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URGENT - HELP NEEDED

As reported in the September newsletter, the newsletter volunteer editor, Jo Ann Mazoch, has moved and will no longer be able to be editor. She would have loved to remain in Vermont Commons, but unfortunately her home was severely damaged in a fire. Jo Ann has very graciously volunteered to put together the newsletter this month. The editor does not write the articles and only spends about 5-6 hours a month putting the newsletter together. Jo Ann will teach the new editor how to use the program. If a resident does not step forward to become the VCCA Editor, VCCA may have to discontinue sending a newsletter. Hopefully, there is a resident who enjoys receiving the newsletter, has the skills, and would like to see the newsletter continued to be delivered who will volunteer for this position! Please contact Jeanette Hix (hix@rmi.net or 713-521-3337) if this is a volunteer job you would like to pursue.

TRUNK OR TREAT

The VCCA Moms Group is planning a Halloween Trunk or Treat on Thursday, **October 28th 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.** at the parking lot on Brun and Haddon. This event will be geared towards VCCA neighborhood children. All ages and pets are invited to join in costume! Our inclement weather date is planned for Friday, October 29th.

We are currently looking for neighborhood volunteers to sign up for a parking space to host a trunk! Hosting a trunk would mean you park in a designated spot with your trunk decorated for Halloween and pass out wrapped candy or small toys (for approximately 50 kids) from the back of your car to those who come by. Volunteers are encouraged to get in spirit, come in costume, and even decorate their trunks. Volunteers can sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4fa5a922a1fe3-vermont> and/or email the VCAA Moms Group at vermontcommonsmoms@gmail.com to receive the sign-up link electronically and for additional information and questions.

If you would like to join the VCCA Moms group for updates on this event and future happenings, you can find them on Facebook by searching for the group: Vermont Commons Montrose Moms. For further questions on the group or events, please email vermontcommonsmoms@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 5th - 6 p.m.

- National Night Out and Happy Hour

October 6th - 10 a.m.

- Monthly Coffee

October 20th - 2 p.m.

- Book Club

October 28th - 5:30 p.m.

- Trunk or Treat

November 1st - 6 p.m.

- Concert and Happy Hour

November 3rd - 10 a.m.

- Monthly Coffee

November 17th - 2 p.m.

- Book Club

REMINDERS

Renew your VCCA membership if you have not already. Visit <http://www.vccahouston.org> and click "Membership" to renew.

SUBMISSIONS

Send news, notices, photos, editorials, or advertising requests to Jo Ann Mazoch at jmazoch@smu.edu. Submissions are due the 14th of the month.

BOOK CLUB

The VCCA Book Club meets every third Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. on Zoom. We read a variety of genres that often include a book we might not have read otherwise. This month we will discuss *News of the World*, by Paulette Jiles. We welcome new members! Please contact Natalie Browne at nbrowne48@gmail.com, if you have any questions or wish to receive the Zoom link for the October meeting. We hope to see you there!

CITIZEN PATROL

Citizen Patrol had 9 patrollers that did a total of 212 hours of patrolling in August. That's almost 7 hours per day of volunteering in the heat to keep us all safe!

Thanks to all especially Bob Costantini, Jeanette Hix and Satavisa Sarkar!

- David Hoyer, CP Coordinator.

VCCA OFFICERS 2020-21

Directors: Jeanette Hix (Lead Director), Stephanie Taylor, Nina Westerfeld, Janet Meyer, Lisa Meyer, Lillian Skogsberg, Ann Green Terrel

Treasurer: Chuck Randall

VP Deed Restrictions: Andy Tallin

Newsletter: Jo Ann Mazoch

OCTOBER HAPPY HOUR & NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

VCCA will start the fall activities with a combination of a **Welcome Back Happy Hour** and **National Night Out** on Tuesday **October 5th**. The combined events will take place at Dr. Harvey's Parking lot on Fairview starting at **6:00 p.m** and last until the mosquitos send you home. Packaged snacks, an ice cream truck, and a drink truck will be available. Free ice cream for all and a coupon for one drink for adults will be available. Representatives from Houston Police Department and the Constables Office will also be available to talk to residents. This year, we ask residents to not bring food to share, but instead enjoy snacks mentioned above that are provided by VCCA. What is National Night Out? It is a fun way to strengthen relationships between community members and law enforcement agencies, resulting in:

- heightened awareness for crime and drug prevention;
- increased support for local anti-crime programs; and
- sending a message that we are actively engaged deterring and fighting crime.

NOVEMBER HAPPY HOUR & CONCERT

VCCA is again sponsoring an outdoor, socially-distanced concert by the Monarch Chamber Players on **November 1st**. They are an ensemble of top professional classical musicians and successfully presented a safe, live performance for the VCCA last May. Residents are asked to bring a chair and the VCCA will provide snacks and a drink truck will be available to purchase a drink. **Happy hour** will start at **6:00 p.m.** at the parking lot at Brun and Haddon and the **concert** will begin at **7:00 p.m.**

HOUSTON CENSUS CHANGES

A recent article in the Houston Chronicle used the new data from the 2020 Census, released last month. The data shows changes in our neighborhood and Houston. Per the Houston Chronicle, Texas as a whole grew by 15.9%, more than double the U.S. overall rate of 7.4%. Harris County mirrored the state's change, growing by 15.6%. The Vermont Commons grew by 0.05%.



VCCA VOLUNTEERS

Without the help of Vermont Commons residents, VCCA would not be able to provide the many activities for the neighborhood. Here is a list of the many residents who provide their time. Most of these residents volunteer in several areas.

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 Laura Bazbaz
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 Bob Costantini
 Wes Cunningham
 Cay Dickson
 Carole Dodson
 Sam Dodson
 Jackie Friedman
 Rob Fuller
 Catherine Gabor
 Marlene Garnant
 Ann Green-Terrel

Robert Hallenbeck
 Jim Hassing
 Nancy Higgs
 Jeanette Hix
 Tom Hix
 David Hoyer
 Ann Ince
 Grace Kao
 Lisa Meyer
 Janet Meyer
 Guy Michael
 Jo Ann Mazoch
 Kit Muire

Nancy Parker
 Chuck Randall
 Henry Rojas
 Kayla Sanders
 Jim Skogsberg
 Lillian Skogsberg
 Dorothy Simon
 Jim Simons
 Sara Strom
 Andy Tallin
 Stephanie Taylor
 Kathline Terracina
 Nina Westerfeld
 Stephanie Willis

Give these neighbors a thanks next time you see them for putting together happy hours, book clubs, Trunk or Treat, the newsletter, keeping deeds enforced, getting our roads improved and much more! These people make our neighbor a fun and safe place to live!



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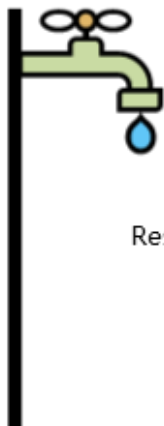


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