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HAPPY NEW YEAR! WELCOME 2023!! Volunteers - Old and New, Hello and Good-Bye!

The many VCCA activities in 2022 brought Vermont Commons' residents together for fun times. The year also brought some great new volunteers as we also say good-bye to some wonderful old volunteers.

Willa White has joined VCCA Director Nina Westerfeld to help with computer work. If you have been receiving email notices about upcoming events, that is Willa at work. If you would like to have your name added to the list to receive reminder emails, send your name and email address to Jeanette Hix at hix@rmi.net.

The VCCA treasurer for many years, **Chuck Randall**, has recently retired and was looking for a replacement for all of his duties. **Kay Johnson** answered the call and volunteered. She is working with Chuck to make sure there is a smooth transition. Thank you Chuck for all your volunteer hours making sure VCCA remains a legal nonprofit, keeping the post office box open, paying all the bills and many more responsibilities, and generally being an entertaining guy. You will be missed and best of luck in retirement!

Lisa Mellencamp has been working on the Deed Restrictions for VCCA for the last year. She also retired and VCCA was in need of a replacement. She and Chuck (see above) are enjoying the retirement life. VCCA needed a replacement and up stepped **John Waldo**. Thank you!

David Hoyer has headed the Citizen Patrol Program almost since its inception in 2011. He is downsizing and moving to a new neighborhood. Thank you David for all you did!. Thanks to these new volunteers and all the old ones for all their help throughout the years.

A BIG THANKS TO BUSINESS OWNERS

Two business owners within the perimeter of Vermont Commons have very generously allowed VCCA to host events in their parking lots. A huge shout out to Dr Rebecca Harvey and Eugene's restaurant for being so generous with their property! We love having you in the neighborhood!

ALL IN THE FAMILY

If you are interested in connecting with other neighborhood families, please join our Facebook group, All in the VCCA Family, or email AllintheVCCAFamily@gmail.com to be added to the WhatsApp chat group.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 4 - Coffee, 10am,
Empire Cafe

January 9 - Happy Hour,
6:30pm, Join your Friends
and neighbors at Churrasco's
to bring in the New Year with
the first Happy Hour of 2023!
Invite a neighbor to join
you, so they can become
acquainted with the
organization its members.

January 18 - 2 pm-
3:30pm, Book Club

REMINDERS

Renew your VCCA Membership!

Dues are only \$40 for a full
year of events and
services. Visit our website
at vccahouston.org to learn
how to pay with Zelle.

SUBMISSIONS

Send news, notices,
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bevmcphail@icloud.com.
Submissions are due by
the 12th of the month
preceding the newsletter.

To read the newsletter in color, go to vccahouston.org

BOOK CLUB

The VCCA Book Club meets every third Wednesday of the month from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. As the January newsletter went to print, we had not yet chosen our books for 2023. Please contact Natalie Browne to hear what the January book selection is at nbrowne48@gmail.com. We welcome new members! Make a new year's resolution to read more books!

CITIZEN PATROL

Citizen Patrol had 13 patrollers that did 206 hours of walking and driving in November. That comes out to almost 7 hours per day of volunteering for our collective security. Many thanks to our volunteers!

David Hoyer, CP Coordinator

MONTHLY COFFEE

The monthly Coffee Klatch meets at Empire Cafe on Westheimer at Elmen on the first Wednesday of the month at **10:00 am**. 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

BEST DECORATED HOLIDAY HOMES IN FOUR CATEGORIES!

Once again Vermont Commons residents displayed their Holiday Cheer with many homes festively decorated to celebrate the season. It was a joyful time to stroll our neighborhood. Happy New Year!



Best Decorated Townhome:
2120 McDuffie



Most Unique Decorations:
2032 Vermont



Best Decorated Bungalow:
2310 Driscoll

Best Decorated Single Family Home:
1817 McDuffie



Monarch Chamber Players

The music of the **Monarch Chamber Players** could be heard for blocks on Sunday afternoon, December 11 at Dr. Harvey's parking lot on Fairview. It was a beautiful event and a great way to start the holiday season!



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