



SPIRIT OF LASCOLINAS



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LCA DEPARTMENTS : ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL



LCA Architectural Control (from left to right) : Phil Ochsner, Shaila Quoreshi, Kelly Willis, and Raquel Burns.

Photo by Jessica Hubble

When LCA members want to make an aesthetic change to their buildings, homes or properties, they submit their plans, digital files, fee, and submission form to LCA's Architectural Control Department.

The Architectural Control Department ensures that the plans meet the requirements of the Master and Supplementary Declarations. It is important that the plans not only meet the requirements but are also complete so that they can be presented to the Architectural Control Committee (ACC). The ACC is a group of volunteers from the residential and commercial communities in Las Colinas. With 1,542 submissions received in 2018, our plan review team keeps busy and strives to handle submissions in a timely manner.

Per the Deed Restrictions, the Architectural Control Committee has up to 60 days to act upon submission.

Sometimes submissions may be delayed because of missing information or they may not correspond with governing documents. In this case, property owners are notified by phone or letter of missing information, etc. Once the plan has passed the plan review process, it is added to the upcoming week's agenda for ACC review.

At this stage in the ACC process, the submission is copiously reviewed on a subjective basis to assess whether it is adequate in terms of site dimensions, structural design, conformity, and harmony of exterior design. For example, the ACC may look at the submission location with neighboring structures and sites; the relation of finished grades and elevations to neighboring sites; and conformity to both the specific and general intent of the protective covenants. Once ACC has viewed the submission information, the submission will either be

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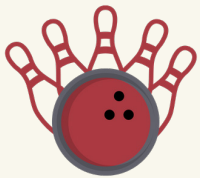
Property of the Month

122 E. John Carpenter Fwy. Irving, Texas 75062



LCA NEWS

LCA 2nd Annual Charity Bowl-A-Thon



Las Colinas Association
CHARITY BOWL-A-THON
2019

Our 2nd annual Charity Bowl-A-Thon benefitting Kidd's Kids will take place at PINSTACK on Tuesday, April 23rd from 6pm-9pm. For Attendees, registration is \$20.00 and includes 2 drink tickets, player card, and food. For teams, registration is \$110.00 and includes bowling, 2 drink tickets, player card, shoe rental, and food. All registration fees and proceeds go to Kidd's Kids. Purchase your ticket at <https://www.kiddskids.org>.

For **Good Friday**, LCA offices will close at noon on Thursday, April 18th and reopen on Monday, April 22nd. Also, in observance of **Memorial Day weekend**, LCA offices will close at noon on Friday, May 24th and reopen on Tuesday, May 28th at 8:00 am.

SAFETY: For many, springtime means spending more time outside or in your garage. LCA Security Services wants to remind you to keep an eye on your personal property and don't leave unattended. In 2018, LCA Security Services were notified about 4,101 open garage doors in the development. Remember that property theft is a crime of opportunity; let's close the door on it.



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approved, disapproved, or deferred. Meetings are open to members for observation and held on Thursdays every week from 12pm-2pm, alternating weeks between the commercial and the residential groups. Keeping the alternating weeks in mind, it may take up to 14 days for a submission to make it on the agenda.

Other things to know:

Our Architectural Control Department is made up of a Director, with over 29 years at LCA, two Plan Review Representatives, and an Administrative Assistant. For questions, send an email to plans@lascolinas.org or call 972-541-2345.



APRIL AND MAY COMMUNITY EVENTS

The 2019 **Irving Marathon** will be held on Saturday, April 27th at Toyota Music Factory at 316 West Las Colinas Blvd. More details can be found at www.irvingmarathon.com.

The **Las Colinas Farmers Market** hosted by **Four Seasons Markets** is held every Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Lamberti's Ristorante and Wine Bar parking lot at 7701 N MacArthur Blvd, Irving. Stop by to sample microgreens, dressings, olive oils, honey, and other condiments.

