



DEERFIELD VILLAGE NEWS

September, 2011

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

President's Report...

By Eric Toureilles - DVCA Board President

I know this may sound like a broken record, but our biggest concern right now is to have a few volunteers fill some DV Committee positions and key Board positions. Perhaps you can only give a little time to a DV Committees, or more time as a Board Member, your help is appreciated. Just give us a call at the office and let us know.

If you haven't heard already, Deerfield has a facebook page, where we are posting information on our events, your pictures and listening to your feedback. Come visit us on FB and make sure to "Like" us.

Hopefully this will be the last update on the drainage ditch, as the contractors are wrapping up the work by September 12th. It's been one HC delay after another, but I think we are almost there.

There are several law changes that go into effect for HOA's in September and again at the beginning of 2012, so we met with our attorney in August to review and make sure we are in compliance. It appears we are in compliance with most of them already, but how we vote in an election will change in 2012, more to come on that as we get closer.

Just a reminder, our neighbors are our neighbors, so treat them with respect and get to know them. Many of us are involved in swim team, Scouts, Deerfield events and other activities that push us to get

together and know our neighbors. So introduce yourself if you see them working in the yard (OK, maybe not in this heat) or talking with another neighbors, this goes a long way. This is especially important when a new resident moves in, as you can show them the Deerfield spirit that is unique in our community. If nothing else, please come to one of our events and enjoy yourself, we would love to see you there.

That is it this month, I hope you and your family have a great Labor Day weekend and hopefully we will get a little rain this month!

Take Care!



Public Notice of Trustee Vacancy

A trustee position, formerly filled by Hugh Hayes, has recently become vacant. The term for this position runs through February 2013.

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 day on September 15.

A Special meeting will be held to select the new trustee from all the applicants immediately preceding the September 26 Regular Board meeting.

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Posted On: August 01, 2011

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

Any Crime (Constable Contract #87) 281-463-6666
Curb Damage (No Patio Home Curbs) 281-463-6300
Flooding 713-684-4000
Water Outage 713-405-1750

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@sbcglobal.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



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4045 Deerfield Village Drive • Houston, Texas 77084

Office: 281-463-2624 • Fax: 281-463-7679

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 2012 Deerfield Village Directory
(Please list the last name and address below)

YES - Please list the following information in the 2012 Directory
(Please Print Clearly!)

Last Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail (limit one per household – please print clearly): _____

Residents in the order you would like them listed:

(Include any additional phone numbers you would like listed next to the appropriate name(s) below)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

If you do not return this form, we will use the information listed in the 2010 directory.

Community Services Committee...

August has meant brutal heat and a drought here in Deerfield. For the Community Services Committee, it also means we are working on the budget for 2012. The Committee budgets about \$100,000 per year, covering neighborhood lighting, building maintenance, janitorial services, this newsletter, the DVCA website and directory, mosquito control and other services. We also establish reserves and budget contributions to them for long-term items like Rec Center improvements, a/c and roofing. Would you

like to have input to this process, and help plan for Deerfield's future? Come to our meetings the first Monday of each month, or submit your input for our consideration during the meetings. We have received excellent input on several topics under discussion for the 2012 budget. We would like to hear more from our residents, and see some of you at our meetings!

Rick Johnson, Chair

Swimming Pool Committee...

Well, September is here and what a great Summer at the Pool it has been. Whether it was swimming & cheering for our Dolphin Swim Team, playing pool games and going down the giant slide during our Memorial Day and 4th of July Parties or just spending time with friends on hot days and evenings we will all walk away or should we say "swim" away with great memories of Summer. We want to give a special thanks to our fantastic Life Guards who have kept our Pool safe & fun too!



The Swimming Pool Committee will meet next on Sept. 13th. Come join us

You still have time to create pool memories for September.

September Deerfield Community Pool Schedule

Monday Labor Day, Sept. 5	10-11a.m Adult Swim 11a.m – 8pm Open Swim 3-5p.m Labor Day Pool Party
Mondays-Fridays	5-8p.m Open Swim
Saturdays & Sundays	10-11a.m Adult Swim 11a.m-8p.m Open Swim

September 30th – Last Day the Pool will be open

**Join Missy for
a Special
Event on 9/22**

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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Constable's Report...

**Security Stats for
July, 2011**
Constable Dispatch:
281-463-6666 Contract # 87
Harris County Precinct #5

ACTIVITIES	TOTAL
Accidents	2
Alarms	15
Assaults	0
Burglaries	0
Burg Motor Vehicle	2
Citizens Assistance	21
Citizens Contact	68
Criminal Arrests	0
Criminal Mischief	0
Disturbance Calls	3
Suspicious Vehicles	14
Suspicious Persons	7
Thefts	1
Traffic Citations	3
Traffic Warnings	3
Vacation Watch	287

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

INTERIOR & EXTERIOR HOME REPAIRS

Siding . Painting . Fencing
Gutter cleaning . Woodwork & More
Ward Smith, Deerfield Resident
Cell: 803-960-7736
smith.ward@rocketmail.com

If you will be away from your home for several days, please contact the Precinct 5 Constable's Office to have your home placed on vacation watch. It's a free part of their service.
281-463-6666 Contract # 87

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.

