

# DEERFIELD VILLAGE NEWS

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## President's Report...

#### By Eric Toureilles - DVCA Board President

Please join me in congratulating two new Members to the DVCA Board, Stuart Cory who will take on the responsibilities of Treasurer, and Louis Carpenter, who will serve as Trustee and Board representative for or the Recreation Committee. Both new Trustees will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience, which will strengthen our Board of Directors.

It's with great pleasure to report that the construction work on the drainage system grate is complete, and the new design should allow two major sections of the community to drain properly, if we ever get any rain. The good news is that it's October, and we probably have escaped the chance of damage and flooding from a major hurricane.

I want to thank Deerfield's Boy Scout Troop 120, Cub Scout Pack 1135 and the residents of Deerfield which participated in the raising of valuable supplies for the victims of the Texas wildfires, and for the brave men and women that fought to keep the fires under control. The Scouts left Deerfield with thousands of items, thanks to your generosity.

The Finance Committee has been working hard on the 2012 budget with all the other committees, and we hope to have everything completed and approved by November. The committees are working hard to hold the line, but the primary increases we see is on the utilities rates side, such as water costs. Speaking of water costs, we have cut back watering from 5 days to 3 days a week, in an effort to save water and costs. A reminder to please use water wisely, as this precious resource



is getting low during this years drought, and usage has gone up...not down.

As I mentioned last month, there are several law changes that go into effect for HOA's before the end of 2011, and we are working on revising some of our policies to comply. One new regulation that will affect Deerfield residents is how we conduct the annual elections of Board Trustees. In the past, you had to vote in person and anonymously. In 2012 elections, you will also be able to vote by email, fax or by mail, in addition to voting in person. This means that the home owner or a Proxy must be named, and no longer anonymous. We will spell this out in more detail, including a copy of the ballot form in January's news letter.

Don't forget to watch out for the ghost and goblins running around on Halloween and hope to see you at Music on the Green this month!

Take Care!

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS:**

Illegal Dumping	713-920-2831
Trash Pick-up	281-888-3688
Power Outage	713-207-2222
Gas Leaks	713-659-2111
County Pets	713-999-3191

## Important Information...

#### 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 281-263-2624, or email us at deerfield4@sbcglobal.net Visit our website at www.deerfieldvillage.net 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 e-mail the office with a request and your e-mail address. deerfield4@sbc-global.net

## Keep Deerfield Bright at Night...

Please report Street Lights and Greenbelt Lights that are out to the DVCA Office. 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 CenterPoint Energy at the following website: http://www.centerpointenergy.com/services/electricity/residential/repo. rtastreetlightoutage Under "Residential" section, choose "Report a Streetlight Outage" and fill in required information.

#### Recycling is Always on Friday

#### 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 Texas Trash Service 281-888-3688 Hours of Operation 7am-7pm Office hours 8am-5pm

Pick-up days are Tuesday and Friday. **Please** do not put your trash out until Monday evening or Thursday evening.

## 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. Hurricane season is upon us and we will get heavy rains, so please be advised.

#### Pet Hotline...

Along with a Rabies tag for ID, the most important

is a tag with owner's phone #...since vets are closed on Sat. afternoon and all day Sundays...the owner's # will get your lost pet home in no time..

Marie Nugent Pet Hotline 281-859-1104



#### Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.

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e-mail: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net www.deerfieldvillage.net

The Office Hours Are: Monday thru Friday • 9:30 - 1:30 **Deadline for Newsletter: 18th of the month prior to publication.** 

Submit articles, photos and ads to the Recreation Center Office,

or e-mail to: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

### "CALLING" ALL RESIDENTS"

### 2012 Directory Update

It is time to submit/update your information for the 2012 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 November 1

#### Four ways to return your form:

- 1. Drop the form off during office hours (M-F 9:30am 1:30pm)
- 2. Email the completed form to: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net
- 3. Leave the completed form in the drop box outside the office anytime
- 4. Mail the completed form to: Deerfield Village Community Association 4045 Deerfield Village Drive

Houston, TX 77084

Check ☑ or ☒ the appropriate box below:	
NO - I do not wish to be listed in the 20 (Please list the last name and address	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
YES - Please list the following informati (Please Print Clearly!)	ion in the 2012 Directory
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If you do not return this form, we will use the information listed in the 2010 directory.

### Financial Services Committee...

**Financial Services Committee** 

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of every month to review the financial status of our community.

Please Note: October meeting will be held the 2nd Tuesday 10/11/2011.

As of August 31, 2011

YTD expenses	\$ 430,937	2011 Budget	\$627,182
YTD budget	449,575	Designated reserve	576,789
Under/(Over) budg	get 18,838	Undesignated reserves	13,767

Expenditures: Actual expenses continue to be inline with annual budget. Income is exceeding

the Budget. The combination of both should give DVCA a larger surplus then

original forecasted.

