



# DEERFIELD VILLAGE *News*

April 2023

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

## DEERFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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## President's Report

The Annual Meeting of the Members, followed by a Meeting of the Board, is on Tuesday April 11<sup>th</sup> starting at 7PM in the Clubhouse and online. The newly elected Trustees will be announced, and we will cover financials and other topics of interest. Immediately after the Annual Meeting of the Members is the Annual Board Meeting, at which the Board will seat our new Trustees, elect officers, and conduct our annual training. I hope you can attend.

Important Swim Pool rule change this year. Persons under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult, based on new Texas State Code, section 25 TAC 265.201(j)(5). Since our pool has been open, we have always allowed children above 10 years old and that have a pool card approved by the parent(s) be allowed to enter and swim in the pool area during lifeguarded swimming. This is a big change, and we will undoubtedly have to turn away someone that is under 14 and the parent was not aware. We are communicating this early and will post signs at the pool to alert the community in advance. The state has a provision for an entity like Deerfield to apply for a variance to this rule in certain circumstances, in which we were told by Harris County Public Health (HCPH) that they are not approving any variance to this provision at this time. Reaching out to Fort Bend County out of curiosity, their stance was the same, 14 or above to be in the pool, no exceptions. I know this will be disappointing for some, especially for those that are 13 years old. **Please go to the Swim Pool Committee article for more detail information.** Also, this year's pool schedule is available on our website.

The Mens group has done a phenomenal job helping with sidewalk drainage at the Pipeline Easement, including identifying and fixing some sink holes. Some of the issues are due to the fact the area still has bald spots of no grass. I have asked the County to respray grass seeds in that area during the month of April. Hopefully we will have good weather conditions that will improve the growth of these areas, and mud will not flow into the sidewalks.

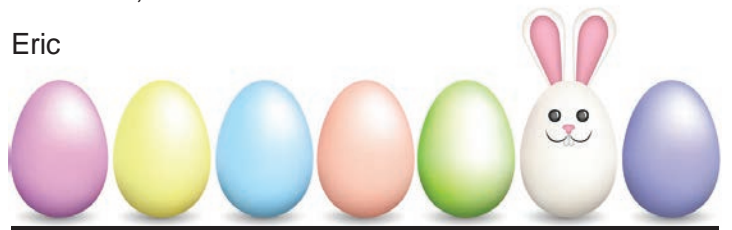
The Board have been discussing the current Flag policy, as enforcement has not been consistent, and rules may be too rigid. For example, US Flag code has detail requirements on how the flag is lowered at sunset and raised on sunrise, or must have lighting if flown at night, flying at half-staff, or not flying in incremental weather, etc... This is unreasonable for the HOA to monitor this activity and should be reevaluated. Should we allow other state flags to be flown, or even another foreign flag, such as the Ukraine flag? We certainly don't want to have a house flying 5-10 flags in a yard, or flags that contain language or graphics that are offensive, so that should be prohibited. If you are interested in this topic, it will be discussed at the April 24<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. The goal is to have a fair policy that is enforced uniformly.

Don't forget April 18<sup>th</sup> is Tax Day this year, for those waiting until the last minute.

Please be advised that the next HOA Board meeting will be on April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Clubhouse at 7PM.

Take care,

Eric



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# Important Information

## DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS

DVCA Office ..... 281-463-2624  
Email..... [dvcamgr@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com). Visit our website, [www.deerfieldvillageonline.com](http://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](http://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.

# Swim Pool Committee

In March, we made improvements to the bathrooms. Pool bathrooms were power washed, and floors repainted to spruce them up. They look great and ready for the summer. In April, the pool furniture will get cleaned and some pool areas will get some landscaping changes.

As every year, just a reminder that A-Beautiful Pools management is hiring lifeguards for the summer. See newsletter for their flyer information.

A great place to find new friends is on the Deerfield Dolphin's Swim Team. The season starts with swim practices in April and registration is already underway. All residents must be current with HOA dues to participate with swim team. To register for the Deerfield swim team – see website: <https://deerfielddolphins.swimtopia.com/>

Summer is getting closer, and our pool will OPEN in May during the weekends! The pool will be open Saturdays from 10am until 9pm and on Sundays from 10am until 8pm. Please make sure to check the Deerfield Village website for the DVCA 2023 Summer Pool Schedule.

On Thursday, May 25th, the pool will open at noon to mark the end of CFISD's school term and the official beginning of pool summer fun! After May 25th the pool will be open DAILY until school starts again in the fall. Please note: The Pool will be closed on Mondays all summer but S.A.Y.O.R. will be available for Mondays.

