



DEERFIELD VILLAGE *News*

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President's Report

Greetings Deerfield Residents,

I want to thank those that virtually attended the Annual Meeting of the Members. I started out with a big thank you to all the volunteers that donate their time to our community. We are extremely fortunate to have the Men's Group doing projects that benefit our community. Additionally, I welcomed John Devine and Bill Potscavage as new Trustees and thanked Bruce Bott and Bob Shortle for their service on the Board, they will be missed.

I reported that the health of the Association continues to be strong, despite some of the expenses from COVID-19. Treasurer Terry Gray reported that we are doing fine regarding actual vs budget, and ahead to date. The expense budget is \$28K under and the income budget is \$11k better than projected. We have a little over \$1 million in investment accounts, and \$844K allocated to reserves. We had 30 residents on payment plans this year, with 15 that are now paid off, 12 paying as agreed, and 3 which are behind. Collection rates are at 96.5%, which is 7/10ths below last year, but still very good. Strategically, we are looking at accepting electronic payments via PayPal for 2021 assessments. If you are paying by credit card, there would be a convenience fee to cover transaction charges, but no fee for debit card/ACH, as there is no fee charged to us.

The DVCA continues to support BSA Troop 120, the Men's Group, the Deerfield Christmas Bazaar, and the Deerfield Dolphins. We will continue our contract with Seal Security going forward and have been pleased with their services. The construction now ongoing at Wilson Elementary will include an ornamental fence facing Deerfield, as well as Keith Harrow. Thanks to Clint Lacewell, Roger Wilson, and other residents for bringing this matter (including fence styles/colors) to my attention, and to CFISD for their willingness to work with us on enhancing the scope of their project.

We have made great strides on the perimeter fence project, including feedback/votes from the community to confirm this is a project our residents want to see move

forward. We had a total of 540 residents that voted and 496 were for the project at 92% and 44 residents against at 8%. Additionally, we have 93% of the perimeter owners that have provided the Association an easement agreement and we have 8 remaining residents that we still need to get a resolution. That said, we are moving forward, and you will see surveyors and geo-tech teams over the next 30 days doing preconstruction work. Once we receive the RFP's back from the vendors, the Committee will award one as the winner. AIA forms will be finalized, and funding would be next. Then the Board will make the final decision before signing a contract with the winning vendor. Once started, the construction will take about 90 days to complete. Given the interest rates of borrowing money are so low, we are in a good position right now.

We will keep monitoring the economic situation around COVID-19 and as recommended by the Finance Committee, continue to stay cautious with expenses in 2020, and consider deferring them until after February 2021.

The next Board meeting is on 8/24 at 7PM and we will continue to meet via teleconference until it is safe to meet in person. All residents are invited to attend the call at (312) 757-3121 using Access Code: 851-143-269. See the meeting agenda under Notices on the website.

Take care, Eric

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Important Information

DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS

DVCA Office	281-463-2624
Email.....	dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com
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

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 dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com. 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:

<https://www.centerpointenergy.com/en-us/residential/customer-service/electric-outage-center/report-streetlight-outages>

Nothing but water should go down our storm drains

Do not dump chemicals down our storm drains, as they will make their way to the greenbelt ditch and be poisonous to our pets/animals drinking the water and/or children playing. 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 a problem with your trash service, please call Texas Pride first, and then the office if you are unable to get results.

Submit articles, photos and ads to the DVCA office prior to the 18th of the month, or email:

dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com

Please note the email has changed and add it to your contacts.

Security Committee

Last month was pretty quiet again from a security standpoint except for the continued “crimes of opportunity” incidents where some residents are not being responsible to ensure security and are leaving garage doors open, cars unlocked, and items of value in sight. Unfortunately, every time a perpetrator has a success like this it becomes less safe for all of us as they are motivated to look for another easy situation in Deerfield. Please lock your house and cars, keep garage doors closed, outside lights on and valuables out of sight so that most of the crime in Deerfield can be eliminated. If not for yourself, then for your neighbors!

