

Deerfield Village

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**A publication
dedicated to the
residents of
Deerfield Village**

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**Deadline for
February issue:**

January 15

Submit articles and ads
to office at Rec Center,

or e-mail
don2dusk@aol.com

(Karen Duhrkopf)

January 2005

Constable's Report – Deputy Patrick

As many of you have probably heard by now, there was a rash of burglaries in the subdivision. The burglaries are happening between the hours of 1 AM – 6PM. The constables have stepped up the patrol during these hours; however, you can do your

part to deter criminal activity.

1. Make sure your garage door is closed. (If not, you may find yourself the recipient of an early morning visit from the constable)

2. Close and lock the walkway door into the garage. If you have a fence between the house and the garage, make sure it is also locked.

3. Do not keep keys in the car or on a peg in the garage. **THIS ALLOWS THE CRIMINALS EASY ACCESS TO YOUR HOME.**

4. Lock cars parked in driveway or street. Remove any valuables--including CDs.

Keep Deerfield and your home safe from criminal activity. Report any suspicious activity immediately to (281) 463-6666.

Local Scouts Offering fertilizer, mulch and top soil delivered to your door

During **January**, The Rising Star District Boy Scout Troops 120, 421 and Cub Scout Pack 1135 will be selling fertilizer, mulch and topsoil in the Deerfield, Windsong and surrounding subdivisions. Delivery right to your doorstep will be **Saturday, February 12th**. Arrival just in time to give your yard a fresh new look.

Scouts have available three high quality fertilizer products formulated for this area for applications in the spring, summer and fall, high quality shredded pine bark mulch for flower beds and top soil for filling in those low spots and soil enhancement.

Consider the 16-4-8 with 1% iron for a quick Spring green-up

and to prevent iron chlorosis, 16-4-8 with 25% sulfur coated for slow release during the summer and 9-18-11 for the fall or year round application for the shrubs and flowers. The best time to fertilize in this area is **February – March** using the Spring mix, **June – August** using the Summer mix and **October – November** using the Fall mix.

The fundraiser supports local Cub Scouts and Boy Scout Programs, provides the Boy Scouts the opportunity to earn money for summer camp and other Scouting activities. Please help the Scouts when they call upon you. If a Scout misses calling on you, please contact Lisa Walker at (281) 550-3558 or Kellie Postle at (281) 463-3196 to arrange a delivery. Your support is sincerely appreciated!

Manager's Report: Nora Whittaker Fearing

Notary Services: Notary Service is available during office hours to Deerfield Resident's for **personal use only**. Please bring valid Driver's License.

I still have blue bins for recycling available. Please stop by the office to pick one up.

If you haven't received your 2005 assessment please call the office at once. The assessments are past due on February 1. You may drop off payments in the brown lock box. Please make sure your Deerfield address is on the check.

Swim Team Update

Registration forms will be avail-

able on line this year, as well as in the newsletter in February. Of course, you will still be able to get one during the March 20th registration time at the Club-house.

Remember, we are getting new suits this year and A-Gleam will be here. Summer will be here before you know it, so start thinking about being part of the Dolphins!



We still need willing volunteers to fill our committees. We have a spot for you on: Security, Swim or Community Services. Please check the calendar at the back of the newsletter for meeting times.

Garage Sale Coordinator: there will **NO** Garage Sale this year unless someone steps forward to coordinate the effort.

I also need a volunteer to organize the Children's Easter Party. If you belong to a Deerfield Playgroup—this would be a great way to get involved.

If you need more information, call me at the office (281) 463-2624.

Volunteer Opportunities

DECEMBER 2004 HCMUD 136 NEWS

www.hcmud136.org

by Neil Polansky

The HCMUD 136 board met and discussed issues affecting the district. I'll provide a recap of some of the bigger issues we've been following.

The Board heard a presentation by American Enerpower (www.americanenerpower.com), a company that provides electricity brokerage and consulting services for consumers, aimed at reducing electric bills up to 15%. This no-cost service to MUD 136 would help us choose the best and most economical supplier of electricity for our facilities. Should MUD 136 realize a 10% gain, our yearly electric bill would decrease approximately \$7,000. We are seriously considering this option.

We have received a \$53,000+ insurance payment on a roughly \$85,000 claim submitted in August 2003 for a weather-related pump outage at Well #1. We are continuing to correspond with our insurance carrier HARCO-TML to recover all costs related to the purchase of water from HCMUD 183 during the outage.

On Tuesday evening, December 7th, ECO Resources sent a crew to the 18000 block of Partridge Green to install a water valve as part of the District's efforts to locate and install necessary water valves where none are currently located. This non-emergency installation, begun after 4pm, resulted in a 3-4 hour water outage for over 125 district customers, including all of Deerfield Park, during prime evening hours. HCMUD 136 regrets the outage, and is in the process of taking steps to insure that ECO Resources never initiates a similar project without first notifying 100% of the affected customers, including all directors, well in advance of the work. Please rest assured that appropriate changes are being made to insure an uninterrupted supply of water during normal operating conditions and hours, and that this poorly managed project will not be repeated.

