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

#### DEERFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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The Office Hours are: Monday thru Friday: 9:30 – 1:30

ANY EMERGENCY, Police, Ambulance.......911 • S.E.A.L. Neighborhood Patrol......832-408-0200

### President's Report

Deerfield Residents,

Deerfield Boy Scout Troop 120 is still selling mulch, topsoil, and fertilizer for their **annual fundraiser** to attend Summer Camp or High Adventure. **Deadline** is **February 8**<sup>th</sup>, **2023.** The boys will be delivering to your house on the last weekend of February. Please be sure you have them set the mulch in an area not visible from the street, if you do not plan to spread it right away. Please visit the Troop 120 website if you do not hear from one of our Scouts, <u>www.bsatroop120.</u> com/mulch

Our Scouts are also participating in a food drive for the Mesa food bank, and will be picking up food donations from your front door on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, early morning.

The next big event is the Superbowl Party on February 12<sup>th</sup> @ the clubhouse, and it's \$5 per person to attend. Tickets should be purchased in advance to plan for food and can be purchased in the office. However, we will have a few extra tickets that you can purchase at the time of the event.

The 2023 DVCA Trustee Elections are March 21st - 25th, and voting times vary, see the <u>newsletter</u> or <u>website</u> for exact times. If you are interested in running for Trustee, fill out an application. Applications are available on our website or in this newsletter, and 3 spots are available. **Deadline is February 10th**, **2023.** The Pancake Breakfast with "<u>Meet the Candidates</u>" will be held on March 4th at 8am in the Clubhouse.

The <u>Annual Garage sale</u> will be held on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> this year, so please sign up early, if you would like to participate. Registration starts February 4<sup>th</sup>, and you can register online on our website (<u>recommended</u>) or turn in a printed registration with check to the Deerfield office during office hours or drop box after hours.

It is tradition that the first Music on the Green will be on the day of the garage sale, so come out and enjoy the music and company. The event starts at 6PM, so bring a chair, favorite beverage and arrive early. The band is called CC Rider.

We still need a couple more volunteers on our committees, including Deeds and Recreation Committee. If you have any interest in these areas, we need your participation, please contact the Deerfield office at 281 463-2624.

It's been reported to SEAL that we have a person walking around in the early morning hours and checking for open car doors. Don't give this person the satisfaction and lock your doors at night. Nobody has reported where someone has forcefully broken into a locked car or caused damage. These are quick wins or crimes of opportunity. If we work together, we can build a reputation that it is not profitable to do this in Deerfield.

Please be advised that the next HOA Board meeting will be on February 27<sup>th</sup> at the Clubhouse at 7PM. I will not be at this Board meeting, as I am taking some vacation time. Brent Burris will lead the February\*meeting.

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### <u> Important Information</u>

DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS	
DVCA Office	. 281-463-2624
Email <u>dvcan</u>	ngr@gmail.com
SEAL Neighborhood Patrol	. 832-408-0200
Deerfield Pet Hot Line	
GOVERNMENT	
County Clerk's Office 16715 Clay Rd	022 027 7220
Lusting of the Deeper 16715 Clay Rd	742 274 0000
Justice of the Peace 16715 Clay Rd	. 713-274-0000
Harris Cty. Sheriff's Non-Emergency	
Fire & EMS Non-Emergency	
State Highway Public Information	
Harris County Pct. 4 Commissioner's O	
Must have address to report	713-755-6444
Graffiti, Public Street Signs & Curb Rep	pair and Road
Damage (Except for Patio Homes)	
Bear Čreek Library	832-927-5590
	002 02. 0000
SCHOOLS	
Cy-Fair School District Admin	291 907 4000
Degay Wilson Flomentary (V. 5)	201-097-4000
Peggy Wilson Elementary (K-5)	. 201-403-5941
Watkins Middle School (6-8)	
Cypress Lakes HS	. 281-856-3800
UTILITY INFORMATION	
Report Gas Leaks (CenterPoint	i) 713-659-2111
0	r 888-876-5786
CenterPoint (Electricity & Gas)	800-752-8036
Street Light Outages/Repair	
Must have 6 digit # from pole & address	713-207-2222
0	
AT&T	
Comcast / Xfinity	000-934-0409
Trash & Recycling (Texas Pride)	
Water & Sewer Info (MUD 136)	. 281-367-5511
o	r 713-651-5151
Harris County Flood Control	
Illegal Dumping(Pollution Control)	713-920-2831
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OTHER NUMBERS	
Harris County Public Health & Environm	nental Services
(HCPHES) Includes:	
Public Nuisense Penert	712 274 6200

Public Nuisance Report713-274-6300
Harris County Pets (Animal Cruelty) 832-927-PAWS
Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation
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)
United Way Helpline (Resource for Essential
Community Services)

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 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.

