



DEERFIELD VILLAGE *News*

March 2019

The Voice of The Community • Dedicated To The Residents of Deerfield Village

DEERFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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President's Report

Greetings Deerfield Residents,

I hope everyone received the 2019 Directory in February, which was placed on everyone's door. If you did not receive one, please contact the office, where you can pick one up, or ask us to send one out.

I received several emails and calls in February about our new trash and recycling vendor, Texas Pride, which has not performed to our expectations in the first month of service. Our MUD is aware of the complaints and very disappointed with Texas Pride's performance. I attended the monthly meeting, and they put the company on notice, that this performance will not be tolerated, and further issues will result in pursuing cause for termination. I spoke for a few minutes with the vendor to let them know of my disappointment and the complaints I received from residents. We were promised by the representative that all issues, including communication will be resolved immediately.

There is a special meeting on March 4th at 7PM, for the Board to discuss the Swim at your own Risk program for residents that are interested in participating. This is in review at this meeting. There will be an opportunity to ask questions under resident inquires.

The Annual Meeting of the Members and the Annual Meeting of the Board has been moved to Tuesday April 9th at 7PM in the Clubhouse. The new Trustees will be announced, and you will hear the financial state of the Association and 2019 goals. Immediately after is the Annual Board Meeting, where the Board will seat new Trustees, elect officers, and conduct our annual training. I hope to see you there!



DVCA ELECTION

Tues. – Fri.

Mar. 26 – Mar. 29
9:30 am – 1:30 pm

Thur. Mar. 28
4:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Sat. March 30
10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Complete details
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Our Spring Garage sale will be held on April 6, 2019 this year. Signup starts March 1st, so please sign up early, if you would like to participate. A registration form is in this newsletter and online on our website. You can drop off the form and check at the office or drop box after office hours.

As we go into Spring, I would like to declare March as "**Beautify Deerfield month**". Spend a few minutes cleaning trash along the street, treat those ant mounds, and keep that mulch out of view, unless you are planning to put it out right away. Also, when power washing the driveway, you could include the sidewalk too.

Thank you for helping the Scouts this year with their mulch fundraiser, Orders should be delivered on March 1st and 2nd. If you have any issues, please go to www.bsatroop120.com and let them know.

Take care,
Eric

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Important Information

DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS

DVCA Office	281-463-2624
Email.....	deerfield4@sbcglobal.net
SEAL Neighborhood Patrol	832-408-0200
Deerfield Pet Hot Line	713-818-5799

GOVERNMENT

County Clerk's Office 16715 Clay Rd	832-927-7230
Justice of the Peace	713-274-0800
Harris Cty. Sheriff's Non-Emergency	713-221-6000
Fire & EMS Non-Emergency	281-256-2266
State Highway Public Information.....	713-802-5076
Harris County Pct. 3 Commissioner's Office	

Must have address to Report:	281-463-6300
Graffiti, Public Street Signs & Curb Repair and Road Damage (Except for Patio Homes)	
Bear Creek Library	281-550-0885

SCHOOLS

Cy-Fair School District Admin.....	281-897-4000
Peggy Wilson Elementary (K-5)	281-463-5941
Watkins Jr. High (6-8)	281-463-5850
Cypress Lakes HS.....	281-856-3800

UTILITY INFORMATION

Report Gas Leaks..... (CenterPoint)	713-659-2111
CenterPoint (Electricity & Gas)	713-207-7777
Street Light Repair	
Have 6 digit # from pole & address	713-207-7777
AT&T	800-288-2020
Trash Pick-up	281-342-8178
Water & Sewer Info. MUD #136	281-367-5511
Illegal Dumping.....(Pollution Control)	713-920-2831
Flooding (Harris Co Flood Control).....	713-684-4000

OTHER NUMBERS

Harris County Public Health & Environmental Services (HCPHES) Includes:	
Public Nuisance Report.....	713-274-6300
Harris County Pets (Animal Control)	281-999-3191
Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation	713-468-8972
Metro Buses (Routes & Schedules)	713-635-4000
Alcoholics Anonymous (24 hours)	713-686-6300
Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse.....	713-224-9911
Legal Advice & Info Battered Women Children	713-528-2121
Battered Women & Children.....	713-528-5785
Crisis Hotline (Suicide Prevention).....	713-228-1505
Children's Protective Services (CPS)	713-394-4000
Poison Control (24 hours).....	800-222-1222
Rape Crisis (24 hours).....	713-528-7273

Submit articles, photos and ads to the DVCA office, or email: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net prior to the 18th of the month.

