



# WESTWORDS

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## Westwood Civic is going canoeing!

That's right we are venturing outside of Westwood in fact outside of Ohio. We are heading to Indiana for a bit of sunshine, fun, fellowship and yes a bit of canoeing.

Our canoe trip is **Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup>** @ 1pm \$16 per person. This trip is for everyone, young, old, novices as well as the experienced...all are welcome. The trip is about 3 1/2 hours so make sure you bring your sunscreen as well as snacks, beverages and anything else you think you'll need.



If canoes aren't your style or you have younger kids please know that there are multiple person rafts, as well as tubes, so everyone can be together

We ask that you call 513-678-5119 to RSVP by August 23<sup>rd</sup> but if you have any questions please feel free to call as well. We look forward to seeing you then!!

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## President's Message John Sess

First off, I'd like to set the record straight...WESTWOOD IS NOT LEAVING THE CITY OF CINCINNATI, at least not yet. A committee of dedicated, hard working volunteers has decided to look into the possibility and all the ramifications of seceding from the city. Obviously this is a huge task requiring much research and discussion with all the parties involved. Stay tuned for further details.

Westwood has some exciting events planned for the next few months. The August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting will feature Valerie Daly of the Planning Department. The City of Cincinnati is in the process of developing a new Comprehensive Plan and Valerie will discuss the future plans for our city. Input from the citizenry will be appreciated.

At the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, Chris Rose, the president of the Rookwood Pottery Company in Cincinnati will give a presentation on the history of the famous company and how the Westwood area is richly represented with Rookwood pottery fireplaces and other adornments. This is an opportunity to bring in your pieces of Rookwood or photos of your fireplaces and get your questions answered.

Also on the horizon is the first annual Westwood Arts show to be held at the historic Westwood Town Hall grounds in early October. Although still in the planning stages, the event will showcase local Westside artists, musical talent, a wine tasting from the award winning Henke Winery and maybe a farmers market. If you know a local artist who may be interested in an outlet for their works, send their contact information to [info@westwoodcivic.org](mailto:info@westwoodcivic.org).

Westwood has joined forces with the Price Hill Civic Club to co-host a Candidates forum for the local political races this fall. Mother of Mercy High School will be the venue, however the date has not been finalized at this time.

We hope to see you at the WCA meetings on the third Tuesdays of every month at 7:00 PM. Get involved; make a difference!

I  Westwood!

**Westwood, Ohio- Population 35,000** How does that sound to you? What if Westwood could go back to a system of home rule, and have more control over our own neighborhoods' destiny? What if we had our own zoning board, and building department? Could we deal with creeping blight more effectively if we kept our government closer to home, and more focused on Westwood issues? What if we had our own economic development department, to fill up our shopping centers and business districts? Could we build on the great foundation we have, and build a better, more prosperous, cleaner, safer neighborhood? Does our association with the city help us more than hurt us?

What about the down side? Who would take care of Police and Fire services? How would the tax money work? Who maintains the roads? Where does the money come from? Isn't it very complicated to de-annex from the City? Can I still tell people I'm from Cincinnati?

There are many opinions pro and con, and more questions than answers. At the July meeting of the Westwood Civic Association, the board voted to explore the idea of our neighborhood seceding from the city. We did not vote to storm 801 Plum Street and declare independence. There are no lanterns in the bell tower at Westwood Town Hall signaling- "One if by Harrison Ave! Two if by Montana!" It's simply an idea to be explored, to see if it might take us in a new direction, and help us tackle some of our more persistent neighborhood challenges.

This has set off a flurry of emails, blogs, press releases, and news stories. *Why would Cincinnati's largest neighborhood, annexed into the city in 1896, want to do such a thing? It's a bad idea! It's a great idea! It will never work! It just might work! It's complicated! It's needed!*

One thing for sure, it's a controversial concept. We can remain civil and ask questions, share opinions, and help with the investigation. Who knows where this might go? We need to keep exploring new ideas, and searching for better ways to secure the future of this wonderful neighborhood. But don't worry, no one is trying to drag your neighborhood in a direction you don't want it to go, and nothing will change unless there is approval of the majority of the neighborhood. And either way, we will still be the "Capital Of The West Side". Let's talk about it, and see where it goes.

What do you think? Share your ideas at [info@Westwoodcivic.org](mailto:info@Westwoodcivic.org), come to a meeting, or watch the web site for more updates.