### **Community Services**

Anybody else ready for the end of winter? As the weather warms up and spring rains visit, it is the perfect time to survey your property and eliminate breeding grounds for mosquitoes. The most common breeding grounds are standing water, which can pool at property low points, in yard debris, clogged gutters and drains, and water for animals and birds.

- 1. Standing Water While you may know that stagnant water is the best place for mosquitoes to breed, you may not be aware of just how little of this water they actually need to do so. Mosquitoes don't need a wheelbarrow full of water or whole pond to reproduce; they can lay their eggs in as little as a bottle cap of water! It can be very difficult to get rid of every single source of standing water around your yard, so it's important to know some of the most common sources you may not be already aware of, including trashcan lids, buckets, flower pots, grill covers, discarded cups, and tires. The easiest fix to these sources is to get rid of them. If you can't, drill holes in the bottoms so that water is able to drain when it rains and can't collect to make a perfect nest for mosquitoes.
- 2 Yard Debris To stay out of the wind, mosquitoes will often take refuge in debris that may be lying around your lawn. When bushes and grass go unchecked and overgrow, they become a perfect shelter from wind for mosquitoes. Grass clippings, raked leaves, piles of downed branches, and compost piles are all attractive hiding places for mosquitoes. If you've got yard debris around your home, do yourself a favor and get rid of it. Not only will it help minimize the number of mosquitoes in your yard, but your lawn will look even more beautiful than it already does.
- 3 Clogged Gutters and Drains A very common mistake many homeowners make is not to keep gutters and drains properly cleared. When leaves, pine needles and twigs are allowed to gather and clog drains, gutters, and drainage pipes, mosquitoes get an ideal home that's a combination of tips 1 and 2: standing water and a place to hide. With standing water trapped from debris in drains, mosquitoes are given everything they need to reproduce and invade your yard. One of the best ways to keep mosquitoes from your home is proper drain and gutter maintenance and cleaning.
- 4 Animal Bowls and Bird Baths When your pets get too hot, they need to cool off with a big bowl of water. However, you should never leave your pet's water bowl outside for extended periods of time. The undisturbed, fresh water will attract mosquitoes straight to your home. The same goes for bird baths-these provide a source of shallow, stagnant water for mosquitoes to lay their eggs. The birds may be pretty, but mosquito bites certainly aren't!

As we did last year, Deerfield has contracted for a pest control company to treat sewers with larvacides regularly so that inaccessible standing water in the storm drain pipes won't provide breeding grounds. Spraying will be done on an as-needed basis.

Our next meeting will be held on February 6th at 7pm in the clubhouse.

### **Deeds Committee**

Happy Valentine's Day! As we move into February, the Deeds Committee has a few reminders for all residents:

- 1. **DECORATIONS:** All outdoor Christmas decorations should have been removed from your home and land-scape by the end of January. Holiday décor of any kind needs to be removed within 30 days after the specific holiday.
- 2. **LANDSCAPE:** Please continue to assess and maintain your yard and flower beds by removing any dead shrubs, trees or tree branches, palm trees or other vegetation. Leaves and pine needles need to be removed from the lawn. Weeds in flower beds need to be removed.
- 3. **ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION:** Please submit an Architectural Approval (AA) to the office PRIOR to the start of any repair, improvement, or addition to the exterior of your home or property. This includes any dumpster, trailer or POD that is needed. Forms, found on the DVCA website, should be submitted well-in-advance (7-10 days) of the project so the committee has time to review and approve. The website is: https://deerfieldvillageonline.com/deeds/ or contact the office at 281-463-2624.
- 4. **NO CONTRACTOR SIGNS:** No contractor signs are allowed in your yard during any project per the Protective Convenants.
- 5. **FENCES:** Please submit an AA prior to the project for approval. When replacing or installing a new fence that faces the street or is seen from ANY common area, no fence railings should be visible. The smooth, flat side of the fence must face out towards the street or common area. If you wish to stain or paint your fence, submit an AA with a sample color for approval.
- TRASH CANS and RECYCLING BINS: Trash cans and recycling bins (including plastic trash bags with grass clippings) should be placed curbside the EVENING BEFORE pick up and removed from view the same day after pick up.
- 7. **BOATS, TRAILERS, ETC.**: No boats, trailers, campers or RV's may be parked on a homeowner's property more than 72 hours.

