



DEERFIELD VILLAGE *News*

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

DEERFIELD VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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

President's Report

Greetings Deerfield Residents,

Happy 4th of July in advance everyone! Here is my yearly reminder to please be respectful of the times you are shooting fireworks, be safe and never aim a firework at a person, home or car. On days before or after the 4th of July, be mindful of pets, babies and people that must work the next day. Thankfully this year has not been as hot and dry as last year and our yards should be a little safer. Please do not dispose of fireworks in DVCA trash cans on the Greenbelt or Clubhouse facility after shooting, as last year we had a trash can burn down as a result. Please be careful at home too and leave the trash can outside for the night and don't place it in the garage or clean it up in the morning. Please be safe, and keep Deerfield clean by cleaning up after shooting fireworks, even if it is in the next day.

I understand that the perimeter fences that came down in last month's windstorm have been fixed and we have also addressed many of the trees that came down or were damaged by the storm. We received a huge amount of AA forms (Form for approval to make an improvement or maintenance) for fences and a couple generators. It's important that these forms are turned into the office, as it protects you, because you have written approval from the HOA. If you are just replacing a like item, say a fence which is the same material, same height and in the same spot, those get approved extremely fast. You can print these forms from our website or pick one up from Cat in the office.

Due to so much tree damage, whether from the recent storm or due to last year's drought, it has taken a toll on our Landscape budget, that we are trying to deal with, as it has eaten into our emergency reserves, but we will continue to tighten our belt. I want to recognize our volunteers on the Landscape Committee that have gone above and beyond to deal with this work. We also had a tremendous amount of help from our Men's Group, which saved us thousands of dollars, which has also gone above and beyond without being asked, they stepped up to help. We also had several residents

donate their time, and one person donated a nice pole saw for the Men's Group and Landscape Committee, anonymously. I also asked our MUD #136 to help with 16K in emergency funds, for future Landscaping work, but they were not in a position to help us. They have quite a bit of expenses coming up in repairing and addressing our aging infrastructure, and they may not have enough budget. We will support them where we can.

We still have a Board Trustee vacancy, so if you are interested, please contact Cat in the office to get an application. Applications must be turned in before August 16, 2024. A Special meeting will be held to select the new Trustee from the applicants, on August 26, 2024.

The **AGC (Architectural Guidelines Committee)** is making good progress, and you may start seeing a few flyers around the Recreation Center area with links to get the most updated information and meeting notes on our website. **Please note that meeting times are changing after the Wednesday, July 10th meeting.** Meetings thereafter are the 1st Thursday and the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7PM. We are posting the agenda three days before the meeting in the event you see something you want to provide your feedback. Meeting dates are posted under notices and in the AGC Tab on our website.

The next HOA Board meeting will be on July 22nd at 7pm in the Clubhouse.

Take care,

Eric

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Important Information

DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS

DVCA Office 281-463-2624
Email..... dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com
SEAL Neighborhood Patrol 832-408-0200
Deerfield Pet Hot Line 713-818-5799

GOVERNMENT

County Clerk's Office 16715 Clay Rd 832-927-7230
Justice of the Peace 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

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 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.

**DVCA OFFICE CLOSED
JULY 4-5, 2024**

Landscape Committee

We have had plenty of rain leading into the summer season. Let's hope it stays just wet enough to keep everything green. The rainy Spring allowed the landscape committee to identify some drainage issues throughout the community. We are working on a plan to prioritize and remediate these issues in Deerfield's green space.

We are mostly up to date on tree work related to previous frost, drought and recent storm damage. We are grateful for Precinct 4 community services prompt effort to remove storm debris and clear hazardous limbs over roadways. We are now working on a watch list to identify trees for the next round of removals this fall.

Exploration of the garden club idea has been sidetracked by clean up efforts, but we will get our new club request before the board as soon as we can. The purpose of the club would be to inform and educate the community on lawn and gardening concerns, arrange for speakers, organize outings, provide a social outlet for garden minded residents and to plan and carry out plantings and enhancements around the recreation center and pool area. If you are interested please let us know via email to dvcagardner@gmail.com.

The Landscape Committee meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 PM in the small meeting room across from the office. Interested residents and new members are welcome. We are happy for community input. Our next two meetings will be held on July 8th and August 12th. All are welcome.



