



DEERFIELD VILLAGE *News*

November 2022

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

DEERFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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President's Report

Greetings Deerfield Residents,

Important reminder, election day is Tuesday November 8th, from 7AM to 7PM. If you did not vote early, you can vote from at our community Clubhouse. This will be an official voting location, as we have done in the past.

The 44th Annual Bazaar is November 4th and 5th at the Recreation Center facility. This is a magnificent event to support your neighbors and friends in the surrounding community, and it should put you in the holiday spirit! More information and times in this newsletter.

The Board reviewed and approved the 2023 budget on October 17th Budget Special Board meeting. We made many cuts to the budget, but it was still necessary to make an increase to the yearly Assessment, as we continue to pursue a zero-deficit situation and adjust for inflation. Assessments were set at \$70 increase. Residents will receive an invoice by mid-November. The Assessment is due January 1st, 2023. If you desire a payment plan due to your current situation, please contact the office soon as possible for us to set this up.

The Deerfield Family Campout event will be November 5th-6th. This is the third year we are camping on the Green, but it is first time since Covid. Our Scout Troop will be available to help you with tent setup, and will be making a large campfire, and their famous cobbler. You do not need to camp if that is not your thing, but feel free to stop for cobbler, smores or just hang out by the campfire. You can setup any time after 4PM, but cobbler and campfire will start when it gets dark... around 7PM.

Daylight savings time will end on November 6th, so don't forget to fall back an hour. We will use that extra hour of sleep at the campout.

The next Board meeting is on November 28th at 7PM in the Clubhouse, and all Deerfield homeowners and

residents are invited to attend. There is not a regular Board meeting on December 26th.

I wish you and your family a fantastic Thanksgiving!

Take care, Eric

Happy Thanksgiving!



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Important Information

DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS

DVCA Office 281-463-2624
Email..... dvcamgr@gmail.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 16715 Clay Rd 713-274-0800
Harris Cty. Sheriff's Non-Emergency 713-221-6000
Fire & EMS Non-Emergency 281-550-6663
State Highway Public Information..... 713-802-5076
Harris County Pct. 4 Commissioner's Office

Must have address to report 713-755-6444
Graffiti, Public Street Signs & Curb Repair and Road
Damage (Except for Patio Homes)
Bear Creek Library 832-927-5590

SCHOOLS

Cy-Fair School District Admin..... 281-897-4000
Peggy Wilson Elementary (K-5) 281-463-5941
Watkins Middle School (6-8)..... 281-463-5850
Cypress Lakes HS..... 281-856-3800

UTILITY INFORMATION

Report Gas Leaks..... (CenterPoint) 713-659-2111
..... or 888-876-5786
CenterPoint (Electricity & Gas) 800-752-8036
Street Light Outages/Repair
Must have 6 digit # from pole & address 713-207-2222
..... or 800-332-7143
AT&T 800-288-2020
Comcast / Xfinity 800-934-6489
Trash & Recycling (Texas Pride) 281-342-8178
Water & Sewer Info (MUD 136) 281-367-5511
..... or 713-651-5151
Harris County Flood Control 346-286-4197
Illegal Dumping.....(Pollution Control) 713-920-2831

OTHER NUMBERS

Harris County Public Health & Environmental Services
(HCPHES) Includes:
Public Nuisance Report..... 713-274-6300
Harris County Pets (Animal Cruelty)..... 832-927-PAWS
Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation 713-468-8972
Metro Buses (Routes & Schedules) 713-635-4000
Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse 713-224-9911
Domestic Violence Hotline 713-528-2121
Crisis Hotline (Suicide Prevention) 800-273-8255
Children's Protective Services (CPS) ... 713-394-4000
Poison Control (24 hours) 800-222-1222
Rape Crisis (24 hours) 713-528-7273
United Way Helpline (Resource for Essential
Community Services) 211

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

dvcamgr@gmail.com

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

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 inquiries, 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.

NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS!



DV FAMILY CAMPING ANNOUNCEMENT

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

WHEN: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5th

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

TIME: Set up after 4 PM. EVENT starts at 5 PM. Campfire at 7PM



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

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

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

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

Hope to see you there!!



Come visit the Deerfield Village Christmas Bazaar & Market 2022

**November 4th & 5th
Friday & Saturday**

Ladies and Gents, it's that time again to start crafting and designing for our famous Bazaar. New members are always welcomed. We hold two scheduled meetings before the Bazaar. We charge membership dues for postage, advertisement, helpers and misc. The Bazaar is well known thru out West Houston, and now celebrating 44 years of crafts. Our customers look forward to this grand event every year.