Welcome to Deerfield Village

If you are a new resident to Deerfield Village, please feel free to stop by the DVCA office, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:30 am and 1:30 pm to obtain a Welcome Packet. The packet contains information regarding our subdivision. If you wish to have access to the tennis courts and/or bathrooms, you will need to complete the Application for an Access Control Card, available in the DVCA office. Each household can have up to 2 cards at no charge. If you would like to become involved on one of our committees, a meeting schedule is located inside this newsletter. For inquires, you may contact the DVCA office at 281-463-2624 or email deerfield4@sbcglobal.net. Visit our website, www.deerfieldvillageonline.com to learn more and see a complete list of our Deed Restrictions.

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 go to our website: www.deerfieldvillageonline.com and Click on "Create a Resident Account." Then fill in the information requested.

Keep Deerfield Bright at Night...

Please report Street Lights and Greenbelt Lights that are out to the DVCA Office; phone: 281-463-2624. 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 Center-Point Energy at the following website:

<http://www.centerpointenergy.com>

Click on the "Report a Streetlight Outage" located in the middle of the page. You can then click the "request form" and complete the requested information and submit.

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.

Residential Trash Reminders

As of February 1st, Deerfield Village has a new service provider, Texas Pride. Old recycle bins were picked up on January 25th, and subsequently new recycle bins were distributed to each household. Please read the MUD article in this newsletter for more information regarding trash and recycling service.

Security Committee

We continue to have reports of criminal activity at night on our streets with cars driving slowly and checking out houses and also checking and removing mail from the mailbox. Remember if you see something like this, call SEAL and have them investigate. If you are the victim of a crime, please call HCSO and report it. That way they are aware of what is happening in Deerfield.

Just as a reminder, if you see something suspicious or criminal happening:

- If you feel in danger personally, call HCSO first and then SEAL if you can
- If you do not feel in imminent danger, call SEAL to help you out

We hope you read the article on parking last month. We've requested it be included in this month's Newsletter as well. There continues to be a lot of parking violations and we'd ask you to understand and follow the law. If HCSO comes through and enforces the law, there will be many unhappy residents.

The Security Committee meets on the first Tuesday of the month. Our next meetings will be at 7PM on Tuesday, March 5th and Tuesday April 2nd. You are always welcome to visit or join

Community Service Committee

Deerfield is a great place to live, whether you are raising kids, working, or enjoying retired life. The neighborhood has gone through cycles of family demographics over the last several decades, and like any mature neighborhood, requires work to keep it attractive and pleasant. Reading Nextdoor, there is no shortage of people who have criticisms of how neighborhood issues are handled. It is surprising that more of those people aren't willing to invest a few hours a month to help deal with these issues. The Community Services Committee meets the first Monday of each month at 7 pm at the Rec Center. We deal with diverse issues, including maintenance and upkeep of the Rec Center facilities, pest control, greenbelt and Patio Homes lighting, and, most recently, the deteriorating condition of some of the cluster mailboxes in the neighborhood. Do you have any concern about any of these issues?

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, March 4th at 7 pm in the Small Meeting Room (across from the office). Please come to our next meeting! We look forward to seeing you there!



PARKING LAWS IN DEERFIELD VILLAGE

Listed below are the parking laws that apply for Deerfield Village. If not followed, law enforcement (HCSO) can ticket you. Please abide by them.

You are not allowed to park or stand your vehicle:

- In front of a public or private driveway
- Within 30 feet of a stop sign, yield sign or other traffic signal
- Within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection
- Within 15 feet of a fire hydrant
- If your vehicle obstructs another's driveway
- In a driveway if the vehicle extends into the street
- Double parked on the road side of another legally parked vehicle

Parallel parking is required on the streets of Deerfield Village. This means you must:

- Park WITH the direction of the traffic
- With both right-hand wheels parallel to and within 18 inches from the right hand curb

Straight in or angled parking in the cul-de-sacs is not allowed

You are not allowed to park on the street for over 72 hours on the street. If you do:

- A violation sticker may be placed on your vehicle
- Your vehicle may be towed at your expense for the tow and storage

Commercial Vehicles and Trailers are not allowed to be parked for long periods during the day or overnight.

