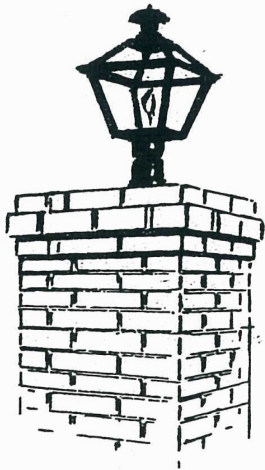


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TARA CIVIC ASSOCIATION

TARA TALK

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## FLAG UPDATE

Updating Old Glory! This is a project the board has talked about in the past and made happen this year. It has been known that the correct protocol is to not fly the flag at night unless it is lit. Because the board worked hard in the past collecting dues, we were able to purchase two 25' flag poles along with the flags and also pay for the cost of the lighting and brick work. Thanks to all of our residents who have supported us over the years. This is your dues at work!

The board is also considering other projects which will add a new look and improve our subdivision. Keeping Tara updated and aesthetically pleasing will keep our subdivision growing in value and lift our property values.



Have you paid yet?  
It's never too late

## DEED RESTRICTIONS

It is common knowledge for all residents that when any subdivision is developed it is done with a certain set of restrictions. Back in 2010 the Civic Association Board began updating each set of restrictions for each of the filings. At that time the restrictions were 45 years old and the subdivision was aging. There were lots of situations/issues which were not addressed in the original restriction.

When it was the appropriate time for updating each filing, a committee was formed and a resident or two from each street in that filing was invited to participate. The process included several meetings.

Each representative was given a copy of the present restrictions and a copy of the proposed changes. Very good discussions were had and a final document was developed. After the new restrictions were developed, a copy of both the old restrictions and the updated ones were sent to every resident included in that filing. A certain day was set and volunteers canvassed the residents of that filing to sign a petition to pass the new-updated restrictions. In all five filings here in Tara, the new-updated restrictions passed. This was a long tedious process but a necessary one. Most residents appreciate the fact that their Association is working hard to insure their property values remain healthy and the subdivision remains aesthetically pleasing to all.

Once restrictions are set in place, all residents **MUST ADHERE TO** them. If it was allowed for each resident to pick and choose which ones they agreed on, then the whole process would be for naught. As you know, no one agrees on everything, but it must be remembered that these deeds were developed by a committee representing the residents and then passed by a majority of the residents. **Each resident has a responsibility to know what the restrictions are for their filing and abide by those restrictions.** When new residents are welcomed into the neighborhood, they are taken a copy of the restrictions for their filing and all restrictions are posted on our Web Site ([www.taracivicasassociation.org](http://www.taracivicasassociation.org))

*It must be mentioned, that if a restriction for a certain situation was changed, the residents were not asked to take down or repaint something that already existed. However going forward, the **new restrictions had to be followed.** Therefore, when looking around throughout the neighborhood, you can see things from the past that still exist. Some of these situations are not attractive. The Association Board constantly hears this complaint. There is nothing we can do about that. Just know that going forward the present restrictions apply.*

# Crime Prevention District

**Meeting Dates:** The remaining Meeting dates for the Tara Crime Prevention District Board are scheduled to be held at the Goodwood Library, Meeting Room B, on the dates and times as outlined here: September 25, 2018 – 7pm and December 10, 20-18 – 7pm

**Security Cameras:** The two Cameras installed at each end of Tara Boulevard last fall are operational and have been utilized in the apprehension of suspects in two separate incidents in the subdivision and have also been instrumental in assisting the police in the surveillance of another vehicle suspected to be involved in other incidents in both Tara and other locations in metro Baton Rouge.

The Board has scheduled the installation of a third camera in the subdivision for this year with the hopes of expediting the installation of a fourth and fifth camera sooner than originally projected.

A more specific time schedule for the installation of the additional cameras will be discussed at the September Board meeting.

**Website:** The website for the Tara Crime Prevention District continues to be updated. It can be readily accessed from the Tara Civic Association website. E-mail messages, notes or questions to the Crime Prevention District Board can also be sent to the Crime Prevention District directly from this location. Simply go to [www.taracivicassociation.org](http://www.taracivicassociation.org) and click on the "Crime Prevention District" tab and a message form will be activated in which you can type in your note which will be sent electronically. Any submitted questions, concerns or suggestions will be received by the Board and can be presented at the following Board meeting.

## Yard Signs

No commercial or advertising signs for business purposes shall be displayed to the public view on any lots. No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any lots except small home alarm security signs set back in a landscaped area, a sign not more than three (3) square feet advertising the property for sale or rent and political signs not more than three (3) square feet. Additionally, signs that are displayed for non-commercial purposes, including but not limited to signs advertising the home for sale or rent, political signs, security signs, new baby signs, birthday signs, and school signs are not acceptable if they are larger than three square feet. A small garage sale sign shall be permitted only on the day of the sale. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no sign may be placed between the sidewalk and the street, and no sign should be distracting because of its colors, appearance, and size or lighting to the extent that it detracts from the beauty and harmony of the single family neighborhood appearance.

## In the neighborhood



**BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR,  
PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET**

### Welcome New Neighbors

Mike & Katie Lee 1619 Roseneath  
Page & Megan Warde 8825 Tallyho  
Markus & Elise LeBlanc 8946 Cottage  
Elizabeth Ngo 9041 Cottage  
Callia Miller-Michelle Hurst 1551 Tara Blvd.

### Solving Community Issues Together

If you have a question you would like answered regarding the subdivision (not the CPD) or would like to see something in the newsletter. Please send an email to [asktaranewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:asktaranewsletter@gmail.com). Beginning in the next newsletter at least one question will be answered.

