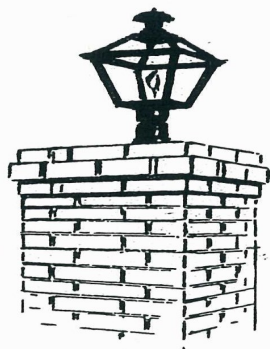


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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The meeting was held on May 24, 2021 at the Goodwood Library. The guest speaker was Laurie Adams, our new City Councilperson. She discussed the recent flooding in the district, the new throughway the Mall of Louisiana to Perkins Road, and the city updating the fiber optic system and modernizing streetlights. Modernization also includes 5G; a new office has opened that will corindate placement with HOA's.

Gary Patureau, President of the Tara Crime Prevention District, spoke about 5G towers and the 5G taskforce working on mapping the preferred locations so that no 5G towers are installed in front of a resident's home. He also discussed that Tara is in the process of updating the security cameras to smart cameras that have the capability to search the car's color, make and model. Gary said crimes have been solved because of the entrance cameras, license plate reader cameras and resident's home security cameras. Residents can join the camera-share program, [ConnectBlue BR Camera Directory program](#), to actively contribute to the safety of Baton Rouge. .

The lead officer for the Tara CPD, spoke about parking tickets and no parking in the bike lane. This is a city ordinance. He stated if a biker had to go around the car parked in a bike lane and got hit by a car, the driver of the parked car could be held responsible. He also discussed they are shooting radar in the neighborhood. Lastly, he mentioned he works with other crime prevention districts and Tara subdivision is considered much safer than most subdivisions.

Lastly, officers and board members were introduced. Your 2021-2022 officers are Carmen Dugas (President), Carolyn Landry (Vice President), Cathy St. Romain (Secretary) and Robert Say (Treasurer). Board Members are Jim Bob Ourso, Suzanne Fiske, Richela Roy, Frank Fertitta, Megan Songy, Shawn Kirkland, Ryan Cooney. Michelle Schroeder (representing the Tara Club) and Brenda Giacone (representing the Garden Club).

Door prizes were given out along with ice cream and refreshments. It was great to see everyone socializing again. Laurie Adams, even commented that this was the largest HOA meeting she has attended. Thanks to everyone that came out.

Meet the Newest Board Members

Ryan Kirkland: He has been married for 21 years to his lovely wife Trish Kirkland. They have 3 beautiful children - one at LSU and two at OLOM. He is the Private Banking Director for Red River Bank. and currently serves on the board of directors for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Baton Rouge. He enjoys sports, cooking, fishing, spending time with family and diy projects. His family are members of OLOM church and Bocage Racquet Club.

Ryan Cooney: He is married to, Monica, and has two daughters, Claire and Ella They chose to move into Tara in 2018 because of the community, location, and opportunity to raise the family with room to expand. In their three years here, They have come to make many friends throughout the neighborhood and look forward to doing so for many years to come. Ryan is the Senior Director Officer with the Tiger Athletic Foundation. When he is not at an LSU sporting event his time is spent with his girls, playing golf, and volunteering at OLOM.

Precious Metals Club

Thanks to all residents who have paid their 2021 dues. All dues are appreciated, but special recognition goes out to those who belong to the Special Metals Club and paid by the due date.!

Platinum

Thomas Holliday
Edwin Dale
James Farr
Russ Gaudin
Brandon Garretson
Wade Riddick Sr.
Jerry Fakouri
Ron Harrell
Andy Adler
Victoria Griffin
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Avery Smith
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Becky Bourgeois
Wayne Martin
Tillie Lee
Lloyd Plaisance
Jerry Romero
Michael Hendry
Jason Rumfola
Sara Myers
Mary Ellen Kopel
John Darling
Ross DeNicola

Basil Lee
Ronnie Goodson
Michael Songy
Brian Smith
Raymond Scioneaux
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Bill Kipf
Gabe Smith
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Barbara Jean Leblanc
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Robert Samah
Veronica Finucane
Jared Selser

Precious Metals Club Continued

Mike Lee	Gwynne Wales	Korey Patty
Ben Tran	William Bates	Eleanor Saffiotti
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Jimmy Orr	Dr. Joseph Roumain	James King
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Ronnie Ruffino	Mike McDonald	Ida Evans
Paul Catalanatto	Scott Harang	Debbie Griffith
Perry Luckett	Chris Polito	Stephanie Saltz
Rhett Roy	Dale Ulkins	

To everyone who paid dues on time or late, \$35 or \$250. You matter and glad Tara matters to you.

Thank You!

Welcome New Neighbors

Stuart Gilly 8623 Scarlett Dr.
Louis Morales 8989 Tallyho Ave.
Kyle & Catherine LeBlanc 1903 Beechgrove Dr.
Jerry & Nancy Romero, 1728 Longview Dr.



Did You Notice?

There is a new cross walk with signs for residents in Tara filings 4 and 5 to cross over to the Tara Club and Brec Park. There area also new LED street lights from Wartelle to the new crosswalk, which is a pilot program with Tara, Entergy and the City.