Jim McNulty



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**YARD OF THE MONTH RECEIPTS  
JULY, 2009**

**Judson Village**

2373 Harrison Ave.

*Nominated by Brant McKenzie*

**Babe Spillman**

3136 McArthur Court

*Nominated by Donna Jeffries & daughters: Debbie  
ad Lynn Addison*

**Joyce Nolan**

3285 Hanna Ave.

*Nominated by Leroy Ashcroft*

**Pat & Chris Kief**

3477 McFarlan Road

*Nominated by Carolyn & Dick Ison*

**Westwood United Methodist Church**

3460 Epworth Ave.

*Nominated by Edora Burch*

**Pat Malik**

2975 Lischer

*Nominated by the Yard of the Month Committee*

**Sharon Penn and Tim Smith**

2860 Westbrook

*Nominated by Carolyn Kleingers*

**Larry Stern**

3273 Montana

*Nominated by John Thomas*

**Leann**

3230 Daytona Ave.

*Nominated by the Yard of the Month Committee*

**Ruth Koppenhoeser & David Alhrichs**

2714 Montville Court

*Nominated by the Yard of the Month Committee*

Thanks for your nominations. Keep them coming!!!

**Gil & Joan McLean 661-6017**

**Upcoming**

**Westwood Civic Association  
Meetings & Events**

8/11 Steering Meeting

8/18 Regular Meeting

8/30 Canoe Trip

9/8 Steering Meeting

*Steering Committee Meetings are the second Tuesday of  
each month at 7:00 PM, Westwood Town Hall*

*Regular meetings are the third Tuesday of each month at  
7:00 PM, Westwood Town Hall.*

*All meetings are open to the public and everyone is  
welcome.*

**COME AND JOIN US!!!!**

**Westwood Civic Association Monthly  
Statement July, 2009**

**Revenue**

Westfest	\$439.00
Advertising	300.00
Yardsale	180.00
T-Shirts	130.00
Donations	40.00
Membership	20.00
Bumper Stickers	6.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$1,115.00</b>

**Expenses**

Newsletter	\$417.00
Flower Pots	240.00
WW Town Hall Garden	121.68
National Night Out	40.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$818.68</b>

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$14,879.45
SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$3,931.06
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT	\$5,000.00

Submitted by Valerie Baumann, Treasurer



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# CALL TO ARTISTS

## First Annual Westwood Art Show

**Details:**

- Saturday, October 3, 2009
- 12 – 5 p.m. (set up at 11 a.m.)
- Westwood Town Hall grounds (outdoors)
- free and open to the public



**Featuring:**

- Henke Winery wine tastings
- Farmers market vendors and food tastings
- Live local music

**Artists Wanted:**

- Local artists and artisans to sell their wares
- Each artist will need to provide display items for a 10' x 10' space at a cost of \$15.
- Interested artists should contact:

Amanda Carlisle  
513-405-4013  
amanda@kevincarlisle.com



**Update from WestCURC**  
**Sr. Ann Rene McConn**

Here's a chance for you to promote Westwood as a great place to live, work, and play!

Join a group of people to create a video highlighting Westwood and all its unique characteristics and opportunities it has to offer the young professionals looking to visit or reside here.

Mayor Mallory's Young Professional Kitchen Cabinet Housing Committee will review the videos and select the winner to be featured on Channel 12's *Newsmakers*. We get to keep the finished product and our video will be featured on Fountain Square's Jombotron, an opportunity that will encourage people to shop, dine, and live in your neighborhood.

We'll get help from Media Bridges: a media production class, a shot list with story boards, and instructions on how to shoot, an advanced camera lesson, a visit from Media Bridges professionals, and video interviews. **End product: a 60 second video.**

Deadline for the project is Monday, November 9, 2009.

To join the committee, or to refer someone, please e-mail Sr. Ann Rene at [mcconn718@yahoo.com](mailto:mcconn718@yahoo.com). We'll forward you the complete project name and help organize the group!

*The Westwood Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation's (WestCURC) mission is to actively facilitate economic, social, and cultural development in our community. We work closely with residents, community leaders, business owners, and city officials to promote investment in Westwood. We focus on real estate development, beautification, promotion, and collaboration.*

**Check us out online at: <http://www.westwoodcivic.org/westcurc/>**

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monthly Ad Rates</u></p> <p>\$100.00.....Full Page</p> <p>\$50.00.....Half Page</p> <p>\$25.00.....Quarter Page</p> <p>\$10.00.....Business Card</p> <p>\$50.00.....Insert</p>	<p>Published 12 (more or less) times a year by WCA, with funds supplied by the Neighborhood Support Program, local advertisers, and membership dues.</p>	<p>For information on placing an ad, contact: <a href="mailto:bmimmy@aol.com">bmimmy@aol.com</a> or</p> <p>Westwood Civic Association P.O. Box 11466 Cincinnati, OH 45211</p>
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## Westwood Home Sweet Home Tour

Planning begins shortly for the 2010 Westwood Historical Society Westwood Home Tour.

