Westmont News – April 2023

Do you have a Westmont-related suggestion or concern you want to share? Your feedback is important. Contact a Board member between 8am-5pm.

Board member's names, positions, and contact information listed below:

- > **President** John Ziegelmeyer, 785-550-5127, jjziegjr@gmail.com
- > Vice President Larry Tittle, 816-916-8163, jltreno@gmail.com
- > Treasurer Blaine Halvorson, 913-219-8081, bhalvorson2369@att.net
- Secretary Jan Hodgson, 913-558-8532, jan.hodgson@gmail.com
- Lawn & Grounds Director Linda Stogsdill, 913-439-7365, lkstogsdill@gmail.com
- Social Director Ray Hawk, 816-714-8444, sterno4520@aol.com
- > Newsletter Editor Board collaboration
- > Nancy Kocourek, 913-451-4428, butchette442@gmail.com

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – John Ziegelmeyer

As a reminder, we have new board members as of January 2023. Please feel free to reach out to them with questions. We are here to help and to serve the Westmont community!

Reminder, if you want to receive email updates and notices regarding the Westmont HOA, your email must be in Directory Spot. You can send your information to: westmonthelp@gmail.com.

Emails sent from Directory Spot will have an indicator showing they are from Directory Spot. These emails are the only approved communications from the Westmont Board. If you receive any other emails from Westmont residents that you do not know, feel free to reply to them with a "Please remove me from your distribution list."

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Larry Tittle

I am pleased to report six ARC forms were received in the month of March. Many have already been approved and work is underway. The work ranges from fence replacements, new driveways, and windows. We also have our first ARC for solar panels waiting for City permit approval.

I have completed a request online with OPCares to have the sidewalk repaired on 121st St. This is by the mailbox near 8316 W. 121st St.

Just a reminder Overland Park is having a Mattress Collection, Friday April 7th. Collected items will be recycled or cleaned, sanitized for families in need. YOU MUST SIGN UP for pick up at www.opkansas.org/mattress.

Here is the address link to the ARC form on our website which can be completed online and downloaded for printing and/or email submittal:

http://ha-kc.org/images/associations/350/Westmont_ARC_2022.pdf

TREASURER'S REPORT – Blaine Halvorson

The February 2023 financials were submitted to the board for review. February expenses were in order and as budgeted. We initially had four homeowners with past dues balances, but I am happy to say all four brought their accounts back in order. Thank you to each.

On this note, I would like to remind all our homeowners that the HA-KC offers an automated bank draft service to simplify your monthly dues process. So, if you are tired of writing checks, buying stamps, and making trips to the post office, consider Westmont's AutoPay program for your monthly HOA dues. Through this program, monthly payments will be automatically deducted from your bank account every month. Just complete and return an authorization form with your account information to Homes Association of Kansas City. It's that easy.

If you have questions or wish to receive an AutoPay authorization form, please contact Doug Luther at Homes Associations of Kansas City at (913) 385-2240 or dluther@ha-kc.org.

Currently, 72 of our neighbors (43%) are currently using and enjoying the convenience of this service!

LAWN AND GROUNDS REPORT – Linda Stogsdill

And so it begins. Precision Lawn plans to start mowing on Thursday, April 6th. Prior to this date I will survey the grounds to make sure we are ready for this first mow of the season. That said, please remember to unlock your gates if you want your backyard mowed. Also keep in mind that Westmont pays for basic lawn care as opposed to custom. If you do not want your yard mowed, please indicate with a sign.

The week following, they will be mulching the common areas. They will be applying the second round of fertilizer and crabgrass control to our yards. This application will kill new grass seed. If you do not want it, please put a sign in your yard.

This is a good time, if you have not already done so, to remove the straw mats/plastic netting the gas company put down last Fall so new grass can grow and the lawn mowers do not run over them.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Ray Hawk

The social chair is working with volunteers to have an activity that will appeal to many of the homeowners as soon as the weather turns a bit warmer. Stay tuned for details as they develop. We have a long list of items that we know will give the sub-division the "small town, enjoy-your-neighbor appeal" we loved so much growing up. If you would like to participate in the planning, please call and/or email Ray Hawk.

NEXT WESTMONT BOARD MEETING

The monthly meetings of the Board are held on the third Mondays of the month beginning at 6:30pm at St Thomas Episcopal Church (12251 Antioch Road), in the Assembly Room. The room is large to socially distance. Masks are optional.

All homeowners are encouraged to attend to listen in on topics discussed relating to our Westmont community. If you have a specific question, you can submit it in advance of the meeting, to westmonthelp@gmail.com, and we will be sure to discuss it at the end of the meeting during Westmont homeowner Q&A. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 17th. We hope to see you there.