

THE NEIGHBORHOOD



THE MAGNOLIA WOODS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Fire Ant Funeral October 18th

MWCA will sponsor its Fall 2015 Fire Ant funeral to reduce fire ant infestations throughout the neighborhood on the weekend of October 18th.

Property lines pose no barrier to ants so it's essential that

- all households participate and
- all lawns are treated in as brief a window as possible to keep ants in untreated yards from invading already treated spaces.

MWCA will provide sterilant to all residences in the neighborhood.

What is a Fire Ant Funeral?

Fire ants are controlled by spreading a combination bait/sterilant that is specifically formulated to contain fire ant populations by preventing queens from producing eggs. The sterilant is granular and is spread evenly throughout yards using a hand or drop spreader. MWCA has a limited number of hand spreaders available for loan.

Is the Sterilant Dangerous to Pets, Children, or Beneficial Insects?

No. This is not a "killing" insecticide. Worker ants are attracted to the bait and carry the sterilant deep into the mound where it prevents fire ant queens from producing eggs. It takes a while for colonies to die for lack of new workers, but there should be a dramatic decrease in fire ants next spring. So-called "desirable" or "harmless" insects are not affected because the bait is for-



mulated to be attractive only to fire ants.

When Do I Treat My Yard?

The sterilant will be distributed October 18 and must be spread by October 25. Spread the sterilant throughout the yard (not just on mounds) when there is no rain

in the forecast for several days to keep the bait from washing away.

How Can I Help?

MWCA needs volunteers to help:

- Package sterilant for distribution,
- Deliver sterilant packs to neighbors, and/or
- Spread sterilant for neighbors who need help treating their yards.

Let us know if you can help by emailing Allyn Whaley-Martin at the address below.

To Volunteer:

Email brmwca@gmail.com

Help Support This and Other Projects by Paying Your MWCA Membership Dues

Annual MWCA dues are only \$25 and are used to pay for projects that benefit our neighborhood, including the Fire Ant Funeral. If you haven't paid your dues, go to the MWCA website (www.mwca.net) for information on paying online or by check.

FALL 2015 CALENDAR



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S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
SEPT	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	1 OCT	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1 NOV	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16		18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1 DEC	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14		16	17	18	19



MWCA Board Mtg
2nd Tues of the month



Fire Ant Funeral
Oct 18-25



MWCA Annual Meeting & Christmas Party
Magnolia Wood Pool
4 p.m Dec 13

Fall Trash Bash and Garage Sale
October 10



Halloween Party
Magnolia Woods Pool
4 p.m Oct 31