Assessments: We have collected \$636812(97.26%) of the 2011 assessments. Collection rate is Slightly ahead of the 2010 rate.

2012 Budget: Committees have submitted preliminary budgets. Schedule calls for Budgets to finalized and presented to the Board at the October meeting.

Always looking for new members if interested come join us for one of the meeting's or give me call 281-859-4504

### Deeds Committee...

No report this month.

## Community Services Committee...

No report this month



You are invited to a Margaritas & Magic Vacation Night at Los Cucos on Clay from 7pm-9pm on Thursday, September 22nd. Bring a friend. Door prizes, Vacation specials, & much more.



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#### Deerfield Village Playgroup

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



Please contact Julie Kokinakis at: 281-859-2551 for more information on dates, times and meeting places.

#### HELP WANTED:

Student for Part-Time Work, flexible hours; computer and photography skills helpful. Contact Randy at 281-856-2490

## Constable's Report...

### Security Stats for August, 2011

Constable Dispatch: 281-463-6666 Contract # 87 Harris County Precinct #5

ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
Accidents	0
Alarms	10
Assaults	0
Burglaries	0
Burg Motor Vehicle	2
Citizens Assistance	12
Citizens Contact	72
Criminal Arrests	0
Criminal Mischief	0
Disturbance Calls	7
Suspicious Vehicles	8
Suspicious Persons	6
Thefts	0
Traffic Citations	1
Traffic Warnings	1
Vacation Watch	70

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

## Landscape Committee...

Our Meeting date has changed for the month of October, it will be Monday Oct. 3rd instead of Oct 10th at 7:00.

We're all struggling to keep our lawn & shrubs alive with this drought. Our Committee & the Board THANK anyone that is watering trees & grass on Community property.

Our water bill for the last two months for Deerfield Village was extremely high. We've cut back watering from 5 days a week to only three days. Yes we've lost some shrubs, the lawn doesn't look good in areas. We hope along with everyone else maybe we'll be lucky and get some rain.

#### DEERFIELD VILLAGE COOKBOOKS

In need of a great gift for any occasion? We still have Deerfield Bazaar Cookbooks available. Call Sharon Hamilton at 281-859-0174.

### **Deerfield Events**

#### Monthly Events...

**Poker!** 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:30 PM, at the Recreation Center... **Bunco!** 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 at the Recreation Cente

#### **Every Friday - Coffee and Donuts! 8:00AM to 9:30 AM.**

Drop by the Rec Center for a cup of coffee and a donut, bring your paper to read, visit with your neighbor, catch up on what's happening in the neighborhood. Every Friday morning, and it's free...

#### Oct. 8th Music on the Green. 6:00 PM,

last one of the year, come out and relax, bring your lawn chairs, your cooler, and your friends. And for a snack - bring \$2 for a Baskin Robbins ice cream sundae. (Come early, there is a limited number of sundaes)

#### Oct. 15th Oktoberfest! Beer and Bratwurst, 7:00PM.

Only \$15 to enjoy some beer and some Oktoberfest right at home in Deerfield. Tickets \$22 after Oct. 8 Baby sitting available upstairs.

#### Oct. 22nd Fall Garage Sale.

Starts at 7:00 AM, at the Rec. Center. Come see what's for sale, find a great bargain. Or get a space for \$15, \$25 Oct 7th on.

#### Oct. 31st Halloween Party for the Kids!

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Trick or Treat here first! Come in costume to participate in the costume "Fashion Show". There will be all sorts of fun including a puppeteer, Cake Walk, and crafts (parents – no need to bring cakes, we will provide.)

Nov. 4th & 5th Annual Christmas Bazaar, at the Rec. Center.

Nov. 13th Ice Skating at Memorial City Mall \$2.00 a person, sign up at the Deerfield Office starting Oct. 24th.

**Dec. 12th Annual Christmas Snow Party.**2:00 PM to 3:30PM. We will have snow even if Houston doesn't.

#### Dec 31st New Year's Eve Party!

At the Rec Center, so you can party and be safe...Stay tuned for details.

### Recreation Committee ...

In September we had a great Labor Day Pool party – over 150 people participating. And we had the Chili Cook-off, with a 140 people lasting the chili and staying around listening to the D.J. Coffee and Donuts resumed on Friday mornings and will continue through October. And on the last coffee and donuts of each month there is a paperbook exchange. Bring a paperbook, take one home, just don't leave any behind; it's open to all residents.

