

# Lakes of Brightwater

## BEACON

### COMING EVENTS

#### HOA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Clubhouse, 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, August 15**

**Tuesday, September 20**

**Tuesday, October 17**

**Tuesday, November 7**

**NOTE: October meeting is a budget workshop held at Crest Management.**

#### BRIGHTWATER GARDEN CLUB

Clubhouse, 6:30 p.m.

**Monday, September 25**

**Monday, October 23**

**Monday, November 13**  
(second Monday due to Thanksgiving)

**No meeting in December**

#### EVENING

##### NEEDLEWORKERS

Members' homes, 7:00 p.m.

**Monday, September 4**

**Monday, October 2**

**Monday, November 6**

**Monday, December 4**

#### NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEE

Clubhouse, 10:00 a.m.

**Monday, September 11**

#### CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Parent and student volunteers interested in planning and helping with children's

Halloween and Holiday parties, contact

Diane at 281-499-0695 or dgiltner5@comcast.net.

### SUMMER 2017

## “Refreshed” Brightwater’s Website

**Website** or **web site** [web-sahyt] **noun, Digital Technology.**

a connected group of pages on the World Wide Web regarded as a single entity, usually maintained by one person or organization and devoted to a single topic or several closely related topics.

There is an easy way for your friends to find directions to the Lakes of Brightwater. Ask them to go to [www.lakesofbrightwater.com](http://www.lakesofbrightwater.com) and click on the “Location” button. They will find precise directions—down to a tenth of a mile—guiding them to our neighborhood.

Our Internet presence has been updated to coincide with our Refresh project which continues to change the look of our community in outstanding ways. Brightwater’s website has lots of new pictures to showcase where we live, and you may find yourself in some of them! Special thanks to Allen Grant, Pam Allan and Judy Kay for providing photos for the website.

The website is a “living” resource, with new information and pictures of events and sights around Brightwater being added frequently. If you have high-quality pictures to share, send them to the “Beacon” Editor for consideration. We want an accurate and vibrant portrayal of what life in Brightwater is like.

One of the most important features on the site is the Calendar of Events. Become an involved, active member of the community by attending Brightwater functions. Your neighbors will be happy to see you there.

## National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual community-building event that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

Encourage your neighbors to co-host a block party on **Tuesday, October 3**, to become better acquainted. Our local police, fire and city personnel look forward to stopping by to meet you. Contact Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695 or [dgiltner5@comcast.net](mailto:dgiltner5@comcast.net) for more information and to register your block party with Missouri City Police.



## Needleworkers

The Brightwater Needleworkers Group will begin its 17th year when it gets together in September. Come meet our terrific members who share your enthusiasm for needlework. We meet in members' homes on the first Monday of the month from 7:00 – 8:45 p.m. Our handiwork includes knitting, crocheting, cross stitching, mending or anything that requires hand sewing. Call Elaine at 281-499-6660 for more information.

## Tennis Courts

Reservations to use the Brightwater Tennis Courts can be made no more than 24 hours in advance. If this rule is not followed, you risk losing your time to play. Please, write legibly when making your reservations and when signing in.

## The “Beacon”

The Lakes of Brightwater subdivision newsletter is published four times a year, in January, April, August and November.

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We appreciate all the feedback and suggestions we have received as we continue to move forward with the Lakes of Brightwater “Refresh” project. It is hard to miss the new landscaping that reaches into every corner of our community.

Thanks to our residents who participate on committees and serve as Crime Watch volunteers. We are frequently cited by city officials as a “well-working” neighborhood. Everyone, please remember that school starts early this year on August 22, a Tuesday. Pay attention to school zones and plan an increase in your drive time from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.

## Next Steps in the “Refresh” Project

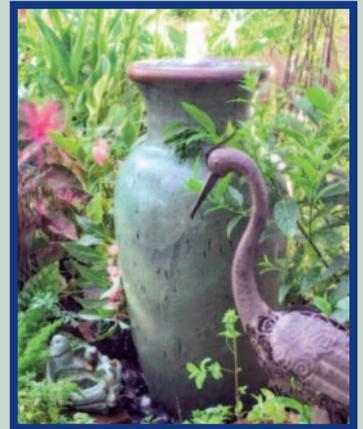
The Board of Directors is reviewing the contractor’s bid for work to be done on the Clubhouse-Pool Area Complex. In addition to painting the outside of the Clubhouse to be consistent with our hopsack color scheme, further tile work nearby will match that used to build the entrance walls at Lexington and Cartwright. Anticipated start date for this phase will be after the pool closes Labor Day weekend.