### Tara Club

With the end of summer approaching the pool will close on Labor Day.

The club will still be busy with tennis lessons through Break Point Tennis.

During the off season the clubhouse is available for rent to members and non-members. It is a great place for parties, showers, etc. Visit [www.taraclub.org](http://www.taraclub.org) for more info

# Burden Museum and Gardens

Activities for everyone. In the Garden children ages 3 to 8 can enjoy storybook readings and imagination-themed activities. For children aged 6-12 they can learn about Berry-rific Plants.

**Harvest Days: Saturday, October 6 & Sunday, October 7. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.** Living history demonstrations will interpret activities that took place on Louisiana farms and plantations during harvest time in the 1800's. Artisans will demonstrate skills related to the harvesting, hunting, fieldwork, and other 19th century duties. Activities will include cooking, soap making, boat building and wagon rides. Regular admission prices charged.

**Corn Maze: October 6, 13, 20, 27, 2018 - 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.** Join the crazy mazy fun every Saturday in October with hayrides, zip lining, face painting, Bayou Goula's Petting Zoo, pumpkin decorating and more!

For more details about dates and prices go to <http://www.lsuagcenter.com/portals/burden/events>

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- Wine & Roses
- Night Maze and Bonfire
- Haints Haunts and Halloween: A Rural Life Fall Fair

## Football Schedules

## Football Food

SEP 1	MIAMI (FLA.)	Advocate Classic AT&T Stadium • Dallas
SEP 8	SOUTHEASTERN LA	
SEP 15	AUBURN	
SEP 22	LOUISIANA TECH	
SEP 29	OLE MISS	
OCT 6	FLORIDA	
OCT 13	GEORGIA	
OCT 20	MISSISSIPPI STATE	
NOV 3	ALABAMA	
NOV 10	ARKANSAS	
NOV 17	RICE	
NOV 24	TEXAS A&M	

MON, SEPT 11	6:10 ESPN MNF	AT	
SUN, SEPT 17	12:00 CBS		
SUN, SEPT 24	12:00 FOX	AT	
SUN, OCT 1	8:30am FOX	AT	
BYE WEEK			
SUN, OCT 15	12:00 FOX		
SUN, OCT 22	12:00 FOX	AT	
SUN, OCT 29	12:00 FOX		
SUN, NOV 5	12:00 FOX		
SUN, NOV 12	12:00 FOX	AT	
SUN, NOV 19	12:00 FOX		
SUN, NOV 26	3:05 FOX	AT	
SUN, DEC 3	12:00 FOX		
THUR, DEC 7	7:25 SNF	AT	
SUN, DEC 17	12:00 CBS		
SUN, DEC 24	12:00 FOX		
SUN, DEC 31	12:00 FOX	AT	

### Bourbon Whiskey Meatballs

1 pound Bag Frozen Meatballs,  
 ½ cup Ketchup (Heaping), ½ cups Brown Sugar, Packed, ¼ cups Bourbon Whiskey,  
 1 teaspoon Fresh Lemon Juice,  
 1 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce

In a medium bowl, combine all ingredients except your meatballs. Mix up really well. Place your frozen meatballs into your crock pot, and pour the whiskey sauce in on top. Mix it up all around so each meatball is coated with the whiskey sauce. Now turn up the heat to high. Leave it on high for about an hour, stirring a couple times. Once it appears that the meatballs have somewhat thawed, go ahead and turn your crockpot down to low. Serves 10

You don't want to burn all that wonderful whiskey sauce! That's the best part!

## Neighborhood Volunteers

In the past, the Civic Association has organized three different wine tasting events. Each of these events have been very well received and thoroughly enjoyed. We are looking for volunteers who would like to make this event happen again. The foundation has been laid however we do need an organizer. If you are willing to work on this, please give Suzanne Fiske a call at 924-3454.

**Do you have young children?** Would you like to help organize something for the young ones in our neighborhood? The Tara Civic Association would be glad to help host one or two events which young children would enjoy. It could be connected to one of the holidays, like "Trick or Treat" or Christmas or at any time of the year.

**How about getting together with neighbors?** Would you like to help organize a community get together in the park with games and food. Residents could visit and get to know their neighbors.

**Suggestions and volunteers** for fun activities like these are welcomed! Let's continue to make *Tara great and grow together* in making this a fun neighborhood!! "Many hands make work easier"



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IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO PAY  
YOUR 2018 DUES!

MAIL TO THE ADDRESS LISTED ABOVE

## Keep Tara Beautiful

With summer upon us, our lawns seem to constantly beckon to us to give them extra attention - The high temperatures and high humidity are telling us otherwise. But, summer is also the time of the year when so many perspective home buyers are relocating their families before school begins again - There are several homes for sale here in Tara. - These families will be driving into Tara, searching for a home to purchase in a place to be proud of. Maintenance of our properties keeps our property values up when and if we decide to place our own homes on the market We will get top notch value and top notch families - a win-win combination. If we join together and manicure our lawns at regular intervals, Tara will remain a place to be proud of and a place buyers will choose to call home - We all need to work to keep Tara a beautiful and inviting subdivision.



### Keeping Tara Beautiful

#### Yards of the Months

April - Kim Vu and Duong Nguyen, Tara Blvd

May - Stephen and Patricia Beasley, Oakley

June - Gretchen and James Davis, Tara Blvd

July - Gary and Betty Snellgrove, Bayside

August - Judy and Danny Foti, Trudeau

## 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.

### 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