Financial Services Committee...

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

As of July 31, 2011

YTD expenses	\$ 385,544	2011 Budget	\$627,182
YTD budget	396,630	Designated reserve	576,789
Under/(Over) budget	11,086	Undesignated reserves	13,767

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

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

2012 Budget: Process has been started and is to be finished by mid-October.

2010 Audit and Tax Return has been completed. Theses are prepared by an outside CPA firm

Upcoming Neighborhood Events of the Deerfield Recreation Committee

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

Labor Day Pool Party and End of Summer Bash!

Sept. 5 Labor Day Pool Party and End of Summer Bash! Mark it on your calendars – as summer winds down an event for the whole family.

Coffee and Donuts Returns!

Sept 9th Coffee and Donuts Returns! 8:00AM to 10:00 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...

Chili Cook Off

Sept 24th Chili Cook Off. Save the date – it's our second annual chili cook-off. There will be new competitors and last year's winners attempting to do a repeat. Any resident wanting to field a team should start finding teammates so you can register. Registration is from August 15th to Sept. 9th Chili tasting the day of the event is open to all in Deerfield, at no cost.

Music on the Green

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.

Oktoberfest! Beer and Bratwurst

Oct. 15nd Oktoberfest! Beer and Bratwurst, 7:00PM on. A mere \$15 to come and enjoy some beer and some Oktoberfest right at home in Deerfield. Tickets go on sale Sept 15th. Baby sitting upstairs.

Halloween Party for kids

Oct. 31st Halloween Party for kids. 5:00 PM to 6:00PM. There will be games, a cake walk, and spooks.

Pot Luck Supper

Come to our POT LUCK SUPPER...September 11 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!!!

Recreation Committee ...

We had some great events since last month – Teen party, Luau, the Music on the Green, and then the Labor Day Party in early September. And we have more events coming up in September and October – The 2nd Chili Cook-off is on Sept 24th, contact the Deerfield office to register your team. The last Music on the Green is on Oct 8th with the band

Sensual Elements. It will be a great evening to sit back and enjoy the music and your neighbors.

Coffee and Donuts is starting up on Friday after Labor Day, Sept. 9th It's open to all residents. Just come by and visit. We are trying earlier start time, 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Come join us.

Ladies Tennis Anyone?

ATTENTION: ALL TENNIS LEAGUE CAPTAINS, be sure to get your fall 2011 rosters into the office earmarked for Alan Phillips. We need to schedule your League court times.

For more information talk to either Martha Jones-- marjo41@att.net (281-859-5211) or Rey Sarmiento--- reysarmiento@yahoo.com (281-300-6475).



!!!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. This is a great way to get out there and play some fun tennis and meet new people. Make your reservations now!!!

WELCOME, DEERFIELD RESIDENTS... 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 sunshine463lr@gmail.com

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



2011 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & MARKET

We're celebrating our 33rd Deerfield Christmas Bazaar & Market on November 4th and 5th. We are one of the highly selected Bazaars in the area, known for our outstanding quality workmanship. Our merchandise includes lots of Thanksgiving and Christmas Décor, along with Art, Stained Glass, Wood Designed Items, Clothing, Shoes, Purses, Jewelry, Baked goods, Jellies and more!

Deerfield Bazaar Cookbooks are for sale and make great

gifts...call Sharon Hamilton at 281-859-0174.

We welcome new members to join us every year and we have so much fun! To join, contact Connie Corkill at 281-463-0750 or email connie50@sbcglobal.net for additional information.

Meeting dates for 2011 are scheduled for 7:00pm on 14 September, 29 September, 12 October and 27 October at the DVCA Rec Center Clubhouse (downstairs).

MUD 136 Board Report...

At its August meeting, the Board reviewed the District's operations during the previous month. During July, the District drew over 19 million gallons of water from the West Harris County Regional Water Authority (WHCRWA). In addition, 6 million gallons were produced by the District's well in order to keep up with the demand. Such high demand necessitated the implementation of Stage 1 of the District's Drought Plan. This stage stipulates watering on odd and even days, on a voluntary basis.

If conditions worsen, Stage 2, and possibly Stage 3 may have to be implemented. The requirements of these stages are explained on the District's website, www.hcmud136.org. Whenever a stage of the Drought Plan is implemented, information signs are posted at strategic places around the subdivision.

In February of this year, the District provided approximately 9 million gallons of water, which is typical for the winter months. The August figure mentioned above is about average for what has been provided each month this summer. That additional

17 million gallons per month of consumption went mainly to irrigating residential landscape.