Coming up on October is a Music on the Green on October 8th, featuring Common Ground. And there will be Baskin Robbin ice cream sundaes, only \$2.00. The Band and ice cream sundaes start at 6:00PM. Later in October is the Octoberfest, the

Fall Garage Sale, and the kids Halloween party. This year parents do not need to bring cakes from the cake walk; we will provide the cakes.

We are trying the Fall Garage Sale at the Rec. Center. Registration is \$15, but goes up to \$25 on October 12. We have been asked why the fee – it's used to pay for security, advertisements, and organization. It is expensive and time consuming to do a garage sale, and we will be evaluating whether the Fall Garage Sale is something we want to do again.

And we are planning a New Year's Eve party again, at the Rec Center. So keep your options open, and consider partying in Deerfield.

### "ATTENTION DEERFIELD VILLAGE SENIOR RESIDENTS – 55+"

Did you know if you are age 55 years or older that you can attend free classes for Digital Photography, Consumer Fraud (Don't Be a Victim), and other excellent educational seminars at the Thomas A Glazier Senior Education Center, located at 16600 Pine Forest Lane, Houston, TX 77084??? However, you must register for these classes. The contact number is 713-274-3250 for registration information and date schedule of classes."

#### Texas Hold'em Poker

Second Thursday of the month,



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

#### Deerfield Village Bunko Group

Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at the Deerfield Clubhouse. Bring a Potluck dish and \$5.25.

Contact: JoAnne Maruca at 281-550-8162. Joann.rich@yahoo.com or Pat Rothman at 281-345-9355. RR1texas@earthlink.net



### 2011 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & MARKET

We are celebrating our 33rd Deerfield Christmas Bazaar & Market on Friday, November 4th from Noon until 8PM and on Saturday, November 5th from 9AM until closing at 4PM.

As the long hot days of Summer pass us by, we embrace the cool days of Fall and all the festivities. The Deerfield Christmas Bazaar Women are in full swing: sewing, baking, canning, woodcutting and painting!!!

If you have an interest in joining our Bazaar, please contact Connie Corkill, after the 19th of August, at 281-463-0750, or email connie50@sbcglobal.net We meet in the Clubhouse (downstairs meeting room near the Flag Pole) at the Deerfield Village Recreation Center on September 14th, September 19th, October 12th, and October 27th at 7PM. ALL members MUST attend three (3) meetings in order to participate in The Show!!!

## MUD 136 Board Report...

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

At its September meeting, the Board reviewed the District's operations during the previous month.

In August, the District delivered 29,830,000 gallons of water, a 15% increase over July. It is very disappointing that our pleas to conserve water have not been effective, leaving Deerfield in a precarious position. 75% of our water comes from the West Harris County Regional Water Authority (WHCRWA). If they experience operational problems, they can, without notice, reduce or stop delivery of water to any or all utility districts within the Region. Districts such as ours that have an operational well are the first to be reduced or cut off.

This has happened to our District in the past, but, fortunately, for no more than a day. Whenever there is a supply disruption, our well has to provide 100%

of demand and there is no way our well can deliver water for at a rate of 1,000,000 gallons per day for an extended period of time. We would have to initiate Phase III of our Drought Contingency Plan, which would impose very severe restrictions on water use until such time as WHCRWA resumed water deliveries to us.

Please use water wisely. The website www.wateruseitwisely.com offers manly useful tips for doing this. If you have any other suggestions for reducing water consumption, please submit your ideas to any of the Directors.

If you wish to offer your ideas in person or to comment on any of the District's activities, come to the next District meeting, which will be held on Thursday, October 13 at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.

### Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

Community Services	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Bruce Bott	Rick Johnson	281-550-8895
Deed Restrictions	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Brent Burris	Jeff Youngflesh	
DVCA Board	4th Monday	7:00 PM	Eric Toureilles		281-855-0312
Financial Services	Tuesday before Board Meeting	7:30 PM	Stuart Cory	Mike Feeney	281-859-4504
Landscape	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Arthur McDanel	Beverly Girbach	281-550-8729
MUD #136	2nd Thursday	6:00 PM	Eric Toureilles		281-855-0312
Recreation Center	2nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	Louis Carpenter	Peter Howell	281-463-1360
Security	2nd Tuesday	7:30 PM	Larry Burkham	Kirk Aden	281-855-7103
Swimming Pool	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Amy Lacy	Kenny O'Brien	832-256-8026
Tennis	1st Wednesday	8:00 PM	Marie Nugent	Nan Pye	281-463-8788

<sup>\*</sup> Please read the Committee Reports for Monthly changes in the schedule.

