# What's Up Westmont?

# September, 2018 Newsletter

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**October 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Dinner Reservations:** It won't be the same without you!! Last year over 85 people shared great food, connected with neighbors, caught up on board accomplishments and future plans, and so much more. RSVP to Barb Kolom by September 15<sup>th</sup>: <a href="mailto:bkolom@everestkc.net">bkolom@everestkc.net</a>. Provide the first and last names of the people attending along with your address and phone number.

**Westmont Board Elections:** We'll elect two new board members at the Westmont Annual Meeting and Dinner this October 16<sup>th</sup>. We invite you to submit <u>your</u> name for this election. The Board meets once a month. And though each member chairs a particular position on the Board, we all support and assist each other along with the many homeowners who volunteer their talents and time. If you are interested, please contact Carol Barlau at 913-219-8008 by September 15<sup>th</sup> so your name can be put on the ballot mailed out with the October newsletter.

**Don't Forget:** The first ever <u>Westmont Chili Cook-Off</u> is scheduled for Saturday, November 3, 2018! Watch for more information in the October newsletter.

#### **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

A lot is happening in Westmont. Thank you so much to the many Westmont Residents who have responded to their Inspection Reports. Many are already working on their plan to improve their property. There are eight wood roofs that are being replaced; many are painting and repairing wood rot, and many are working on their flower beds and areas between the driveways. The Board understands it may not all be accomplished in one year, but having a plan and sticking to it is all we ask. Keep up the good work.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

**July Financials:** The July financial statements and expenses were reviewed and discussed at the August Board Meeting. All agreed financials to be in order.

## LAWN AND GROUNDS REPORT

**Meeting with TLC:** On August 7, the grounds committee met with TLC. Among the topics discussed was the damage to grass and soil resulting from turns during mowing. TLC has instructed their mowing crew to reduce the overall speed during mowing, particularly while making turns. Because of these discussions, slower speeds were observed during mowing the following week. Please continue contacting Lawn and Grounds Director John Rudzinski with your concerns.

**Do Your Part to Keep Westmont Looking Good:** Your Westmont Association and TLC are not responsible for maintaining your flower beds, the space between driveways, and areas boarding all sides of your home. In these spaces, you are responsible for pulling weeds, removing dead plants and debris, keeping stone boarders neatly aligned, and covering exposed black landscape cloth with stones or soil. You may do it yourself, hire TLC or other company or an individual to help you. Our goal is to keep Westmont an attractive and well-kept neighborhood.

**Lawn Application:** TLC will apply Round #5 lawn application the week of September 10<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting. It will consist of a higher nitrogen fertilizer, a little iron and weed killer. This will green up our lawns and take care of visible weeds. Watch your message boxes for additional information.

**Overseed Your Lawn:** September is the perfect time to overseed your lawn. The combination of warm soils and cooler nights creates just the right condition for quick germination and establishment. Prepare your lawn, use high-quality seed, use a balanced fertilizer and water, water, water.

## **OTHER NEWS:**

<u>Tea at Three Scheduled for Wednesday:</u> Beginning September 2018, monthly gatherings for <u>Tea at Three</u> will change to the <u>second Wednesday</u> of each month April through December. In the past, it was held on Tuesday. The time will remain the same: 3:00 pm. This delightful event is held at the home of Brenda Flagler, 8335 W. 120<sup>th</sup> Street. (See below under **Social News.**)

New Neighbors: Welcome Manzar Sattarin, 111921 Hemlock. We are happy you chose Westmont!

Editor Error: Carol Caraway still lives in Arkansas (AR). In the August Newsletter, AZ was typed in error.

**Keep Garage Door Closed:** Overland Park, Shawnee, Olathe and Mission report an increase is thefts at properties with open garage doors. It only takes bad guys a few minutes to invade the privacy of your home.

#### **SOCIAL NEWS:**

**Tea at Three:** Monthly Tea at Three meetings are held the second Wednesday, April through December, 3pm, at Brenda Flagler's home, 8335 W. 120<sup>th</sup> 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 2018 Westmont Board Meeting:** Monday, September 17, 6:00 pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213. The 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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