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# UPDATE

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Lakewood Website: [www.lakewoodcivic.org](http://www.lakewoodcivic.org)

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## Lakewood Civic Association Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 19, 2015 - 7:00 PM  
**Lakewood Church of Christ**  
7701 Bayway (at Honeysuckle)

### On the Agenda:

Neighborhood City Ordinances  
Lakewood Deed Restrictions Update

### 2015-6 Lakewood Civic Association Officers

Randy Dickey, President (term ending 5/2016)  
Dell Cantrell, VP  
Frank McKay, Treasurer (term ending 5/2016)  
Mary Bagwell, Secretary (term ending 5/2016)  
Mary Ann Beltz, Civic Pride (term ending 5/2016)  
Elaine Brainard, Civic Pride  
Tim Christensen Deed restrictions  
Spencer Carnes, City Liaison

Please feel welcome to contact us with any concerns

### LAKWOOD BOAT CLUB NEWS

It's Boat Club KEY Renewal Time Again!

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

At the Lakewood Church of Christ

Keys will be distributed 6-7:00 p.m.

**Bring your old KEY, Water Craft Info and  
Auto/Plate info!**

**Old key will not work after May 19th meeting**

Resident Lakewood Boat Club dues are \$70 per year  
(\$30 civic assn dues & \$40 boat club dues)

Must be a Lakewood Resident - 1 key/member

**Lakewood Estates Lakewood Boat Club Dues \$75/yr**

Membership Agreement & Application on [www.lakewoodcivic.org](http://www.lakewoodcivic.org)

Text message to Denise Pratt via the [lakewoodcivic.org](http://lakewoodcivic.org) website  
after May 19th if you miss the meeting

**Don't wait - PLAN AHEAD!!!**

Find the latest on the  
[www.LakewoodCivic.org](http://www.LakewoodCivic.org) website:

Contact info, photos of Lakewood Yards of the Month and Light Up Lakewood winners, updates and photos for Pool, Boat, and Garden Club, neighborhood history and information

Due to the effort and cost of publication, information moved from the paper newsletter to the website.



## Lakewood Pool Update

233 Greenbriar- Baytown

**May 7th (Sat) Clean Up day!**  
(volunteers needed)

Pool available for party rental around May 13th

Open weekends starting Memorial Weekend  
May 28th, 29th, & 30th

**May 28th - Free Swim + Fundraiser Garage  
Sale (Donations Needed!)**

Family Memberships still only \$190 for the summer!  
Contact James via the [lakewoodcivic.org](http://lakewoodcivic.org) website



**Lakewood Neighborhood Watch (LNW)** is an independent, non-profit group organized to help reduce crime in Lakewood. It is sponsored and financed by the Lakewood Civic Association. There are no membership fees and all Lakewood residents are members.

LNW operates in cooperation with the Baytown Police Crime Prevention Unit, and Officer Stewart Beasley is our liaison. Our goal is to watch out for each other. If you see something suspicious call the Police Dept. (281) 422-8371 and report what you see.

Monthly Baytown Police callout summary for Lakewood now on [Lakewoodcivic.org](http://Lakewoodcivic.org)

We are looking for new members to help keep our neighborhood safe. Please contact Chet Theiss via the [lakewoodcivic.org](http://lakewoodcivic.org) website.

## ***January 21, 2016 Deed Restriction Hearing Key Comments***

Questions were answered about the voting process for approval:

- Either 51% or 67% of property owners in each section had to vote to approve, depending on the section in Lakewood. Each lot would have one vote. Not voting was the same as a "no" vote. There were 22+ independent sections in Lakewood, each one would be a separate vote.
- The ballots would be sent by mail but door to door might also be used to get enough votes to determine if the proposal passed or failed for each section of Lakewood.

Owner comments about desired changes to the proposed restrictions:

- Comments about not wanting restrictions that required the boards approval for:
  - RV and campers.
  - Personal property in the front yard.
  - Improvements visible from the street (should be done instead by city permit).
- There was concern that the proposed clause that allowed collection of legal fees for court action to enforce the deed restrictions would encourage lawsuits.
- The authority for deed restrictions to cover waterfront structures was questioned.
- Restriction on oil exploration activities was not needed because the city had ordinances that covered this.
- No restriction wanted about removal of home holiday decorations within 30 days of the holiday.
- No restriction wanted on signs in the front yard.
- No restrictions wanted on breeding pets.

Additional comments:

- The "case for action" for updating the deed restriction should be made more clear.
- The board should take the needed time to improve the proposed deed restriction changes.
- Need a process to find volunteers to help people that could no longer take care of their yard.
- Several owners thanked the board for recent action to enforce deed restrictions associated with problems with neighbors.

The board indicated these concerns would be reviewed and proposed changes would be considered. A status update of changes would likely be reviewed at the May annual meeting.

### ***2016 District 3 Council Corner***

I hope this letter finds you in good health. I want to take this last opportunity to keep you updated with a few items happening in Lakewood and around our community. Construction is nearly complete (finally) on Azalea Drive, marking another neighborhood street being completely rebuilt from 2007 bond funds approved by Baytown voters. Over the past 11 years many of our Lakewood streets have been addressed in some fashion and we are in much better shape than before, but our mission is not complete and I hope that continued focus on repair or complete replacement will be ongoing. I would suggest long, high traffic streets such as Lakewood Dr., Burnett Dr. and Pin Oak Dr. should be on the top of the list. Additionally, I am working with our Parks Department for some improvements to be made at Travis Park. If you believe any areas are in need of street lighting for better visibility, please forward me the nearest address so that I can request installation at [District3@baytown.org](mailto:District3@baytown.org).

It is easy to see that Baytown is rapidly growing with new retail, restaurants and housing being constructed in and around the city. San Jacinto Mall is near the beginning phases of its transformation to become a vibrant and attractive retail destination. The developer is scheduled to release a final layout and plan with potential coming retailers and occupants. I think you will be very happy with the outcome! I also believe that we will have a commitment from HEB very soon.....what an exciting time for Baytown.

Lastly, I simply want to thank you for allowing me to serve as your councilman the past 11 years. I have learned so much about the needs of our community and hope I have made a difference in making A Better Baytown for you and your family. God Bless and have a great summer.

Sincerely,  
Brandon Capetillo

Ballot

Circle your **Four (4)** choices for **2016-2018 term**

LAKWOOD CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Detach and send this ballot with your check for the annual dues (\$30.00) to

LCA - PO Box 2078 – Baytown 77522

(Ballot only valid with paid dues.)

**Ballots due May 13, 2016**

**Ballot available to Lakewood owners/residents upon request via [Lakewoodcivic.org](http://Lakewoodcivic.org) website**

*Lakewood Civic Association, Inc.*  
*P. O. Box 2078*  
*Baytown, TX 77522-2078*

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