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Newsletter

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BIKE & ICE A SUCCESS

This year's Bike & Ice not only had fantastic weather but an amazing turnout! We had almost 80 participants show up on Monticello Ct. and enjoy delicious Shiver Shack treats, from snowballs to decadent salted caramel strawberry cheesecake sundaes! An amazing number of bikers participated in our 3rd annual event and many of our neighborhood family enjoyed hanging out and getting better acquainted under the oak trees. One of the coolest connections was two Scouts from the Southshore, circa 1955, "found" each other sitting at the same picnic table while enjoying snowballs. Neither was aware they had been living in the same neighborhood on the Northshore decades later!



Congratulations to **Ryleigh McCoy** and **Lillie & Kaddie Sheffield** for winning our neighborhood wide scavenger hunt for the under 14 and 14+ categories, respectively. Much fun was had by all, and this year's hunt was more challenging due to the changing of a flag with one of our scavenger hunt's clues!



Thank you to all our neighbors who participated in our mailbox decoration contest and helped to make summer in Magnolia Forest more festive! Our bling-tastic mailbox decoration contest winners are as follows:

Most patriotic -- Congratulations to **Darlene Fuller**. Darlene's magnificent, over the top red, white, and blue design was a festive feast for the eyes! The post, wrapped in red and white stripes and adorned with numerous flags, served as the base to the red covered mailbox, skirted by patriotic pennants and curled ribbon, was crowned by an American flag bedazzled fedora with a patriotic bunting backdrop. (continued on page two)



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Most artistic -- Congratulations to **Amanda and Kyle Hebert**. Amanda's flirty ribbon ensemble, layered in fun textures and patterns with a patriotic red, white, and blue theme was peppered with rhinestone centered flowers, shimmers stunningly in the sunshine! Her artistic mailbox topper is as cheerful as it is patriotic, with the generous layers of billowing metallic ribbon interlaced with stars and stripes.



Most summeresque --Congratulations to **Katie and Daniel Regan**. Katie's gorgeous fusion of dazzling ribbons, interwoven with tiny pinwheels, sports a spectrum of color with a vivid array of flip-flops for a peacock style backdrop and punctuated with a decadently vibrant bow. This extravagant display is reminiscent of colorful popsicle treats on fun-filled summer days and "echoes" the fun and flirty garland and eye-popping wreath that adorns the Regan's front door, all of which screams "Hello Summer"!

Congratulations to our mailbox decoration winners and thank you to all our Magnolia Forest family members that came out to celebrate Summer with us!

WINE AND CHEESE PARTY FUN

The MFHA had a wonderful turnout for our Saturday afternoon gathering on May 7th. A wide range of wines were poured for sampling, and all paired wonderfully with the gourmet selections that Terry Becnel assembled elegantly. It was great socializing with our neighbors, seeing old friends and making new ones! Several people mentioned what a wonderful opportunity it was to meet neighbors they did not know and hoped the MFHA can sponsor a similar event next year.

Thank you to **Bob Meltz, Pete and Chrys Giuffria, Paul and Cindy Rao, Gina and Andrew Nash, Carroll and Lenny Knowles, LJ and Beryl Deris, Percy and Jill Courseault, Janet Fouert** and Friends of Magnolia Forest for donating wine for the event.

A huge thank you to **Terry and Perry Becnel** for hosting the Wine and Cheese Party in their beautiful abode and providing such a wonderful feast!

President's corner:

- ◆ The HOA board has unfortunately lost a member. **Lynn Adams** has had to step down from the board. If anyone is interested in joining the board, please let me know. It's a great way to help contribute to our efforts to keep Magnolia Forest a great place to live.
- ◆ Remember to pick up after your pets when taking them for walks around the neighborhood.
- ◆ Garbage pickup tip - If you have yard debris for garbage pickup, it will probably not get picked up if you just place it loose on the ground. It will get picked up if you place it in a Waster Management garbage can.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

MAY GARDEN OF THE MONTH

By **Sandy Solar**

The home of **Nancy Fisher**, 917 Morgan Bluff Road, was chosen as Magnolia Forest Garden of the Month for May 2022. Garden Club judges, **Betty Rose** and **Sandy Solar**, chose this home because of the overall neat and clean appearance of the landscaping. As you drive up to the home, your eyes are drawn to the very large pot of purple petunias in full bloom and the two very large and healthy-looking Mother-in-law plants flanking both sides of the entrance. The well-maintained lawn and landscaped gardens included Dwarf Nandina, Shishi Sasanqua, Liriope, Azaleas, Boxwoods and Sago Palms. And all of the gardens were freshly mulched which made the plants appear even more attractive.

Congratulations Nancy and thank you for adding to the beauty of our Magnolia Forest Subdivision!

JUNE GARDEN OF THE MONTH

By **Janet Fouert**

The Garden of the Month award for Magnolia Forest subdivision for June was awarded to **Mickey and Sue Ellen Farley** of 449 Parlange Drive.

The lawn was beautifully manicured with a lovely island containing daylilies and yellow lantana. The beds along the front of the home contained Chinese loropetalum, Mexican heather, philodendron, clumps of monkey grass, variegated flax, foxtail fern and potted gerbera daisies and portulaca. The overall appearance enhances the beauty of Magnolia Forest.

Judges were **Carol Hodge** and **Joann Round**.

JULY GARDEN OF THE MONTH

By **Barbara Burgueno**

The home of **Paul and Cindy Rao**, 817 Pine Alley, has been awarded the Magnolia Forest Garden of the Month for July 2022. Garden club judges were **Jill Courseault** and **Barbara Burgueno**.

The yard is a display of beauty: colorful flowers, trees, and shrubs, too many to name. There are 66 rosebushes (David Austin, hybrid tea, drift, and knockout), Zinnias, Plumerias, Canna lilies, Crocosmia and a potted Bougainvillea. Two fig trees, a lemon tree, an oak and multiple ground covers round out the list. Truly a gardener's delight.

Thank you, Paul and Cindy, for adding to the beauty of our Magnolia Forest subdivision!

Other Garden Club news, including pictures, can be found on the Magnolia Forest Garden Club page on the HOA website.