New pool safety rule update: We would like to inform our residents of a significant change coming this summer. For the past years, children 10 and older were allowed to come to the pool without parental supervision. However, the state is now requiring the age to be 14. In addition, our pool management company reports Harris County will NOT be approving any waivers to allow any communities to have a different age limit. This news was disappointing to the Swimming Pool Committee members and if waiver had been allowed, we would have requested it for our community.

Please remember every homeowner must have a Pool ID card registered through the Deerfield office to swim. If you already have one set up, there is no need to redo them yearly. The pool ID cards must remain in the pool office during the swim season. Please do not take cards home. Residents swimming when the pool is open are allowed to bring up to three guests and must remain with their guests during their time at the pool.

The Swim At Your Own Risk (S.A.Y.O.R.) program has begun as the weather warms up and residents can sign up to swim during non-life guarded hours from 6am to 9pm. Please note that there are specific SAYOR pool rules and water temperature restrictions with this program. Residents must register through the office by signing a current 2023 waiver & SAYOR pool rules including bringing a picture ID. Each year an updated waiver is required for this program. No guests are allowed for the SAYOR program. For more information to participate in the program contact the office by phone or email.

As always, the SPC loves to hear any suggestions from the community, and we welcome new members to our group. SPC meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Clubhouse.

However, for our April 11th meeting we will meet at 6pm to accommodate the HOA Board's Annual Members Meeting starting at 7pm. We hope to see you there!



**CLICK HERE FOR THE  
POOL SCHEDULE**

Join the mighty Deerfield Dolphins for our 45th year of swimming and community fun!

What: Competitive Swim Team for ages 4-18. Member of NWAL (Northwest Aquatic League)

Young swimmers do not have to know the strokes but they do need to be able to doggie paddle or tread water.

When: Practice starts in April thru June with meets on Saturdays.

All information can be found on

[www.deerfielddolphins.org](http://www.deerfielddolphins.org)

Registration has begun online!



## WHY BE A LIFEGUARD?

- FLEXIBLE HOURS
- BONUS'S, REWARDS, & DRAWINGS
- LEARN LIFESAVING SKILLS
- FUN OUTDOOR JOB
- TEAM ATMOSPHERE

GET INVOLVED IN A ROLE THAT CAN  
REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

**APPLY HERE:**

**[WWW.A-BEAUTIFULPOOLS.COM](http://WWW.A-BEAUTIFULPOOLS.COM)**



## Recreation Committee

The EVENT CALENDAR is on the DV website [www.deerfieldvillageonline.com](http://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 for 32 events this year.

Those who attended the March Pancake breakfast and the Super Bowl party enjoyed some great food and conversation! We are looking forward to a jam-packed weekend of events on April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. (see below)

### ONGOING ACTIVITIES-

<u>Weekly:</u>	<u>Monthly:</u>
Coffee & Donuts	Bunco
	MESA Food Drive
Mahjong	Deerfield Day Trippers
	Mexican Train Dominos
The Men's Group	Ladies' Happy Hour
	Quilting
Yoga (on hold)	Malties
	Sewing Bees
	Men's Book Club
	Texas Hold 'em Poker

The new BOCCE ball group is now being played each Monday at 1pm. Some Pickle Ball groups are playing Sundays, Mondays, and Thursdays.

### UPCOMING EVENTS ARE LISTED BELOW:

**FOOD DRIVE-** This month the MESA-Outreach Food Drive will be held the week of April 10-15<sup>th</sup>. Drop off your non-perishable donations in the box outside the office. No glass containers or items more than one year past their expiration date. **MESA's food pantry especially needs jelly, cereal, canned beans, and pasta sauce.**

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

**MUSIC on the GREEN-** Saturday, April 1 from 6-9 pm. Come out and see the **band CC Rider**. The Men's Group will be grilling hot dogs and burgers.

**Annual EASTER EGG PARTY-** Sunday, April 2 from 3-5 pm. Come out and have the kids hunt for eggs, meet the Easter Bunny, enjoy the bouncy **SLIDE** and participate in other fun activities. Snacks provided.

**SPRING SOCIAL** – Saturday, April 29 from 6:30-9:30. \$15/person. BYOB. Fuddruckers style dinner.

The Recreation Committee meets the first Friday of the month at 10am. The next meeting is April 7<sup>th</sup>. We are always looking for new volunteers to help with new ideas and new energy!

