



# 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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## President's Report

Greetings Deerfield Residents,

Happy New Year 2025!! Please be considerate to your neighbors when shooting fireworks before and after the New Years holiday, and please dispose of fireworks properly.

Be sure that you have mailed-in your Annual Assessment, as it is due by January 1<sup>st</sup>, and becomes delinquent after January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The late fee is \$100, and interest will accrue **after the 31<sup>st</sup>**. New residents, if you have not received an invoice or are unsure, please contact the office (281-463-2624) before the January 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. Please note that **payment plans** are available if needed, please contact the office.

The big project for January is the perimeter fence maintenance, which is long overdue and was a tough battle with TREC warranty team. If you are a homeowner on the perimeter of Barker Cypress, we will be starting January 6<sup>th</sup>. This will begin at Spellbrook and go north to Keith Harrow and then wrap around to Windsong from north to south. Not every perimeter homeowner will be affected. If we are doing maintenance on your fence, you will get a door hanger 5 days prior to work being done.

The 1<sup>st</sup> goal/project for 2025 will be transitioning from our old Quickbooks software & Office 365 to true HOA financial and operational software. By converting to this software, we plan to 1) reduce costs, 2) have real-time information, 3) better tools, and 4) new Community portal with ability to see your account and pay online (existing website will remain).

The 2<sup>nd</sup> big project/initiative for 2025 will be to complete the new Unified Protective Covenant, and have residents approve and vote on it. We have a dedicated tab on the website, please visit the site or come to one of our bi-monthly meetings.

As we make New Year resolutions & goals, I ask you to consider volunteering in one of Deerfield's committees that you would enjoy serving on. **We are looking for volunteers on the following committees, Swim**

**Pool, Recreation and Landscaping.** You can decide the amount of commitment. There are one-time events and options to serve more regularly. Having volunteers on our Board and Committees is what allows us to have such a low Annual Maintenance Fee. It is also a fantastic way to meet your neighbors and make new friends.

Please note that 2025 DVCA Trustee Elections are coming up March 25 through March 29<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in running for Trustee, please fill out an application, as they are due February 14<sup>th</sup>. Applications are available on our website or in this newsletter. Also, stay informed with whom is up for reelection this year.

Deerfield Boy Scout Troop 120 is still selling mulch, topsoil, and fertilizer for their annual fundraiser to attend Summer Camp or High Adventure until the end of January. 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.

The next Board meeting is on January 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Clubhouse, and all Deerfield homeowners and residents are invited to attend.

I wish you and your family a prosperous 2025!

Take care,

Eric

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# Important Information

## DEERFIELD HELPFUL NUMBERS

DVCA Office ..... 281-463-2624  
Email..... [dvmgr@deerfieldvillageonline.com](mailto: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](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 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.

**OFFICE CLOSED FOR  
JANUARY 1, 2 & 20**

# Recreation Committee

The EVENT CALENDAR is on the DV website [www.deerfieldvillageonline.com](http://www.deerfieldvillageonline.com). Thanks to all who participated in Snow Day and to those who enjoyed the Christmas social.

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES-

<u>Weekly:</u>	<u>Monthly:</u>	<u>Monthly (cont'd)</u>
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 Jan.13-18. 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.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST-** Saturday, Jan. 18 from 8:30-10 am. It's FREE. Donations accepted. Your donations help fund the Men's Group charitable efforts.

**VALENTINES Social Dinner-** Friday, Feb. 14 from 6-9:30 pm. Catered meal and entertainment. Tickets are \$15/person. BYOB. A wonderful way to celebrate this special day.

**GARAGE SALE-** The Spring Garage Sale will be on Saturday, April 5. Registration begins Feb. 17.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR** to all Deerfield residents from your Recreation Committee.

The next meeting will be on Jan 3. We are looking for new volunteers to help with these events and hopefully they will bring us new ideas & new energy!

# Swim Pool Committee

We are kicking off the new year with the purchase of 40 new chairs for the pool. From my understanding, the current ones have served us for more than 10 years, maybe even as many as 15, so, while they've been great, it's time to move on. The Swimming Pool Committee has been searching for the best deal, taking into account quality, price, and our specific needs. We are looking to purchase it in late January or early February to ensure delivery ahead of the swim team season start in mid-April. We also will have our new "Funbrellas" ordered and will provide great shade to residents next summer. We were able to get eight years out of the old ones, which survived more than a few serious weather events, but it was time for new ones and a fresh start. These are the decisions the SPC makes regularly. We invite anyone who'd like to be a part of our decision-making process to join our group. Our next meeting is Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the clubhouse. All our meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month.