**For more information call: Chairperson,
Connie Corkill 713.542.3428**



**TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 8TH
7am - 7pm
in the Deerfield
Clubhouse**

Community Services

The Community Services Committee is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the Recreation Center facilities. Our most recent projects were the restriping of the parking lot, cleaning of the building gutters, replacing the basketball rim and repairing the Annex back stairs.

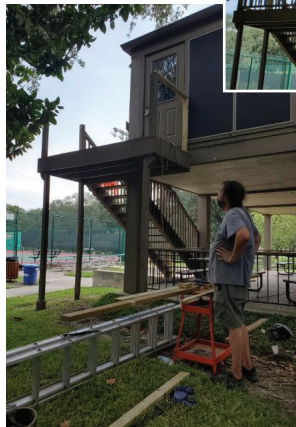
We have frequently been assisted by the Men's Group, who have made electrical repairs, washed the main room windows, and performed numerous other tasks. Community Services would like to thank the following TMG men for the extra help: Jay with trash every week, Dennis for the electrical work, Brian with the stair's carpentry, Bill with the painting and Mark K. with Mr. Deeds on our gutters! Lastly- a big thank you to Bob Shortle for all your time and efforts on helping 2 committees and TMG with small projects. TMG's latest project is recycling plastic bags. But wait, there's more than just bags! They also accept bubble wrap, overwraps of paper goods and bottled water, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, cereal bags, food storage bags, and stretch film wrap. All of these items can be deposited in the recycling boxes that are in the caged area next to the ice machine.

The Men's Group separates out the grocery bags, bundles them and ships them to Katy Christian Ministry, who use the bags in their food distribution. The remaining items are bundled and taken to Randall's, who have agreed to combine our materials with their own recycling. On the Rec Center grounds are blue recycling containers furnished by the Landscape Committee. Acceptable items are the same as for the weekly curbside recycling. It is very important not to put food items in these bins.

Squirrels can smell the food and have been chewing through the bottom of the container to get it. Food items must go in the black containers which are also furnished by the Landscape Committee.

Our regular pest control services are occurring on a regular basis for our facilities. The other vital participant in the Recreation Center maintenance is you. Please volunteer to help us keep the grounds in top shape. Our next Committee meeting is Monday, November 7th at 7pm in the upstairs Annex.

**CLEAN
GUTTERS**



**AND
NEW
STAIRS!**



Deeds Committee

Thank you to all the residents who have been working on home repairs and yard clean up. For homeowners who have not begun the cleanup, please do so. Attention needs to be given to weekly mowing of yards, weeding plant beds, as well as edging of curbs. In addition, pick up any debris in yards and clean up any mold/mildew on the exterior of the home.

The Midterm elections are here and political signs are allowed. Remember- 1 sign per candidate/ballot through the election date of November 8, 2022. All political signs must be **removed within 10 days after the election**. Reference the Association policies and guidelines, Section VI, f (1-2).

It will soon be time for Holiday decorations for the neighborhood to admire and enjoy.

Please remember to remove them in a timely fashion when the season is over.

Have you turned in your project form? Deeds reminds homeowners to submit an Architectural Approval form (AA) to the office PRIOR to starting any repair, improvement, or addition to the exterior of your home or property. The form can be found on the Deerfield Village website under Documents/Deeds Documents at <https://deerfieldvillageonline.com/deeds/> or contact the office for information. Deeds works hard to get your request forms approved as quickly as possible but always allow 5-10 days for processing. An AA is required to be submitted to the office if you would like to place a dumpster, POD, or temporary storage unit in the driveway on your property. Also, NO contractor signs are allowed in resident yards per the Protective Covenants.

Reminder when replacing or installing a new fence that faces the street, visible from the street or common area, the nice flat side of the pickets must face out towards the street/or common area.

Please make sure that all garbage cans and recycle bins are to be REMOVED the same day after trash service has picked up. Trash pickup is on Tuesdays and Fridays therefore, please remember -DO NOT place TRASH OUT PRIOR to the night before. No one enjoys seeing trash sit for long. PUT TRASH CANS AWAY FROM VIEW.