Start of Summer and Memorial Day

Everyone knows that Memorial Day is the start of summer. The start of sunshine, swimming, and BBQs., but it is first and foremost a very somber holiday intended to honor our nation's fallen heroes. Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. A national moment of remembrance takes place at 3:00pm locally. So this Memorial Day set a timer for 3:00pm and have a moment of silence, pause, reflection, and a moment of thanks, for those that have given the ultimate sacrifice. You may also consider honoring the fallen by:

- Walking through a Veterans Cemetery—most states have a National Veterans Cemetery <https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/louisiana.asp>
- Brushing up on Memorial Day History—know the difference between Memorial Day and Veteran's Day
- Learn about a Gold Star Family—"Gold Star Family" is reserved for families of military members who have died in the line of duty. <https://www.uso.org/stories/2471-what-is-a-gold-star-family>
- Investigate your family's military history—Spend a few moments talking to relatives about family members that have served in the military.
- Watch the National Memorial Day Parade—check your TV listings
- Virtually visit a War Memorial in Washington DC—<https://www.uso.org/stories/2361-12-memorials-to-visit-in-our-nation-s-capital-in-honor-of-memorial-day>

Summer Corn Salad

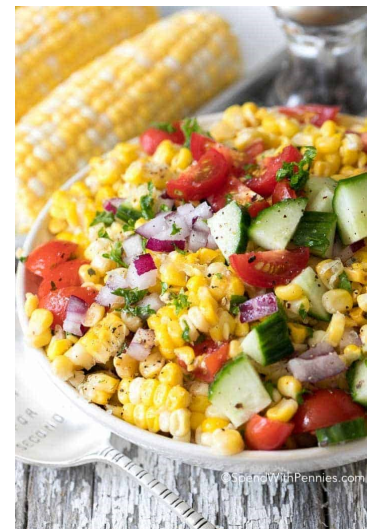
Corn Salad is such a great summer salad; it's easy to make and tastes incredibly fresh without a lot of ingredients or fuss (and no cooking required)!

Ingredients

3 cups corn kernels *about 4 cobs of corn*
1 cup cherry tomatoes *quartered*
1 cup cucumbers *diced*
¼ cup red onion *diced*
3 tablespoons olive oil
3 tablespoons apple cider vinegar *or rice vinegar*
a generous sprinkle of coarse salt
pepper to taste
1 tablespoon fresh parsley
fresh basil or dill *optional*

Instructions

Either boil or grill corn. Once cooked, remove kernels from corn. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and gently toss. Season with salt & pepper to taste.



100+ SUMMER BUCKET LIST IDEAS

OUTDOORS

- 1. Fly a kite
- 2. Go to a farmer's market
- 3. Organize a scavenger hunt
- 4. Photograph top attractions in your area
- 5. Have a surf and turf in the garden
- 6. Play volleyball with your neighbors
- 7. Go to a fair
- 8. Go to a water park
- 9. Hike a nearby trail
- 10. Go fruit picking
- 11. Try hula hooping
- 12. Go on a street art tour
- 13. Skip rocks into a river or lake
- 14. Take a staycation
- 15. Build a rope swing

INDOORS

- 16. Have a brioche French toast brunch
- 17. Make a fort with blankets
- 18. Take up an indoor hobby
- 19. Try a new recipe
- 20. Host a dinner party
- 21. Play 'the floor is lava' with cushions
- 22. Paint a landscape
- 23. Write a poem about summer
- 24. Make sangria
- 25. Host a garage sale
- 26. Buy indoor plants
- 27. Make ice popsicles
- 28. Have a movie marathon
- 29. Make friendship bracelets
- 30. Bake cookies

CRAZY ADVENTURE

- 31. Go zorbing
- 32. Take a spontaneous road trip
- 33. Jump into the water fully clothed
- 34. Go quad biking
- 35. Go to a live outdoor concert
- 36. Throw a dart at a map and drive there
- 37. Go rollerskating
- 38. Set off fireworks
- 39. Sleep outside for a night
- 40. Do a tik-tok dance in a public place
- 41. Visit a waterfall
- 42. Drink champagne in an inflatable float
- 43. Go trail running

KIDS

- 44. Build a den in the garden
- 45. Play rounders or baseball
- 46. Go camping for the weekend
- 47. Play Pokemon Go
- 48. Make an obstacle course
- 49. Go on a volunteer dog walk
- 50. Visit a theme park

- 51. Go horseriding
- 52. Collect seashells at the beach
- 53. Blow big bubbles
- 54. Collect pebbles and paint them
- 55. Rent a cabin by the lake
- 56. Play Twister outdoors
- 57. Play hide and seek

ROMANTIC

- 58. Go stargazing
- 59. Make a summer love playlist
- 60. Go to a drive-in movie
- 61. Book a night in a fancy hotel
- 62. Write your couples dreams together
- 63. Have a picnic in the fields
- 64. Go to the beach
- 65. Watch your favorite childhood movies
- 66. Paddleboard on a lake
- 67. Recreate your first date
- 68. Watch the sunset from a hill
- 69. Draw each other
- 70. Roll down a sand dune
- 71. Play laser tag

