



DEERFIELD VILLAGE *News*

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The Voice of The Community • Dedicated To The Residents of Deerfield Village

DEERFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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President's Report

Greetings Neighbor,

It is with heavy heart that I let you know of the passing of June Stuart (76), our past Office Manager. My condolences to the family, God bless June!

I would like to thank our residents for attending the Big Event, where our committees were proud to present what they are working on, and tell you about what they do. We had lots of food, fun, and a chance for everyone to meet their neighbors. A special thank you to the other organizations that attended, such as the MUD 136 team, The Men's Group, SEAL Security, Troop 120 and Pack 1135 Scouts, just to name a few. I believe we also got a few volunteers to assist us with events and/or join committees they would like to be a part of. I hope this event was able to convey to the attendees everything we do in Deerfield, and why we are proud to call this home.

The Board reviewed the 2018 budget on October 10th, which included the financial position of the HOA, the rising cost of utilities, upcoming projects, and the recent decision to make SEAL 24/7. At that meeting, the Board voted to increase the Yearly Assessments by \$20.

I want to address a concern that was presented at the last Board meeting by a resident and Committee Member. The resident provided a public statement that the HOA is required to run our meetings and governed by the GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 551. OPEN MEETINGS, as described under section 551.0015. A statement was presented to the Board Members, which I will include in our public minutes, suggested that we were breaking this law. Keep in mind that we are not a government entity, we are a private, not for

profit organization, with Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Protective Covenants, and policies that guide how we run our meetings and the business. We are not subject to this Chapter in the Government code. Primarily because we do not access maintenance fees based on the value of your property, like a government agency might, as one example. We don't manage commercial property, and we absolutely require membership in the corporation as a property owner.

Additionally, when having a training workshop with one of our committees (in this case Deeds), they insisted this must be a public meeting, even though no HOA business was being voted on. Companies have meetings with their teams to make sure they understand company policies, procedures, personnel issues, and how to work better as a team. There is no secret meeting to do whatever, there is simply a strong desire by the Board to have the best trained volunteers, with no distractions. Any resident is invited to the Board meetings, which are public and an agenda of the topics to be voted is published 10 days in advance at the Clubhouse, as required by our By-Laws. However, for everyone's convenience, it is also placed on our website for anyone to see. I also post the meeting minutes on the website, including how everyone voted on a financial impacting request(s), or policies, or other action(s) by the HOA. Any vote done at a committee meeting in closed session normally, can be appealed publicly at the Board meetings, and is where the buck stops.

The next Board meeting is Monday, November 27th, everyone is welcome to attend. The December 25th Board meeting is cancelled, as discussed in the Annual Meeting of the Board.

I wish you and your family a great Thanksgiving!

Take care, Eric

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**THE DVCA OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED:
THURS., NOV. 23RD
FRI., NOV. 24TH**

Important Information

DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS

DVCA Office 281-463-2624
Email:..... deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

Clay Road Courthouse Annex 281-463-2446
Harris Cty. Sheriff's Non-Emergency 713-221-6000
Fire & EMS Non-Emergency 281-256-2266
State Highway Dept. 713-802-5076

Harris County Pct. 3 Commissioner's Office
Must have address to Report 281-463-6300
Graffiti Public Str. Signs & Curb
Public Str. Repair (NO Patio Homes)
Road Damage (NO Patio Homes)

SCHOOLS

Cy-Fair School District Admin..... 281-897-4000
Peggy Wilson Elementary (K-5) 281-463-5941
Watkins Jr. High (6-8) 281-463-5850
Cypress Lakes HS..... 281-856-3800

Bear Creek Library 281-550-0885

UTILITY INFORMATION

Report Gas Leaks..... 713-659-2111
Center-Point & Street Light Repair
Have 6 digit # from pole & address 713-207-7777
AT&T 1-800-288-2020
Trash Pick-up 281-368-8397
Water & Sewer Info. MUD #136 281-367-5511
Illegal Dumping..... 713-920-2831
Flooding 713-684-4000

