



# Vermont Commons

## CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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### VCCA HOLIDAY HAPPY HOUR

Put on your holiday best and bring your good cheer to join the festive gathering at **6PM, December 13**, at Churrasco's bar & outdoor dining area (2055 Westheimer). Meet old and new neighbors, reminisce the past year, and share your holiday's and new year's plans. A drink coupon will be available for all residents attending as well as free plantain chips. There is no fee to join this year's VCCA holiday event!

### A CAROLING WE WILL GO

Join your neighbors in singing holiday songs on **December 8 at 6PM** in the 2200 block of Brun St. VCCA will provide a written list of songs. Bring a candle to make the event more festive! Dress in your colorful holiday clothes and bring your loud, cheerful voices so the entire neighborhood will hear all of the holiday cheer!

### VERMONT COMMONS STREETS

Thanks to Public Works and Councilor Kamin's office for their help in rehabbing the streets of this community with our tax dollars. What a huge difference! Below is the update for the remaining streets and information on when they will be milled and overlaid.

**Indiana Street:** a water line replacement project covering most of Montrose will begin in May 2022 and end in March 2024. The Vermont Commons portion of this project will hopefully be first on the list. Large holes will be drilled in the pavement for waterlines to be replaced and connections installed in all of the Vermont Commons. Indiana Street will be milled and overlaid upon the completion of the waterlines.

**Vermont Street:** a portion of Vermont Street between McDuffie and Morse will have a storm water abatement. StormWater will begin the drainage project once Center Point moves their poles. The entire Vermont Street will be milled and overlaid upon the drainage project's completion.

**Driscoll, Hazard, Brun, and Huld (south of Fairview):** the Avalon Storm Water project (AVALON PLACE AREA WASTEWATER, DRAINAGE, AND PAVING, R-002011-0089) has finished the design part and is waiting for funding for the actual work to begin. There is no set time for this project to commence at this point. All the streets listed above will be milled and overlaid upon the project's completion.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### December 1- 10AM

- Monthly Coffee

#### December 8 - 6PM

- Caroling We Will Go

#### December 13 - 6PM

- Happy Hour

#### December 15 - 2PM

- Book Club

#### January 19 - 2PM

- Book Club



### REMINDERS

**Renew your VCCA membership** if you have not already. Visit [vccahouston.org](http://vccahouston.org) and click "Membership" to renew; or mail your check to Vermont Commons Civic Association with the address on top of this page.

### CONSTABLE PATROL

This program contracts Harris County Constables to patrol Vermont Commons and Park Civic area, which is funded by residents joining the program. Please visit [vcpatrol.com](http://vcpatrol.com) for information on how to join. United neighbors are safer neighbors, please consider taking part in it.

### SUBMISSIONS

Due to the holidays, **December 11** is the deadline for January newsletter's submissions. Send news, notices, photos, editorials, or advertising requests to [tiffanychung@hotmail.com](mailto:tiffanychung@hotmail.com)

## BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets every third Wednesday from 2:00-3:30PM. The December date is the 15th. This month we will select books for the coming year in a variety of genres. Contact Natalie Browne at [nbrowne48@gmail.com](mailto:nbrowne48@gmail.com) if you want to join or have any questions. Meeting location will be announced closer to date. We welcome new members!

## CITIZEN PATROL

We had 15 patrollers that did 314 hours of driving & walking in October. That's 10 hours per day of volunteering to keep us safe! Many thanks to veteran patrollers for this record breaking month, especially Bob Constantini and Lilian & Jim Skogsberg. We also thank and welcome two new patrollers, Xudong Qui and Elizabeth Stein.  
- David Hoyer, CP Coordinator

## VERMONT COMMONS MOMS GROUP (VCMG)

VCMG is looking for more parents and children's caregivers to join our community of neighborhood families. Please join our FB group, Vermont Commons Montrose Moms, or email [VermontCommonsMoms@gmail.com](mailto:VermontCommonsMoms@gmail.com) with any questions. We're trying to make this more inclusive for all parents to participate in family-friendly networking and activities.

## VERMONT COMMONS CIVIC ASSOCIATION (VCCA)

If you received this newsletter, it is sponsored by VCCA, as well as all the neighborhood activities. For information on how to join: [vccahouston.org](http://vccahouston.org)

## 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  
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## MONARCH CHAMBER PLAYERS



A perfect event!! The weather was perfect. The company was perfect. The players were more than perfect. VCCA hopes to sponsor the group again in the spring.



## TRUNK OR TREAT

There were so many adorable small goblins running around at the Trunk or Treat event hosted by VCCA and the Moms Group. It was very well attended by at least 40 children and their parents, who stayed until dark, visiting and becoming acquainted with their neighbors. It was such a success and will be an annual event. If you missed it this year, plan to join us next year. Thanks to those who decorated their vehicles for treaters to retrieve goodies, to Nancy Gill and Audrey Crawford who were volunteer judges for the event, and Chris Bacarella Photography as one of the event sponsors. He is a family, portrait, event, and architectural photographer living in the neighborhood, who did a fantastic job capturing the spooktacular evening. He can be reached at [chris@cbacarellaphoto.com](mailto:chris@cbacarellaphoto.com). Scan the QR code below to see all the event photos!



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