If all of that watering had been done between the hours of 10 am and 6 pm, over 8.5 million gallons would have been lost to evaporation. That is why one of the most important steps in water conservation is to water in the early morning or late evening.

We can survive these times of sparse rainfall by watering wisely. Tips on how to do this can be found on the WHCRWA website (www.whcrwa.com) or the Texas A&M website (www.aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu). The fact that Texas has experienced some level of drought in eight of the past twelve years strongly suggests that dry weather will continue to be a problem for us. Please be water wise.

If you wish to contribute your suggestions on water conservation or comment on any of the District's activities, plan to attend the next District meeting, which will be held on Thursday, September 8 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 Tourelles		281-855-0312
Financial Services	Tuesday before Board Meeting	7:30 PM	Steve Dornak	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 Tourelles		281-855-0312
Recreation Center	2nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	Hugh Hayes	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

* 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. 18th, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Rec Center.

Sept. 19th, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Rec Center.

After Sept. 19th, registrations may be dropped off at the Deerfield Village Office.

I, _____ have read, understood and will abide by the above rules and regulations for the 2011 Deerfield Village Garage Sale.

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Deeds Committee...

YOU NEED TO KNOW: As a reminder, our Deeds Committee is made up of volunteers who live in Deerfield, and who are dedicated to keeping our subdivision in the best condition possible. However, we are not the "Property Police, Constantly On Patrol", that some folks seem to think that we are (or feel that we should be). Addressing noise complaints, and other similar issues, fall into the category of things that DVCA pays the Constable to enforce. YES, we are committed to upholding the Protective Covenants that were set forth prior to most of DVCA's current residents' moving into Deerfield; but our purview is limited to those elements pertaining to "Architectural Controls" and "...(keeping of all lots) at all times in a sanitary, healthful, safe and attractive condition...". It really doesn't matter how long anyone has resided here, though, we still have the same "do's and don'ts" relative to the upkeep of, and/or modifications to our properties, that were established over 30 years ago. Unfortunately, it seems that we continue to have the same violations to mention in nearly every Deeds Committee newsletter article...The Deeds committee continues to deal repeatedly with the same problems that simply won't go away. Whether you own, rent or lease your home, it is your responsibility to keep it properly maintained by keeping your yard mowed, edged, and shrubs trimmed. It is your duty to keep all trash out of sight and not on your driveway. Keep your home free of mold. Fix or replace

a fence that is falling down, leaning, or has missing slats. Make all necessary exterior repairs to your property, including painting...BUT, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AN ARCHITECTURAL APPROVALS FORM COMPLETED, AND APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE, PRIOR TO STARTING ANY PROPERTY MODIFICATIONS! We on the Deeds Committee strive to advise residents to get obvious problems fixed in a timely manner; yet it becomes wearisome when several letters are sent out to the homeowner (and/or tenant), regarding Deeds Restrictions violation(s), and the issue continues resolved. As we have stated in prior articles, our subdivision is aging; yet it is still the responsibility of all residents to assist by keeping up each of our properties in an attractive, healthy and safe condition. Otherwise, residents who continue to disregard violation notification letters risk having some hefty fees tacked on to their next year's HOA Assessment fees: if we're forced to resort to "DVCA-Attorney-induced compliance", those attorney fees are charged directly to the following year's HOA Assessment for any property which continues to be in violation to the extent that we had no choice but to engage DVCA's attorney! Please don't risk a "January Surprise" - get those violations corrected (or at least submit your timeline-to-compliance)! We thank you for your cooperation! The Deeds Committee...

Landscape Committee...

We're all still struggling through this terrible hot dry spell. We've removed some dead trees on the Community property. Please call the office to let them know about any dead trees. We'll be doing some tree work

again in Nov/Dec.

Our Meetings are the second Monday of the month at 7:00

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

Application for Trustee -2011

Please fill out this application and mail or return to:

Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.

4045 Deerfield Village Drive

Houston, Texas 77084

Office: 281-463-2624 • Fax: 281-463-7679

NAME: _____

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY: _____

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KITCHEN REMODELING WITHOUT BREAKING THE BANK

The kitchen is the center of family life in most homes, so whether you want or sell or not, keeping it fresh and modern does not have to break the bank. On average, a total kitchen renovation can take 2 years to complete and give a return on investment of 68.7% from NAR 2010-11 Remodeling Cost vs. Value Report. Tips that can help minimize cost: Replace aging appliances with energy-efficient models and while Stainless is "in", you can get Stainless steel films that peel and stick, for the look, and save the price; refinish or paint existing cabinets rather than buy new and/or replace hardware; consider granite tiles or granite look laminates for counter tops, remove or paint over wall papers for modern clean neutral look. For more Ideas, Please give me a call.
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