

Deerfield Village News

THE VOICE OF THE COMMUNITY

Dedicated to the residents of Deerfield Village

Deadline for March Newsletter:

February 15

Submit articles and ads to Rec Center Office or email deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

Deerfield Village Trustee Elections

March 6 - 10

(voting ends at noon on the 10th)

Ladies' Bible Study

Please join us on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11:30 at the Deerfield Clubhouse. We will be studying The Power of the Praying Woman by Stormie Omartian. Come and check it out to see if this might be for you. Breakfast will be served. Please call Kelly for more info @ 281-861-9455.

Office Hours:

Monday—Fríday 8:30 a.m.—2:30

Is my neighborhood Safe?

The quick answer is "Yes", Deerfield is a safe place to live. However, the surrounding area that used to be farm land is now being developed into new sub-divisions. While progress is good, it also brings in more opportunities for crime and vandalism. As you know, we have Constables dedicated to patrolling Deerfield and they do a terrific job. As you also know, the Constables cannot be everywhere at once and this is where we need your help.

The Security Committee sponsors a Neighborhood Watch program that consists of Section Leaders and block Captains. This is a very good program that requires little effort and can reap huge benefits for Deerfield. We are always in need of new Block Captains and Sections Leaders as residents move in and out of Deerfield.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions please contact one of the following Security Committee members. They will be more that happy to explain the program and get you started. The contacts are:

Beverly Girbach Ph. 281.550.8729 email bgirbach@gmail.com
Linda Baumgartner Ph. 281.463.8566 email baumgartnerjl@sbcglobal.net
George Hintz Ph. 281.463.1244 email GRHintz@att.net

I would also like to make you aware of another big piece of helping minimize Crime and Vandalism in Deerfield and that is the resident sticker you place on the rear window of your vehicles. By having this sticker on your vehicle it quickly allows the Constables and Neighborhood Watch volunteers to recognize you as a Deerfield resident. Anyone noticing a suspicious vehicle not displaying a resident sticker is strongly encouraged to call the Constable or your block Captain.

If you do not have a sticker or have purchased new vehicles, please stop by the office and pick up a new resident sticker I hope you found this information useful and contact the Security Committee to become more involved in the Community. Please remember, it takes everyone working together to make a safe neighborhood.

Kirk Aden Security Chairman Email kirkaden@houston.rr.com

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Office: (281) 463-2624 Fax: (281) 463-7679

Email: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net Website: www.deerfieldvillage.net

Finance Committee

Meets every Tuesday the week before the Board Meeting at 7:30 PM

2007 HOA dues are now **past due**. If you have not paid your 2007 dues, please call the Association office to make arrangements to do so at (281) 463-2624.

Do you want to know where your assessment money is going?



Join the Finance Committee today! Volunteers needed!!!!!!!!!

Swimming Pool Committee

Meets every 1st Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM (February Meeting changed to Feb. 8th)

The swimming pool renovation project's construction schedule has been slowed down due to the rain that we have been receiving. At the time of this writing, we have replaced all of the plumbing and it has passed all pressure tests; coping and waterline tile has been installed; and we're waiting for the soil to dry to begin constructing the deck. If you have questions, please e-mail the pool committee at:

pool@deerfieldvillage.net





The beginning of the spring growing season is close at hand. So, it's time to work on getting the yard looking good (Yard of the Month judging starts in April). It's also time to start thinking about watering plant beds. Considering that Mother Nature can be stingy with her rain, it's also time to be thinking water smart. Conserve the water you sprinkle by using mulch, but not more than 3 inches deep. Anything more will create a blanket too thick for water to penetrate. Mulch not only keeps the moisture in the soil from evaporating, it also protects the soil from heat by either reflecting the heat (light colored mulch) or by forming an insulating blanket that absorbs the heat (dark mulches). A word of caution: The temperature of dark mulch exposed to direct sunlight on hot summer days can reach 150 degrees. As the heat rises from the mulch, it will cook plants that are not heat tolerant. For more information about mulches and heat tolerant plants contact the Landscape Committee. You can also log on to the Texas A&M website http\\aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu. or contact the Master Gardiner hotline at 281-855-5600. You can talk to a master gardener in person at the Annual Tomato and Pepper Plant Sale, Saturday, February 24 at the Bear Creek Community Center/Extension Center in Bear Creek Park. Consider also being a part of the ongoing work of keeping Deerfield attractive by participating in the activities of the Landscape Committee. We meet on the second Monday of the month and look forward to seeing you then.

