



Vermont Commons

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SEPTEMBER: REMINDER TO PAY YEARLY DUES

Vermont Commons (VCCA) dues are not mandatory but are a volitional opportunity to help Vermont Commons provide activities and betterment to the community.

AMOUNT: \$40 a year. HOW TO PAY: Check or ZELLE
Go to <https://www.vccahouston.org/membership> for instructions.

Where is Vermont Commons located? It is bounded by Westheimer, Huldy, Peden and Driscoll

Where do the dues go?

Beautification: Volunteers pick up trash on the street on a regular basis. A group of volunteers removes graffiti. Yard of the Month encourages residents to keep their property neat and tidy.

Safety:

National Night Out: See Below

Constable Patrol Program, using dues from residents, constables patrol the streets of Vermont Commons on a regular basis.

Citizen Patrol is group of resident volunteers who dedicate their time walking and driving the neighborhood and reporting any suspicious activities.

Neighborhood outreach: Volunteers reach out to the City of Houston to request upgrades and repairs.

Entertainment: Monthly Happy Hours, Holiday Parties, live music events

And how is all this accomplished? Volunteers!!

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night out is an annual community building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhood safer and more caring place to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a real sense of community. VCCA has been gathering for National Night Out since VCCA's conception., VCCA provides Ice cream for all and drinking water. It is a real community gathering. This year, National Night is on October 6, returning to the parking lot on Huldy between Indiana and Welch. Hope all of you join us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday September 2
10am Men & Ladies Coffee,
Empire Café

Monday September 14
6:30pm Happy Hour
Goode Company Cantina

Tuesday October 6
National Night Out
Location
Returning to the parking lot
on Huldy between Indiana
and Welch

Renewal & New Member
signup for VC Constable
Patrol Program. Go to
<http://www.vcpatrol.com>

SUBMISSIONS

Send news, notices, photos, or
advertising requests to Chris Lane
at vccahoustontx@gmail.com.
Submissions are due by the 15th of
the month preceding the
newsletter.

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

BOOK CLUB

The present Book Club is full to the Brim, but if you are interested in being a part of another book club, contact Doris Scherer at disherer@hotmail.com and she and several other residents will help start another one.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VCCA is in need of more volunteers to keep the streets of our neighborhood clean. If you have few hours a month to give back to the community, contact Jeanette Hix hix@rmi.net

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING NOTIFICATIONS

Sign up with this web page to receive weekly notifications about garbage and recycling. www.houstontx.gov/solidwaste/

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 & Justine Adiletta

Treasurer: Kay Johnson

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AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY

Since 1996, the Vermont Commons Civic Association (VCCA) has been dedicated to building a stronger, safer, and more beautiful community. What began as a small group of passionate residents with a shared vision quickly grew into a neighborhood-wide effort to enhance the quality of life for everyone who calls Vermont Commons home.

Shortly after VCCA was formed, the first community newsletter was delivered to residents — and it has continued every month from September to June ever since, keeping neighbors informed, connected, and engaged



One day in July, this duck appeared on Brun Street.

The duck decided that Stephanie, Brun Street resident, was his caregiver. He sleeps in her garden and then moves out on her lawn to watch the traffic go by. The entire neighborhood seems to enjoy his presence.



2012 Indiana

VCCA FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

VACATION PEACE OF MIND! JOIN THE VCCA CONSTABLE PATROL PROGRAM!

It's not too late to enroll in the Vermont Commons Constable Patrol Program — an important resource dedicated to helping keep our neighborhoods safe and connected.

Membership provides residents with direct access to the constable for non-emergency concerns, often with faster response times than COH police services. The program also offers vacation watch services to help monitor your home while you are away, adding an extra layer of security and peace of mind. Membership includes a yard sign, recognizing current members, an auto decal sticker, constable patrol information sticker and the constable dispatch phone number as the primary contact for your home security system.

Residents of the Vermont Commons/Park Civic/Lewisdale neighborhoods are eligible to participate. To learn more about the Constable Patrol Program, sign up as a new member, or renew your current membership, please visit <http://www.vcpatrol.com> or contact us at info@vcpatrol.com.

PROTECT CURBSIDE RECYCLING

Sorting properly is important. Contamination can disrupt the recycling process and send good materials to the landfill. **Do Not Bag Your Recyclables!** Bagged recyclables are the number 1 contaminant & cause of tangling the recycling equipment. Keep your recyclables loose & free.

Do not place the following in your green recycling bin: batteries or electronics, yard waste, household items, furniture, food or liquids, scrap metal or wood, shredded paper, tanglers including electrical cords & hoses, plastic bags or trash. Visit www.houstonrecycles.org for more information. And remember, **when in doubt, throw it out!**



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