

Tara Talk News

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2015 Tara Directory



... Coming Soon!

Work is coming along nicely on our update of the Tara Subdivision telephone directory. The information which was sent in with your dues has been used to update your information. If you have changed your phone number or listed your cell phone number, then that is what is being used.

If you want to verify that we have the correct phone number, you may email us at taraciv-icassn@gmail.com.

For those who are widows and want their husband's name listed, you may inform us by sending an email.

If you have not sent in your dues and we cannot reach you at your current number, your listing will not have a phone number. Volunteers are working hard to have the information as correct as possible.

SECURITY ISSUES

Emergency: 911

City Police: 389-2000

Tara Security: 235-6445

Vacation Surveillance

(form listed on web site)

Email us at

taracivicassn@gmail.com



Tara Civic Association Website Update

We are very fortunate to have one of our residents,

Elizabeth Nguyen, as our Webmaster. She does an excellent job at keeping our website, www.taracivassociation.org, updated.

Looking for recommendations for craftsmen? Click on the **Craftsmen List** button on the Home Page. This list was created from residents sending in suggestions of workmen they were pleased with. If you know of a person on the list who is no longer in business or who you had a bad experience with, please let us know. Want to add

a workman to the list? Contact us at taracivicassn@gmail.com.

A new feature is a **Map of the Subdivision** showing each filing, color coded with lot numbers and addresses. If you are uncertain which filing you are located in, you can check out the map. It is also helpful to let you know the deed restriction for your filing. Thanks to **Trey Monsour** who provided this useful tool. This took a lot of time and effort.

Two examples of volunteers working for the betterment of our great subdivision! Thanks to you both.

Welcome, New Tara Residents!

We are happy to see our community growing!

Basem Abdulaziz
8760 Bayside Ave.

Gordon & Valerie Bargas
1819 Roseneath

Brumby & Misti Broussard
1142 Oakley

William & Melissa Brown
8973 Tallyho

Jennifer McAndrews & Effie Branton
1707 Roseneath

Brian & Amanda Matherne
8942 Bayside

David & Martie Sample
1345 Ashland Dr.



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Security Bulletin

Thefts / Vandals

May—

- * 13 false alarms
- * No residential burglaries reported
- * 1 vehicle burglary on Tara Blvd. Purse left on front seat and window was broken into
- * No suspicious incidents reported
- * Traffic accident on Tara Blvd. (5/1, 5/5)
- * 1 report of road rage on Oakley
- * 1 missing persons report—Adult was located.
- * Report of a single gunshot on Trudeau. Nothing found upon police arrival.

- * 1 residential burglary on Trinity
- * No vehicle burglaries
- * Suspicious vehicles reported on Bayside, Cottage, Tara Blvd.—Vehicles not located upon police arrival.

Remember that the first number to call for any suspicious activity is BRPD at **389-2000**. This can be an anonymous call. After this call, let your TCA know, too!

As always, remember to lock your doors and be aware of what's around you.

June—

- * 10 false alarms

Welcome, New Tara Residents!

Brandi Sills
1443 Crescent

J.W. & Lauren Wiley
1702 Longview

Jonathan & Teresa Wilson
1457 Crescent

Debra Testa
9032 Cottage Dr.

Paolo & Dana Messina
1287 Crescent

Chuck & Norma Cob
1636 Oakley Dr.

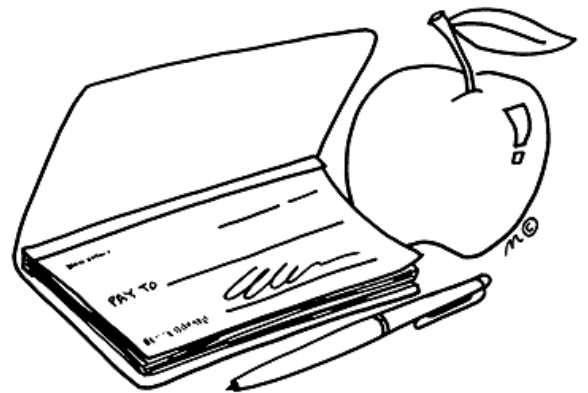
Brian & Courtney Efferson
8783 Trinity Ave.

Great News!

Thanks to all residents who have paid their 2015 annual dues. We are still receiving dues and are very appreciative.

Thank you for helping us keep our subdivision standards high, which will increase your property value and make Tara a better place to live.

If you have forgotten and have not paid your dues, please send your check for \$55 made out to **Tara Civic Association** to:



Robert Say
1554 Tara Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Renovating or Adding to Your Home?

Any improvement or renovation work you are doing at your house that affects the exterior size, shape, or aesthetics needs to be submitted to the Tara Civic Association and the Architectural Control Committee for review and approval prior to the commencement of any work.

You should download and become as familiar

as possible with the set of Deeds and Restrictions for your filing before developing your improvement or renovation plans. This will aid greatly in the approval process and allow you to get started on your home improvement projects as quickly and painlessly as possible.



Deed Restrictions are posted on our website, www.taracivicasociation.org. Look under the menu heading, "Before You Build."

Labor Day, September 7th

Labor Day is always celebrated on the first Monday in September. The celebration of this day was started by the Labor Unions to honor all workers and their families. It became a national holiday under President Grover Cleveland. Labor Day

has come to be the symbolic end of summer.

In the past, most schools start the day after Labor Day but now starting times vary in different states and school districts.



For retailers, this weekend has become an important sales weekend.

Most offices, both state and local, are closed to give families a time to

celebrate the ending of the summer.

No matter what your plans, **HAVE A GREAT DAY!**

Things to Remember...

Hitting the Campaign Trail — Political signs will begin showing up in yards very soon as we move closer to the November election.. Please be aware that there is a size restriction on all signs. These cannot exceed 3

sq. ft. and placement cannot be on the neutral ground (between the sidewalk and the street). Placement of the sign is a city ordinance. Thank you for your cooperation!

Back to School — It is the end of summer

vacation for the kids. As we drive about, the school speed limits will be in effect. We will also begin to see the big, yellow buses coming down the street. Please be sure to keep an eye out

for the young ones boarding and getting off the bus.



Yard of the Month

June — Buddy Guidroz Cottage Dr.

July — Maria Miller Darby Ave.



Each recipient was awarded a \$25 gift certificate from Louisiana Nursery on Coursey Blvd.

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Tips for Your Garden

Many crepe myrtles in our area are experiencing a leaf spot. These crepe myrtle trees look stressed, flower poorly, and lose almost all their leaves. The official name for this condition is "Cercospora," a fungus caused by extremely wet and/or shady conditions. By fall, many of the crepe myrtles will be completely bare. This

condition is difficult to treat, given the size and height of the trees. They can be sprayed with Daconil, Immunox, or Natria Disease Control when the spots first appear. Fortunately, this year's leaf spot fungus will have little or no effect on next year's blooms. Because new blooms occur on the new growth, it may behoove you to stimulate the

trees by fertilizing them in the spring.

The older variety of crepe myrtles are more susceptible to this disease than the newer varieties, such as Natchez White or any other crepes that have an Indian tribe as part of their name.

Brenda Giacone,
Tara Home & Garden
Club President