Your neighbors have the right to call HCSO if they see these not being followed. Please don't give them reason to do so.

These are for all of our safety. Children can be hit and killed by a car driving 25 miles per hour because the parked cars have blocked off the line of sight for the driver. Emergency equipment may not be able to get to the houses they need to get to, and lives and property could be lost.

Please be a courteous and considerate neighbor. Be safety conscious for both yourself and your neighbors.

Security Stats January 2019

Alarm	0
Animal	2
Assistance	7
Burglary of Habitation	1
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	2
Calls to Call Center	48
Damage/Defacing of Property	3
Dispute	0
Disturbance	0
Emergency Medical Services	2
Information	5
Solicitors	3
Suspicious Activity	0
Suspicious Person(s)	8
Suspicious Vehicle(s)	13
Theft	0
Vacation Watches	9

Financial Services Committee

Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm to review the financial status of our community. The next meeting will be **March 19, 2019**

Financial status as of **January 31, 2019**

YTD expenses	\$54,348	Annual Op. Budget	\$739,687
YTD budget	\$69,647	Annual Res. Budget	\$66,701
Under/ (Over)/budget	\$15,299		

Favorable budget variance is caused by the timing of budget vs when the expense is incurred.

The YTD assessment collection rate is 79.5%. The collection rate is 1.1% better than the comparable 2018 rate..

Assessments unpaid as of February 1, have incurred the \$100.00 late fee. If unpaid at the end of February a Certified letter, which is required by law in order for the HOA to protect their interest, will be sent. The sending of the letter at cost \$57.80 will be added to the resident's balance.

Swimming Pool Committee

The 2019 swim season is fast approaching, and the Swim Pool Committee has been busy preparing the pool area. The 2019 Pool Calendar is being finalized as this newsletter prints and will be published in April's newsletter, so be on the lookout. Just a reminder, residents must have a Deerfield pool picture ID on file in order to use the pool. Pool IDs will be maintained at the pool during the season.

If you are new to Deerfield and have not yet had your picture taken for your pool ID, you can stop by the office beginning April 1st, Monday-Friday, 9:30 am – 1:30 pm. Special arrangements can be made if you are unable to stop by the office during these times. Just a reminder, assessment accounts must be current to have a valid 2019 swim pool ID tag. If you lease your house, you will need to have a valid release form completed and on file to have an ID to use the DV pool. Current IDs on file will be validated with a 2019 sticker, so you do not have to renew your ID every year.

The Swim Pool Committee (SPC) meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Next meeting is Tuesday, March 12, 2019. All meetings are held in the Annex and begin promptly at 7 pm. We would love for you to join us and get involved!



MUD 136 Report

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

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

Including the trash and recycling collection. The meeting was attended by Deerfield residents and a representative from Texas Pride Disposal. Initial startup problems were discussed, with a particular emphasis on the lack of communication. The representative assured us that corrective action would be taken and the problems will not reoccur. We have requested that a representative be at our March meeting.

The new contract brings with it some important changes. Concierge service has been added. Styrofoam is no longer accepted. Branches from tree or shrub trimming cannot exceed 3ft in length or 6 inches in diameter. They can be left curbside bundled or unbundled. Bundles cannot exceed 3ft x 3ft x 3ft in dimension and cannot weigh more than 40 lbs., limit 8 bundles. Carpeting limited to 4ft wide tied bundles weighing less than 40 lbs. each, maximum 8 bundles. Heavy trash pickup every service day, limit 2 items. If you are ever in doubt about what types of trash and recycling are accepted, log on to the District's web site (www.hcmud136.org) and click on MUD SERVICES. The service day deadline has not changed. All trash and recycling is to be at curbside by 7AM on collection day. However, no trash before its time. DVCA rules apply to how soon the trash can be put out. The requirements in both the DVCA rules and the trash service contract are meant to minimize the effect that curbside collection has on the appearance of our neighborhoods. Your continued cooperation in following these requirements is very much appreciated. .

If you wish to comment on any of the District's activities, plan to attend the next District meeting, which will be held on Thursday, March 14, at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.

Tennis Committee

The project to replace 3 old lighting poles on Courts 3 and 4 is expected to take place sometime during March. It is expected that the work will take about a week to complete during which time these 2 courts will be closed for safety reasons.



