



## MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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# Newsletter

• MAGNOLIA FOREST IS A RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS COMMUNITY •

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## WASTE MANAGEMENT FOLLOW-UP

There seems to be miscommunication with the local Waste Management office, trash collectors, and their regional office. Following is a picture of Waste Management's contract with Magnolia Forest. It states that residents receive trash pickups twice a week, with the large 96-gallon can and 2 smaller cans.

Some residents have reported different prices for Waste Management service. Please check your Waste Management bill to make sure you are not being charged in excess of \$18.00 per month. This fee includes your recycling pick-up. If you are billed quarterly, your bill should not exceed \$54.00 per quarter. If you have a billing or trash pickup issue, please contact Waste Management customer service at 1-866-909-4458. Let the service representative know that you are a Magnolia Forest resident and that you should be receiving this special program price for the aforementioned trash service. If you do not get a satisfactory resolution, please get the service representatives name and send Pete an email (petegiuffria@gmail.com) stating the issue, date and time of the call, the service representative's name, and Waste Management's response.

Waste Management is providing Magnolia Forest with a roll-off container for residents to utilize for bulk trash disposal. We are coordinating the waste bin availability with the Oct. 3 Magnolia Forest Garage Sale. That way, as you are cleaning out your house preparing for the yard sale, you can purge bulky items. The bin will be available the afternoon of Friday, Oct. 2 through Monday, Oct. 5 on Ormond Drive near the water plant. Please do not leave trash outside of the bin.

1. **TERM.** The Services to be provided pursuant to this Agreement shall commence on **April 1, 2019** and continue through **April 1, 2024** unless extended by mutual agreement of the parties in writing.
2. **SERVICES RENDERED.** Waste Management shall provide two (2) days a week collection of residential waste materials and recycling one (1) day a week. Residential waste shall be collected pursuant to the following specifications:
  - a. Waste Management shall provide one ninety-six (96) gallon cart and one (18) gallon bin for each residential unit. New subscribers will be subject to an one time \$25 cart delivery charge.
  - b. All carts shall be placed by the Magnolia Forest Resident no later than 6:00 a.m. at the curb of each residence. The carts shall be readily accessible to Waste Management and its equipment.
  - c. The volume of waste collected each collection day shall be limited to one ninety-six (96) gallon cart per residential unit and up to two (2) personal garbage carts/cans.
  - d. The volume of recyclables will be limited to one (18) gallon bin.
  - e. Waste Management will provide one (1) 30-yard roll-off once a year for residents to dispose of bulky waste items. Waste Management will only charge the HOA the disposal fee from the tonnage in the roll-off. No fee will be charged for the container or delivery. Residents with bulky waste disposal needs throughout the year may go to WM.com for Bagster options or call for further information.

## Parish Codes, Magnolia Forest Covenants and You

The St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances are rules that help maintain the quality of life in St. Tammany Parish. They govern the activities of both residents and businesses. The Parish Code Enforcement Division is responsible for all ordinance violation investigation and enforcement action. These rules cover a number of topics and can be found at the St. Tammany Parish Government web-site. Anyone can make an ordinance violation complaint to the Parish Code Enforcement Division and these complaints are kept strictly confidential. Although the MFHA does forward member's complaints of violation, residents do report ordinance violations to the parish directly keeping the origins of the complaint completely anonymous. The majority of Magnolia Forest residents are very courteous neighbors and are very vigilant in maintaining their property thus keeping Magnolia Forest a desirable place to live.

Most violation complaints in Magnolia Forest fall within CHAPTER 14, Nuisances, and Chapter 15, Miscellaneous, and deal with the following:

### SEC. 14-002.00

(B) Accumulation of rubbish, trash, refuse, junk discarded or abandoned major appliances or other machinery, metal, tin and/or other discarded or abandoned materials, metals, lumber or other things, on any vacant lot, or any portion of any occupied lot, neutral ground, street, sidewalk, drainage way or any public or private right of way.

(C) Any condition which provides harborage for rats, mice, snakes and other vermin.

(E) All noises and sounds, including animal noises, that are unreasonably loud and intrusive, raucous, jarring or disturbing and which essentially interfere with the right of privacy within ones home or unreasonably interfere with the use of one's residential property.

(M) Contractor s rubble, ...residue of "do it yourself" repairs or other like operations ....

(N) Building debris which is defined for the purposes hereof as plaster, roofing, concrete, brickbats, sand, discarded electrical wiring, lumber, pipes and fixtures resulting from construction repair, renovation or remodeling of any building, structure or appurtenance thereto.

### SEC. 14-010.00

(A) It shall be unlawful for the owner of any lot, place or area within all subdivisions, within one hundred feet (100 ) of all homes, business places or establishments and within one hundred feet (100 ) of the exterior right of way limits of all State Highways and Parish roads or streets in the Parish of St. Tammany, or the agent of such owner, to permit on such lot, place or area, or upon any sidewalk abutting same, any weeds, grass, or deleterious, unhealthful growths over fifteen inches (15") in height, trash, debris, refuse, discarded or noxious matter, that may be growing, lying or located thereon

### Sec. 14-016.00

The prolonged presence of abandoned, inoperative, dismantled or wrecked vehicles on public and/or private property.