# 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. There will be no December meeting; the next scheduled meeting is **January 21, 2024**.

The following is a summary of financial activity through November 30, 2024.

## Financial Status:

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY-			
NOVEMBER 2024	This Month, \$	Year to Date, \$	Year End Forecast, \$
Income: Better/(Worse) than Budget	(4,701)	22,256	45,928
Operating Expenses:			
Actual	66,533	851,101	891,495
Budget	56,450	863,525	867,875
Better/(Worse) than Budget	(10,083)	12,425	(23,620)
Net Operating Income:			
Better/(Worse) than Budget	(14,784)	34,680	22,308
Total 2024 Operating Budget		867,875	867,875
Board Approved Additions		-0-	-0-
<b>Total Authorized Operating Expenditures for 2024</b>		<b>867,875</b>	<b>867,875</b>
<b>Total Reserves Spent</b>			
	<b>638</b>	<b>28,690</b>	<b>30,882</b>
Noteworthy Expenses this Month:			
Building Maintenance	2,515		
Air Conditioning	3,317		
Reduction of Loan Principal	3,732		
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,564</b>		

**Note:** Budgeted expenditures that have not yet been expensed but are expected to be expensed in subsequent months are reflected in the Year End Forecast.

## 2024 Assessments and Collections:

Yearly Assessments are the primary source of funds for operation of the Deerfield Village Community Association for the benefit of Deerfield residents. 2024 Collection rate as of the end of the month was again lower than in the past: 97.1% vs 98.0% same-month-average for the previous 5 years.

## 2025 Assessments and Collections:

Invoices for 2025 Assessments plus outstanding balances from 2024 and prior years have been mailed. Payment is due by January 1, 2025 and will be considered late after January 31, 2025. Beginning in February, late fees, interest, and other penalties start to accrue. **If you have not received your 2025 invoice or are unable to locate it, please contact Patti Averitt at Consolidated Management Services, 281-296-9775, to request a duplicate.** **Invoice or are unable to locate it, please contact Patti Averitt at Consolidated Management Services, 281-296-9775, to request a duplicate.**



# Security Committee

Our community continues to remain fairly quiet. Please continue to be vigilant and watch out for your neighbors by calling SEAL at 832-408-0200 with any issues. During the holiday season, consider utilizing SEAL to watch your home while you are away. Residents can access a vacation watch form by visiting our website [www.deerfieldvillageonline.com](http://www.deerfieldvillageonline.com) click on the documents tab, then click on the vacation watch form. This form will alert the SEAL officer of your absence and let them know who is allowed to be on your property while you are away. The vacation form can also be emailed to [vacationwatch@sealsecurity.com](mailto:vacationwatch@sealsecurity.com)

- New members/chairperson recruitment – join us in January if you are interested in learning more about our committee.

Our next meeting will be at 7pm on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> in the clubhouse. We hope you'll join us.

**THE SECURITY COMMITTEE WISHES YOU  
ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

## Security Stats ~ November 2024

Alarm	1
Animal	1
Assistance	2
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	0
Information	2
Solicitors	0
Suspicious Activity	0
Suspicious Person(s)	4
Suspicious Vehicle(s)	6
Theft	1
Vacation Watches	28
Vehicle Collision	0



**Christmas  
Social  
Dinner  
Fun!  
2024**

# Landscape Committee

The Landscape Committee finished the year strong with projects done over the holidays.

We wish to thank MUD 136 for installing a water source at Vanbury playground to support our tree planting program. In early 2025 we will be planting a row of trees to provide additional shade cover for the playground area. We also thank the Thursday Morning Men's Group for all the hard work they provided throughout the year in support of landscape projects, especially with installing the Christmas lights and the shrubbery planting along the first 100 feet of the east wall at the Clay Road that they managed to squeeze in right before Christmas. We plan to keep going with the shrubbery planting in small chunks until the whole area is refurbished. If you like what you see, please let us know. The Fall color planting is still a work in progress. Green Masters planted pansies at the entrances. We were planning on taking on the planting around the recreation center as a community project. Then, at the last minute we decided to see how far we could get with the existing Spring flowers. If we have a big freeze, we will pop in some pansies.