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DVCA 2019 Election Process

Deerfield Village Homeowners,

There are a few changes to our annual Trustee election, driven by both changes to applicable state laws and our own DVCA policies and procedures.

For the 2019 DVCA Trustee election:

- Votes can only be cast in person, in the Deerfield Village office by either the homeowner or their proxy.
- Votes can only be cast from 9:30 AM thru 1:30 PM on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 through Friday, March 29, 2019, Thursday, March 28, 2019 4:30 PM through 7:30 PM and on Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM.
- Bring a valid photo ID for verification of voting eligibility. (Applies to both homeowner or proxy)
- Only one ballot per lot owned.
- Write-in candidates are permitted.
- Vote by Proxy is permitted. A Proxy must be in writing, specific to a lot, valid for the term of the 2019 DVCA Trustee election, notarized, and submitted at the time of verification of voting eligibility. The DVCA Office Manager will maintain a file of Proxy designations. A sample proxy form is included below. Please use it for your proxies. Please note that the proxy is required to be notarized or it will not be valid. If voting by proxy, it is highly suggested that the form be completed prior to the election due to the requirement that it be notarized.
- Ballots received by mail, email, fax or dropped into the lockbox (outside of the DVCA office) will **NOT** be counted.

The Voting Process:

1. Appear in the Deerfield Village office during the times for the 2019 DVCA Trustee election.
2. Present a valid photo ID for verification of voting eligibility.
3. After verification, receive an official 2019 DVCA Trustee ballot and envelope.
4. Cast a single vote for up to three positions. (No multiple votes for a single candidate. Total of votes for identified candidates plus write-ins not to exceed 3.)
5. Place the completed ballot in the envelope.
6. Seal the envelope and write the applicable lot address across the seal. (Ballots in envelopes without a written address will not be counted.)
7. Place the sealed envelope with written address in the ballot box.

**General Proxy for the Annual Election of Trustees
Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.**

Property Address: _____, **Houston, Texas 77084**

I, _____ the undersigned Owner of the property
(Print homeowners name)

described above hereby appoints _____,
(Print Legal name of Proxy)

as my proxy with full power to vote on my behalf in the DVCA Annual Election of Trustees held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 through Friday, March 29, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 28, 2019 from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm, and Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This proxy is only for the election described above and will terminate after the Election is closed on March 30, 2019.

Homeowner's Signature

Date

Notary: State of _____; County of _____

On this _____ day of _____, 2019, before me appeared _____
Print homeowners name

Who is known to be the person named herein and who voluntarily executed this proxy.

Notary Signature

Date Commission Expires

MEET THE CANDIDATES ...

DEERFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
 4045 Deerfield Village Drive * Houston, TX 77084
 Office: (281) 463-2624 * Fax: (281) 463-7679
 Email: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

DVCA 2019 Annual Trustee Election
 Tuesday, March 26 – Saturday, March 30, 2019

Ballot for Election

Vote for up to three (3) candidates by placing a mark ("x" or a check) in the "For" space below. Write-In's Candidates are allowed.

<u>Name of Candidate(s)</u>	<u>For:</u>
David Flick	_____
Terry Gray	_____
Bob Shortle	_____
OTHER (Write-in):	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Voting Process Instructions:

1. Cast a single vote for up to three positions. (No multiple votes for a single candidate. Total of votes for identified candidates plus write-ins not to exceed 3.)
2. Place the completed ballot in the envelope.
3. Seal the envelope and write the applicable lot address across the seal. (Ballots in envelopes without a written address will not be counted.)
4. Place the sealed envelope with written address in the ballot box.

APPLICATION FOR TRUSTEE- 2019

Please fill out this application and mail or return to:
 Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.
 4045 Deerfield Village Drive
 Houston, TX 77084
 Office: 281-463-2624 Fax: 281-463-7679

NAME: David Flick LENGTH OF RESIDENCY: 13 years

ADDRESS: 18326 Longeliffe Drive

PHONE NUMBER: 832-215-4864 EMAIL: dave.flick@att.net

EXPERIENCE:

I have been a Board member and trustee for the Security Committee for 1 1/2 years

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Board member and Transport Coordinator for Basset Buddies Rescue of Texas, Volunteer cook for Phantom Regiment Drum and Bugle Corps for 3 summers

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH AS A BOARD MEMBER:

Maintain Deerfield Village as a safe community with a high caliber quality of life for all residents.