OTHER NUMBERS

Harris County Public Health & Environmental Services
(HCPHES)
Includes Public Nuisance Report..... 713-274-6300
www.hcphe.org
Harris County Pets (Animal Control) 281-999-3191
Humane Wildlife Removal 281-354-8690
Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation 713-468-8972
MTA Buses (Routes & Schedules) 713-635-4000
Alcoholics Anonymous (24 hours) 713-686-6300
Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse 713-520-8620
Legal Advice & Info..... 713-528-2121
Battered Women Children
Battered Women & Children 713-528-5785
Crisis Hotline (Suicide Prevention)..... 713-228-1505
Children's Protective Svcs (CPS)..... 713-394-4000
Poison Control (24 hours)..... 1-800-222-1222
Rape Crisis (24 hours)..... 713-528-7273

Submit articles, photos and ads to the DVCA office, or email: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net prior to the 18th of the month.

Welcome to Deerfield Village

If you are a new resident in Deerfield Village, please feel free to stop by the DVCA Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:30am and 1:30pm, to obtain additional information about the community and the DVCA facilities. You may also wish to pick up a key to the Tennis Courts. The keys are \$25.00 each and the deposit is refundable when the keys are returned to the office. If you would like to get involved in your new community, a list of committees and their meeting schedules are available. More help in keeping the community vibrant is always welcome! For inquiries, you may contact the DVCA office at 281-463-2624, or email us at deerfield4@sbcglobal.net Visit our website at www.deerfieldvillageonline.com to learn more.

Receive Emergency and Informational E-mails...

If you would like to be put on an e-mail list to receive emergency or last minute informational e-mails, please go to our website: www.deerfieldvillageonline.com and Click on "Create a Resident Account." Then fill in the information requested.

Keep Deerfield Bright at Night...

Please report Street Lights and Greenbelt Lights that are out to the DVCA Office; phone: 281-463-2624. It is necessary to provide the pole number and the location address of the pole that is being reported. Street Lights that are not on the Greenbelt and not in the Patio Home Section may be reported directly to Center-Point Energy at the following website:

<http://www.centerpointenergy.com>

Click on the "Report a Streetlight Outage" located in the middle of the page. You can then click the "request form" and complete the requested information and submit.

Nothing but water should go down our storm drains.

Please make certain that the grass/yard clippings along curbs are bagged. In case of a heavy rain, these clippings will be swept into the sewer system and block the runoff water; which in turn will flood our streets.

Residential Trash Reminders

Please know that there is a 15 bag limit in regards to yard debris per service day. Anything over this limit must be negotiated between the home owner and Waste Corporation of America: 281-368-8397. Hours of operation are 7 am to 7 pm, office hours are 7 am to 4 pm. Pick-up days are Tuesday and Friday. Heavy trash day is Friday, limit 1 heavy item per service day per household. Please do not put your trash out until Monday or Thursday evening.

MUD 136 Report

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

At its September meeting, the Board reviewed the District's water and sewer activities during the previous month, focusing in particular on operations during Harvey. MOC, the District's operator, had personnel on premises or nearby, 24/7, from August 25 through August 30. On two occasions, when electrical service was interrupted, they moved our portable generator to the sewer lift stations to keep the pumps working. At no time during the storm was either the water or sewer service out of commission. Lesson learned: Be prepared. The hurricane preparation steps MOC took last June paid off handsomely during Harvey.

The response of Deerfield residents to the sewer treatment plant situation was truly impressive. Lesson learned: We can find ways to reduce our use of water, although not necessarily to the extent we have done during the emergency.

