

For the Kiddos

VA Community Calendar

Daughters of the American Revolutions Flag Day Event

Dorothy Fielder Park
June 14th, 9a

Van Alstyne Boy Scouts to present the colors
Mayor Jim Atchison to speak

Business Networking Breakfast

Van Alstyne Community Center, Free
June 16th, 8a - 9a

Father's Day Weekend BBQ

Cooley Bay Winery
Saturday June 19th, 2p-9p
Old School BBQ Texas, LIVE music from Bent Creek, icy treats from Hawaii Five-Sno, yard games and much more. Bring Lawn Chairs.

Railcar Farmer's Market

Main Drive and Marshall Street
Tuesdays, 4p - 7p

1st & 3rd Friday Night of the Month Meals

1st Friday - Fish Fry
3rd Friday - Hamburger Night
American Legion, James Adams Post 376
293 Jay Road, Van Alstyne

Van Alstyne Independence Day Celebration & Fireworks

Van Alstyne High School
July 4th, Festivities begin at 6p
SU Amazing Foods, The Crazy Red Rooster Snack Shack & Kettle Corn, Sno-Ball Express & Everything Ice Cream
The Trey Allen Band will perform 7p-9p
National Anthem and presentation of colors by the Van Alstyne Cub Scouts
Fireworks begin around 9:20p

Steeplechase Country Estates

Friendly Reminder...

School is out of session so there will be children playing outside more and more each day. Please **SLOW DOWN** when driving thru the neighborhood.



Stop Bugging Me!

BUG BITES HAPPEN. SEE WHAT YOU CAN AND CAN'T PREVENT

Can Prevent

Mosquitoes
Biting flies
Gnats
Chiggers
Ticks
Fleas

Can't Prevent

Wasps
Bees
Hornets
Spiders

TIP
Stay away from areas of known infestation!

Getting the Best Protection

- Lightly cover your skin. Frequent reapplication of repellent isn't necessary.
- Apply sunscreen before bug spray.
- Don't apply under clothing. Apply insect repellent to exposed skin, clothing or both.
- Wash your hands after applying, and don't apply to the hands of small children.
- Children younger than 2 months of age should NOT use repellents with DEET.
- Don't choose a repellent wristband. They aren't effective.

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Flowering Shrubs as Replacements

Two things to remember: Most types of flowering shrubs are only in bloom for a couple of weeks. The rest of the year you're looking at them without blooms. And most flowering shrubs are deciduous. That means that for 4 or 5 months they won't have any leaves. Camellias, gardenias and azaleas are evergreens, but they require very special soil conditions in much of the state. And they were really hurt by the cold. Oleanders are evergreen, but we've seen how they fared.

That's why I suggested those evergreen shrubs as replacements for the ill-fated Indian hawthorns. I see that many of you are just going to prune your hawthorns back and see if they'll fill in. That's certainly your prerogative. But think twice before planting a big batch of flowering shrubs.

You might find it more rewarding to have the evergreen shrubs and then strategically position annuals to provide consistent color for 5 or 6 months.

Grub Worm Prevention Time

The middle of June to the middle of July is the best time to treat your lawns for Grub Worms. Those are the pesky little creatures which eat the roots of your lawn and turn into what we all refer to as June Bugs. Yuck!

Armadillos are also very handy in letting one know if they have a lot of grub worms in their lawn. They will tear up your lawn looking for a tasty treat and make it look like there had been a polo match on it. Booooo!



Please be responsible when setting off fireworks and mindful of those who may not enjoy them because of how they sound. Be sure to have pets secure in your homes during this time to prevent them from running off due to the sound of the fireworks.

We all want to enjoy the holiday with friends and family celebrating Independence Day, so PLEASE be safe.

4TH OF JULY FIREWORK SAFETY TIPS

- 1 **Never disassemble or try to make your own fireworks**
- 2 **Don't point sparklers or fireworks at yourself or others-especially when they're being lit**
- 3 **If fireworks malfunction DO NOT RELIGHT THEM. Douse them with water then throw them away**
- 4 **Be sure fireworks are legal in your area before using or buying them**
- 5 **Always have an adult supervise fireworks activities and never allow children to play with or ignite fireworks**
- 6 **If you set off fireworks, keep a bucket of water or fire extinguisher handy in case of a malfunction or fire**
- 7 **NEVER ignite fireworks in a container, especially one made of glass or metal**

As a result of the significant amount of rain we have seen in the recent month, we have decided to push the Yard of the Month to July instead of June.

Each monthly recipient will receive a \$50 Gift Card to a local business.



If They Poop, You Scoop

There are several areas in our neighborhood where this is an issue. If walking your pet(s), please be mindful of your neighbors and their yards. Please clean up after your pets.



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Neighborhood Billboard

Blue Sky Drone Photography
Mario Salvato - 214.457.5905

Fierce Motions in Dance
Donna Almon - 214.551.9515

Grace & Heart Sterling Jewelry
Lora Johnson - 817.475.4012

Independent Insurance Agent
Kristi Rowell - 972.241.5464

North Texas Aerial Photography
Mike Bishop - 760.646.3891

Realtors:
Kelly & Mike Bishop - 903.821.7227
Sheila Fejeran - 972.948.0715
Joshua Janek - 214.929.0372
JC Young - 214.799.9139
Kathy Wright - 972.382.8882

SL Handyman
Steve Hipps - 903.818.5264

Travel Easy Decks
Kristi & Jody Rowell - 972.241.5464

Trinity Sisters & Rock's Heart of Restoration
Devit Rock - 903.819.1189

Trinity Welding Services
Randy Loveall - 325.207.6225

Turf Monster Lawn & Landscape
Ken Crouchman - 214.663.8644

360 RV Inspections
Mario Salvato - 214.457.5905

For additional information on these businesses, please look for them on the web.

**SUPPORT
LOCAL
BUSINESS**

Helpful Numbers

Trash Removal:

Alford Trash Service - 903.433.1454
Cain's Trash Removal - 903.482.1303
IESI - 903.893.1936
Jerry's - 903.482.6696

Water Service:

Marilee - 972.382.3222

Electric:

GCEC - 903.482.7100

Cable/Satellite/Internet Services:

Sparklight - 903.442.0440
DirecTv - 855.838.4388
Dish Network - 888.605.8443

Grayson County Sheriff, Non-Emergency - 903.813.4200

Van Alstyne FD, Non-Emergency - 903.482.6666

Grayson County P1 Road & Bridge Maintenance - 903.893.2033

Grayson County Commissioner P1, Jeff Whitmire

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HOA Board Information

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Member - Josh Janek
Member - Mark Salgado

