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LAGO VISTA VIEWS

May 2021



Preserving Our Night Skies

We are all familiar with air pollution, water pollution, and land pollution. But did you know that light can also be a pollutant? Glare, skylight, and light trespass are just some of the types of light pollution. Less than a century ago, people could look up and see a spectacular starry night sky. Now, millions of people across the globe will never see or experience the Milky Way where they live. The increased and widespread use of artificial

light at night is impairing our view of the universe. Luckily, we in Lago Vista are still able to see many of these beautiful images in the night sky.

Dark Sky Communities are towns that show exceptional dedication to the preservation of the night sky through the implementation and enforcement of a quality outdoor lighting ordinance, dark sky education, and citizen support of dark skies. Dark Sky Communities excel in their efforts to promote responsible lighting and dark sky stewardship, and set good examples for surrounding communities.

How you can help preserve our dark skies:

- Only use lighting when and where it's needed, install motion detector lights, and properly shield all outdoor lights.
- Inspect the lighting around your home. Poor lighting not only creates glare and light pollution, but also wastes enormous amounts of energy and money. Take a few moments to inspect your property for inefficient, poorly installed, and unnecessary outdoor lighting.
- Use dark sky friendly lighting at your home and business. Look for the International Dark-Sky Association (IDA) Fixture Seal Of Approval on any outdoor lighting you purchase. IDA maintains a searchable database of lighting products certified to minimize glare, light trespass, and skylight. These products are recommended when replacing outdated or inappropriate lighting fixtures.
- Talk to your friends, family, and neighbors. You can be a powerful dark sky advocate for your neighborhood. Solving the light pollution problem involves raising awareness of the issue so that people are empowered to make better decisions as consumers, voters, and community members.

Boating Season is Here!

Hurray for boating season! Please remember that all boats, trailers, watercraft and RV's must be parked on an improved surface on your lot. These items may not be parked or stored in the public right of way.

Parks and Recreation

There's a lot happening out at Sunset Park these days including Adult Flag Football which begins May 8. The City Pool will soon be open (*date tbd as of printing of this newsletter*), and job openings are now available through the YMCA.

For information about these and other activities, please contact **Katie Mikulak, Parks & Recreation Coordinator**; kmikulak@lago-vista.org - 737.202.4375.

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[City Council Meetings](#)

Thursday, 5/6 - 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, 5/20 - 6:30 p.m.

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May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

With warmer weather, it's time to remind everyone to be on the alert and to share the road with motorcyclists.

Riders who have been cooped up all winter are excited to be out on the road again, but that shouldn't stop them from using caution.



Both motorcyclists and motorists need to be aware of their surroundings. Checking blind spots, mirrors, and using turn signals are necessary when changing lanes and when passing.

Distracted driving has been on the rise, too. Distractions during driving could mean the difference between seeing a motorcyclist or not when preparing to change lanes. Don't let one text change anyone's life forever!

Riders need to take precautions as well. Take a defensive driving course, wear protective gear, and keep your bike in its best working condition. Also, be aware of any road hazards and dangerous weather conditions.

Most of all, enjoy your ride and make it home again! For more information visit www.nhtsa.gov/safety/motorcycles.



Monday, May 31, 2021

In rememberance of our troops who made the ultimate sacrifice. Their selfless courage make them true heroes.

City offices and the Library will be closed on this day.

May at the Library

Recently, a couple of patrons told us how glad they were that the Library was open again. They thought we were closed most of the year because of COVID-19. Their comments surprised us because the opposite has been true - **the Library has been open to the public for most of the year!**

The Library closed completely for only three weeks, between **March 20 and April 12, 2020**, which gave us time to install an acrylic sneeze guard at the front desk, purchase hand sanitizers and other needed but hard to find cleaning supplies and disinfectants, and to prepare a COVID-19 policy to keep staff and patrons safe from the virus. On **April 13, 2020**, the Library opened under a six-week "Curbside Delivery Policy," at which time patrons could not enter the building but could have documents printed, faxed, or copied and delivered outside. Also, patrons were able to reserve and check out books, audiobooks, DVDs, and other library materials that were delivered by staff to the front courtyard or to the patrons' vehicles.

On **June 15, 2020**, the Library reopened its doors to the public under a "Grab & Go Policy, which encouraged visitors to stay only long enough to check out materials, use one of the public computers, or to conduct other necessary business. Since that time, computers have been spread out to allow for social distancing, and each keyboard and mouse are protected by plastic covers that are replaced after each user. When patrons return their checked out library materials, these materials are quarantined for 72 hours before being reshelfed or checked out by another patron. At this time, no meetings are taking place inside the Library, but that restriction is being reviewed on a month-by-month basis. Some of our book clubs, the Genealogy Group, and Children's Storytime are having virtual meetings.

Please know that our Director, staff, and volunteers are doing everything possible to keep everyone safe as we endeavor to provide the best services possible to our community.

For more information about Library services and programs, the Grab & Go Policy, or other news of interest, visit our website at www.lagovista.lib.tx.us. Look for us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Pinterest](#), and [Instagram](#).