



DEERFIELD VILLAGE *News*

October 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 Neighbor,

I am pleased to announce that we have hired Catherine Guiberteau as our new office manager. She started the first week of September and has been training with Tina. Please join me in congratulating Catherine, who also goes by Cat, the next time you are in the office. Tina's last day is at the end of September and she will be officially retired, although you may see her pop in from time to time.

We were very lucky that Tropical Storm Imelda did not cause many issues for Deerfield but caused tremendous damage and flooding across the Houston area. I want to thank the HC Flood Control team for coming out at our request to keep the drainage ditch clear, as we were expecting huge amounts of rainfall.

Budgets for 2020 were turned in to the Board on 9/23 and a huge thank you to our Financial Services Committee for putting this together. A final review and recommendation for the final budget will happen at the Budget Meeting of the Board on October 7th at 7PM in the Clubhouse. Committee Chairs or representative should attend to answer questions about your individual budget.

We have over 70+ people enrolled in the SAYOR (Swim at Your Own Risk) program that are using the pool since June. This program allows residents to use the pool under certain rules (including a required buddy) until November 1st. It has been well received by residents and I am optimistic that we will continue the program for 2020.

I attended a planning meeting on September 22nd for the Deerfield Family Campout event scheduled for November 9th-10th. This is the second year we are inviting all Deerfield residents to come up to the Recreation Center area and campout for the night. We will have Troop 120 scouts help you with tent setup and will be making a large campfire with their famous cobbler. You don't have to camp if that is not your thing,

but feel free to stop for cobbler, smores or just hang out by the campfire. We hope to tell some camp stories and sing camp songs.

We had a Special Board meeting regarding the fence on September 11th. We had about 10% of the neighborhood attend, around 110+ residents. Lots of good questions, and it was interesting to see that about 80% were for the fence, 18% were undecided (wanted to hear more) and 2% were against it. This was not a resident vote, simply a survey of where people stand on the issue. The Board voted in favor to go to the next step and discuss with perimeter owners if they are willing to provide Deerfield with an easement for the purpose of an HOA maintained fence. Legal fees were also approved. We are planning for a Community Townhall in November to discuss status and questions on this project. The date/time or place has not been established, but we should have that firmed up by mid-October. The Fence Committee webpage will be updated with more information as we get closer, including email blast and a post on Nextdoor.

The Trunk or Treat event is on Halloween, Oct. 31st, starting at 5PM at the Recreation Center parking lot. Costumes and decorations are fun, but not required.

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	713-207-2222
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

Our waste collection vendor is Texas Pride and trash pick-up is on Tuesdays and Fridays, with recycling pick-up on Fridays. Please do not put your trash at the curb earlier than the night before collection day. If you experience with your trash service, please call Texas Pride first, and then the office if you are unable to get results.

Security Committee

Deerfield Village remains quiet from a security standpoint. Your vigilance in watching out for our neighborhood is working. Please continue to report any incidents you may see or any other suspicious activity to SEAL.

In continuing with our focus on parking, the office continues to receive complaints about illegal parking on the streets in Deerfield. Beyond not parking illegally, there are also things you can do to just be considerate of your neighbors when you park. Some of those are:

- Park in front of your own house if you can
- Try not to park in front of someone's mailbox
- Try not to park across from a driveway
- Try not to park directly across the street from another parked car.
 - o It makes it difficult for everyone to use the street
 - o It may block an emergency vehicle from getting where it needs to go.

We're continuing to get complaints about people driving too fast on our streets, especially the main thoroughfares. Please slow down, drive courteously and watch out for children and pets. Also, remember to drive carefully on the evening of Halloween, October 31. We will have lots of activity on the streets and we don't want anyone hurt.

The Security Committee meets on 1st Tuesday of the month. Our next meetings will be on October 1st and November 5th at 7PM in the Clubhouse. We welcome all new members to help us keep Deerfield safe!

