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MONTHLY COFFEE - CHANGE OF VENUE

Monthly Coffee will now meet at **Empire Café** on Westheimer at Elmen. It is still on the first Wednesday of the month at 10AM. Come join your neighbors on the patio and share conversation, laughter, and comradery!

GREAT RESPONSE TO VCCA ANNUAL DUES

A record number of households joined VCCA for the first time or renewed their memberships. Thanks to such a great response, VCCA is able to continue offering activities that require a fee!

UPCOMING EVENTS

 Monarch Players: an ensemble of top professional classical musicians who performed for Vermont Commons in June and November 2021.

 Chalk Drawing Festival is back: create your most creative drawings on you sidewalks or driveways, or both.

• Pet Blessing: bring your pets to a gathering of pet lovers.

Dates and times of events to be announced in the March Newsletter.

Vermont Commons Civic Association PO Box 130891, Houston, TX 77219

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2 - 10AM
Monthly Coffee
February 14 - 6:30PM
Happy Hour
February 16 - 2PM
Book Club
March 2 - 10AM
Monthly Coffee
March 14 - 6:30PM
Happy Hour

REMINDERS

Renew your VCCA membership if you have not already. Visit <u>vccahouston.org</u> 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 <u>vcpatrol.com</u> for information on how to join. United neighbors are safer neighbors, please consider taking part in it.

SUBMISSIONS

February **12** is the deadline for March newsletter's submissions. Send news, notices, photos, editorials, or advertising requests to <u>hix@rmi.net</u> and <u>tiffanychung@hotmail.com</u>

BOOK CLUB

The Book Club meets every third Wednesday from 2:00-3:30PM. General fiction, mysteries, non-fiction and biography are generally what we read. It's fun to be exposed to other readers' preferences. We will discuss *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid at our February 16 meeting. We welcome new members! Please contact Natalie Browne at <u>nbrowne48@gmail.com</u> for more information.

CITIZEN PATROL

We had 15 patrollers who did 281 hours of driving & walking in December. That's 9 hours per day of volunteering to keep our community safe! Many thanks to all our patrollers, especially Bob Costantini and Lillian and Jim Skogsberg, who between them did almost half of our patrolling.

- David Hoyer, CP Coordinator

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

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: Tiffany Chung

WATER LEAKAGE IN THE VERMONT COMMONS

This photo is taken on Hazard St towards Indiana St. The leak seems to be outside of the apartment building at 2206 Hazard. We need to call 311 and ask the city to resolve these leaks around the area and repair the damages their crews have left to our streets & sidewalks since last year.



THOSE GREEN RECYCLING BINS!

VCCA residents need to work as a team! The streets are full of the green bins for days after their scheduled pickups. Not only are they unattractive with dozens on each block, the bins take up parking spaces for days. Please send pictures and report to 311 each week! Call your City of Houston Councilor for this area, Abbie Kamin, (832) 393-3004, to let her know these problems. Hopefully, the Vermont Commons Team can make a difference!



Yard of the Month 2112 McDuffie St

VCCA HAPPY HOUR

Happy Hour will continue on the second Monday of the month in the bar area of Churrasco's at 6:30PM. At this time, VCCA will not have guest speakers.



January Happy Hour was attended by only a few, but a great time was experienced by all!



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ALL IN THE VCCA FAMILY

All in the VCCA Family is always looking for parents and caregivers of children in the neighborhood to join our community. Officer elections are going on now. For more information, search for the Facebook group "All in the VCCA Family" or email <u>allinthevccafamily@gmail.com</u>.



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