

# DEERFIELD VILLAGE NEWS



NOVEMBER 2009

THE VOICE OF THE COMMUNITY  
Dedicated to the residents of Deerfield Village

## Music On The Green

Sunday, November 15th  
3:00 until 5:00 pm  
Cy-fair Community Band

Bring your beverages, snacks  
and your entire family



## Deerfield Village Ice Skating

Sunday,  
November 8th  
1:30-4:00  
Memorial City Mall  
\$7.00

Don't miss the fun? The first 30 tickets are free at the Rec Center Office. Once those tickets are gone, the cost is \$7 per skater—including skates!



Did you know that it is illegal to blow your grass clippings and dump household items down the storm drain. Did you know that you can be fined. Call 713-920.2831 to report illegal dumping.

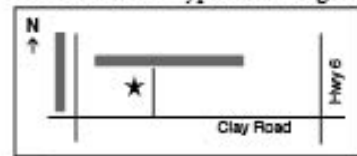


The Cy-Lakes Science National Honor Society has started an Ink Cartridge Recycling Program. Not only is this good for the Environment, but it will help this new club get on its feet. You can drop off your used cartridges at the Deerfield Office or call 281-550-3558 for pickup.

## 31st Annual Deerfield Village Christmas Bazaar & Market

Friday, Nov. 6th • 12 - 8pm  
Saturday, Nov. 7th • 9am - 4pm

Recreation Center at Clay Road  
Between Barker Cypress and Highway 6



→ Come enjoy the magic of Christmas! →  
Deerfield Village Cookbooks, Christmas Gifts &  
Ornaments, Holiday Sprays, Candles, Outdoor Signs, Ceramics,  
Jewelry, Seasonal Items, Wreaths, Watercolor Paintings,  
Stained Glass, Pickles, Jellies, Jams, Homemade Goodies  
& Much Much More.

Please bring a non-perishable food donation.

Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.  
4045 Deerfield Village Drive Houston, TX 77084  
Office: (281) 463-2624 Fax: (281) 463-7679  
Email: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net www.deerfieldvillage.net  
The office hours will be 9:30—1:30 Monday thru Friday  
Deadline for December Newsletter: **November 15th**  
Submit articles and ads to Rec Center Office or email deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

# President's Report

By Walt Bohn

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By the time you read this, the ditch should be completely clean. Ta Da! Flood Control has done a good job. They did more than expected by cleaning out the side drains from the streets as well as the ditch itself. That should help drain the whole subdivision much more effectively. Now, it's up to us to do our part by not throwing leaves, grass clippings etc. down the catch basins. As the signs the scouts placed on them say, "the basins are not garbage cans". Moreover, don't let your yardmen do it either. Not only does bulky debris slow the water flow preventing a good flush of the sewers and ditch, it's illegal.

I initiated action to have Flood Control sow the ditch with wild flower seeds. Don't expect this to happen over night. The wildflowers will help stabilize the sides of the ditch keeping dirt from sluffing onto the concrete providing a base for weeds to grow. They will also provide a show of color each spring not to mention making it easier for school kids with their wild flower collection project.

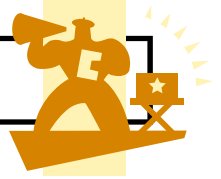
One last thing regarding the ditch: After the flooding in April there was some concern that the flooding in the patio homes may have been aggravated by blockage in the patio homes storm sewer lines. When apprised of this concern, MUD 136 initiated action to have all of the sewer lines in the patio homes inspected with a television-like survey instrument. The results of the survey showed some very minor accumulations in a few locations that in no way contributed to the flooding. Those accumulations have since been cleared to prevent them from becoming potential problems. I would like to thank the MUD Board for addressing the situation so promptly and effectively.

