

DEERFIELD VILLAGE NEWS

December, 2014

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



with our kids.

Happy holidays to all!

The Annual Deerfield Snow Party is on Sunday, December 7, 2014 at 2PM. This is a great opportunity for our kids to play in the snow, ride the train, enjoy cookies, and warm up with some hot chocolate. This is a fantastic photo opportunity for parents, and Santa will be in the clubhouse to talk and visit

Coming up on Dec. 14th is the Deerfield Pot Luck Dinner. Bring a dish and join the group for a pot luck dinner. Drinks at 5:30, dinner is at 6:00. And since it is Christmas, we will have a white elephant exchange - nothing over \$20.

Jan. 1st is the Polar Bear Swim at 1:00PM. For one brief hour, and for those foolish enough to brave a cold swim for the New Year – the pool will be open. Afterwards, warm up with some free hot chocolate.

Due to the holiday, the December 22nd Board meeting is cancelled. Next meeting is on January 26th at 7PM in the clubhouse.

We are in the process of replacing the solar screens around the Annex, the last improvement needed on that building.

We had some minor vandalism in the Rec Center area, where the volleyball pole was bent, along with the poles to 3 bird houses. If you saw anything that could help us catch these individuals, please let us know at 281 463-2624.

Don't forget to send in your Annual Assessment, which is due by January 1st, 2015. If you have not received it, please contact us right away. They are subject to a late

fee after January 31st.

The new EMC (Electronic Messaging Board) is operational at the Recreation Center, however we are still learning the software. If you are renting the facilities, you will be allowed to post 1 message on the EMC...ie, Happy Birthday Michael! Party is here.

Don't forget about Annual Board Elections in February, and come vote for the trustee you would like to have serving the community. If you're interested in volunteering your time to serve on the DVCA Board, please submit an application by January 10th, 2015. Applications are available from the website.

As many residents get in the spirit of decorating their homes, I am always impressed with the final results, however please remember to be safe when putting up holiday lights and decorations.

I hope everyone has a great holiday and I wish you and your family a happy and safe New Year!

Take care.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

ANY Police, Fire or Ambulance Emergency	911
S.E.A.L Neighborhood Patrol 832-406	8-0200
Trash Pick-up	8-3688
Curb Damage (No Patio Home Curbs) 281-46	3-6300
Power Outage	7-2222

Flooding
Gas Leaks
Water & Sewer Sewer Information 281-347-8686
County Pets
Illegal Dumping

Important Information...

Welcome to Deerfield Village

If you are a new resident in Deerfield Village, please feel free to stop by the DVCA Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:30am and 1:30pm, to obtain additional information about the community and the DVCA facilities. You may also wish to pick up a key to the Tennis Courts. The keys are \$25.00 each and the deposit is refundable when the keys are returned to the office. If you would like to get involved in your new community, a list of committees and their meeting schedules are available. More help in keeping the community vibrant is always welcome! For inquiries, you may contact the DVCA office at 281-463-2624, or email us at deerfield4@sbcglobal.net Visit our website at www.deerfieldvillage.net to learn more.

Receive emergency and informational e-mails...

If you would like to be put on an e-mail list to receive emergency or

last minute informational e-mails, please 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. 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

Plastic, paper, cardboard, metal I Up: All other items, hazardous household materials. Weather permitting.

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 7am-4pm. 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.

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



Marie Nugent Pet Hotline 281-859-1104

Deerfield Village Community Association, Inc.

4045 Deerfield Village Drive • Houston, Texas 77084 Office: 281-463-2624 •• Fax: 281-463-7679

e-mail: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net www.deerfieldvillageonline.com 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

2015 DVCA Trustee Elections

Applications are now being accepted for 3 positions on the Board of Trustees. Members are encouraged to apply by submitting the Application Form provided on the back of this page or one can be printed from the Association Website. You can submit it to the Association Office via email at deerfieldvillage4@sbcglobal.net or drop it off during office hours.

Important Dates:

Close of Nominations will be Saturday, January 10th.