The Landscape Committee meets the second Monday of the month at 7PM in the small meeting room across from the office. All are welcome. If you have questions, suggestions or an interest in some fun community service please stop by. The next two meetings are January 13 and February 10. Happy New to all!

# Community Services

Happy NEW YEAR! As we go into the new year of 2025, the usage of the Clubhouse/Annex rooms for events, parties and family gatherings at the Rec center building will go up. Last year, we performed an extensive facelift on the facility, including external siding and trim repairs, cleaning, caulking and painting. Remember, when you use the buildings for an event or just to hang out, please do NOT nail, tack, tape or fix anything to internal or external walls. Not only do you mark the finish, but holes and missing paint open the door for moisture and insects, leading to problems down the road.

The Community Services Committee is a small group of residents working on the upkeep of our facilities and other facets of Deerfield life such as pest control and keeping the greenbelt lights on. If you would like to help with this effort, please come to our next meeting on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the Rec Center. We hope to see you there!



**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO  
5103 Glentworth  
4715 Bradstone**



# MUD 136 Report

Harris County MUD 136 (the District) monthly meeting was held in the Deerfield Village Recreation Center Annex, 6:00 PM on Thursday, December 12, 2024. Meetings are open to the public, with the agenda posted at the Deerfield Recreation Center and on the District's website [www.hcmud136.org](http://www.hcmud136.org). Presentations were made by MUD 136 consultants and issues affecting the District were discussed.

At this meeting our legal consultant informed the Board that MUD 136 trash service provider, Texas Pride has canceled our contract, effective January 31, 2025. Texas Pride representative was present at the meeting and explained to the Board that Texas Pride is revising all their contracts when they come due, by cancelling and then offering a new contract based on Texas Pride's new revised proforma agreement. The new agreement has a significant price increase. The Board is reviewing other trash/recycling providers, in addition to considering Texas Pride's new proposal. With any of our trash options, expect your trash service cost to increase after February 1, 2025 as the new trash/recycling rates take effect.

Deerfield landscaping committee discussed the progress on the proposed trees near the Vanbury Drive Playground. The new water connection for the irrigation system has been completed. The sidewalk near the connection was damaged and has been replaced.

Key documents can be found on the District's website, including meeting information, District's activities, records, financial statements and drinking water quality reports.

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, January 9, 2025 at 6:00 PM at Deerfield Village Recreation Center. The agenda will be posted at the Deerfield Recreation Center and on our website: [www.hcmud136.org](http://www.hcmud136.org).

# 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 7PM at the Clubhouse. There's no meeting in December. The next meeting will be on January 13, 2025.



## MULCH SALE

thru January 31, 2025

**Help a scout go to summer camp.**

[www.bsatroop120.com/mulch](http://www.bsatroop120.com/mulch)

Deerfield Boy Scout Troop 120

# Men's Group

The Men's Group (TMG) meets weekly on Thursdays at 9AM at the Rec Center. We have stimulating and lively roundtable discussions on topics of interest to the group. Besides our projects for DFV, and the community at large, we mix in some fun and fellowship which includes a monthly book club. Earlier this year TMG toured the Transtar facility, and we recently toured the new fire station. 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."

**FOOD DRIVE** The monthly Food Drive will be held January 13-18. Drop off your non-perishable donations in the box next to the office. NO glass containers or items long past their expiration date.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST** Saturday- January 18 from 8:30-10 am. It's FREE. Donations accepted, which will go towards the Men's Group charity efforts.

**ONGOING ACTIVITIES** Each week we sort out 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 TRESX. We collect used tennis balls and take them to Special Pals or the dog park. Additionally, we continue to collect used eyeglasses and suitcases. Collection boxes are next to the ice machine.

**CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS** Once again this year TMG filled 60 Christmas stockings that were distributed to our needy Meals on Wheels clients. Your donations at Pancake Breakfasts fund this activity. A big thank you to the ladies of the Sewing Bees of Texas for making the stockings again this year.

