WESTWOOD PARK HOMES ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the March 12th, 2013 Board Meeting

Board Members Present

The board meeting took place at Aryn Roth's home. Present at the meeting were Aryn Roth, Ann Nixon, Kirby Upjohn, Teresa Larson, Martha Negley and Ann Schleihs. Minutes: Ann Schleihs.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

NEW BOARD MEMBER - MARTHA NEGLEY

- The board extends a warm welcome to Martha Negley. For years Martha has beautified the neighborhood islands with her artistic touch. We are pleased she has finally taken the leap to join the board!

WPHA ANNUAL MEETING - APRIL 25th

- The 91st Annual Meeting will take place on Thursday, April 25 at Pembroke School, the cafeteria at Halls Student Center.
- 6:00 pm social and sharing hour, 7:00 pm meeting.
- A complimentary coffee & dessert bar and/or dinner will begin at 6:00 pm to encourage more neighbors to attend.
- Teresa shared a fun idea of having a raffle drawing for a L'Occitane gift bag.
- The board would like to invite Councilwoman Jan Marcason to the meeting for updates on various topics, including Swinney School building, downtown Kansas City plans and future Plaza improvements.
- Agenda: welcome, introduce board members, guest speaker, block representatives, security, home of the month, new neighbors, board member election, etc.
- The board talked about having certificates printed or a small recognition gift for home of the month homeowners.
- A special new neighbors letter was suggested to let them know of upcoming events.
- A mailer will be sent to neighbors announcing details, emphasizing the social hour. People interested are kindly requested to RSVP to HAKC.

NEWSLETTER & MAILERS

- Dick Nelson is our newsletter liaison person. He will collect and, in some cases, write content and email Julie Tenenbaum, our newsletter editor. Dick's email: dicknelson459@gmail.com; Julie's email: jatkc@aol.com.
- Aryn requested the board members help provide content and submit to Dick asap.
- Newsletter content: new neighbors, home of the month, Neighborhood Housing Services/Westwood Road house renovation, security, parking, directory updates, Sweeney School development, special dates—annual meeting, yard sale, dumpster day. Also include a message inviting neighbors to join NextDoor.com.
- The board would like to send the newsletter in March. A digital version could be available on NextDoor.com.
- A separate mailer will be sent by March 25th to announce WPHA's Annual Meeting at Pembroke.
- A postcard to announce the June Yard Sale and Dumpster Day will be sent in May. Volunteers are needed for Dumpster Day. ID's required to verify residency in the neighborhood. Martha would like to make the event special offering homemade cookies and coffee to neighbors who stop by. Nice touch!

NEW DIRECTORY

- The board would like to publish a new directory. HAKC will need to have any new neighbors information.

SPECIAL DATES

- WPHA Annual Meeting is Thursday, April 25th, 6:00 pm social and 7:00 pm meeting.
- Yard Sale is Saturday, June 1st, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm.
- Dumpster Day is Saturday, June 8th, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.
- The Annual Picnic will be in the fall. Date, location and food options will be discussed later.

NEXT MEETING

- Look for an email announcing the next board meeting, avoiding the second week of the month to better accommodate all board members schedules.