I am on Wilson's CPOC (Campus Performance Objective Council) as a community representative. At the last meeting, a presentation by Dr. Anthony, Superintendent was viewed. The presentation was a concise overview of the how's and whys the Cy-Fair School District got into its present budget crunch resulting in a 2010-2011, \$10 million shortfall and how the District is planning to overcome that short fall. If you are at all concerned about the education of DVCA kids, you should view the presentation at [www.CFISD.net](http://www.CFISD.net). Part of the plan is to accumulate cost-cutting ideas from the public through a very open-ended survey. You can let your views be heard by participating in that survey, which can be accessed on Cy-Fairs web site as well. You need to hurry because the survey needs to be submitted by October 30. Even if you don't want to take part in the survey, you owe it to yourself to view the presentation. It's very informative and really not that long.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Meeting Dates</u> *	<u>Time</u>	<u>Board Trustee</u>	<u>Committee Chair</u>	<u>Phone</u>
<i>Community Services</i>	1st Monday	7:30 PM	Sharyn Carpenter	Tara Shockley	281-855-2819
<i>Deed Restrictions</i>	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Eric Toureilles	Trish Yatauro	
<i>DVCA Board</i>	4th Monday	7:00 PM	Walt Bohn		281-859-3358
<i>Financial Services</i>	Tuesday before Board Meeting	7:30 PM	Steve Dornak	Andrew Jackson	281-463-7665
<i>Landscape</i>	2nd Monday	7:30 PM	Mike Polk	Lynetta Morell	281-463-2237
<i>MUD #136</i>	2nd Thursday	6:00 PM	Walt Bohn		281-859-3358
<i>Rec Center</i>	1st Tuesday	7:00 PM	Marta Bott	Peter Howell	281-463-1360
<i>Security</i>	2nd Tuesday	7:30 PM	Glenn Sommers	Kirk Aden	281-855-7103
<i>Swim Pool</i>	2nd Monday	7:30 PM	Susan Greer	Peter Howell	281-463-1360
<i>Tennis</i>	1st Wednesday	8:00 PM	Marie Nugent	Nan Pye	281-463-8788

\* Please read the Committee Reports for Monthly changes in the schedules

## **Committee Spot Light of the Month**



### **Work of Community Services Committee Affects Your Quality of Life**

If you want to help make decisions that directly affect the quality of your life in Deerfield Village, join the Community Services Committee. Perhaps no other committee has such wide-ranging responsibilities. Here's a brief, but far from exhaustive, list of what the committee oversees:

- All Recreation Center facilities, including maintenance and usage policies for the clubhouse, annex, athletic fields, restrooms and pavilion
- Mosquito control
- Trash and waste pickup, in conjunction with the Deerfield board
- Lighting and electricity for the Recreation Center and Greenbelt
- Lighting for Patio Homes
- Vandalism repair
- Deerfield Newsletter
- Deerfield Web site
- Communication through blast emails

Deerfield Directory

In looking beyond a simple listing of the committee's responsibilities, we make decisions about the facilities and services that affect the daily life of every Deerfield resident. Most of us don't have to think about these things, and that is how it should be. We should expect our trash to be picked up; our children to have safe, clean, places to play; well-appointed rooms for meetings and social events; a well-lit Greenbelt for walking our dogs, exercising and moving around the neighborhood; an environment free from blighting graffiti; and an effective communication system for important neighborhood news that affects our security and enjoyment of life. That's why we choose to live in a neighborhood like Deerfield.

Unlike many neighborhoods, Deerfield is run by those of us who live here, not a paid management company with no vested interest in our lives. That's why our association management fees are among the lowest in the area for a well-maintained, quality neighborhood like Deerfield. And although we have over 1,000 families who live here and enjoy the amenities, the Community Services Committee is currently made up of six members and a dedicated board representative. In most instances, membership on our committee is not an inordinate drain on your time. We all have jobs, families and many outside interests.

The Community Services Committee has monthly meetings that usually last no more than an hour. We all help with research and discussion of projects and proposals. Sometimes we need to make a "field trip" to observe lighting or other conditions. And we have fun – we take our business seriously, but we are a friendly group that likes to laugh and enjoy what we do, because we believe in our neighborhood and our neighbors.

I have served on the Community Services Committee for five years and had the privilege of chairing the committee for the past two years. If you would like to talk to me about joining the committee or find out more about the committee, shoot me an email at tarashockley@comcast.net. Or, attend one of our meetings at 7 p.m. on the first Monday of the month. We'd really like to have you join us.

**Deed Restrictions Committee**  
Meets the 1st Monday of the month @ 7PM



**TREES AND FENCES!**

Dead trees are everywhere! DVCA is having the trees removed in the common areas as fast as possible. The Deeds Committee would like to ask residents with dead trees to also try to remove their dead trees promptly. The dead trees could pose several hazards and cause more property damage for you or your neighbor if the dead trees were to fall or catch on fire. If you have a dead tree and are waiting for a tree company to remove it, please let the office know when the tree is going to be removed. This could help us tremendously so that we don't waste time and postage sending you a letter to ask for it to be removed.

