

Lakes Of Brightwater

COMING EVENTS

HOA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Clubhouse, 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 15

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

EVENING NEEDLEWORKERS

Members' homes, 7 p.m. Monday, December 7 Monday, January 4, 2016

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY

Clubhouse, 2-4 p.m. **Saturday, December 5**

BRIGHTWATER GARDEN CLUB

Clubhouse, 6:30 p.m. Monday, January 25, 2016

SOUP SOCIAL

Clubhouse, 12-2:30 p.m. **Sunday, January 31, 2016**

The Brightwater HOA fee for 2016 is \$735. Deadline for sending in this payment is January 31, 2016. Penalties begin to accrue for residents who have not paid after that date. If you have not received your HOA statement, please contact Crest Management at 281-579-0761.

HOLIDAY 2015

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2015 Holiday Decorations

Decorating for the holidays is around the corner. The Brightwater Garden Club Holiday Awards Committee will again be judging homes for outdoor design and decorations. Lighting, originality, creativity, and use of color and decorations are all considered in selecting the winners.

Signs will be placed in the yards of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place winners and three Honorable Mentions by members of the Garden Club. Homeowners who have won for at least three years will be recognized as being in the Hall of Fame. An Outstanding Street, Cul-de-Sac or Block will also be selected although no signage will be included. All winners will be announced in the e-Bulletin in mid-December and published in the Winter 2016 newsletter and on the Brightwater website. (Signs will be picked up by Garden Club members between January 2-5.)

Make Brightwater a colorful destination for Holiday sightseers once again! Decorations must be completed by December 14 to be eligible for judging.



Garden Club News:

November Meeting and 25th Anniversary Celebration

The Brightwater Garden Club met Monday, November 16, for its monthly meeting. Master Gardener Tricia Bradbury spoke on "The Right Tool for the Right Job" with recommendations of tools. books and gardening resources plus ideas of gardening related gifts. Immediately following the presentation, a brief reception was held to celebrate the Club's 25th Anniversary.

There will be NO meeting in December. On January 25th, Master Gardener Paula Goodwin will present a program "Garden Redesign: How to Create A Backyard Oasis."

For more information visit www.brightwatergardenclub.com

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BOARD REPORT

During our October **annual budget meeting** the Brightwater Board of Directors reviewed the current finances and determined that an increase in the Brightwater assessment was needed. The increase is due in part to current and upcoming improvements and a sizable write off of bad debt. The increase will be 6.5%. Each assessment will be \$735 up from \$690.

The **new playground** adjacent to the Clubhouse has been approved and construction will hopefully begin before the end of the year.

We hope that all residents will participate in our upcoming **2016 Directory**. You never know when a pipe can freeze, a storm can occur, or your pet becomes an escape artist. We hope we don't have to use the Directory in an emergency but it has been crucial at recovering pets and contacting owners even when they are out of town and a situation occurs. National Night Out is one way to connect and keep in touch, the Directory is our own Brightwater personal touch.

The **Refresh Committee** and the Board are extremely appreciative of all who turned out on October 8th to ask questions of our Landscape Architect. It was beneficial to all involved based on the questions asked and the input given. Your opinions and thoughts are helping to finalize the plan.

Rita McMahon, HOA President

Check out the Edible Arbor Trail which runs along Oyster Creek's west bank. Brightwater assisted with the project, sponsoring the Satsuma grove which is across from our neighborhood. Brightwater residents Diane Giltner and Pam Allen worked with Paul Wierzbicki, City Forester on our sponsorship trail sign. Edible fruits along the route include pomegranate, fig, pear, star fruit, mulberry, persimmon and kumquat among others.



Missouri City Police Department and...

MCPD Crime Stats for September - October 2015

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

(2) Criminal Mischief

(4) Ordinance Violations

(2) Forgeries

(5) Parking Violations

(1) Narcotics Investigation

(11) Traffic Stops

Brightwater Crime Watch

Sept. 6 Lakeside Meadow Ct: Vehicle ran into street sign and through yard

Sept. 7 Westshore Boat Park @ 8:30pm: Drug arrest

Sept. 9 Waterview Ct: Speeding/reckless driving

Oct. 30 Lakefront Dr: Speeding/reckless driving



Enjoy a Warm & Wonderful Thanksgiving!

CREST MANAGEMENT

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YARD OF THE MONTH WINNERS:



September, 2015 2015 Tradewinds



October, 2015 4206 Lakewood Court



November, 2015 4306 Dockside Court

Brightwater Crime Watch Report

MCPD Tips - Newly Purchased Items

Thieves are busiest during the upcoming holiday shopping season

- record serial numbers
- don't leave shopping bags in your vehicle
- deliveries left on doorstep are easily taken
- don't display gifts where visible from a window or doorway
- don't advertise new electronics-breakdown and fold discarded boxes to conceal contents



Vacation Watch: MCPD @ 281-403-8700 & BCW @ 281-499-0695

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Brightwater Soup Social

Sunday, January 31, 2016 12 Noon - 2:30 p.m.



Stop in to sample a variety of great soups from our community cooks and visit with your neighbors!

Bring a few cans of soup to donate to the Fort Bend Human Needs Ministry Food Bank.

For more information or to contribute a soup, contact Kent Hudson at 281-403-9269.

Adult Residents Only Please