

LA BUENA VIDA
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Coastal Community Edition

From the Editor

Dear Neighbors,

Welcome to the La Buena Vida Neighborhood Newsletter. This publication is intended to keep residents informed of community news, upcoming events, and matters of interest to our coastal neighborhood. Please email me with suggestions for upcoming newsletters and if you would like to advertise a business that you own, please let me know so I may include that information in upcoming editions. This is the first edition of our newsletter so let me know what kind of information would be helpful!

Sincerely,

Colleen Colmenares, Volunteer

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for the following local activities:

Date & Time	Event
August 8 2:30pm	LBV Neighborhood Quarterly Board Meeting Islands of Rockport Clubhouse located at 1002 Fiji Dr
Friday-Sunday 3 rd weekend of month	Market Days in Rockport – FREE and Pet-Friendly! Near Rockport Beach/Little Bay! Over 100 local and Texas based vendors! Fun for the entire family with food, music & shopping!
Monthly 2 nd Saturday	Rockport Downtown Makers Market (Rockport Daily Grind) Recurring monthly on the 2 nd Saturday
Monthly 2 nd Saturday	Austin Street Art Walk (Rockport Center for the Arts) Recurring monthly on the 2 nd Saturday
Monthly 2 nd Saturday 9-1	Rockport Farmers Market (105 S. Austin St) Recurring monthly on the 2 nd Saturday
Free – drop in!	Dominoes & Coffee (Fulton Mansion State Historic Site) Recurring weekly on Sunday until Dec 27, 2026

To submit an event for inclusion, please email details to colleen.colmenares@gmail.com no later than 1 week prior to the quarterly board meeting.

Community Announcements

Welcome New Residents

We would like to welcome all new residents to our coastal community! Whether you call LBV your full-time home or a getaway home, WELCOME!

Association Updates

Reminder that board meeting minutes and financial reports can be found on our website: www.lbvpoa.com. You can also find the legal agreement between our community and Marea under the Covenants and Bylaws that residents have been interested in reading. Please note that past minutes and financial reports will not be printed out for the quarterly board meetings. Please review the minutes prior to the board meetings 😊.

Coastal Living Notes

Waterfront Safety	Storm & Property Preparedness
• Review local tide and weather conditions before water activities. • Prefer reef-safe sunscreen to help protect local waters. • Remain aware of marine life; shuffle feet in shallow water.	• Secure outdoor furniture and loose items ahead of high winds. • Keep storm drains and gutters free of debris. • Review hurricane supplies and evacuation plans each season.

Resident Business Owner Spotlight

This newsletter, we are shining a spotlight on Texas Sporting Art. Texas Sporting Art is a private art gallery owned by Robert & Colleen Colmenares. Primary location is currently in Richmond, Texas, but they have a steady client base in the Coastal Bend and throughout Texas. They carry Originals, Giclee's and Lithographs by renowned Texas Sporting artists such as John "Jack" P. Cowan, Al Barnes, John Dearman, Herb Booth, Chance Yarborough, Jim Killen, Les McDonald and more. Many of their works feature the Rockport area as a backdrop for many fishing scenes and several of the artists lived in Rockport. Feel free to browse their website at www.TexasSportingArt.com and, also join their private Facebook group "Texas Sporting Art Group".

We would love to feature another business owned by one of our homeowners in each newsletter edition so please email Colleen if you are interested in promoting your business.

Community Bulletin

Information & Notices

- If you have household donations, consider donating to a local service such as Castaways that gives back to the local community!
- Crab-N building in City By The Sea has a new restaurant coming soon. Looks like **Hook House Kitchen** has a sign up and according to the owner, Ralph Gilmore, he hopes to open by the end of summer!
- Did you know there are several Facebook groups for the Rockport/Fulton/Aransas Pass area? Some are RockportFulton Public Group, Rockport Fulton Living, Rockport/Fulton Residents Family & Friends!
- As of August 5th, the City of Rockport issued a Press Release stating that Water Restrictions are being downgraded from Stage 3 to Stage 2 Mandatory Water Restrictions! For additional information, please refer to the City's website or contact the City of Rockport Public Works at 361-790-1160.

Fishing & Boating Tips

Local Fishing: Information/Conditions/Safety

- Know the weather before you go out, especially if you are going offshore. There are many resources available to assist you in knowing the tide conditions, wind, and swell conditions. If residents have suggestions for me to list in the next newsletter, please do. A few residents have asked for this type of information that are new to the area.
- Services such as TowBoat US (361-813-1273 Justin Nesloney) or Sea Tow are good to have in your contacts. I believe both offer memberships too!
- The Rockport area can be tricky to navigate if you are new due to many shallow areas. I have seen several boats even getting stuck in our lake. There are maps available if you do not have the electronic navigation available on your boat.
- Boat Ramps: Conn Brown, Copano Bay Boat Landing, Cove Harbor, St Charles Bay Boat Ramp, Goose Island State Park
- Guides: Plenty of fishing guides out there. If neighbors have recommendations, let me know and I will publish!

Local Resources

- Aransas Pass Police Dept (non-emergency): 361-758-5224
- Urgent care: ER 24/7 Rockport (Dept of Corpus Christi Medical Center) located at 400 Enterprise Blvd, StatCare Urgent Care (9am – 7pm Mon-Sat) located at 2102 FM 2165 *Neither are endorsed; merely suggestions*
- Wings Rescue (wild bird rescue): 361-205-0892
- Texas Seaside Center: If you come across an injured or stranded sea turtle, please call 1-866-TURTLE-5 or the Seaside Center at 361-589-4023 to report it! Donations are always welcome too! Check out their Facebook page!
- Dog Rescues: Another Chance RFT is always looking for donations! anotherchancerft@gmail.com
- U.S. Coast Guard / marine emergency: VHF Channel 16 or 911
- Trash Service: Did you know that Coastal Bend Waste offers a valet service for a nominal monthly fee? They will grab your bin, empty it and put it back for you. Great for those residents that do not live here full time! They can be reached at 361-941-3044.

Thank you for reading

Submissions, photographs, and suggestions may be sent to colleen.colmenares@gmail.com
