



Vermont Commons

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VCCA HAPPY HOUR & CONSTABLE PATROL PRESENTATION

Join friends and neighbors for happy hour at Churrasco's on Monday, March 10th. Prior to Happy Hour, there will be a Vermont Commons Constable Patrol presentation at 6pm. Now is the time to sign up for this valuable safety program. See page 2 for more information.



Get ready to party on Sunday, March 2nd at 5pm-location is the parking lot on Fairview, between Brun and Huldry. Laissez les bon temps rouler!!!

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

VCCA is discussing launching a Welcoming Committee, reminiscent of the Block Captains many of you may recall. We are seeking volunteers to help organize and establish this committee. If you're interested, please contact Jeanette Hix at hix@rmi.net.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

If your VCCA newsletter isn't in your mailbox, did you know you can access it on our website, vccahouston.org? You can find information on membership, by-laws, deed restrictions, the Constable Patrol program and more all in 1 convenient location.

TRASH/RECYCLING/YARD WASTE PICK UP

Holidays and weather can have an impact on the City of Houston's solid waste pick up schedule. Bins, lawn bags, piles of tree limbs, and heavy trash that sit uncollected on our streets for days and weeks is not only frustrating to see but also make our neighborhood streets and sidewalks a challenge to navigate. Stay up to date on the latest changes from COH. Download the *HTX Collects* app, input your address and be aware of delays and changes that affect your regularly scheduled pick up times. Help Keep Texas Beautiful by keeping our neighborhood beautiful!

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 2 –5pm, Mardi Gras

March 5 – 10am Men & Ladies Coffee, Empire Café

March 10 – 6pm VC Constable Patrol & Happy Hour, Churrasco's

March 19 – 2pm-3:30pm Book Club

April 14 – 6:30pm Happy Hour, Churrasco's



SUBMISSIONS

Send news, notices, photos, or advertising requests to Chris Lane at hix@rmi.net. 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 2pm-3:30pm. We read a variety of genres. The book for March 19 is *The Wedding People* by Alison Espach. New members are welcome! If you would like to join us, please contact Doris Sherer at dlsherer@hotmail.com.

CITIZENS ON PATROL

Our January walkers were on patrol. We had 300 hours of patrolling (walking & driving). Our top contributors were Bob Constantini and Marilyn Grant. Let's keep walking and driving around the neighborhood! Email questions to lillian_skogsberg@earthlink.net.

MONTHLY COFFEE

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

VCCA OFFICERS 2024-25

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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AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

IMPROVE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY BY JOINING VERMONT COMMONS/PARK CIVIC/LEWISDALE CONSTABLE PATROL PROGRAM

Have you noticed the Precinct 1 Constable patrol signs at the entrances to our neighborhood and the Constable vehicles patrolling our neighborhood? The Constable patrol has been in our neighborhood for over 8 years helping to improve the security of our neighborhood.

It takes financial support from all our neighbors to fund this important security and safety service but, only 25-30% of our neighbors are currently supporting the Constable Patrol. However, all our neighbors benefit because ***without a contract in place, the Constable would NOT be in our neighborhood or respond to calls in our neighborhood.*** Constable patrols are ***NOT*** standard taxpayer funded services

If you are not already a Constable patrol member, please consider joining your neighbors to support the program. The annual cost is only \$300.

Your benefits of Constable program membership include:

- Faster non-emergency law enforcement response
- Establishing the Constable as law enforcement home alarm response- improved response time
- Vacation Watch Service
- Yard signs indicating membership in the program
- Various programs to address home security and safety
 - Constable's Citizen's Police Academy
 - Women's R.A.D. class (Rape-Aggression-Defense)

2025-2026 Membership Dues are \$300 (\$0.82 per day for 365 days)

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