The Directors also reviewed the garbage and recycling programs. The electronics recycling and document shredding event last month was a great success. If you missed the event, there will be another one sometime next year. Meanwhile, there are two options available for shredding. The Office Depot store at Hwy 6 & FM 529 shreds documents at any time for \$1.99/lb. West Houston Document Destruction, 21811 Katy Fwy at Mason sheds onsite. Electronics can be recycled at CompuCycle. Check their website (www.compucycle.net) for the nearest drop off location. The event did not include the recycling of hazardous chemicals. Those items can be recycled at the Harris County facility on Hahl Rd. Find times and directions at http://eng.hctx.net/watershed/hhw_home.html. Our weekly recycling program will continue to pick up cardboard, paper, metal food containers, plastic items that have the recycling triangle symbol with a number inside it, and now include styrofoam. A complete set of guidelines is posted on our website, www.hcmud136.org.

If you have any questions about the recycling program or any other District business, plan to attend the next monthly meeting, which will be held on Thursday, Oct 12, at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.

Deerfield Yoga

Come and join us for a relaxing hour of gentle stretching and breathing. Wear comfortable clothing, bring water, and a mat or a towel. Please contact Becky Nickell via email at Nickellb01@att.net for further information.

Where? Annex Room Upstairs

What time? 6:30

What day? Wednesday



Financial Services Committee

Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm to review the financial status of our community. The next meeting will be **November 14, 2017**.

Financial status as of **September 30, 2017**

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| YTD expenses | \$521,095 |
| YTD budget | \$508,815 |
| Under/ (Over)/budget | \$(12,280) |
| Annual Operating Budget | \$665,138 |
| Annual Reserve Budget | \$87,802 |

By year end, it is estimated actual expenses will exceed budget by \$27,000-29,000. Over budget is covered by contingency funds carried over from prior years.

The YTD assessment collection rate is 97.9%. The collection rate is .3% behind the 2016 comparable rate.

The DVCA Board has approved the 2018 budget. In order to maintain the Association's strong financial position and continue to provide the amenities residents expect it is necessary to increase the assessments as follows:

- \$650.00 for single family homes
- \$730.00 for patio homes

This is a 3.2 and 2.8 percent increase, respectively. The last increase was in 2015. As a point of reference, according to government figures during this time period (2015-2017), the consumer price index for the Houston area increased by 5.45%.

Assessment invoices should be received by 11/15/2017. If you haven't received one by that date contact Consolidate Management Cheryl Beisert (281-296-9775 ext 207) to request a copy.

NOTICE:

**2018 Assessments are as follows:
\$650.00 for single family homes
\$730.00 for Patio Homes**

Want to avoid a cash crunch in December/January? Start prepaying your 2018 Assessment early. To do this, start sending in monthly amounts, say \$100.00 or whatever amount fits your budget. Make sure your address appears on the check. Send payments to:

DVCA

**c/o Consolidated Management Services
128 Vision Park Blvd., Suite 110
Shenandoah, TX 77384**

If you pay your 2018 Assessment by online banking, please check the mailing address to avoid any delay of receipt of the check.

Recreation Committee

The last 2017 Music on the Green was October 14th. While the crowd was a bit smaller than usual, the band, CC Rider, was really excellent and everyone enjoyed them, including the mosquitoes. It did seem the mosquitoes outnumbered the people by a lot, and we debating what we can do to reduce the mosquito attendees – different music, or perhaps a fogger. Any suggestions are welcome.

Our final event in October is the annual Trunk or Treat. This year Rebecca Bivens (the Rec. Committee leader of the event) is making it more spook-tacular by having a gypsy fortune teller, a pumpkin patch, and more. The event starts at 5:00PM, and will only last about an hour, so don't be late. Please be in the parking lot by 4:45 if you plan to hand out treats!

While we have no big events in November, we do have a final Adult Social on Dec. 9, and the Snow Party on Dec. 17th – a bit latter than past years. The adult social party tickets will go on sale before Thanksgiving, and since our capacity is limited, think a bit getting your tickets early. Once again, they are only \$12 a person, and will include a Christmas themed meal. Kevin Weishaar, the Sinatra singer, will provide the entertainment.

And throughout November, we have our Coffee and Donuts, Poker, Ladies Night Out and more.... We continue to encourage residents to respond to the Deerfield survey if you have not already. We are using the data form for in our future planning. If you have an interest in helping out, please contact Peter Howell at 281-463-1360. And come join the fun committee...