Posting of Nominees:

Applications received by the January 10th deadline, will be posted at the DVCA Office, and in the February Newsletter, and on the DVCA Website: www.deerfieldvillageonline.com

Election:

Tuesday through Friday, February 24 through February 27, between 9:30am thru 1:30pm, and on Saturday, February 28, between the hours of 10:00am and 2:00pm.

Annual Board Meeting:

March 10th at 7:00pm the elected Trustees will be seated.

Position of Trustees:

Only one resident in the same family dwelling may be concurrently nominated to, or serve on the Board. The position of Trustee is for a period of three years. Trustees are responsible for the direction and management of the affairs and assets of the Association. In addition to attending monthly Board Meetings, each Trustee attends meetings of at least one Standing Committee as a non-voting representative to provide counsel regarding the Articles of Incorporation, By-laws, as well as other matters. Therefore, Trustees need to be familiar with these documents and a complete set will be given to those submitting applications.

Current Trustees:

Term Expires 2015:

Marie Nugent Arthur McDaniel Eric Toureilles

Term Expires 2016:

Louis Carpenter Larry Burkham Sigmund Potocki

Term Expires 2017:

Stuart Cory Bruce Bott Brent Burris

2015 Election Committee:

Brent Burris – Chairman (Trustee) Tina Mion– Vice Chair (non-Trustee) Sigmund Potocki – Member (Trustee)

APPLICATION FOR TRUSTEE – 2015

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:	-
LENGTH OF RESIDENCY:	
ADDRESS:	
PHONE NUMBER:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
EXPERIENCE:	-
COMMUNITY SERVICE:	
WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH AS A BOARD MEM	

Mud 136 Report...

by Jay Singleton, Secretary

At its November meeting, the Board reviewed the District's water and sewer operations during the previous month. A copy of the operations report is posted on the District's website, www.hcmud136.org. The report shows that, so far this year, we have purchased over 280 million gallons of water from the West Harris County Regional Water Authority (WHCRWA) at a rate of \$2.30 per 1000 gallons, for a total cost of \$644,000. In January of 2015 the rate will increase to \$2.45/M gal.. Much of WHCRWA's revenue goes toward the construction of primary and secondary water lines. A new, very large pipeline is in the planning stage. Like the current pipeline, the new one, 84 inches in diameter, will run through the north end of Deerfield. It will be laid in a ditch measuring 8ft by 8ft. Construction is at least five years away. The total project is estimated to cost \$600,000,000. To pay this enormous cost, WHCRWA

will continue making substantial increases in the rate they charge us for water. These charges are part of your water bill and can be found next to the words 'Regional Water Authority'.

In other District business, the Directors approved the renewal of the insurance policy for the District's facilities, which include the water plant behind Randall's, the sewer lift station at Walnut Cove Dr, and the sewer lift station at Clay and Windsong Trail. The total insured value of the facilities is \$3,600,000.

The Directors of MUD 136 extend sincerest wishes for Happy Holidays and a prosperous, water wise New Year. If you have questions or comments about any District business, plan to attend the next District meeting, which will be held on Thursday, December 11, at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.

MOBIL VET CLINIC



Need to have your pet shots/vaccinations
up-to-date??

For your convenience, the Mobil Vet Clinic will be at the Deerfield Village Recreation Center Parking Lot

DATE: SUNDAY December 21st. FROM: 10:30-2:30



Security Stats for October, 2014 ACTIVITIES

Assistance	4	Information	0
Alarm	1	Disturbance	2
Animal	4	Solicitors	0
Burglary of a Habitation	0	Susp. Activity	4
Burglary Motor Vehicle	0	Susp. Person(s)	6
EMS	0	Susp Vehicles	4
DWI	0	Resident Interactions	0
vacation Watch	14	Dispute	0
Vehicle Theft	0	Call Center Calls	78

Emergency telephone stickers are available at the DV Rec. Center office 281-463-2624

Deerfield office will be closed for the holidays:

Christmas:
Wednesday, December 24
Thursday, December 25
Friday, December 26

New Year's Day: Thursday, January 1

Upcoming Peerfield events

Texas Hold 'em Poker! 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:30 PM, at the Recreation Center.

