



Vermont Commons

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JUNE HAPPY HOUR WITH SPEAKER

Join Vermont Commons friends and neighbors to celebrate the beginning of summer. A member of Councilwoman Abbie Kamin's staff will be present to answer questions and speak to your concerns. See you on Monday, June 9th, 6:30pm, at Churrasco's.

SUMMER BREAK

Summer is approaching. The VCCA volunteers take a break starting from the middle of June until the second Monday in September. There will not be any VCCA activities or a newsletter during this time. The next newsletter is in September. Volunteers will be making plans for the 2025-2026 schedule during the summer break. If you have any ideas that you would like to share with VCCA for the upcoming year, please send them to hix@rmi.net. Have a great summer and see you in the fall!

VCCA ACTIVITIES

Residents have asked what does the \$40 annual dues fund? This is a list of all the areas that are paid for with the \$40 dues: monthly Happy Hours, All in the Family activities, newsletter, Mardi Gras celebration, holiday party, outdoor music presentations, picnic, National Night Out, continuous graffiti removal, Yard of the Month signs, tree planting, payment for our PO Box, payment to keep our non-profit status, Nextdoor fee, street notification signs about activities, volunteer signs, and Volunteer Appreciation Happy Hour. Additional activities that VCCA organizes but do not require funding: monthly coffee, website, Constable Patrol, speakers. *PLEASE KEEP ALL THESE BENEFITS IN MIND WHEN YOU ARE MAKING YOUR DECISION TO PAY THE VCCA DUES IN SEPTEMBER.*

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION HAPPY HOUR

There are more than 40 volunteers helping to keep VCCA running. Many of them wear several hats. To show the appreciation from the community, VCCA uses a portion of your dues to host a VCCA Appreciation Happy Hour in August. We will all lift a free glass of wine and enjoy appetizers to show our appreciation. An invite will be sent to volunteers when the time is closer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 4 – 10am Men & Ladies Coffee, Empire Café

June 9 – 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

DUES REMINDER

Join the VCCA fun for only \$40! Go to our website for instructions at www.vccahouston.org. We accept Zelle, checks and cash. VCCA membership is open to all residents, both owners and renters.

CITIZENS ON PATROL

April showers dominated this month but we had intrepid walkers out and about. Bob Costantini led the pack and Marilyn Grant also was a hearty walker. Our pack of walkers had 258 hours. Keep walking & driving our 'hood. Email questions and comments 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
Deed Restrictions: Andy Tallin
Newsletter: Chris Lane

AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

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.

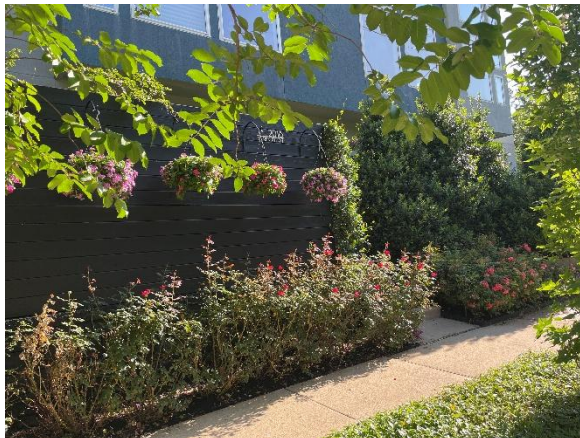
Your benefits of Constable program membership include:

- 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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For more information on how to join, please visit: <http://www.vcpatrol.com>



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VCCA FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

THE MONARCH PLAYERS

On a beautiful Sunday afternoon in early May, the Monarch Players delivered a captivating 45-minute outdoor concert that harmonized beautifully with the natural world. As the flutist and harpist played, the melodies intertwined with the chorus of birds and the gentle croak of frogs, creating a serene and magical atmosphere.




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