

LAKEWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH Incorporated LAKEWOOD CIVIC ASSOCIATION Incorporated



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Lakewood Civic Association Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 16th, 2024 - 7:00 PM **Baytown Fire Training Facility** 7022 Bayway Drive

Guest Speakers: Councilman Kenrick Griffith Toni Graham from Toni TNR Tails, Inc.

May 2023- May 2024 LCA Board of Directors

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Please feel welcome to contact us with any concerns

Lakewood Civic Association

We believe Lakewood is the best place to live in Baytown. Lakewood is a historic neighborhood of approximately 900 homes. Protecting our neighborhood's character and quality of life is a charge and challenge of the Lakewood Civic Association (LCA). A strong neighborhood is made possible in a great part by a strong neighborhood association.

When people search for a special place to live and raise their families, it is about more than the single-family house they find; it is about what makes a community unique. We offer that in Lakewood — a truly unique and diverse community located on Burnet Bay, with convenience to key amenities, a private boat ramp and a private community pool. Much of that legacy is due to the LCA. To be successful we need your support as there is strength in numbers.

Please join today Membership is only \$30/year

Board Ballot and Membership form included in this newsletter – Please join and vote. First 50 people who join will get a \$5 gift certificate courtesy of El Toro!

How the Civic Association Benefits Lakewood

The LCA is always looking for ways to maintain Lakewood as a great place to live. Over the last year the LCA has:

Continued to recognize outstanding residents who make Lakewood a better place to live with our Good Neighbor Award.

Held a 2nd Holiday Parade while collecting food donations for the Hearts and Hands of Baytown food pantry. It was the largest food donation this charity received in December!

Sponsored two Community Garage Sales each year.

Assisted Texas Search & Rescue in their training exercise.

Resurfaced the driving area at the Boat Ramp, resupported and extended the pier with a generous donation from ExxonMobil.

Worked with the City to repair potholes and also have a park built for the Lakewood area which is in progress.

Continued growing oysters in our bay to help clean the water.

Participated in several focus groups representing Lakewood including discussions on ExxonMobil emergency response and the City of Baytown initiative on broadband access.

Held a Summer Kick-off Party at the Lakewood Pool and purchased yard games to be used for multiple events.

We successfully received a City grant for installation of solar speed radar signs at locations chosen by their traffic engineer. We continue to work with the City to obtain other traffic calming installations.

Sent Welcome Letters with community information to new homeowners in Lakewood.

Provided funds to help support:

- TNR to help minimize stray cats in Lakewood
- ❖ Maintenance of the Lakewood signs and water bills
- Upkeep of the Boat Launch property



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LCA Highlights - We've Been Busy

Join Today and We Can Do Even More!





















Keeping in touch with our neighbors is important to us.

Whether it's updates about the status of our operations or news on what our employee volunteers are doing in the community, we want to make sure you are in the know!







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To receive operational updates directly to your phone text "UPDATES" to 88841-EMBTA



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LAKEWOOD BOAT CLUB NEWS



It's Boat Club KEY Renewal Time Again! Thursday, May 16th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Baytown Fire Training Facility 7022 Bayway Drive

Keys will be distributed 6:00-7:00 p.m. Bring your filled out application, **required** to receive a key.

The old key will not work after the May 16th meeting. Resident Lakewood Boat Club dues are \$70 per year (\$30 civic association dues & \$40 boat club dues). Must be a Lakewood Resident - 1 key/member. Lakewood Estates Boat Club Dues \$75/year.

Membership Agreement and Application are at http://www.lakewoodcivic.org/?page_id=60



or scan this QR code to go to the fillable form

District 3 Update from Councilman Griffith

Greetings Lakewood residents,

I pray and hope all is well. It's amazing how fast a year can fly by! My first year on council had its fair share of progress and unique challenges and I remain determined and committed to insure Baytown is a great city. Here's a brief update on some of the work the city is doing on the West side of town.

- Nature Center Parks crews worked with Boy Scout troop 1202 to add a new foot bridge adjacent to the butterfly garden. Crews also repurposed 4 covered scoring tables into new bird blinds and trees used for holiday decoration at Town Square were replanted at the Nature Center.
- Pre-construction with boundary and topographic surveys have been completed for the Lakewood Dog Park project which will be adjacent to the Lakewood Pool.
- Storm water pipes running from 428 Willow to 501 N. Burnett have been fully flushed out to limit water back-up and tree trimming is 50% complete to minimize storm damage.
- A Listening Tour hosted by Chief of Police John Stringer and myself will be on July 16th at 5:50 – 6:30 pm to address public safety concerns.

