Woodlands' Homeowners Association

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2021 Summer Newsletter

Message from Your HOA President

Thanks to all those who placed the flags in our neighborhood to celebrate Independence Day. I really appreciate everyone who volunteered for this task, especially in this summer heat!



As a reminder, the purpose of our subdivision restrictions is to maintain a uniform high quality in the homes in the Woodlands and to protect property values for all homeowners, present and future, in this subdivision. We can all agree that we want to live in a well-maintained neighborhood and get the highest dollar amount when/if we need to sell our homes. Letters from the HOA's Architectural Committee will soon be sent to homeowners who are not in compliance with the <u>subdivision restrictions</u>. Some of the most common violations include:

- Sidewalk has overgrown grass, dirt/sand, or fallen branches/limbs,
- Sidewalk is blocked by bushes/shrubs or low hanging tree branches,
- Vehicles are parked on the street and/or on the lawn,
- Home needs repair or cleaning,
- Mailbox and/or post need replacement, cleaning, or repair.

I encourage our homeowners to take this opportunity to correct any of these violations now before the letters go out to individual homeowners who are not in compliance. The **Helping Hands Committee** assists homeowners who are not able to complete a physical task in their yard due to age, disability, or extenuating circumstances. If you need assistance from the committee, send a request to woodlandsbrhoa@gmail.com. Or, if you want to volunteer to help your neighbors, send us an email.

Craig Winchell

Recruiting HOA Board Members and 2022 Elections

There are a couple of vacancies on the HOA Board of Directors, including the position of Vice-President. The board meets quarterly for normally no more than an hour. If you are interested in volunteering to be considered or learning more about these positions, please contact Craig Winchell at WoodlandsBRHOA@gmail.com. According to the bylaws, vacancies that occur in between elections shall be filled by the board of directors.

Elections for all 2022 officers and board members will be held at the January 2022 annual HOA meeting.

Help Prevent Street Flooding

As all homeowners are aware, rainwater collects on our neighborhood streets when it rains heavily. The water cannot drain as quickly because the gutters (between the street and your lawn) in many

areas are clogged with dirt, gravel, weeds, and other debris. PLEASE help prevent street flooding by keeping the gutters in front of your home clear.

Trash/Garbage Pickup

Homeowners in The Woodlands have experienced spotty trash and garbage collection, but we are not alone. This is a city-parish wide issue due to the COVID pandemic impacting drivers and staff. Read more about it in this newspaper article from Saturday's Advocate.

August Yard of the Month

Congratulations to the Frazier family, winners of August Yard of the Month. Check out their beautiful yard at 15620 Woodmoss Drive. The Fraziers received a \$50 Lowe's gift card for their efforts.

(Homeowners must be current on their HOA dues to be eligible to win.)



Reminders

3 Ways to Pay HOA Dues:

- Send \$50 check to HOA, P. O. Box 77382, Baton Rouge, LA 70817
- Drop off cash, check or money order at Tammy
 Freeman's house, HOA Treasurer, 15413 Woodmoss
- Pay \$52 through PayPal at @woodlandsbrtreasurer@gmail.com.

Regardless of your method of payment, please include your name, address, and email address.

Comments, Suggestions?

Your HOA Board welcomes suggestions to improve our association and neighborhood. Send your comments to the HOA's email address. Let's work together to improve our community!

HOA Website

Find the neighborhood restrictions, bylaws, newsletters and more at

www.WoodlandsBR.com

Streetlight and Road Repairs

To report a broken streetlight or a pothole, please call 311 or go to 311.BRLA.gov.

Newsletter Distribution

To save the cost of printing and postage, the newsletter is only disseminated electronically and is on the website. Please talk to your neighbors to see if they received the newsletter and if not, encourage them to send their email to woodlandsbrhoa@gmail.com or join the Woodlands Facebook group.