



The Lake Port Village Community Association Newsletter

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Neighborhood Grant

Please let us know of any improvements you would like to see for the neighborhood. We are applying for a Neighborhood Grant through the City of Arlington. All applications are due February, 2017.

Janice Hall

LPVCA President

YEAR TO DATE CRIME STATISTICS

Here are the crime statistics for Lake Port Village since September, 2016

Crime

Accident-Hit and Run	1
Alarm-Residential	3
Misdemeanor Warrant	1
Public Intoxication	1
Vehicle Burglary	4
Resisting Arrest	1
Theft Report	1
Violation of Protective Order	1

Yellow indicates a new category or an increase

Please get involved and pay the \$120 tax deductible donation to LPVCA. We need everyone's help to make improvements to our neighborhood!

Being Neighborly Without Being Nosy

Being neighborly can mean different things to different people. Each of us may have an individualized notion of the ideal residents in our community, and these ideas can vary pretty widely. Some people work at being neighborly, while others just make a habit of being nosy. Neighbors come in all sizes, shapes, and styles. Some keep a close eye on everyone's comings and goings, while others remain recluses inside their unwelcoming homes. You might have someone living beside you that continually runs in and out of your life, like some of those pesky but humorous supporting characters in the sitcoms. Depending on your personal preferences, being neighborly might mean staying invisible except for a quick wave while getting the mail. Or you might think of someone being a good neighbor when he or she is available to help out with any unexpected need, whether it is to lend an egg or give your child a ride to soccer practice when your car won't start.

Turning the tables, what kind of neighbor are you? Do you mind your own business and leave everyone alone, or do you make a point of chatting over lawn work and returning a stray pet that gets loose? Are you one of those people who organize neighborhood yard sales, or do you keep to yourself to the point of no one knowing your name? Whatever your view is of being neighborly, it might be a good idea to match up with your neighbors' ideas of the same, which can help to avoid or downplay community irritations while building neighborly camaraderie.

You might want to start by getting to know who your neighbors are. Introduce yourself to new neighbors. You will learn more by seeing if neighbors' kids get on the same school bus as your children, as opposed to attending private school or being home schooled. Patronizing local banks, shops, and business establishments like the dry cleaners, you may bump into neighbors that you recognize by appearance. This is a great chance to make small talk and begin to learn something about them. School functions, community sporting events, church attendance, and similar activities also can help to familiarize you with residents living in surrounding areas. Even taking a neighborhood stroll will invite greetings and brief exchanges. In striking up a conversation, take care to ask neutral questions, not personal ones. You don't want to come across as nosy or disrespectful

A Note From Arlington Forestry and Beautification Division

Anyone interested in volunteering or having your organization volunteer with the Forestry and Beautification Division please contact me. We have a variety of tasks that volunteers can help with and learn about forestry and arboriculture along the way.

Thank you,

Jeremy Priest, Certified Arborist- TX-4264A
Forester

Arlington Parks and Recreation Department

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Point of contact information for the City of Arlington for street curb and sidewalk damage.

Richard Carmichael

Public Works Street Supervisor

817-459-5437

Richard can provide information on the estimated time frame it will take for the repair of curb damage.

Homestead Exemption

Have you filed for a Homestead Exemption? Once filed, there could be a tax saving up to 20% of your home's value. You can get an application form from the appraisal district office. There is absolutely no fee or cost to:

Receive an application from Tarrant Appraisal District, or file an exemption application with Tarrant Appraisal District. You may print an application online at www.Tad.org or call 817-284-4063 to have an application mailed to you

**FOR SCHOOL INFORMATION,
YOU CAN USE THESE WEBSITES:**

Arlington Schools

www.aisd.net

Mansfield Schools

www.mansfieldisd.org

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