Please evaluate the trees in your yard for pruning or removal if tree is dead. Remember when having a tree removed, have the stump "ground" and remove any stumps as well. No tree stumps are allowed to be visible from the street view and should be removed. Also, keep in mind that a homeowner is liable if any dead tree limbs fall on a neighbor's property and cause damage. Also, any low-hanging tree limbs over the street should be removed especially if the limbs are blocking a streetlight. Also, any tree or shrub needs to be trimmed so as not to obscure oncoming traffic or block the view of streetlights and/or stop signs.

As usual no boats, trailers, campers, or RV's may be parked on a homeowner's property for over 72 hours.

DEEDS meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm in the Clubhouse. The next meeting will be held on November 14th. There will not be a meeting in December.

Financial Services Committee

Meetings are generally on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM to review the financial status of our community. The next scheduled meeting is planned for November 15, 2022.

Financial status:

| SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY: | This Month | Year to Date |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| SEPTEMBER 2022 | | |
| Income: Better/(Worse) than Budget | \$ 954 | \$ 3,846 |
| Operating Expenses: | | |
| Actual | 67,172 | 594,842 |
| Budget | 55,628 | 607,294 |
| Better/(Worse) than Budget | (11,544) | 12,452 |
| Net Operating Income: | | |
| Better/(Worse) than Book Budget | \$ (10,590) | \$ 16,298 |
| Less budget timing differences (see Comments) | 6,000 | (17,950) |
| Net Operating Income: | | |
| Better/(Worse) than Budget | | |
| after adjusting for timing differences | \$ (4,590) | \$ (1,652) |
| Annual Operating Expense Total Budget | | \$ 787,100 |

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|---|-------------|-----------------------------|
| Noteworthy Expenses this Month: | | |
| East Texas Fence | \$ | -0- |
| Tree Maintenance | | 6,000 |
| Reduction of Loan Principal | | 3,428 |
| Total | \$ | 9,428 |
| Spent from Reserves this month: | | |
| Parking lot re-striping | \$ | 1,725 |
| Misc. Other | | -0- |
| Total Reserves Spent | \$ | 1,725 |
| Total Fence Expenditures to date, including cash not from reserves: | \$1,217,657 | (no change from last month) |

Comments: Our financials continue to include several budget variances caused by budget timing: certain expenses had been budgeted but not all of the money was not actually spent; conversely, we also had a major expense this month for which the budget falls later in the year. We have adjusted for these items to show our true financial condition more realistically, as shown in the hi-lited area of the summary above. There were also some major expenses this month which caused us to be over budget; hopefully, we should be able to get back on track before the end of the year.

Collections: 2022 Regular Assessment: collection rate as of September 30 is 98.1%. This 0.1% better than the comparable rate a year ago, and 0.3% better than the same-date average for 2017 thru 2021. There are still 13 residents (one less than last month) who have not made any payments at all toward their 2022 assessment, and if you are among them we would urge you to contact the office to set up a payment plan – yes, you can still do that! And, speaking of payment plans, of the 48 which have so far been set up for 2022 assessments, 36 have now been paid in full, and most of the others are paying on schedule and are in good standing. Five have fallen behind, and we would urge

those residents to resume payments right away to avoid incurring additional charges. In the past month, the Finance Committee has mailed reminder letters to those who have not begun steps to pay their 2022 assessments or have fallen behind on their pay plans. In addition, we have initiated the filing of liens against several residences for which assessments are two full years behind – a step we are always reluctant to take but is required to safeguard the interests of Deerfield. (In case you're wondering, the initial process of filing a lien costs nearly \$250 and will be charged back to the residents in question. Don't let this happen to you!)

2021 Special Assessment: As of September 30, 98.7% of the \$85 assessment per residence has been collected. This assessment was due on December 1 of last year, so if you haven't yet made payment please do as soon as possible. Checks should be mailed to the Deerfield office or dropped off there. If you haven't received your Special Assessment invoice or simply can't find it, please check with the office and we will provide a duplicate.

Recreation Committee

EVENT CALENDAR On the DV website www.deerfieldvillageonline.com click on any red number on the calendar and it will show you details of the event, and info on the next 6 upcoming events. The 2023 budget has been developed and approved by the DV Board. We plan to have 32 events next year.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES Most groups and clubs are meeting again in person. Please continue to be mindful and considerate for the safety and health of your fellow DV residents as we reopen the facilities and resume all of our events. The Pancake Breakfast, Music on the Green, Garage Sale, Paper Shredding/Electronics Recycling, and Halloween Trunk or Treat were all fun and successful events. Those who attended or participated enjoyed and gave it a thumbs up! The monthly Food Drive was held the week of November 14-19, and Coffee and Donuts has resumed at 9-10 am each Friday. DV Day Trippers are back on the road, and upcoming trips are planned for Nov.16 and Dec. 14. See details in this newsletter. Clubs that meet monthly (some weekly) are Yoga, Sewing Bees, Mahjong, , Malties, Poker, Bunco, Ladies night and Mexican Train Dominos.

