

DEERFIELD VILLAGE NEWS

July, 2012

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President's Report...

By Eric Toureilles - DVCA Board President

Dear Neighbors,

We have noticed there is a large amount of vegetation growing at the entrance of the grate in the drainage ditch at Deerfield Village Drive. The County has been contacted and advised that this issue needs to be addressed immediately, as it will create a bottle neck going into the storm system. Although this is of great importance to resolve, the grate is designed to flow over the normal entrance and into the top opening, in the event of any type of blockage. This year the weather has brought us more rain than last year and we want to be prepared as we go into the hurricane season.

Speaking of flooding and hurricane preparedness, check and be sure you have batteries, water and all the hurricane supplies you need, before you need them.

Everyone should have received a note in their water bill, and a door hanger, indicating that our water district, HC MUD #136, has changed the operating company from Southwest Water to Municipal Operations & Consulting, INC. What this means is

that you will be sending your payments to a new address, so be sure you update any online banking information or direct payment arrangements.



Harris County has addressed the sink hole along the sidewalk between Cadbury and Timsbury without having to take out the sidewalk, which is appreciated.

Please note that the 2012 pool hours are posted on the DVCA Bulletin board, across from the Deerfield office and are also available online.

I'd like to wish everyone a safe and fun 4th of July and invite you to come out and celebrate with us at the Deerfield Village Recreation Center, starting at 1:30PM.

Happy Birthday and Independence Day USA!

Take care



The Business Office will be closed Wednesday, July 4th in Observance of Independence day.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS: Illegal Dumping .713-920-2831 Any Crime (Constable Contract #87) .281-463-6666 Trash Pick-up .281-888-3688 Curb Damage (No Patio Home Curbs) .281-463-6300 Power Outage .713-207-2222 Flooding .713-684-4000 Gas Leaks .713-659-2111 Water Outage .713-405-1750 County Pets .713-999-3191

Important Information...

Welcome to Deerfield Village

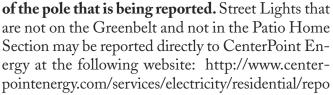
If you are a new resident in Deerfield Village, please feel free to stop by the DVCA Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:30am and 1:30pm, to obtain additional information about the community and the DVCA facilities. You may also wish to pick up a key to the Tennis Courts. The keys are \$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 281-463-2624, 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



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.



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. A tag with a cell # is the best because the cell phone is usually with the owner when he is not home..



Marie Nugent Pet Hotline 281-859-1104

Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.

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The Office Hours Are: Monday thru Friday • 9:30 - 1:30

Submit articles, photos and ads to the Recreation Center Office, or e-mail to: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

Deadline for Newsletter: 18th of the month prior to publication.



Come Join Your Neighbors!

July 4th Festival



1:30 Bike Parade Bring your bikes, trikes and wagons, decorated for a 4th of July Parade!

> 1:45 Games for the young! Kids games until 3:00!

2:00 Pool slide opens!

3:00 Pool games, relays, races and the famous Coin Toss!

4:00 Bingo for the adults, in the air conditioned Rec Center.

The Volleyball Court will be open for those wanting a pick-up game!



Hot Dogs, Snow Cones and More Food throughout the afternoon!



Financial Services Committee...

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm to review the financial status of our community.

As of May 31, 2012

 YTD expenses
 \$ 260,243
 2012 Budget
 \$597,038

 YTD budget
 246,003
 Designated reserve
 639,570

Under/(Over) budget (14,240)

Expenditures: Over budget is caused by the spreading of the budget compared to when actual expenses are incurred. In total we are still inline with the total budget.

Assessments: We have collected \$641,643 (96.47%) of the 2012 assessments. We are slightly ahead (.11%) of the last collection rate. Thanks to all the residents for paying promptly

Liens for all unpaid assessments and other fees will be filed in June.

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

Community Services Committee...

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) the summer of 2012 may be one of the worst on record in years for mosquitoes. Whether from the unseasonably warm spring or wet conditions, mosquitoes are already out in full force. While generally just a nuisance, mosquitoes can carry dangerous diseases such as West Nile virus and encephalitis. The CDC estimate that nearly 300,000 Americans have been sickened with West Nile Virus since it arrived in the U.S. 11 years ago. The Texas Department of State Health Services recently confirmed that five samples of mosquitoes from a surveillance site in Harris County tested positive for West Nile virus, so controlling mosquito populations and protecting ourselves from them is a serious health concern.

Here are some tips to help keep the mosquito populations down in Deerfield:

- 1. TIP. Reduce standing water to eliminate mosquito threats, including those in children's sandboxes, wagons or plastic toys; underneath and around downspouts, in plant saucers and dog bowls. Other hot spots include tarps, gutters, and flat roofs.
- 2. TOSS. Remove excess grass, leaves, firewood and clippings from yards. And never put grass clippings or leaves down storm drains they can clog the drain,

creating pools where mosquitoes can breed.

