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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy Holidays Neighbor,

Tis the season, and I hope everyone has had a great Thanksgiving!

In the spirit of the holidays, December 11th is the annual Snow Day Party, and Santa will be there for photo opportunities, and there will be snow and hot chocolate. This is a great opportunity for our kids to play in a pile of snow, as it is rare to see in Houston.

On December 10th, there will be an adult Party, with live entertainment and food, so come out and spend a few hours with your neighbors for the holiday.

On January 1st, we will have our annual Polar Bear Swim at the community pool. It's a New Year Tradition with some of our residents, so come take a dip in the cold water.

Please be advised that there is no December Board meeting, so the next meeting will be in January 23rd. Our volunteers will be enjoying time with family.

Speaking of volunteers, I would like to recognize all the volunteers that served in a Deerfield Committee or the Board in 2016. The Association had an event hosted by the Recreation Committee in November to recognize all these members, and thank them for their service. The recognition was also extended to our Scout Troop, Swim Team and MUD. We are always looking for new volunteers, so do not hesitate to contact us in the Deerfield office, or talk to a member that you already know about joining.

Don't forget that 2017 DVCA Trustee Elections are coming in February, and if you are interested in running for election, the deadline is Tuesday, January 10th. See

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information in this newsletter about the open positions, and the 2017 Election Committee.

Speaking of open Board Member positions, Arthur McDanel Trustee and DVCA Secretary has moved, and therefore resigned from the Board. Arthur served his community in multiple ways, including service on the Swim



Team. Arthur was eager to help, and always raised his hand to help. His presence will be greatly missed, and I wish him the best. That being said, this leaves an open Trustee position, so I am giving notice of vacancy. Those interested in notifying the Board of their interest, should contact the office before January 15th, and you will be asked to provide an application, included in this newsletter. The Board will have the opportunity to review and vote at the January 23rd Board meeting. This is not related to the elections, which are full term elections. If appointed by the Board, you would serve the remaining term of Mr. McDanel.

As I mentioned in my last report, Krenek printing will no longer be printing the "Deerfield Village Pipeline" newsletter, so the Board is considering options to mass mail the current digital newsletter, which you are reading today. The Board would like to be sure the news is distributed in a format that everyone can use, electronic and paper.

Take care, and have a wonderful holiday and Happy New Year, Eric

The DVCA office will be closed on Fri., Dec. 23rd & Mon., Dec. 26th, 2016 and Jan. 2, 2017

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

ANY Police, Fire or Ambulance Emergency	911	Flo
S.E.A.L Neighborhood Patrol	832-408-0200	Gâ
Trash Pick-up	281-368-8397	W
Curb Damage (No Patio Home Curbs)	281-463-6300	Сс
Power Outage	713-207-2222	Ille
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Flooding	713-	684-4000
Gas Leaks	713-	659-2111
Water & Sewer Information	281-	347-8686
County Pets	713-	999-3191
Illegal Dumping	713-	920-2831

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.deerfieldvillageonline.com 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; 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/en-us/residential/customer-service/reporting 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.

Recycling is Always on Friday Regular recycling pick-up is done by



Residential Recycling of Texas. For bins, please call Stephanie Wolff at 866-516-9805. Recycling is always on Friday for paper, cardboard, plastic, and aluminum containers. For large and hazardous items, special arrangements must be made. Please see the DVCA website www.deerfieldvillageonline.com for complete recycling rules.

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 Waste Corporation of America: **281-368-8397**. Hours of operation are 7 am to 7 pm, office hours are 7 am to 4 pm. **Pick-up days are Tuesday and Friday. Heavy trash day is Friday, limit 1 heavy item per service day per household.** Please do not put your trash out until Monday 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 News Alert!

• Make sure you have a form of ID on your pet. Key tags are 3 for \$ 2.00 at most hardware stores and work fine for pet ID's.



- If you are going out of town and have a pet sitter, let Marie Nugent know what your pet looks like in case it gets out while you are gone. Her cell number is 713-818-5799.
- Found in July a young, female, brindle colored dog. She had no form of ID and has been taken to CAP on Katy Freeway at Barker-Cypress.

Lost and found

There is a Lost and Found Box in the DVCA office if you feel you may have lost something in the Recreation Center area. Stop by and check it out, you may find that something you haven't seen in awhile.