Bunco! 3rd Thursday of the Month, 7:00PM, at the Rec. Center

Ladies Social! 4th Thursday of the month, 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Rec. Center. (NO DECEMBER EVENT - NEXT ONE JANUARY 22nd) Ladies, it's a chance to get way from it all and relax. And now there are games and prizes. BYOB

Friday Morning - Coffee and Donuts @ 8:30AM - Every week, and the last one of the month in December is the 19th, and is paperback/dvd/jigsaw puzzle exchange. Bring one, take one. Bring a friend, make new rinds, come have a cup of coffee or tea and visit with your neighbors.

There will be NO Coffee and Donuts on Friday, December 26, 2014.

There will be Coffee and Donuts on Friday, January 2, 2015. Come celebrate the 1st C&D of 2015!

Dec. 7th, 2:00PM Annual Children's Snow Party. Come play in the snow, visit with Santa and ride the Christmas Train! There will be hot chocolate to keep you warm.

Dec. 14th, Deerfield Pot Luck Dinner. Bring a dish and join the group for a pot luck dinner. Drinks at 5:30, diner is at 6:00. And since it is Christmas, we will have a white elephant exchange - nothing over \$20.

Jan. 1st, Polar Bear Swim, 1:00 PM For one brief hour, for those foolish enough to brave a cold swim for the New Year - the pool will be open. Come and participate in this annual rite of the New Year. Afterwards, warm up with some free hot chocolate.

Feb. 7th, Adult Social! Mardi Gras? Rodeo? Valentine's Day? End of Winter? It's an all-of-the-above adult social starting at 7:30. Live music and set-ups - bring an appetizer or dessert to share, and your alcoholic beverage of choice.

March 28th, 2015 Annual Deerfield Garage Sale. Sell all those things you have acquired and no longer need. There is a small registration fee to cover security and advertising. Registration starts in February.

March 28th, Pig Roast! And now for something new - a Pig Roast! For a mere \$15, have a roasted pork dinner, before the Music on the Green.

March 28th, Music on the Green. Starts at 6:00 PM

April 4th, Easter Egg Hunt. Starts at 10:00 AM, at the Recreation Center.

LADIES! COME JOIN US IN 2015! LADIES HAPPY HOUR!

NO LADIES SOCIAL IN DECEMBER 2014 DUE TO THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY. NEXT ONE JANUARY 22nd.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Recreation Committee...

We had the Halloween Truck and Treat and an Adult Social happen since our last report. The Trunk or Treat was fun for the kids, with over 200 kids and parents participating. Our regret is we had few adults providing treats from the trunks, and the kids noticed. We will need to re-think the event since its success depends on residents participating with the treats. The tricksters still had a good time with photo opportunity as well as the games that were there, and many thanks to the adults who did show up with treats. The other November event was the Adult Social. Based on suggestions we had it on a Friday night for a change. Attendance was down so it appears Friday's are not as popular as Saturdays. It was a good event for those who were there, with relaxing piano music and good conversation. The next one will be on a Saturday in February.

In December the main event is the Annual Snow Party, on December 7th. We will have snow (actually crushed ice, but what do you expect in Houston), the snow train, and a photo opportunity with Santa. Bring the kids to enjoy the event. Also in December is the Pot Luck Din-

ner on Sunday, December 14th. It is what it the name says - pot luck, so bring a dish and come enjoy the evening. (More info elsewhere in this newsletter.) January 1st is the Polar Bear Swim, and then it's quiet until the Adult Social on February 7th. And then March has the annual garage sale. This year there will be a Music on the Green Event the evening of the Garage Sale. We will also be having a new event – a Pig Roast! That is basically a roasted pig meal, only \$15 per person. That's for those who may not want to cook on Saturday night, or are looking for something different. Those who have tried it say it's great. Tickets for the Pig Roast will go on sale on March 1st.

We are looking at 4 Music on the Green Events for next year, and a few adult socials. Kids' parties will depend on getting more volunteers to do them. If you want to see the events happen, come help out by joining us on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM, upstairs at the Rec. Center. New zany ideas are welcome and we are willing to try most anything...