- 3. TURN. Turn over larger yard items that could hold water like children's portable sandboxes or plastic toys.
- 4. REMOVE TARPS. If tarps stretched over firewood piles, boats or sports equipment and grills aren't taut, they're holding water.
- 5. TIGHTEN UP YOUR DEFENSES. Check to be sure screens on windows and doors are in good shape. Culex mosquitoes, which carry West Nile, like to get inside, where they have nothing to feed on but you.

The Texas Department of State Health Services says prevention is the best cure. Wear insect repellent and stay indoors at dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active. Wear long sleeves and pants Loose, light-colored clothing is best. If you want to enjoy your patio in the summer, try bringing out a couple of box fans. The air current from the fans will blow the mosquitoes away.

I hope everyone has a great summer! The Community Services Committee took a recess in July, but will resume our monthly meetings in August. Come on down!

Rick Johnson, Chair

Texas Hold'em Poker

Second Thursday of the month.

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

Contact Bob 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

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Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

Committee	Meeting Dates*	Time	Board Trustee	Committee Chair	Phone
Community Services	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Bruce Bott	Rick Johnson	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	7:00 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	Rey Sarmiento	281-856-5013

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

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 Center

Coffee and Donuts! During the summer

it's on every Friday of July from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM at the Rec Center.

July 4th - Festival!

July 4th Festival! It more than a pool party – it's our spectacular holiday festival! See the schedule elsewhere in the newsletter.

August 11th Adult Margarita Party

August 11th Adult Margarita Party at the Rec Center, 7:00PM to ? Margaritas, beer, and light snacks provided. Come join your friends for a pleasant summer evening. Baby sitting available upstairs. Some charge at the door.

Sept. 3rd Labor Day Pool Party and Ice Cream Social

at the Rec. Center, 3:00PM to 5:00PM

Sept. 8 Polynesian Night!

It's a Polynesian Music on the Green, from 6:00PM to 9:00PM. It's a performance by dancers, fire juggler and more, plus two hours of Polynesian music. Polynesian food will be available at a small price for those who want to enjoy the night.

Oct. 6th Chili cook-off and Music on the Green!

Details in next month's newsletter

Recreation Committee ...

The July 4th Festival is our biggest July 4th event in several years; hopefully you can make it, if it has not already happened, and the newsletter gets out in time. We will have activities for all ages.

During the summer Coffee and Donuts will be held every Friday during July, at 8:30 to 10:00 am. This is a pilot to see if people want to enjoy Coffee and Donuts during the summer.

August 11th is the Adult Margarita Party. There will be margaritas, beer, and music. Babysitting will be available. There will be a small cover charge.

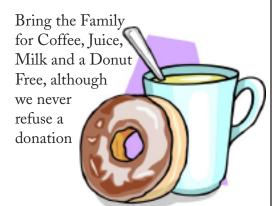
We are looking at having a bigger chili cook-off on Oct.6th, so brush off your recipe and mark the date for both the cook-off and a Music on the Green. We are looking at adding brisket to the cook-off.

We also are considering a karaoke "Deerfield's Got Talent" evening in late October. It would be a family event with audience participating. Please let the Rec. Comm. know if you have interest in participating.

We can always use help on making great events for the sub-division – come join us at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Coffee & Donuts & Juice for the Family

Friday's in July at the Rec Center 8:30AM to 10:00AM



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CHILDREN.



Pet Hotline...



Once again as Summer approaches pets are out without any ID or collars with ID, most are not chipped when they get out and run loose.

Some will go to the pound, some will be taken to a shelter and given a short time to get adopted. If you love your pet, especially a dog that will travel far from his home, make sure the collar has a phone # written with a black marker. Shelters are over crowded and so is the pound.

You may want to check the stats on how many dogs are euthanized in Houston each year. Please don't let that happen to the pet you love..

To the world you are a rescue person, to a rescued pet, you are the world.

MUD 136 Board Report...

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

By the time you read this article the MUD District will have changed to a new operating company, Municipal Operations & Consulting, Inc (MOC).. You should have received a flyer with all of the appropriate information, along with a refrigerator magnet. MOC will be dispatching workers from their Mason Rd office. Works will be wearing uniforms with the MOC logo, which will also be displayed on their trucks.

Important: Your July water bill will come from MOC. They offer several ways to make a payment,

including automatic bank account debit. If you were using this payment method, you will have to make new arrangements with MOC. More information is available on their website www.municipalops.com . Information about the change over also is posted on the District's website, www.hcmud136.org. We are taking all steps necessary to assure that the change over goes smoothly.