Security Stats August 2019

Alarm	6
Animal	2
Assistance	12
Burglary of Habitation	0
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	2
Calls to Call Center	84
Damage/Defacing of Property	0
Dispute	0
Disturbance	3
Emergency Medical Services	
Information	6
Solicitors	2
Suspicious Activity	5
Suspicious Person(s)	8
Suspicious Vehicle(s)	7
Theft	2
Vacation Watches	26
Vehicle collision	1

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Public Notice of Trustee Vacancy

A trustee position, formerly filled by David Olivo, has recently become vacant. The term for this position runs through 2021.

We are accepting applications from any member (in good standing) who would like to be considered for the opening. Applications will be accepted at the Deerfield Office through close of business on Thursday, October 10, 2019.

A Special meeting will be held to select the new trustee from all the applicants immediately preceding the October 28, 2019 Regular Board meeting at 7pm.

You may pick-up an application at the Deerfield Office or online at www.deerfieldvillage.net.

Posted On: August 22, 2019

41st Annual Deerfield Village Christmas Bazaar & Market Fri., Nov. 8th & Sat., Nov. 9th, 2019



The Holiday season is almost upon us

Crafters, jewelers, fashionistas and bakers come and be a part of our amazing and well-known Bazaar. It's one of west Houston's and Deerfield's Social Event of the year.

We have the best members and you will enjoy selling your product, meeting your neighbors and welcoming new customers. There is a membership fee and you have to attend 3 meetings. The meeting dates are:

1. Sept.18th Clubhouse 7 pm
2. Oct. 3rd Annex (upstairs) 7 pm
3. Oct. 16th Clubhouse 7 pm
4. Oct. 30th Clubhouse 7 pm **MANDATORY MEETING**

We would love to have you join our great Bazaar! For information call Connie Corkill 713-542-3428 or email connie50@sbcglobal.net.

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 **October 15, 2019**

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

YTD Expenses	\$492,525	Ann.Op. Budget	\$739,687
YTD Budget	\$522,361	Ann.Res. Budget	\$66,701
Under/ (Over)/budget \$29,836			

The apparent favorable budget variance continues to be caused by the timing of budget versus actual incurred expenses. As planned expenditures are made during the remainder of the year, we expect the amount of the variance to be reduced considerably.

The YTD assessment collection rate is 97.9%. The collection rate is **.2% above** the comparable 2018 rate.

The Committee recently lost one of the members. To maintain the desirable level of members we are currently looking for at least one new member. If any resident is interested, please join us at one of our meetings to see if this is something you would like to do in support of your community. Also, feel free to contact Mike Feeney (281-904-5917) for more information.

By the time you read this the 2020 Budget will have been submitted to the Board for review and approval.

Greeting from Florida!

We'd like to say Thank You to all our Deerfield friends for the breakfast they put together for us. We treasure your friendship, we couldn't have hand picked better friends. We appreciate your kindness during my surgeries and we'll miss each and everyone of you! You are the "Cream of the Crop".

Marge and Dan Lyall

2020 Assessments

The 2020 DVCA Assessment will be announced in late October or early November.

However, if you want to avoid a cash crunch in December/January, you can start prepaying your 2020 Assessment early. To do this, start sending in monthly amounts, say \$100.00 or whatever amount fits your budget. Make sure your Deerfield Village address appears on the check. Send payments to:

DVCA
c/o Consolidated Management Services
128 Vision Park Blvd., Suite 110
Shenandoah, TX 77384

If you pay your 2020 Assessment by online banking, please check the mailing address to avoid any delay of receipt of the check.

MUD 136 Report

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

At its September meeting, the Board reviewed the District's water and sewer operations during the previous month. The Directors also discussed the proposed fee increase that the West Harris County Regional Water Authority (WHCRWA) charges for the water it delivers to us. This fee is shown on your water bill next to the words "Regional Water Authority. This year it has been \$3.35/1000 gal. For 2020, WHCRWA plans to increase the fee to \$3.60. The fee has been increasing annually since 2008, when it started out at \$1.25/1000 gal. Revenue from the fee goes toward retiring the bonds used to build the 36" pipeline that delivers water to Deerfield. It is also being used to finance the new 96 inch pipeline that will serve western Harris County. The new line will run through Deerfield parallel to the existing 36" line in the pipeline easement. On October 23, WHCRWA will conduct a forum during which information will be provided about the proposed rate increase and the status of the pipeline project. It will be held at the Fry Rd MUD facility located at 20111 Saums Rd beginning at 6pm. Further details and directions at can be found at www.whcrwa.com.