Christmas Pecorations Judging - not this year

The Recreation Committee decided to not judge Christmas outdoor decorations this year, and will look at resuming it next year. There are several reasons for this - volunteers, timing, questions on rules. Overall the Committee decided to defer it until next year and let any new resident get comfortable this year, and ready to compete next year. We encourage you to drive around the neighborhood on your own and enjoy all the lights and decorations residents have put up.

Deerfield Annual Garage Sale

Once a year we have a neighborhood garage sale. In 2015, it will be on March 28th. This fits it in between Spring Break for CFISD, and Easter. Selling will begin at 7:00AM and last until

1:00PM. There is a registration fee; the money is used to pay for advertisements in the major newspapers as well

as additional security during the event. If there is any excess income, it is used by the Recreation Committee to pay for events, such as the Music on the Green the evening of the Garage Sale. To participate you must be a resident in good standing - meaning current on your homeowners assessment. The registration fee goes up in the two weeks before

the event, because late registrations result in adjustments in secure curity patrols as well as continual updating of the participant list which is provided to buyers.

(This lets people know where things are being sold.) A big thanks is due to Deerfield Boy Scout Troop 120; each year they help get the traffic signs up the night before and down the afternoon of the event. Registration starts February 1st.

Texas Hold'em Poker

Second Thursday of the month.

At 7:30 pm, we start our reg-

ular 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

Pet Hot Line News...

FOR ALL NEW RESIDENTS WITH PETS:

Please call me for a Pet Hotline tag for your pet. If your pet gets lost and has the tag the finder can call me and I will call you and arrange to return your pet. Tags from another city or state make it hard to get your pet back as quickly asap. The Pet Hotline tag has my home and cell #. I keep a log with a photo, breed, pet's name, your name, address and phone contact numbers. A rabies tag is great for ID, but, many Vets are not contactable 24/7 and, the finder may not be able to keep your pet several days.

THINKING ABOUT OWNING A PET???

You may not consider owning a pet IF:

You don't have time to get it's shots and check for heartworms.

You don't have time to get a collar with ID and a phone # on a tag.

You don't have the time to walk it on a leash and pick up the poop.

You just don't have the time.

Marie Nugent: 281-859-1104

Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

Committee	Meeting Dates*	Time	Board Trustee	Committee Chair	Phone
Community Services	1st Monday	7:30 PM	Bruce Bott	Rick Johnson	281-550-8895
Deed Restrictions	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Brent Burris		
DVCA Board	4th Monday	7:00 PM	Eric Toureilles		281-855-0312
Financial Services	3rd Tuesday of the month	7:00 PM	Stuart Cory	Mike Feeney	281-859-4504
Landscape	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Arthur McDanel	Lynetta Morrell	
MUD #136	2nd Thursday	6:00 PM	Eric Toureilles		281-855-0312
Recreation Center	2nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	Louis Carpenter	Peter Howell	281-463-1360
Security	2nd Tuesday	7:00 PM	Larry Burkham	Ben Sommers	281-855-9235
Swimming Pool	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Sigmund Potocki	Glenn Sommers	281-855-7716
Tennis	1st Wednesday	8:00 PM	Marie Nugent	Ray Sarmiento	281-954-5133

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

Deeds Committee...

NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS WITH DFV PERIMETER FENCES:

Please trim and/or cut overhanging vines and foliage on your back perimeter fences. Moisture and rain seeping through the vegetation onto the fence will cause mildew and rotted wood which will result in fence repair or replacement.

Come to our POT LUCK SUPPER on Sunday December 14, 2014 at 5:30pm at the Rec Center Clubhouse.



Join us at 5:30pm to meet and visit. Dinner is at 6:00pm. Bring a dish to share with your neighbors...a Family Specialty Dish is always a delightful treat! This event is open to ALL Deerfield Village residents. (Note: there is a small \$1.00 fee per person to cover paper goods.) We are looking forward to seeing you there!!!

Financial Services Committee...

