

Country Place Homeowners Association

THE LAMPLIGHTER

FEBRUARY 2018



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.

A Reminder about Homeowner Dues for 2018:

Each property is billed the full amount of HOA Dues of \$211.08 in January. If you choose to pay in full by March 31st, you receive a 10% discount and will only have to pay \$189.97. However, it must be paid no later than March 31st. You will only receive an invoice in January.

Otherwise, the quarterly payment schedule is as follows:

1st Quarter Due by March 31st in the amount of \$52.77

2nd Quarter Due by May 31st in the amount of \$52.77

3rd Quarter Due by August 31st in the amount of \$52.77

4th Quarter Due by November 30th in the amount of \$52.77

A Few Facts About the Month of February

Birthstone: Amethyst

Flower: Violet & Primrose

Even though so many roses are sold during February due to Valentine's Day, the Violet and the Primrose are the symbolic flowers.

The violet signifies watchfulness, loyalty, and faithfulness.

The primrose lets someone know that you can't live without them.

Zodiac signs: Aquarius and Pisces

February 1865 is the only month in recorded history to not have a full moon.

Before 2002, Super Bowl Sunday was held the last Sunday in January, but since 2002 it is more commonly held the first Sunday of February.

The word February is believed to have derived from the name 'Februa' taken from the Roman 'Festival of Purification'.

Groundhog Day, celebrated on February 2, came about because of a German superstition. They thought if a hibernating animal cast a shadow on February 2nd that winter would last another six weeks. If there was no shadow, spring would come early.

February 1, 1964, the Beatles song "I Want to Hold Your Hand" topped the Hot 100, and stayed there for seven weeks before being replaced by "She Loves You".

The 12th is Abraham Lincoln's Birthday, the 16th president of the United States.

Rosa Parks, the American civil rights activist was born on February 4th, 1913.

Bob Marley, much loved reggae musician, was born in Jamaica on February 6, 1945.

Scientist Charles Darwin, who specialized in the natural sciences was born on February 12th, 1809.

Thomas Edison was born on February 11, 1846. He invented the phonograph, motion picture camera & light bulb.

George Washington, the first President of the United States was born on February 22, 1732.

It's Black History Month, American Heart Month, Creative Romance Month, & Potato Lovers Month.

Here are a few links that some of you may find interesting. With Spring and Summer coming up quickly, these links may give you a few ideas of places to visit. Many are close to us and some are a little drive but my family always enjoyed road trips as we can visit more and it also saves a little cash. I hope you find these helpful. We often overlook things right at our back door!

<https://www.shreveport-bossier.org/things-to-do/attractions/festivals-and-annual-events/>

<https://www.sbfunguide.com/>

<http://www.louisianatravel.com/events>

<https://www.east-texas.com/east-texas-festivals-fairs.htm>

<https://www.arkansas.com/events/>

Shredded Brussels Sprouts with Bacon

Shredding Brussels sprouts gives them an entirely different texture. When you allow more of the surface area to come in contact with the hot skillet, they begin to caramelize, which gives them a nuttier flavor. And all of the health benefits of this cruciferous vegetable remain when it's shredded.

4 slices bacon	2 teaspoons olive oil
1 medium onion chopped	4 garlic cloves, minced
1 teaspoon chopped fresh thyme	1 ½ pounds Brussels sprouts, very thinly sliced
1 tablespoon cider vinegar	½ teaspoon sea salt
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper	

Cook the bacon in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat until crisp, 6 to 7 minutes. Transfer to a plate lined with a paper towel to drain. Then chop the bacon.

Pour off all but 1 tablespoon of the bacon fat and return to the skillet to medium heat. Add the olive oil, onion, garlic, and thyme, and cook, stirring occasionally, until the sprouts are crisp-tender, and lightly browned, 7 to 8 minutes.

Remove from heat and stir in the reserved bacon, salt, and pepper.

(This amount makes 4 servings)

Nutrient Content per Serving:

Calories: 138	Fat: 5 grams	Protein: 8 grams	Fiber: 6 grams
Saturated Fat: 1 gram	Carbs: 18 grams	Sodium: 342 mg	

Slow Cooker Chuck Roast

1. Buy a chuck roast
2. Put it in the crock pot
3. Sprinkle Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing on top
4. Sprinkle McCormick Au Jus mix on top
5. Put a stick of butter on top
6. Put about five pepperoncini peppers on top. (You buy them in a jar.)

Do NOT add water.

Cook in crock pot on low for about eight hours.....Enjoy!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH AT 7:00 PM
TUESDAY, MARCH 27TH AT 7:00 PM



Our website address is: <http://countryplacehoaliving.com>

Welcome to our newest residents:

Harold and Mary Tylaska of 112 Country Lane

Kayla Harness of 220 Glendale

If any of you know of new neighbors, please send the information to me and ask for their emails so I can add them to the group to receive the newsletters. Thanks!

*Only I can change my life. No one can do it for me.
By.....Carol Burnett*

Dogs: Please remember to keep your dogs in your yards, kennels, etc. No dogs should be running loose in the neighborhood. Be sure to get collars with tags and names and numbers so you can be contacted, should your dog get out and be found. Also, there have been complaints about barking dogs. Please try to keep your dogs quiet in the evenings when people are trying to rest.

Neighborhood Watch Community: Please remember to call the Sheriff's Office at 318-965-2203 if you see something suspicious or out of the ordinary in the subdivision. We need to look out for one another.

Solicitation: There has also be reports of solicitation in the neighborhood. Please remind any solicitors that they are not welcome in Country Place and there is a sign prohibiting solicitation as you enter the neighborhood.

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