

A VERY SPOOKY

# TARA TALK



## WHO'S NEW IN TARA?

Madelyn Mansfield #23

Jason & Janine Reddick #34

WELCOME TO OUR  
NEW NEIGHBORS!



## TARA PET OF THE MONTH

*Meet Lou Lou !*

Our first Tara pet of the month is Lou Lou Lee of House #9! Lou Lou is a 6 year old Basset Hound that loves all dogs and people - especially those who give her treats and attention! Favorite activities include riding in the car with mom to Starbucks for a pup cup and sneaking food off of the counter. Obviously a 12/10 good girl.

## SOME FUN HALLOWEEN TRIVIA!

1. The first Jack-O'-Lanterns were actually carved from turnips
2. In Alabama, wearing a nun or priest costume for Halloween is illegal
3. Finding a spider on Halloween is considered good luck
4. The world record for heaviest pumpkin - 2,624.6 pounds
5. In 2020, top costumes were Witch, Vampire, and Cat!
6. Skittles are the #1 sold candy for Halloween
7. Candy corn was initially called Chicken Feed when introduced in the 19th century
8. The average family spends ~\$44 dollars on Halloween candy
9. Halloween is the second largest commercial holiday in the USA - second to Christmas
10. Why do we carve Jack-O'-Lanterns? As the story goes, an Irish man named Stingy Jack tricked the devil and therefore was not allowed into heaven or hell — so he spent his days roaming the Earth, carrying a turnip lantern, and went by "Jack of the Lantern" which overtime changed to Jack-O'-Lantern.



BOO!

# RECIPE OF THE MONTH: DRACULA DENTURES

## INGREDIENTS

1 tube chocolate chip cookie dough  
1 can vanilla frosting  
red food coloring  
mini marshmallows  
slivered almonds



## DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350°. Line two large baking sheets with parchment paper. Roll cookie dough into 1 ½" balls and place on baking sheets. Bake until golden, about 12 minutes. Let cool completely then cut in half.
2. Add a few drops of red food coloring into vanilla frosting and stir until smooth. Spread a thin layer of red frosting onto each cookie half.
3. Place mini marshmallows around the round edges of half of the halves. Place the remaining halves on top, then stick a slivered almond on each side to create fangs.



## BOOK CLUB

Book club will begin meeting again on October 20th at 7pm on the lawn outside of house #30. Future meetings will tentatively occur on the third Wednesday of each month. For more information, email Jan Allen at [janallen@westminster.com](mailto:janallen@westminster.com)



## HAVE EXCITING NEWS FOR OUR NEXT TARA TALK?

Email Ally (#19) and Maggie (#16) at [allymay@me.com](mailto:allymay@me.com) and [mginn6@gmail.com](mailto:mginn6@gmail.com) to join in the fun!

## MEET SHERI!

Sheri is our new USPS Mail Carrier and she is a wonderful addition to our Tara family. Here are some facts about Sheri so you can get to know her and be sure to say hello to her as she delivers our mail in Tara!

1. She is a country girl and grew up in Sparta, GA
2. Prior to being a mail carrier, she was a certified nurses assistant
3. She enjoys trying new foods and particularly loves southern food (don't we all!)
4. She enjoys taking walks with her family
5. She is married with 2 daughters and 3 grandchildren
6. She enjoys helping and taking care of others
7. Greatest Mail Carrier EVER!