It's been an honor and privilege to serve as your city council member. I look forward to the good things coming around the corner for Baytown, District 3, and Lakewood. God bless all of you all!

Reminders

PARKING – It is **illegal** to block sidewalks while parked in your driveway per the Texas Transportation Code and you can be ticketed. It is also illegal to park on your front lawn.

BRUSH – The City **will not** pick-up brush that also has mixed household trash or building materials.

LOOSE DOGS - Be a good neighbor and don't intentionally let your dog roam the neighborhood.

STRAY CATS – Contact <u>ToniTNRTails@yahoo</u> for stray cats to be trapped, neutered/spayed, vaccinated & returned. *If you Feed it, Fix it, it's FREE for Ferals & Strays*.

Lakewood Pool Update

233 Greenbriar – Baytown

Like us on Facebook for more info

Open weekends starting Memorial Weekend May 25th, 26th, & 27th

May 25th - Free Swim & Summer Kick-off Party Family Memberships are only \$199 for the summer!

Call/text James @ 832-541-3505 for more info and pool availability for party rental

Pool Work Day – May 18th (come out & help!)

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Lakewood Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood safety is a team effort, but it starts with *you*. What can you do to make your neighborhood a safer place? Here are some simple tips:

- * Make friends with Neighbors you can mutually watch after one another.
- ★ Keep up your yard trimmed foliage offers fewer places to hide and fences can keep out unwanted visitors.
- * Exercise caution when out of town have a neighbor keep watch and pick up your mail and newspapers.
- ★ Close windows and blinds at night a big screen TV is less enticing to steal if no one knows it's there.
- * Install a security system and/or video doorbell
- ★ Report all potential incidents to police this includes possible gunshots, fireworks and suspicious people. The police use reports to justify increased patrols.
- * LOCK YOUR VEHICLE DOORS and DO NOT leave guns in an unsecured vehicle. Also do not leave anything of value like money (including coins), computers, phone charges, etc. visible. Thieves go for a quick grab & run.

For info on Neighborhood Watch visit: <u>http://www.lakewoodcivic.org/?page_id=56</u>

If you have an emergency, please dial x911

The non-emergency police number is 281-422-8371



Lakewood Civic Association Membership Application Form

Any Lakewood Resident, whether a property owner or renter, can join the Lakewood Civic Association.

Annual dues are \$30 per household, payable to the Lakewood Civic Association.

If joining the Lakewood Boat Club, total memberships dues are \$70 (\$30 civic association & \$40 boat club dues)

Please enroll me as a member of the Lakewood Civic Association. (Check one.)

I have included payment of \$30 for the Civic Association only	I have included payment of \$70 which includes Civic Association and Boat Club memberships
Contact Information	
Primary Member First Name	Primary Member Last Name
Street Address	Email
Home Phone	Cell Phone

Mail the completed form with payment to: Lakewood Civic Association, P.O. Box 2078, Baytown, TX 77522-2078

All information provided will be kept confidential and will not be sold, rented, loaned or otherwise disclosed.



Lakewood Garden Club



The Lakewood Garden Club was organized in 1950 with the following goals: to acquire more knowledge of plants and their cultivation, to cultivate plants and friends, to improve our surroundings, and to create beauty. The club meets once per month from September through May.

"Yard of the Month" awards are given by the club to recognize residents for the beauty of their landscaping, and "Light-Up Lakewood" awards are given by the club in recognition of outstanding Christmas decorations. Also, the Lakewood Garden Club is responsible for the upkeep of the flower beds around the subdivision entry signs located at the intersections of Post Oak at Bayway and Lakewood at Bayway.

If you are interested in joining the Lakewood Garden Club, please contact one of the Garden Club Officers listed on the LCA website under 'Organizations'.

Membership Volunteer Opportunities / Interests		
Check all areas in which you have an interest:		
Neighborhood Watch		
Block/Street Captains		
Lakewood Boat Club		
Lakewood Pool Club		
Communications/Newsletter		
Event Planning		
Membership Drive		
Other (please describe):		