

What's Up Westmont?

September 2017 Newsletter

Westmont Board Announcement & Elections

Effective August 21st, 2017, Dawn Taylor has resigned from the Westmont Board. Board President, Carol Barlau will assume Treasurer duties in the interim.

We will have three to four open positions on the board beginning in January 2018. Along with your October dues statement and newsletter, you will receive a ballot for voting on board positions. The election will be held during our annual meeting October 17th. Please, seriously consider doing your part to keep Westmont a great place to live by volunteering your time and talents to serve on the Westmont Board. If you are interested in serving or have questions, please contact Board President Carol Barlau at 913-491-1449, no later than September 15th so your name can be put on the ballot.

2017 Westmont Annual Meeting and Dinner

Save the date! Our annual homeowners meeting and dinner will be held on the third Tuesday of October – October 17th. Plan to attend and be an active participant in your Westmont neighborhood. Meet your neighbors. Be involved. To reserve your place, please RSVP to Barb Kolom by September 30th. Preferred method is an email to: bkolom@everestkc.net. Otherwise leave a message at 913-375-5159. Please provide the first and last names of the adults attending along with your address and phone number. The dinner will again be catered by Stroud's. Additional details will be in the October newsletter.

Here is another opportunity to get involved. We have two special committees, with a time limited life cycle, to address specific issues and concerns. Take a look at the charter for each special committee and contact Carol Barlau at 913-491-1449 immediately if you are interested in participating:

Common Area Landscape Plan – The charter of this special committee is to analyze the common areas within Westmont and prepare a proposal to refresh the landscape and create an aesthetically pleasing environment. Proposal to include: list of plantings, drawings, approximate costs, prioritized/phased approach and plans for execution of proposal. Considerations to include: zone appropriate plantings, low maintenance, sun or shade tolerance, and lower cost but good quality plantings. First readout of proposal will be at the October 16th Board meeting. The following homeowners have volunteered for this committee so far: Barb Kolom, Gloria Menendez, Blaine Halvorson and Ken Knese.

Bids for Lawn Services, Chemicals and Snow Removal - 3 Year Contract – This committee will have a significant impact to all of us, so the talent of the committee members is paramount. To give you an idea of the challenge, the charter of this special committee will be to prepare a Request for Quote (RFQ) with specifications, compile a list of service providers to target, contact service providers to submit a bid, schedule and conduct guided property walkthroughs, collect and analyze bids, and prepare recommendation to board. Considerations to include: references, insurance, preference for single provider for all three services, i.e., lawn, chemicals and snow removal, and proper equipment to address complex environment. First readout will be at the September 18th Board meeting. The following homeowners have volunteered for this committee so far: Brandon Fox, Shirley Knese, Joe Menendez, Steve Mason, Nancy Kitts Woodworth, Blaine Halvorson and Ken Knese.

LAWN CARE UPDATE

Cars parked along the curb on mowing day make it difficult or impossible to mow and trim the grass in those areas. Please park your cars on your driveway or move them to another area. Thank you!

September 2017: 1: BMR Mowing will continue on Fridays, weather permitting. Watch the message boxes for lawn care updates. Please make sure your sprinklers do not run the morning of mowing days to avoid being skipped. 2: Common area Rose Bush Treatments will be done. 3: Address any mowing issues.

GREENHEAD: Round 5 fertilize and spray of common areas set for mid September. **November 2017:** Blowout of individual homeowners' irrigation systems will be done for a fee by Greenhead Turf. Watch for important information in the October Westmont Newsletter.

Overland Park Large Item Pick Up In Westmont: October 28. No more than five items per residence will be collected. Place your items at the curb by 7:00 am Saturday, Oct. 28. Up to five of the following types of large items will be accepted per household: refrigerator (1 per household), mattresses, furniture, freezers, washing machines and dryers, etc. Bagged, boxed and loose materials will not be collected. Decking, fencing, tires, lumber, paint, motor oil, liquids and hazardous waste will not be collected. All the information you need is on Overland Park's web page: www.opkansas.org Search "large item pick up."

WE HAVE A NEW NEIGHBOR: Sharon Kralicek, 8302 W 119 Terrace. Welcome to Westmont!

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

September 2017 Westmont Board Meeting: Monday, September 18, 6:00 pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213. The meetings are open to all residents.

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

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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