We are also noticing that many fences are either missing pickets, have broken pickets, rot boards falling apart or fences are leaning throughout the neighborhood and especially along the perimeter of Windsong Trail. We would like all homeowners to please check your fences and make the necessary repairs. Again, this would save us a lot of time and money if we did not have to send a letter to every homeowner to repair your fences properly!

If you would like to report a violation please call the office manager. The Deeds Committee nor the manager can tell you what is being done about a specific property so please do not call and ask. We do everything we can to resolve issues with homeowners in a timely manner but sometimes we don't get cooperation from the homeowner. We have now taken several properties to a lawyer and are in the process of filing lawsuits to get results. Again, this does not happen overnight...please be patient! We are doing everything we can to keep Deerfield looking great!

**DON'T FORGET ALL OUTSIDE WORK (paint, landscaping, mailboxes, additions, pools, fences...) NEEDS TO BE APPROVED PRIOR TO STARTING YOUR PROJECT. FILL OUT AN ARCHITECTURAL APPROVAL FORM FIRST, GET YOUR APPROVAL AND THEN START YOUR PROJECT... OTHERWISE IT COULD CAUSE YOU A LOT HEADACHES AND MONEY!**

**Financial Services Committee**



**Meetings.** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month to review the financial, status of our community. We are always looking for new members and you are welcome attend.

**YTD expenses;**

2009 expense budget -	\$ 576,312
YTD September expenses -	\$ 448,826
YTD September Budget -	\$ 456,101
Under / (Over) Budget.	\$ 7,275
Reserve expenses todate	\$ 27,240

**Assessment 2009.** We have received \$614,144 out of \$630,318. Collection are now 97.4% for 2009. Outstanding balances are with our Attorney for collection.

**Audit for 2008** will now be complete in November.

**Budget 2010.** Committee budget are complete and has been submitted to the board. Come join a committee, and help us keep Deerfield a very special place in which to live

Andrew Jackson / Chairman October

## Swimming Pool Committee

The Committee is looking at the ID process for next year. Please turn in your pool ID card to the Office so we can inventory ID's and renew them for 2010 once homeowners association fees are paid.

There will be a Polar bear Swim on January 1<sup>st</sup>, Noon to 1PM. Come join the fund and freeze in the water!

There will not be a December Committee meeting, for those who want to join the committee. We are looking for new members with new ideas. We need input on what residents want. Come help us out, second Monday of the month, at our new time of 7:00, at the Rec Center.



## Landscape Committee

We're all enjoying the rain after such a long drought. We've lost over 45 trees from the effects of the hot/dry summer, possibly leftover stress from Hurricane Ike as well. We've cut down 27 trees so far, thanks to Jay Singleton for handling this big project & working along side the tree crew.

Landscape Committee will not be judging Christmas decorations this year. It's a very big project, due to time constraints with committee members it won't be done. To those hard working families that do a beautiful job every year, I'm sure the community all agrees you should all have a 1st place.

Security Stats for September, 2009  
Constable Dispatch: 281-463-6666  
Contract # 87 Precinct # 5

### ACTIVITIES Total

Accidents	0
Alarms	9
Assaults	0
Burglaries	1
Burg Motor Vehicle	5
Citizens Assistance	12
Citizens Contact	82
Criminal Arrests	1
Criminal Mischief	0
Disturbance Calls	9
Suspicious Vehicles	22
Suspicious Persons	2
Thefts	2
<b>Traffic Citations</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Traffic Warnings</b>	<b>14</b>
Vacation Watch	171

Reminder: Constable Emergency telephone stickers are available at the DV Rec. Center office:  
281-463-2624

## WELCOME

If you are new to Deerfield, please stop by the office and pick up a Welcome packet and Recycle Bin. You may also want to pick up a key to the tennis court. The keys are \$25 and the deposit is refundable when the key is turned in. Want to get involved? Pick up a list of committees and their meeting days. Please call the office for more information.



## ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2010

11/2009-12/2009	Invoices sent to Deerfield Homeowners by Consolidated Management <b>If you do not receive your invoice by 12/15, contact CMS at 281-296-9775</b>
1/1/2010	All Assessments due to CMS
2/1/2010	<b>Past Due.</b> One time <b>Late fee of \$100.00</b> and interest applies
3/1/2010	Late notices sent with notice of Certified letter
4/1/2010	Certified letter sent ( <b>charged to property address</b> )
6/1/2010	Liens filed against homeowner for outstanding balances. <b>Cost charged to property</b>

**Assessment payments will not be accepted at the Rec Center Office**  
Please start saving today for your assessments. There will be **no payment plans.**

## Cornelius Timely Tip for November

### Planting Spring Flowering Bulbs in Fall



Spring flowering bulbs are such a welcoming sight after those long Winter months. Many of the Spring flowering bulbs require an artificial "chilling" process before they can be planted. This is generally accomplished by placing the bulbs in a paper bag in the vegetable crisper of your refrigerator for six to eight weeks prior to planting. However, Cornelius Nursery is offering to do that for you. We have many varieties of Tulips, Hyacinths and Narcissus which you can purchase from our stores now and pick-up in December ready to plant. Let us simplify those "chilling" requirements!

We also will be offering pre-chilled Tulips and Narcissus bulbs online at <http://mytexasgarden.com/index.php/estore/>.

When planting bulbs, the general rule is to plant them at a depth three times the diameter of the bulb. Use Calloway's Blood & Bone Meal at planting for added nutrients. Plant the bulbs pointed end up, cover with soil and water thoroughly. For the best display, plant bulbs in clusters or uneven numbers. Apply two to three inches of mulch on top of the bed.

For more information on bulbs, visit any of our Cornelius stores and talk with one of our Texas Certified Nursery Professionals.



### Poker

**Meets second Thursdays @  
7:30PM at the Rec Center**

Contact Bob Shortle at 281-463-4589 or [bobshortle@aol.com](mailto:bobshortle@aol.com)

### Deerfield Village Bunko Group



Meets the 3rd Thursday of the Month  
7:00—9:00 Deerfield Clubhouse  
Bring a Potluck dish and \$5.25

Contact: JoAnne Maruca at 281-550 8162.

[Joann.rich@yahoo.com](mailto:Joann.rich@yahoo.com) or Pat Rothman at 281-345-9355. [RR1texas@earthlink.net](mailto:RR1texas@earthlink.net)

### Recreation Committee

Our last Music was on the Green is Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> and featured the Cy-Fair Community Band. However the weather worked against us, and the concert was rained out. The band did play for 1 hr and those few hardy souls who braved the rain enjoyed the concert immensely. The Band will return and play a make-up concert on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 3 to 5PM. This will be a new experience, an afternoon concert. We will be interested to see if residents like this. (Note – if we do get rain again, the concert will go on under cover.)



Still some ice skating tickets available. After the first 30 are gone, it will be \$7 per ticket. It will be on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 to 4:00. Deerfield will have a party room for hot chocolate and warming up. So sign up soon at the Deerfield office.

The New Year's Eve Casino Party is on again! Tickets are \$24 per person. Those who want to participate in the gift auction with their winnings should bring a wrapped gift of \$15 to \$25 value. Person with the most winnings choose first, at the end of the evening. There will be light snacks, wine, beer, soft drinks, and a champagne toast at midnight. It's a great evening close to home, and will likely sell out.

The 2010 Garage Sale date has been chosen: March 27<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to help organize it. We will build on learning's of past years and once again try and minimize traffic issues.

We are already planning events for 2010, and we need help. We have moved out meeting to 7:00 PM on the first Tuesday of the month to give us more planning time. If you can spare a few hours to help the community, come join us on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Rec. Center! Have ideas? Come join the Committee.



## Children's Christmas Party



**Sunday, December 13  
2:00-4:00 pm**

**Deerfield Village Recreation Center**

**Kids, get ready for Santa, snow,  
crafts...and a ride on the children's train**

## Goodbye 2009...Hello 2010



**New Year's Eve Casino Party  
December 31-7:30 pm until...  
\$25.00 per person until 12/18 then \$35**

Ticket holders must be 21 years or older. Admission includes snacks, wine, beer, set-ups and a champagne toast! Each couple should bring a creative and tasteful unwrapped gift (\$20-\$25 value)

Call the office to volunteer

## *Fun In Deerfield...!*

### Upcoming Neighborhood Events of the Deerfield Recreation Committee

#### Monthly Events...

**Poker!** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, 7:30 PM, at the Recreation Center... Players welcome, contact Bob Shortle at 281-463-4589

**Bunco!** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 at the Recreation Center... Bring a potluck dish and \$5.25, contact Pat Rothman at 281-345-9355

**Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> – Ice Skating Party** 1:30-4:00, an event for the whole family at the Memorial City Ice Skating Rink. Deerfield Village will have the party room for part of the time. First 30 skaters will be free; get your ticket at the Rec. Center. Cost is discounted to \$7.00 per skater (including skates) after first 30.

**Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> Music on the Green!** 3 to 5PM, at the Rec Center. An afternoon concert! The Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> was rained out (after a short concert) so we will have the CyFair Community Band back on Saturday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>. The Concert will go on come rain or shine (but not if a hurricane.) Join your neighbors for an evening of light pops music, featuring both old favorites and light classics featuring the CyFair Community Band in the last Music on the Green of the year.

**Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> Children's Christmas Party** 2 to 4 PM, crafts, snow, and Santa, all at the Recreation Center. Come ride the train, have Mom or Dad take your picture with Santa, and have some hot chocolate, and see Santa.

**Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> New Year Eve Party** for adults. Tickets are \$25 per person until Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> when they go to \$35. It will be a casino night, with light snacks, beer and wine, and a Champaign toast at midnight. There is a limit in the capacity of the Rec Center, so get your tickets early.

**Jan 1<sup>st</sup> New Year's Day Polar Bear Swim!** It's the traditional first swim of the year, Noon to 1:00PM. The pool will be open only for an hour for those hardy enough to test the waters for a cold dip to welcome the New Year. Come freeze with us!

**March 27<sup>th</sup> Deerfield Annual Garage Sale, 7:00 Am to 2:00 PM.** Our once a year garage sale in the neighborhood, giving you the opportunity to clean up and sell off all that accumulated stuff. Participants must register and pay the registration fee which is used to pay for security for the event. Registration placards must be displayed for all participating homes. Registration begins Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>

**March 27<sup>th</sup> Music on the Green and Crawfish Boil!** What better ways to end a succesful garage sale then go catch a Music on the Green and eat crawfish. Mark the date, details to follow.

## WOMEN OF DEERFIELD

- Would you like to contact your congressman, school board, or any elected official but don't know where to start?
- Are you frustrated watching our government throwing away our hard earned money?
- Do you want to learn how to be heard, be part of the solution and bring government back to the people?

Join other women in the neighborhood and work together to return honesty and values to our national leadership. This is not an issue about political parties, race or religion. This is about learning how to be heard. Contact Colleen Vera @ 281-948-4521 or colmatver@yahoo.com

If you are new to Deerfield and renting your home, please contact the office. Assessments will be mailed out in early November and we will need to get this to the homeowner.

## The Friends of the Bear Creek Library



The Friends of the Library, a non-profit organization that raises funds for library programs and materials, is actively seeking new members. Did you enjoy a program at the library? If you did, thank the Friends. Better yet, join the Friends. Come to the meeting and see what it is all about! . For more information call 281-550-0885 or log on to [www.hcpl.net](http://www.hcpl.net).

## SUPPORT OUR TROOPS



Give the troops a good Christmas! Suggestions: matted puzzles, puzzle books, Mad libs from a bookstore, hand-held games, playing cards, box of Christmas cards, pens, stationery, twin electric blankets, small electric kitchen items, board games, DVDs, CDs, money toward postage, international phone cards and a thank you for serving your country. Bring to Gerry Archibald at 4046 Heathersage, [gerry.archibald@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gerry.archibald@sbcglobal.net).

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Please report problems to the following...

Any Crime	281-463-6666 (#87)
Flooding	713-684-4000
Water Outage	713-405-1750
Trash Pickup	713-937-9955
Power Outage	713-207-7777
Gas Leaks	713-659-2111
Curb Damage (no patio Home curbs)	281-463-6300
County Pets	713-999-3191
Illegal Dumping	713-920-2831

## TRASH TALK

All Residents now have curbside trash pickup.



- \* If you are new to the neighborhood you must call Allied Waste to set up new service 713-937-9955

Discover the glory of Jesus. Join us as we study Phillipians 2 and related passages. Class meets each Thursdays at 10.00 am in the Rec Center for Bible study and prayer. For more information contact Christine at 281-463-7665.



