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MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 7 pm
Generations Church
62340 Hwy 1090 (N. Military Road)

Current board members Bob Meltz, Gina Nash, Paul Rao, Tracie Sheffield, and Terry Becnel are eligible to remain on the board. Pete Giuffria will be rotating off the board. We have a nomination for Adrian Render as a new board member for 2023.

In keeping with our by-laws, any member of this association may place a candidate on the slate; however, this must be given to the nominating committee 30 days prior to the 4th quarter general membership meeting, on December 8th, when the election will be held. Nominations from the floor are not allowed.

Representative Mike Smith, a representative from the St. Tammany Sherriff's Department and Waste Management's Donald Hains will be guest speakers. Plus, each attendee receives a free ticket for the "entertainment" basket raffle!

EDITOR'S NOTES:

- Save the date for December's MFHA General Meeting. We are planning to meet on Thursday, December 8th at 7 pm at Generations Church. We will have guest speakers from organizations impacting our neighborhood, refreshments, and an entertainment basket raffle.
Should Magnolia Forest host a Drive-thru Christmas Lights Display night? If you like this idea, are interested in participating with festive decorations, and/or hosting a treats station (hot chocolate, cookies, candy), please let us know! We are also looking forward to Santa's return to Magnolia Forest, complete with candy canes and posing for pictures this year. We would like to do both events sometime between Dec. 2nd and 21st.
Save the date to "Light Santa's Way" on Dec. 24th. We will pass out luminary materials early on Saturday, Dec. 24th to help light Papa Noel's way. Please email Gina at funkyjunkgal@yahoo.com if you'd like to participate.
Please keep your dogs on a leash when walking them and keep pets indoors or in your yard. We've had numerous complaints about roaming dogs.

MAGNOLIA FOREST CELEBRATES OUR VETERANS

Veterans Day is just around the corner! Thank you to our many veterans, and their families, that reside in Magnolia Forest. Attached is a list of those who have served to keep America the Home of the Free!

Please remember to fly your flag for Veterans Day on November 11. If your flag is faded or torn, please dispose of it properly. If you need assistance on retiring a flag, you may call the American Legion, Post 185 at: 985-643-9317 or drop it off at 112 Monticello Ct. for a Flag Retirement Ceremony by a local Scouting unit.

U.S. Air Force	
Martin Catanese	1968-1972
Robert (Bobby) Givens	1966-2001
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. 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.
Nick Wood	1968-1971

Mike Ferris	1995-2022	U.S. Coast Guard
James Gille	1979-1986	U.S. Army/Navy
Larry Key	1986-2018	U.S. Air Force/National Guard
Charles Maehler (Deceased)	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
Robert Shultz	1998-2018	U.S. Coast Guard



U.S. Army	
Chad Chagnard	1988-1999
Gerald B. Dupuy	1963-1969
George Frichter	1958-1964
James E. Gerace	1968-2006
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
Peter Vogt (Deceased)	1958-1961

U.S. Navy	
Bob Barrelle	1966-1969
Gary Bonnett	1961-1967
Edward Buuck	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
Dan Olave	1962-1968
W. Jay Rose	1965-1990

PASSING OF RICHARD KOEN

We are sad to announce the passing of long-term Magnolia Forest resident and former HOA president, Richard Koen, a native of Cullomburg, AL, and University of Alabama and University of New Orleans alum with degrees in Engineering. Richard retired from Lockheed Martin after running their aggregate division on the East Coast of North and South America, and Canada.

Richard is survived by his beloved wife Joy, daughters Lori Slavic and Juli Byrd, and son Richard Koen Jr., two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

HALLOWEEN HAYRIDE 2022

Magnolia Forest celebrated our 5th annual Halloween Hayride on Oct. 29th. We had 160 children registered for our hayride! The caravan consisted of 11 Spooktacularly decorated trailers and 12 vehicles ferrying a motley crew including a menagerie of critters, superheroes, maniacal villains, princesses, and the cutest little Wonderwoman!

Thank you to over 40 families for passing out treats at our 15 stops. The decorated treat stops were even more over the top this year! Please check out our Magnolia Forest HOA Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MagnoliaForestHA>) to see pictures of our winners!

Congratulations to the **Rosae Family** for winning the *Best Treat Stop* over at Oak Alley, with their Hallow-rific fog infused display of ghoulish inflatables! And shout out to runners-up **Kelli Hicks & Ryan White** (Hermitage) and **Barbara Burgueno & Krys Giuffria** (Houmas). Amazing treats and fantastic decorations all around!

Congratulations to **Pete Giuffria** for winning *Best Trailer*. Pete's creepy web covered trailer, luminated with spooky lights and "crawling" with spiders, was escorted by 3 creepy clowns and a host of skulls on his spine-chilling trailer.

Congratulations to the **Adams Family** for winning *Best Golf Cart*. Their flamboyant golf cart was shrouded in mummy wrap, capped with fuzzy spiders, bats galore, and ghosts billowing in the breeze, festively lit with orange and purple lights and lanterns. The crowning jewel was their skeleton chillaxin in a lawn chair.

Congratulations to **Olivia Quave** for the *Most Original Costume* as Audrey Hepburn's Breakfast at Tiffany's Holly Golightly, **Drago Niemeck** as the Devil Demon Dog for *Kids' Favorite Costume*, and **Cathy White** as Maleficent for *Spookiest Costume*.

A huge shout-out to our volunteers who made this a successful event. Thank you too the following residents for donating and towing trailers for our hayride: **David Hanley, David Sheffield, Adrian Render, Michelle Mederios, Tammy White, Phu Pham, Cory Karl, Chris Pizzolato, Nick & Megan Black, Lisa & Mike Rice, Patricia Portera, Kelli Olave, Pete Giuffria** and **Christie Rao**.

Also, special thanks to "**Mrs. Skellington**" for an amazing job organizing this year's hayride, complete with the family packets and maps, **Christy Nelson** for marking the treat stops with balloons and **Percy Courseault** and **Bob Meltz** for serving as hayride captains.



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Magnolia Garden Courts and Aquatics (“The Pool”)

Some residents of Magnolia Forest have made inquiry to the HOA board about the possible use of the pool and courts at the Oak Alley entrance. We reached out to the operator of the facility, Magnolia Gardens, to ask about the possibility of summer memberships. Currently the facility has very limited use, exclusively for private and corporate venues, when not being used to serve our Military and 1st responders. The pool does NOT offer memberships but is willing to consider potential neighborhood use if it can be coordinated with it's ongoing goals while operating as a nonprofit. Our first step is to gauge the interest of Magnolia Forest residents. Please email Bob at rmeltz@bellsouth.net to let us know if you are interested in pool or court usage and in what capacity (i.e. family pool, tennis courts, exercise etc.)

MFGC OCTOBER MEETING

By Mary Jean Herman

Magnolia Forest Garden Club held their October meeting at the activity room at Summer House (formerly Parc Provence), since one of our members resides there. The President called the meeting to order with a Pledge, and a prayer. Garden of the month winner was **John and Charlotte Campbell** on Hermitage Drive. Treasurer and committee reports were given.

Joann Round presented a delightful program on “Easy Pumpkin Decorations”. Afterward, the members enjoyed a delicious variety of refreshments provided by the hostess and co-hostesses.



From left: Nancy Fisher and Carol Hodge, co-hostesses; Kiyomi Boyer, hostess; and Beryl Deris, co-hostess.

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