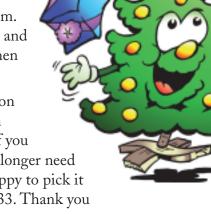
If you have questions or comments concerning this or any other of the District's activities, come to the next monthly meeting, which will be held on Thursday, July 12 at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.

Deerfield Christmas Bazaar Committee...

Deerfield Christmas Bazaar Looking for Crafters for 2012 Show

It's that time again or it will soon be!!! Our 34th Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on November 2 and 3. If you would be interested in checking us out & possibly joining us this year, please call Connie Corkill 281-463-0750 or Sharon Hamilton 281-859-0174. We have scheduled four meeting dates: September 12; September 25; October 10 & October 25. All meetings are downstairs in the rec center and at 7:00pm. Some of the by-laws are that you are a Deerfield resident and attend three meetings. We are a fun bunch of ladies & men and would love to have you join us this year.

"The Christmas Bazaar Committee decorates the recreation center each year for the Holidays and would like to obtain gently used or new Christmas garland and decorations...If you have any Christmas decorations, garland, etc. that you no longer need or use, or any that you would like to donate, we will be happy to pick it up. Call Sharon at 281 859-0174 or Tressa at 281 455-2633. Thank you for your help!"



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PLEASE COMPLETE THE VACATION WATCH AND MAIL IT IN AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE YOU PLAN TO LEAVE OR COMPLETE IT AND CALL (281) 463-6666 TO HAVE A DEPUTY COME BY AND PICK IT UP. YOU MAY ALSO CHOOSE TO FAX IT TO (281) 492-3540.

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Pet Alert...

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PLEASE HAVE AN ID TAG ON YOUR PET.

Marie Nugent: 281-859-1104

Deerfield Village Playgroup

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



Please contact: Amy Zimmerman at 512-762-9262 for more information on dates, times and meeting places.

Constable's Report...

Security Stats for May, 2012

Constable Dispatch: 281-463-6666 Contract # 87

Harris County Precinct #5

ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
Accidents	1
Alarms	6
Assaults	0
Burglaries	1
Burg Motor Vehicle	1
Citizens Assistance	27
Citizens Contact	94
Criminal Arrests	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Disturbance Calls	6
Suspicious Vehicles	30
Suspicious Persons	5
Thefts	1
Traffic Citations	2
Traffic Warnings	2
Vacation Watch	169

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

Ladies Tennis Anyone?

WELCOME,
DEERFIELD
RESIDENTS!
COME JOIN OUR

TENNIS TEAMS!!!

If interested, please contact:
Leslie Rupard at sunshine4631lr@gmail.com



Landscaping Committee...

Without much rain our grass and flowers are holding their own with the sprinkler system.

Parents PLEASE watch your children so they aren't throwing the rocks that are in the landscaped areas.

We're still waiting on the County to repair the sink hole at Cadbury/Timsbury.



Mosquitoes Beware!!!

Spraying Schedule For Mosquitoes

Basic spraying of the subdivision, will be once a week, between Thursday and Sunday. starting after 9:00 PM, ending before 6:00 AM, weather permitting. Spraying will end the first weekend of November..

Larvicide treatment of the storm drains on a monthly basis April - October, weather permitting.

Green Belt fogging as needed April - October, weather permitting.

Chemicals used are free of carcinogenics and safe to be used around pets and children. However, don't let children run behind the spray trucks breathing the fumes, that would not be good for anyone.



Swimming Pool Committee...

Calling all Residents of Deerfield Village!! The Pool is Open!!!

Summer Pool hours:

Monday- Closed

Tuesday-Sunday- 10:00am-11:00am-Adult Swim 11:00am-9:00pm **Reminder that 10 mins. before every hour will be Adult Swim**

All Pool Tags will be kept at the Life Guard Check-in table at Pool entrance. Please schedule an appointment with June in the Deerfield Village Office if you have not received your Pool Tags.

Please give our new Lifeguards a warm Deerfield welcome when you visit the Pool.

We ask that all Residents review the Pool Rules posted to insure we have a safe and fun Summer this year.

The Swimming Pool Committee meets the 2nd Monday of the Month We encourage new members to join us.

Pool Committee Meetings

held monthly.
We encourage new members

to join us.

Katherine Tyra Branch Library @ Bear Creek

Katherine Tyra Branch Library @ Bear Creek is proud to present many exciting events and activities in July. The month will be filled with fun reads and creative programs sponsored by The Friends of Bear Creek Library. All programs are free and open to the public. For more information call 281-550-0885 or log on to www.hcpl.net.



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