## Qigong

Qigong integrates the training of the mind and consciousness with bodily relaxation, a system of breathing, concentration and visualization.



Wednesday nights  
7:30 - 8:45 pm  
Deerfield Village Annex

## Pet Hotline

Please have correct phone # to contact on your pet's collar. This last month we have had many pets lost without ID. Gladly, most were returned to those who put up signs and called the Hot Line.

marie nugent 281 859 1104







## MUD 136 BOARD REPORT

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

At the October meeting the directors adopted the tax rate for the tax fiscal year that begins September 1, 2009. The tax rate will be \$0.27/\$100 assessed valuation, which is the same as last year. The tax rate is composed of 5.5 cents going to debt reduction, 21.5 cents going to maintenance and operations. If you do not receive your tax bill by December 15, contact the District's tax collector, Bob Laird Interests at 713-932-9011. You can also find your bill on their website [www.bli-tax.com](http://www.bli-tax.com). Click on Records and enter your street address. Then click on the account number that appears in the left hand box.

On September 28, the District's began receiving water from the West Harris County Regional Water Authority (WHCRWA). We will continue to produce some water from well #1, which will serve our back up should there be any interruption in the supply from WHCRWA. Our second, smaller well will not be used.

The process to select a garbage collection contractor continues. We have received several proposals which we are reviewing. We expect to complete the process and make our selection at our November meeting.

The complete minutes of our October meeting will be posted on the District's website, [www.hcmud136.org](http://www.hcmud136.org).

**CYPRESS LAKES BAND & FFA  
Drive-Thru Dinner /Cy Lakes Back  
Parking Lot  
Tuesday, November 17, 2009  
5:00pm to 6:30pm**

Texas Roadhouse will provide 1/2 slab of ribs or an 8 oz. BBQ chicken breast, mashed potatoes, green beans plus those wonderful rolls for only \$10.50. Each family will also receive cinnamon butter for your rolls, a bag of peanuts and a coupon for a free "Cactus Blossom" appetizer (a \$5.99 value). Order deadline is November 6<sup>th</sup>. Delivered to your car

Email or call for an order form and more information:  
Celeste Heath, 281-855-3608, [casheath@comcast.net](mailto:casheath@comcast.net)  
18310 Forest Town, Houston, TX 77084



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### "Dreams Remembered"

Story by Jackie Caldwell  
Written by Vicki Thomson

Both Deerfield Residents

Book Signing  
November 15th  
5:00-7:00

18314 Harrow Hill

Book \$20.00



If you are new to Deerfield and renting your home, please contact the office. Assessments will be mailed out in early November and we will need to get this to the homeowner.

### **New Deerfield Web, Email Policies Approved**

The Deerfield Village Board of Directors has approved new policies for the Deerfield Web site and blast emails, as proposed by the Community Services Committee. The policies were developed to provide fair, effective, timely communication to residents regarding news and activities that are directly related to the safety, security and quality of life for all residents in Deerfield Village. In addition, the policies will assist the volunteer who maintains the Web site and distributes emails.

### **Blast Email Policies**

Blast emails may be sent to residents to provide information that is time-sensitive and important to the safety, security or quality of life in Deerfield, in keeping with the neighborhood's articles of incorporation, which state that Deerfield Village is a non-profit corporation organized exclusively for civic, educational and recreational purposes. Emails will be sent to all residents who have provided a current email address to the office manager. The following guidelines will apply:

- All information for emails must be submitted to and approved by the Deerfield office manager. The office manager will instruct the Deerfield Webmaster to distribute the email.
- Blast emails will normally be sent on Tuesday evenings. Information must be submitted to the office manager by noon on Monday. Additional emails may be distributed if approved by the office manager.
- Emails will only contain information that is relevant to the safety, security or quality of life in Deerfield Village. Advertising for businesses or services, political or religious creeds or opinions, or activities not directly related to Deerfield Village will not be allowed in blast emails.
- Examples of information that may be sent by blast email include information related to services such as drainage, trash pickup, disaster preparedness or relief, activities sponsored by Deerfield Village or a Deerfield Village standing committee, notices of community meetings, and other information relevant to quality of life in the neighborhood.