FAMILY CAMPOUT Saturday November 5. Come to camp out or just to enjoy the campfire and toast your hot dogs or marshmallows for smores. Cobbler and ice cream supplied by the Boy Scouts. Set up around 5pm after all the traffic has cleared from the Craft Bazaar tear down.

FOOD DRIVE This month the Food Drive will be held the week of November 14-19.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL Friday December 9 -Tickets are \$15/person at the office.

The Recreation Committee meets the first Friday of each month at 10 am. Our next meeting is Nov. 4th. We are always looking for new ideas for events and are in need of new members to help with the events we already have scheduled.

Swim Pool Committee

The Swim At Your Own Risk (S.A.Y.O.R.) program, where residents can swim during non-life guarded hours from 6am to 9pm, is still available until November 1st or at least up until the water temperature hits 72 degrees. Please note that there are certain SAYOR pool rules and signing of a waiver required each year for this program. For more information to enroll in the program call or email the Deerfield office. Though it's the off season, the Swimming Pool Committee still works to keep our pool sparkling and deck area looking good. We have ordered a replacement pump for the pool and are looking into how we can better ventilate our bathrooms. We are considering some off-season painting, as well. In January we anticipate installing our new, customized diving board. Our old one has served us well, allowing for many cannonballs and belly flops, but the base is rusted and the board is past its prime. Out with the old and in with the new! Also in January, we look forward to the polar bear swim. The SPC is a good group of committed residents. We always appreciate any help anyone is willing to give, as maintaining the pool is a year-round commitment. If you're interested, we meet the second Tuesday of the month at the Rec. Center. Due to the Elections, our next meeting is Wednesday, November 9th at 7pm in the Clubhouse.

Landscape Committee

Landscape is finishing out the year with planting fall color around the clubhouse and the main entrances. One more round of tree trimming and sidewalk repairs are in store November and December.

The leaves will be falling soon and remember it is the homeowners responsibility to clean up and dispose of leaves on their lawns responsibility. Nothing should go into the storm sewers except rain water.

We had a tough year with lawn maintenance what with the drought and disturbances on the pipeline easement area. But we finished out the season in pretty good shape and are looking forward to a smoother performance next year.

The Landscape Committee meets the second Monday of every month at 7:00 PM in the small conference room across from the office. The exception is there is no meeting in December. Help keep our neighborhood beautiful and join our committee. Our next two meetings will be on Monday, and November 14th and then we meet again in the new year January 9th. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Architectural Guidelines Committee

The AGC (Architectural Guidelines Committee) was established by the Board as a special committee to create Guidelines for Deeds and Homeowners to use and reference when considering or submitting an AA (Architectural Application). This would ensure that decisions made my Deeds would be consistent and fair over time, as volunteers come and go. These guidelines would also serve as a reference for any homeowner, as to what is approved or not approved. These guidelines would be supported by the existing PC's (Protective Covenants), current state laws (Texas Property Code), and Policies and Guidelines approved by the Board. This group meets twice a month, please reference the calendar in the newsletter to see dates/times. Last month we got close to the end of the draft document. Once the draft is completely reviewed, it will go to legal to verify compliance with state laws and our governing documents. Once that edit is completed, it will be presented to Deeds and Homeowners for final review. I have been asked to host a Town Hall to cover the document, which will be eventually presented to the Board for approval in 2023. More information to come.

2023 Assessments

The 2023 DVCA Assessment will be mailed in early November. Make sure your Deerfield Village address appears on the check. Send payments to:

Consolidated Management Services - DVCA
128 Vision Park Blvd., Suite 110
Shenandoah, TX 77384

If you pay your 2023 Assessment by online banking, please check the mailing address to avoid any delay of receipt of the check.