**THE OFFICE IS CLOSED  
ON APRIL 7th & 10th  
in OBSERVANCE OF EASTER!**

## 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-up 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, April 5, 2023.

## 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 by 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.

Our next meeting is scheduled on April 12, 2023, at 4:30pm in the Clubhouse.



# Deeds Committee

**Happy Easter!** As we move into April, the Deeds Committee has a few reminders:

1. **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. 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.
2. **BARK MULCH BAGS:** Please do not store bark mulch, fertilizer and/or top soil bags in public view. If you are unable to spread the contents of the bags in the next week or two, move them to an area of your property that is not visible from the street or common area.
3. **TRASH CANS and RECYCLING BINS:** Deeds continues to remind Homeowners because this continues to be an issue...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.
4. **DUMPSTERS AND/OR PODS:** If your home project will require a dumpster and/or POD on your driveway for more than 72 hours, please submit an AA for approval. Any project requiring a dumpster or POD for less than 72 hours, does not require an AA.
5. **LANDSCAPE:** As we move into the growing season, your yard and flower beds should begin to be **maintained on a weekly basis**. Please mow and edge your lawn; remove weeds from flower beds; remove dead shrubs, trees or tree branches. Dead palm tree fronds should also be removed.
6. **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. See **Fence Policy Non-Perimeter** document on the DVCA website under Deeds tab. If you wish to stain or paint your fence, submit an AA with a sample color for approval.

**FLAGS:** If you have an old, torn and/or faded United States or Texas State 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.

**NOTE:** See 4 USC, Sections 5-10 and Chapter 3100 of the Texas Government Code for the proper display of the United States and Texas flags.

Deeds meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. The next meeting will be held on April 10, 2023.

# Community Services

Spring and Summer are very busy rental times for the Deerfield Recreation Center's Clubhouse and Annex use for club activities, parties, receptions, meetings, and DFV swim team. A lot of time and investment has gone into making these shared spaces attractive and user-friendly, so just a reminder to keep it all that way. Please read the Facilities Use Agreement carefully and abide by the requirements signed upon renting. All users need to leave the facilities clean and organized, with furniture returned to its original place. Don't attach anything to walls, inside or out, with nails, tacks or tape, as this damages the paint and wood. If you find something broken or damaged, please report it so that we can get it repaired. All rental users must turn in the initialed clean up list to have the deposit returned. We can't stop our Recreation Center from aging, but we certainly can help it age gracefully and looking GOOD!

Curb repairs are planned in the Patio Homes, we are working to get some lighting issues resolved and have several other projects underway for the clubhouse. Community Services meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 7pm at the Recreation Center. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 3.

## 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!



THE ANNUAL DEERFIELD EASTER EGG HUNT



SUNDAY—APRIL 2 from 3-5 PM

KIDS EGG HUNT & INFLATABLE SLIDE

HERE COMES PETER COTTON TAIL...  
hopping down the DEERFIELD TRAIL...

PICS WITH EASTER BUNNY TREATS, GAMES & CRAFTS!

# Financial Services Committee

Meetings to review the financial status of our community are generally held in the clubhouse on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. The next scheduled meeting is planned for April 18, 2023.

Financial status: Report for the month ended Feb. 28, 2023.

<b>SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY:</b>		
<b>FEBRUARY 2023</b>		
	This Month	Year to Date
Income: Better/(Worse) than Budget	\$ 5,659	\$ 5,833
Operating Expenses:		
Actual	53,566	114,980
Budget	54,818	124,114
Better/(Worse) than Budget	1,252	9,135
Net Operating Income:		
Better/(Worse) than Budget	\$ 6,911	\$ 14,968
Less budget timing differences (see Commen	(3,000)	(6,000)
Net Operating Income:		
Better/(Worse) than Budget		
after adjusting for timing differences	\$ 3,911	\$ 8,968
Annual Operating Expense Total Budget		\$ 846,028

<b>Noteworthy Expenses this Month:</b>	
Reduction of Loan Principal	3,485
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,485</b>
<b>Spent from Reserves this month:</b>	
(None)	-0-
<b>Total Reserves Spent</b>	<b>\$ -0-</b>

Comments:

2023 Assessments:

Yearly Assessments are the source of funds for operation of the Deerfield Village Community Association to the benefit of Deerfield residents. Assessments Invoices were mailed in November of last year and were due January 1 of this year. By now, you will have received yours and should have made payment. If you haven't received your invoice or are unable to locate it, please contact Cheryl Beisert at Consolidated Management Services, 281-296-9775, to request a duplicate.