There still are a lot of parking violations on our streets. Please follow the parking rules that are regularly documented in the newsletter. SEAL is starting to use parking violation cards once a week on the windshield of cars that are not properly parked. If you get one, please heed the warning and fix the issue before someone calls the Harris County Sheriff Office (HCSO) non-emergency line and reports the parking violation. If HCSO gets involved they can give a warning, ticket or have the vehicle towed. Please be a good neighbor and park legally!

If you ride a bike on the Greenbelt, please be safe and courteous with the walkers that are on the sidewalk. We are getting complaints and reports from walkers that bikers are riding too close and too fast to the walkers, and there is concern that people or animals could get hurt. Please be a good neighbor and ride cautiously when you are biking on the greenbelt!

The Security Committee meets on 1st Tuesday of the month. Our next meetings will be on August 4th and September 1st at 7PM. Come join us and help keep Deerfield safe!

PARKING LAWS IN DEERFIELD VILLAGE

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

You are not allowed to park or stand your vehicle:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Bike safety and etiquette on the greenbelt.

The Deerfield Village greenbelt is a wonderful attribute of our neighborhood where runners, walkers, and casual bike riders alike can take advantage of. To ensure you and others have a safe and enjoyable experience, please observe the following when using the greenbelt on your bike.

Safety Guidelines

- Pedestrians have the right of way at all times. Cyclists must be aware of pedestrians.
- All greenbelt users should stay to the right and use caution at intersections and at blind corners where vision could be impaired.
- Pedestrians should not walk more than two abreast to allow for easy passage of other pedestrians or cyclists.
- Cyclists and in-line skaters should maintain speeds safe for conditions, slowing down when passing pedestrians
- A person passing other users must notify the users that they are passing—example: “On your left.” The use of a bell is another option. The person has the responsibility to pass freely and clearly. It is also the responsibility of the passer not to hinder the approaching user.
- Cyclists should have a white front and red rear light displayed and illuminated when riding at night, in addition to the reflectors on your tires, so that pedestrians can clearly see them.
- Pedestrians and cyclists should wear light colored or reflective clothing when using the greenbelt after dark.
- When cycling, always remember to wear a helmet!

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 is planned for **August 14, 2020**, for this month only.

Financial status as of **June 30, 2020**

YTD expenses	\$360,054
YTD budget	\$338,062
Under/ (Over)/budget	\$28,009
Annual Operating Budget	\$738,778

The YTD assessment collection rate is 96.4%. The collection rate is 0.7% below the comparable 2019 rate.

The 2020 assessments invoices should have already been received. If you haven't received yours please contact Consolidated Management Services, Cheryl Beisert 281-296-9775 and request a copy. Payment was due 12/31/2019. Payments received after 1/31/2020 are subject to a \$100.00 late fee.

If you are having difficulty paying your assessment all in one lump sum, please consider setting up a payment plan. Contact Catherine at the Deerfield office, 281-463-2624, for details and to set up an appointment.

Reminder: HOA fees (assessment invoice) are not a component of a mortgage escrow. Payment will not be made by your mortgage company and therefore is the responsibility of the homeowner to pay.

Security Stats June 2020

Alarm	0
Animal	6
Assistance	7
Burglary of Habitation	0
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	3
Calls to Hotline	0
Damage/Defacing of Property	1
Dispute	0
Disturbance/Noise	3
EMS / FD / PD	2
Information	4
Solicitors	2
Suspicious Activity	1
Suspicious Person(s)	5
Suspicious Vehicle(s)	8
Theft	1
Vacation Watches	9
Vehicle Collision	0

Landscape Committee

While Covid 19, has greatly limited the activities of us all, it hasn't slowed the efforts of the Landscape Committee. Our grounds have been maintained as scheduled. We were a bit late getting our spring/summer flowers in the ground, but that turned out to work in our favor as heavy rains right after the plantings produced immediate blooms.

