

Country Place Homeowners Association

THE LAMPLIGHTER

JUNE 2017



The Purpose of Country Place HOA is to: Collect our Homeowners Dues and Reinvest in a Responsible and Ethical Manner, Maintain our Common Areas, and Support and Enforce our Protective Covenants.

SPRING FLING WAS A BIG SUCCESS

Spring Fling 2017 was a big success Memorial Day weekend. Check out the pictures that are on the website if you haven't already done so. The food was delicious as always, thanks to Hugh Wood Catering! Many residents brought desserts to share and they were all awesome! The weather was also great and the kids had fun at the fishing rodeo.

POOL PASSES STILL FOR SALE

Pool Passes can still be purchased for \$90 for a family up to 5 members and \$50 to purchase a single pass. You are able to purchase your pool passes with checks or cash. If you need to purchase passes, please contact:

Dawn Widder at 318-517-4327

POOL HOURS FOR SUMMER 2017

Monday—Saturday 10:00 AM—8:00 PM

Sunday—1:00 PM—8:00 PM

Family Hour is 6:00 PM—8:00 PM Each Day

HELPFUL INFORMATION ON KEEPING BUGS AWAY!

With the summer quickly approaching and mosquitoes already out in full force, we need to remember to do our best to keep those pesky bugs away! I mentioned this last year and still have my plants and I do believe they help keep them to a minimum on my patio. They are also a nice addition to the patio décor.

Chemical products aren't always the best choice, especially if you have any animals or small children. A few of the plants I mentioned that help keep bugs away last year are:

Citronella, Lemon Balm, Catnip, Marigold, Basil, Lavendar, Peppermint, Garlic, Rosemary, and Geraniums. You can always google them online for pictures and more information.

Please also remember to empty any standing water around your houses!

NOTICE: There is a new number for picking up old appliances, metal cabinets, etc. Just call 318-402-5725 and ask for Tara. She will take care of you.

As we prepare to celebrate **Independence Day**, you should be extra careful using fireworks. The Shreveport Fire Department has issued these tips:

- Know your fireworks – read the cautionary labels and performance descriptions before igniting.
- Fireworks should only be used outdoors. Never light fireworks indoors or near dry grass.
- Avoid using homemade fireworks or illegal explosives. They CAN kill you!
- Use fireworks outdoors in a clear area, away from buildings and vehicles.
- Never carry fireworks in your pocket or shoot them into metal or glass containers.
- Light one firework at a time and quickly move away. Don't light them while they're in your hands, either.
- A responsible adult should supervise all fireworks activities. NEVER give fireworks to children.
- Always have a hose, fire extinguisher or water bucket ready, in case of an emergency.
- Stand several feet away from lit fireworks. If a device does not go off, DO NOT stand over it to investigate – put it out with water. DO NOT pick it up!
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix. Save your alcohol for after the show.
- When can you buy fireworks in the local area? You can do that in Shreveport beginning at noon June 25, up until 10 p.m. July 5.
- You CAN NOT shoot off fireworks between 10 p.m. and 8 a.m. each day.
- Fireworks may be sold and discharged within the city limits of Bossier City from June 28 through July 5, inclusive, from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: When walking in the neighborhood, please remember to move to the side of the street when cars come by. Also remind your kids to do the same. It is dangerous and sometimes the kids don't seem to want to move over. Also remember that you ride with traffic and walk against traffic.

CAUTION: With school being out, summer often brings about vandals and thieves. If you observe trespassers, vandals and/or trouble makers in the neighborhood, do not be confrontational; leave and call the Sheriff's office at 318-965-2203. If it is an emergency, call 911 and report the emergency!

Remember the HOA common areas are owned and maintained by the HOA, which includes all residents and we want to protect our **properties**.

OPEN GARAGES: Make sure that your garage doors are closed when you are not in the immediate area. Again, with school out, there is more foot, bike and vehicle traffic through the neighborhood. Make sure that your garage door closes and stays closed before you drive off as an animal going past the sensor could cause the door to reverse. An open, unattended garage is a personal and property security concern.

Clubhouse Rentals, Pool Rentals, and Pool Passes

Reminder: In order to enjoy the amenities in Country Place, **you must be current on your dues and there cannot be any protective covenant violations on your property.** If you need to read up on the Covenants, please visit the website at www.countryplacehoaliving.com under the tab Documents & Map.

Crock Pot Spicy Chicken & Rice

2 Chicken Breast Halves

1 can Rotel

1 small onion

1 garlic clove minced

½ tsp paprika

½ tsp salt

½ tsp ground cumin

½ tsp chipotle pepper

3 cups cooked brown rice

1 can black beans, rinsed & drained

1 medium green pepper chopped (optional)

Place chicken in a 4 or 5 ounce slow cooker

In large bowl, combine tomatoes, onion, garlic, paprika, salt, cumin & chipotle pepper.

Pour mixture over chicken in slow cooker

Cover & cook for 5 - 6 hours or until chicken is tender

Shred chicken and return to slow cooker

Stir in beans and heat thoroughly

Stir in rice or serve separately with chicken mixture on rice and/or in tortilla

Garnish with cheese & low fat sour cream.

Good to use as filling for taco in hard shell or tortilla

Can double or triple recipe, if desired.

Raised voices lower esteem. Hot tempers cool friendships. Loose tongues stretch truths. Swelled heads shrink influence. Sharp words dull respect.

By.....William Arthur Ward

UPCOMING MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 27TH AT 7:00 PM
 TUESDAY, JULY 25TH AT 7:00 PM



**CONGRATULATIONS to Our June 2017
 Yard of the Month Winners!**

Doreen Williamson & George Folmar at 106 South Meadow Lane

Everyone has been working in their yards and cleaning things up around the neighborhood. Yards are now being judged for Yard of the Month so be sure to get those flowers planted and keep the grass cut! Flowers are blooming everywhere and are surely adding beauty to the subdivision. Let's continue to make our neighborhood a beautiful place to live.

Welcome Our Newest Neighbors!

Cody Ewest at 214 Country Lane

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Please remember that the kids are now out of school for the summer and are busy riding bikes, scooters, walking, and fishing. Please be sure to be a little more careful and watch out for them. Stay off those cell phones and stay focused on your driving!

Please remember...the Speed Limit on ALL streets in Country Place is **20 MPH**. And **STOP signs mean come to a COMPLETE STOP**. If you see someone speeding, take down the license plate number and call the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office at 318-965-2203.

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