The e-cycle/shredding event will be held at the Rec Center parking lot on Saturday, October 26, 9am-Noon. Specific details can be found elsewhere in the newsletter and at www.hcmud136.org in the News & Information section. Please note that the list of acceptable items has been significantly reduced due to the difficulty recyclers are having in finding markets for their material.

If you have questions or comments about any District business, plan to attend the next District meeting, which will be held on Thursday, October 10, at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.



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Community Service Committee

Kudos to Susan Greer and Susan Wolf, members of the Community Services Committee, for all of their work in shopping for the beautiful new furniture in the Clubhouse! To give it the proper home, they also had the inside of the clubhouse repainted, just in time for fall festivities and the holiday season.

In addition to critter-proofing the Rec Center buildings last month, we've had Cypress Critters & Pests set out long-term pest stations around the Clubhouse after a resident reported seeing rodents around the playground. These stations allow access to poison for rats and mice, while preventing any contact with people and pets. Representatives from Cypress Critters will be servicing the stations every other month. Please report any further pest sightings to the Deerfield office.

There won't be a meeting of the Community Services Committee meeting in October due to schedule and travel conflicts. The next meeting will be on Monday, November 4th at 7pm at the Rec Center.



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Landscape Committee

It may not feel like it, temperature wise, but Fall is here. When it does get cooler, it will be time to plant, plant, plant. Fall is the best time to put plants in the ground as it gives them cooler months to establish deep roots. According to the experts, plants planted in October and November will grow larger, bloom more and be more drought resistant the following year. So, don't wait, get out your shovel and start digging when it cools down.

Residents have commented that some of the shrubs along the fence line on Deerfield Village Drive appear to be dying and need to be replaced. So, expect to see some new shrubs in those spots in the next month. Additionally, it is time to change out the color in all the common flower beds. We had great success with the snapdragons, dianthus and pansies we planted last year. We plan to have same plants this year.

A reminder for bicycle riders and walkers, please stay on the sidewalk or street. Another incident occurred when a dog walker stepped off the sidewalk to allow another dog walker by and stepped into a sink hole. We have uneven terrain in some parts of our subdivision, so for your safety, please stay on the sidewalk.

The Landscape Committee meets on the second Monday of every month. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2019 at 7 p.m. in the small conference room across from the office. Please join us.



DFV TRUNK OR TREAT ANNOUNCEMENT

Come out for the **DFV HALLOWEEN TRUNK OR TREAT!!**

WHEN: **HALLOWEEN EVE-THUR OCT. 31st**

RAIN OR SHINE!!

TIME: **5-6 PM**

WHERE: **DFV REC CTR**

PUPPET PIZZAZZ will be returning with their **TALKING PUMPKIN PATCH** and **MADAME FORTUNA** will also be back as our wacky **DFV FORTUNE TELLER** for the kiddos!

Bring your goodies to hand out to our village kiddos! If it rains again this year, bring your goodies and line up under the covered area like last year! **HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!**

Recreation Committee

September was been a busy month with (1) Labor Day Pool Party (very well attended), (2) Teen party (30+ teen agers enjoying the pool party), (3) Music on the Green (~75 people coming and going , hearing the String benders), and (4) Pancake Breakfast (about 30 enjoying breakfast). As we wind down the year, we have a few big events remaining – Chili Cook off, Halloween, Snow Party, and more.