APPLICATION FOR TRUSTEE- 2019

Please fill out this application and mail or return to:
 Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.
 4045 Deerfield Village Drive
 Houston, TX 77084
 Office: 281-463-2624 Fax: 281-463-7679

NAME: Terry Gray LENGTH OF RESIDENCY: 35+ years

ADDRESS: 18038 Radworthy Drive

PHONE NUMBER: 281-463-3905 EMAIL: tagray@flash.net

EXPERIENCE: Broad business experience including progressive technical and business responsibilities within Dow Chemical Co., Vice-President of WRI and President of TAG Resource recover for the past 20 years.

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- 1) Past DVCA Trustee and Treasurer in 1990's
- 2) Volunteer Court appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for children under court supervision due to parental failure (8 years)
- 3) Coached over 20 sports seasons – baseball, basketball and soccer.

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH AS A BOARD MEMBER: Deerfield has been well-managed historically. I would like to help continue this tradition as my way of giving back to the community I have enjoyed for so many years.

APPLICATION FOR TRUSTEE - 2019

Please fill out this application and mail or return to:
 Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.
 4045 Deerfield Village Drive
 Houston, TX 77084
 Office: 281-463-2624 Fax: 281-463-7679

NAME: Bob Shortle LENGTH OF RESIDENCY: 35 years

ADDRESS: 4415 Deerfield Village DR

PHONE NUMBER: 281-463-4589 EMAIL: bobshortle@gmail.com

EXPERIENCE: Retired Information Technology project manager, lastly from the major cancer center in Houston. Past President of Deerfield Village, chairman of Finance committee and prior member of swimming pool and community services committees. Current member of the Social and Tennis committees. Originator of the website for Deerfield Village.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Past MUD 136 President and member for 8 years. YMCA volunteer, Tax Preparation for low-income families, and active member of the Deerfield Mens Group

WHAT TO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH AS A BOARD MEMBER: As a long-time resident and after more than a dozen years since I last served on the Board, I estimate that it is my turn to step forward again. I plan to ensure that Deerfield remains the premiere community in the Bear Creek area and that financial reserves continue to be adequately and properly funded such that our buildings, pool, courts, fields and facilities remain first class, supporting the best activities programming we can provide.



Join the mighty Deerfield Dolphins for our 42nd year of swimming and community fun!

What: Competitive Swim Team for ages 4-18.
 Member of NWAL (Northwest Aquatic League)
 Young swimmers do not have to know the strokes but they do need to be able to doggie paddle or tread water.

When: Practice starts

Wednesday, April 17 - Thursday, June 13
 with meets on Saturdays.

Cost: \$110 with discounts for multiple swimmers.

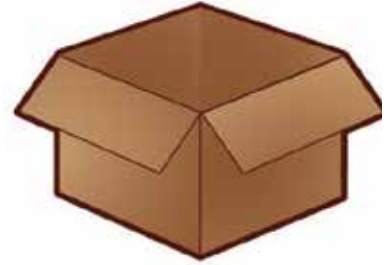
All information can be found on
www.deerfielddolphins.org
 Registration starts March 1st online!

Deerfield Village Spring Garage Sale

Saturday, April 6, 2019

7:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Location: Each resident's house



Rules and Regulations:

You must register to participate.

You must be a Homeowner or Tenant residing in Deerfield Village to participate. Your Homeowners Assessment Fees must be current.

The official Deerfield Garage Sale Sign must be at the end of the driveway in plain view.

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.

There is no rain date. Garage sale will be held on April 6th.

Forms and payment may be dropped off at the office during regular office hours. You may also put completed forms and registration fee in the drop box next to the office door.

Early Registration:	March 1 st – March 29th	\$ 15.00
Late Registration:	March 30 th – April 6th	\$ 25.00

I, _____ have read, understood and will abide by the above rules and regulations for the April 6, 2019 Deerfield Village Garage Sale.

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email address: _____

For Office Use Only:

CMS _____

Participant # _____

Payment: Amount \$ _____ Cash _____ Check No. _____

Recreation Committee

Our first Social of 2019 was in late February – people enjoyed BBQ and live music. Our next social will be on April 27. Tickets do sell out so mark it on your calendar and buy your tickets early. Also, in April we have the Spring Garage Sale (we also will have a fall one) on April 8th, as well as Music on the Green that evening. We will be selling hot dogs and hamburgers for those who want to just kick back and relax.