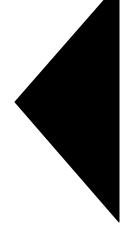
Deeds Committee

Meets 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00PM

- 1. PATIO HOME RESIDENTS: The Patio Home streets are private streets and overnight parking on the streets is a violation. Please do not park on the streets overnight. Please keep your vehicles garaged or on your own driveway.
- 2. ALL RESIDENTS: The only day trash cans and recycle bins should be in view is on the days they are picked up. Please keep them out of sight ALL OTHER DAYS (behind a fence, garage or backyard).

The Deeds Committee thanks all the residents that have corrected violations. We truly appreciate your help in keeping our community a place which we can be proud.

Deeds Comm.



HOW MANY TENNIS PLAYERS IN DEERFIELD?

The tennis committee would like to know how many tennis players we have in Deerfield, (juniors as well as adults), so that we can get a better feel for where our priorities need to be for the new year. Please contact Ron Tope at (281) 855-8471 or kjtope@aol.com with a count per household.

Community Services Committee

Meets every 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 PM

The Community Services Committee is still exploring our options on replacing the carpet in the club house and putting tile in the small meeting room. If any resident has any suggestions, please contact the association manager. 281-463-2624

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!







Tennís Commíttee

Meets every 1st Wednesday at 8:00 PM







We have started the extended process of bidding for and installing new windscreens which are all in need of replacement after 4 years. As the tennis players in Deerfield know the courts are now locked for which keys can be obtained in the Deerfield office. For those who don't play tennis there were two main reasons for installing locks on the tennis court gates. Firstly to try and reduce the increasing number of non residents using the courts. Secondly to reduce the increasing vandalism to the courts which includes riding bicycles and using roller blades on them in addition to the nets being sat on, fireworks being lit on the courts and general abuse which all add up to increased maintenance costs.

The Tennis Committee is pleased to announce the 2007 slate of officers:

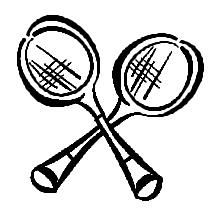
Chairman Mark Tinne
Co-Chair Patty Roberts
Secretary Kathe Boarman

Treasurer Nan Pye
Telephone/Publicity Leslie Rupard

Co-Men's tournament Directors: Don Duhrkopf

Mike Hugele Ron Tope

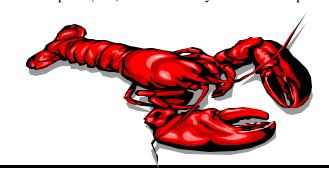
Sign-up sheets/Maintenance Alan Phillips



Many thanks to Brian Sherwood for all his past efforts on the Tennis Committee!

LOVE LOBSTER BUT HATE THE PRICE? **DEERFIELD HAS A FREE LOBSTER!!!!**

Yes, that's right...if you want to sharpen your tennis skills or are just beginning, the Tennis Committee has a great ball machine called "The Lobster" for you to use. Just call Ron Tope @(281) 855-8471 for your initial setup.



Security Stats for November 2006 Constable Dispatch: (281) 463-6666 Contract #87 Harris County Precinct #5

ACTIVITIES	Total	
Accidents	0	
Alarms	9	
Assaults	1	
Burglaries	1	
Burg Motor Vehicle	0	
Citizens Assistance	24	
Citizens Contact	65	
Criminal Arrests	0	
Criminal Mischief	7	
Disturbance Calls	15	
Suspicious Vehicles	6	
Suspicious Persons	7	
Thefts	2	
Traffic Citations	1	
Traffic Warnings	1	
Vacation Watch	128	

REMINDER: Constable emergency telephone stickers are available at the DV Rec. Center office: (281) 463-2624



FURNITURE FOR SALE

China cabinet with lights \$295.00

Eight dining room chairs (6 side and 2 armchairs in excellent condition) \$45.00 each.

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Good news!

A new Aglow Lighthouse, part of Aglow International, has been formed in West Houston. It is open to women of all ages. (We are not able to offer babysitting)

The introductory meeting will be held this month with guest speaker Karen Wells, President of Southeast Texas Area Team.

If you would like more information about Aglow, you can visit the website at Aglow.org

The meeting will be held on February 15th at 10.00am at the Deerfield Village Recreation Center.

Please reply to:

christinejackson@peoplepc.com or call 281-463-7665 if you are able to come to the February meeting or would like to be kept informed.