Pavilion at Toyota Music Factory will host Trevor Noah: Loud & Clear tour on Friday, April 19th, at 7:30 pm. Through April and May, you can anticipate Melissa Etheridge, crime podcast stars from My Favorite Murder, Jim Gaffigan, and more upcoming concerts! Check out the Pavilion at Toyota Music Factory schedule at www.livenation.com.



Yarn crafters, it's that time of year again! **DFW Fiber Fest** will take place on April 4, 2019 - April 7, 2019, at the Irving Convention Center. For more info: <http://www.dfwfiberfest.org/>.



OFFICE SPACE OF THE FUTURE

Co-working, shared working, and flexible environments



Venture X is located at 955 West John Carpenter Fwy, Suite 100 in Irving, Texas.

Photo by Jessica Hubble

By Amanda Star Cline

When it comes to office space, big business, and entrepreneurs have come a long way since the days of rotary phones, typewriters, bar carts, personal secretaries, and the coveted corner office. The water fountain is being replaced with cucumber-mint water in glass dispensers. The “office” is turning into a “workspace” that cultivates creativity, saves money, and promotes networking. Flexible environments, co-working spaces, and shared working spaces are on the rise in popularity, including Las Colinas.

Venture X, at 955 W. John Carpenter Fwy, specializes in coworking and flexible workspaces. The term ‘flexible’ relates to movable furniture.

Having stand/sitting desks, furniture with wheels, and partitions on wheels allows individuals to control their surroundings. Venture X has meeting rooms, a reception area, cafe, 24/7 access, latest technology, dry-erase white walls, and even weekly social and networking events. If you only need a space for the day, you can purchase a day pass. Venture X does have monthly membership rates, as well as hourly rates, and private office rentals. The company’s open concept allows natural lighting into the office, setting an energetic ambiance. Business professionals, freelancers, and entrepreneurs have access to snacks and endless coffee. Aside from Venture X, Las Colinas has a few other co-working spaces.

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The New York-based company, WeWork recently signed a lease to create a shared workspace at The Towers at Williams Square in Las Colinas. WeWork began building shared office spaces in 2010 and can be likened to an office leasing middle man. Their workspace design features glass walls that allow privacy and natural light, both ethernet and wi-fi, desks, chairs, desk lamps and lockable filing cabinets, multi-function business printers, micro-roasted coffee, tea, fruit water, onsite managers, reception area, lounges, and private phone booths. WeWork charges a monthly membership. American Express, Business Insider are among their notable clientele. WeWorks offers virtual office space too. Shared workspaces are usually used by more established business and larger corporations. They offer more privacy and have more

equipment such as fax machines, copiers, audio-visual equipment, as well as professional looking office furniture. Amenities can include reception services, a kitchen, as well as private offices cut off from the rest of the space.

Las Colinas has other modern office spaces that are similar to WeWork and Venture X. Regus has several office spaces in Las Colinas. One of their office spaces, the 10th floor of MacArthur Center II at 5605 North MacArthur Blvd, has meeting rooms, a business lounge, and co-working spaces. Memberships range from pay-as-you-go to fixed term. Between WeWork, Venture X, and Regus, Las Colinas offers lots of office space options for the big business, entrepreneurs, and startups. Is this the future of the modern office? Will employees get used to sharing their space with others from different fields and companies? Time will tell.



Venture X Las Colinas opened for business last January.

Photo by Jessica Hubble



2019 Flags Over Las Colinas

The Irving-Las Colinas Rotary

Club invites you to join your friends and neighbors in displaying the American Flag on the 5 major holidays of **Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Veteran's Day.** The "Flags Over Irving" Program gives Irving residents an opportunity to show their pride and love for our country. It gives our community a great patriotic spirit and at the same time helps so many people.

This is a service project, of the Irving-Las Colinas Rotary Club. Rotarians are dedicated businessmen and women who provide humanitarian service to people throughout the world and in the local community. 100% of the proceeds are used to support the Rotary scholarships and youth programs in our community of Irving.