Our tree trimmers removed three trees that were diseased or dead. They also did some light trimming along the walking trail. They also grinded down 10 unsightly tree stumps in the green space areas. If we missed any, send a note to the office. Unless there is an emergency situation, we will not have trimmers back until end of year.

Something creative our trimmers did was to raise a huge limb of the beautiful oak tree near the rec center. The committee was determined not to cut off this majestic looking low hanging limb.

Our tree trimmers came up with an idea how to raise this limb by tying a cable around it and securing the cable to a higher limb. This raised the limb by about three feet and provides plenty of headroom for those walking under it.

In surveying our green space after the 4th of July, it was gratifying to see that most celebrators cleaned up trash produced by their activities. At the same time, there were some instances where celebrators were not so responsible. They walked away leaving trash cans overflowing with boxes that contained fireworks and other trash.

We had residents calling about how unsightly this was and asking that these trash cans be immediately emptied and the area around them picked up. Be aware everyone – the subdivision does not have daily, on demand trash can service. Trash cans are emptied on Mondays as part of our lawn maintenance contract. So please take your own trash bags with you if you know your special gathering – birthday parties, for example -- is going to produce a significant amount of trash and take this trash home to be disposed of with your normal refuse.

The Landscape committee meets the second Monday of every month. Our next meeting in August 10 at 7:00 p.m. via teleconferencing.



Deeds Committee

Here we are still in the midst of COVID-19 and the weather is HOT...gotta love Houston! Deerfield Village yards continue to look pretty good. Thank you! Please keep up the good work. When having a tree removed, consider having the stump ground and removed as well. While re-roofing seems to be slowing down a bit, please remember to submit an Architectural Approval form (AA) to the office PRIOR to starting work. This form applies to ANY exterior improvements / modifications as well as any major repairs. The form can be found on the Deerfield Village website under the Documents/Deeds documents. <https://deerfieldvillageonline.com/deeds/> or contact the office for information. Deeds works hard to get your request forms approved as soon as possible. No roofing or contractor signs are allowed in resident yards per the Protective Covenant. The Protective Covenant also states... "all lots shall be kept in attractive condition..." no outdoor window units are allowed in plain view of the street or common area.

We are fast approaching November elections and a friendly reminder that political signs (for a candidate / ballot) are allowed in resident yards no earlier than 90 days prior to the election date and are to be removed 10 days after the election. See Protective Covenants-Section VI, f (1-2).

And, as always, outdoor seasonal holiday decorations should be removed within 30 days after the holiday.

DEEDS meets the 2nd Monday of the month @7:00 pm in the Clubhouse. The next meeting is on August 10, 2020. However, COVID-19 guidelines may impact how the meeting is held.

MUD 136 Report

By Barry Greer, Vice President

Due to the continued restrictions from the statewide disaster declaration by the Governor of State of Texas in conjunction with the temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act by the Attorney General of Texas, the Harris County Municipal Utility District 136 monthly meeting was again held remotely (via video conference using Zoom and tele-conference). The meeting was held on Thursday, July 9, 2020.

In our July, 2020 meeting the Board reviewed water and sanitary sewer operations from the previous month with presentations from our consultants, received an update from the District's Engineer pertaining to the Capital Improvement Project at the MUD 136 water plant, trash and recycling services, in addition to other items pertinent to our District.

Our District Engineer, Bob Wempe (Pape-Dawson Engineering) has provided a copy of the intended construction schedule prepared by the Contractor performing work on the water plant improvement project. He has noted that some early, preliminary work may begin on-site later this month by the Contractor.

MUD 136 continues to encourage our residents to implement wise water conservation measures during these summer months that are now upon us. Refer to previous articles and/or our MUD 136 website for references to informative sites pertaining to water conservation.