Recreation Committee

The 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. Thanks to all who came out to Music on the Green, the Memorial Day pool party, and the Pancake Breakfast, where we had a record crowd. Congratulations to the Texas Hold 'em Poker Group on their 20th anniversary.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES-

Weekly:	Monthly:	Monthly (cont'd)
Coffee & Donuts	Bunco	MESA Food Drive
Mahjong	Day Trippers	Mex Train Dominos
The Men's Group	Ladies' Happy Hour	Quilting
Yoga	Malties	Sewing Bees
Bocce Ball	Men's Book Club	TX Hold 'em Poker

Some Pickle Ball groups play on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

UPCOMING EVENTS ARE LISTED BELOW:

FOOD DRIVE- This month the MESA-Outreach Food Drive will be held the week of July 15-20. 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, rice and pasta.

POOL PARTY – Thursday, July 4 from 2-6 pm Water Slide, food, games and FUN for all. The Men's Group will be selling grilled hot dogs and burgers from 3-5 pm. Come out and help show folks how patriotic we are.

NOTE the Change: For the next few meetings the Recreation Committee will meet at 10 am on the first Friday of the month. This is so we can solicit input and help from the folks who attend Coffee and Donuts. The next meeting will be on July 5th. We are always looking for new volunteers to help with these events and hopefully they will bring us new ideas & new energy!

 **JULY 4th** 

POOL PARTY!

2-6pm

Water Slide begins at 2pm

Men's Group will be grillin'

Come have some fun!

Architectural Guidelines Committee

The AGC (Architectural Guidelines Committee) meets twice a month at 7pm in the Deerfield Clubhouse.

Meeting dates have recently changed. Meetings in July will be held on Wednesday, July 10, and Tuesday, July 23. Beginning in August, meetings will be on the first Thursday and the fourth Tuesday of each month.

The meeting agenda will be posted on the website and outside the DVCA Office three days prior to the meeting date. Meeting minutes will be posted on the website once the committee has approved them.

The AGC has approved a one-page flyer intended to expand residents' awareness of the AGC's activities. The flyer will be posted in the Clubhouse and Pool areas. It will also be shared via the DVCA e-mail blast distribution list and select social media sites.

The AGC has begun updating the new Section 6 Unified Protective Covenants (PC) document. At this time, the AGC is focusing on whether existing provisions should be kept, modified, or deleted. Specific text changes will be discussed and approved at a later date.

For more information on the AGC project, please click this link [AGC Information](#). All residents are welcome to attend the AGC meetings.

Security Stats ~ May 2024

Alarm	3
Animal	5
Assistance	3
Burglary of Habitation	0
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	0
Calls to Hotline	0
Damage/Defacing of Property	1
Dispute	0
Disturbance/Noise	5
EMS / FD / PD	0
Information	8
Solicitors	3
Suspicious Activity	0
Suspicious Person(s)	3
Suspicious Vehicle(s)	7
Theft	0
Vacation Watches	34
Vehicle Collision	0



CONGRATULATIONS TO
YARDS OF THE MONTH
4106 Deerfield Village Dr.
18310 Spruce Creek Dr.

Security Committee

We hope everyone made it through the storm safely without much damage. Some of us were lucky to get the power back fairly quickly but others were not as lucky. Neighbors were helping each other with clean up and aid which is always nice to see.

If you would like a Seal Security magnet, please contact the office to get one.

In general Deerfield continues to be calm from a security standpoint. There is usually more suspicious activity at night, so remember to remove the mail from your mailbox, lock your cars on the driveway and streets and keep your property as well-lit as possible. Some homeowners have added video cameras, and we think it is a good idea.

If an incident does occur or you see suspicious activity, please do the following:

- If you feel in danger personally, call 911 or HCSO first and then SEAL Security.
- If you do not feel in imminent danger, call SEAL Security at **832-408-0200**.

There have been incidents noticed in the past where someone felt in danger and posted on the Nextdoor website before calling 911, HCSO, or Seal Security. Your safety is worth calling.

Also, if you are the victim of a crime, please call HCSO and report it.