Security Stats September 2022

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| Alarm | 1 |
| Animal | 1 |
| Assistance | 6 |
| Burglary of Habitation | 0 |
| Burglary of Motor Vehicle | 0 |
| Calls to Hotline | 0 |
| Damage/Defacing of Property | 0 |
| Dispute | 1 |
| Disturbance/Noise | 2 |
| EMS / FD / PD | 0 |
| Information | 4 |
| Solicitors | 3 |
| Suspicious Activity | 0 |
| Suspicious Person(s) | 7 |
| Suspicious Vehicle(s) | 11 |
| Theft | 1 |
| Vacation Watches | 25 |
| Vehicle Collision | 0 |

Security Committee

Holiday Safety Checklist

The holidays are upon us and along with the festivities we need to remember to be alert for criminal activity and overall personal safety

1. When out shopping **always** be alert. **Before leaving a store, always have your keys in your hand.** Keep your cell phone close by, using only if and when necessary. **Remember**, if you are distracted by talking or texting on your phone, it is an open invitation to criminals.
2. If you see something that makes you uncomfortable when walking to your vehicle, go back to the store and request an employee or security guard to watch or walk you to your vehicle.
3. Do not leave packages or other valuables in plain view inside your vehicle as this is an invitation for criminals.
4. When shopping, watch your purse and bags, thieves watch for any opportunity to catch you unaware. **Do not leave your child, purse or other purchases in your basket and walk away to look at something further down the aisle.**
5. When at home, lock your doors and use your alarm systems. Keep your garage door closed.
6. If you are traveling, put your home on Vacation Watch with SEAL. Put a vacation hold on your mail and newspaper or have a neighbor collect them for you. If possible, set up timers to go on and off at various times so that it appears that someone is home.
7. During extremely cold weather, remember the 3 P's: Pets, Plants, and Pipes. Bring pets inside or provide a warm safe place for them to go, cover tender vegetation, and wrap pipes if needed. These precautions can save a lot of heartache and money!
8. Call and report any suspicious activity, persons, or vehicles you see right away! And in an emergency, Call 9-1-1!

The next security committee meeting is on Tuesday, November 1st at 7pm at the DVCA clubhouse.

*From the Security Committee and
everyone at the DVCA
Have a Safe Holiday Season!*

**OFFICE CLOSED FOR
THANKSGIVING
NOVEMBER 24TH & 25TH**

MUD 136 Report

By Eric Worthington, Assistant Secretary

Harris County Municipal Utility District 136 Board of Director's monthly meeting was held, in person, on Thursday October 13, 2022, in the DVCA Recreation Center.

The Board reviewed water and sanitary sewer operations from the previous month with presentations from our consultants, continued our discussions pertaining to the long-term Assessment Management and Replacement Plan being prepared by our District's Engineer, trash and recycling services, in addition to other agenda items pertinent to our District.

The Board held the 2022 Tax Hearing. The tax rate was reduced per state law, and the effective tax increased. Unfortunately, the MUD is not immune to the general impacts of inflation and supply chain issues. Over the past year the district has experienced cost increases across all of our contractors. The increase in revenue should cover the increased cost of business over the next year. We strive to remain fiscally conservative when and where possible. Several members of the public were in attendance to ask questions and we hope we were able to answer them all. For our local area, we maintain the lowest tax rate at \$0.155/\$100 valuation. The next lowest is JRPUD at \$0.265/\$100.

Repairs to the surface streets around Bradstone Dr and Radworthy have been completed and through traffic access has been restored. The District is pursuing AT&T for the full cost of repairs and remediation.

With drought conditions expanding over much of Texas, the Houston area has moved into the "moderate" to "severe" designation. MUD 136 is following the lead of WHCROWA for our drought status, at this time we remain in "Stage I" conditions.

This year the shredding/paper recycling event will be on Saturday, October 22nd. It's estimated 5,500lbs of paper was collected and diverted from local landfills. This will be turned into soft paper products. The DVCA Men's Group ran the e-cycling and hauled off a full box truck, keeping these toxic elements out of our local landfill. All together a successful day. Thank you to all who participated.

As a reminder residents can sign up to be included in the MUD's text alert system by texting "hcmud136" (without quotation marks) to 74121, creating an account using an email address at <https://mobile-text-alerts.com/hcmud136>. Registered residents will receive alerts about interruptions to water, sewer, trash service or other pertinent information.

Our next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 10th, at 6 P.M. We will continue in-person meetings based on the State of Texas open meeting rules. At this time, our meeting will take place in the Deerfield Village Recreation Center Clubhouse although we suggest that you visit our District website at WWW.HCMUD136.ORG for confirmation of the location. The public is always welcome to attend.