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 article, photos and ads to the DVCA Office, or e-mail to: deerfield4@sbcglobal.net

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. The Directors also reviewed the recycling and trash collection activities. The management of trash, also known as solid waste, is a growing concern both in Houston and throughout Texas. In 1987 there were 763 landfills in Texas. Today there are only 198. The process to get a new landfill approved takes a minimum of 10 years. In Houston, there are 14 landfills. Depending on their size, they annually receive from 1 to 2 million tons of waste. Statewide, over 32 million tons of solid waste went to landfills last year. That averages out to over 6.5 lbs. of trash per person every day. Food waste is the number one material. But, far too many recyclable materials also find their way to the landfill. Most Deerfield residents are doing their part. Of the 1058 residences, 755 are currently participating in the recycling program. During 2015 they recycled more than 375,000 lbs. of materials. We hope that those who are not participating will seriously consider joining the program and become part of the solution to the problem of solid waste disposal. Information about the program can be found on both the District's newly redesigned website, www.hcmud136.org, and the DVCA website, www. deerfieldvillageonline.com.

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 over \$3,600,000.

The Directors of MUD 136 extend sincerest wishes a happy, healthy, prosperous, and 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, January 12, at the Rec Center beginning at 6PM.

Manager's Report

Can you believe it is already the Holidays again? Christmas means time off from work and time with friends and family and of course, food, lots of good food. Then before we know it, it will be 2017!

Just a reminder, when you put out your trash for pick-up, please watch your furry little, 4-legged friends. Tuesdays and Fridays there seems to be more dogs that escape and go on an adventure around the neighborhood. And, please, watch out during the holidays for your pets to be sure they don't eat something that will harm them.

Also, I sometimes see posts to Deerfield Next Door regarding questions that are better answered by calling or emailing the DVCA office. Questions regarding Architectural Applications, date of the next Garage Sale, etc. The phone number to the office is 281-463-2624 and the email address is deerfield4@sbcglobal.net. You can also visit our website at www.deerfieldvillageonline.com as it contains a wealth of information on our subdivision. The Deerfield Village News newsletters are also available on line. I hope you and your family have a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy & Safe New Year! Tina

Public Notice of Trustee Vacancy

A trustee position, formerly filled by Arthur McDanel, has recently become vacant. The term for this position runs through 2018.

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 January 15, 2017.

A Special meeting will be held to select the new trustee from all the applicants immediately preceding the January 23, 2017, Regular Board meeting An application for Board Trustee is available in this newsletter, at the DVCA Office or online at www.deerfieldvillage.net.

APPLICATION FOR TRUSTEE – 2017

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 MEMBER	X ?

2017 DVCA Trustee Elections

Important Date: Nominations and applications will close on Tuesday, January 10, 2017.

Election:

Tuesday through Friday, February 21 through February 24, between 9:30am thru 1:30pm and on Saturday, February 25, between the hours of 10:00am and 2:00pm

Annual Board Meeting:

March 14^h 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 Geri Hudson - Member 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 2017: Stuart Corv Bruce Bott Brent Burris

Term Expires 2018:

Arthur McDanel Eric Toureilles Brian Harris

Term Expires 2019: Louis Carpenter Larry Burkham Geri Hudson

2017 Election Committee:

Larry Burkham - Chair Tina Mion - Vice Chair Eric Toureilles - Member



Community Services Committee

For those of you still bothered by mosquitos, despite the weekly fogging provided by the DVCA, one of our residents tells us she has had good luck with "dyna traps". Check out their website at www.dynatrap.com/howitworks . Also, if you have a French drain, or other places where water tends to collect, check out Larvacide pods are also available to the general public. Both are available at your local hardware stores.

The Community Services Committee meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 pm.

DEERFIELD UPCOMING EVENTS!

Ongoing Deerfield Events

Friday Morning – Coffee and Donuts @ 8:30AM – It continues through the fall, every week, and the last one of month is paperback/dvd/jigsaw puzzle exchange. Bring one, take one.

Tuesday 1 pm - Mah longg - Don't know how to play? That's OK. Come relax and learn something new & have fun too!

Wednesday 7 pm – 8 pm - Beginner Yoga – In the Annex. See ad in this newsletter.

