

Vermont Commons

CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER
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NOVEMBER HAPPY HOUR

Join friends and neighbors on November 11th at Churrasco's, 6:30pm, for a fun evening meeting friends and neighbors.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



We had a great turnout at the Vermont Commons National Night Out on Tuesday, October 1st. More than 50 people attended, including many adorable kids. Everyone enjoyed Amy's Ice Cream, and the Constables who serve Vermont Commons gave an informative talk. It was a nice evening meeting and mingling with our neighbors!



VCCA DUES REMINDER

It is time to pay your annual dues. Pay your \$40 by check or by Zelle on the website at www.vccahouston.org/membership. Membership is open to all residents, whether you are an owner or a renter. Thanks to all who have already paid.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 6 – 10am Men & Ladies Coffee, Empire Café

November 11– 6:30pm Happy Hour, Churrasco's

November 20 – 2pm-3:30pm Book Club Meeting



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. We welcome new members! If you would like to join us please contact Doris Scherer at disherer@hotmail.com.

CITIZENS ON PATROL

We ended a hot September with 10 of our neighbors reporting walking/driving hours. Our top reporters were Bob Costantini and Stephanie Taylor. Keep on walking in the 'hood. 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

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AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

VERMONT COMMONS CONSTABLE PATROL PROGRAM (VCSF)

The Constables have begun patrolling our busier streets 3 days a week from 4 to 7pm in an effort to improve traffic behavior in Vermont Commons. They have issued several citations already. We are always looking to increase membership in the program so that we can continue with these added benefits. If you notice any new neighbors, please send their address to info@vcpatrol.com.

Membership renewal payment options can be found at:

http://www.vcpatrol.com/membership-dues/

Information on our neighborhood Constable program and how to become a member can be found at:

http://www.vcpatrol.com.

CITIZENS ON PATROL

On National Night Out our new COP coordinator, Officer Frank Sierra, joined us. He will be holding a meeting with our walkers in the coming fall to get everyone officially signed up as Citizens on Patrol. Lillian Skogsberg will alert everyone when we have a meeting scheduled.









TREES AND MORE

TREES! TREES! TREES!

There is still time to become part of the Tree Planting in Vermont Commons (go to www.vccahouston.org for details). Studies show that with more trees in a neighborhood the temperature can be lowered, making a cooler place to live. Sign up and be a contributor to a better life in Vermont Commons. Or just plant your own trees.



HELP KEEP THE LIGHTS ON

Vines growing on transformers can be dangerous. The conductive tissue of vines can transfer electrical current and cause outages, service interruptions or injury. In many cases, vine-covered poles are not easily accessible to linemen and can be located in backyards, behind locked gates. Residents can help prevent vines from growing on transformers by cutting the vines at the base and letting them die off.

You may have seen the new, more resilient poles being installed by CenterPoint Energy along the main streets in Vermont Commons. Let's all do our part to minimize outages by maintaining the trees, brush and vines that flourish in our yards.



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