

Country Place Homeowners Association
THE LAMPLIGHTER
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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 2026:

Each property is billed the full amount of HOA Dues of \$211.08 in January. If you choose to pay in full by February 28th, you receive a 10% discount and will only have to pay \$189.97. **However, it must be paid no later than February 28th. You will only receive the invoice sent in January via USPS with the newsletter.**

Otherwise, the quarterly payment schedule is as follows:

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

2nd Quarter Due by June 30th in the amount of \$52.77

3rd Quarter Due by September 30th in the amount of \$52.77

4th Quarter Due by December 31st in the amount of \$52.77

Please remember that if you have any questions on your HOA payments, please contact our treasurer, Janet Toloso. Her information can be found on the last page of all newsletters.

A few homeowners have contacted Janet that they did not receive the mailed newsletter and invoice. If you have not and haven't contacted her yet, please let her know ASAP.

If you have recurring payments set up and want to continue those, please contact her. Some information may need to be updated.

If you have a past due balance and would like to work out a payment schedule, please contact Janet and she will see what we can come up with to get your account in good standing. Also, HOA Dues are always due each year, whether you receive an invoice or not.

Here are a couple of links to the IRS website which has lots of information on scams and how to avoid them. One states that the IRS will NEVER call you and ask for personal information, such as license, address, credit card, banking information, etc. Should you get a call from them, know to hang up immediately and report it. The same goes for banks and credit card providers, etc. The links are:

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/taxpayers-should-hang-up-if-tax-season-scammers-come-calling>

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/tax-scams-consumer-alerts>

Mardi Gras Crack

Ingredients:

- 1 sleeve saltine crackers (about 35-40 crackers)
- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter
- 1 cup dark brown sugar
- Pinch of salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 12 oz white almond bark
- Purple, green, and gold sprinkles or edible glitter

Instructions:

1. Prep the Pan - Line a baking sheet with foil or parchment paper and arrange the saltine crackers in a single layer.
 2. Make the Toffee - In a saucepan over medium heat, melt the butter, brown sugar, and salt. Bring to a boil and let it bubble for exactly 3 minutes.
 3. Add Vanilla & Bake - Remove from heat, stir in vanilla, and immediately pour over the crackers. Spread evenly, then bake at 400°F for 4-5 minutes until bubbly.
 4. Melt the Almond Bark - Microwave the almond bark in 30-second intervals until smooth. Pour over the toffee layer and spread evenly.
 5. Decorate - Use a knife or toothpick to swirl patterns into the chocolate if desired. When almost set, sprinkle with purple, green, and gold glitter or sprinkles.
 6. Cool & Break - Let cool completely, then break into pieces and enjoy!
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Black Bean Salsa**Ingredients:**

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| 1 16 oz can of Black Beans (drained) | 1 small can whole kernel corn (drained) |
| 3 Tablespoons olive oil | 1 whole fresh lime juice |
| ¼ cup whole green pepper finely chopped | ¼ cup red onion finely chopped |
| ¼ cup red green pepper finely chopped | 1 jalapeno chopped |
| ½ tsp cumin | |
| ½ cup finely chopped cilantro | |
| Salt & Pepper to taste | |
| Add Tobasco to taste | |
| 1 avocado | |

Directions:

Mix all ingredients together and place in a sealed container.
If serving later, add avocado right before serving.

Serve with tortilla chips

UPCOMING MEETINGS
TUES. MARCH 10TH AT 7:00 PM
TUES. APRIL 14TH AT 7:00 PM

Our website is:

<https://countryplacehoaliving.com/>



“In February, let gratitude be the compass that guides us towards greater abundance and contentment.”

“Make today so awesome that yesterday gets jealous”

“Choose to be optimistic, it feels better”

“You do not find the happy life. You make it.”

Camilla Fyring Kimball

REMEMBER that Spring Break for Bossier Parish School is March 9-13, 2026.

Easter Break is April 3-6, 2026.

If you or your kids go to the clubhouse play area and/or the pond, several snakes have been spotted. Just be aware of this. They aren't all bad snakes but can definitely scare you.

We are a 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.

Please remember that the Speed Limit on ALL STREETS in the Country Place neighborhood is 20 mph. No more! And a STOP sign means to come to a COMPLETE STOP. Be sure to look both ways and watch out for children playing. Call the Sheriff's Office on reckless drivers.

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