



MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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# Newsletter

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## CLEANING IT UP!

Tuesday, February 14th was the roll out of a new fulltime litter abatement initiative of St. Tammany Parish Government, Keep St. Tammany Beautiful and the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Office. The collaborative endeavor, and labor of love, will use two crews of prisoners working Monday through Friday picking up litter in the unincorporated areas of our parish. This will be an ongoing effort and was a huge undertaking. The parish has purchased two new 15 passenger vans to transport inmate cleanup crews to the littered locations. Litter locations will be selected based in part on citizen complaints and calls from Parish Council members. We can report violations by filling out a Litter Prevention Form at [keepsttammanybeautiful.org](http://keepsttammanybeautiful.org) and also can request a roadway cleanup using a form at that site. Don't be bashful about requesting a cleanup for North Military Rd. Magnolia Forest residents constantly talk about the litter on Military Rd., and now we have a resource to use to help keep it clean. Sheriff Smith is encouraging people to report violations, and he is serious about enforcement to get it to stop. Of course, keeping areas litter free starts with educating people not to litter and making them aware that litter is a crime. It is a violation of state law and parish ordinances.

In addition to the litter problem on N. Military Rd. and other roadways, there is litter in our subdivision. Several residents regularly pick up litter, mostly empty soda and water bottles, beer cans, paper cups and fast food wrappings, and we thank them. If you witness littering, try to get the license plate number and report it.

The parish Code Enforcement Department will conduct sweeps targeting illegal signs, which are considered litter, placed in the public right of way. These signs include advertising signs that are frequently placed at the entrance to subdivisions. Local justices of the peace and constables, who enforce litter laws, will assess maximum penalties for the most egregious violations.

**USE THE KEEP ST. TAMMANY BEAUTIFUL WEBSITE TO REQUEST A ROADWAY CLEANUP**

**[keepsttammanybeautiful.org](http://keepsttammanybeautiful.org)  
 click on "contact" then click on "road clean up request form"**



Magnolia Forest Homeowners 2017 Board Members: (left to right) Larry Campo, Carroll Knowles, Percy Courseault, Richard Koen, Mary Jean Herman, Bernard Ory and Louis (LJ) Deris. Not pictured committee members Margo Necaie, Jerry Fisher and John Campbell.

## MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The 2017 Board of Directors has met twice this year and continues to work to maintain a high quality of life in the Magnolia Forest community. We also represent our subdivision at Military Road Alliance Meetings, District 6<sup>th</sup> Community Meetings and frequently the Parish Council Meetings. In addition to the board, pictured above, association members Margo Necaie, Jerry Fisher and John Campbell serve on committees.



## MARCH GARDEN OF THE MONTH 808 Rosedown John and Lyell Braun

Magnolia Forest Garden Club members **Carol Carrigan** and **Carol Hodge** selected the yard of **John and Lynell Braun**, 808 Rosedown, as March Garden of the Month. Their lawn is a picture with azaleas, camellias and roses ready to bloom and two Live Oak Trees perfectly shaped and also giving shade to the front yard. Cast Iron Plants and a most unusual Banana Magnolia Tree add interest to the overall appearance of the yard. When the Magnolia Banana Tree is in full bloom, we were told the fragrance is truly the banana smell – and we got the smell of one!



*Pictured above is **Lonnie J. Landry**, reigning Chief Choctaw.*

### **ROYALTY IN THE FOREST KREWE OF CHOCTAW**

Our neighbor, **Lonnie J. Landry**, reigned as Chief Choctaw. Chief Choctaw and His Mighty Warriors celebrated their 82<sup>nd</sup> year of Mardi Gras with a parade on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> and a ball, which they call a Pow-Wow, in January. The Krewe of Choctaw originated in 1935 as a Westbank parade and moved to the traditional New Orleans downtown route in 2013. Three of the Chief's grandchildren, Chole Grace Landry, Olivia Grace Landry and Julia Elizabeth Landry, served as Royal Papooses. In the past, both Lonnie's father and his brother reigned as Chief Choctaw. He had a great ride and a wonderful time which is obvious by the big smile on his face in the picture as his float approached Gallier Hall. Lonnie and his wife, **JoAnn**, have lived in Magnolia Forest since 2004.