DEERFIELD DOLPHIN NEWS



We are excited to introduce a new swim suit vendor for the Dolphins. Swim Shops of the Southwest will supply our team with our 2007 team suit. They will be selling suits and equipment at the March 18th Registration as well as a Saturday in April. They are easy to work with and eager to please. A special thanks goes out to Suzann Weber who has spent many hours on this project. Thanks Suzann.

Registration for the 2007 Season is Sunday, March 18th from 3:00 - 5:00, and Thursday, March 22nd from 7:00 - 9:00. All necessary forms will be online the first week on March.

Jason Ruth, a young man committed to his community, is working on a new website for the Dolphins. Earlier in the year, I submitted an article asking for a volunteer, and Jason stepped up to the plate. This is not the first time Jason has helped out. He has been known to ride the fire truck at Christmas at our Christmas Party. Thanks Jason.

We have adjusted practice times this year. No more 6:45 a.m. practices. The coaches plan on doing more clinics and activities to improve on strokes, starts, and turns.

Swim team is open to all residents. If you have never been involved with the Dophin Swim Team, this is the year to try it out. It is beneficial to all age groups and lots of fun.

If you have any questions, contact Lisa Walker at 281-550-3558. We are looking forward to a great season.

SEUSSICAL will raise funds for juvenile diabetes



Matthew Jamison, grandson of Deerfield residents Wayne and Lois Jamison, and other local theatre students are getting into character to fight juvenile diabetes.

Kids For Kids, a charity organization co-formed by Jamison and three other theatre students, will produce, direct, choreograph, and perform SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL. All proceeds from this production will benefit The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF).

Jamison said: "We started Kids For Kids so we could use what we do best to benefit others. JDRF is a great cause because they are dedicated to finding a cure for Type 1 Diabetes, and we chose to benefit it because we've seen what juvenile diabetes can do first-hand. Jamie Mills, who helped start the organization and is performing in the show, suffers from juvenile diabetes. And we chose to do SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL because it's a great story that everyone will love with all of the

great Dr. Seuss characters, and it's about overcoming obstacles and finding your place in life. It's going to be a really great show!"

This organization is unique to the Houston theatre community because it was started and is operated by high school and college-aged theatre students, and money raised, after initial production costs, will go to JDRF. Kids For Kids needs to raise \$20,000 in sponsorship money to defray production costs. The organization hopes to raise \$25,000 for The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Jamison, a freshman musical theatre student at The High School for the Performing and Visual Arts will appear as "Mr. Mayor" in the production. Trey Gilmore, a theatre major at North Harris College, will direct the production; Zachary Ullah, a student at The John Cooper School in the Woodlands will play "Horton the Elephant," as well as serve as producer; Jamie Mills, a student at College Park High School in the Woodlands, will play "Gertrude McFuzz;" and Manuel Santos, a performer at TUTS, will choreograph and play a "Wickersham Brother." They will be joined by more than thirty other Houston-area theatre students.

SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL will play at the Heinen Theatre at HCC Downtown. Performance dates are: Friday, February 9 @ 7:30; Saturday, February 10 @ 3:00 and 7:30; and Sunday, February 11 @ 3:00. Tickets are \$15.00 for Adults, and \$12.00 for Seniors, Students, and Children. To order tickets, call the Applause Box Office at (281) 440-4111. For more information on SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL or donation to Kids For Kids, e-mail seussical07@hotmail.com.

A note from your manager . . .

It has been decided that there will be no mosquito spraying in 2007. After much research, it has been determined that the mosquito truck is not effective.

Here are some tips to help better control mosquitoes in your yard:

The most effective way to control mosquitoes is to control and reduce their breeding ground.

Remove all sources of standing water. . .

- Change the water in the birdbaths at least once a week.
- If you have a tire swing make a hole in the bottom to ensure that rainwater is drained out.
- Do leave empty barrels and can out in the open as water can collect in them.
- Drain children's pools weekly.
- Fill soil in those areas in the garden where water can collect easily.
- Gutters should be cleaned regularly.
- Put fish into your garden pond. They will eat up mosquito larvae. Alternatively use an agitator in the pond.

Controlling Mosquito Larvae

• Employ a professional pest controller to apply larvicides to ponds, ditches in and around the house. Environmental friendly larvicides are available in the market. You can ask a professional to introduce bacterial control measures at the right time to get optimum results.

Controlling Adult Mosquitoes

- Mosquitoes spend most of the day resting in the shrubs and bushes around the house. Hire a pest professional to apply residual products to the vegetation around the house. Though this will reduce the number of mosquitoes, the product will have to be reapplied periodically.
- Place mosquito traps available in the market on the porch, the deck etc.