#### **Deerfield Village Fall Garage Sale**

Date/Time: Saturday, October 22, 2011 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM Location: Deerfield Village Recreation Center (Note: NOT at homes) Rules: 1. Garage Sale will be conducted at the Deerfield Village Recreation Center; set-up starts at 5:00 AM, selling at 7:00 AM. Sale ends at 1:00 PM 2. Only pre-registered participants may sell, selling will be from the designated area 3. Designated area will be approximately 20'x20' (size of two parking spaces) 4. Remaining items must be cleared out by 3:00 PM 5. You must be a Homeowners or Tenant residing in Deerfield Village to participate. Your Homeowner Assessment Fees must be current. 6. Registration is \$15, changing to \$25 starting October 7th. 7. Registrations will be accepted and spaces assigned starting Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Rec Center. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Rec Center. After Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, registrations may be dropped off at the Deerfield Village Office. have read, understood and will abide by the above rules and regulations for the 2011 Deerfield Village Garage Sale.

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

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_



## Swimming Pool Committee...

We hope you enjoyed this summer at the pool. We are looking forward to 2012.



### Pet Hot Line...

Remember pets need to be safe. Collars need some ID with your phone # • Update your pet's shot record.

Keep pet on leash when walking on greenbelt, courtesy to your neighbors and a Harris Co. leash law.

Also, and important, is to pick up your pet's poop by

having a plastic bag with you. I have had many complaints from residents that enjoy walking on the greenbelt and seeing pet owners not picking up the pet's poop. Most pet owners are diligent about this and we appreciate your help.

Marie Nugent 281-859-1104

## Ladies Tennis Anyone?

#### FALL TENNIS SOCIAL SCHEDULED!!!!

The Tennis Committee is having an Oktoberfest Tennis Social on Saturday, October 22, from 7-



9PM. Tennis players of all ages and levels are invited to participate and bring guests. The Committee will provide drinks and balls. Look forward to seeing you there. (For more information, contact Martha Jones at 281-859-5211, email marjo41@att.net, or Rey Sarmiento at 281-300-6475, email reysarmiento@yahoo.com

ATTENTION: ALL TENNIS LEAGUE CAPTAINS - If you have not already done so, be sure to get your Fall 2011 rosters into the office - earmarked for Alan Phillips. All League court times will need to be scheduled.

#### WELCOME, DEERFIELD RESIDENTS! COME JOIN OUR TENNIS TEAMS!!!

Did you know that there are different levels of Ladies Tennis Teams for which you can sign up to play??? Come join us! You will have a great time and meet new friends as well as improve your Tennis Skills! If interested, please contact Leslie Rupard at sunshine4631lr@gmail.com

### Pot Luck Supper

Come to our POT LUCK SUPPER...December 4th, at the Rec Center. Join us at 5:30pm to meet and visit. Dinner is at 6:00pm. Bring a dish to share with your neighbors. Bringing a Family Specialty Dish to our supper is always a delightful treat. This event is open to ALL Deerfield residents. There is a small \$1.00 charge per person to cover paper goods. See you there!!!

## Boy Scout Troop 120...

Hi, I'm Morgan Kennon, the new scribe for BSA Troop 120!

This past summer the Scouts from our troop were very busy, including two weeklong campouts: one at Hale Scout Reservation (I went there) and Northern Tier High Adventures in Canada. At Hale, Scouts were able to work on merit badges and have fun. We were able to go to the planetarium, play games like Connect Four and Uno, watch fireworks, and have lots of fun. The Northern Tier cam-



pout was a high adventure trip for the older scouts. They traveled to Canada, spent time fishing, traveled in canoes, and learned to work as a team.

More recently, we did a service project helping Robert Myers label the sewer drainage systems, and spread community awareness about the importance of not dumping things in them.

We also had our annual leadership lock-in at Bear Creek United Methodist Church, to plan out 2011-12 year. We had fun playing dodge ball and Call of Duty. It was a blast!

On September 17 we had did a fundraiser in Deerfield and gathered donations for the victims and fire-fighters in the Texas wildfires. Unfortunately, BSA lost 2 of its best camps in Texas, Lost Pines and BTSR. Thanks to the generosity of Deerfield residents, we gave a pickup-truck full of donations!

It's been a fun time this summer. Time for a new year of camping! Morgan Kennon – Troop 120 Scribe

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Liberty Mutual's Be Fire Smart Safety Pledge program will be giving away ten \$10,000 grants to fire departments in communities across the U.S. that display a commitment to fire safety. Go to: www.BeFireSmart.com and take the brief fire safety quiz. No, I did not get 100% of them right, so it is worth your time to take the quiz. Follow the next instructions to credit Cy-Fair Volunteer Fire Dept.. We only have 67 pledges and Waco has over 300, so please do something nice for our Brave Fire Fighters by taking the quiz today. The time for this runs out on Oct. 31, 2011. Please pass this on to friends and family, I know we can make a difference.

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