Just as a friendly reminder- here are some things you can do to keep Deerfield safe:

1. Stay vigilant and report any suspicious activity, especially after dark.
2. Park in your garage or driveway. Vehicles on the street are easier targets.
3. Lock your vehicles, especially if they are left on the street or driveway.
4. Keep your overhead garage door and entry doors closed and locked.
5. Add a video security system for your house. It may help if an incident occurs.
6. Add outdoor lights and keep them on at night.
7. Report any streetlights out to Center Point and any Greenbelt trail lights out to the office.

We welcome any new members who may be interested in joining the security committee.

We meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month in the clubhouse. Our next meeting will be at 7pm on Tuesday, July 2nd at the recreation center. We hope you'll join us.

DVCA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
THURSDAY & FRIDAY JULY 4-5
IN OBSERVANCE OF
INDEPENDENCE DAY

Financial Services Committee

Meetings to review the financial status of our community are generally held in the clubhouse on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. The next scheduled meeting is planned for **July 16, 2024**.

The following is a summary of financial activity through May 31, 2024.

Financial Status:

<u>SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY: MAY 2024</u>	This Month	Year to Date
Operating Income: Better/(Worse) than Budget	\$ (114,652)	\$(109,884)
Operating Expenses:		
Actual	124,683	393,928
Budget	118,434	377,926
Better/(Worse) than Budget	(6,249)	(16,002)
Net Operating Income:		
Better/(Worse) than Budget	\$ (120,901)	\$(125,886)
Less budget timing differences (see Comments)	-0-	-0-
Net Operating Income:		
Better/(Worse) than Budget after adjusting for timing differences	\$ (120,901)	\$(125,886)
Annual Operating Expense Total Budget		\$ 867,875
Board Approved Additions		-0-
Total Authorized Expenditures for 2024		\$ 867,875
Total Reserves Spent	\$ 437	\$ 9,630

<u>Noteworthy Expenses this Month:</u>	
Insurance	40,401
Flower Plantings	9,275
Reduction of Loan Principal	3,732
Total	\$ 53,408

The negative net operating income shown above is largely due to a bookkeeping shift of the \$112,111 Reserves Allocation for 2024 from the Operating budget to the Reserves budget, where it belongs. Without that shift, the Net Operating Income would have been \$(8,790) This Month and \$(13,775) Year to Date. The sum of Operating and Reserves is unaffected by the shift.

Note: Financial statements often include certain expense items that had been budgeted but have not yet been expended. As these expenditures are expected to occur later in the year, we make budget timing corrections where/when appropriate to present a more realistic estimate of Net Operating Income.

2024 Assessments and Collections:

Yearly Assessments are the source of funds for operation of the Deerfield Village Community Association for the benefit of Deerfield residents. Invoices for 2024 Assessments plus outstanding balances from prior years were mailed in November of 2023. Payment was due by January 1, 2024 and was considered late after January 31, 2024. Beginning in February, late fees, interest, and other penalties started to accrue. If you have not received your 2024 invoice or are unable to locate it,

please contact Patti Averitt at Consolidated Management Services, 281-296-9775, to request a duplicate.

Collection rate as of the end of the month was again lower than in the past; 94.2% vs 95.7% same-month-average for the previous 5 years. If you are among those who have not yet paid your 2024 or prior year assessment, we encourage you to pay soon to avoid further accrual of late payment penalties, interest, other associated charges, and subsequent legal action.

Swim Pool Committee

Hello neighbors! The pool is now open every day from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. excluding Mondays when it's closed. As always, you can check the Deerfield website for a link to the summer swim pool schedule as well as a list of pool rules.

We hope everyone comes out and enjoys the pool, while remembering to be safe, mindful of the rules (which are posted on the pool house), and courteous to those around you. We also encourage you to clean up after yourselves. We want swimming to be an enjoyable and fun experience, free from drama and conflicts that can be avoided by following the rules and engaging in clean behavior. The lifeguards have the ultimate authority in all matters during normal pool hours. Failure to abide by these rules will result in having swimming pool privileges revoked, at the discretion of the DVCA management and absolutely no trespassing.

On Thursday, July 4 we'll have our annual DVCA Pool Party with a water slide. Like our other neighborhood pool events, we promote a family atmosphere so we encourage you to come out and enjoy the games, grilled food, and pool slide with all members of your household and even some of your friends. The party will last from 2-6 p.m. and we hope to see you there!