If you have an old, torn and/or faded American flag that needs to be properly retired, please contact the DVCA office. Our neighborhood Boy Scout Troop will be contacted to responsibly handle the task.

Deeds meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. The next meeting with be held on February 13, 2023.

#### 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!

# Financial Services Committee

Meetings are generally on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM to review the financial status of our community. The next scheduled meeting is planned for **February 21, 2023.** 

Financial status: <u>final report</u> for the year ended Dec. 31,2022.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY:	This		Year to		
DECEMBER 2022		Month	Date		
Income: Better/(Worse) than Budget	\$	(1,216)	\$	3,833	
Operating Expenses:					
Actual		62,635		784,51	
Budget		54,811		787,100	
Better/(Worse) than Budget		(7,824)		2,589	
Net Operating Income:					
Better/(Worse) than Book Budget	\$	(9,040)	\$	6,422	
Less budget timing differences (see Comments)		-0-		-0-	
Net Operating Income:					
Better/(Worse) than Budget					
after adjusting for timing differences	\$	(9,040)	\$	6,422	
Annual Operating Expense Total Budget			Ś	787,100	

Tree Maintenance	\$	14,650	
Annual Financial Compilation (aka "audit")		2,500	
Reduction of Loan Principal		3,541	
Total	\$	20,691	-
Spent from Reserves this month:	Ś	1 250	-
Laptop computer for office	\$	1,250	_
•	\$	1,250 5,385	<b>-</b> -
Laptop computer for office	\$ <b>\$</b>		- - -
Laptop computer for office Repair of Diving Board		5,385	- - -

**Comments:** Since this is the end of the year, there are no adjustments for budget timing: what's on the books is the result for the year, period. As you can see from the above, despite a somewhat harrowing December we still finished the year \$6,422 favorable to budget. This can only happen with careful, conscientious management of our funds by the Board and all the Committee Chairs, proving once again that Deerfield's system of voluntary self-management works -- and works well. Here's a round of applause to all concerned! Collections: 2022 Regular Assessment: collection rate as of December 31 is 98.8%. This is slightly better than the comparable rate a year ago, and 0.4% better than the same-date average for 2017 thru 2021. There are still nine residents 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. And, speaking of payment plans, of the 48 which were set up for 2022 assessments, 40 have

now been paid in full. Of the remaining eight active accounts, seven have fallen behind and we would urge those residents to resume payments right away to avoid incurring additional charges and to avoid still owing for old assessments when the 2023 assessments become due

2021 Special Assessment: As of December 31, 99.1% of the \$85 assessment per residence has been collected. This assessment was due on December 1, 2021. If you have not yet paid it, you will find that this amount will have been added to the total invoice you receive for the 2023 assessment (see below).

2023 Assessments: by the time you read this, the assessment invoices for 2023 have been mailed and you should have received yours. The Board has set the basic amounts as

- \$985.00 for patio homes
- \$905.00 for standard homes

If you have not received your invoice or misplaced it, please contact Cheryl Beisert at Consolidated Management Services, 281-296-9775, to request a duplicate.

The above charges <u>include</u> the annual expense of the perimeter fence. The \$85 special assessment levied in 2021 was a one-time charge to help fund the construction of the fence. Several people have mistakenly paid an additional \$85 in 2022 as well as 2021, and if you are one of them the \$85 has either been refunded to you or it will be applied to your 2023 assessment invoice as a credit, reducing the amount due this year.

Please be aware that any other amounts you owe, for example assessments, penalties, and/or interest from prior years, will be included in the total 2023 invoice amount due, just as any credits you have will be subtracted. This means that, while the great majority of invoices will be for one of the two basic rates listed above, yours may not be. You may contact the office if you have questions about how your invoice total was determined.

### **Tennis Committee**

The Tennis committee is pleased to see many residents enjoying the tennis courts. 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 themself 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.

### **Security Committee**

The Security Committee hopes everyone had a great holiday season and is warming up from the deep freeze. December was a quiet month; however, so far this January we have had several incidents of break-ins of vehicles. Residents have been reporting suspicious vehicles and persons more than last month, which is a good thing. Please be vigilant and notify SEAL of any incidents that you witness.

