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# **TARA TALK**

# **CHANGES TO THE BOULEVARD**

Significant changes are coming in the future at both entrances of Tara Boulevard. The pine trees will be removed to make way for the installation of the crime prevention cameras. The pine trees would cast shadows that would interfere with the license plate reader cameras. The next crime prevention meeting will be held Monday, September 25th at 7pm at the Goodwood branch library.

## A Continuing Series Trinity Plantation

## Trinity

Trinity Plantation is located in Rosedale, Louisiana and is locally significant in the area of architecture as a rare surviving example of the Greek Revival plantation



houses that once dotted the landscape of Iberville Parish.

Iberville Parish developed during the first half of the nineteenth century as a center for the growing and refining of sugar. Like other Louisiana sugar parishes, the economy boomed in the thirty or so years prior to the Civil War. Sugar planters were among the wealthiest of the wealthy, building fine residences to reflect their standing. Almost all of the houses they built were in the wildly popular Greek Revival style. The number of major Greek Revival plantation houses produced during this architectural "flowering" will never be known exactly, although the census schedules for 1860 provide clues. On the eve of the Civil War, there were seventysix large slaveholdings (fifty or more slaves) in Iberville Parish. Only two involved individuals who did not reside in the parish. In addition, there were numerous good size plantations with slave holdings of less than fifty. Given the foregoing, it is clear that the waterways of the parish (Mississippi River and bayous) were once lined with plantation houses, which for the most part would have been in the reek Revival style. Today, however, there are only seven examples. (There are also two major surviving Italianate plantation houses.) LA Highway 77 @ 1/3 mile south of intersection with LA Highway 76 Rosedale, LA USA

#### **NEW MEMBER WELCOME**

• Eddy & Erica Tavarez 1148 Aurora

## **Back to School**

It is already that time of year again....the beginning of a new school year. This usually means more traffic, by means of cars and kids, in the neighborhood. Please keep an eye out for kids walking to and from their bus stops and make sure to observe the speed limit.

Remember the use of wireless telecommunication devices in school zones is prohibited. No talking or texting, no viewing or posting on social media.



All schools start the week of August 7th. Specifically, Tara High School begins school Wednesday, August 9th.

# **Football Schedules**

| 201                 | 7 SCHEDULE                          |          | DATE        | OPPONENT               | LOCATION                                    |  |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|-------------|------------------------|---|--|
|                     |                                     |          | 0           | 17 MEAC/SWAC Challenge |   |  |
|                     |                                     |          | Sun, Sep 03 | South Carolina State   | A.W. Mumford Stadiu                         |  |
| SEPT. 2             | VS. BYU (IN HOUSTON)                |          | Sat, Sep 09 | Southern Miss          | Hattiesburg, Miss.                          |  |
| SEPT. 9<br>SEPT. 16 | CHATTANOOGA<br>AT MISSISSIPPI STATE |          | Sat, Sep 16 | UTSA                   | San Antonio, Texas  <br>Alamodome           |  |
| SEPT. 23            | SYRACUSE                            |          | Sat, Sep 23 | Alcorn State *         | Lorman, Miss.                               |  |
| SEPT. 30            | TROY                                | NIE CARE | Sat, Sep 30 | Fort Valley State      | A.W. Mumford Stadiu                         |  |
| OCT. 7              | FLORIDA                             | BUWEN    | 2017 Homeco | 2017 Homecoming        |   |  |
| OCT. 14             | AUBURN                              |          | Sat, Oct 07 | Alabama A&M *          | A.W. Mumford Stadiu                         |  |
| OCT. 21             | AT OLE MISS                         |          | Sat, Oct 21 | Jackson State *        | Jackson, Miss.                              |  |
| NOV. 4              | AT ALABAMA                          |          | Sat, Oct 28 | Arkansas-Pine Bluff *  | Little Rock, Ark.   War<br>Memorial Stadium |  |
| NOV. 11             | ARKANSAS                            |          | Sat, Nov 04 | Prairie View A&M *     | A.W. Mumford Stadiu                         |  |
| NOV. 18             | AT TENNESSEE                        |          | Sat, NOV 04 | Frame view A&M *       |   |  |
| NOV. 25             | TEXAS A&M                           |          | Sat, Nov 11 | Texas Southern *       | Houston, Texas   BBV/<br>Compass            |  |

# Football Food

Whether you are tailgating or just having family over for the game. This pastalaya recipe is delicious, easy to make and can be doubled with no trouble.

#### Ingredients:

- 2# pasta 2# cubed pork 2# smoked sausage
- 3 med onions

4 ribs of celery
1 bell pepper
1/2 cup shallot
1/4 cup chopped parsley
3-Tbs Worcestershire
1 can golden mushroom
1 can French onion soup
2 cans chicken broth
1/2 gallon of water

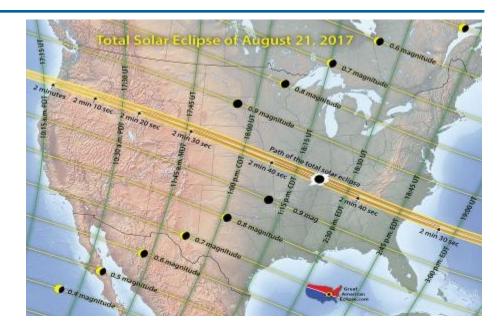
#### Salt and pepper to taste

Brown cubed pork until tender, add sausage and cook for about 20 minutes. Add chopped onions, celery and bell pepper. Cook until all vegetables are wilted. Add chicken broth, water, soups and season well. Bring to a boil and add chopped shallots and parsley. Bowl for about 10-15 minutes. Lower heat. Add pasta and cook for 20-25 minutes until pasta is done.

