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MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 7:00 p.m.

Northminister Presbyterian Church

63140 N. Military Road

2021 BOARD ELECTION

Current board members Peter Giuffria, Lynn Brandt, Bob Meltz, Gina Nash, and Allison Winkler are eligible to remain on the board.

The following are new candidates for the board:

Alisha Arieux, David Hanley, and Paul Rao.

Those present at the meeting will vote to elect these 8 board members.

Other agenda items include:

- Brief reports from current board members
A vote on 3 proposed by-laws changes (see page 2 for proposed by-laws changes)
Parish Councilman Mike Smith
Waste Management's Donald Hains
Refreshments

NOVEMBER GARDEN OF THE MONTH

The Magnolia Forest Garden Club awarded November's Garden of the Month to Greg and Margo Necaie at 805 Pine Alley. The yard is a fall feast for the eyes with many blooming flowers including coleus, impatiens, sunshine ligustrum, beautiful yellow and orange mums, and airplane, corn, and copper plants. A small wagon of pumpkins, along with a large old family wagon and a friendly scarecrow, seated on bales of hay, completed the wonderful fall decorations. Congratulations to Greg and Margo!

Judges for November were Betty Rose and Judy Cogle.

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.

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Proposed By-Laws Changes

Article V, A Board of Directors

Currently reads:

The Board of Directors shall consist of nine (9) members elected by the General Membership. Only one person from each household may serve as Director at one time.

Change to:

The Board of Directors shall consist of nine (9) members elected by the General Membership. In the event nine (9) members are not elected, the board will consist of the number that is elected and appointed. Only one person from each household may serve as Director at one time.

Rationale: If the Association cannot get (9) members willing to serve on the board, the board will consist of whatever they have.

Article VII, I Election of Directors

Currently reads:

In the event a Directorship is vacated before the term expires, a new Director shall be appointed by the President. The newly appointed Director shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Change to:

In the event a Directorship is not filled or is vacated before the term expires, a Director may be appointed by the President with approval of a majority of the current board.

Rationale: This change adds the words "is not filled" and will allow the President, with approval of the board, to add Directors to fill vacancies regardless of whether or not the vacancy is because of someone not completing their term.

Article VII, B Election of Directors

Currently reads:

The Board of Directors shall be elected as prescribed by these By-Laws for a term of office of two years. Directors may not serve more than two consecutive terms. At the formation of this Association, the four members of the Board of Directors who are elected as officers shall serve for a term of office to expire 31 December 1978 and the remaining five shall serve for a term to expire 31 December 1977. Thereafter, all members of the Board shall be elected for terms of two years.

Change to:

The Board of Directors shall be elected as prescribed by these By-Laws for a term of office of two years. Directors may not serve more than three consecutive terms. At the formation of this Association, the four members of the Board of Directors who are elected as officers shall serve for a term of office to expire 31 December 1978 and the remaining five shall serve for a term to expire 31 December 1977. Thereafter, all members of the Board shall be elected for terms of two years.

Rationale: Often it is difficult to fill a Directorship, and there are those who will serve another term even though they have already served two consecutive terms. Increasing the number of consecutive terms from two to three will allow the membership to vote for a Director who has completed two consecutive terms if the Director is willing to serve an additional term.

HALLOWEEN HAYRIDE 2020

Magnolia Forest celebrated our 3rd annual Halloween Hayride on Oct. 31st with gorgeous weather and a beautiful full moon! Our annual event hosted about 160 children trick-or-treating and 80 adults riding in our hayride! Due to the huge turn-out, we had two hayride trains traveling through the neighborhood. The caravans consisted of 15 trailers, 20 vehicles, and a number of golf carts, many with Spooktacular decorations transporting a motley crew including a sumo wrestler, super heroes, ghouls, princesses, and T-Rexes!

This year's decorated treat stops were even more over the top! Winners for **Most Festive Treat Stop** go to the lovely ladies of Houmas Ct., **Barbara Burgueno** and **Chrys Giuffria**. Honorable mention haunts go out to the Barrelle and Nash Families on Monticello Ct., Bobby and Tamy Rispoli on Southdown, and the McCloud and Hanley Families on Elmwood. Please check out our Magnolia Forest HOA Facebook page to see pictures from the Halloween Hayride.