### Litter Prevention

#### SEC. 15-001.02 Responsibility

A. The owner, his agent and occupant of any property shall maintain the premises in a sanitary and litter-free condition.

## July Garden of the Month

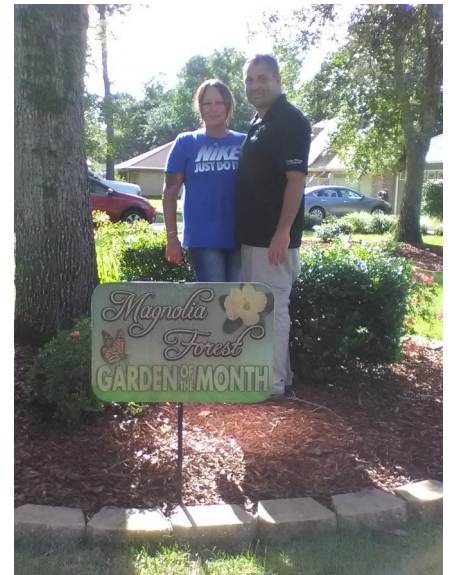
Congratulations to the Diers, Jennifer, Joe and their son Jeffery, 700 Ashland Dr., winners of the July Garden of the Month Award sponsored by the Magnolia Forest Garden Club and judged by Flo Johnston and Carol Carrigan. The lawn, lush and green, is mowed to a perfect height with nary a weed to be found. The garden consists of Caladiums, Cast Iron, Variegated Ginger, Lilly of The Valley, Vincas, Hosta, Sasanquas, Camellias, Sago Palma, and Box Holly. Pine trees and blooming Crepe Myrtles add to the overall beauty of the pleasant garden. Many Thanks to our neighbors for keeping Magnolia Forest looking so beautiful!



## August Garden of the Month

Charles and Bonnie Kennedy's beautiful yard at 911 Tranquility was selected as August 2020's Yard of the Month by Judges Beryl Deris and Faye Vogt. The neatly trimmed yard and blooming Azaleas gave color to the garden. The shrubs and greenery are well trimmed and freshly mulched. The front door's floral wreath and the Saints bench help enhance the Kennedy residence's welcoming garden.

The Magnolia Forest Garden Club is a federated member of the Louisiana Garden Club, Inc., The National Garden Club, Inc., and The Deep South Garden Club, Inc.



## OAK ALLEY ENTRANCE UPDATE

A huge shout-out to Pete Giuffria for working diligently with Utilities, Inc. to make sure areas damaged by their contractors were repaired. This has been an on-going issue since February with Utilities Inc. not willing to accept responsibility. In mid-July, Utilities Inc resodded a 350 x 8 ft<sup>2</sup> section. A huge thank you to Pete and LJ Deris for helping keep the newly laid sod watered during this brutally hot summer!

## STILL TIME TO JOIN THE MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

The HOA board is always pleased to try and help all of our neighbors who call with problems or concerns regarding our subdivision. The funny thing is that many of the calls for assistance come from those who do not join the Association. Just as we want to assist all residents, the Association would appreciate it if all residents would respond positively when we send out requests for membership. All homeowners benefit from having a strong and well financed HOA. Please join the Association to help our efforts in maintaining and improving our subdivision, including keeping Magnolia Forest beautiful and a safe place we all call home!

# The Association has 186 members

## An updated list will be included in the September newsletter

### EDITOR'S CORNER

- Please remember the annual Magnolia Forest Yard Sale is on Saturday, October 3. It is not too soon to start gathering things for the sale. And if you have items you'd like to get rid of, but not wanting to host a yard sale, the Magnolia Forest Garden Club is accepting donations of yard sale items, other than clothes.
- We are planning the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Halloween Hayride! If you would like to help plan and setup this great neighborhood event, please email Gina ([funkyjunkgal@yahoo.com](mailto:funkyjunkgal@yahoo.com)).
- Would you like to be a part of the Magnolia Forest Homeowners Association Board? We're looking for volunteers to help with upcoming neighborhood events, neighborhood watch and numerous other teams. Would you like to nominate a neighbor that you think would be an awesome addition to the Board? Please contact any board member on the front of the newsletter for more information.
- Stay tuned for the December's MFHA General Meeting date and location, where we will have a number of guest speakers from organizations impacting our neighborhood, vote on next year's MFHA Board, as well as refreshments.

### The Green Team

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*Thank you MFHA for your continued support.*

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**Hours:**

**Mon-Fri; 8:00am - 6:30pm**

**Sat: 8:00am - 2:30pm**

**Sun: Closed**

## MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

2020 Family Membership \$50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Beautification Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation for Extra Sheriff patrols \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to MFHA

Mail to: MFHA

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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email address – For Neighborhood Watch

Do you want email address included in 2020 directory?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number to be included in 2020 directory