Just a reminder that pool id cards are required for entry to swim. If you don't have one, check with the office and they can set you up. Residents 14 and up are allowed solo entry into the pool; all others under 14 must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian the entirety of their stay.

The Swimming Pool Committee meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Rec Center. Currently we are discussing how to replace the pool furniture, specifically the chairs, which can run thousands of dollars to replace them all so research and careful budgeting must be done to make this happen. We have already purchased three new pool tables and are hoping to buy two more, so keep an eye out for those, which will soon be on the pool deck. We are always open to new ideas regarding how to run and maintain the pool, which is one of Deerfield's biggest amenities. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 9th in the clubhouse.

Visit our website for the 2024 pool schedule.
www.deerfieldvillageonline.com

MUD 136 Report

Harris County MUD 136 (the District) monthly meeting was held in the Deerfield Village Recreation Center Annex at 6:00 PM on Thursday, June 20, 2024. Presentations were made by MUD 136 consultants and issues affecting the District were discussed. The proposed Total Integration security system for the HCMUD 136 water plant was approved. Members of the Deerfield Village HOA were in attendance and discussed the extensive damage to trees in the subdivision which occurred during the May 2024 wind storm.

The District's fiscal year ended March 31, 2024. McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot has been engaged to perform the annual audit of the District's activities, records and financial statements. Texas law requires the completed audit report to be filed with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The audit remains in progress, and MUD 136 will post the audit report on the District's web site when available.

The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for calendar year 2023 is complete. The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) require water systems to test for more than 90 contaminants in the water supply. The testing is conducted by the TCEQ. MUD 136 water meets or exceeds all the Water requirements. A link to the 2023 Drinking Water Quality Report is printed on the back of your June 2024 water bill. The link to the report is www.municipalops.com/HCMUD136.pdf Please take the time to review this report.

MUD 136 maintains an asset management program which includes video inspection of the sanitary sewer lines. Reports on the analysis of the recent inspections were reviewed at the June 20th meeting. Repair estimates exceed available funds. Due to inspection findings, the District expects increased expenses for maintenance and repairs to the sanitary sewer lines. At this time the District will be able to complete repairs only for the most severely damaged areas.

REMINDER: Hurricane season began June 1, with the peak activity from late August through September. Make sure you are ready.

Please sign up for MUD 136's text alert system by texting "hcmud136" (without quotation marks) to 74121, or by creating an account using an email address at

<https://mobile-text-alerts.com/hcmud136>. Registered residents will receive alerts about hurricane threat, drought conditions and water, sewer, trash and recycling services.

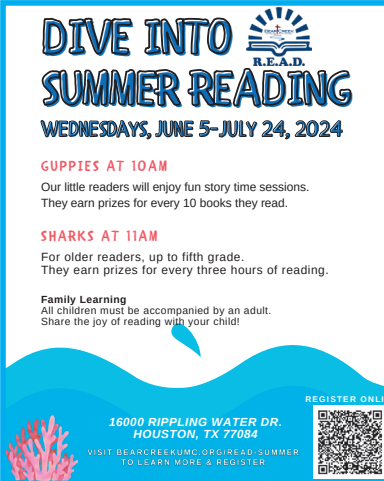
Questions on usage, billing, and general operations should be referred to our operator MOC. MOC's information is found at: <https://municipalops.com> Our next monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 6:00 PM at Deerfield Village Recreation Center. The agenda will be posted on our website: www.hcmud136.org. - Brent Phelps


Deeds Committee

For quick reference to keep the "dreaded" Deeds letter away, go to: <https://deerfieldvillageonline.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Deeds-Primer.pdf>

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. **LANDSCAPE:** All lots shall always be kept in attractive condition. Grass, including shrubs and trees should be well maintained. **PLEASE WEED YOUR FLOWER BEDS!**
3. **FENCES:** Please submit an AA prior to the project for approval. When replacing or installing a new fence that faces the street or is visible from ANY public area, no fence railings should be visible. The smooth, flat side of the fence must face out towards the street or public area. If you wish to stain your fence, the only acceptable stains are natural or cedar. See Fence Policy Non-Perimeter document on the DVCA website under the Deeds tab.
4. **PARKING:**
 - a. *No boats, trailers, campers, vehicles, etc. may be parked or stored on your driveway or public or patio home street for over 72 hours.*
 - b. There should be NO HEAD-IN parking in cul-de-sacs.
 - c. **Be considerate!** Please do not block your neighbor's driveway, especially in Patio Homes.
5. **TRASH CANS and RECYCLING BINS:** TRASH CANS, RECYCLE BINS and PLASTIC YARD DEBRIS BAGS SHOULD BE STORED OUT OF PUBLIC VIEW and placed curbside the EVENING BEFORE pick-up and removed from view the same day after pick-up.