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS** As in previous years, TMG installed Christmas lights, and other decorations, at both the Clay Rd. and north entrances, and around the clubhouse.

**SERVICE PROJECTS:** This past month TMG held another successful Food Drive for Mesa Outreach and completed some carpentry and electrical jobs. We power washed additional sections of the brick walls at the Clay Rd. entrance and installed a proximity activated light in the ice machine area. TMG installed additional sections of sports tiles around the office area and assisted with the flower planting around the Rec Center. In addition, we worked with Landscape on the Clay. Rd. entrance demonstration landscaping project. "It's amazing what a team can accomplish when no individual wants the credit!"

# Men's Group

Our Motto is simple:

**"DO WHAT YOU CAN, WHEN YOU CAN"**



Before, during & after brick planting



# Architectural Guidelines Committee

The AGC (Architectural Guidelines Committee) meets twice a month in the Deerfield Clubhouse. Meetings are at 7pm 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 made great strides and continues to update the new Unified Protective Covenant (PC) document with modernized language from the 10 original Protective Covenants, and pertinent language from existing policies. At this time, the AGC is focused on the existing provisions, and whether they should be kept, modified, or deleted. However, based on the current process, we will go into mid 2025 before completing the document. All document changes will be discussed and approved at a later date, and subject to community vote. All residents are welcome to attend the AGC meetings. The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Clubhouse.



# Tennis Committee

The Tennis Committee welcomes all residents to come out to enjoy the courts for both tennis and pickleball. Please sign yourself up on the Tennis/Pickleball Sign-up sheets located on the office window at the Recreation center. All residents are reminded to legibly sign up for court time with a FIRST and LAST NAME on the sheet. 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. 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 as trash cans. 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. 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, December 4<sup>th</sup> in the small meeting room across from the office. There will not be a meeting in January due to the New Year Day holiday.

## Boy Scout Troop 120 update

On December 10, 2024, Troop 120 hosted a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Game Warden, Game Warden Forrest Price. He helped our Scouts learn their merit badge about Fish & Wildlife Management. We are thankful for our TPWD Game Wardens and the fact that they gave back to our scouts. The best part...Game Warden Price became an Eagle Scout FROM Deerfield Village Troop 120 in the 90s!! [www.bsatroop120.com](http://www.bsatroop120.com)



## Christmas Decoration Contest Winners

**1st place - 18310 Elmdon**  
**2nd place - 18014 Spellbrook**



Calling all Deerfield Women bargain hunters. If you enjoy finding unique treasures at bargain prices, join us Wednesday January 22 as we search through two thrift shops. These shops benefit Cy-Hope. Cy-Hope is an organization that brings needs and solutions together to instill hope in underserved children, nurturing their potential to become educated and empowered individuals who contribute positively to their community.

Our first stop will be The Hope Chest, 6545 Stockdick School Rd., Katy. Our second stop will be The Hope Chest, 12015 Barker Cypress Rd., Cypress. You will help children and the environment by keeping good products from landfills. Estimates indicate that each year, the average U.S. consumer discards a staggering 81.5 pounds of clothing alone, contributing to overflowing landfills and a significant strain on natural resources. Additionally, many other items such as furniture, appliances, etc. are added. If you have never thrift shopped or would like to brush up on your skills, you may find some helpful tips on website such as [stylewise-blog.com](http://stylewise-blog.com) Our last stop will be for lunch at Athena's Greek and European Kitchen, 3250 FM529, Houston. Their food is delicious and authentically European. There we will enjoy a great meal and exchange stories of our wonderful finds. You may check the menu if you like online at [athenasgreekkitchen.com](http://athenasgreekkitchen.com).

**PLEASE NOTE: Kindly RSVP NO LATER THAN Friday, January 10 to Leslie Denney at 281-705-0237.** The only cost is for your lunch (and purchases if any). As of this printing space is limited to 25 and advance reservations are required.

The bus will depart from the Deerfield Rec. Center at 9:30AM and return by 3:30PM. Those who register will be notified if plans change.

*November Trip to Galveston Bay Brewing*







## Katy Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program

**Katy Toastmasters**  
is Sponsoring a Youth Leadership Program  
January 6, 2025 – February 24, 2025

The program is limited to no more than 25 students from the ages of 12–17 years old. It is acceptable to have a "buddy system" of a student with their friend which helps build their confidence in the program.