The Chili Cook Off and last Music on the Green will be October 5th . based on a lot of comments we are further simplifying the chili cook off – there will be 3 categories – Chili, best side dish, and best presentation. The only requirement is the chili is cooked onsite before the judging at 5PM. At 5PM, an 8 ounce or other sample of the product will be provided to the judges. The event is for fun so there is no big prize or special rules !! And to add to the fun we will have mechanical bull and other entertainment. So feel free to join in the cooking and/or join in the sampling of the food and stay after for the Music on the Green starting 6pm. For those who don't care for chili, the Men's Group will be cooking hot dogs.

The Recreation Committee has two meetings each month – First is the regular meeting of the first Friday of the month, after coffee and donuts, about 9:30 am. Our next meeting will be Friday Oct. 4th.

Then on the first Tuesday of the month the Youth Events Sub-committee (YES) meets at 7:00 pm. All residents are welcome at either meeting. Please come and help us keep the fun in Deerfield.



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Tennis Committee

The reservation sheets are on the window to the right of the office door.

All players are kindly asked to empty if needed the trash can for the court they have been playing on after they have finished. There is a trash and recycling bin outside the Court 1 gate.

We meet the 1st Wednesday of the month at 8pm in the Clubhouse. Next meeting of Tennis Committee will be on October 2nd.

Pickle Ball

We will continue to reserve the DFV pickleball courts on a weekly basis for those new or just starting to play this great game. However, we have switched the time to Tuesdays starting at 7 pm. We have balls and extras paddles. Just wear comfortable tennis shoes and play safely!

You can also reserve play time on signup sheets posted on the window next to the DFV office. Invite your neighbors and friends to join you. See Catherine in the office if you need a card key to enter the locked courts.

Shredding/Electronic Recycling For HC MUD 136 Residents Only

Date: Saturday, Oct. 26
Location: Rec Center Parking Area
Time: 9:00 am – Noon

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Items Accepted

Computers, Laptops, Monitors
TVs (CRT TVs up to 27" in size)
(No wooden cased TVs)
TVs (LCD/Plasma/LED up to 50" in size)
Printers (desktop only)
Hard Drives, IPADs, Tablets
Cable Boxes, Power Cords and Cables
Stereo Amplifiers, VCRs
Cellular Phones (removed from cases)

Items Not Accepted

Batteries, CFL light bulbs, Major appliances, any other electronic item not listed above.

DOCUMENT SHREDDING

All documents will be shredded onsite.
You can bring documents in boxes or bags.
Remove all documents from spiral notebooks or binders.
Remove all binder clips or any other metal binding materials that cannot be easily bent by hand.

Deeds Committee

A Special Board Meeting with the Deeds Committee has been scheduled in September so that the Deeds committee can review some items and processes with the Board and get needed guidance and direction. Since it is still to come, at the time of writing this article, no details on what occurred can be covered, but the Board minutes of the meeting will be available in the future.

In terms of a Deeds update, things continue to be status quo. Most of you work to keep your lawn, yard and house looking cared for. Thanks for doing that! But there continue to be residents who don't seem to care or have those same standards. Deeds continues to follow our process in these situations with varying levels of success. Those that get stuck are referred to the DVCA Board for action. Hopefully there will be new ideas for addressing these situations after the Special Board Meeting.

Now for our monthly reminder for those who are making exterior improvements to their property – please protect yourself by following the Architectural Approval (AA) process and don't start the work until your AA has been approved.

Deeds meets on the second Monday of the month. Our next meetings will be on October 14th and November 11th in the Clubhouse at 7pm.



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FUN IN DEERFIELD

Oct. 5th Chili Cook off The Chili cook off returns, with chili cooked during the afternoon, judging at 5:00PM, and public tasting at 5:30. And we are looking for chili teams. Let the Deerfield Office know you are interested.

Oct. 5th Music on the Green. The Music on the Green starts at 6:00PM, right after the chili judging. Come have cup of chili and enjoy the music.

Oct. 19 – Fall Garage Sale. Selling from your home in our fall garage sale! Registration forms at the Deerfield office and in the September and October newsletters.

Oct. 31 – Halloween Trunk or Treat – at the Rec Center parking lot, plus the fortune teller and more.

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.