Friday 6pm to 7pm – French – Do you to learn French? See ad in this newsletter.

2nd Thursday of the month - Texas Hold em Poker (Oct. 13, Nov.10) Starts at 7:30PM, newcomers welcome

3rd Thursday of the month – Deerfield Bunco. (Oct. 20, Nov. 17) 7:00PM to 9:00PM

4th Thursday of the month – Ladies Happy Hour (Oct. 27) 4:00PM to 6:00PM. Bring your own beverage, meet with the ladies.

Upcoming Events

Dec 10 - 5:30PM, Adult Christmas Party live entertainment, food, and fellowship, tickets only \$10 – what a deal! A feast and live music and friends.

Dec 11 - 2:00PM, Christmas Snow Party snow at the Rec Center for the kids... Santa will be there for photo op's, as well as the Polar Express train.

Upcoming in 2017

Jan. 1 st 1:00PM, Polar Bear Swim It's a New Year Tradition – It's a New Year Tradition – be hardy and come take a quick cold dip in the pool.

April 1, 2017 – Annual Deerfield Garage Sale. Starts at 7:00AM. Starts at 7:00AM. Annual opportunity to get sell all those accumulated treasures you no longer want to keep. 7



Polar Bear Swim - January 1 at 1PM

Mark your calendars for the next Pool Event - the annual Polar Bear Swim!

Once again the Swim Pool Committee will host the annual Polar Bear swim on January 1 at 1pm. What a way to plunge into the New Year! Everyone will think you are really cool when they learn about your shocking start to the year.

So come and dive in or just watch those that do. It's always a fun time. As always, we'll have hot chocolate available to help warm you up.

Pray for a warm and sunny day!

Recreation Committee

We had a great October and November with the Chili Cook-off, the last Music on the Green of the year, the kids Halloween Trunk or Treat, and the November Adult Appreciation Dinner. The Chili Cook-off was excellent, with both chili and gumbo for tasting. There was a wide variety of both foods, and some side dishes like cornbread to go with the entrée's. And following the tasting, was the last Music on the Green for the year, with classic rock and roll. On October 31, we had 14 people handing out treats at the Trunk or Treat; we counted well over 150 kids enjoying the evening. And in November, Deerfield hosted a thank you and appreciation dinner for the neighborhood adults who do various volunteer work both in and outside Deerfield. There was a BBQ dinner and then mystification by Scott Hollingsworth, a magician.

We have two events in December. The evening of Dec. 10th, will be the final Adult Social, a holiday feast at the Rec. Center from 6:30 to 10:00 pm. Tickets must be purchased in advance by Dec. 7th for \$10 per person. Live music with by Kevin Weishaar (The Frank Sinatra Man). Tea and punch will be furnished. BYOB. The annual Snow Party will be Dec. 11th at 2:00 pm at the Rec Center. We will have snow, the Polar Express kid's train, as well as have an appearance Santa. It offers a wonderful opportunity for pictures with Santa.

And the 2017 Garage Sale will be on April 1st. That's after CyFair-ISD's Spring Break and before Easter. It's the once a year garage sale, giving you a chance to offer those treasures you no longer want, and you can possibly earn some money for them. Registration will start at the end of February.

Landscape Committee

Best Wishes from the Landscape Committee for

A Merry Christmas

and

A Wonderful New Year

Lynetta Morell, Jennífer Endícott,

Martha Gonzalez and Jay Singleton

Security Committee



Deerfield remains very quiet from a Security standpoint. We believe that your persistence in watching over the neighborhood and reporting any suspicious activity, along with our SEAL Security Patrol, is what makes Deerfield a much safer community than those that are around us. Keep up the good work!

There have been a couple of incidents of graffiti or minor vandalism in the last several weeks, so please remain vigilant and call SEAL if you see something that looks suspicious.

Almost all the other incidents we've had in the last few months could have been avoided if everyone remembered to lock their car/truck when parked in the street or on the driveway (especially overnight) and to close your garage door when you leave. If these things were done consistently we'd have almost no issues at all.

The Security Committee meets on 1st Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting will be on December 6th at 7PM. Please come join us. We welcome your participation.