This program is an **eight-session** fun and experimental program, designed to help students develop people skills confidence.

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

- This is a **free** program to the students; Toastmasters manuals will be provided.
- We do ask students and parents commit to attending the eight sessions.
- Upon successful completion, the students will receive a Certificate of Achievement.
- The program will be held on Monday evenings for eight consecutive sessions beginning January 6<sup>th</sup> through February 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Meetings start at 6:30pm and may end no later than 8:30pm or earlier depending on final group size.

**Administration Contact:**  
Andy Paultanis, CPA, DTM  
[apaultanis@gmail.com](mailto:apaultanis@gmail.com)

### A VITAL LIFE SKILL

This is an outstanding credential to have on college and employment applications as an example of extracurricular personal growth.

Below is an outline of the program where students present an Ice Breaker speech, work on public speaking techniques and practice people skills.

- **Session 1: Introduction to Chairmanship**  
(Robert's Rule of Order/Networking with People)
- **Session 2: Impromptu Speaking**  
(Thinking on your feet)
- **Session 3: Introduction to Public Speaking and Evaluations**  
(Ice Breaker Speeches)
- **Session 4: Organizing Your Speech**  
(Ice Breaker Speeches)
- **Session 5: Listening Skills**  
(Panel Discussion Techniques)
- **Session 6: Gestures**  
(Interviewing for Jobs and College)
- **Session 7: Voice and Vocabulary**  
(Working and competing with Robots)
- **Session 8: Show Your Skills**  
(Group Pizza Party)



### MEETING LOCATION

DEERFIELD VILLAGE ANNEX COMMUNITY CENTER  
4045 Deerfield Village Drive, Houston, TX 77084  
(east of Barker Cypress and north of Clay Road)



## Trustee Election Notice:

### Applications Deadline

Trustee Applications must be received by **February 14, 2025**.

### Posting of Applications

The Trustee Election applications will be included in the Newsletter and will be available on the DVCA website at [www.deerfieldvillageonline.com](http://www.deerfieldvillageonline.com) after deadline. 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 be posted on the website.

### Election Dates

Voting will occur Tuesday through Friday, **March 25<sup>th</sup>** through **March 28<sup>th</sup>**, from 9:30am to 1:30pm, Thursday evening, **March 27<sup>th</sup>**, from 6:00pm -8:00pm, and Saturday, **March 29<sup>th</sup>**, between 10:00am and 2:00pm.

### Annual Meeting of the Members and Annual Board Meeting

On **April 8<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM election results will be announced and immediately after the Annual Meeting of the Members, the new Trustee(s) will be seated as at the Annual Board meeting.

### 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.

### 2025 Election Committee

Kim Samman – Chair  
Eric Tourelles – Vice Chair  
Lisa Gilpin – Member  
Amy Lacy – Observer (no committee vote)  
Catherine Guiberteau – Administrator (no committee vote)