Men's Group

SERVICE PROJECTS:

This past month TMG held another successful Food Drive to benefit our local food pantry, Mesa Outreach and we completed some misc. carpentry and electrical jobs including a repair of the ice machine. In addition, TMG has completed stenciling the street names on the streets along the greenbelt. Lots of positive comments from residents about the new snazzy two-tone design. We replaced all the railings and balusters on the annex landing and then painted.. We continue to dig channels to let the water runoff from the sidewalks along the new water pipeline R.O.W. TMG rebuilt the enclosure that houses the controls for the greenbelt lights at the north end. In support of the removal of the huge tree at the playground TMG removed the metal benches and picnic table, then afterwards reassembled them and made repairs. We supplied manpower for the paper shredding and held a very successful electronics recycle event. Other projects include power washing and repainting the Clay Rd. entrance sign, rebuilding the enclosure for the lights at the south end, and making repairs to the greenbelt exercise equipment.

COMMUNITY SERVICE TMG members volunteer with Meals on Wheels, at the Special Pals animal shelter, at hospitals, including the VA, and at food pantries including Mesa Outreach and the Houston Food Bank. Several members mentor at schools, help with the Boy Scouts, and work with St. Vincent de Paul to aid the needy Words that guide us, "You can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone."

RECYCLING PLASTIC /FILMBAGS for TREX The manufacturer of our new perimeter fence has a program to recycle plastic films that our regular recycler won't take, i.e. grocery bags, bread bags, newspaper sleeves, etc. A collection bin is located in the gated area by the ice machine at the Rec Center. TREX does this because their material is a composite of wood and recycled plastic. We are sorting clean grocery bags and donating them to Katy Christian Ministries for their food distribution program.

XMAS STOCKINGS Once again this year TMG will be filling 60 stockings that will be distributed to our needy Meals on Wheels clients. Your donations at the Pancake Breakfasts fund this activity. A big thank you to the Texas Sewing Ladies for providing the stockings.

FOOD DRIVE This month the Food Drive will be held November 14-19. Please drop off your non-perishable donations in the box outside the office. We are in greater need of donations during the holiday season.

The Men's Group (TMG) 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. In the coming months we are looking forward to eating out a few times and taking a couple of "road trips." We usually have a monthly Astros watch party. If this sounds like fun, then come and join us.

Our Motto is simple:

"DO WHAT YOU CAN, WHEN YOU CAN"



Tennis Committee

The Tennis committee is pleased to see many residents enjoying the tennis courts. As the weather will cool down in November, we hope to still see some activity. All residents are reminded to **legibly** sign up for court time with a FIRST and LAST NAME on the Sign in sheets located on the office window at the Recreation center. The player themselves must sign up for the court. No more than 3 guests per resident and household when playing. All players are reminded to be respectful and considerate of other players during and after play on the courts. Once again, we remind everyone that profanity, loud noises, radios, music and/or unsportsmanlike behavior is not allowed on the courts. Please ensure the tennis court gates are closed properly and locked after playing. Both court gates and locks are in proper working order. Please remove any trash from courts immediately after playing.

The next Tennis Committee meeting will be at 7pm on Wednesday November 2, 2022.

Pickle Ball

Pickle Ball play is staying strong and so much FUN! You can reserve the Court #4 on the signup sheets posted just outside the DFV office. Please use your access card for entry card to the tennis courts. Please treat the portable nets with care and remember to dispose of your trash when done. You can text Mario Zamora at 832-618-5835 for more information or if you are new to the sport and would like some information getting started. We can provide extra paddles and balls if requested. Come out and join us!



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!
- 🐾 Please make sure your fence is secure so your pets don't escape.
- 🐾 PLEASE remember your pets, DON'T leave them in your hot car!

Sec. 6-4. Running at large of domestic animals or fowl prohibited.

(a) The running at large of domestic animals or domestic fowl is hereby declared to be a nuisance. It is unlawful for an owner to permit any animal or fowl to run at large.

(b) It shall be a defense to prosecution under subsection (a) above that the animal was:

(1) A dog in an off-leash site established under section 32-11 of this Code; or

(2) A feral cat that is a part of a trap, neuter, and return program.