FRIENDS

- 72. Host a murder mystery evening
- 73. Take a road trip to your old school
- 74. Have a water fight in the garden
- 75. Read your yearbook together
- 76. Take photos in a photo booth
- 77. Buy fancy dress costumes together
- 78. Go tubing
- 79. Play minigolf
- 80. Play games at the arcades
- 81. Go bowling
- 82. Go on a wine tour
- 83. Play volleyball with a water balloon
- 84. Make a water slide in the garden
- 85. Rent a hot tub

SELF-CARE

- 86. Have a DIY at-home spa day
- 87. Do yoga in your garden or outside
- 88. Sign up for a color run
- 89. Watch the sunrise
- 90. Visit a friend you haven't seen in ages
- 91. Plant sunflowers in the garden
- 92. Do a juice cleanse
- 93. Start a daily journal
- 94. Run on the beach
- 95. Drink herbal tea
- 96. Walk outside with no shoes
- 97. Dance in your house

SELF-IMPROVEMENT

- 98. Learn a brand new skill online
- 99. Do a daily drawing challenge
- 100. Read a book a week



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
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WATER SAFETY TIPS



TEACH THEM EARLY

Teach children to get comfortable in the water and swim at an early age and educate them early about water safety.

ACTIVE SUPERVISION, BARRIERS, AND SIGHTLINES

Always actively supervise children when they're both in and around the water; ensure that pools are secured with appropriate barriers; and require children to swim within designated areas that are within sight of guardians and certified lifeguards.

DON'T BE PUSHY

Instruct children to never run, push or jump on others in and around the pool.

WHO'S YOUR BUDDY?

Never let children swim alone; always designate swimming buddies before visiting the beach or pool.



WEAR SUNSCREEN

Protect your skin from sun burn and sunstroke by wearing hats and sunglasses and applying sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher and limiting direct exposure to sunlight for prolonged periods of time.



SUIT UP!

Make sure children always wear life jackets and use proper water safety and flotation devices.

GET CERTIFIED

Become certified in infant and child First Aid and CPR.



I'M ON A BOAT!

Children should always wear a PFD (personal flotation device) while on a boat. If it doesn't fit, get one that does.



STAY HYDRATED

Ensure that kids drink plenty of fluids to stay properly hydrated, especially on hot days.

KNOW THE RULES...

SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

to teach children

1. Always **CHECK FIRST** with your parents, guardians, or the trusted adult in charge before you go anywhere or do anything. Be sure to **CHECK IN** regularly with your parents, guardians, or a trusted adult when you're not with them.
2. Always **TAKE A FRIEND** with you when playing or going anywhere. It's safer and more fun.
3. Don't be tricked by people who offer you special treats or gifts. Never accept anything from anyone without your parents' or guardians' permission.
4. Stay **SAFER** when you're home alone by keeping the door locked; not opening the door for or talking to anyone who stops by unless the person is a trusted family friend or relative, you feel comfortable being alone with that person, and the visit has been preapproved by your parents or guardians; and never telling anyone who calls that you're home by yourself. If your parent or guardian cannot be reached, have a neighbor or other trusted adult you are able to call if you feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused or there's an emergency.
5. Never go into a public restroom by yourself.
6. Never go alone to malls, movies, parks, or video arcades. Take a friend with you, and always **CHECK FIRST** with your parents or guardians to make sure it's okay.
7. Don't panic if you feel lost. Identify the safest place to go or person to ask for help in reuniting you with your parents or guardians. Safe helpers could be a uniformed law-enforcement or security officer, store salesperson with a nametag, person with a nametag who is working at the information booth, or mother with children. Never search for your parents or guardians on your own, and never go with anyone who is trying to reunite you with them.
8. Be careful when you play. Stay away from pools, canals, and other bodies of water unless you are with a trusted adult. Don't play near busy streets or deserted areas, and never take shortcuts unless you have your parents' or guardians' permission.
9. Don't wear clothes or carry items with your name on the outside, and don't be confused just because a person you don't know calls out your name.
10. Don't get into a vehicle or go near a vehicle with anyone in it unless you are with your parents, guardians, or a trusted adult. Never take a ride from anyone without **CHECKING FIRST** with your parents or guardians.
11. Be careful playing or riding your bicycle as it gets dark. Sometimes it is difficult for people driving to see you. Wear reflectors and protective clothing if your parents or guardians say you may play outside after dark.
12. Don't be afraid to say **NO** and **GET AWAY** from any situation making you feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused. **TRUST YOUR FEELINGS**, and be sure to **TELL** a trusted adult if anything happens to make you feel this way. And, it's never too late to tell a trusted adult what happened.



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Have a safe and fun summer!

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Tara Website

The Tara Civic Association website is under construction. It is still up and working at taracivicassociation.org. The company that hosted the website was bought out and we are having to make changes plus updates are being made where needed. Please remember the website is a place of great information for residents.

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.

Please observe all city ordinances . They are enforced by the TCPD officers. Ordinances are available to view at

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