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 and not leave any valuables or keys in plain sight (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 February 7th at 7 pm. Please come join us. We welcome your participation.

# **Security Stats December 2022**

Alarm	2
Animal	0
Assistance	2
<b>Burglary of Habitation</b>	0
<b>Burglary of Motor Vehicle</b>	0
Calls to Hotline	0
<b>Damage/Defacing of Property</b>	0
Dispute	3
Disturbance/Noise	2
EMS / FD / PD	2
Information	4
Solicitors	2
<b>Suspicious Activity</b>	1
Suspicious Person(s)	6
Suspicious Vehicle(s)	9
Theft	1
<b>Vacation Watches</b>	20
<b>Vehicle Collision</b>	1

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#### Swim Pool Committee

Howdy Deerfielders! We've turned the corner into 2023 and the Swimming Pool Committee is looking ahead to the summer season. Though we still have a ways to go before Swim At Your Own Risk and the Deerfield Dolphin Swim Team hit the water, there's still plenty for us to do in preparation.

Spring projects include sanding and retexturing the pool bathroom floors. We also are teaming up with the Landscape Committee to clear out the dead shrubs at the back of the pool. Part of our summer prep also includes a walk through by A-Beautiful Pools and the committee members. We use this time to make any needed repairs or to replace pool furniture. We also power wash the pool deck. We want our pool clean, sparkling and inviting when swimming picks up again!

We are looking forward to next summer, pool ID cards are required to use the DVCA pool. Any resident can contact the HOA office for information on acquiring a pool ID.

The SPC is a good group of committed residents. Our meetings are short, to the point and we keep it fun and casual. 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. Our next meeting will be on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the clubhouse.

# 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 are supported by the existing PC's (Protective Covenants), current state laws (Texas Property Code), and Policies and Guidelines approved by the Board.

We are completing review of the existing document and addressing any omissions. 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. A Town Hall will be set up to cover the document, which will be eventually presented to the Board for approval in 2023.

This group meets twice a month. We met on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of January and our next meeting is scheduled on February 8, 2023, at 4:30pm in the Clubhouse.

#### **Recreation Committee**

Our EVENT CALENDAR is 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, submitted, and approved. 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. Those who attended the January pancake breakfast enjoyed some great food and conversation.. The monthly Food Drive was held the week of January 9-14, and Coffee and Donuts is every Friday from 9-10am. The DV Day Trippers upcoming holiday themed dinner is planned for February 22. See details in this newsletter.

MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE – Mon - Sat. - February 13-18<sup>th</sup>. Drop off your non-perishable donations in the box outside the office. No glass containers or items past their expiration date.

<u>SUPERBOWL PARTY</u>- Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> 5-9 pm. \$5/ person. BYOB Food provided.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST – Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> 8:30-10 am – It's FREE! Donations accepted. Come and meet your neighbors and the candidates for the DV Trustee election which will be held on March 21 - 25. Proceeds go towards the Men's Group charity projects.

<u>SPRING GARAGE SALE</u>- Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 7 am - 2 pm. Cost is \$15. Sign up online on the DV website or at the office.

The Recreation Committee meets at 10AM on the first Friday of the month. The next meeting is Friday Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are always looking for new ideas and new members.

### Landscape Committee

The Landscape Committee officer lineup for 2023 has changed just this year. Martha Gonzalez has resigned from the committee after many years of service and leadership in the effort to keep Deerfield Village an attractive and safe community in which to live We wish Martha a heartfelt thank you and we welcome Debra Fredette who has agreed to step into the role of secretary.

The Committees work involves overseeing the general grounds maintenance, including such things as negotiating the lawn mowing and seasonal planting contracts, sprinkler repair, tree trimming, sidewalk repair and playground maintenance. So if you're thinking of becoming more active in your community please join us on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the small meeting room across from the office.

Our next two meetings are: February 13<sup>th</sup> and March 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **MUD 136 Report**

By Eric Worthington, Vice President

Harris County Municipal Utility District 136 Board of Director's monthly meeting was held, in person, on Thursday January 12th in the DVCA Recreation Center.

We HIGHLY encourage everyone to 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. This is our most direct way to reach everyone quickly in the event for news updates.

In December Neil Polansky called for an election of officers, after 20+ years as President, he has stepped down but remains on the board. Brent Phelps: President, Eric Worthington: Vice President, Barry Greer: Second Vice President, Adam Rodriguez: Secretary, Neil Polansky: Assistant Secretary. We all gratefully thank Neil for his many decades of service to our district.

