

LAURELWOOD LINE

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Laurelwood Dues

You recently received a statement of the semi-annual LHOA dues. These are due on February 1, 2017. Many have already taken care of this and the HOA appreciates your promptness. However if you have not yet done so it is expedient that it be done before 2-15-17. All assessments are due on the first, and late after the 15th. Being late adds a \$10.00 per month late fee. Please pay HOA dues Now to avoid paying more!

Did you know?

The Laurelwood Subdivision set its annual dues when it was built, and has never gone up on these in the nearly 30 years of its existence. It seems unbelievable but it's true, though the cost of everything else went up, the HOA dues did not. We have residents that do not know that we have the lowest dues with the most amenities of any subdivision in our area. Congratulations on choosing to be a part of this wonderful subdivision!



AT&T Installing Fiber Optics

AT&T was installing fiber optics but finished in mid December. DeViney Construction, contracted by AT&T had OneCall to locate the existing utilities so they would not damage them. Apparently OneCall missed marked them in several locations, as DeViney did cut into *some* utilites. Not many of Laurelwood streets remain unaffected by inconvenience of cut power lines, water lines, and even gas lines. Still there are holes, with pipes in the air and cable lying on the ground and damaged driveways.

Flowood Public Works director, Garry Miller was called and he referred us to AT&T who in turn referred us to DeViney. Long story made short, if you have damage in your yard Director of Engineering for the City of Flowood, Paul Forster has assured us they will find out who is responsible and it will be repaired, making it as good, or better than it was before the work started.

If this doesn't happen call Alderwoman Kathy Smith, (601) 919-2298. She will put you in touch with the right person or contact them for you.

New Furniture in Clubhouse



Our clubhouse manager is working diligently to make everything as nice and clean as possible for you. The clubhouse now has new furniture, and more new things are coming in the future.

If you are considering using it for your next event please check the availability calendar now posted at www.laurelwoodofms.org , then if it is available the day you need simply call the Laurelwood Line at (601)919-2005. The manager will call you back ASAP with all the details about the rental.

The rental fee is only \$75.00 which is the least of any venue in our area. You will find it clean and ready for your event. You will have it for the entire day , and all is required is that it be left clean when done using it. There are no keys to pickup or return, Renters have a one day code that unlocks the doors, and expires the next day.

It's really a nice place to have a party!

Lawn Care tips from the Southern Living garden experts.

February

Pruning—Except for maples and birches, now is a good time to prune trees. If limbs are more than an inch in diameter, use the three-step method for removing branches. Make the first cut on the underside of the limb around 6 to 8 inches away from the trunk. Cut about half the thickness of the branch. Go to the top of the limb, and cut off the limb halfway between the underside cut and the trunk. The resulting stub should then be cut within 1½ inch of the trunk.

Lawns—Winter weeds are evident in dormant warm-season turf now. Apply spot applications of post-emergence herbicides or hand pull to control. When selecting a post-emergence herbicide such as Purge, Weed-Stop, or Weed-B-Gon, make sure you follow label directions, and that the product is approved for your particular grass type. Otherwise you may injure or kill it.

Cut branches—When forsythia, quince, star magnolia, and saucer magnolia buds show a touch of color, they are easy to force into bloom indoors. Cut branches, taking care not to destroy the natural shape of the plant. They should be in full bloom several days after you place them in a vase of water indoors.

March

Lawns—As warm-season turf begins to green up in your area, it's time to think about liming your grass. If your soil is acid, you need to do this every couple of years. The best way to tell if you need lime is with a soil test, which will let you know exactly how much to apply. But if



you're not able to get your soil tested, use the general guideline of 15 to 20 pounds of lime per 100 square feet of lawn area. Pelletized lime is less messy and easier to apply than the white-powdered kind.

Azaleas—As this Southern classic comes into bloom, be sure to mark the color of each plant if you haven't planted them by color. For maximum impact, group azaleas in masses of one color or in layers of color. It is okay to move them while they are blooming. But if you wait until they finish, they can be rearranged, pruned, and shaped for a better show next year.

Up Coming Events



- ◆ February 2, 2017 - Ground Hog Day
- ◆ February 14, 2017 - Valentines Day
- ◆ February 20, 2017 - Presidents Day



- ◆ March 13 - 17, 2017 - RCSD Spring Break
- ◆ March 17, 2017 - St. Patricks Day