Happy Thanksgiving!



PUBLIC NOTICE OF TRUSTEE VACANCY

Two trustee positions, formerly filled by Brian Harris, and Greg Bonefas have recently become vacant. The term for Brian Harris' position runs through 2018 and the term for Greg Bonefas' position runs through 2020.

We are accepting applications from any member (in good standing) who would like to be considered for the opening. Applications will be accepted at the Deerfield Office through close of business day on Saturday, December 9, 2017.

A Special meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 to select the new trustee from all the

You may pick-up an application at the Deerfield Office or online at www.deerfieldvillage.net.

Posted On: November 9, 2017

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Adult Social

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH,
COME JOIN US FOR A
TRADITIONAL HOLIDAY DINNER
WITH ENTERTAINMENT BY

Kevin Weishaar

TICKETS GO ON SALE
MID-NOVEMBER

Landscape Committee

The last meeting of the year for Landscape Committee will be November 13, 2017 at 7:00pm downstairs meeting room.

Our year, 2017 seems to be moving at an unusually fast pace toward 2018. Our committee has had a very eventful and satisfying year in all that has been accomplished. We are especially proud of getting the new playground completed after almost two years of effort. We also want to praise all the wonderful men who are part of the Thursday Morning Men's Group for their continued contribution. Please take a look at our beautiful refurbished benches. The last seven should be completed by the end of October. In November the group plans to begin refinishing and staining the wood slats on the trash cans. We want to express our sincerest appreciation to them for stepping up and doing so much. **THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU! JOBS WELL DONE!**

Sometimes we and you are frustrated when some projects or needs aren't accomplished as quickly as we or you would like. It is very important for us as homeowners to understand that money has to be budgeted and allocated to the different committee's that make our village run. We should always be in a position to address any emergency need but other projects have to be carefully planned, bids have to be obtained to get the greatest value for money spent, board approval is necessary to proceed with projects over \$1,000.00. The process is necessary for accountability as money is spent by committee members. All this takes time and work by committee members. Not having many volunteers available to make this all happen slows progress. Please again consider coming to committee meetings, dates and times are all listed in the monthly newsletter. There is only one per month and most are kept to a one hour maximum. Please come and help those who are already working for you get the jobs done you may want accomplished.

Landscape Projects still in progress:

- Fall flowers will be planted by the end of October or first of November depending on weather conditions.
- Sidewalk repair and replacement will be scheduled at the beginning of 2018.
- Major tree trimming will also be scheduled early 2018.



39th Annual *Deerfield Village Christmas Bazaar & Market*



Cash • Checks
VISA • Mastercard • Discover
Please bring a non-perishable food donation

Friday, November 3rd, 12-8 pm
Saturday, November 4th 9 am - 4 pm

4045 Deerfield Village Dr
Deerfield Village Recreation Center at
Clay Rd
Between Barker-Cypress and Highway 6



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WendyBousley@kw.com

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Texas Hold'em Poker

Second Thursday
of the month,



At 7:30 pm, we start our regular cash game. Everyone is welcome to watch or participate.

Contact Bob Shottle, at 281-463-4589,
for more information.

\$25 buy-in
Unlimited buy-ins
25/50 cent blinds.

Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

| Committee | Meeting Dates* | Time | Board Trustee | Committee Chair | Phone |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Community Services | 1st Monday | 7:00 PM | Bruce Bott | Rick Johnson | |
| Deed Restrictions | 1st Monday | 7:00 PM | Brent Burris | | |
| DVCA Board | 4th Monday | 7:00 PM | Eric Toureilles | | 281-855-0312 |
| Financial Services | 3rd Tuesday of the month | 7:00 PM | Greg Bonefas | Mike Feeney | 281-859-4504 |
| Landscape | 2nd Monday | 7:00 PM | Mark Klodzinski | Lynetta Morrell | |
| MUD #136 | 2nd Thursday | 6:00 PM | Eric Toureilles | | 281-855-0312 |
| Recreation Center | 1st Friday | 9:30 AM | Gerri Hudson | Peter Howell | 281-463-1360 |
| Security | 1st Tuesday | 7:00 PM | Dave Flick | Glenn Sommers | 281-855-7716 |
| Swimming Pool | 2nd Monday | 7:00 PM | Louis Carpenter | Glen Brosch | |
| Tennis | 1st Wednesday | 8:00 PM | | Mark Tinne | |