Deeds meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7PM at the Clubhouse. The next meeting will be on July 8th.




DIVE INTO 
SUMMER READING
WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 5-JULY 24, 2024

GUPPIES AT 10AM
Our little readers will enjoy fun story time sessions.
They earn prizes for every 10 books they read.

SHARKS AT 11AM
For older readers, up to fifth grade.
They earn prizes for every three hours of reading.

Family Learning
All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Share the joy of reading with your child!

REGISTER ONLINE
16000 RIPPLING WATER DR.
HOUSTON, TX 77084
VISIT BEARCREKENUMC.ORG/READ-SUMMER
TO LEARN MORE & REGISTER



Men's Group

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 May TMG toured the Transtar facility and we are planning a few more "road trips." We usually have a monthly Astros watch party. If this sounds like fun, then come and join us.

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. It is tax time again and several TMG members are doing free tax prep for low-income families. Words that guide us, "You can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone."

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS Your donations go towards the Mens Group charity efforts. Donations at last year's breakfasts allowed us to make 60 Christmas stockings for needy Meals on Wheels clients and make cash donations to the Special Pals animal shelter and the local Mesa Outreach food pantry. These get-togethers are an excellent chance to meet other DV residents.

FOOD DRIVE The monthly Food Drive will be held July 15-20. Drop off your non-perishable donations in the box outside the office. A reminder, no glass containers or items long past their expiration date.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Each week we sort the thin films that we collect. The grocery bags go to local Food Pantries—Mesa, KCM, and Meals on Wheels, and the rest go to TRES. We collect used tennis balls and take them to Special Pals or the dog park. Additionally, we continue to collect used eyeglasses and suitcases.



TAKING A BREAK

TMG members take a break from doing large outdoor projects during the very hot months of July and August.

SERVICE PROJECTS: This past month TMG held another successful Food Drive for Mesa Outreach. We completed some carpentry and electrical jobs, washed the clubhouse windows and "fluffed and redistributed" the mulch in the playground. We are monitoring the greenbelt exercise equipment monthly, and making repairs as needed. In addition, we removed 22 dead trees/bushes along the ditch and assisted residents with large tree limbs and temporary fencing after the big storm.. We are working on fabricating replacements for the warning signs on the greenbelt. "It's amazing what a team can accomplish when no individual wants the credit!"

Our Motto is simple:

"DO WHAT YOU CAN, WHEN YOU CAN"



Help MESA STUFF THE BUS!



MESA-OUTREACH is supplying 1000+ students @ 6 Elementary schools in CyFair ISD & Katy ISD with school supply packets, backpacks and more, but **MESA needs YOUR help.**

SPONSORS NEEDED: \$25 per student will cover the cost of one student's school supply packet. Also, in-kind donations of Kleenex, individually wrapped snacks: cookies, crackers, pretzels, cheese crackers, fruit snacks, popcorn or granola bars – **NO nuts or peanut butter allowed**, and new or gently used backpacks for Pre-K thru 5th are also needed.

In-kind donations may be dropped off at the Deerfield Rec Center or call Deborah at 832-341-3124 for a pick-up.

DONATIONS: Accepted online at mesa-outreach.org or mail us a **check** payable to MESA-OUTREACH designated for Stuff the Bus – Back to School Drive to MESA-OUTREACH, INC. P.O. Box 841075 Houston, TX 77284-1075. Questions: contact lisa@mesa-outreach.org .

VOLUNTEERS: Gather donations at your work, church or civic organization. Deliver these items to MESA-OUTREACH on or before Monday, August 12, 8:30 am – 4 pm to sort, count, load and deliver supplies. Your help is needed and greatly appreciated, so sign up to volunteer through Signup Genius.