**Important: There are nearly 100 columns throughout Brightwater which are painted beige and have blue tiles near the top. These are often located on residents’ properties. We must have individual homeowners’ permission to access their properties to paint and change the tilework on the columns. If you have one or more columns on your property and have *not* turned in your paperwork giving permission for contractors to enter your property, please contact Liz Trapolino at Crest Management, 281-945-4645, to make arrangements immediately.**

## Brightwater Garden Club

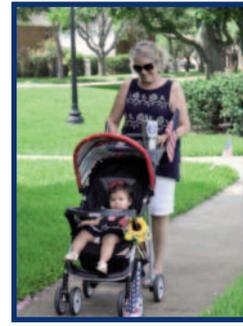
The Brightwater Garden Club is a place for neighbors and friends to come together to become better gardeners, no matter their skill levels. The club, which is celebrating its 27th year, is open to all residents from Brightwater and surrounding areas. Meetings are held the fourth Monday of the month in the Clubhouse from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Local experts cover a wide variety of gardening topics including plant selection, garden maintenance, landscape design, pest control, herbs, vegetables, trees and shade gardening. Members and guests get to know one another over refreshments while sharing gardening tips and plant cuttings. There are occasional field trips to area nurseries and public gardens. The club also supports local gardening activities in the community. The club’s website and the Brightwater eBulletin provide details of upcoming meetings.



To learn more about the Brightwater Garden Club and how to become a member, please visit [www.brightwatergardenclub.com](http://www.brightwatergardenclub.com) or contact President Joanne Downing, 281-499-9942 or [jdowning56@yahoo.com](mailto:jdowning56@yahoo.com). Guests are welcome to attend a meeting.

# Brightwater's Third Annual 4th of July Parade



## Neighborhood Volunteer Crime Watch Recruitment



Neighborhood Crime Watch training will be provided by the Missouri City Police at the Clubhouse this fall. Watch for date and time in an eBulletin.

**WARNING!** Our mailbox banks are federal property, and it is illegal to post personal ads or announcements on them. Be safe, not sorry!

## Trash Days - Lest We Forget



### Schedule of Trash Collection Days to Post at Home

	August	September	October	November
<b>Garbage Pick-up</b> – Blue bin provided by WCA, 281-403-5800, <a href="http://www.missouricitytx.gov">www.missouricitytx.gov</a>	Every Tuesday and Friday	Every Tuesday and Friday	Every Tuesday and Friday	Every Tuesday and Friday
<b>Recycling</b> – Gray bin provided by WCA, 281-403-5800, <a href="http://www.missouricitytx.gov">www.missouricitytx.gov</a>	15 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>
<b>Yard refuse</b> – in CLEAR biodegradable bags; branches tied in bunches or personal garbage container of leaves, grass, etc.	Every Tuesday	Every Tuesday	Every Tuesday	Every Tuesday
<b>Bulk Waste</b> – Regular garbage bags of yard waste; Large trash items that do not fit in garbage bins	15 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>

## Helpful Hints

Cut out the Trash Collection Schedule on the previous page and post it to your refrigerator as a reminder. Remember that trash and recycling bins cannot be placed at the curb before 6:00 p.m. on nights before collection days. This includes yard waste that your yard worker may leave behind. Bins should be put in the street with the wheels next to the curb. Leave space between the bins.

WCA bins and any uncollected trash need to be stored away from street view by 6:00 p.m. on the evenings of collection days.

Brightwater's deed restrictions are diligently enforced. Yards and properties that are not maintained will result in letters of warning from authorities. If your house is for sale and is not properly maintained, Crest Management will contact your realtor.

Leaving community newspapers lie in front of your house will make your home look unattended and can be an invitation for a break-in. If you are not interested in reading the papers that are delivered to your home, dispose of them properly.

If you have a Brightwater-related problem, before publicizing it on social media, see if one of the individuals or services on the following page can help you.

## Yards of the Month



4218 Lake Terrace Court  
April 2017 Yard of the Month



4522 Northshore Court  
May 2017 Yard of the Month



1710 Starboard Shores Court  
June 2017 Yard of the Month



1902 Lakewinds Drive  
July 2017 Yard of the Month

## Missouri City Police Department and...

Police responded to numerous calls that were either resolved, dismissed or disregarded. Those requiring action:

- 1 Burglary of habitation
- 1 Burglary of motor vehicle
- 2 Criminal mischiefs
- 1 Disturbance - person
- 1 Dog bite
- 1 Failure to stop to render aid
- 5 Ordinance violations
- 4 Parking violations
- 2 Suspicious activities
- 2 Suspicious vehicles
- 4 Traffic stops

In July, there was a burglary on Westshore Drive with money and jewelry taken after burglar(s) entered the home from the backyard. An individual had previously knocked on a neighbor's door asking if a specific person lived there. Police believe it was a ploy to determine if anyone was home. Often, burglars will approach houses until finding one they think has no one at home, and then they break in through the back.