(Ord. No. 2022-44 , § 2(Exh. A), 1-19-2022)

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NEWS FROM THE DEERFIELD WOMEN'S DAY-TRIPPERS

Ladies, plan to be charmed Wednesday, November 16, when the Deerfield Women's Day-Trippers visit historic Bellville.



Our first stop will be the Austin County Jail Museum, where a private docent-led tour will last about 45 minutes. Please note that half of the tour will be on the second floor and the building does not have an elevator. If you wish to stay downstairs, be advised that seating is limited. The tour is free; however, donations are greatly appreciated because the docents are volunteers.

Next, we'll savor lunch at Newman's Bakery. This award-winning eatery serves a **huge assortment of delicious made-fresh-daily pastries, including donuts, quiche, cinnamon buns, croissants, and pigs in a blanket. Hot lunch items feature daily soup specials.** Checks will be separate, and every person is responsible for her own meal.

Our third stop will be the delightful Square in Bellville, recognized for its quaint boutiques and antique stores.

The Bellville Meat Market, known for its smoked meats, will be our final stop. You might want to pack a small insulated bag or small ice chest to store your "goodies" on the way home.

The bus will depart from the Deerfield Village Rec Center at 9:00 a.m. and return between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: As of this printing, space for these trips is limited to 25 and advance reservations are required. Kindly RSVP no later than Monday, November 7, to Leslie Denney at 281-705-0237. Those who register will be notified if plans change.

ADVANCE NOTICE! MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14! NEXT MONTH'S DEERFIELD WOMEN'S DAY TRIPPERS OUTING WILL BE A CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PARTY AT THE REC CENTER. DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS.






Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings...

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

| Committee | Meeting Dates* | Time | Board Trustee | Committee Chair | Phone |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Community Services | 1st Monday | 7:00 PM | Gabe Lavine | Rick Johnson | 281-793-3570 |
| Deed Restrictions | 2nd Monday | 7:00 PM | Hak Dickenson | Janelle Meyer | |
| 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 | Tom Gerrity | |
| MUD #136 | 2nd Thursday | 6:00 PM | Eric Toureilles | | 281-855-0312 |
| Recreation Center Youth Events Subcommittee | 1st Friday 1st Tuesday | 10:00 AM 7:00 PM | Gerry Hilliard | Roger Wilson Rebecca Bivens | 281-381-9303 713-899-9837 |
| Security | 1st Tuesday | 7:00 PM | Brent Burris | Simone Spiller | |
| Swimming Pool | 2nd Tuesday | 7:00 PM | Bill Wilkinson | Carissa Lamkahouan | |
| Tennis | 1st Wednesday | 7:00 PM | David O'Brian | | |
| Architectural Guidelines | See schedule below | 4:30 PM | Eric Toureilles | Terry Gray | |

Deerfield Village November 2022

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|--|---|--|--|---|
| | | 1 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Security-CH 7pm YES-SM | 2 5:45pm Yoga-A 7pm Tennis-CH | 3 9am TMG-under A | 4  Deerfield Bazaar 10am-7pm 10am Recreation | 5  Deerfield Bazaar 9am-4pm Family Campout 5pm  |
| 6 Daylight Savings Time Ends  | 7 7pm Special Board Mtg 7pm Comm Svcs-A | 8  | 9 12pm Quilting-CH 4:30pm Deeds Guidelines Mtg-CH 5:45pm Yoga-A 7pm Swim Pool-CH | 10 9am TMG-under A 1pm Mexican Train Dominos-CH 6pm MUD 136-CH 7:30pm Poker-A | 11  VETERANS DAY 9am C&D-CH | 12 |
| 13 | 14 7pm Deeds-CH 7pm Landscape-SM FOOD DRIVE BEGINS | 15 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Finance-CH | 16 5:45pm Yoga-A | 17 9am TMG-under A 7pm Bunco-CH | 18 9am C&D-CH FOOD DRIVE ENDS | 19 |
| 20 | 21 CFISD FALL BREAK | 22 CFISD FALL BREAK 1pm Mahjong-CH | 23 CFISD FALL BREAK 9:30am Sewing-CH 10am DV Day Trippers 5:45pm Yoga-A | 24 OFFICE CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving!  | 25 OFFICE CLOSED Native American Heritage Day | 26 |
| 27 | 28 7pm Board Mtg-CH | 29 1pm Mahjong-CH | 30 4:30pm Deeds Guidelines Mtg-CH | | | LEGEND: A Annex CH Clubhouse SM Small Mtg Room C&D Coffee & Donuts |



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