The Board also approved a contract to provide Stacy Plaza (Pine Forest Dr. at Stacy Road) with sewer service, subject to some stringent conditions, including coordination with Jackrabbit Road PUD. If anyone would like to view this contract or any MUD 136 document, including our meeting minutes, rate order, and all signed agreements, please look at our website or call a district director. ***The next HCMUD 136 meeting is Wednesday, January 12, 2005 at 7:00pm in the DVCA clubhouse. Meetings are open to the public.***

Welcome Bluegrass Maintenance

Last summer, the Landscape Committee formed a subcommittee headed by Dave Waller for the purpose of rebidding the landscape maintenance contract. Proposals were received from 6 contractors. The subcommittee analyzed the bids, checked out references, and selected the contractor that was the low bidder. The selected contractor's bid was recommended and accepted by the DVCA Board.

Bluegrass Maintenance is the new landscape maintenance contractor. They will be responsible for mowing and edging the common areas, pruning low hanging branches along the greenbelt, ant control, sprinkler maintenance, and various other landscape matters. Workers will wear clothing with the Bluegrass emblem. Until the workers are totally familiar with Deerfield they may miss some of the areas. So, if you see something that was missed, please **do not** discuss it with the workers. Contact Nora at the office. She will work with the contractor's representative to correct the problem.

Thanks to Dave Waller and his subcommittee for a job well done.

Security Stats - November 2004

Contract #87; Harris County
Precinct #5

ACTIVITIES	Total
Accidents	2
Alarms	13
Assaults	0
Burglaries	1
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	2
Citizens Assistance	8
Citizens Contact	35
Criminal Arrests	0
Criminal Mischief	3
Disturbance Calls	4
Suspicious Vehicles	37
Suspicious Persons	1
Thefts	3
Traffic Citations	11
Traffic Warnings	25
Vacation Watch	31

Reminder: Constable Emergency telephone stickers are available at the DV Rec. Center office:

281-463-2624

Constable Dispatch: 281-463-6666



Deerfield Playgroup – Come and Join the Fun!

If you are looking to meet other moms in Deerfield with young children, this is the perfect opportunity for you. Dates and time may vary depending on the weather. Contact Angela Burris for a calendar of meeting places. 281-463-8065 or aburris@houston.rr.com.

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If We Can't Fix it, No Service Charge

If you are new to the Deerfield Village neighborhood, please call the Rec Center office (phone number on page 1) so we can welcome you appropriately!

They're worth a look!

Here are the results for the decorating contest. It was a difficult decision for the judges, and Deerfield continues to be one of the most outstanding lighted neighborhoods for the holiday season. Spend an evening enjoying the sights and the lights.

B est D oor—Jim & Nettie McCoy—18034 Mountfield Dr.

F irst P lace—Martin, Donna & Luke Baker—18003 Longmoor

S econd P lace—Terry Turner—18002 Hollywell Dr.

T hird P lace—Bruce & Linda Neibel—18203 Heaton Dr.

Following is a partial summarization of many restrictions. (Not inclusive; see Protective Covenants for all restrictions).

~No building or improvements or changes in design on any lot until plans and specifications have been submitted and approved. (This includes but is not limited to new roofs, pool installations, house additions, new siding, exterior painting, patio additions, etc.) ~Maintain all structures, including fences, in safe and attractive condition. ~No structure may be placed on utility easements. ~No business activity, for profit or not, shall be permitted. ~No noxious or offensive activity of any sort, nor shall anything be done on any lot which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood.

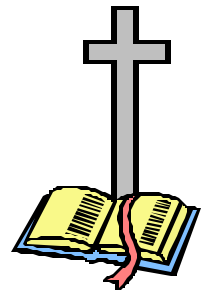
Pet Hotline - Marie Nugent

Please make sure your gates are locked. Too many pets are getting out and getting lost. The firecrackers over the New Years Holiday will scare the pets and they will run away. Please check for holes under fences, etc., and fix them. If you need an ID tag, please call me at 281-859-1104.

New Women's Bible Study begins

A group of ladies here in Deerfield would like to invite you to join us as we start a new Bible study in January. We will be doing a series titled "Believing God" by Beth Moore. Everyone is invited to come check it out and have breakfast with us on Wednesday morning, January 12 at 9:30.

We will be meeting every Wednesday morning from 9:30-11:30 at the Deerfield Clubhouse. Please call Kelly @ 281.861.9455 if you have any questions.



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2005 DVCA TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

Applications are now being accepted for three (3) positions on the Board of Trustees, for a three year terms. Candidates for the Board of Trustees shall complete and submit the "Application for Trustee Election" to any Election Committee member or to the Association office. Application is on the back of this form.

Important Dates:	Application Deadline:	January 28, 2005
	Election:	February 28 – March 5
	Annual Meeting:	March 8, 2005, 7:00 PM

All resumes will be delivered to DVCA residents between February 21-25 in the newsletter, but posted at the Association Office no later than February 11 for viewing. Resumes will also be available on-line at www.deerfieldvillage.net.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

1. All candidates shall be Deerfield Village homeowners- **in good standing**—who reside in Deerfield (no outstanding Assessments)
2. No two persons residing in the same family dwelling may be concurrently nominated to, or serve on the Board.