Swimming Pool Committee

And with Fall upon us, so is the end of another great swimming pool season! We sure hope you got out and enjoyed a dip in the pool this summer. If not, you will have a quick, but cold opportunity to do so at the annual Polar Bear Swim on New Years Day.

Your Swimming Pool Committee is hard at work in the off season with maintenance, securing new contracts, and begin preparations to open in 2020. We would love if you came out and got involved!!

The SPC meets the second Tuesday of each month in the Clubhouse – 7pm. October's meeting is 10.8.2019. November's meeting is 11.12.2019. Hope to see you there!!

Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

Committee	Meeting Dates*	Time	Board Trustee	Committee Chair	Phone
Community Services	1st Monday	7:00 PM		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 Youth Events Subcommittee	1st Friday 1st Tuesday	9:30 AM 7:00 PM	Bob Shortle	Peter Howell Rebecca Bivens	281-463-1360 713-899-9837
Security	1st Tuesday	7:00 PM	Dave Flick	Glenn Sommers	281-855-7716
Swimming Pool	2nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	Brent Burris	Erinn Brown	
Tennis	1st Wednesday	8:00 PM	Terry Gray	Mark Tinne	

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

Deerfield Village October 2019

END: Annex Clubhouse Small Mtg Room Coffee & Donuts Change Day- puzzles, dvds, books)	1	2	3	4	5
	1pm Maj Jongg (C/H) 7pm Security (C/H) 7pm YES (A)	6:30pm Yoga (A) 8pm Tennis Comm (C/H)	9am Men's Group (C/H) 7pm Bridge (C/H) 7pm Bazaar Planning (A)	8:30am C&D (C/H) 9:30am Rec Center Comm (C/H)	5pm Chili Cookoff judging 6pm Music on the Green
6	7	8	9	10	11
	NO Comm Services Mtg.	1pm Maj Jongg (C/H) 7pm Swim Pool Comm (C/H)	12pm Quilting (C/H) 6:30pm Yoga (A)	9am Men's Group (C/H) 6pm MUD #136 (C/H) 7:30pm Poker (A)	8:30am C&D (C/H) 6pm YES HS-Parents (A)
13	14	15	16	17	18
7pm Deeds (C/H) 7pm Landscape (SM)	1pm Maj Jongg (C/H) 7pm Finance (C/H)	6:30pm Yoga (A) 7pm Bazaar Planning Mtg (C/H)	9am Men's Group (C/H) 7pm Bunco (C/H)	8:30am C&D (C/H)	7am- Garage Sale
20	21	22	23	24	25
	1pm Maj Jongg (C/H)	9:30am Angel Gowns (C/H) 6:30 pm Yoga (A)	9am Men's Group (C/H) 4pm Ladies Happy Hour (C/H)	8:30am C&D (C/H) Exchange Day 8pm Poker Tournament (A)	8am-1pm Shred & Recycle (Rec Center Parking)
27	28	29	30	31	
7pm Board Meeting (C/H)	1pm Maj Jongg (C/H)	6:30pm Yoga (A) 7pm Bazaar Planning Mtg (C/H)	5-6 pm Trunk or Treat (Rec.Center Parking)		



DEERFIELD'S CHILI COOK-OFF RETURNS



The Chili Cook-Off is returning on October 5th. We are looking for a few good teams to cook the chili on site between Noon and 5PM, with judging at 5:00PM. While there will be a category for traditional no-beans beef chili, there will be another 3 other categories – open class for anything goes, side dish (non-chili), and best presentation which include team booth, attire and presentation. Chili tasting for the public will start at 5:30PM, and a Music on the Green at 6:00PM. Please let the Deerfield Office know if you would like to field a team.



DV FAMILY CAMPING ANNOUNCEMENT

COME ONE—COME ALL to the second annual DV FAMILY CAMPING NIGHT!!

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOV. 16th (Rain date Dec. 7th)

WHERE: Recreation Center Lawn, where we host Music on the Green.

