



## MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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# Newsletter

• MAGNOLIA FOREST IS A RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS COMMUNITY •

### MFHA

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#### Parish Barn on Military

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### Status of Speed tracks

As mentioned in the June news-  
letter, the HOA board is looking  
at installing speed tracks to help  
address the problem with speed-  
ers we have throughout the  
neighborhood. We have identi-  
fied a number of locations of in-  
terest throughout Magnolia For-  
est and have been in discussions  
with Councilman David Cogle.

If you're interested in seeing a  
speed track, to the right is a pic-  
ture of an old speed track on  
Northwood Drive off of  
Brownswitch.



### President's corner

The success of our HOA is dependent on volunteers. The more volunteers we have, the more successful we can be. For example, we have had a good response to help us with newsletter distribution. Not all volunteer assignments require you to be on the HOA board.

Unfortunately, one of our board members, Kristen Karl, has stepped down after a year and a half of great service in the Treasurer/Membership position. I have appointed Bob Meltz to temporarily fill in the gap, but, as per the by-laws, he cannot be on the board because he had already served 6 consecutive years ending in 2023. If you are interested in helping out the board in this capacity, get in touch with me.

Note in the "Save the Date" notice that we are looking for volunteers to help coordinate the Annual Halloween hayride event. If you've enjoyed this event in the past, consider helping coordinate the event this year. Previous social events director, Gina Nash, did a great job creating this event, and running it in past years. You could pick up where she left off. Again, you would not have to join the HOA board to coordinate this event. Please contact me if interested.

With that in mind, we are also looking for new people to join the HOA board for 2025. This year, we had a number of former board members step up to fill the void, but we can't depend on that every year.

### June Garden of the Month

The home of Joe and Jennifer Dier at 700 Ashland Drive was awarded the Yard of the Month for June 2024 by the Magnolia Forest Garden Club.. The lawn was neatly manicured with spots of color provided by blue Agapanthus, yellow Cockscomb and Daisies, pink Begonia, red Roses, while and green Caladiums and orange Day Lillies. The shrubs were pruned to provide a tiered focus. Trees were circled with Aspidistra to complete this lovely setting.

The judges were garden club members Nancy O'Bryan and Jane Freeman.



### July Garden of the Month

THE MAGNOLIA FOREST GARDEN CLUB yard and garden of the month of July belongs to Lynn & Lisa Adams at 465 Parlange Drive in Pearl River.

Their yard was well-trimmed and the flower beds designed to feature many species of plants. The Loropetalum in the rear of the front bed was accented by the lime green of the sunshine Ligustrum and the dark green of the Juniper. The front door is framed by the Carolina Sapphire Cypress Pom Pom Topiaries. The yard also includes Chinese fringe flowers (Loropetalum), dark pink Curcuma, Society Garlic, Sunshine Ligustrum, Sago Palms, Camellias, Caladiums as well as pink Crape Myrtles.



### Save the date

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| Thursday, August 8th  | St. Tammany public schools back in session                   |
| Saturday, October 7th | Magnolia Forest Yard Sale                                    |
| End of October        | Halloween Hayride ( <b>volunteers needed to coordinate</b> ) |
| Tuesday, November 5th | Election day   |

### Covenants corner

The vast majority of the homes in Magnolia Forest were built between 1976 and 1982 in 19 different phases. Each of the phases has their own set of restrictive covenants. While the language in most of the covenants is very similar, there are differences. If you are wondering about what phase you live in, and would like a copy covenants for your phase, email the covenants committee at:

**[mfhacovnantscomitee@gmail.com](mailto:mfhacovnantscomitee@gmail.com)**

If you are looking for a fairly easy vegetable to grow that handles the hot weather of south Louisiana, consider okra.

The pods develop from the base of the pretty yellow flowers, and the stalks keep growing into the fall, often getting over 7' feet tall.



### Real estate

#### Houses Currently on the Market

201 Milbank Dr. \$359,000

#### Houses under contract

1007 Oakland Dr

411 Parlange Dr.

544 Oak Alley Dr.

#### Houses closed in the last 6 months

123 Fischer Dr. List Price \$345,000 Closed Price \$354,000 Seller Concessions \$14,000

308 Nottoway List Price \$289,000 Closed Price \$300,000

321 Nottoway List Price \$315,000 Closed Price \$323,000 Seller Concessions \$13,500

435 Parlange List Price \$285,000 Closed Price \$257,000

108 Fischer Dr. List Price \$200,000 Closed Price \$181,000 (Home had termite damage and sold below market)

#### Vacant Land for Sale

419 Parlange Dr. \$37,500

719 Ashland Dr. \$95,000

Colleen C. Fickle

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1846 Front Street

Slidell, LA 70458 - USA

### School's Back in Session!

St. Tammany public schools are back in session on Thursday, August 8th.