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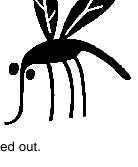
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CONTACT INFORMATION

Committee	Meeting Dates	<u>Time</u>	Board Trustee	<u>Committee</u> <u>Chair</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Community Services	1st Monday	7:30 PM	Dan Karsten	Tim McGhee	281-550-8194
Deed Restrictions	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Mike Polk	Marie Nugent	281-859-1104
DVCA Board	4th Monday	7:30 PM	Dennis Hughes		
Financial Services	Tuesday before Board Meeting	7:30 PM	Bob Henry	OPEN	OPEN
Landscape	2nd Monday	7:30 PM	Don Driggs	Jay Singleton	281-463-7346
MUD #136	2nd Thursday	6:30 PM		Steve Dornak	281-463-3723
Rec Center	1st Monday	7:30 PM	Larry Burger	Rebecca Adams	281-463-2624
Security	2nd Tuesday	7:30 PM	Carolyn Dinger	Kirk Aden	281-855-7103
Swim Pool	1st Thursday	7:30 PM	Jim Boarman	Melinda Hughes	281-859-8024
Tennis	1st Wednesday	8:00 PM	Marie Nugent	Mark Tinne	281-463-1258



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DEERFIELD VILLAGE MARKET NEWS

Lynne Wilbar, Realtor
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According to the Houston Association of Realtors, "Houston property sales ... defied national trends and show no signs of cooling as we head into 2007." The national median price for a single family home at the end of 2006 was \$221,300. In Houston, the median price was \$147,000, up from \$145,000 at the end of 2005. In Deerfield, there were 54 homes sold through MLS in 2006, with the median price being \$178,950. The housing market in Houston continues to stay strong. Call me for a free CMA for your home!

Equal Housing Opportunity, Information is deemed reliable, however, we can not guarantee accuracy.



Deerfield Village Annual Garage Sale

Saturday, March 31, 2007

7:00 AM - 2:00 PM (Please abide by these times)

Location: Each resident's house

Rules and Regulations:

We will have the same traffic pattern as last year and a total of 5 constables on duty to help alleviate congestion.

Garage Sale must be confined to participant's property. Do not use the street or cul-de-sac as cars need to have access to them.

The official Deerfield Garage Sale Sign must be at the **end of the driveway in plain view.** Signs should be brought to the Community Association immediately following the sale. Please store signs in appropriate containers provided.

No food or beverages may be sold at the garage sale. Someone could get ill due to food and beverages stored at improper temperatures.

There will be no truck this year to pick up items. Please make arrangements to dispose of any unsold merchandise.

Registration dates: February 5 - March 16 \$15.00 Late Registration: March 17 - March 30 \$25.00

Forms may be dropped off at the office during regular office hours. You may also put completed forms in the drop box next to the office door. If you have any questions **OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH THE GA-RAGE SALE** please call Susan Taranto (281) 550-9255 or the Community Association Office at (281) 463-2624.

I,regulations for the March 31, 2007 Deerfield Village Garage Sale.	have read, understood, and will abide by the above rules an
Address:	I would like to volunteer with the Garage Sale Committee
Phone:	
Signature of participant:	
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY : Garage Sale #	Amt paid: cash/check



COME JOIN US

What: Friends of the Library

Valentine's Day Open House Where: Katherine Tyra Banks (Bear Creek)

When: Saturday, February 10, 2007

Time: 10:00 a.m. ~ 1:00 pm

The Friends of the Library is a group who supports the library to raise money for books, children's programming and other materials. We also volunteer our time to assist with library activities and/or helping out at the library. We meet the 2nd Monday of each month. Next Meeting: February 12 at 6:00 PM



Cornerstone United Methodist Church Preschool,

a nationally accredited preschool, will have open registration on February 14 at 10:00 a.m.

Tours each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. from January 9—February 13

Located in the heart of Copperfield between FM529 and West Rd. 15919 Ridge Park Dr. Call for more information: 281-859-1612



2007 TRUSTEE APPLICATION RESUMES

Resumes can also be seen on the website www.deerfieldvillage.net and posted at the Deerfield Village Office. For questions about the election, please call the Association Office at (281) 463-2624

Name: Susan Greer Address: 18207 Forest Town Drive

Length of Residency: March 1985 to present Phone Number: 281-550-6347

Experience: Deeds Committee

Swimming Pool Committee

Coordinated Community Pool Parties – 2 years

Community Service: Swim Team – 11 years

Ribbon Manager – 3 years

VIP in Wilson, Watkins, & Cy-Springs Wilson Elem: 2nd VP of PTA – 2 years

What do you hope to accomplish as a Board Member:

-Establish format for better communication between Board / Committees and our community

- -Review & Revise as needed the Community Articles of Incorporation & By-Laws to improve the system of "checks and balances" between committees, board, and community.
- To create a renewed interest of our residents in the decisions and processes of activities related to the running and improvements needed to our aging property.