MESA-OUTREACH has been helping children in need within our community for over 11 years, to start the school year with the supplies needed for their success!

Please join us for MESA-OUTREACH's 2024 "STUFF THE BUS" event, so that elementary students in need may be "Blessed for Success" this year!

MESA-OUTREACH, INC is a 501c3 Non-Profit Corporation EIN#27-1022537 MESA-OUTREACH, INC. P.O. Box 841075 Houston, TX 77284-1075
MESA's Food Pantry is located at 16000 Rippling Water Dr. Houston, TX 77084 Phone 281-599-8536 Website: mesa-outreach.org

Community Services

We are coming up on two years since the neighborhood perimeter fence was completed. Overall, feedback from residents has been that the fence has improved the appearance of the neighborhood and is a significant improvement over the hodgepodge of wooden fences in various states of age and repair that it replaced.

There have been some issues over the last two years. At least twice, vehicles have departed the road and driven through a section of the fence. These were repaired quickly.

Recently, several sections of fence were damaged in the high winds of the storm that took down so many trees and power lines in the area. We have had to wait for overworked insurance adjusters to get those repaired, but by the time you read this those sections should be repaired.

You may have noticed that some sections of fence have moved out of alignment as the vertical posts apparently bowed. This problem was identified last year, and a detailed survey of the fence was conducted last summer to determine the extent of the problem. Since then, we have been working with the construction contractor (East Texas Fence), the Trex distributor (SRF) and the manufacturer (Trex) on a warranty claim. Trex has acknowledged the problem and made a settlement offer. Negotiations are underway. We anticipate reconstruction of sections of the fence to correct the issues at some point, but timing is not yet known.

Routine maintenance of the fence, such as securing loose pickets and correcting minor bows and separations, has been delayed as the larger warranty issues have been addressed, but we expect to have a crew from East Texas Fence make a round of small repairs over the next several months.

One other problem identified last summer was the large number of fire ant mounds that took up residence along the base of the new fence. We have contracted with our pest control firm for regular ongoing treatment around the entire perimeter to keep this under control.

If you have questions or comments about the fence or other neighborhood issues, attend the monthly Board Meeting on the fourth Monday of the month at the Rec Center. The meeting starts at 7 pm, and one of the first items on the agenda is always resident inquiries. I also invite any interested residents to come to the monthly Community Services Committee meeting on the first Monday of each month at 7 pm at the Rec Center. The next two CS meetings will be on July 1st and August 5th.



Tennis Committee

The Tennis Committee is always 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 Tennis Sign-up sheets located on the office window at the Recreation center. The player themselves must sign up for the courts. Players can sign up for 2 hours at a time and 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. We also remind everyone that profanity, loud noises, radios, music and/or unsportsmanlike behavior is not allowed on the courts. Please ensure that the court gates are closed properly after you have finished playing. We do not want to find courts being misused because a resident did not close the gate properly.

Please remove any trash from courts immediately after playing which should go in the trash BINS outside the courts. Please refrain from using the Blue Tennis Ball Recycling baskets on the courts for trash cans.

All players are encouraged to leave any old used tennis balls they no longer want in the two (2) Blue Tennis Ball Recycling baskets located close to the court gates.

The next Tennis Committee meeting will be at 7pm on Wednesday, July 3rd in the small meeting room across from the office.

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Public Notice of Trustee Vacancy

A trustee position, formerly filled by Hak Dickenson, has recently become vacant. The term for this position runs through April 2025.

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 August 16, 2024.

A Special meeting will be held to select the new trustee from all the applicants immediately preceding the August 26, 2024 Regular Board meeting.

You may pick-up an application at the Deerfield Office or online at www.deerfieldvillageonline.com.

NEWS FROM THE WOMEN'S DAY-TRIPPERS

Ladies our July 24, 2024 Women's Day-Trippers event is so close to home we don't even need the bus. Just make your way to the Rec. Center where we will enjoy a **Tea Tasting, Mochi Cooking Class and Lunch**. Our teacher will be from Té House of Tea.