* Please read the Committee Reports for Monthly changes in the schedule.

Deerfield Village November 2017

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| LEGEND A Annex C/H Clubhouse SMR Small Mtg. Room 1 | C&D Coffee & Donuts Exchange Day – Book/ Dvd/puzzle exchange | | 1 6:30 pm Yoga (A) 8 pm Tennis Com (C/H) | 2 No Bridge Tonight | 3 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 12 PM – 8 PM | 4 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 9 AM – 4 PM |
| 5 | 6 7 pm Deeds (C/H) 7 pm Pool Com. (A). | 7 7-7 ELECTION DAY C/H 7 pm Security (A) | 8 12 pm Quilting (C/H) 6:30 pm Yoga (A) | 9 9 am Men's Group C/H 6 pm MUD 136 (C/H) 7:30 pm TX Hold 'em Poker (A) | 10 8:30 am C&D (C/H) | 11 |
| 12 | 13 7pm Landscape C/H 7 pm Pool Com. (A) | 14 1pm Maj Jongg C/H 7 pm Finance Com C/H | 15 6:30 pm Yoga (A) | 16 9 am Men's Group C/H 7 pm Ladies Bunko C/H | 17 8:30 am C&D (C/H) | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 1 pm Maj Jongg (C/H) 7 pm Finance Com C/H | 22 6pm Yoga (A) | 23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING | 24 8:30 am C&D (C/H) Exchange Day | 25 |
| 26 | 27 7 pm Board Mtg. (C/H) | 28 1 pm Maj Jongg (C/H)) | 29 6:30 pm Yoga (A) | 30 9 am Men's Group C/H | 8:30 am C&D (C/H) | |

DEERFIELD UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 31st Halloween – Deerfield's kid's Halloween event – Trunk or Treat at 5:00, in the parking lot. There will be a fortune teller and a photo opportunity pumpkin patch. If you are planning on handing out treats, be in the parking lot by 4:45 pm.

November 3rd 12 – 8 pm & November 4th 9 am – 4 pm - Annual Christmas Bazaar & Market. Come shop early till you drop.

December 9th Adult Social – in the newly sound reconditioned Club House. A traditional holiday dinner will be served and entertainment will be by Kevin Weishaar, (Frank Sinatra singer). Tickets go on sale mid-November. Get them early – tickets for Kevin go fast!

December 17th Snow Party – Snow at the Rec Center, the Polar Express and more. To help with this event, please call Rebecca Bivens 713-899-9837

Ongoing....

Friday Morning – Coffee and Donuts 8:30AM – the last one of month is paperback/dvd/jigsaw puzzle exchange. (Bring one, take one.)

Thursday Morning – Men's Group 9:00 AM– Opportunity for men to gather for fellowship, discuss service projects and social events.

Tuesday - Mah Jongg 1 PM – At the Rec Center

Wednesday - Beginner Yoga 6:30 PM – In the Annex.

1st Thursday of the month – Bridge 7PM-9PM.

Please note that the November 2nd Bridge night will be in another location that will be announced at a later date. This is due to the election taking place in the Clubhouse.

2nd Wednesday of the month – Quilting. Noon , at the Rec Center.

2nd Thursday of the month – Texas Hold 'Em Poker – 7:30 – 11:30pm (Approximately) \$25 buy-in, unlimited by-ins, 25/50 cent blinds. You can join and leave at any time. Bob Shortle 281-463-4589

3rd Thursday of the month – Deerfield Bunco. 7PM newcomers welcome.