2023 Collections:

2023 Assessment: collection rate as of February 28, 2023 is 84.8%. If you have not yet paid your assessment, your account has already incurred a Late Fee and interest charges are accruing. We encourage you to pay your assessment, either directly or contact the office to set up a payment plan, to end delinquency and further accrual of late payment penalties and interest.

As of the end of February, 62 new Assessment payment plans have been established and 4 of them have already been paid in full. Six active payment plans remain from prior years; three of them from 2022.

# 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 March 16 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.

MUD 136 website remains a bit inaccurate at this time regarding the officers. We're working to resolve this problem. All requests regarding the district should be addressed to Brent Phelps, our president. The Drinking Fountain on the north side of the district remains out of operation while we wait on repair parts.

Our next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for April, Thursday 13th, at 6 P.M. 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](http://WWW.HCMUD136.ORG) for confirmation of the location.

# Landscape Committee

Spring flowers are going in around the recreation center and entrances this month. We added a dump truck load of mulch to the recreation center playground with the much appreciated assistance of the Thursday Morning Men's Group. Again with Men's Group assistance we will be working on repairing and repainting the greenbelt exercise equipment throughout the month.

Efforts to eliminate standing water on sidewalks are ongoing.

There is lots more to do so if you're interested in helping to keep your community beautiful please consider joining out committee. The Landscape Committee meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the small meeting room across from the office. Our next meetings will be held on April 10th & May 8th

## SEWING BEES OF TEXAS

Come join us on the 4th Wednesday of the Month.

Enjoy some sewing, knitting and crochet. We sew for charities and we are very busy bees!





# 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 trimmed the bushes along the greenbelt ditch and are working on methods to relieve/prevent the sidewalk flooding created by the new water line along the ROW. In addition, we did some touch up painting, cleaned out the Purple Martin houses and filled a number of sinkholes along the greenbelt. Other projects include power washing and repainting the Clay Rd. entrance sign, and the sign 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 at the playground. "It's amazing what a team can accomplish when no individual wants the credit!"

COMMUNITY SERVICE TMG members volunteer with Meals on Wheels, at the Special Pals animal shelter, at hospitals, including the VA, CERT (emergency response), and at food pantries including Mesa Outreach. 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."

MULCH MADNESS Each March we ( the "old guys") haul and spread a huge truck load of mulch at the playground. We did the job on 3/16. Follow up chiropractic appointments are ongoing.

SURVEYS We recently completed a survey of the lights on the greenbelt and drew a map indicating the numbers that the electricians can use to locate them for maintenance. We also surveyed the storm sewer drains to look for the info tags that were installed about 15 years ago. About 50 of the 160 tags are missing and the Boy Scouts have a project to replace them.

WEST SIDE STORY When the rose bushes were removed from the area on the west side of the clubhouse it exposed some really decrepit fence. We are in the process of replacing the damaged sections.

FOOD DRIVE This month the Food Drive will be held April 10-15. Please drop off your non-perishable donations in the box outside the office. Please, no glass containers or items more than one year past their expiration date.

**MESA's food pantry especially needs jelly, cereal, canned beans, and pasta sauce.**

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"**



Mens Group and Mulch Day!





# Security Committee

Deerfield has been very quiet over the last month, only one burglary of a vehicle and no other incidents. We all play a part in helping to keep it this way. Please continue to watch out for yourself and your neighbors. We are our own best defense. We all benefit from our vigilance.

If you see something suspicious, please call SEAL. If you see something illegal or feel personally in danger, please call the Sheriff (HCSO) first and then call SEAL if you can. Don't forget to keep your outdoor lights on at night, lock your house, garage and cars, keep garage doors closed and valuables out of sight. And consider adding more outdoor lighting to your landscape as light makes it less inviting to criminals.

The Security Committee meets on 1st Tuesday of the month. Our next meeting will be on April 4th at 7 pm. Please come join us. We welcome your participation.

## Security Stats February 2023

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

### Bocce Ball:

Come and join the fun of playing Bocce Ball. It is a game that can be played by young ones and old ones! Very simple rules and easy to learn. We will be playing at 1pm on Mondays at the Bocce ball court located on the back side of the tennis courts weather permitting. If weather is not agreeable, we will play at the Steve Radack Community center on Clay road. The time we meet may change as it gets warmer or closer to summertime. Contact Walter (Scottie) Scott at 832-593-4724 for more information.