# CREST MANAGEMENT

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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<b>Police and Fire Emergency</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>Police</b>	<b>281-403-8700</b>
<b>Fire</b>	<b>281-403-4300</b>
<b>City Hall</b>	<b>281-403-8500</b>
<b>Animal Control</b>	<b>281-403-8707</b>
<b>Code Enforcement Hotline</b>	<b>281-403-8560</b>
<b>Gas Services</b>	<b>713-659-2111</b>
<b>Mail Delivery</b>	<b>281-208-1832</b>
<b>Electricity Problems</b>	<b>713-207-2222</b>

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### **Pool**

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## Brightwater Crime Watch Report

Cartwright entrance – Theft of 30-40 newly planted rose bushes

Pool – Police responded to trespassing teenagers

Brightwater Drive – Theft of pressure vacuum breaker. Green theft protection cages installed

Cartwright and Lexington entrances – Theft of approximately 20 Dianella plants from esplanades

A Brightwater resident was recently attacked while jogging early morning by two large one-year-old black Cane Corso/Italian Mastiff dogs. A non-resident had allowed the dogs off-leash in the open field near Southminster Church. Resident suffered multiple puncture wounds requiring medical treatment. Police responded, the dogs' owner received citations, and the dogs were placed in quarantine for 10 days as required by Texas law.



Cane Corso/Italian Mastiff dog

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- In 2016, home sale prices in Brightwater ranged from a low of \$250,000 to a high of \$385,000.
- The average length of time for a house to sell was 75 days.
- There are typically no more than ten homes on the market at any given time.
- Brightwater has a relatively low turnover, because people love this neighborhood!

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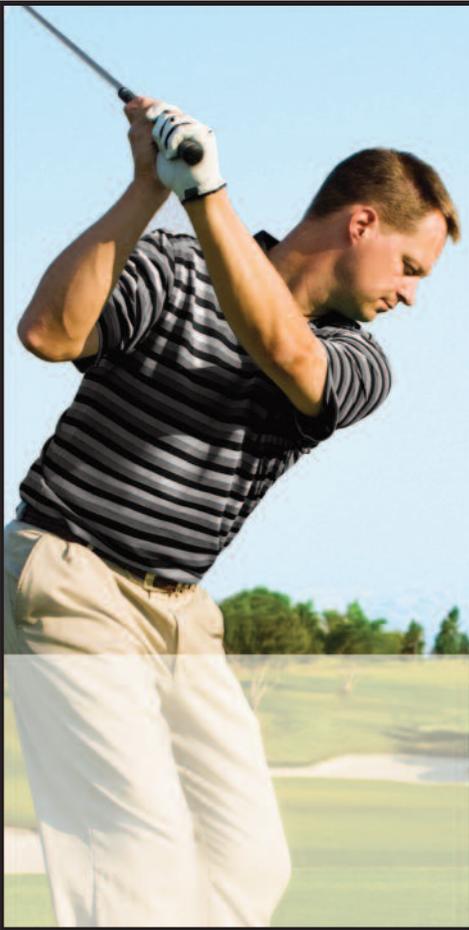
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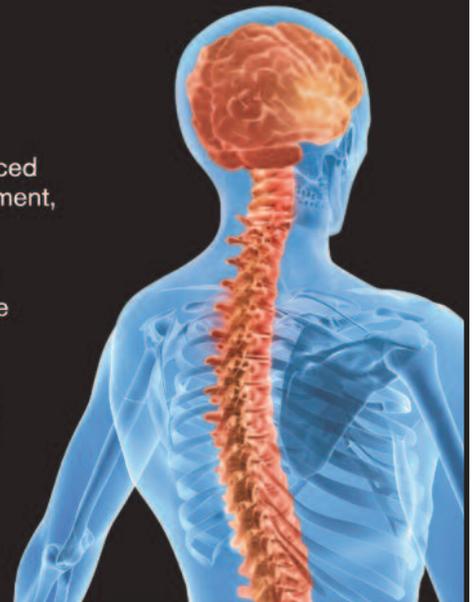
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