TIME: Set up can start @ 4:00 PM and Campfire at 7PM

DETAILS: Our Youth Events Committee is teaming up with our Boy Scout Troop 120 to have an exciting campout right here in Deerfield! Bring your tents and camping gear, and food/drink provisions for your own family. Small camping BBQ pits will be allowed, and the Boy Scouts will make cobbler and will build a camp fire for all to enjoy, weather permitting.

Residents are welcome to come out and enjoy BBQ, cobbler and smores without camping out all night!

Don't have a tent? The Boy Scouts have a limited number of tents that can be loaned out for the occasion and will be on a first-come-first-serve basis. Email the DVCA Office, deerfield4@sbcglobal.net to get on the request list.



Questions? Text or call John Murphy at 713-503-8062 or the Deerfield Office 281-463-4626.

Hope to see you there!!

Men's Group

The Men's Group (TMG) meets weekly on Thursdays at 9am at the Rec Center. Besides our projects for DFV and the community at large, we mix in some fun and fellowship. This month we had a cookout after our work day and attended a Skeeters game. Our motto is very simple:

"DO WHAT YOU CAN, WHEN YOU CAN"

SERVICE PROJECTS - During our workday, we put 40 bags of sand into the sandbox at the north end playground, cleaned up the grounds at Wilson Elem., cleaned up the last of the cluster mailboxes in the Patio Homes and removed some large tree limbs that were down along the greenbelt. Also, during the month, we grilled for the Labor Day Pool Party and hosted our fourth Pancake Breakfast this year.

EXERCISE EQUIPMENT - TMG is in the process of refurbishing the exercise equipment on the Greenbelt.

GUTTER COVERS - We will be installing gutter covers around the Clubhouse, so we don't have to clean out the gutters every year.

SIDEWALK DROP OFFS - We have completed a survey of the greenbelt sidewalks and there are a number of areas where the adjacent soil level is significantly below the level of the sidewalk. This is a problem for bike riders and walkers alike. TMG has started a program to build up these areas with additional soil. So, if you HAVE DIRT that you want to dispose of, e-mail the office and we will come and pick it up.



HAULING DIRT!

FOOD PANTRY - If you are moving, or just an have non-perishable food items to donate, we will come and pick them up and take them to the local food pantry. Call Roger Wilson at 281-381-9303.

CHILI/MOG - TMG will have an entry in the Chili Cookoff on Oct.5, and then will be selling grilled items at the Music on the Green that follows. Please stop by and say Hi.



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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 have your pet microchipped, make sure you register on the database and keep your information current. Pets have been found wandering around the neighborhood and, when taken to the vet, found they were microchipped but the information was obsolete, thus making it harder to contact the owner.
-  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.

Fitness with Fido

Although it seems late in the season, Houston still has at least 2 ½ months of summer heat left in 2019.

We love our Greenbelt, but PLEASE note the conditions before you head out with Fido for a bike ride, run or power walk. Here are some safety and health tips you should consider:



- Never run or bike with puppies under a year old.
- Avoid temps hotter than 85°F with high humidity and stay in the shade.
- Allow access to grass along paved paths.
- Pay attention to your furry friend and stop when s/he pants heavily or looks distressed.
- Limit exercising with them to 30 minutes and bring a water bottle for them.
- Warm up and cool down with a slow walk to reduce stress on their joints and to give them a chance to sniff and relieve themselves where you can clean up after them.

Remember that dogs regulate body heat only by panting and know that their normal temperature is much warmer than ours to begin with at 101°F. Using a harness puts less strain on their neck than a collar and keeps their airways open. Refrain from using a retractable leash which gives the owner less control. Dogs who are left out in the yard also need access to shade and water. As always, check with your Vet. Be kind to your pet!

Deerfield Village Fall Garage Sale

Saturday, October 19, 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 October 19th.

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. If you drop off the form, you will be sent a confirmation email and a sign will be delivered to you the morning of the sale.

Early Registration: September 1st – October 11th \$ 15.00
Late Registration: October 12th - October 19th \$ 25.00

I, _____ have read, understood and will abide by the above rules and regulations for the October 19, 2019 Deerfield Village Garage Sale.

Address: _____

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