## BOY SCOUT TROOP 120 UPDATE:

Here are some pictures from our Troop120 February campout and Onree's Eagle project.

For February- the troop completed over 160 hours of environmental service in the Big Thicket National Preserve planting grass and cleaning up along Village Creek waterway.

For March- the troop completed an Eagle Scout service project for Bessie's Creek Animal Sanctuary.





# 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.
- 🐾 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!
- 🐾 PLEASE be a responsible pet owner, both cat and dog, and pick up their poop, thank you.

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## Public Notice of Trustee Vacancy

A trustee position, formerly filled by Gerry Hilliard, has recently become vacant. The term for this position runs through April 2024.

We are accepting applications from any member (in good standing) who would like to be considered for the opening. Applications will be accepted at the Deerfield Office through close of business day on May 15, 2023.

A Special meeting will be held to select the new trustee from all the applicants immediately preceding the May 22, 2023 Regular Board meeting.

You may pick-up an application at the Deerfield Office or online at [www.deerfieldvillageonline.com](http://www.deerfieldvillageonline.com).

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



Ladies, are ready for an invigorating getaway? Be sure to circle **Wednesday, April 26**, on your calendars and join the Deerfield Women's Day-Trippers as we travel east to **Orange**.

Our first stop will be **Luigi's Italian Grill**, 3108 Edgar Brown Drive, where lunch specials include authentic Italian pasta specialties, ranging from Chicken Fettucine Alfredo to Tortellini Vodka. A variety of enticing salads, hot subs, soups, and desserts are also offered. Checks will be separate, and every person is responsible for her own meal.

Next, we'll soak in the vibrant sights and sounds of **Shangri La Botanical Gardens & Nature Center** at 2111 West Park Avenue along the scenic waterways of Adams Bayou. Shangri La is a program of the private operating Nelda C. and H.J. Lutchter Stark Foundation which aims to encourage and assist education and to improve and enrich the quality of life in Southeast Texas by providing significant resources for the study and enjoyment of art, history, nature and culture.

Our docent-led tour of this lovely 252-acre space will last approximately 1½ to 2 hours. Be prepared to see more than 300 plant species in five formal "rooms" as well as four sculpture "rooms." A bird blind, adjacent to the Botanical Gardens, will allow us to observe nesting birds in Shangri La's heronry.

**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 8:30 a.m. and return around 5:30 p.m.

Kindly RSVP no later than Friday, April 14, to Leslie Denney at 281-705-0237. Those who register will be notified if plans change.






# 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	
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	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 April 2023

<b>ID:</b> ex ubhouse hall Mtg Room Coffee & Donuts	Celebrate Diversity Month! 					7am-2pm  Garage Sale  6pm-9pm  Music on the Green
5pm Egg Hunt 	2	3 7pm Community Svcs-CH	4 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Security-CH 7pm YES-SM	5 7pm Tennis-CH	6 9am TMG-under A	7 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b>EASTER</b>	9 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	10 7pm Deeds-CH 7pm Landscape-SM  <b>FOOD DRIVE BEGINS</b>	11 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Swim Pool-CH	12 12pm Quilting-CH 4:30pm Architectural Guidelines	13 9am TMG-under A 1pm Mexican Train Dominos-CH 6pm MUD 136-CH 7:30pm Texas Hold 'em Poker-A	14 9am C&D-CH   <b>FOOD DRIVE ENDS</b>
16	17	18 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Finance-CH	19	20 9am TMG-under A 7pm Bunco-CH 7pm Malties-Annex	21 9am C&D-CH	22
30	24 7pm Board Mtg-CH	25 1pm Mahjong-CH	26 8:30 DV Day Trippers 9:30am Sewing-CH	27 9am TMG-under A 4pm Ladies Happy Hour-CH	28 9am C&D-CH	29 6:30pm-9pm Spring Social 



## DEERFIELD VILLAGE SPRING SOCIAL DINNER.

Come join us on Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm to 9:30pm at the Recreation Center Clubhouse with a catered dinner from Fuddruckers followed by some entertainment!

Tickets are \$15 per person - Choose from hamburger or chicken dinner

Buy tickets thru the DVCA office- 281-463-2624.





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### DEERFIELD VILLAGE MARKET REPORT

AUGUST 2022

8  
TOTAL ACTIVE LISTINGS\*

6  
TOTAL SOLD LISTINGS

\$397,167  
AVERAGE SALES PRICE

37  
AVERAGE DAYS ON THE MARKET

\*As of 9/2/2022

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