In March we will host a Pancake Breakfast on the last day of the Deerfield Village Board election – March 30. We hope to have the candidates present so people who have not voted by then can meet them and talk to them, and then vote when the poll at the office opens at 10:00AM. And we hope to have the candidates at the Coffee and Donuts on March 22, before voting starts, for those who want to meet them and vote earlier.

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Sunday, April 14, 3 to 5PM, the Easter Bunny will also be here along with sweets and treats, games and a face painter! In order to keep costs down so that we can offer more in our events-we're asking for CANDY/small item DONATIONS this year to be stuffed into Easter eggs for this event. You're welcome to donate just candy eggs already stuffed. Things to consider: All candy is great for ages 4 and up; for 3 and under, gummy candies/snacks or small bubbles/stickers recommended. Donations can be left at the DFV office or you can call Rebecca Bivens at 713-899-9837 to arrange for pick-up. This event is possible thanks to the DV Youth Events Subcommittee (YES). YES meets on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the Annex. The next meeting will be held on March 5th. We hope to see you there!

We continue to review events to enhance them. The Recreation Committee meeting is alternating between Friday mornings and Sunday evenings. The next one will be held on Friday, March 1st at 10AM. The reason for alternating is to determine what the best meeting time for the volunteers is (our selection of activities and execution is based on volunteers.) In addition, there are sub-groups meetings which specialize on some of the events – for instance we have a subgroup for socials, and another for youth events. All residents are welcome to attend any meeting. Please contact Peter Howell or the office to find out more about the meeting.



Landscape Committee

Stay strong, Deerfield Villagers. After an apparently endless gray, rainy winter, spring will be here soon. The azaleas and oak trees are looking hopeful, even if the cautious pecan trees are still unconvinced.

We would like to thank, Jay Singleton, Landscape Committee Member, for all his efforts making the Deerfield Village landscape a source of pride for residents. Jay has managed the tree trimming and emergency fallen-limb clean-up for all our green space. We can thank Jay for sidewalk and sink hole repair, with the help of TMG. He has also been key in electronics recycling and document shredding with MUD 136. Jay has ensured that recycling bins on the greenbelt and other common areas are emptied. That is true community service. THANK YOU JAY !

Bags in dispensers have been placed at points on the Greenbelt and in the Patio Homes area thanks to Fred Ridenour and The Men's Group(TM). Cleaning up your dog poop is the neighborly and sanitary thing to do. The situation has noticeably improved with dog owners using the bags from current stations. Everybody, not just dog owners, please help by contributing empty plastic grocery and bread bags to the poop station containers. These bags are easy for the dog owner to use if they are placed in the containers separately. It sounds like a small thing to contribute, but a convenient bag would be a big help to a busy dog walker.

March Landscaping Tips

1. Trim and shape hedges to a desired size before the growing season starts.
2. Clean out and pull weeds from flower beds. The more weeds you clear now, the less weeding will be necessary later in the year if you mulch also.
3. Prune roses to 2/3 third of their height, to remove spindly growth and fortify structure; not lower than a 5 leaf cluster. Remove dead canes. A desired, uniform shape can be established at this time for all the roses. The roses can be fertilized at this time with rose fertilizer.
4. Wait on pruning and fertilizing spirea, azaleas, redbuds and oriental magnolias until after flowers have been spent.
5. Now is a good time to plant trees and shrubs.
6. When mulching around trees don't make volcanos, mulch no more than a couple of inches
7. Be on alert for that last hard freeze and cover those delicate plants

The scouts (Purple Martin) have returned ! There should be plenty of room to choose from. Help invite more Purple Martins by playing the following videos when you are near the condos or even in your own backyard:

<https://youtu.be/QaOcsyV8qWY> or <https://youtu.be/Jc3S-2z9ksQ>

We meet the second Monday of every month at 7 p.m. in the second floor of the Activity Center. Our next meetings are March 12, April 9 and May 14. Please join us. Our meetings have an agenda and are short. Common area maintenance is a big job and we invite you to join the Committee and help in the effort to keep Deerfield nice and green.