Meeting: Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm to review the financial status of our community. There will be no meeting in December. The next meeting will be January 20, 2014.

Financial status as of October 31, 2014

YTD expenses \$ 474,384

YTD budget \$ 501,461

Under/ (Over) budget \$ 27,077 Designated reserve \$766,909

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

Assessments: Through October 2014 we have collected 97.33% of the 2014 assessments. The YTD collection rate is .1% ahead of the 2013 rate. At the current rate collections may fall below last years rate of 98.87%.

Note: The Assessments invoice has been mailed. If you have not received one contact the office and request a copy be mailed.

Feral/Stray Cats Information:

If you have feral or stray cats around your house, Deerfield Village resident Barbara Griffith can trap them and get them neutered or spayed. Contact her at (281) 463-6915 or griffdc@comcast.net.



2014 Operating/Reserve Budget \$676,882

BRAD SMART

832.867.2107

Owner

sirbts1@sbcglobal.net

Deerfield Christmas Bazaar Committee...

We thank all our friends and Deerfield Residents who came to our 36th Annual Deerfield Village Christmas Bazaar and helped us have another successful Bazaar. We enjoyed seeing & visiting with everyone.

The winners of the three raffle baskets were: T. Reardon, Karen Patterson and Katie Kornejon. Congratulations to each of you.

We would love to have new Deerfield residents to come and join us as participants next year for this community event.



Landscaping Committee...

Landscape needs volunteers! One meeting a month at 7:00pm 2nd Monday of the month at the recreation center. Come to our meetings so we can brain storm with you how to accomplish what we all want; a wonderful community to live in!



Community Services...

The Community Services Committee meets the 1st Monday of each Month.

We encourage new members to join us.

Tennis Committee...

Great way to meet Deerfield Village Tennis Players! If interested, please email: deerfieldvillagetennis@yahoo.com along with your name, telephone number and skill level (USTA Rating or Beg/Inter/Adv).



If interested, please contact: Leslie Rupard at sunshine463lr@gmail.com

We are committed to keeping our tennis amenities some of the best in the area, while getting the most "bang for our buck" on maintaining them. We are a fun group that enjoys our part in the Community Association. Anyone interested in joining our Committee is always welcome to come to our meetings on the first Wednesday night of every month @ 8:00pm. We look forward to meeting new friends!!! Contact: Deerfieldvillagetennis@yahoo.com

BONJOUR DEERFIELD!

If you would like to learn to speak French, NOW is a perfect time!

Meet with Christine, who is a retired French teacher with 30+ years experience! You will enjoy the weekly fun sessions!

Tuesdays from 6:00pm to 7:00pm Wednesdays from 11:00am to 12:00noon

For venue, questions and information, please call 281-859-1883 or 281-841-7554, email: ctoureilles@live.com



YOGA

November December

Deerfield Yoga

Only 4 sessions left in 2014!!

Class is designed for all levels. Wear comfortable clothes, donation based.

Dec.10th &17th. 7pm

Any questions please call

Kimberly 512-529-8948

Deerfield Rec Center Annex (upstairs)



Deerfield Village Playgroup

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

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



Coffee & Donuts

Every Friday in
December from 8:30
AM to 10:00 AM at
the Rec Center. We
have a book/dvd/vhs
tape/ jigsaw puzzle
exchange the last
Friday of the Month.
Coffee and Donuts is
open to all human
residents - come
visit, sip coffee,
and share what's
happening.



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FIVE WAYS TO PAY IT FORWARD

Tis the Season to Count our Blessings. One way to express gratitude for everything you have, is to pay it forward by helping your community. 1)Volunteer: find a charity and Volunteer a few hours/mo. 2)Mentor: contact your local school and they can guide you. 3) Share a Skill: websites like Skillshare can give you a platform for sharing. 4)Using your Skill to help others: like making dinner for an elderly neighbor or doing needed repairs. 5) Write a kind Note: it can boost the spirit for the receiver and encourage them to strive higher! Wishing you a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY SEASON!

Equal Housing Opportunity, Information is deemed reliable, however, we can not guarantee accuracy.