We will place a PVC plastic sleeve in the ground, 15" from your front sidewalk or curb and



mark the curb with a small Blue Star.

On the 5 holidays, a 3' x 5' United States Flag, mounted on a 10' metal pole, is placed in sleeve. Rotary Club volunteers, with the help of Boy Scouts, will do all the work. We display and store the flags. The flags and the sleeves remain the property of the Irving-Las Colinas Rotary Club. There are no brackets or fixtures attached to your home and the plastic sleeve cap will be barely visible.

2019 Annual Flag Lease is only \$45 for the year.

Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Veterans Day

To Lease online: www.FlagsOverIrving.com

Or complete this form and mail it along with your payment to:

Irving-Las Colinas Rotary Club

P.O. Box 141714 Irving, TX 75014

Please make checks payable to: Irving-Las Colinas Rotary Club

Thank you! We do appreciate your support!

If you have any questions, **Flag Hotline: 972-523-9616** kchoward@verizon.net

YES! We want to participate in the **Flag Program of the Irving-Las Colinas Rotary Club.** It is my responsibility to advise in the placement for the plastic sleeve to avoid sprinklers, plumbing and electrical hazards or if the sleeve becomes a hazard to lawn equipment. **Neighborhood** _____

NAME: _____ **EMAIL:** _____ .com .net

ADDRESS: _____ **PHONE:** _____

Please check if you Need Sleeve & Star **or Renewal** ~Home Flag(s) # _____ @ \$45 = \$ _____

YES, I also want to Sponsor a Flag(s) for our Gate or Common Areas # 1 **2** **or** _____ @ \$25 = \$ _____

By Check MasterCard Visa Disc CC# _____ **Total Amount Paid** = \$ _____

Exp _____ (CVC) _____ Billing Zip _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Memorial Day May 27th, 2019



Margarita Madness

WHAT MAKES AN AMAZING MARGARITA? BALANCE. INGREDIENTS. TEQUILA. CINCO DE MAYO IS AROUND THE CORNER AND THE 'RITA IS A SUMMERTIME STAPLE. LAS COLINAS HAS OVER 200 RESTAURANTS AND SEVERAL PLACES ARE SERVING UP MARGARITA MADNESS YEAR-ROUND.

When you want something **SMOKY AND SWEET**

The Ranch has a Smokey Sweet Pineapple Margarita which utilizes a smoky and earthy mezcal called Illegal Mezcal Joven. The smoky flavor is balanced and amazing in this drink. Add in some freshly squeezed pineapple juice and muddled jalapenos, you have a savory and sweet 'rita. Salted rim included, of course.



When you want something **FROZEN**

El Famoso's frozen Hibiscus Margarita is made with Herradura Silver Tequila, Cointreau, fresh lime, Hibiscus infusion, and simple syrup. Herradura Silver Tequila is sweet, citrusy, and aged in American Oak barrels for 45 days. The natural flavor of hibiscus is tart and cranberry-like which makes this beverage the perfect frozen drink. This drink stands alone, no need for salt or sugar on this rim.



When you want the uncomplicated **QUINTESSENTIAL 'RITA**

The Classic Margarita at Two Mules Cantina at Texican Court is the vintage Cinco de Mayo celebratory drink. A low-ball glass filled with ice, El Jimador Silver Tequila, fresh lime juice, and orange liquor, Cointreau. This drink's El Jimador Silver is a crystal clear, young tequila made from Weber agave. Salted rim, optional.



 **Exclusive Eating in Las Colinas**
Download our restaurant guide at www.lascolinas.org

 **Weather App**
Search "Weather Link" in App Store or Google Play Store

 **Story Suggestions**
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Need some delicious, but easy garlic-based recipes for your upcoming dinner party? National garlic day is April 19th and to celebrate, we made two garlic centric recipes and shared them with LCA staff. Read our blog to find the recipes and find out the staff favorite!


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