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Deerfield Resident Supplier




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Neighbors

www.MadeInHoustonShutters.com

Call Andy Taylor on 713 726 6538

Pet Hotline News

by Marie Nugent

-  Make sure your pet has a form of ID on their collar. Key tags are available 3 for \$2.00 at most hardware stores and work fine for pet ID's.
-  Did you know that you can register your pet with Deerfield's Pet Hotline? Call Marie Nugent, 713-818-5799 for a Pet Hotline tag for your pet. The tag has Marie's home and cell phone number. She keeps a log with a photo, breed, pet's name, and your address, and phone contact numbers. A rabies tag is a great ID, but many Vets are not contactable 24/7 and the finder may not be able to keep your pet for several days.
-  If you have your pet microchipped, make sure you register on the database and keep your information current. Pets have been found wandering around the neighborhood and, when taken to the vet, found they were microchipped but the information was obsolete, thus making it harder to contact the owner.
-  If you are going out of town and have a pet sitter, let Marie know your pet's name, what it looks like (a picture is also great), and a contact number.
-  And if you are thinking about owning a pet – Ask yourself IF:
 - You have time to get its shots and check for heartworms
 - You have time to get a collar with ID and a phone number on the tag
 - You have time to walk it on a leash and PICK UP THE POOP.
 - You have the money, time and commitment to care for a pet.

IF you answer NO to any of these questions, maybe you should NOT get a pet.



Thanksgiving Trivia Quiz

1. T F Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey to be the national bird of the United States.
2. T F Female turkeys (hens) do not gobble.
3. T F The average turkey weighs 25 pounds.
4. T F Thanksgiving is the reason for TV dinners.
5. T F Americans eat 95 million turkeys each Thanksgiving.
6. T F Texans consume the most turkey in the US on Thanksgiving Day.
7. T F Thanksgiving Day has always been on the 4th Thursday of November.
8. T F The heaviest turkey on record is 86 pounds.
9. T F Thanksgiving became a national holiday in 1763.
10. T F Forks were not used during the 1st Thanksgiving.



- ANSWERS:**
1. T Benjamin Franklin did not want the eagle to become the national bird of the US, because the eagle is a predator.
 2. T Only male turkeys gobble.
 3. F The average turkey weighs 15 pounds.
 4. T In 1953, Swanson had 200 tons of extra turkey. Then a salesman suggested they package it in aluminum trays along with other sides. Thus, the TV dinner was born!
 5. F Americans eat 46 million turkeys each year.
 6. F Californians consume the most turkey on Thanksgiving Day in the US.
 7. F Abe Lincoln declared Thanksgiving Day to be the 4th Thursday of November. In 1939 President Roosevelt moved it up a week hoping it would help the shopping season during the Depression, but it never caught on. Two years later it was changed back to the 4th Thursday of November.
 8. T According to Guinness Book of Records, the heaviest turkey on record is 86 pounds.
 9. F Thanksgiving became a national holiday in 1863.
 10. T Forks were not used at the 1st Thanksgiving celebration as they were not invented until 1873 and did not become a popular utensil until the 18th century.
 - 8-10 right - go grab an extra piece of pie!
 - 4-7 right - go grab an extra cookie!
 - 1-3 right - sorry, better luck next time (unless you go ahead and grab one of each and don't get caught!)

Security Committee

Thankfully things remain pretty quiet from a Security standpoint. All of your efforts in being watchful and being vigilant to report suspicious activity are working and we now have full 24/7 coverage with SEAL so there should always be an officer in Deerfield if you call to report something.

There are two situations that came up last month we'd like your help on.

- 1) There is someone driving an ATV and/or truck on the Greenbelt and in our sports field and tearing up the grass. If you see this happening please call SEAL and try to get a license plate. We think this is one of our residents. If it is you – please stop or if you know who it is – ask them to stop. If we catch the person, the Board will prosecute to the highest level legally allowed.
- 2) There have been reports of reckless driving around the bus picking up or dropping off our children for school. If you see this, get the license plate and call HCSO. We don't want one of our children hurt!

