# **WESTMONT NEWS**

## Westmont Homes Association February, 2008

#### 2008 Officers and Committee Chairs

The February Board of Directors meeting established the "Who and What" for the new fiscal year beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### Our Westmont Community will be under the leadership of:

President - Tom ArmstrongVice- President - To Be FilledTreasurer - Billie NapierSecretary - Dee Savage AbbottGrounds & Snow Conditions - Bill FramelSocial Activities - Brenda FlaglerProperty Values - Tom Armstrong, temporaryNewsletter - Dee Abbott, temporary

**Directory** - Sandy Goodwin, temporary 119<sup>th</sup> **Project** - Shirley Knese

## Volunteer to Maintain High Standards

The By-Laws of the association require the positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary be filled by elected Board Members. Other positions may be appointed from the residential community to conduct the activities needed under an assigned elected Board Member. We are asking Westmont Residents to consider volunteering for one of the positions that are listed as temporary or unfilled. If you have an interest in being involved in your residential community in any way please contact a Board Member. To maintain the high standards established by our Westmont residents we need to individually access how we can contribute to our neighbors and neighborhood.

## **Great Opportunity for Web Site**

The Board would like to develop and maintain a web-site for Westmont and are searching for a resident who is skilled in this area and would volunteer their services. We realize that some residents may not be 'computer savvy' and printed copies of newsletters and information would be made available to them. A web-site would be beneficial in promoting the subdivision and giving residents access to information without printing, postal fees and administrative fees. Do step forward if this is your forte. You are needed!

## **Grounds and Snow Conditions**

The Board is conducting an inventory of subdivision trees to determine those infected with iron deficiency. This information is necessary to consider allocation of funds in the budget for treatment in February and March, 2009. You will be updated on this process thru the newsletter.

With the maturity of our trees and shrubs, the current contracted clean-up services are in need of re-evaluation. Under consideration is the major Fall Clean-Up to be moved to early November with a December follow-up of leaf removal on the lawns. This would be followed by the scheduled Spring Clean-Up. A decision has not been finalized and we will keep you posted through the newsletter.

A special project in the fall of 2007 was provided to improve the condition of all lawns in the subdivision. The Board is considering repeating the Fall Aeration and Seeding of lawns in 2008. This expenditure would be reviewed on a year-by-year basis. A decision will soon be forthcoming.

Lawn Care and skid mark patterns left in lawns has been reviewed with Aspen Lawns who are contracted to provide services for Westmont. They have assured us that this "patterning" is not acceptable and have undertaken a training program with their employees to correct the problem. Your Board and Grounds Chairman will be watching diligently as the warm season approaches.

Your calls and comments have been heard and the current program on ice, snow treatment and removal is being reviewed. This is another area that reflects the changes of our subdivision residents and their expectations. The Board will strive to give residents the very best program possible with funds available. The newsletter will keep you aware of policy changes.

We want to remind residents that driveways with a vehicle parked in them will not have the snow removed. Ice, snow, parked vehicles and snow blades do not set-up a 'happy' scenario for anyone. Please understand and leave your drive clear of vehicles where possible.

#### Subdivision Directory

Work is continuing on the new directory information and should be going to the printer soon. This process can be greatly simplified by having changes in resident information kept up-to-date on a regular basis. The Board needs residents to assist by telling them about resident changes. A volunteer is also needed to maintain an updated data base. Call a Board member and volunteer.

## Progress on 119th Project

Progress has been made on the 119<sup>th</sup> Project but is still behind schedule. AT&T has filled in their excavations. According to Overland Park the project was opened for bids on February 5<sup>th</sup> for the actual widening project. Overland Park has requested that Westmont delay installing of the new fencing, landscaping and Hemlock sign electricity.

You may go directly to the Overland Park website to keep up on the progress at <a href="www.opkansas.org/-Res/Projects">www.opkansas.org/-Res/Projects</a> and Construction/Road Projects/aa9 69 Riley.cfm. Our representative, Shirley Knese, will continue to meet with the city and keep us posted as the process proceeds. Updates will be included in the newsletter.

## Annual Westmont Garage Sale

More information will be forthcoming for the Annual Spring Garage Sale. Chairman Brenda will soon be announcing the dates and details. So – sort and gather and be ready to participate.

# **Greet and Meet Your Neighbors**

Remember to be your neighbors' protector, say hello and give a friendly wave to those in your neighborhood. If your neighbor moves or an address becomes vacant please let a board member know. This is vital in keeping subdivision information up-to-date and all information is confidential. Your assistance would save a great deal of effort and time for your Board members.

Westmont will soon have new residents on Hemlock and 120<sup>th</sup> Terrace. The Board Social Chairman, Brenda Flagler, will be giving them a Welcome Visit and packet. Let's all strive to create a friendly atmosphere and caring subdivision. Invite them to one of the social events that are so successful in Westmont.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

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Shirley Knese – 913 485 8689