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\_\_\_\_\_ I have read the governing documents (Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Code of Ethics and Procedures of the Board and have a brief understanding of these documents and that we have Protective Covenants and what they are for.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# 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	Jadi Ritcher	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		
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 January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>LEGEND:</b> A Annex CH Clubhouse SM Small Mtg Room C&D Coffee & Donuts			<b>OFFICE CLOSED 1</b> <b>New Year's Day!</b>  <b>7pm NO Tennis Mtg</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED 2</b> <b>9am TMG-CH</b> <b>4pm Ladies' Night</b> <b>7pm AGC Mtg-CH</b>	<b>3</b> <b>9am C&amp;D-CH</b> <b>10am Recreation-SM</b>	<b>4</b>
5	6 <b>6:30pm Toastmasters Class-Annex</b> <b>7pm Comm Svcs-SM</b>	7 <b>1pm Mahjong-CH</b> <b>7pm Troop 120- A</b> <b>7pm Security -C/H</b>	8 <b>10am Quilting-CH</b> <b>5:45pm Yoga-A</b>	9 <b>9am TMG-CH</b> <b>1pm Dominos-CH</b> <b>6pm MUD 136</b> <b>7pm Poker- Annex</b>	10 <b>9am C&amp;D-CH</b>	11
12	13 <b>9:30am Mahjong-CH</b> <b>6:30pm Toastmasters Class-Annex</b> <b>7pm Deeds-C/H</b> <b>7pm Landscape-SM</b> <b>FOOD DRIVE BEGINS</b>	14 <b>1pm Mahjong-CH</b> <b>7pm Swim Pool-CH</b> <b>7pm Troop 120- A</b>	15 <b>5:45pm Yoga-A</b>	16 <b>9am TMG-CH</b> <b>7pm Bunco-CH</b>	17 <b>9am C&amp;D-CH</b>	18 <b>8am-10:30am Pancake Breakfast-C/H</b>  <b>FOOD DRIVE BEGINS</b>
19	20 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> <b>6:30pm Toastmasters Class-Annex</b> <b>7pm Troop 120- C/H</b>	21 <b>1pm Mahjong-CH</b> <b>7pm Finance Svcs-CH</b> <b>7pm Troop 120- A</b>	22 <b>9:30am Day Trippers</b> <b>10am-Sewing Bees-CH</b> <b>5:45pm Yoga-A</b>	23 <b>9am TMG-CH</b> <b>7pm Malties-CH</b>	24 <b>9am C&amp;D-CH</b>	25
26	27 <b>9:30am Mahjong-CH</b> <b>6:30pm Toastmasters Class-Annex</b> <b>7pm Board Mtg-CH</b>	28 <b>1pm Mahjong-CH</b> <b>7pm AGC Mtg-CH</b> <b>7pm Troop 120- A</b>	29 <b>5:45pm Yoga-A</b>	30 <b>9am TMG-CH</b>	31 <b>9am C&amp;D-CH</b>	Feb 1 <b>HOA Fees Past Due</b> 



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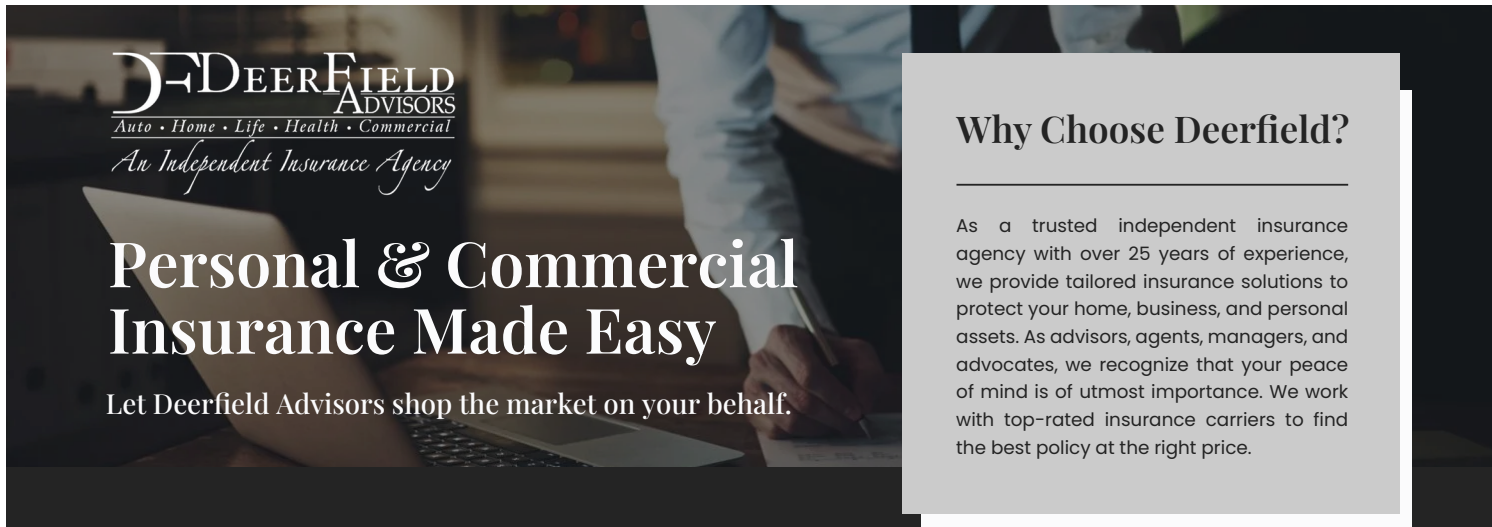
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