SECURITY STATS FOR OCTOBER 2016

Alarm	0
Animal	4
Assistance	5
Burglary of Habitation	0
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	- I
Calls to Call Center	58
Damage/Defacing of Property	3
Dispute	0
Disturbance	3
Emergency Medical Services	1
Information	19
Solicitors	2
Suspicious Activity	2 3
Suspicious Person(s)	6
Suspicious Vehicle(s)	15
Theft	3
Vacation Watches	23
Collision	0

Be a good neighbor! Slow down and drive safely!

ATTENTION TENNIS PLAYERS

Sign up sheets are posted outside the DVCA office window every week for all four courts. We are asking all players to sign in to reserve your court before playing, even if it is spur of the moment! Not only will signing up for your court eliminate anyone else from pushing you off that court but the Tennis Committee uses these sheets as usage figures to prepare our budget each year. Your participation in this is a HUGE BENEFIT TO YOU!

After your tennis playing is over for your time slot, please make sure the court gate is closed and locked. We have found it open several mornings and feel fortunate that no vandalism occurred so let's keep it that way by making sure everything is locked down before you walk away. Thanks, The Tennis Committee

Players are reminded to wear non-marking sole shoes when playing.

DEERFIELD VILLAGE TENNIS LEAGUE SIGN-UP Deerfieldvillagetennis@yahoo.com



BE RESPONSIBLE !

Please be a responsible dog owner! Keep your dog on a leash at all times. Clean up after your dog!

Deeds Committee

The Deeds Committee wishes to thank all owners and residents for helping maintain their yards and home throughout the year. We appreciate it!

Just a friendly reminder, if you are making any improvements or modifications to the exterior of your home and the property, an Application for Architectural Approval must be submitted prior to beginning your project. The application can be found on the website www.deerfieldvillageonline.com, click on Documents, and look for Architectural Application.

Due to the holidays, there will be NO Deeds Committee meeting in January. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 6, 2017.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays & a Prosperous New Year

Financial Services Committee

The next meeting will be January 17, 2017.

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

Financial status as of October 31, 2016

YTD expenses	\$ 486,828	2016 Operating Budget	\$ 652,703	
YTD budget	\$ 554,115	2016 Reserve Budget	\$ 91,698	
Under/ (Over) budget	\$ 66,287	Designated reserve	\$ 819,630	
Expenditures:		Assessments:		
Actual expenses continue to	be in	YTD collections are 98.3%.		
line in with the budget		This is the same as last year's rate.		

Assessment invoices were mailed in mid-October. If you have not received it contact Consolidated Management Services (281-296-9775 X207) to request a copy.

Texas Hold'em Poker Second Thursday



At 7:30 pm, we start our reg-

of the month.

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: Pat Rothman at 281-345-9355. patrothman@att.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: 713-818-5799

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		
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	1st Friday	9:30 AM	Geri Hudson	Peter Howell	281-463-1360
Security	1st Tuesday	7:00 PM	Brian Harris	Glenn Sommers	
Swimming Pool	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Louis Carpenter	Glenn Sommers	
Tennis	1st Wednesday	8:00 PM	Larry Burkham	Mark Tinne	

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

Deerfield Yoga

Come and join us for a relaxing hour of gentle stretching and breathing. Wear comfortable clothing, bring water, and a mat or a towel. Please contact Becky Nickell via email at <u>Nickellb01@att.net</u> for further information.

Where? Annex Room Upstairs

What time? 7:00 P.M.

What day? December Dates: 7, 14, and 21



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! **Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 pm** For venue, questions and information, please call 281-859-1883 or 281-841-7554, email: ctoureilles@live.com

Coffee & Donuts

Every Friday 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.



QUILTING Janie McIntosh 713-705-3569 2nd Wednesday 12PM - 4PM

No Ladies Happy Hour November & December





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WAYS TO SAY "THANKS"

When someone goes above and beyond, acknowledge their efforts and show appreciation. Here are some thoughtful suggestions. 1)Food, make them their favorite cookies and deliver in person. 2)Write a note from your hear. 3)Return the favor if possible. 4)Brighten their day with flowers or a colorful plant. 5)Donate to a Charity in their Name. There is more to Gratitude than appreciating what you have, it is good for your overall Health and Wellness, so Pay it Forward the next time you can!

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