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 which we are monitoring with Texas Pride, in addition to other agenda items pertinent to our District.

Our next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for February, Thursday 9th, at 6 P.M. We will continue inperson 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.

January 2023 entailed finishing tree work and sidewalk repairs started at the end of last year. The next items on the agenda include mulch for the playground, sprinkler

system checkout and planting of Spring annuals.

The December freeze took out a lot of foliage and left us all with a lot of cleanup to do. Hopefully, most things will grow back come Spring. If we do see another freeze don't forget about winterizing your sprinkler back flow preventer. Shut the flow valves, open the bleeder valves and wrap the whole thing up. It could save you a bunch of money and aggravation come Spring.



### 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. TMG rebuilt the enclosure that houses the controls for the greenbelt lights at the south end and replaced and relocated the sensors that control the lights at all locations, so they don't stay on in the daytime. In addition, we did some touch up painting and are installing a new light system to illuminate the flag at the flagpole. Other projects include power washing and repainting the entrance signs, at Clay Rd. and into the Patio Homes. This year we will be tackling several big jobs. One is repairing or replacing rusted parts on the greenbelt exercise equipment. Another is painting the bathrooms in the pool area. Lastly, we will spread another truckload of mulch onto the playground.

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."

POOP BAGS "Bono", our greenbelt mascot dog, says "U-2 can help fill the poop bag dispensers along the greenbelt." Just bring some from home or pick up some from the large container by the ice machine at the Rec Center. It's that easy. Thanks for helping.

SAVING THE PLANET Late last year we held an E-cycle event in conjunction with the paper shredding. You contributed almost 2 TONS of electronic material that was recycled and kept out of landfills.

FOOD DRIVE This month the Food Drive will be held February 13-18. Please drop off your non-perishable donations in the box outside the office. No glass containers or items past their expiration date.

SUPERBOWL PARTY Sun. Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> 5-9 pm. \$5/ person BYOB. Finger Food will be provided.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sat. March 4<sup>th</sup> 8:30-10 am. FREE Donations accepted. Come and " meet the candidates" for the Deerfield Village Trustee election later in the month.

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"



#### Deerfield Village Spring Garage Sale Saturday, April 1, 2023 7:00 AM – 2:00 PM Location: Each resident's house

#### Rules and Regulations:

You must register to participate.

You must be a Homeowner or Tenant residing in Deerfield Village to participate. Your Homeowners Assessment Fees must be current.

Garage Sale must be confined to participant's property. Do not use the cul-de-sac or street as cars need to have access to them.

There is **no** rain date. Garage sale will be held on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

If paying online using PayPal, email the signed Deerfield registration form to the office at <a href="dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com">dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com</a>.

Forms and payment may also be dropped off at the office during regular office hours or you may put completed forms and registration fee in the metal drop box next to the office door.

Early Registration: February 6 – March 30 \$ 15.00 Late Registration: March 31 – April 1 \$ 25.00

I, have read, understood and will abide by the above rules and regulations for the April 1, 2023 Deerfield Village Garage Sale.
Address:
Phone #:
Email address:
For Office Use Only:
CMS Participant # Added to Spreadsheet
Payment: Amount \$ Cash Check No. PayPal

#### **APPLICATION FOR TRUSTEE- 2023**

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:	
	EMAIL:
EXPERIENCE:	
COMMUNITY SERVICE:	
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Signature	Date

#### **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 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.
- Please make sure your fence is secure so so your pets don't escape.
- PLEASE remember your pets, DON'T leave them in your hot car!
- PLEASE be a responsible pet owner, both cat and dog, and pick up their poop, thank you.

#### **Trustee Election Notice:**

#### Posting of Applications

Applications received for the Trustee Election will be included in the next Newsletter and will be available on the DVCA website at <a href="https://www.deerfieldvillageonline.com">www.deerfieldvillageonline.com</a>. The Election Committee will also invite Candidates to provide a short introductory video and provide answers to questions of general interest; the videos and Candidates' answers will also be posted on the website.

#### **Election Dates**

Voting will occur Tuesday thru Friday, March 22<sup>rd</sup> thru March 25th, from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM (regular office hours), Thursday evening, March 25<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

#### **Annual Meeting of the Members**

April 11th at 7:00 PM to announce the election results.

#### **Annual Board Meeting**

 $\mathbf{April}\ 11^{\text{th}}$  immediately after the Annual Meeting of the Members, to seat new Trustees.

