



Vermont Commons

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HAPPY HOUR IS BACK – AND WE’VE GOT A NEW SPOT!

After the closing of Churrasco’s (we miss it too!), it’s been a bit of a journey...but great news-VCCA has found a new home for Happy Hour!

Join us at Goode Company Kitchen & Cantina, located at 2002 West Gray, for an evening of good vibes, cold drinks, and friendly faces. Just walk in, hang a right, and you’ll find us ready to toast the end of a long, hot summer & the return of Happy Hour!

Join us Monday, September 8, at 6:30pm, near the bar, where food and drinks can be ordered.

We’re still on the lookout for a free venue nearby where we can host speakers, so if you have any ideas, let us know. Welcome back and

Can’t wait to catch up-see you on the 8th

IT’S TIME TO PAY YOUR VCCA DUES

Only \$40 for an entire year of fun, services, and information! To join or renew your VCCA membership, use one of these three easy methods:

1. Go to www.vccahouston.org/membership to pay via Zelle. Then send your email to vccahoustontx@gmail.com to be added to the monthly email VCCA notifications.
2. Write a \$40 check and mail to VCCA, POBox 130891, Houston TX 77219.
3. Bring \$40 cash or check to the September Happy Hour.

When paying by cash or check, be sure to include your name, address, phone number and email. Membership is open to all residents, whether you are an owner or a renter.

Membership includes 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. **PLEASE KEEP ALL THESE BENEFITS IN MIND WHEN YOU ARE MAKING YOUR DECISION TO PAY YOUR VCCA DUES.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday September 3 –
10am Men & Ladies Coffee,
Empire Café

Monday September 8 –
6:30pm Happy Hour,
Goode Company Kitchen

Tuesday October 7 – 6pm
National Night Out

Sunday October 26 – 6pm
Trunk or Treat



SUBMISSIONS

Send news, notices, photos, or advertising requests to Chris Lane at vccahoustontx@gmail.com. Submissions are due by the 12th of the month preceding the newsletter.

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

AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

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

Some of our residents continue to walk despite the summer heat. We've had folks walking & driving report an average of 230 hours/month. It's a struggle on those really humid days and there's been a drop in the number of neighbors reporting. Hopefully it picks up as the cooler months approach. Meanwhile, keep walking. 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 2025-26

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

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

TRUNK OR TREAT

Save the date for Sunday, October 26th at 6pm for our 5th annual spooktacular event for all neighbors to participate or decorate your trunk! More details will be in the October newsletter. For parents & 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.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

On August 25th, VCCA volunteers gathered to celebrate another great year. Many of the volunteers wear more than one hat--volunteering in multiple positions. VCCA would not be what it is without their contributions. If you see them out and about, be sure to thank them for all they do.

Andrew Hassing, Andy Tallin, Ann Ince, Anne Green-Terrell, Carole Dodson, Cay Dickson, Chip Gill, Chris Lane, Christine Beamish, Chuck Randall, Doris Sherer, Grace Ko, Guy Michel, Henry Rojas, Isabel Bacarella, Jackie Freedman, Janet Meyer, Jim Armsworth, Jim Hasing, Jim Skogsberg, Jim Wisner, Jeanette Hix, Justine Ailette, Kathleen Terracina, Kay Johnson, Lillian Skogsberg, Lisa Meyer, Maria Rodriguez, Nancy Higgs, Nina Westerfield, Owen Ruan, Robert Hallenbeck, Sam Dodson, Sheila Armsworth, Stephanie Taylor, Tom Hix, Willa White, and Shella Szymansky. Hopefully, no one was left off the list.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Join friends and neighbors to celebrate National Night Out on Tuesday, October 7th at 6pm. The purpose of NNO is to strengthen relationships between community members and law enforcement. Ice cream and water will be provided. More information will be in the October newsletter and on our website at vccahouston.org.



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