#### **The following homes in Magnolia Forest are on the market:**

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|---------------|------------------|
| 716 Ashland   | 601 Burnside     |
| 605 Burnside  | 715 Fischer      |
| 105 Houmas    | 926 Morgan Bluff |
| 455 Parlange  | 814 Pine Alley   |
| 510 Southdown | 518 Southdown    |
| 200 Woodlawn  |                  |

## **MAGNOLIA FOREST UPDATES**

### **SHERIFF PATROLS**

There were two St. Tammany Parish Sheriff patrols in the subdivision in December, which resulted in three speeding warnings (all residents) and five warnings for failure to stop at stop signs (3 residents, 2 non-residents). Officers reported that all who were stopped were courteous.

### **AUDIT**

The Magnolia Forest Homeowners' Association 2016 accounting records were audited by Greg Necaise and found to be in good order.

### **CRAWFISH BOIL**

In last month's newsletter, Jerry Fisher, our social chairman, asked residents to email him if they were interested in the board sponsoring a crawfish boil. He only received two positive responses. This endeavor will be scrapped unless he receives more interest.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

**Kelsey Holmes** recently started a new business, **KNC Lawn Care** (984-640-2809, or [kelseyholmes23@gmail.com](mailto:kelseyholmes23@gmail.com)). Kelsey is a lifelong resident of Magnolia Forest. He graduated from Pearl River High School and joined the Marine Corps Reserves soon afterwards. After receiving his basic training at Parris Island, South Carolina, he enrolled in a three-month rigorous training program at LSU in Baton Rouge to be a fireman. After completing the training program, he was immediately hired by the Slidell Fire Department and is currently assigned to Slidell Fire District #1. He is the son of **Jay** and **Kimberly Holmes** and grandson of **Jerry** and **Nancy Fisher**, all residents of Magnolia Forest. *(We are happy to announce new businesses and accomplishments of association members.)*

### **REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FROM THE PARISH**

If you see problems in the subdivision that need attention from the parish, contact Debbie at the parish public works "barn" at 893-5392. She can put in a request for street repairs, clean-out ditches, repair or replace street signs, trim bushes in the right of way and more.

## The Association has 94 members for 2017

Anderson P & J	Deris B & L	Habbab T	Loupe C	Ryan P & D
Barbero J & Kaehrle W	DiMeglio N	Harding G	Madary B & G	Sanders G
Berdine F & B	Dugas C & C	Harrison J	Mayeux L	Schafer P
Bermingham M & A	Dunton J & D	Herman M	McDowell K & D	Sims M & J
Bernard J & L	Dupuy G & A	Hodge C	McInerney J	Smith C & L
Bonnett G & L	Dwyer J & L	Holbrook J & D	Melancon F	Solar R & S
Boos M & B	Farley M & S	Holley T & A	Merrill M	Srinivas D
Bowman W	Finnin M & J	Houser M	Morton F & G	Stanton B & M
Brandt B & L	Fischer K & B	Howell M & P	Nash A & G	Tomsic A
Braun J & L	Fisher N	Kelly M	Nelson B	Trasher D & Foy M
Burgueno E & B	Follette M	Knowles C & L	Pecot J & L	Trowbridge O & K
Campbell J & C	Foster B	Koen R & J	Piekarski C & D	Verges N & B
Campo L & M	Fovert J	Lambert L	Pousson D & J	Wallace B & R
Cannon M	Frichter G & G	Lambert L & K	Raffo C & N	Wilbourn J & C
Carrigan G & C	GallacherD	Landry P & L	Rao P	Wilcox H & B
Cooney M & T	Gernon E	Leach B & C	Rees R & Powers J	Williams C & J
Corbin J & P	Goodson F	Leake J & K	Rockwell B	Wingrave D & D
Courseult P & J	Gunderson S & S	Leitz G & S	Rose J & B	Zeringue M & D
Dawson C & M	Gust L	Lewis J & M	Round C & J	

### MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

**2017 Family Membership \$50**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Beautification Donation**            \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Donation for Extra Sheriff patrols**    \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
  
**Total Enclosed**                        \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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