What's Up? Westmont Newsletter May 2013

Board News

No Soliciting Signs: Westport Sign Company has installed the No Soliciting signs. The total cost was \$90.00, \$70.00 under bid. At the Open Board Meeting in February, a resident requested the board look into these signs.

Snow Removal: We've had three major snow storms this winter. This snow resulted in moderate budget overages. The Board is carefully monitoring this issue, and Westmont has adequate reserves that may be used, if necessary.

The repair of the damaged portions of the perimeter fence has been delayed. We are awaiting the delivery of the correct replacement materials. The City will reimburse Westmont for the costs.

<u>Property Value Inspections:</u> Vice President Mike Perry reported the follow-up inspections for last spring's inspections will be completed by the end of May. The homeowners will receive a follow-up report.

Mike said many residents, as they prepare to make improvements to their properties, have recently submitted the Architectural Review Committee Application (ARC) to the board. Those applications have included printed plans, photographs, and materials/color choices.

An ARC application must be submitted between the 1st to the 15th of each month. Once the application is submitted, Westmont Board will respond in writing by the last day of the month when the application was submitted. The ARC application is available on our Westmont website: www.ha-kc-org

<u>A Call for Committee Members:</u> A committee of homeowners is needed to establish a range of colors for roofing materials/colors, and exterior paint colors for Westmont homes. This is a short term commitment, and we need you. To join, email Shirley Knese or Barbara Kolom. Cookies provided!

Grounds Committee News

<u>Irrigation Systems:</u> Ken Knese reported six residents are interested in group rates for watering systems. They met April 18 to hear bids. If you're interested in participating, call Ken: 913-481-1123.

<u>Thursday Is Our Mowing Day:</u> Thursday is the day when Summit will mow lawns in Westmont---unless it rains. If not Thursday, then it will be done when the weather is favorable.

On Mowing Day, please do these things: Unlock your gates; do not water your grass; and mark areas you don't want mowed. Keep tree limbs cut high enough that the crew can easily mow under your trees.

<u>Yard Waste-Go Green:</u> On each mow day, Summit will pick-up a limit of 2 biodegradable bags of yard waste per address...no plastic bags. Please, place the bags on your driveway near the street.

<u>Lawn Treatment in April:</u> On April 15, Summit applied pre-emergent and fertilizer to your lawns. Do not put down grass seed for two weeks because the seed won't germinate.

<u>Scheduled Yard Clean-up:</u> Because the fall clean-up was so late in December due to late leaf fall, minimal leaves were on our yards this spring. So the spring clean-up was cancelled and the first mow occurred. This saved Westmont several hundred dollars. Thank you Grounds Committee!

<u>Open House</u>: The Reverend Gar Demo and members of St Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church (12251 Antioch) have invited all Westmont residents to an open house May 19, 2pm to 4pm. They are celebrating the expansion of their church. Some day soon, go see the beautiful, peaceful garden on the east side of the church, and enjoy the water features, art, and beautiful landscaping. Delightful!

Spring Garage Sale In May: Our Annual Spring Garage Sale will be May 16, 17, and 18. Social Chairman Brenda Flagler encourages all residents to participate. On Monday, May 20, a non-profit organization will pick up items you have left from the sale. Please, place them in secure containers and put on your driveway near the street.

IN MEMORY: Our neighbor and friend Morris Beck passed away in March. We wish to extend our condolences to his family. We will miss this good man.

SOCIAL MEDIA

- <u>Tea at Three</u> —second Tuesday of each month. <u>May 14, 3:00 pm at Brenda Flagler's home</u>, 8335 W.120th St., 498-1617. Bring a treat to share, if you wish. Everyone welcome!
- <u>Bunko</u>—second Wednesday each month. <u>May 8, 6:30 pm at Carol Cassidy's home</u>, 8405 W. 119 Terrace, 327-7369.
- <u>Bridge</u>—Last Wednesday of each month. <u>May 29, 7pm at Margaret Dack's home</u>, 12000 Mackey. If you'd like to join, call Margaret at 345-2610.

<u>May Westmont Board Meeting:</u> Monday, May 20, 2013, 6:30 pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213.

<u>HOMES ASSOCIATIONS OF KANSAS CITY:</u> <u>www.ha-kc.org</u> HAKC maintains the Westmont website. The website gives you access to the Westmont newsletter, board minutes, by-laws and restrictions, and general information about the board and Westmont Homes Association.

Do you have a Westmont suggestion or concern? Contact our board members 8am-5pm.

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- ▶ Brenda Flagler, Social Activities (498-1617; bflagler@worldinter.net)
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