

What's Up? Westmont Newsletter September 2014

September 22-29: Westmont Homeowners Lawn Upgrade

The following message may seem like lots of details. Our hope in this newsletter is to give you all the information you may need so that this project is successful for you. The grounds committee and the Board put this project into the 2014 budget because all homeowners would benefit. Ken Knese and Spectrum Lawn Service have given much time and done much planning so that this project is successful for all residents in our community.

Every homeowner's front and back yard will be aerated and over-seeded with a tall fescue blend with a rye mix certified seed from Tristar. Bare ground will be verticut before seed is spread. This seed is not guaranteed to grow. It will take your tender care and consistent watering to flourish. If you do not want this service, call Ken Knese at 481-1123.

With a flag marker or other visible marker, mark irrigation sprinkler heads and valve boxes, french drain outlets, electric dog fences, and anything else that may be in your ground so that the aeration/verticut machines will not hit these things. (Spectrum will mark these things for you for an additional charge.)

Westmont Homes Association and Spectrum Lawn Service will not be responsible for damage to the items that are not properly marked. Westmont Homes Association and Spectrum Lawn Service will not be responsible for damage to TV, internet, and phone cable; other types of cable; and any other city utilities that are not buried properly.

Weeks before this Lawn Upgrade begins, Spectrum crews will apply a pre-spray treatment for nut-grass, crab grass, and other noxious, invasive vegetation.

Spectrum will mow the week of Sept. 15th. They will not mow the week of Sept 22nd and 29th so that germinating seeds are not disturbed.

Watering Your Lawn: You should water your entire lawn, whether by hand, sprinklers, or an irrigation system. It's advised you water every section of your lawn for approximately 30 minutes everyday for 2-3 weeks, depending on the rain we get. Once germination has started and growth has reached 2-3 inches, you may decrease watering. If the temperature is 90 degrees or higher, continue with 30 minutes per day until the weather cools.

Your Flower Beds and Spaces Between Driveways: Neither of these areas is treated for weeds by Spectrum Lawn Care. Residents must individually tend to them: Weed them and perhaps apply commercial spray or granules to prevent weeds; remove debris and trash; and maintain general appearance. Westmont Association contracts with Spectrum for mowing grass, yard maintenance, and snow removal.

October 21: Annual Westmont Homes Association Meeting and Dinner

Our Annual Meeting and Dinner will be Tuesday, October 21, 2014, in accordance with the Association Bylaws to meet the third Tuesday of October. The meeting is for homeowners and adults only. We will

meet in the community room at St Thomas Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch Road. Social Time begins at 5:30 followed by a buffet dinner served at 6:00. The business meeting will begin at 6:45. Make reservations for this event by October 10th: Brenda Flagler at 498-1617 or brendaflagler@gmail.com.

Board members will give annual reports. New Board members will be elected for a three year term to fill the positions that will become vacant December 31, 2014. If you can't attend, you may use a Proxy Ballot that will be enclosed, with directions for completion, in the October Newsletter.

There will be an open-floor discussion period during the meeting. If you have questions or concerns, please send them in writing by October 15 to Westmont Board, 8335 W 121 St, Overland Park, KS 66213. If you would like to speak at the meeting, please call a Board member by October 15 so you may be put on the Agenda.

We hope you will come. It's always a pleasure to catch-up with friends, meet new neighbors, and share a delicious dinner together. Together we can help shape the future of Westmont!

Westmont's New Entrance Monuments: They're coming! October is the target date.

Fall Garage Sale: September 25-27. At 5pm Saturday, Sept 27, City Union Mission will pickup boxed items left over from your sale. The boxes should be placed at the curb on you driveway....by 5pm.

Welcome to Westmont! Lucillie Ivanauska recently moved into our neighborhood. She lives at 8326 W 121 St. We are happy you chose Westmont, Lucy!

SOCIAL NEWS

- **Tea at Three**—Second Tuesday each month. Bring a treat to share, if you wish. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
September Tea will be September 9, 3 pm at Brenda Flagler's home, 8335 W 120 St. Please come and bring a neighbor.
- **Bunko**—Bunko will not be held in September.
- **Bridge**—Last Wednesday of each month. **Bridge will be September 24, 7 pm, at Margaret Dack's home, 12000 Mackey.** If you'd like to join, call Margaret at 345-2610.

September Westmont Board Meeting: Monday, September 15, 2014 at 6:30 pm, St. Thomas the Apostle Episcopal Church, 12251 Antioch, Overland Park, KS 66213.

HOMES ASSOCIATIONS OF KANSAS CITY: www.ha-kc.org HAKC maintains the Westmont website. The website gives you access to the Westmont newsletter, Board minutes, Bylaws and Restrictions, Westmont exterior materials and color guide, the ARC Application for exterior home changes, 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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