Contact the LFCA president Jodi Cole at 817-668-5634 for virtual meeting details. Attend a meeting or two to see if this is a good volunteer activity for you.

Lakewood Forest Families Turned Out for Eggstravaganza

Hundreds of Lakewood Forest residents turned out for the Eggstravaganza egg hunt event on April 3, hosted by the Civic Association. The weather was a bit rainy but that didn't dampen the spirits of everyone looking to have a little spring fun.

And fun, it was! Neighborhood children picked up 2,000 candy filled eggs, played games, made a few crafts, and had fun in the petting zoo. The Lakewood Forest Garden Club gave out flower seed packets to the kids, and the Lakewood Forest Fund provided snacks and drinks for all. The Civic Association also thanks the volunteers who made the event possible. It takes a lot of people to support an event enjoyed by so many families.

We look forward to doing it all again next year—with even more eggs! (If you have eggs from this event or your own egg hunt and you don't need them, we'll take them back to use again next year. Contact Linda Musthaler at lmusthaler@sbcglobal.net





Save the date! **Lakewood Forest's Patriotic Parade** **is scheduled for July 3**

Get ready to salute our country's Independence Day. The annual Patriotic Parade that winds through the streets of Lakewood Forest is scheduled to be held the morning of Saturday, July 3rd.

Kids, parents, grandparents, grandkids, and pets - all are welcome to participate. Also invited are Scout troops, clubs, teams, and other organized (or disorganized!) groups. Walkers, bike riders, wagon riders, decorated cars and floats, antique and classic cars can join us for a fun parade through the neighborhood. Decorate those bikes and wagons and vehicles, plan a patriotic costume, or just wear red, white and blue. It's up to you.

We'll have prizes for various participant categories and refreshments for all. Start getting your family or group together to plan your costumes and decorations. Watch for more details in future newsletters.



2021 Community Events Calendar

The Lakewood Forest Fund (HOA) and Civic Association look forward to partnering in 2021 to host enjoyable events for our residents. Mark your calendar for the dates below.

If you have any interest in volunteering, please contact the HOA by emailing gm@lakewoodforestfund.com

July

Patriotic Parade (3rd)

Mark your calendar for the annual Lakewood Forest **Patriotic Parade** on Saturday, July 3. The free family fun event starts and ends at the Lakewood Resident Club on Lakewood Forest Drive. More details to come soon.

October

National Night Out (8th)

Put the evening of Friday, October 8 on your calendar for the annual **Lakewood Forest National Night Out**. This is an opportunity to meet your local first responders as well as other residents of the subdivision. The event will be at the Lakewood Residents Club. More details to come later.

November

Fall Garage Sale (5th, 6th, 7th)

Didn't sell everything at the spring community garage sale? No worries, there's another Fall Community Garage Sale the weekend of November 5 to 7.

December

Breakfast with Santa (4th)

Join your volunteer HOA board members for a HOLLY JOLLY good time and a visit with Santa Claus as we celebrate the start of the Christmas season. More details coming.

Other Considerations (Dates TBD)

E-waste and recycling

Bingo / Pool Party

Texans Football & Chili Cook-off Contest

CERT (Civilian Emergency Response Team) Event(s)



You're
Invited



LAKEWOOD RESIDENTS' CLUB



Have fun this summer at the Lakewood Residents' Club!

The Lakewood Residents Club is a member-owned swim and tennis club in the Lakewood Forest subdivision. Our annual membership drive is happening now -- a new membership year starts May 1! We have year-round and summer memberships. Year-round memberships include everyone in your household and start May 1 and end April 30, 2022. Summer memberships include everyone in your household and start May 1 and end after Labor Day Sept. 6, 2021. New members receive a 25% discount off the regular membership dues. So that is \$318 for a NEW summer membership and \$337 for a NEW year-round membership. Have a great time at the LRC this summer or all year long!

Lakewood Residents Club Amenities

- Festive social events for adults and families
- 50-meter swimming pool with diving area
- Children's wading pool
- 4 lighted, hard surface tennis courts
- Sand volleyball court
- Children's playground
- Private lake frontage with catch-and-release fishing
- Several grills around pool area
- Located next to Faulkey Gully with easy access to hike and bike trails







LAKEWOOD RESIDENTS' CLUB
swim • social • tennis



LAKEWOOD FOREST GARDEN CLUB

The Lakewood Forest Garden Club met for the virtual general meeting on April 9, 2021. President, Eleese Lester-Baier oversaw an enjoyable time for socializing and conducting business.

Terri Cole introduced her friend, Bee, who has been a chef for 28 years. She presented a marvelous program on “Edible Flowers” that captivated our imagination and opened up a whole new world of gardening ideas.

Carolyn Calvert gave an inspiring reading called “God is Our Gardener.”

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Carolyn Calvert gave a very meaningful devotional prayer setting a good tone for the meeting.

The program revolved around the recent epoch freeze. Members shared ideas on the care of damaged plants as well as the ones which survived the week-long freeze. Lessons have been learned and shared from this severe cold. A good suggestion made was to use this as an opportunity to take up plants you may have wanted to replace anyway and make a fresh start with some of your plants. The mushy vegetation, of course, needs to be removed but some deadwood can be helpful in protecting woody stems in the event of another freeze this season.

Yard of the Month for April is judged by garden club members at the end of March. Gift certificates to Plants For All Seasons go to the winners who will be announced in the next publication of the Newsletter. Because of the inclement weather, the judging in February for March Yard of the Month was cancelled and judging resumed for April.



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