Recipe from Tasty Bourgeois Cookbook

# Solar Eclipse

On August 21, 2017 a total solar eclipse of the sun will occur from Oregon to South Carolina A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the earth and the sun completely blocking the sun. Daytime will become twilight and the sun's atmosphere, it's corona is visible. We do not live in the path of totality. So we will see a partial solar eclipse. Please remember to protect your eyes when looking directly at the sun.



# Saying Thanks

To all my Good Samaritan Friends of Tara:

On May 22, while exercising on my mountain bike, I was knocked off near the intersection of Ashland and Trinity. I had taken a horrific fall at 14 mph and landed on the asphalt. I could not move my right leg and managed to reach my phone strapped to the bike. While I lay on the pavement my daughter who finally arrived told me that many friends from the homes nearby came out to render whatever help they could which included blocking off Trinity. One man brought me a cold towel for my face and another helped me with my breathing. Someone called 911. I was operated on the next day and I am recovering with the help of therapy. To all of you who came to help, I offer you my sincere gratitude and thanks. You were my angels.

Fred Gwin

Tara Security District Board Member 1722 Roseneath Drive

# **Special Thanks**

We would like to say a special Thank you to **Kathy Tonore** for taking care of our bulletin boards. Kathy is responsible for changing out the messages and she always knows just what to say.

Thank You to **Joe Giacone** for maintaining the Tara Signs at the entrances of Tara. Joe keeps an eye on the signs and repaints them when needed. He is also handy to help fix things when needed. Likewise, a Thank You to Wayne Martin, Jim Bob Ourso, Tom Fiske, and Suzanne Fiske for trimming the crepe myrtles on the boulevard. It has been difficult finding a time to do this job this year because of all the rain.

We would also like to thank those that help keep Tara Boulevard litter free.

Thanks for being a volunteer.

Your time is greatly appreciated.



#### TARA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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## Reminders

## TARA SUBDIVISION IS A DEED RESTRICTED SUBDIVISION.

There is a form available for use by residents who are planning to make revisions, modifications or additions to their property. If you are planning such a project, you MUST submit a completed copy of the property owner's application for building or remodeling available at http://www.taracivicassociation.org/ before-you-build

Fill out and mail to the Architectural Control Committee (address on form). The committee will review the plans and will notify you of their approval or disapproval within thirty (30) days.

## Gardening

You don't need big trees to get big blooms.

Nothing says summer in the South like crepe myrtles. They grow so easily and bloom so long that we love them like family members—except in late winter and spring, when they are routinely chopped down to thick, ugly stumps (a crime known as " crepe murder"). Check with a local garden center for color and size. Because the



average August temperature in the South falls just short of that on the surface of Mercury, you may wonder if it's a good idea to buy a crepe myrtle now. It is for two reasons: First, this is the month a lot of garden centers put plants on sale, so you'll probably land a bargain; second, if you buy it in a container, you can either plant it in the yard now or leave it in the original pot and plant it in fall when the weather is cooler. Whether you plant it or leave it in the pot, regular watering will be the key to survival. When it's 95 degrees out, all it takes is one day of the roots drying out and it's sayonara to your crepe myrtle. Make sure the roots stay moist as long as it's warm. Next year, your plant will need much less water. All crepe myrtles bloom on new wood and should be pruned in winter or early spring. On large shrubs and trees, remove basal suckers, twiggy growth, crossing branches, and branches growing toward the center of the plant. Also gradually remove side branches up to a height of 4-5 ft.; this exposes the handsome bark of the trunks. During the growing season, clip off spent flowers to promote a second, lighter bloom. When pruning a crepe myrtle, don't chop your large crepe myrtles down to ugly stubs each spring just because your neighbors do. This ruins the natural form and encourages the growth of spindly, whip-like branches that are too weak to hold up the flowers. To reduce a crepe myrtle's height, use hand pruners or loppers to shorten the topmost branches by 2-3 ft. in late winter, always cutting back to a side branch or bud. For branches more than 2 in. thick, always cut back to the crotch or trunk. Article from Southern Living Magazine

### SECURITY ISSUES

Emergencies call 911

Non-Emergencies call

City Police 389-2000

#### See Something Say Something

If you see suspicious activity, report it. Use your cell phone to snap a picture.

If you are going out of town, fill out the form on the website so our officers can keep an eye out.

## TARA PRIVATE PATROL UNITS

Chevy Tahoe #430 Chevy Impala #1230 Chevy Impala #1315 Chevy Impala #1404

