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TIME TO PAY YOUR ANNUAL DUES!

Please fill out the enclosed form to join and/or renew! Your dues are the ticket to fun, information, and increased security! Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT!

Join us on Tuesday October 4 at 6:30 pm to celebrate National Night Out at 2025 Fairview parking lot. More details in the October newsletter.

VCCA VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

On August 14, VCCA hosted a volunteer appreciation Happy Hour. There are over 40 residents who volunteer in the neighborhood with many of the volunteers wearing multiple hats. Without the help of these volunteers, VCCA would not be able to function. These activities include: planning activities (Happy Hour, National Night Out, Halloween event, the summer picnic, book club, concerts, and All in the Family Activities to name just a few) and graffiti removal, Yard of the Month, constable and citizen patrols, and the newsletter. Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers!



Thank You, Volunteers!

VCCA SEPTEMBER HAPPY HOUR WITH SPEAKER!

Monday September 11 at 6:30 pm at Churrasco's. Abbie Kamin, City Council member for the Vermont Commons area (District C) will make a presentation after Happy Hour (7:15). (Unfortunately, she had a medical emergency and was unable to attend in June). She will be ready to answer your questions after making a presentation about what is happening in our immediate area and the general area that she represents.

GRAFFITI REMOVAL

The new and unsightly Centerpoint pole at the corner of Fairview and Park has been attracting graffiti, which required numerous coats of paint!

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 6 - Coffee, 10am, Empire Cafe

September 11 - Happy Hour, 6:30 pm, Churrasco's, Councilwoman Abbie Kamen to speak at 7:15pm.

September 16 - All in the VCCA Family Brunch at Empire Cafe, 11am.

September 20 - Book Club Meeting 2 pm - 3:30pm

CALLING ALL MEN!

If you are interested in joining a men's coffee group, show up at the Coffee next month (September 6) at 10:00 at Empire Café and create a mens-only table to discuss guy things!

SUBMISSIONS

Send news, notices, photos, editorials, or advertising requests to Beverly McPhail at 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. We read a variety of genres that include books that we might not have read otherwise. September's selection is *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek*, by Kim M. Richardson. The leader will be Doris Sherer. We welcome new members! Please contact Natalie Browne if you have any questions at nbrowne48@gmail.com

CITIZEN PATROL

This month's numbers reflect the effect of hot weather and vacations: we had 7 patrollers report walking & driving time in July, whereas we usually have twice that number. We had 156 hours reported. I hope those on vacation away from Houston went somewhere cool. Email lillian_skogsberg@earthlink.net if you have any questions.

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 Terrel Green
Treasurer: Kay Johnson
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All in the VCCA Family Update for Fall

Family Brunch!

Join us for coffee and/or brunch at Empire Cafe (empirecafe.com) located at 1732 Westheimer Road on Saturday, **September 16 at 11am**. All ages are welcome - we'd love to see you! Food and drink available for purchase.

Trunk-or-Treat

Save the date for Sunday, October 29th for our 3rd annual spooktacular event for all neighbors to participate or decorate your trunk! More details in next month's newsletter.

Contact Information

For parents and caregivers of children 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.



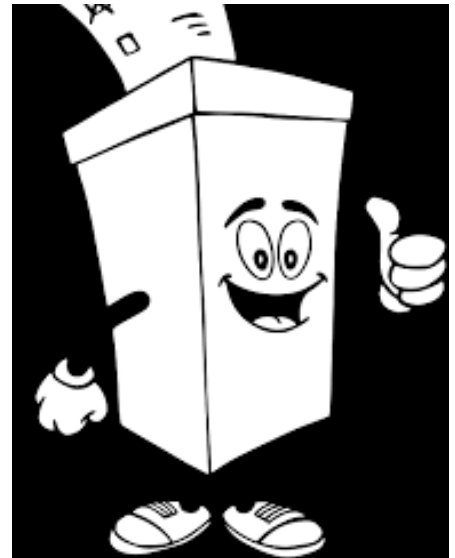
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November Election - Voter Registration & Election Worker Information

Recently moved? Kid turned 18? New U.S. Citizen? You need to register or update your Voter Registration by October 10th. If you've moved within Harris County, you can now update your address online; new registrations & new Harris County Voters must sign & submit a paper application. See [Harrisvotes.com](https://www.harrisvotes.com) for details.

You can also apply online if you are interested in working the November 2023 election: <https://www.harrisvotes.com/Election-Workers>

If you have questions about Voter Registration or Election Worker positions, please contact VCCA resident Robert Hallenbeck (Robert.Hallenbeck@gmail.com)



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