

What's Up Westmont?

March, 2019 Newsletter

WESTMONT 2019 NEIGHBORHOOD DIRECTORY: INFORMATION REQUEST

Enclosed with this newsletter is an Information Request form. The information you provide will be entered in the 2019 Directory that will be distributed late summer to early fall. Please return the completed form to HA-KC by **April 1, 2019**. Return information is at the bottom of the form.

Your information is private and confidential. It will be used for Directory development, so neighbors can contact you, for emergency purposes, and for Board communications.

Again—please return it by **April 1, 2019**. It will take you less than five minutes to fill it in, put it in an envelope, address and stamp it. Thank you!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Neighborhood Email Group: After discussing the many positive reasons to do so, the Board would like to develop a Westmont neighborhood group email list that could be used by the Board to inform neighbors, for instance, of upcoming events, changes in grounds services due to weather, and public service alerts.

This is not meant to replace updates in the message boxes, but instead to enhance modes of communication between the Westmont Board and residents.

To join this email group, send your name and email address to bkolom@everestkc.net. No text messages please.

Deffenbaugh Contract Soon to Expire: President Bev Kitts has begun the process of seeking bids from companies that provide garbage/ recycling/ yard waste removal.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Property Inspections: Shirley Knese reported, with the exception of a couple of phone calls for guidance, property inspections and improvements are on hold until spring when she will again assist homeowners make plans.

Winter Fence Damage: Shirley has contacted the original installer of our perimeter fence and that company is preparing an estimate for the storm damage to the fence along 119th street.

LAWN AND GROUNDS:

Spring Cleanup: TLC will do spring cleanup mid-March to early April, weather permitting.

Don't Over Seed Your Yard Yet: Following spring cleanup, TLC will apply pre-emergent chemicals mid March to early April, weather permitting. These chemicals are meant to prevent seeds from germinating. All seeds, including grass seed. If you want to over seed or repair lawn areas, wait at least three weeks after pre-emergent chemicals are applied.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The January financial statements and expenses were reviewed and discussed at the January Board meeting. All agreed financials to be in order.

FUN TIMES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Westmont Annual Garage Sale: This annual event will be May 9th, 10th and 11th. Now's the time to start sorting through closets, the garage, and dresser drawers for things that can make you some extra cash!

Neighborhood Summer Cook-out is Back!: We are reviving the Summer Cook-Out from years gone by. It will be held **June 2nd** on the 120th street cul-de sac. More information will be provided in the next newsletter.

Puppies, Paws, Kids and Ice Melt: During this ice and snow season, after you get home from taking your faithful companion for a walk, it's recommended you wipe the paws with a damp cloth to remove chemical residue resulting from ice melt. Check between the toes for bits of crystals that could cause irritation.

About those kids...Some kind neighbors have been seen spreading ice melt on sidewalks and driveways for the safety of our neighborhood children who walk to a school bus stop. Thanks for that!

NEW NEIGHBORS

We have new neighbors in Westmont: James and Joanne Hoenscheidt, 12044 Hemlock.

SOCIAL NEWS

Tea at Three: Tea at Brenda Flager's home is not served January through March. It will resume in April.

Bridge: Last Wednesday of the month at the home of Nancy Woodworth, 12002 Mackey. For additional information, contact Nance at (219) 688-4760.

OTHER INFORMATION

March 2019 Westmont Board Meeting: Monday, **March 18th** 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 (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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