It is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees to direct and manager the affairs and assets of the Association. Also, the Trustees shall attend the monthly Board meeting and represent one committee. Therefore, those interested in becoming candidates should familiarize themselves with the Association's Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and Community Service Charge. A complete set of the aforementioned articles will be given to candidates when their application is submitted to the office.

CURRENT TRUSTEES


Dennis Hughes	Term Expires	2005
Ernie Powell	Term Expires	2005
Bob Shortle	Term Expires	2005
Amber Basinger	Term Expires	2006
Don Driggs	Term Expires	2006
Marie Nugent	Term Expires	2006
Larry Burger	Term Expires	2007
Mike Polk	Term Expires	2007
Lee Stranathan	Term Expires	2007

2003 ELECTION COMMITTEE

Don Driggs, Vice-Chair	4065 Heathersage Drive	281-463-1217
Marie Nugent, Chair	18114 Mountfield Drive	281-859-1104
Nora Whittaker Fearing, Member	DVCA Manager-Rec. Center	281-463-2624

TURN OVER FOR APPLICATION

January 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Office Hours: MTRF 8:30-2:30 Wed 8:30-11:30						1 Happy New Year
2	3 No Community Service Meeting	4 Regular Office Hours Resume	5 Ladies Bible Study Qijong 7:00	6 Ladies Bridge 1-4	7 Bridge 7:00PM	8
9	10 Deeds- 7:00 Landscape- 7:30	11 Security- 7:30	12 Ladies Bible Study Qijong 7:00 Optimist Board 7:30 PM	13	14	15
16	17 Swim- 7:30 Martin Luther King Holiday	18 Financial Services- 7:30	19 Qijong 7:00	20 Ladies Bunco 7:30 Optimist Club 7:30	21	22
23	24 Board Meeting 7:30	25	26 Qijong 7:00	27	28	29
30	31	<i>Optimist Club?? Leslie Kajileh 281-859-7752</i>	<i>Qijong????? Diane Jepson 281-550-6919</i>	<i>Bunco????? Joyce Johnson 281-859-5209</i>	<i>Bridge????? JoAnn Maruca 281-550-8162</i>	<i>Ladies Bible Study????? Kelly Lowry 281-861-9455</i>

Tennis Committee's leaders for new year

<u>Chairman</u>	Steve Ward
<u>Co-Chairman</u>	Patty Roberts
<u>Secretary</u>	Kathe Boarman
<u>Treasurer</u>	Nan Pye
<u>Telephone/Publicity</u>	Bronwyn Warner
<u>Co-Men's Tournament</u>	
<u>Directors</u>	Don Duhrkopf
	Mike Hugele
	Ron Tope
<u>Maintenance/Sign Up Sheets</u>	Alan Phillips
	Mark Tinne

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BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS!

Our Girl Scout Troop #5449 will be collecting children's books for a community service project that we are working on. Our troop will be making a small library of books for a local shelter. We would appreciate your help in donating gently used or new books for children through junior high age.

You can drop off your donations at one of two locations: 18211 Harrow Hill Dr. where there will be a box located by the front door and the Deerfield Recreation Center office where Nora will have a box in the office for any donations. You may also contact Teresa Kidder at 281-855-3598 if you need someone to pick up your donation. We will be collecting through the end of January.

As always, our troop appreciates your support and help with our community service work. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

CONTACT INFORMATION

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Board Trustee</u>	<u>Committee Chair</u>	<u>Phone(281)</u>
Community Svcs.	Larry Burger	Tim McGhee	550-8194
Deed Restrictions	Don Driggs	Bill Grosse	855-1854
DVCA Board	Bob Shortle		463-4589
Financial Svcs.	Lee Stranathan	Bob Henry	861-9730
Landscape	Mike Polk	Jay Singleton	
MUD #136		Neil Polansky	550-2682
Rec Center	Ernie Powell		
Security	Dennis Hughes	George Hintz	463-1244
Swim Pool	Amber Basinger	Melinda Hughes	859-8024
Tennis	Marie Nugent	Steve Ward	859-1043

APPLICATION FOR TRUSTEE—2005

Please fill out this application and mail or return to:

Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.

4045 Deerfield Village Drive

Houston, TX 77084

Office: 281-463-2624

Fax: 281-463-7679

NAME: _____

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EXPERIENCE:

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH AS A BOARD MEMBER:

DVCA REC CENTER COMMITTEE PRESENTS...

SPANISH IN DEERFIELD

The next course of Spanish Classes will start the week of 17-21st January.

Is your resolution to exercise more in '05?

Why not exercise your brain? No sweat, no gym fees, and it beats getting up early to go for a run!

There will be three opportunities for you to learn Spanish in a relaxed, friendly, effective and economical way, through conversation.

1. **Absolute Beginners...** *you know who you are!*
2. **Beginners plus...** for those who studied Spanish but have forgotten most of it!
3. **Beginners extra plus...** if you used to be quite good at Spanish and would like to practice and improve.

CALL 281-858-0043 TO REGISTER