

Lakes of Brightwater

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COMING EVENTS

HOA MONTHLY MEETINGS

Clubhouse, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27

Wednesday, October 25

Wednesday, November 15

BRIGHTWATER GARDEN CLUB

Clubhouse, 6:30 p.m.

Monday, September 25

Monday, October 23

Monday, November 13

BRIGHTWATER CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Clubhouse, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 14

Thursday, October 12

Thursday, November 9

For information, contact ramirezsusan51@gmail.com

NEEDLEWORKERS

Members' homes, 7:00 p.m.

Monday, September 4

Monday, October 2

Monday, November 6

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BRIGHTWATER CHESS CLUB

Clubhouse, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 10

Sunday, October 8

Sunday, November 12

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Brightwater HOA Elects New Board Officers

Brightwater's Annual Meeting, held Thursday, June 22 at Southminster Presbyterian Church, saw approximately 80 residents in attendance. The HOA's volunteers, an integral part of our neighborhood, were recognized and thanked for their service, then an overview of the year's past activities and events was presented.

Councilman Anthony Maroulis was introduced, along with City staff representing the Planning Division, Communications and the Missouri City Police Department.

Four candidates were running for three Board positions and made their respective presentations. The election was held and results showed Ginger Wright retained her Board seat and Brett Williams and Alexander Ansari won the two remaining Director positions.

Several residents participated in the homeowner forum with queries regarding ongoing deed violations, HOA landscaping, bicyclists on sidewalks and the possibility of a bike lane on Brightwater Drive.

In the July 26 meeting, Board officers were elected as follows:

President - Ginger Wright
Vice President - Al Robinson
Secretary - Alexander Ansari
Treasurer - Brett Williams
At Large - Joe Downing



Residents are always welcome to attend the monthly Board meetings, held at 6:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse on the fourth Wednesday of the month.

A note of sincere appreciation goes to outgoing Board members Fangming Zhu and Diane Mauricio for their past service. Fangming served as the Board Treasurer and Diane Mauricio as President from 2019 to 2023.

City Councilman Anthony Maroulis addresses the 2023 Brightwater HOA Annual Meeting.

Happening in Brightwater

HOA residents had a great selection of activities this summer and residents took advantage. Thanks to our Social Committee volunteers: Diane Giltner, Ginger Wright, Joanie Sharp, Susan Ramirez & Joseph Mauricio.

Chess Club:

A number of residents have joined the new Chess Club and enjoy the challenge of the game. Players meet on the second Sunday afternoon and all ages and all skill levels are welcome.



Middle School Pool Party: To kick off the summer season, Brightwater 8th graders gathered the first of June to have fun at the pool with their friends at the “No Parents Allowed” event. With pizza, pool toys and lots of laughter, it was fun for all and a great way to celebrate the end of school!



Landscape Report

After a pleasant spring, the record high temperatures are stressing out both people and plants. Despite the heat, the Landscape Committee is staying busy with a variety of projects:

Several plants have been replaced and the committee is holding off on others until cooler weather prevails. New and replacement plants include Sunshine Ligustrums, G.G. Gerbing azaleas and various lantanas, buddleias, and hibiscus. Summer annuals were installed June 7 and they appear to be holding their own. Of note, the plants in the Clubhouse planters appear to be reveling in this weather even if the residents are not. Superior Landscaping has been adjusting the irrigation to accommodate the high demands, and auditing and maintaining the sprinkler parts that need repair.

Brightwater Garden Club gifted the HOA with three Texas Vitex shrubs that have been planted in the bed between Jetty Terrace and Harbour Circle. We appreciate their generosity and they will be a lovely asset to our Greenbelt! After many years, the boom in the small lake failed to keep the lake lettuce contained. The HOA and Hurricane Lake Management worked with the City to get it replaced.

The committee has received bids to have all three of our playgrounds power washed and a contractor will be chosen in the coming weeks. Unfortunately, a weakened Hackberry tree has fallen in Northshore Park and it will be removed this month. The committee is closely monitoring that park as the lack of rain is causing concern about the trees, the bulk of which do not receive irrigation. The bullrock behind the deck benches at the Clubhouse will be replaced with a drainage pipe. After replacing the rocks twice, it became apparent youngsters were throwing them into the lake so a different drain option will be used.

Please be aware of your own irrigation needs, stay hydrated and hope for rain.

National Night Out

It's not too soon to think about coordinating a National Night Out block party! This year the event, celebrating its 40th anniversary, is slated for Tuesday, October 3 in Texas. NNO provides our residents an opportunity to celebrate the partnership between the Missouri City Police & Fire Departments and the Brightwater community. Crime and violence prevention tips and public safety awareness, along with enjoying friendships with neighbors is a hallmark of our subdivision's block parties. If you and your neighbors would like to host one, contact Diane Giltner at 281-499-0695 or dgiltner5@comcast.net.



Trash Collection Schedule for Brightwater

	September	October	November	December
Garbage Pick-up – Black bin provided by GFL, 281-403-5800, www.missouricitytx.gov	Every Tuesday and Friday	Every Tuesday and Friday	Every Tuesday and Friday	Every Tuesday and Friday
Recycling – Green bin provided by GFL, 281-403-5800, www.missouricitytx.gov	5 th & 19 th	3 rd , 17 th & 31 st	14 th & 28 th	12 th & 26 th
Yard refuse – in biodegradable bags; branches tied in bunches or personal garbage container of leaves, grass, etc.	Every Tuesday	Every Tuesday	Every Tuesday	Every Tuesday
Bulk Waste – Regular garbage bags of yard waste; large trash items that do not fit in garbage bins	5 th & 19 th	3 rd , 17 th & 31 st	14 th & 28 th	12 th & 26 th

The Fall School Semester started early this year: August 9. Be aware of children at neighborhood bus stops, drive safely and heed the rules of stopping behind the school bus.