Be a good neighbor!

Slow down and drive safely!

As we head into the Holiday season, please stay vigilant and report any suspicious activity, especially after dark. Other things you can be doing to minimize incidents are:

1. Park in your garage or driveway if possible, as vehicles on the street are easier targets.
2. Lock your vehicles that are left on the street or driveway.
3. Close and lock your overhead garage door and lock the entry door to the garage at night or when you are not monitoring them.
4. Add outdoor lights and keep them on at night.
5. Report any streetlights that are out.

*A Brighter Neighborhood
Helps Deter Crime!*

The Security Committee meets at 7PM on the 1st Tuesday of the month. Our next meetings will be November 7th (in the Annex due to the election) and December 5th. Please come join us. We welcome your participation.

QUILTING

Janie McIntosh 713-705-3569
2nd Wednesday 12PM - 4PM

ATTENTION TENNIS PLAYERS

Sign up sheets are posted outside the DVCA office window every week for all four courts. We are asking all players to sign in to reserve your court before playing, even if it is spur of the moment! Not only will signing up for your court eliminate anyone else from pushing you off that court but the Tennis Committee uses these sheets as usage figures to prepare our budget each year. Your participation in this is a HUGE BENEFIT TO YOU!

After your tennis playing is over for your time slot, please make sure the court gate is closed and locked. We have found it open several mornings and feel fortunate that no vandalism occurred so let's keep it that way by making sure everything is locked down before you walk away. Thanks, The Tennis Committee.

Players are reminded to wear non-marking sole shoes when playing.

DEERFIELD VILLAGE TENNIS LEAGUE SIGN-UP
Deerfieldvillagetennis@yahoo.com



Security Stats September 2017

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Alarm | 0 |
| Animal | 1 |
| Assistance | 0 |
| Burglary of Habitation | 1 |
| Burglary of Motor Vehicle | 0 |
| Calls to Call Center | 62 |
| Damage/Defacing of Property | 1 |
| Dispute | 0 |
| Disturbance | 1 |
| Emergency Medical Services | 0 |
| Information | 0 |
| Solicitors | 1 |
| Suspicious Activity | 0 |
| Suspicious Person(s) | 5 |
| Suspicious Vehicle(s) | 13 |
| Theft | 0 |
| Vacation Watches | 18 |
| Vehicle Collision | 1 |

Swim Pool Committee

The Swim Pool Committee is a dedicated group of neighborhood volunteers that are working hard on some much-needed improvements to the pool facilities during the off season. Along with recently renewing our pool management contract with A-Beautiful Pools in coordination with the HOA Board, we have a project to re-plaster the pool before the end of the year. This will help our pool stay clean and safe while providing many more years of continued neighborhood enjoyment. We also have a project to make various repairs to the pool house. These repairs revolve around chemical security and safety, minor restroom upgrades, and guard room aesthetics. Both of these projects will be finished in time for next year's swim season.



The next Pool event will be the annual Polar Bear Swim on January 1 at 1pm. Come join us and dive into the New Year with a splash!

Remember that the Swim Pool Committee (SPC) meets on the second Monday of the month. Our next three meetings are on November 13th, December 11th, and January 8, 2018. All meetings are held in the upstairs Annex and begin promptly at 7PM. We would love for you to join us and get involved.



Men's Group

The Men's Group meets weekly on Thursdays at 9am at the Rec center. We have an ambitious plan for the rest of the year, and for 2018. Come join us.

