

WESTMONT NEWS

Westmont Homes Association

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Westmont Homeowners Directory Update

Wilma White, our neighbor at 8323 W. 119th Terrace, 913-345-2869, was in inadvertently left out of the Westmont Directory. Please pencil in contact information for Wilma.

Wilma has river rock available for free pick up by Westmont residents. Wilma asks only that you call in advance to schedule a pick up.

Trash Removal Update

Deffenbaugh Industries is expected to change trash routes, rates and pickup times to reduce fuel costs and to conserve landfill space. The maximum bags of household waste may be limited to six bags with more requiring purchased trash stickers. Recyclable material will remain unlimited. We will keep you informed as we learn more.

Heart Felt Wishes

Our thoughts and prayers are with neighbor Gary Knight as he deals with medical issues.

Secretary Opening

The Westmont Board looking for a new secretary. If anyone is interested in volunteering for this position please contact Tom Armstrong (913-451-4699) or Sandy Goodwin at (913-345-2680).

Air Conditioning Efficiency Tips

- (1) Air filter(s) MUST be clean. They should be located near the return air duct adjacent to the air handler or in a return air grill(s). Check your air filter every 30 to 90 days to make sure it is clean. Depending of the house, i.e. if you have animals you may need to clean the air filter more often. (Go clean them now!)
- (2) Flip the switch on the thermostat for the fan setting to FAN ON, not AUTO. This will run the indoor fan nonstop. The outside A/C unit will still cycle with a call for cooling from the thermostat. The constant air moving will keep you cooler. You can probably keep the thermostat a degree or two higher then normal and still feel comfortable. You will also maintain a more even temperature between upstairs and downstairs. This will SAVE you MONEY because the outdoor condenser will not come on as much!
- (3) Please check your outside air-conditioning unit and remove cotton/ and other tree debris that could be blocking the air intake and make sure that you wash the outside condenser coil once a year. If it's dirty, the A/C will run hot and inefficient. A sign of the coil being dirty is the small exposed copper (pipe) (tubing) line, usually 3/8" O/D connecting the inside unit with the outside unit will be HOT to the touch.

For more helpful tips like the ones listed above please go to http://www.baumbach.com/Plumbing/ACTips.htm.

119th Street Project/ Fencing

We would like to say thank you again to the neighbors who continue to work together to leave their porch lights on so residents taking a evening walk can see their way.

The fencing project is on track and estimated to be completed by November again depending on the completion of 119th street.

Please Drive Carefully.

Squeaky Floors

If you have squeaky floors you can get them fixed for very reasonable prices. Please contact Bill Framel (913-322-4605) for more information.

Social Activities

If you are new to Westmont or find that you have more time available to be interested in neighborhood activities, know that <u>everyone</u> is welcome. The following is a list of our groups:

Book Club – meets on the 2nd Friday monthly at 1:00p.m Contact Paula Lewis if interested (913-469-6766).

Bunko – meets the 2nd Wednesday every month at 7:00 p.m. Call Ginger Burns at (913-491-1353) if interested.

Coffees– meets at 9:00 a.m. at Scooter's (Antioch and College) every 2nd Tuesday monthly – upcoming dates: July 8th, August 12th, September 9th, October 14th, November 11th, and the December 9th coffee with be held at Brenda Flagler's home.

Just come and join us, No Reservations Required.

Girl's Night Out – Dates and 'Happy Hour" locations are selected monthly. Please contact Ginger Burns at (913-491-1353) for information.

Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July Holiday!

Safety Tips:

- USE FIREWORKS OUTDOORS ONLY.
- ALWAYS HAVE WATER HANDY (A HOSE OR BUCKETS OF WATER)
- USE COMMON SENSE WHEN USING FIREWORKS. SPECTATORS SHOULD KEEP A SAFE DISTANCE FROM THE SHOOTER. AND THE SHOOTER SHOULD WEAR SAFETY GLASSES.
- ALCOHOL AND FIREWORKS DO NOT MIX. HAVE A "DESIGNATED "SHOOTER