Winners of the **Most Festive Trailer** goes to the **Adams Family** blinged-out ride, complete with Halloween lights and skeletons galore! Winners of the **Most Original Costume** goes to our two T-rexes, **David Hanely Jr.** and **Andrew Hanley!** They did an impressive job trying to stay upright while their trailer was in transit!

A huge shout-out to our volunteers who made this a successful event. Thank you to the following residents for donating and towing trailers for our hayride:

Bob & June Barrelle

Daniel & Melissa Keicher

Keith & Sue Sierra

Cliff & Christine Dugas

Alycia Long

Pete Giuffria

Jamie Girod

Joseph and Janalee Sanders

David Hanley

Nicole Boudoin

Mike Polk

Larry Johnson

Nick & Meghan Black

Lynn & Lisa Adams

Margo & Greg Necaise

Kelli Olave

Patricia Portera

Thank you to over 30 families for passing out treats at our 13 stops. We really do appreciate your time and generosity!

Thank you to our judges, **Erin Marvel**, **Tracy Sheffield**, and **Samantha Niemeck** for making the tough decision on choosing our winners as well as **Gabriela Hart**, **Greg Necaise**, and **Keith & Sue Sierra** for leading our waves of trick-or-treaters as train captains and **Tracy Sheffield** as our balloon captain for helping the police officers identify treat stops with balloons. Also, special thanks to **Bob & June Barrelle** and **Gina Nash** for organizing the hayride.

It was amazing that we were able to pull together and make a wonderful memory for so many children this year in spite of the many hurdles leading up to the hayride. Thank you to all of our neighbors who participated and helped to bring joy and "normal" to our neighborhood family!

For pictures of the hayride, please visit our Facebook page.



MAGNOLIA FOREST CELEBRATES OUR VETERANS

Veterans Day is a day we honor all those who have served our country in war and peace. We will celebrate Veterans Day next Wednesday, November 11, marking the end of WWI, which formally ended on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918, when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. Magnolia Forest is proud to have over 40 men and women who have served our country! Please fly your American Flag to help honor our neighborhood veterans. If you have a flag that is faded or torn, please contact American Legion, Post 185 at (985) 643-9317 on how to properly dispose of it.

U.S. Air Force	
Edward (Ed) Holbert	1956-1963
Harley E. Hurlburt	1965-1969
Larry Johnson	1970-1974
Woody Johnston	1957-1962
Lenny Knowles	1956-1978
Cyril Prattini	1953-1957
William Ruscoe	1978-1998
Ronald Uhler	1970-1974



U.S. Army	
Gerald B. Dupuy	1963-1969
George Frichter	1958-1964
Charles Harper	22 years
Thomas Holley	1966-1968
Darren Landreneau	1986-1995
Joseph Laundry	1961-1985
J.R. McInerney	1960-1962
Thomas A. Ryan	1960-1963
William F. Wallace	1968-1988
Joseph Weadd	1968-1970
John T. Wilson	1962-1964
Peter Vogt (deceased)	1958-1961

U.S. Marine Corps	
Jerry L. Gamer	1969-1993
Stanton Gunderson	1965-1968
Eric Maehler	2010-Pres.
Matthew Maehler	2011-Pres.
Andrew Meltz	2011-Pres.
Joshua Meltz	2006-Pres.

Mike Ferris	1995-Pres.	U.S. Coast Guard
James E. Gerace	1969-2007	U.S. Army/LA National Guard
James Gille	1979-1986	U.S. Army/Navy
Larry Key	1986-2018	U.S. Air Force/National Guard
Charles Maehler	1943-1976	U.S. Army/Navy/Coast Guard
Kevin Maehler	1979-2003	U.S. Coast Guard
Rhiannon McCloud	2009-Pres.	U.S. Coast Guard
Nathanael Meltz	2008-2015	U.S. Coast Guard

U.S. Navy	
Bob Barrelle	1966-1969
Edward Buck	1965-1967
Percy Courseault, Jr.	1960-1966
Louis (L.J.) Deris	1970-1974
Jerry Fisher (deceased)	1968-1972
Karen Fisher	1981-1990
William Fisher	1968-2000
Stephen Foster (deceased)	1964-1992
Wayne Gray (deceased)	1969-1973
W. Jay Rose	1965-1990

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Sun: Closed