In accordance with the Disaster Declaration issued by the Governor of Texas and guidance issued by the Public Utility Commission of Texas, MUD 136 will not be assessing late fees or termination of water service until such time as the Declaration has been lifted. However, we should stress that this does not mean forgiveness of water use payments. We recommend that those customers with extraordinarily large, multi-month charges that have accumulated, contact Municipal Operations and Consulting (MOC) about their plans for payments or to set up a payment schedule.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 6 P.M. At the time of this writing, it is likely that the meeting will once again be held via video or teleconference. Please visit our District website at WWW.HCMUD136.ORG for confirmation of the meeting location. In order to comply with the open meeting requirements, access to the on-line video/teleconference meeting will be made available to the public through our District website for any desired attendance. As a continued reminder, please note that you may reach out to Board members with any issues or concerns or obtain pertinent information through the website.

Please be safe, wear your face masks and practice "social distancing".

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Tennis Committee

We have noticed increased activity at the Tennis Courts last month and recently. Many residents and guests are enjoying our courts therefore everyone is reminded to social distance while using these courts. There should not be more than 8 players on the courts during play.

Also-Players are again reminded to ensure that the tennis court gate is properly closed and locked after finishing play. Unfortunately, the gate has been found left unlocked recently therefore please check that it is closed properly before leaving.

After playing, the trash bin on the court is to be emptied into either the big recycling bin or trash can as appropriate by the court 1 gate. Deerfield is not a Country Club where people are paid to do this type of clean up so please leave the court as you would like to find it!

As a reminder all players are asked to sign up for court time using a First and Last name.

All players are asked to ensure that their tennis shoes have non marking soles to minimize scuff marks on the court surfaces.

Next Tennis Meeting is at 8pm on August 5th.

Pickle Ball

Pickleball play is back! You can reserve the court #4 on the signup sheets posted just outside the DFV office. Check with the office if you need to set up an access entry card. Please treat the portable nets with care and remember to dispose of your trash when done. Come out and join us...It is so much FUN! You can text Mario Zamora at 832-618-5835 for more information or if you are new to the sport and would like some help getting started. We can provide extra paddles and balls. Level 3.0-5.0 players are welcome to come out on most Sunday mornings, starting at 8 am, weather permitting.

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 Nickellb01@att.net for further information.

Where? Annex Room Upstairs

What time? 6:30

What day? Wednesday



Masks NOT supplied, please bring your own!

Swim Pool Committee

August is here and swim season has been in full gear since we have opened on June 1st. Yes, this year's 2020 swim season is quite different but with so many pools around not open for enjoyment, Deerfield pool is doing quite well. Please remember there are a few protocols and guidelines to ensure we are exercising safe practices during these times. As we mentioned in previous Newsletters, new signage was placed and everyone will need to sign a waiver in order to swim. Waivers are available electronically on our website and a paper copy at the pool. Here is a link for your convenience:

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/5ec92a78aa572/web/>

In July, the Board allowed us to increase guards for weekday 3pm-9pm so more residents could access. We are happy to announce that this will continue through all the swim season. Swim Pool Committee- (SPC) is working with A-Beautiful Pools to review the current rules in place. We appreciate the residents following the guidelines and supporting the guards that enforce them! Please remember, as always, the guards have final enforcement of the pool operations. For any pool hour updates, check our website.

Reminder of the additional rules the pool has been operating this season due to COVID-19 are below:

- Please do not enter the pool area if you or anyone in close contact with you have had symptoms of illness (fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell) in the past 72 hours. You should stay home until CDC's posted isolation criteria are met.
- Waivers to swim need to be completed prior to visit. The Gate guard will sign in residents and review that a waiver has been done.
- Residents should wear a face covering when not in the water
- Always maintain 6 feet of social distancing with members not in your household
- Restroom usage will be limited to one household at a time
- Guests are not permitted
- No furniture will be provided. Residents may bring their own chairs for personal use
- Large floats, diving sticks, swim toys, balls, etc. will not be allowed
- Please do not loiter in the pool entry, steps, or handrails/ladders
- Drinking fountain will be closed
- Pool parties are not permitted

The Swim Pool Committee meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month. Our August meeting will be held via teleconference on August 11th at 7pm. We would love for you to join us.