### ***High School Students, Need Service Hours?***

Call the Deerfield Office to volunteer. Volunteers are needed to help on Recreation Committee events



### **Must Know Information from the Manager.....**

- \* Reporting criminal activity to the office is helpful and appreciated, but **please call the constable first to file a report.**
- \* Visit our website at [www.deerfieldvillage.net](http://www.deerfieldvillage.net). Most of the information requested can be found on the website. To report a street light, you must know the pole # and address. Lights on the Greenbelt or in the patio homes needs to be called in to the office.
- \* There is a locked drop box for your convenience located next to the office windows.
- \* Office hours are from 9:30 to 1:30. If you can't make it to the office during those hours to pick up a key etc., please email the office to make arrangements with me to meet after hours. Please do not call me at home for Deerfield Business. I typically do not get the messages.

## Web Site Policies

The Deerfield Village Community Association maintains a Web site to provide information for residents in keeping with the articles of incorporation, which state that Deerfield Village is a non-profit corporation organized exclusively for civic, educational and recreational purposes.

The site is currently maintained by a resident volunteering as Webmaster. The following guidelines apply to the Web site:

The Web site is maintained to provide information to residents of Deerfield Village that is relevant to the services, safety, security and activities available to all residents of Deerfield.

- The Community Services Committee has oversight for the Deerfield Web site, and the Webmaster is a member of the Community Services Committee. The Deerfield Village Board of Trustees approves the Web site policies, as proposed by the Community Services Committee.
- Each section on the Web site will have an owner that takes responsibility for the content of that section. Owners are defined as the Deerfield Board, the office manager, and standing committees.
- All information posted to the Web site, other than updates to existing information or previously approved notices, must be approved through the Deerfield manager's office.
- Information that promotes business ventures, political or religious creeds or opinions, or activities not related to Deerfield Village will not be posted on the Web site.
- Advertising will not be allowed on the Web site. Advertising is available in the Deerfield Village News monthly newsletter, which is posted on the Web site.
- Information on the homepage will be posted until it is no longer timely or until no longer relevant to residents. Information will be removed after 30 days unless it is re-submitted to the office manager.
- Information in other sections should be updated by the responsible parties as often as possible to keep the information fresh and relevant. Updates should be done on at least a monthly or annual basis, depending on the type of information.
- Some committees may have access to administrative rights on the Web site in order to keep the most up-to-date information posted regarding their sections of the Web site. Any committee that would like to obtain administrative rights to their portion of the site must submit a request to the Community Services Committee.
- The Webmaster may make determinations on the timeliness and appropriateness of information as stated in the guidelines, and may remove it when no longer relevant or when it meets the previously stated guidelines on length of time for posting.
- The content of the entire Web site will be reviewed by the Community Services Committee on at least an annual basis for relevance of content and to ensure the site is providing information that residents need to maintain safety, security and quality of life in Deerfield.



If you would like to be put on an email list to receive emergency or last minute informational emails, please email the office at [deerfield4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:deerfield4@sbcglobal.net)

## Deerfield Village Playgroup



If you are looking to meet other moms in Deerfield with young children, this is the perfect opportunity for you.

Please contact Rebecca Tindel Bivens at 713-899-9837 for more information on dates, times, and meeting places.

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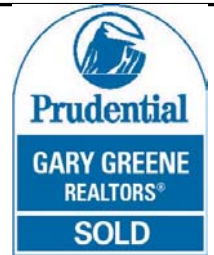
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# *“CALLING” ALL RESIDENTS*

## *2010 Directory Update*

It is time to submit/update your information for the 2010 Deerfield Village Telephone Directory. If you would like to be listed in the directory, please return the form below to the Deerfield Village Community Association Office by Friday, January 1.

Three ways to return your form:

1. Drop the form off during office hours (M-F 9:30 – 1:30)
2. Leave the form in the drop box outside the office anytime
3. Mail the form to: Deerfield Village  
4045 Deerfield Village Drive  
Houston, TX 77084

<b>I do not wish to be listed in the 2010 Deerfield Village Directory (please list last name and address below)</b>
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<b>Please list the following information in the 2010 Directory</b>
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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Residents in the order you would like them listed:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

**If you do not return this form, we will use the information listed in the 2008 directory  
If you recognize a name in the 2008 Directory that is no longer a Deerfield Resident, please contact the  
office with this information**