Deeds Committee

Landscape Ideas for Hard to Grow Grass Areas

Ferns



Ivy



Jasmine



Monkey Grass



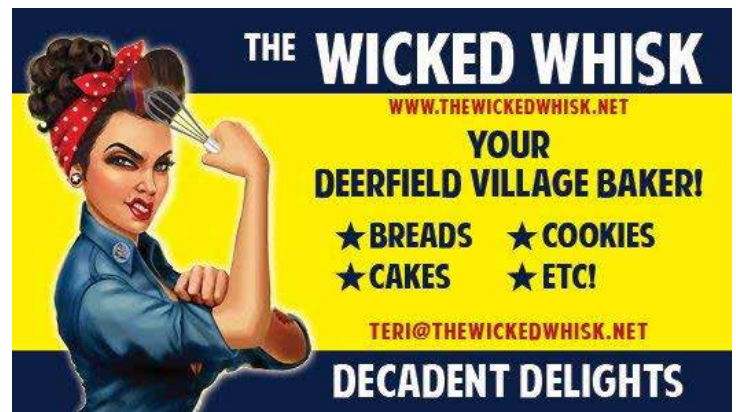
Stones



To view the pictures in color, please visit our website at www.deerfieldvillageonline.com



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DECADENT DELIGHTS

Deeds Committee

Spring seems to be here early this year and that means things are already growing, especially the weeds. So the slower growth period for our yards is over. Please start your regular yard maintenance to keep the lawns mowed and edged and the beds weeded. Randy Lemmons, host of Garden Line, said on February 24 that it is now safe to do anything that needs to be done in your yard. So we all need to get at it!

You should have received our spring clean-up letter and hopefully have started your plan to spruce things up. In April we will start sending violation notices for those things you don't take care of proactively. As previously stated, mold and mildew has hit us hard this year, so make sure you get that taken care of by the end of March.




If you have a lawn that looks like more roots and dirt, please look at the pictures we provided that show options other than lawns you can consider. They include rock gardens, monkey grass, jasmine, ivy, and ferns and can be found on the Deeds Tab of the DVCA website. Mulch and other ground covers are also options. If you have a yard that is in decline, now is the right time to take care of it.

We've had a rough start with the new waste management vendor that picks up the trash, making it more important to pick up your trash cans and recycle bins after they are emptied. Also, after a couple of months where trash bags being placed on the street early decreased, the problem is on the rise again. Trash is not allowed to be placed on the street until the evening before our trash pickup days (Tuesday and Friday). Another item we are seeing more of is parking off the edge of the driveway which creates ruts of dirt and mud. Please repair these ruts and stop doing this or extend your driveway (this requires an AA being approved) so it is no longer an issue.

The Deeds Committee meets on the second Monday of the Month so our next meetings will be on Monday March 11th and April 8th in the Clubhouse at 7pm.

Pet Hotline News

by Marie Nugent

-  Make sure your pet has a form of ID on their collar. Key tags are available 3 for \$2.00 at most hardware stores and work fine for pet ID's.
-  Did you know that you can register your pet with Deerfield's Pet Hotline? Call Marie Nugent, 713-818-5799 for a Pet Hotline tag for your pet. The tag has Marie's home and cell phone number. She keeps a log with a photo, breed, pet's name, and your address, and phone contact numbers. A rabies tag is a great ID, but many Vets are not contactable 24/7 and the finder may not be able to keep your pet for several days.
-  If you are going out of town and have a pet sitter, let Marie know your pet's name, what it looks like (a picture is also great), and a contact number.

FUN IN DEERFIELD

MARCH 1 – Registration for the Annual Garage Sale begins

Mar. 22, 8:30PM

A SPECIAL COFFEE AND DONUTS – Come meet the candidates running for the Deerfield Board.

March 30th 8:30AM to 10:00AM

PANCAKE BREAKFAST. A special event – bring the family to meet the candidates for the Deerfield Board and then vote at 10:00AM, the last day of voting for the Board.

April 6, 7:00AM

SPRING GARAGE SALE. Sale all those unneeded treasures from your house. Registration starts March 1. The registration form is in the newsletter.

April 6, 6:00PM

MUSIC ON THE GREEN. Bring the family and come out and relax on the green at the Rec Center and hear some music, visit with your neighbors, and have a good time. And it's free! Burgers and hotdogs will be on sale.

April 27th, 6:30

DEERFIELD SOCIAL – Dinner and live entertainment at the Clubhouse.

Ongoing....