EVENTS IN DEERFIELD

Ongoing events are cancelled in August

Fridays, 8:30 AM – Coffee and Donuts – come by and meet your neighbors, have a cup of coffee, and visit, in the Clubhouse.

Thursdays, 9:00 AM – Men’s Group - Opportunity for men to gather for fellowship and service projects.

Tuesdays, 1:00 PM – Mahjong, in the Clubhouse.

1st Thursday of the month, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM – Bridge, in the Clubhouse.

2nd Wednesday of the month, Noon – Quilting, in the Clubhouse.

3rd Monday of the month, 6:30 PM – Book Club, in the Clubhouse.

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

3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00 PM – Deerfield Bunco, in the Clubhouse, newcomers welcome. Contact Pat Rothman at 281-345-9355 for details or see the ad in the newsletter.

4th Thursday of the month, 4:00 PM – Ladies Happy Hour, in the Clubhouse.

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42nd Annual Bazaar!

Deerfield Village Christmas Bazaar & Market

Greeting to all of our wonderful Bazaar members and prospective new members. Hope this pandemic summer has kept you all safe and healthy with a lot of time spent at home. Hopefully it is keeping you busy with new and creative crafts for our great bazaar 2020. It's one of West Houston's and Deerfield's traditional social event of the year. We always welcome new members !

Here below are the 2020 Bazaar meeting dates:

- 1) Sept. 16th - Downstairs Clubhouse room
- 2) Sept. 29th – Downstairs Clubhouse room
- 3) Oct. 14th - Downstairs Clubhouse room
- 4) Oct. 29th - Downstairs Clubhouse room

Requirements to be a member include:

- 1) Attend 3 meetings
- 2) Meeting Oct. 29th mandatory
- 3) Membership dues paid

We have a great and fun group of ladies and gents, so come and join us. You will enjoy selling your products, meeting neighbors and welcome new customers. See you in September. Bazaar official dates are: Friday, Nov.6th 12am-8pm and Saturday, Nov. 7th 9am-4pm. Chairperson, Connie Corkill

NEWS FROM THE DEERFIELD WOMEN'S DAY-TRIPPERS

The August outing for the Deerfield Women's Day-Trippers is in the works! Information will be sent to members as soon as plans are made. If you haven't registered with the group, please do so in order to receive updated information.

PLEASE NOTE: Space for these trips is limited, so advance reservations are required. To join the Deerfield Women's Day-Trippers and/or reserve your spot, please call Jetta Eller at 713-703-2381 or Joanne Franknecht at 281-639-5197. You will be contacted if plans change.



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 micro-chipped 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.

Also-Please be considerate and pick up your dog's poop when walking your dog. Our greenbelt is there for all of us to enjoy without stepping in dog poop!

Community Services

Over the last few years, the Community Services Committee has managed the renovation of many parts of the Rec Center. The siding on the buildings has been repaired, caulked, and painted.

A new roof was installed. Columns and handrails have been repaired and replaced. Restrooms and the kitchen have been renovated. The main meeting room has been painted, and new flooring, drapes, furniture, rugs, lighting, and sound attenuation have been installed. The stairway up to the Annex was rebuilt for safety.

We believe that it is finally time to give the upstairs room at the Annex an overhaul. The Committee has started the process of getting bids for painting, and we are looking at what repairs are needed.

The upstairs Annex room has had many uses over the years: Scout meetings, computer and ribbons room during swim meets (in happier times), clubs and card games, interest group meetings, and many birthday parties. The blender parties for Swim Team volunteers years ago are the stuff of legend. If you have any ideas for what needs to be done upstairs in the Annex, please let us know!

We would love to hear from you at the next Committee meeting at 7pm on Monday, 8/3. We are planning a Zoom meeting, and will get the access info to the DVCA office in advance.



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- VITAL ESSENTIALS

Men's Group

FOOD DRIVE:

You can drop off non-perishable food items in the box outside the office on Mon-Saturday

August 10-15th. Food will be taken to Mesa Outreach on Aug. 16. During the pandemic the local food pantry is experiencing double its normal demand. If you want to feel connected during these difficult times—HELP OTHERS.