HELP FOR THE HOMEBOUND

The MG is in the process of organizing help for people who are homebound, either short term, or longer. Assistance includes grocery pickup from Randall's, purchasing stamps and mailing packages at the post office, pickup and return library books, pick up items you want to donate, small maintenance jobs, etc.. Contact Roger Wilson at 281-381-9303 or Charles Rushing at 936-590-2024

SENIOR SESSIONS

The Glazier Sr. Center suffered damage during Harvey and is closed for repairs. We will be looking to host some of their speakers dealing with such topics as discounts for seniors (AARP), AAA travel discounts/tips and cruising do's and don'ts, and more.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Post Harvey, we took down and cut up several fallen trees in Deerfield common areas and cleared all the drains around the Rec Center. When the call went out for trucks and boats to help with water rescues/evacuations from homes in Bear Creek, several MG members responded. Many of the trucks in the convoy that went to pick up the sandbags were MG members. We will have a follow up project to collect sand that residents don't want. Members also volunteered at the Copperfield shelter, and mucked out a number of flooded homes in Bear Creek.

Prior to the Big Event, MG members completed several projects to "spruce up" the clubhouse area, and then did all the planning, preparation, set up work and cooking for the Big Event. (Note for those of you who complain about "old folks" in Deerfield, the average age of those who put on the Big Event was something north of 70—you rock!) In October, we will be refinishing all the slats on the trash cans on the greenbelt. In November, we will act as on-site project managers for the acoustics improvement project at the clubhouse, and will stencil street names along the greenbelt.



Jay Singleton with the final bench.
Two old boards are shown on Bench #39. Look at the difference!

Community Services Committee

The Community Services Committee is eagerly awaiting delivery and installation of the acoustical panels in the Clubhouse. This should help with the excessive sound during functions held in this room. You can have a chance to check it out for yourself on December 9th at the Adult Social hosted by the Rec. Committee. There will be a traditional holiday dinner and we hear the entertainment they have planned is fabulous. So, check out all the info on this event and mark your calendars.

As we wind down 2017, stop and reflect how fortunate we have been here in Deerfield Village. All the improvements that are for the enjoyment of all residents could not have been accomplished without the efforts of the DVCA Committees. We have more ideas for the upcoming year, but we can't make them happen without volunteers. Won't you consider joining our committee. We meet the 1st Monday of each month in the Small Meeting Room. Future meetings are: November 6th, December 4th.

We hope everyone has a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

Recycling is Always on Friday

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For bins, please call Stephanie Wolff at 866-516-9805.

Recycling is always on Friday for paper, cardboard, plastic, and aluminum containers. For large and hazardous items, special arrangements must be made. Please see the DVCA website www.deerfieldvillageonline.com for complete recycling rules.

**THANKS, BUT WE'VE ALREADY
FERTILIZED**



Please pick up after your pet

Managers Report

Can you believe it's November already? The weather's getting cooler. Days are getting shorter. And it's time once again for all those holiday festivities to begin.

Just a reminder that tickets for the Adult Social will go on sale in Mid-November. The Rec. Committee has a delicious menu planned and Kevin Weishaar, our favorite Sinatra singer, will provide the entertainment. By then the acoustical panels will be in place and this will be our first chance to enjoy this added benefit to our Clubhouse. Get your tickets early because, Kevin, sells out fast!

Set your calendar for December 17th for the Annual Deerfield Snow Party. Rebecca Bivens has been busy planning this fun event and could really use additional people to help both before and during the event. Her number is 713-899-9837.

Oh, and don't forget the Annual Deerfield Village Polar Bear Swim. That is if you are brave enough to test the water!

Remember, be safe and have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Deeds Committee

Just a reminder:

- Keep your lawn mowed
- Keep bushes trimmed
- Keep flower/plant beds free of weeds
- Cut branches that overhang the street trimmed so the roofs of vehicles are not touched
- According to our Protective Covenants: any changes to the outside of your home requires an Application for Architectural Approval be submitted and approved prior to beginning the project

Our meetings are held the 1st Monday of each month at 7 pm in the Clubhouse. Our next three meetings are: November 6th, and December 4.

REMEMBER:

Architectural Applications must be submitted to the DVCA Deeds Committee **prior** to beginning any project.

Approval must be received in **writing** prior to beginning any project.



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