TEA: Did you know that tea is most likely the oldest drink in the world? Remains of tea have been found in tombs 2,100 years old. The teas we commonly refer to as black, green, oolong, white and puerh all come from the same plant, Camellia sinensis. The differences derive from the ways of processing. In this workshop we will be introduced to the characteristics of Black, Green and Oolong teas. We will learn to distinguish the differences through physical appearance, scent and taste.

Teas will be available for purchase on that day so bring your \$\$\$\$ or credit card!

MOCHI MAKING: Traditionally, mochi is usually made during winter holidays in China, Korea, and Japan. In Hawaii mochi is made in different forms, baked, steamed or fried. It is usually a sweet dish made from rice but you can also make a savory version. The traditional method involved, soaking rice overnight, steaming it, pounding it into dough and molding it into various shapes. Nowadays, it is made any time of year and in a much simpler way. In this workshop we will learn to make it quickly by using a microwave and avoid the pounding, etc.

LUNCH: For lunch we will make our own delicious sandwich called Bahn Mi. Bahn mi is a typical Vietnamese sandwich made with a fusion of meats and vegetables from native Vietnamese cuisine. They include ingredients such as such as Vietnamese sausage or other meats, cilantro, cucumber, pickled carrots and pickled daikon (a mild form of white radish). Other condiments such as red chili and mayonnaise may be combined. These ingredients are served on baguette style bread introduced to the Vietnamese in the 1860s at the start of their imperialism in Vietnam. Bahn mi sandwiches became popular in the US after the Vietnam War.

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PLEASE NOTE: Kindly RSVP NO LATER THAN Saturday, July 6th to Leslie Denney at 281-705-0237. The cost for this class is \$38.00, which includes lunch. It is non-refundable unless someone takes your spot. **Money will be DUE NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JULY 9.** As of this printing space is limited to 25 and advance reservations are required.

The workshop will begin at 10:00AM and end at 2:00 PM.

Those who register will be notified if plans change.



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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	Bill Wilkinson	Rick Johnson	
Deed Restrictions	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	David O'Brian	Buddy Scott	
DVCA Board	4th Monday	7:00 PM	Eric Tourelles		281-855-0312
Financial Services	3rd Tuesday of the month	7:00 PM	Terry Gray	Tom Choate	
Landscape	2nd Monday	7:00 PM	John Murphy	Tom Gerrity	
MUD #136	2nd Thursday	6:00 PM	Eric Tourelles		281-855-0312
Recreation Center Youth Events Subcommittee	1st Friday 1st Tuesday	10:00 AM 7:00 PM	Kim Samman	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	John Murphy	Carissa Lamkahouan	
Tennis	1st Wednesday	7:00 PM	Amy Lacey		
Architectural Guidelines	See schedule below	4:30 PM	Eric Tourelles	Terry Gray	

Deerfield Village July 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 7pm Community Svcs-CH	2 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Security-C/H	3 5:45pm Yoga-A 7pm Tennis-SM 2pm -Home School theatre group-A	4 OFFICE CLOSED Happy 4 th of July!  2pm-6pm Pool Party	5 9am C&D-CH OFFICE CLOSED	6
77	8 7pm Deeds-CH 7pm Landscape-SM	9 1pm Mahjong-CH 6:30pm Swim Pool-CH	10 12pm Quilting-CH 2pm -Home School theatre group-A 5:45pm Yoga-A 7pm AGC Mtg-CH	11 9am TMG-CH 1pm Dominos-CH 6pm MUD 136-A 7:30pm Poker Club-A	12 9am C&D-CH	13
14 Bastille Day 	15 FOOD DRIVE BEGINS	16 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm Finance-CH	17 9:30am Sewing-CH 2pm -Home School theatre group-A 5:45pm Yoga-A	18 9am TMG-CH 7pm Bunco-CH	19 9am C&D-CH	20 FOOD DRIVE BEGINS
21	22 7pm Board Mtg-CH	23 1pm Mahjong-CH 7pm AGC Mtg-CH	24 8am-4pm DV Day Trippers Workshop-CH 2pm -Home School-A 5:45pm Yoga-A 7pm Malties - CH	25 9am TMG-CH	26 9am C&D-CH	27
28	29	30 1pm Mahjong-CH	31 2pm -Home School theatre group-A 5:45pm Yoga-A			LEGEND: A Annex CH Clubhouse SM Small Mtg Room C&D Coffee & Donuts



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