The speed limit throughout Brightwater is 30 mph. Please keep safe and don't speed!

Hurricane Season runs June 1 - November 30. Make sure you have a plan for how to stay safe, protect your property and keep your important documents up-to-date. Some of the largest hurricanes to hit Texas did so late in the season, typically in August or September.

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Website Address
www.lakesofbrightwater.com

Yards of the Month



May – 1814 Lakewinds Drive



June – 4106 Frost Lake Circle



July – 1835 Brightlake Way

Please be courteous to residents walking on Brightwater sidewalks. If you are riding a bike and approaching walkers, call out to let them know you are passing.

Garage Sale: In spite of a blustery, cold Saturday in May, residents were happy with the turnout of brave buyers for their surplus wares. The event, held in the Clubhouse parking lot, will hopefully be an annual event.



Missouri City Police Department and...

April - June 2023

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

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| 1 911 Unknown | 1 Parking Violation |
| 1 911 Hang Up | 1 Person Down |
| 2 Alarms | 1 Runaway |
| 1 Open Door/Open Window | 1 Suicide Attempt in Progress |
| 1 Suspicious Activity | 1 Disturbance-Person |
| 2 Suspicious Vehicle | 1 Sex Offense-Fondling |
| 2 Assist Citizen | 1 Theft |

CREST MANAGEMENT

Crest Management manages the day-to-day operations and accounts of the Brightwater Homeowners Association. If you have correspondence issues, questions or concerns, please contact the HOA account managers:

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Brightwater Neighborhood Watch Report

Vacation Watch Registration – Police: 281-403-8700 – BNW: 281-499-0695

Reports include mischievous young males ringing a residence doorbell late at night and running away, parked vehicles in the street which aren't moved for months, large items left in a driveway for weeks and a decorative light pole still covered with holiday paper.

Neighbors in various sections of Brightwater continue to complain about residents feeding human food to ducks which makes a mess on driveways and sidewalks. **Please do not feed the ducks!**

A resident has volunteered to monitor Lakewinds Park, reporting issues with equipment, insects, etc. He will also be watching for suspicious activity or vehicles in the park. Two other volunteers monitor Westshore and Northshore Parks.





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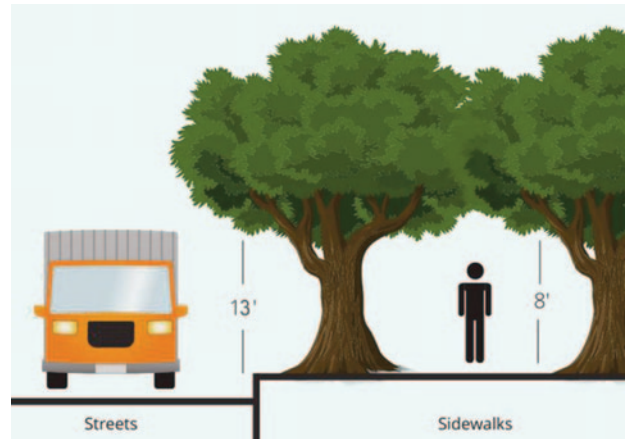


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Low Tree Branches

Both Missouri City and the Brightwater HOA require trees be kept prudently trimmed. Per City ordinance, tree limbs must be at least 8 feet above the sidewalks and 13 feet above the streets. Please check your tree limbs and trim them up if they don't meet these requirements. Also trim branches that impede traffic views at street intersections or hang over our cluster mailboxes. Thank you!



4th of July Parade: Residents, young and old, turned out for a great Independence Day Parade, followed by ice cream at the pool! With approximately 50 participants, the red, white and blue never looked so good. Parade goes rolled down Brightwater Drive and ended at the pool for some yummy treats!

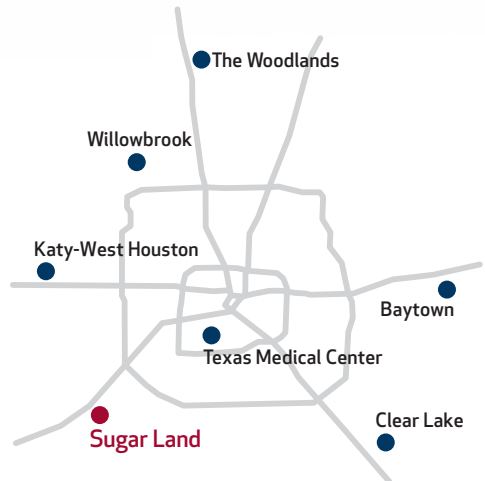




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The Brightwater Tennis Courts were recently refurbished and resident players are very pleased! New surrounding mesh was replaced, new LED lights and poles replaced the old lighting, a new backboard was installed, as was a new windscreen. New benches, matching others along the lake, replaced the faded plastic ones, a new entrance design was created and the two courts were pressured washed. Kudos go to Joseph Mauricio who coordinated this major project and thanks also to Joanie Sharp, the HOA tennis court coordinator.