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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Mother's Day this year will be celebrated on Sunday, May 13th.
Below are a few Mother's Day quotes you may enjoy:

It kills you to see them grow up. But I guess it would kill you if they didn't. — Barbara Kingsolver

Mothers hold their children's hand for a short while, but their hearts forever. —Unknown

A mother is a person who seeing that there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she did not care for pie.— Tenneva Jordan

FROM THE EDITOR

We celebrate Memorial Day this year on Monday, May 28, 2018. It is a day of remembrance for those who have sacrificed their lives in our nation's service. It is difficult to pinpoint exactly when the first Memorial Day was celebrated; however, General John A. Logan, the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for the Union signed General Order No. 11 on May 5, 1868, designating May 30th as a day to honor fallen soldiers. New York was the first state to officially recognize Memorial Day as a holiday in 1873.

There are several ceremonies being conducted on Memorial Day within the Slidell area. However, one of the ways Magnolia Forest residents can observe Memorial Day is to fly your American Flag or the MIA/POW Flag. On each Memorial Day and Veterans Day the American Legion, Post 185, North Shore Honor Guard places over 400 flags at the grave sites of veterans in the Slidell area. In addition, the Honor Guard officially conducts a firearm salute and presents an American Flag to a family member at approximately 50 funerals per year.

Veterans Day in November is another time of year that we honor those who currently serve and those who have served our country. In the November newsletter, I normally publish the names of the Magnolia Forest veterans. If you are a veteran and moved into the Magnolia Forest subdivision within the last three years, I may not have you listed. Therefore, if you fit into the above category, would you please send me the following: Name, branch of service, and dates served. You can forward this information to me through whatever media is convenient for you.

## FROM THE EDITOR (cont'd)

Please note: Your comments are welcome. If you would like to see something in the newsletter, my contact information is always on the front page of the newsletter. If you do not have email, you may contact me by phone at: 985-863-9998, or 504-975-2172(c).

### A FOLLOW – UP

In last month's issue I wrote an editorial about a dog attack incident. I thought that would be a wake-up call for dog owners to contain/control their dogs. However, I have had **several** calls/notifications about unleashed dogs that continue roaming the neighborhood. At least two reports were about a **large black dog** (neither party could identify), **and a smaller black dog which had the appearance of a bull dog puppy**. These dogs frequent the area around Pine Alley down to Morgan Bluff and on Nottaway. If you are the owner of these dogs, please be aware if this problem continues to exist, you **will** be reported to the Parish. Unfortunately, these are not the only dogs that have been reported running loose. Once again, I am requesting that you **please** keep your pets under control.

### COYOTE SPOTTED

Over the past few months we have been getting reports of coyotes showing up in the Morgan Bluff area; however, within the past few weeks there was one spotted on Elmwood Drive, which probably means that we may have more than one in the area. One resident informed me that she had two cats disappear in the area of one of the sightings.

Under **normal circumstances** coyotes are not aggressive toward human beings. There have been very few recorded instances of coyotes attacking humans. However, it should be noted that coyotes are wild animals are not domesticated; therefore, nothing is guaranteed. Coyotes, however, are known to attack domesticated pets.

Coyotes are wary of humans and usually your presence will drive them off. However, if you do encounter a coyote, maintain eye contact, wave your arms, clap your hands, and shout in an authoritative voice.

If you encounter a coyote while walking your dog, maintain eye contact. **Do not turn your back or run.** Running away may trigger the coyote's prey drive and may cause it to chase you.

## FROM THE EDITOR (cont'd)

### MAGNOLIA FOREST GARDEN CLUB DOES IT AGAIN

The town of Pearl River won first place for Category E (towns with a population of 2,500 to 4,999) at the district level of the Cleanest City Contest sponsored by the Louisiana Garden club Federation. The City of Pearl River was sponsored by---you guessed it, the **Magnolia Forest Garden Club**. The garden club also helped with planning and providing refreshments for the judging and the clean-up day. Garden Club member Carroll Knowles said she knew they were in good shape when one of the judges commented, "I could move here" and another judge commented that when they inadvertently had to detour on their way to Pearl River "that the off-route roadways were litter free."

The town now moves to the next level where it competes for the cleanest city in the state against towns with a similar population. Recently, the town sponsored a well-organized clean-up day with citizens, businesses and civic groups participating.

### GARDEN OF THE MONTH

**Jay and Betty Rose** are the recipients of the April Garden of the Month award from the Magnolia Forest Garden Club. Garden club members **Susan Baker** and **Carroll Knowles** were the April judges. Their lovely lawn and gardens are well maintained. The landscape includes a beautiful Belinda's Dream rose on one corner of the house with striking Knockout roses on the other corner with purple Viola plants providing an additional accent color. Filling in the front are two varieties of Lorapetalum shrubs, Shishi sasanquas, Noisette rose, and ever-blooming spirea. Along the walkway are shade-loving ferns, dwarf azaleas and Indian Hawthorne. Recovering from the freeze are Little John bottlebrush plants and Aztec grass that will add to the overall beauty their yard provides the neighborhood.

**PLEASE SLOW DOWN**

We continually receive reports about speeding vehicles in the neighborhood. The speeders are mostly residents, and the occurrences are mostly on the main thoroughfares, i.e. Oak Alley, Fischer, and Morgan Bluff. Because of the increased number of reports, you may be witnessing increased patrols in these areas. In addition, the board will be looking into placing warning signs throughout the neighborhood. If you have any suggestions as to how to make our subdivision safer, please contact any member of the board. We will give all suggestions a serious review.

**Happy Cinco de Mayo**

Cinco de Mayo (5<sup>th</sup> of May) is observed annually on the anniversary of the Mexican victory in 1862 in the fight for independence from France. It is a festival of Mexican Pride and heritage in the United States.

**SLIDELL LITTLE THEATER**

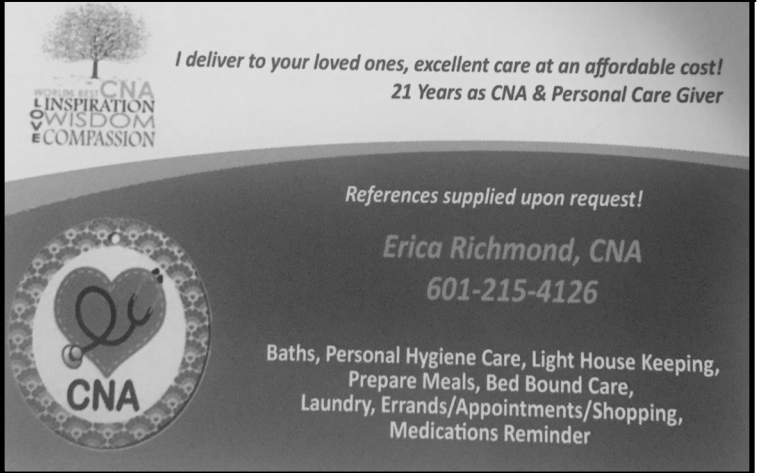
The **Addams Family** will be conducted at the Slidell Little Theater throughout the month of May. The Addams Family is a musical comedy with music and lyrics by Andrew Lippa and the book by Marshall Brickman and Rick Elice. The show is based upon the Addams Family characters created by Charles Addams in his single-panel gag cartoons, which depict a ghoulish American family with an affinity for all things macabre.

**ADVERTISING SPECIAL**

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Birmingham M & A	Cusimano N & E	Gray K	Leake J & K	Pousson D & J	Sullivan D & D
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