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THE GREAT MAGNOLIA
FOREST

YEARLY YARD SALE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

7 A.M. to Noon

Louis (LJ) & Beryl Deris, Co-Chairs
985-863-7875

MFHA Members \$5
Non-members \$10

REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 28th with fee. Make check payable to Magnolia Forest Homeowners Association. It is important to register by September 28 so maps can be prepared. Maps with yard sale locations will be distributed at the Fischer and Oak Alley entrances. See registration form below.

Magnolia Forest subdivision started the Great Magnolia Forest Yard Sale in 1980, and it attracts a crowd, so expect the traffic to move slowly in areas with multiple sales. It is an opportunity to sell items that you no longer have a use for, and it also reduces the number of yard sales that would probably occur in the subdivision throughout the year. In more recent years, residents in other subdivisions in the area have piggy-backed onto our sale, which increases the traffic on Military Road. Please drive carefully, and be alert to pedestrians milling about. There will be a deputy on duty to help with traffic congestion. There are expenses that go along with this event, and it must be self-supporting. If you plan to participate, please register and pay your registration fee!

Register by September 28

Mail to:

NAME _____

Louis & Beryl Deris

ADDRESS _____

504 Hermitage Court

PHONE _____

Pearl River, LA 70452

MFHA Members @ \$5 \$ _____

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AUGUST GARDEN OF THE MONTH

Richard and Joy Koen

418 Ormond Drive

The home of Richard and Joy Koen at 418 Ormond Drive was selected as Garden of the Month for August by Judges Carol Hodge and Janet Fouert of the Magnolia Forest Garden Club. The lawn was beautifully manicured with shrubs neatly trimmed throughout the yard. The jasmine ground cover was neatly pruned, as were the azaleas, nandinas and boxwood. The lampposts along the drive added an inviting accent, and the uncluttered landscape gave it an overall park-like appearance.

This yard demonstrates that although colorful plants and seasonal flowers often add an additional level of interest to a landscape, they are not necessary for a prize-winning yard.

Speed Limit Changes Update

In our August 2018 newsletter, the board discussed raising the speed limit from 20 to 25 mph at the request of a number of residents. We asked for a traffic study to be conducted by the parish public safety division. According to the director of engineering, the increase was approved by the parish and executed. We contacted the parish on the change and advised them that we still had to vote on the changes. They explained this was a parish decision and did not need the approval of the subdivision. Parish decisions on streets trumps covenants regulations. Overall response from our residents has been positive. Submitted by **Pete Giuffria**.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Our neighbors, Jason and Beth Scamardo, at 105 Houmas Ct. lost their home to a horrible fire. As you can imagine, trash and debris were thrown everywhere across their property.

Our neighbors on Houmas Court got together last week and cleaned up the property. I'd like to give a shout out to the **Bonnecare** family, the **Haaga** family, the **Black** family and the **Barrelle** family for stepping up to help the Scamardo family. We hope the Scamardo family decides to rebuild their home and stay in our great neighborhood. Submitted by **Pete Giuffria**.

One Lake Project info., both pro and con can be found by going to "Google" and simply putting in One Lake Project. You will be inundated with multiple discussions.

Notice: If you have an old car or trailer that you want to discard, you can call **Kenny Hunt** at **601-273-2078**. He will pick up the vehicle at no cost to you.

Social Event We have received positive feedback for the proposed hayride; therefore, we will move forward. Because Halloween is fast approaching, we need to know the families that will definitely participate. Therefore, please call or email **Pete Giuffria** not-later-than September 28, 2018 to let him know the number of participants in your family. Pete's contact information is located on Page 1, left hand column of this newsletter.

THE GREAT MILITARY ROAD & NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP

Keep St. Tammany Beautiful (KSTB), the Military Road Alliance and District 9 Councilman Gene Bellisario are joining with subdivisions along Military Road for a cleanup day on Saturday, September 15th. KSTB board members, **Cathy Henderson** and **Carroll Knowles**, have been calling on businesses along Military Road asking them to clean litter and debris from their landscaping and public areas surrounding their businesses. They are then asked to sign a pledge to continue to keep their area litter free and provide ample options for disposal of trash including cigarette butts.

Magnolia Forest residents are asked to help by picking up litter in the subdivision.

If pickup sticks, vests, gloves and trash bags are needed, please contact Carroll Knowles (carrollknowles@bellsouth.net). Otherwise, just pick up what you can and dispose of it. Keeping our neighborhood clean helps to maintain our property values and is a deterrent to crime and vandalism. If you have any questions, please contact Carroll.

PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE RACCOONS

We have received a deluge of complaints/concerns regarding the raccoons that are appearing on Oak Alley near Military Road. It has been reported that at times as many as 20 raccoons can be spotted from the road. This is not good.

One of the reasons for so many raccoons is that someone has been feeding them. Whoever is doing this probably thinks that they are performing a good deed; however, the opposite is true.

I cannot word the reasons for not feeding the raccoons any better than one of our neighbors did with her posting on the Magnolia Forest Next Door Neighbor Site. Below are the words of **Sherry Gunderson**, Magnolia Forest resident:

By feeding the raccoons “They are creating a unnatural imbalance to the wildlife causing the raccoons population to increase beyond the normal caring capacity of the environment. And, the raccoons are losing their natural fear of humans. The raccoons lose their natural ability to forage for food and start to rely more and more on humans. They will start breaking into people’s garages and garbage cans looking for food. What this will do will increase the raccoon-human interactions more and more. The natural consequence of this interaction will have a negative reaction. Someone, perhaps a child or adult could be bitten, scratched, or seriously injured.”

In addition to the above, there have also been sightings of an alligator in and around that area

We have been informed that male alligators are on the move this time of year and could very well be passing through the bayou. However, they may hang around a little longer if they are attracted to easy food, the raccoons.

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