

What's Up Westmont?

June 2017 Newsletter

Annual Garage Sale a Great Success!

Despite a few showers, participating homeowners reported good sales and a steady stream of buyers. It was a great time to visit with neighbors who took the time to walk about during the three day event. We're hopeful the Vietnam Veterans of America, KCK, will benefit from any garage sale unsold items that they picked up May 22nd. We're definitely going to do it next year! And a shout out to BJ Fox and Don Roth for placing the big signs at both entrances. Please let us know your suggestions for improvements or changes to our annual Westmont Garage Sale by sending an email to Barbara Kolom, bkolom@everestkc.net

GROUNDS COMMITTEE:

Lawn Care Update: The Board has made the decision to part ways with our current lawn care service provider. Per our contractual obligation, we have given the standard 30 day termination notice. For the remainder of the year we'll have a new service provider - JMP Landscaping LLC. We will keep our scheduled mowing days on Monday and Tuesday through the remainder of 2017. The Board will work with both Spectrum and JMP to make this transition as smooth as possible during the next 30 days. Please continue your patience as we make this happen over the next few weeks. Please contact BJ Fox or Carol Barlau with any lawn care concerns. Their contact information is at the bottom of page 2 of the newsletter.

Grounds Chair, BJ Fox will provide additional information about JMP and lawn care services in the notice boxes near the mail boxes as we move forward, so keep a look out.

JUNE 2017: **Lawn Care:** Transition to new mowing service. As stated earlier we'll continue our Monday and Tuesday schedule for mowing; **Perimeter Care:** Rose bush treatment, bedding cleanup and mulch. **Greenhead Turf** – Will address any late sprinkler turn on requests. While on site this past week, Greenhead repaired the main sprinkler gasket at our Antioch Entrance. **WTC Tree Co.** – Will follow up a couple of trees missed during the earlier trim and treatment.

July 2017: **Lawn Care:** Mowing continues Mondays and Tuesdays. **Greenhead Turf:** Treatments and follow up weed spray if needed.

PROPERTY VALUES:

During the month of June, the Board will be revisiting the inspection forms and following up on those properties rated "fair" and "poor". If you have misplaced your inspection form and would like a copy, please send an email to Vice President / Property Values Don Roth at droth@kansasasphalt.com or President Carol Barlau at carol.barlau23@gmail.com.

WE HAVE NEW NEIGHBORS! Welcome and we are happy you chose Westmont!

Lola Adekaka, 8428 W 119th Terrace.

James & Susan Oakson, 8309 W. 119th Terrace.

Randy & Sandra Wachowiak, 8304 W. 120th St.

Shirley Hill, 8329 W. 121st St.

Sydney Harrington, 12000 Mackey;

Howard and Dana Park, 12015 Hemlock.

Safety Tips from the Overland Park Police Department

- Neighbors – Meet and get to know your neighbors. A good neighbor always reports suspicious activity to the police.
- Doors – Keep all your exterior doors locked (including storm doors), even when you are home. Strangers – If a stranger knocks on your door, answer the door, but do not open the door.
- Vehicles – When vehicles are left parked outside, always lock the doors and remove valuables (phones, purses, billfolds, briefcases, back packs, laptops, MP3 player, GPS).
- House numbers – At least 4" (6" preferred) and clearly visible. Drive up to your house at night and see if you can clearly read your house numbers.
- Household Items – Keep (ladders, bicycles, garden hoses) secured when not used.
- Garage door – Keep secured and closed at all times.
- Lighting – The front should have adequate lighting (low voltage or solar path lights, dim soffit and landscape lighting), and motion sensing light on the sides and back of the residence.
- Alarm System – Make sure everyone in the residence knows how to use the alarm. Make sure a trusted neighbor or close relative can respond to your home in case of an alarm.
- Vacation – Have someone set out your trash and pick up mail, news papers, etc. Leave emergency contact information with a neighbor.
- Reporting Suspicious Activity – Non-emergency number for OP Police is 913-895-6300.

Music in the Park Every Summer Sunday Evening: Gather friends and family for a delightful evening of live music at Santa Fe Commons Park in Downtown Overland Park, 7:00-8:30 pm. A food truck will arrive at 6:00 pm for your pleasure or bring your favorite picnic supper. Don't forget blankets, folding chairs and, just in case, some mosquito repellent.

SOCIAL NEWS: Tea at Three: Monthly Tea at Three meetings are held the second Tuesday April through December, 3pm, at Brenda Flagler's home, 8335 W. 120th Street (913-498-1617). Teas is not served January through March.

Bunko: Second Wednesday of month. For additional information, call Ginger Burns at (913) 491-1353. **Bridge:** Last Wednesday of the month at the home of Nancy Woodworth, 12002 Mackey. For additional information, contact Nancy at (219) 688-4760.

OTHER INFORMATION

June 2017 Westmont Board Meeting: Monday, June 19, 6:00 pm, at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213. The meetings are open to all residents.

ARC Application for exterior home changes **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, and general information about the Board and Westmont Homes Association
- 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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