SERVICE PROJECTS:

Due to the Covid-19 virus our larger service projects have been put on hold. However, by working in pairs, or individually, we have been able to do the following projects—we made a bunch of new trash can slats since our inventory was very low, replaced/upgraded some of the poop bag dispensers and did a Food Drive. Also, we delivered all the donated suitcases to the foster care agency. Along the greenbelt we removed dead trees, trimmed trees, and hauled dirt to fill a huge sinkhole up on the pipeline ROW.

PAPER SHRED/ELECTRONICS RECYCLE

On the morning of Sat. Oct. 24 TMG members will once again be manning the Rec Center parking lot to help with the annual paper shredding and electronics recycling event sponsored by MUD 136. During the quarantine you probably attacked some of those old files, and as a result have a mound of paper to shred. Well, come on down!

The Men's Group (TMG) normally meets weekly on Thursdays at 9:00 AM at the Rec Center. Besides our projects for DFV and the community at large, we mix in some fun and fellowship which includes a monthly book club.

As per the Covid-19 guidelines and for the safety of our members, we are now meeting every second Thursday via Zoom. Dates for August are Aug. 13 and 27.

Our Motto is simple:

"DO WHAT YOU CAN, WHEN YOU CAN"

Recreation Committee

Harris County remains under a "minimize contact" advisory for the Covid-19 virus and as a result, Music on the Green and the July 4th pool party were both cancelled, due to concerns with social distancing. Routine meetings and social activities such as poker, bridge, etc. were all cancelled for the month of June. In the meantime, we continue to monitor the situation and hopefully we can begin some larger group activities with the appropriate precautions. Once they resume each individual who participates in any activity must sign the Covid-19 waiver form.

The good news is that we did manage to restart a few activities during the month. The pool area was patriotically decorated on the 4th. For July we have replaced "Coffee and Donuts" with "Coffee and Conversation" and had a trial run early in the month out on the picnic tables. The monthly Food Drive was held the week of July 13th. In addition, the DV Day Trippers managed to get back on the road near the end of June, the Ladies Night Out group reconvened with a modified format, and the Yoga gang "very quietly resumed their positions." Also, several groups/clubs continue meeting virtually, via Zoom, while others stay connected by meeting in a backyard, driveway or at the picnic tables under the annex. Puzzles are being exchanged at a torrid pace.

This month the Food drive will be held August 10-15.

We continue to look for new and interesting activities, and suggestions and comments are always welcome. We meet the first Friday of the month at 10 am.

After 12 years at the helm, Peter Howell stepped down as Chairman of the Committee. Peter, the residents of DV salute you with a BIG THANK YOU for your dedication, enthusiasm and all your hard work.

BOOK CLUB IN DEERFIELD -

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The BOOK CLUB in Deerfield meets normally on the 3rd Monday of the month.

If you have any questions for any future meetings, please contact Janelle Bouknight at Janelle.bouknight@gmail.com or call 865-384-4936



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Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

Committee	Meeting Dates*	Time	Board Trustee	Committee Chair	Phone
Community Services	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Kristine Spiller	Rick Johnson	281-793-3570
Deed Restrictions	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Bill Potscavage	Janelle Meyer	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	Terry Gray	Bill Lessels	
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	Eric Toureilles	Roger Wilson Rebecca Bivens	281-381-9303 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	Eric Toureilles	Mark Tinne	

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

Deerfield Village August 2020

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END: Annex Clubhouse Small Mtg Room							
	7pm Community Svcs	7pm Security 7pm YES		8pm Tennis Comm		10:00am Recreation Center	
	7pm Deeds 7pm Landscape		7pm Swim Pool		6pm MUD #136		
			7pm Finance				
	7pm Board Meeting						



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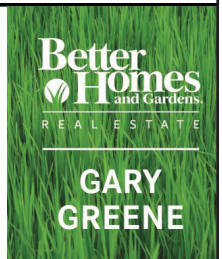


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