Your story could be here!

If you have content for the newsletter, let Bob Meltz know.



## The Association has 173 members

Adams, L	Brandon, R & J	Dier, J & J	Girod, J & H	Karl, C & K	Onstad, F	Sanders, B & G
Anderson, J & P	Brandt, B & L	Donaldson, E	Giuffria, P & C	Karl, T & H	Ory, B & C	Schultz, R & L
Arthur, N	Braun, J & L	Donaldson, J	Goodson, F & M	Knowles, L & C	Ostericher, C & T	Schutte, R
Babington, S & N	Brooks, J	Donaldson, L	Gray, W & K	Koen, J	Overby, M & A	Sims, M
Baird, J	Burgueno, E & B	Drake, R & L	Griffith, S	Konda, D & T	Pecot, J & L	Smith, C & L
Banner, L & V	Cahill, G & J	Drewes, M & D	Griggs, J & A	Krumm, J & J	Petrucci, M & E	Solar, R & S
Barbaro, J	Cain, J & M	Dupuy, G & A	Griswold, W	Lacourrege, J & D	Piazza, C & K	Stubbs, M & J
Barrelle, B & J	Cameron, B	Evans, J & G	Guillory, R & T	Lambert, L & K	Pitman, A & J	Sullivan, D & D
Becnel, P & T	Campbell, J & C	Farley, M & S	Gunderson, S	Landry, P & L	Pousson, D & J	Trainor, T & K
Benedic, P & K	Carrigan, G & C	Ferris, M & S	Gust, L	Lightfoot-Freeman, E & S	Pousson, M & M	Trascher, D & Foy, M
Bennett, P & A	Chagnard, C & M	Fickle, C & K	Habbab, T	Loggin, K	Prattini, C & C	Trippe, M & M
Benson, A & L	Champagne, R & L	Finger, J & A	Hamilton, M & L	Lorusso, F & C	Prendergast, B & B	Venables, L
Benson, B & L	Charles R & Ronnie J	Finnin, A & M	Hamilton, M & L	Martin, B & K	Ramirez, G & L	Vernon, W & K
Bentson, M & L	Clatterbuck, N & K	Fisher, B & K	Harper, C & C	Martin, E & A	Rao, P & C	Wagner, E & R
Berdine, B	Clavier, P & S	Fisher, N	Harrison, J	Martino, D & S	Rao, T & C	Wallace, W & L
Bermingham, M & A	Compass, E & A	Fosdick, J & K	Hasperue, P & C	McDowell, D & K	Reed, J & M	White, R & K
Bernard, L & J	Cooney, M & T	Fouert, J	Hebert, K & A	McGee, L & S	Riedie, L & D	Wilbourn, J & C
Billings, S & M	Courseault, P & J	Frischhertz, G & R	Heisser, A & G	McInerney, J & O	Robinson, S	Wilcox, R & B
Bonnett, G & L	Courseault, P & J	Frueh, D	Herman, J & M	Melancon, F	Rose, B	Williams, W & S
Boos, M & B	Cross, A & S	Gallacher, D & P	Herman, L & A	Meltz, R	Round, C & J	Wingrave, D & D
Bordes, P	Dean, D	Garner, J & N	Hodge, C	Mesman, R & A	Rullman, D & E	Winkler, D & A
Bowman, W	Dehm, S	Gerace, J & J	Holbrook, J & D	Milliet, B & Ford, J	Ruscoe, B & V	Wood, N & L
Boyd, J & S	Deris, L & B	Gernon, E	Holley, T & A	Mills, J & P	Rushon, W & D	Wyatt, C & D
Bradburn, B & P	DeRouen, E	Gille, J & J	Houser, J & M	Moyle, J	Ryan, P & D	
Bradburn, M	Devesin, T	Girod, J	Johnston, W & F	Olsen, K & K	Ryan, T & M	

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**Sun: 10:00am - 3:00pm**

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*Thank you MFHA for your continued support.*

### MAGNOLIA FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

**2024 Family Membership \$50**    \$ \_\_\_\_\_    **Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation for Beautification**    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation for Extra Sheriff patrols \$** \_\_\_\_\_    **Street Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation for Social Events**    \$ \_\_\_\_\_    **Email address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed**    \$ \_\_\_\_\_    **Phone number** \_\_\_\_\_

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