

What's Up Westmont?

August, 2018 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Save the Date: The first ever **Westmont Chili Cook-Off** is scheduled for Saturday, November 3, 2018! If you feel your competitive nature stirring to make your family's secret recipe, this is your opportunity to show off your culinary talent and have a great time with your neighbors. And for those who prefer to eat chili instead of cooking it, that works too! All Westmont residents are encouraged to come and vote for their favorite. Watch for more information in the September newsletter.

2018 Westmont Annual Meeting and Dinner: Our annual homeowners meeting and dinner will be Tuesday, October 16th. Plan to attend and be an active participant in your Westmont Association. To reserve your place, please RSVP to Barbara Kolom by September 15th. Preferred method is an email to: bkolom@everestkc.net. Otherwise, leave a message at 913-375-5159. Provide the first and last names of the people attending along with your address and phone number. More details will be in next month's newsletter.

Westmont Board Elections: Please consider volunteering your time and talents to serve on the Westmont Board. At our annual meeting in October, there will be election of board members. Our hope is to prepare the ballots in advance of the meeting, so we can distribute via the monthly mailing. If you have questions or are interested in serving, contact Board President Carol Barlau by August 31st so your name can be put on the ballot.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Westmont Homes Association Property Values Report: Westmont residents have responded to the most recent Property Inspection Reports. Many have submitted their ARC forms for wood rot repair, painting, fences and more. Some have begun the repairs or have finished.

There are a few homeowners who have the same needed repairs noted on their 2015 Inspection Reports. The Board will do follow-up with them. If no plan is submitted and repairs implemented within an agreed start date, a report will be taken to the City of Overland Park and fines by the city may occur.

If you are planning on outside repairs or painting, get with your roof mate and share your plan thru an ARC form that can be found on our website www.ha-kc.org. Get those plans to Shirley Knese who can be located at 913-485-8689 or 12050 Mackey. The Board understands if you are unable to get on your painters list until fall or next spring. Just contact us with your plan.

The majority of residents keep their property in great shape. There are always just a few who do not make any effort. Westmont is a maintenance provided community. That maintenance does not include flower beds, roofs, driveways, or outside of your home. Please walk around your outside. Check your fireplace chimney, roof, siding, driveway and flower beds. If you have bought your house and do not want to keep up flower beds already on your property, have them taken out, or just weed them and put plastic and rock down. That will be pretty maintenance free. Members of the Board will be happy to meet you at your property and offer suggestions should you need assistance.

The Westmont Board is here to assist in keeping Westmont in the fine shape it has been in.

Respectfully,
Shirley Knese
Vice President/Property Values

TREASURER'S REPORT

Our overall financial status remains good. As a reminder, information about the monthly dues policy may be found at the HAKC website at www.ha-kc.org--search for Westmont and Maintenance Fees. When we all do our part and pay our dues on time, we can continue to keep our operating costs low.

LAWN AND GROUNDS REPORT

Respect Our Mowing Crew: TLC has reported some homeowners are NOT removing pet feces from their backyards. This is unacceptable. Clean up your backyard on Thursday evening or Friday morning.

Lawn Application: TLC will be applying Round #4 lawn application the last week of July or first week in August. This will be a "Grassy Weed Spray" with no fertilizer. Watch your message boxes for additional information.

Spider Mites Are Here: Spider mites are attacking our rose and burning bushes. Your bushes may look like they are dying or are dead, but they are not and will grow back. Spider Mites can spread. To assure you bushes survive, they may need to be sprayed. Call Matt at TLC, 913-780-5296 or another provider of your choice.

Monitor Your Message Boxes: Throughout the month, our association president Carol Barlau puts notices of updates, schedule changes and vital announcements in our Westmont Message Boxes located near your mail box. Thank you, Carol for all your efforts to keep our community up to date and informed.

OTHER NEWS:

New Neighbors: Welcome Jill Ladge, 12013 Mackey. We are happy you chose Westmont!

Recent Neighbor's New Address: Carol Caraway, a member of Westmont Homes Association, has changed her address in Arizona: 540 Ponce De Leon Drive, Unit 403, Hot Springs Village, AZ, 71909.

Care for Your Outside Air Conditioner Condensing Unit: Addition to last month's article: Before cleaning the coils with a hose, first turn your air conditioner off. This will prevent sucking wet cottonwood debris into the coils.

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

August 2018 Westmont Board Meeting: Monday, August 20th, 6:00 pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213. The meetings are open to all residents.

Homes Association of Kansas City: The Homeowners Association of Kansas City (HA-KC) 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
- ARC Application for exterior home changes
- Westmont exterior materials and color guide

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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