#### Position of Trustees

Only one resident in the same family may concurrently serve on the Board. The position of Trustee is for a period of three (3) years. Trustees are responsible for the direction and management of the affairs and assets of the Association. In addition to attending monthly Board Meetings, each Trustee attends meetings of at least one Standing Committee as a non-voting representative to provide counsel regarding the Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, as well as other matters. Therefore, Trustees need to be familiar with these documents and a complete set will be given to those submitting applications.

#### 2023 Election Committee

Bill Wilkinson – Chair Kristine Spiller – Vice Chair Eric Toureilles – Member

Deborah Plattsmier – Observer (no committee vote) Catherine Guiberteau – Administrator (no committee vote)

### NEWS FROM THE DEERFIELD WOMEN'S DAY-TRIPPERS

Spring has finally sprung and a lovely Ladies, prepare for an enlightening excursion **Wednesday**, **February 22**, when the Deerfield Women's Day-Trippers explore the **Port of Houston Ship Channel**.



An essential economic engine for the Houston region, the Lone Star State, and the U.S., the Houston Ship Channel complex and its 200-plus public and private facilities comprise the nation's largest port for waterborne tonnage.

Embarking from Port Houston's Sam Houston Landing, we will board the 95-foot M/V Sam Houston. Passing views of international cargo vessels and operations at the port's Turning Basin Terminal will be ours to enjoy during the leisurely 90-minute tour.

Our lunch destination will be the nearby **Monument Inn Restaurant**, renowned for its fresh seafood and "world famous" homemade cinnamon rolls. Checks will be separate, and every person is responsible for her own meal.

PLEASE NOTE: As of this printing, space for these trips is limited to 25 and advance reservations are required.

The bus will depart from the Deerfield Village Rec Center at 8:00 a.m. and return around 4:00 p.m.



**HAPPY PRESIDENTS' DAY** 

# Date and Time of Committee and Board Meetings... \* Please read the Committee Reports for Monthly changes in the schedule.

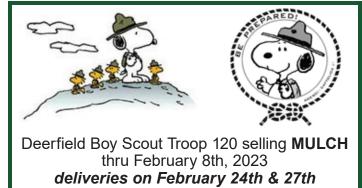
Committee	committee Meeting Dates* Time Board Trustee Committee Chair		Phone		
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Community Services	1st Monday	7:00 PM	Gabe Lavine	Rick Johnson	
Deed Restrictions	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	Hak Dickenson	Janelle Meyer	
DVCA Board	4th Monday	7:00 PM	Eric Toureilles		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	1 st Friday 1 st Tuesday	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	Gerry Hilliard	Roger Wilson Rebecca Bivens	281-381-9303 713-899-9837
Security	1 st Tuesday	7:00 PM	Brent Burris	Simon 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 February 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LEGEND: A Annex CH Clubhouse SM Small Mtg Room C&D Coffee & Donuts			1 5:45pm Yoga-A	9am TMG-under A	9am C&D 10am Recreation	4
5	7pm Community Svcs-CH	7 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Security-CH 7pm YES-SM	12pm Quilting-C/H 5:45pm Yoga-A 4:30pm Deeds Guidelines-CH	9 9am TMG-under A 6pm MUD 136-CH 1pm Mexican Train Dominoes-CH 7:30pm Texas Hold 'em Poker-A	9am C&D-CH	11
12 5:00pm SUPER BOWL SUNDAY PARTY-CH	7pm Deeds-CH 7pm Landscape-SM FOOD DRIVE BEGINS	14 Valentine's Day  1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Swim Pool-CH	6pm DVCA Election Comm-CH 7pm Malties-CH	9am TMG-under A 7pm Bunco-CH	9am C&D-CH	18  FOOD DRIVE ENDS
19	President's Day (OFFICE CLOSED)	21 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Finance-CH	22 8am DV Day Trippers 9am Sewing Bees-CH 5:45pm Yoga-A 4:30pm Deeds Guidelines-CH	9am TMG-under A 4pm Ladies Happy Hour-CH	9am C&D-CH	25
26	7pm Board Mtg-CH	28 1pm Mahjong-CH	10			



The Deerfield office will be closed Monday, February 20th in obsevance of Presidents' Day



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### GREENER DEERFIELD VILLAGE MARKET REPORT

AUGUST 2022

TOTAL ACTIVE LISTINGS\*

6

TOTAL SOLD LISTINGS

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