- To keep Deerfield Village a vital, desirable community

Name: Charles G. Jones Address: 18122 Ravenfield Length of Residency: 23 years Phone Number: 281-550-8681

Experience: -Employed by major corporations 33 years

-Duties included supervision of production

-Facilities, construction, personnel training and contract employees

-Retired

-Member of Board "The Cove" Waldon, Lake Conroe 1988-1991

Community Service: Deed Restriction Committee

What do you hope to accomplish as a Board Member:

Deerfield Village has bee blessed to have the many amenities that we have. This is the result of many residents willing to volunteer their time and effort. It is my wish to do my part by becoming a working member of this outstanding group.

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Name: James E. McCoy Address: 18034 Mountfield

Length of Residency: 15 years Phone Number: 281-550-7637

Experience: Thirty-four years petroleum/petrochemicals marketing. Middle/upper management experience. Responsi-

ble for contract negotiations with large oil companies for supplies of gasoline additives. Graduate Univer-

sity of Tennessee B.S. (marketing/economics)

Community Service: Worked with Security Committee (Deerfield) to research residents' need/desire to add a third shift deputy

patrol in Deerfield

PTA/Swim team (Conroe). Member Junior Chamber of Commerce (Knoxville, TN).

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Name: Mike Polk Address: 18007 Shireoak Dr. Length of Residency: 6 years Phone Number: 832-593-7740

Experience Native of Houston and life -long resident

Successful Houston Business owner for 30+ years

Extensive problem-solving abilities – result oriented with excellent organizational skills

Member of "Houston 100 Fastest Growing Businesses" 1995-1996 Deerfield Village Community Association Trustee – 3 years

Community Service: Coordinated social events for church singles club

Served on church stewardship committee 3 years Contributed to initiation of Optimist's Club Provided service for homeless outreach program

What do you hope to accomplish as a Board Member:

Preserve the quality of the neighborhood, Maintain high standards of Deerfield Village, Continue fiscal responsibility

Name: Glenn Sommers Address: 18015 Longmoor Drive

Length of Residency: 20 years Phone Number: 281-855-7716

Experience:

-Married 31 years with two grown children who were home schooled and attended Public High Schools, -A business professional with over 31 years of experience in management, project management, and new business development, -Strengths in developing strong relationships, communications, negotiations, and building consensus, -Member of Harris County Republican Executive Committee since 1990, Elected to Community Outreach Committee, Member of Senatorial District 7 Advisory Board (2006 – 2007)

Community Service: -Swim Pool Committee Member and Chairman for several years, Headed last building project (Pavilion, Expanded Deck, Fence Replacement), Communicated monthly to members (Newsletter) through the full planning and building period, -One of the DVCA leaders and negotiators in the successful Food Lion situation

-Swim Team Volunteer (Stroke & Turn Judge) for several years, -Elected Precinct 650 (Deerfield Village) Precinct Chairman and Election Judge since 1989, Run National/State General, Primary and Runoff Elections, Provide Election and Voter Registration info and support for DVCA, -Deacon at Bear Creek Community Church for several years (including Chairman of the Board), High School Youth Group Leader (2000-2002), -Boy Scout Leader – Troop 421 (Scoutmaster / Assistant Scoutmaster) from 1993-2000, -Basketball Coach for 1 year, -Soccer Coach and referee for 5 years

What do you hope to accomplish as a Board Member:

I believe Deerfield Village is great place to live and raise a family. It is one thing since coming to Houston I've never questioned. Over the years, DVCA has had some bumps and is going through some now. I believe I can help DVCA work through its current problems and help keep DVCA a great community to live in. I hope to open up communication and ensure that the members are aware of what is happening in their community, and to encourage greater involvement and volunteerism from the members. My commitments to the members of Deerfield Village are:

- 1. To strengthen and ensure solid communications with the members (from the board and committees);
- 2. To treat DVCA finances with fiscal conservatism and ensure members know about significant projects and expenditures;
- 3. To make decisions with the best interests of DVCA and its members as their basis;
- 4. To represent the will of the people with integrity without personal agenda; and
- 5. To listen and be responsive to the members of DVCA