## Happy Holidays and Warmest Wishes for Your New Year!

## **Board News**

**February Open Meeting:** The Board will hold an open meeting for Westmont residents on Monday, February 18, 2013. The meeting will begin at 6:30 pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213.

The purpose of this meeting is to address any comments or unanswered questions from the Annual Meeting. The Board has chosen to wait until February since our year ends December 31. This will allow time to get the final year information.

**Driveway Improvement Updates:** We have eight new driveways that were installed this fall. These homeowners came together to get bids for the highest quality and best price. <u>Shelby</u> Ragan, owner of Ragan Construction, has made a commitment to honor the same pricing through next spring (2013), with a 10% discount, to any Westmont resident needing concrete work. This includes driveway replacement, sidewalk stamping, decorative concrete, and brick work (patios, edging around trees, etc.).

The homeowners were very impressed with Shelby's service and the quality of his work. If you're interested, contact Shelby at 913-915-7078. Each homeowner is responsible for negotiating his or her own contract with Mr. Ragan and paying for the contracted work.

**<u>Grounds Committee:</u>** Ken Knese reported Summit Lawn and Landscape will do a third cleanup of yards in December or January, depending on the weather.

NOTE: Yard waste, tree branches, and yard-waste bags will not be picked up until next spring.

<u>Two coyotes</u> were recently spotted in our neighborhood, strolling towards home. Please, be aware that these magnificent animals may mistake a loose puppy as lunch. So, keep your pooch on one end of the leash and your hand on the other.

**For Your Safety:** The extreme heat and drought of last summer may have caused your exterior electrical box or gas meter to move from its original position. This could become a danger to your safety. To have your exterior electric box inspected, call KCPL at 816-471-5275. To have your gas meter inspected, call Kansas Gas Service at 1-800-794-4780.

**Snow Removal This Winter:** When it snows, Summit cannot remove snow if you have vehicles parked in your driveway. Unless the city is plowing your street, it may be beneficial to move your vehicles to the street when Summit is in the neighborhood.

In the <u>Overland Park Overview Magazine</u>, Winter 2012 edition, residents are cautioned, "Crews do their best to clear residential streets as quickly as possible. Their job is made easier when there are few vehicles parked on a street..." Vehicles "slow the operation and delay getting the streets cleaned." A web-based snow map to monitor plowing progress is available through the city's web page at <u>opkansas.org.</u>

<u>Celebrating the Holidays:</u> Social Chairman Brenda Flagler reported holiday wreaths will soon be placed at both entrances. Thank you, Brenda!

## SOCIAL MEDIA

- <u>Tea at Three</u> —Second Tuesday of each month: Holiday Tea! Dec. 11. Tea will be held at Brenda Flagler's home, 8335 W.120 St. Please, bring your neighbor and come celebrate this season. If you wish, bring a holiday treat to share. Everyone welcome!
- <u>Hostesses are needed for Tea@3 January through May</u>. <u>Call Brenda at 498-1617 if you would like to</u> <u>hostess one of these months</u>.
- <u>Bunko</u>—2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month. <u>Holliday Pot Luck Dinner and White Elephant Gift</u> <u>Exchange.</u> Dec. 12 at 7 pm, Bunko at Margaret Dack's home, 12000 Mackey. If you have questions, contact Ginger Burns at <u>gburns001@everestkc.net</u>
- <u>Bridge</u>—Last Wednesday of each month. Dec. 26 at 7 pm, bridge at <u>Margaret Dack's home</u>, 12000 Mackey. If you'd like to join, call Margaret at 345-2610.

**December Westmont Board Meeting:** Monday, December 17, 2012 at 6:30 pm, St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213.

<u>HOMES ASSOCIATIONS OF KANSAS CITY:</u> <u>www.ha-kc.org</u> HAKC maintains the Westmont website. The website gives you access to the Westmont newsletter, board minutes, by-laws and restrictions, and general information about the board and Westmont Homes Association.

Do you have a Westmont suggestion or concern? Contact our board members 8am-5pm.

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