

Vermont Commons

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VCCA SUMMER BREAK

VCCA will discontinue most activities, including the newsletter, for the months of July and August. However, the VCCA sponsored **COFFEE** will continue on the first Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am. The VCCA Happy Hour will begin the VCCA season of activities on September 12. Be sure and read your newsletter to find out about time, place and hopefully, speaker. Have a great and safe summer. See you in the fall.

JUNE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Per VCCA bylaws, VCCA elects officers for the coming year in the month of June. All of the present officers have agreed to serve for the coming year-September 2022- June 2023. The Officers are: Lead Director- Jeanette Hix; Directors- Ann Green Terrel. Nina Westerfeld, Janet Meyer, Lisa Meyer, Stephanie Taylor and Lillian Skogsberg; Treasurer- Chuck Randle; Vice President of Deed Restrictions Andy Tallin; Newsletter Editors- Beverly McPhail and Susan Frost Russell. The election will be held at the VCCA Happy Hour. These Officers dedicate many hours on behalf of Vermont Commons Civic Association. If your paths cross with these volunteers this summer, be sure and thank them.

VOLUNTEERS

There are many activities that VCCA sponsors. If you would like to volunteer during the coming calendar year for any VCCA activities or start a new program on behalf of the neighborhood, send an email to hix@rmi.net with your suggestions. The Officers will be planning the coming year during the summer so your input will be greatly appreciated. Last years activities: Happy Hour, Coffee, All in the Family (formerly Moms group), Halloween Trunk or Treat, Holiday Party, Holiday decoration contest, National Night out, Pet Blessing, Out door concert, Yard of the month, graffiti removal, Citizens Patrol, Picnic, Newsletter, trap/.neuter/spay, Chalk drawing. VCCA also worked with the City of Houston and Council person Abbie Kamin to upgrade the streets.

VCCA HAPPY HOUR

Last Happy Hour until September. Come celebrate the beginning of summer with your friends and neighbors. Churrasco's, 6:00 pm on Monday, June 13.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 1 - 10am, Wednesday Monthly Coffee at Empire Cafe

June 12 - Ice Cream Social, 4pm, West Gray Park, Family Group

June 13 - Happy Hour, 6pm, Churrasco's

June 15 - 2 pm - 3:30pm Wednesday, Book Club Meeting

July 6 - 10am, Wednesday, Monthly Coffee at Empire Cafe

August 3 - 10am, Wednesday, Monthly Coffee at Empire Cafe

September 12 - Fall VCCA Happy Hour

REMINDERS

Renew your VCCA membership if you have not already. Visit http://www.vccahouston.org and click "Membership" to renew or mail your check in the previously provided VCCA address.

SUBMISSIONS

Send news, notices, photos, editorials, or advertising requests to Beverly McPhail at bevmcphail@icloud.com. Submissions are due by the 14th of the month preceding the newsletter.

BOOK CLUB

The VCCA Book Club meets every third Wednesday from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.. We read a variety of genres that includes books we might not have read otherwise. This month we will discuss *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett. We welcome new members! Please contact Natalie Browne at nbrowne48@gmail.com if you have any questions or wish to join us at our June 15 meeting.

CITIZEN PATROL

Citizen Patrol had 14 patrollers that did a total of 280 hours of driving and walking in April. That was over 9 hours per day of volunteering to promote safety. Many thanks to all of our dedicated citizens!

David Hoyer, CP Coordinator

MONTHLY COFFEE

The monthly Coffee meets at Empire Cafe on Westheimer at Elmen on the first Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am on the patio. Attend to enjoy conversation, laughter and camaraderie.

VCCA OFFICERS 2022-23

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: Beverly McPhail

and Susan Russell



All in the VCCA Family Update

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

With summer approaching, the All in the VCCA Family group is hosting an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, June 12th at 4pm located at West Gray Park (1475 W. Gray St.). Come cool off from the heat with ice cream or popsicles along with water play activities. This event is open to all ages and we welcome neighbors to join in and meet other VCCA neighborhood families. Please RSVP by using the Facebook group, All in the VCCA Family.

BABYSITTING NETWORK

The group is looking for qualified babysitters to join their network! We are featuring Vermont Common residents looking for babysitter or nanny opportunities. All sitters are required to be infant/child CPR certified and for those under 18 years old must also complete the Red Cross Babysitters course (or equivalent) to participate. The additional screening of babysitters is the responsibility of the person looking to hire them. Babysitters are also welcome to attend the ice cream social to meet local families. Please email allinthevccafamily@gmail.com to submit your profile to be featured in our community group.





2402 Huldy

Beautiful blooming cactus on Fairview side of house. Owner said people stop all the time to take pictures.

VCCA Annual Spring Picnic was a big Success!



Jim and Sheila Armsworth very generously shared their shady "North Forty" for the VCCA Picnic











What a picnic!! Approximately 60 residents donned their summer clothes and hats and had a fabulous time as attested by the pictures. The wooded lot afforded shade from the sun while all enjoyed hot dogs, ice cream and tons of delicious side dishes



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