Thursday Mornings – Men's Group 9:00 AM- Opportunity for men to gather for fellowship, service projects and socializing.

Tuesdays - Mah Jongg 1 PM – At the Rec Center

1st Thursday of the month – Bridge 7PM-9PM.

2nd Wednesday of the month – Quilting. Noon, at the Rec Center.

2nd Thursday of the month - Texas Hold'em Poker 7:30PM, \$25 buy-in, pot limit, unlimited buy-ins, 25/50 cent blinds, 7:30pm to 11:30pm approximately. You can join and leave at any time. Bob Shortle 281-463-4589

3rd Thursday of the month – Deerfield Bunco. 7PM newcomers welcome. Contact Pat Rothman at 281-345-9355 for details, or see the ad in the newsletter.

4th Thursday of the month – Ladies Happy Hour 4PM. At the Rec Center.

Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

Committee	Meeting Dates*	Time	Board Trustee	Committee Chair	Phone
Community Services	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Brent Burris	Rick Johnson	
Deed Restrictions	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Bruce Bott	Glenn Sommers	281-855-7716
DVCA Board	4th Monday	7:00 PM	Eric Toureilles		281-855-0312
Financial Services	3rd Tuesday of the month	7:00 PM	Chris Saldana	Bill Lessels Mike Feeney	
Landscape	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	John Murphy	Martha Gonzalez	
MUD #136	2nd Thursday	6:00 PM	Eric Toureilles		281-855-0312
Recreation Center	See Rec. Comm. Article	9:30 AM	Geri Hudson	Peter Howell	281-463-1360
Security	1st Tuesday	7:00 PM	Dave Flick	Glenn Sommers	281-855-7716
Swimming Pool	2nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	Louis Carpenter	Erinn Brown	
Tennis	1st Wednesday	8:00 PM	David Olivo	Mark Tinne	

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

Deerfield Village March 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					8:30a, C&D Rec Com Mtg	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	7pm Special Board Mtg Swim at Your Own Risk C/H 7pm Community SVC (SMR)	1pm Maj Jongg 7pm Security Mtg (C/H) 7pm YES (A)	6:30 pm Yoga (A) 8PM Tennis Com Mtg	9am Men's Group 7pm Bridge C/H	8:30 am C&D (C/H)	
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DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS CFISD SPRING BREAK WEEK	7pm Deeds Mtg (C/H) 7pm Landscape (A)	1 pm Maj Jongg C/H 7pm Swim Pool Com. Mtg (C/H)	12:00pm Quilting C/H 6:30 pm Yoga (A)	9am Men's Group 6pm MUD #136 C/H 7:30pm Poker (A)	8:30 am C&D (C/H)	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		pm Maj Jongg C/H 7pm Finance (C/H)	6:30 pm Yoga (A)	9 am Men's Group C/H 7 pm Bunco (C/H)	8:30 am C&D (C/H) Meet & Greet 2019 DVCA Candidates	t
24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30
	7pm Board Meeting C/H	9:30AM-1:30PM DVCA Elections Office 1 pm Maj Jongg C/H	9:30AM-1:30PM DVCA Elections Office 9:30 am Angel Gowns (C/H) 6:30pm Yoga (A)	9:30AM-1:30PM DVCA Elections Office 9 am Men's Group C/H 4PM LADIES' HAPPY HOUR	9:30AM-1:30PM DVCA Elections Office 8:30am C&D Exchange Day	MEET THE CANDIDATES 8:30-10 Pancake Breakfast 10:00AM-2:00PM DVCA Elections Office

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Men's Group

The Men's Group (TMG) meets weekly on Thursdays a 9 am at the Rec Center. Besides our projects for DFV and the community at large, we mix in some fun and fellowship. We'd love to see you at one of our meetings, so come join us!



The Men's Group hard at work spreading dirt!



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Yes, Tax day is still here and this year it is the true April 15th! You can ask for an extension to Oct. 15th, but send the full amount owed by April 15th to avoid penalties. Standard Deductions are going up: Singles = \$12,000; Married = \$24,000; Head of House = \$18,000; Child Tax Credit = \$2000/child; Deductions Going away: Dependent/Personal Exemptions; Some Interest on Home Equity Loans; MIP; A \$10k Limit on Itemizing combined Sales Tax, Local Taxes and Property Taxes. Call me for a referral to a tax professional that can help you though the new changes.

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