

What's Up Westmont?

November 2016 Newsletter

WESTMONT HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual meeting and dinner was held Tuesday, October 18th in the community room of the St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church. There were approximately 75 homeowners in attendance. Thank you for coming! Your presence shows a strong commitment to making Westmont a great place to live! Following the "yummy" dinner catered by Stroud's, the meeting commenced. Our president, Mike Perry presided over the meeting. We had a special guest, Carolyn Dean-Sifrit, Spectrum Enterprises who talked about the lawn and grounds services they provide to Westmont followed by a brief Q&A. An election was held for five board positions that are currently vacant or will be at EOY 2016. (See election results below.) Each board member gave an annual report of the areas they oversee. The following homeowners were lucky winners in prize drawings:

- Free Month of Dues (\$70 value) – Betty Blomberg, Nancy Kitts-Woodworth, Beverly Clark
- \$50 Visa Gift Cards donated by Carolyn Dean-Sifrit – Ralph Hodge, Pat Bever
- \$100 Visa Gift Card donated by Carolyn Dean-Sifrit – Brandon Fox

Each of our Board members has performed the duties of their office or committee with excellence, in compliance with the Association's restrictions and for the benefit of all members.

Please consider attending our association's annual meeting next year. It's always a pleasure to catch-up with friends, meet new neighbors and share a delicious dinner together. Together we can shape the future of Westmont!

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

An election was held for five board positions that are currently vacant or will be at EOY 2016. We received notification from four homeowner's interested in being candidates to serve on the board: Brandon "BJ" Fox, Mark Jenkins, Barbara Kolom, and Dawn Taylor. We received and counted ballots from 33 homeowners and all four candidates were voted in to serve on the board, beginning their terms in January 2017. (See separate Bio Page for additional information on our new board members.) Thank you for your willingness to serve on the Board and volunteer your time and talents for the good of our community.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Sprinkler Shutdown and Winterizing: Green Head Turf will again offer a discounted rate for the end of season sprinkler winterizing. The winterizing will take place the first week of November 2016. The discounted service will be \$45. If interested, send an email including your name, address and phone # to Brian at greenheadturf@gmail.com.

Winter Fertilizer: One last application of a winter fertilizer will be put down in November.

Driveway Markers: With the coming of winter and snow removal services, residents are encouraged to purchase/install reflective markers. The markers alert the snow removal crews of the locations of the driveway dividers and significantly reduce the risk of damage to plantings.

Yard Waste: On trash pickup day, up to 8 bags of yard waste can be put out for pick up for the months January through September and 10 bags for October through December. Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable bags. Branches and other stick waste must be in tied bundles no more than 36 inches in length.

Leaf Cleanup: Spectrum will do the first of two leaf cleanings the week before Thanksgiving. The second will be done the week before Christmas. If you get "antsy" and feel the urge to rake before Spectrum does their thing, DO

NOT rake your leaves into the street or storm drain! Take the time to bag or compost. In addition to the harmful affect it has on the storm water system and water treatment center, it is illegal to put anything other than clean rainwater or sprinkler runoff down a storm drain. Here is a link to the Johnson County Environmental Division website: <http://www.jocogov.org/dept/health-and-environment/environment/recycling/yard-waste-and-composting>

PROPERTY VALUES

Home Improvements Reminder: Before you start your outside improvements please remember to complete and submit an ARC Form for any exterior home/yard changes to Hans Johansson, VP/Property Values. The ARC Form can be found on the HA-KC website (www.ha-kc.org).

NEIGHBORS:

Welcome to Our New Neighbors! We're happy you chose Westmont!

- Teresa Burns, 8303 West 119th Terrace
- Amy Jones & Donna Barnes, 12025 Mackey Street

SOCIAL NEWS

Tea at Three: Second Tuesday each month – For additional information, contact Brenda Flagler (913) 498-1617 for the **April thru December** gatherings. No “Tee at Three” in the months of January, February or March.

Bunko: Second Wednesday of month – For additional information, contact Ginger Burns at (913) 491-1353.

Bridge: Last Wednesday of month – For additional information, contact Margaret Dack at (913) 345-2610.

OTHER INFORMATION

Westmont “Info” Page on the HA-KC Site: We have begun using the Westmont Page on the HA-KC Site to notify homeowners of upcoming activities and date changes. Go to: www.ha-kc.org, click on “Kansas Associations” and then “Westmont”. It’s that easy! ☺

2016 Westmont Neighborhood Directory: Targeting the end of November to distribute the 2016 directory.

November 2016 Westmont Board Meeting: Monday, November 21st at 6:30 pm, at St Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213. These meetings are open to all residents.

Homes Association of Kansas City: The Homeowners Association of Kansas City (HAKC) maintains the Westmont website. The website can be found at: www.ha-kc.org , search for Westmont, to access:

- Westmont newsletters, Board meeting minutes & general information about the Board & Westmont HOA
- Bylaws and Restrictions
- Westmont exterior materials and color guide
- ARC Application for exterior home changes

Do you have a Westmont suggestion or concern you want to share? Topic ideas for the newsletter?

Your feedback is important! Contact a Board member between 8am-5pm with your suggestions or comments.

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