If you know of a house that has the appeal to be on the tour (perhaps your own?), or know of a potential sponsor, or if you are interested in helping with planning, call Liz at 662-1156 or e-mail [info@westwoodhistorical.org](mailto:info@westwoodhistorical.org).

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Or you could save a stamp and bring this with you to the next meeting- we'd be happy to see you!

## Go green in the office with free recycling assistance

-Hamilton County Department of Environmental Services

Just because your job is white collar doesn't mean it can't be green, too. If you're a business owner or employee looking to start recycling, the Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District (District) is here to help. The District features Recycling at Work, a free program specifically designed to provide local businesses with all of the resources and support they need to launch an office recycling program.

The benefits of starting an office recycling program are enormous. Reducing the amount of waste your business throws away can lower the number of garbage pickups you pay for or reduce the size of the waste container your business requires, saving you money.



Recycling also conserves natural resources because it makes it possible to create products from used paper, plastic, or metals instead of using raw materials. This reduces pollution, conserves landfill space, and decreases the need for mining, logging, and drilling for natural resources. Finally, recycling boosts the local economy, creating an economic impact of 169,000 jobs and \$6 billion in annual wages just in the state of Ohio.

As part of the Recycling at Work program, the District works with you and a recycling hauler to develop the best recycling plan for your business. Once the recycling plan is created, your business then receives free desk-side recycling containers, a recycling kick-off event, and employee education on what and how to recycle. Because the District's mission is to provide you with all of the tools, knowledge, and assistance you need to run a successful recycling program, all of these services are offered free of charge to Hamilton County businesses.

With all of the perks associated with the Recycling at Work Program, your company has a lot to gain from going green. To start your office recycling initiative through the Recycling at Work Program, contact Michelle Balz, program coordinator, at [michelle.balz@hamilton-co.org](mailto:michelle.balz@hamilton-co.org) or 946-7789. For more information about the Recycling at Work Program, visit [www.hamiltoncountyrecycles.org](http://www.hamiltoncountyrecycles.org).

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## Westwood Town Hall Recreation Center News

As we wind down for the summer, we are already anticipating our most ambitious Fall Season ever. We have something for everyone from Tots to Seniors!

Fall Preschool (ages 3-5 years) Registration is: Thursday, September 10th at 10 am. For a complete listing of preschool classes please go to [Cincyrec.org](http://Cincyrec.org).

**After School Day Camp** - begins Monday, August 24th. Full-time: \$175/month--four days a week or more. Part-time: \$125/month -- three days a week or less. Limited school pick-up available. Please call 662-9109 to register and for more information.

**Youth Classes** - A full schedule of activities for youth including, but not limited to: Magic Classes, Oragami, Drama & Puppetry, Clay Handbuilding, Sewing, Intro to Forensic Science, Drawing & Painting, Jewelry Making, Photography Classes, Passport To Fishing, Fun With Art, Storytime Crafts, \*Billiards, Taekwondo. Please call for more information and to register. Advance registration is required and most class sessions last 8 weeks.

**For Adults & Seniors** - In the evenings we have: Taekwondo, Pilates, Bellydancing, Aerobics, Clogging, Yoga & Salsa Wednesdays. Daytime we have: Ceramics, Quilting, Chair Exercise, & Wii Play. Plus Cheryl Conners has a full schedule of Senior Activities on Mondays at Westwood Presbyterian Church and a monthly trip on select Wednesdays. Please call 662-9109 for more information.

**Special Events: Family Outdoor Movie Night:** - Friday, August 21st at Dusk. "Beverly Hills Chihuahua". Bring a blanket and enjoy the movie. Light refreshments available --cheap! All children must be accompanied by an adult--18 years and older.



Thanks to all who participated in OUR GIANT YARD SALE in July. It was a very successful fund raiser for Westwood Town Hall Community Center and nearly paid for the refrigerator we purchased this Spring. AND, the weather was perfect!

Look for our complete program guide to be included in the Press Community Newspapers around August 19 or 26th. They will be available at the Center then, too.

**Marlene Trapp**  
Service Area Coordinator  
Cincinnati Recreation Commission  
Westwood Town Hall

**Westwood Branch Library**  
**Kathy Bach**

**Funding Update:**

The State budget signed into law on July 17 reduces the percentage of tax revenues going into the Public Library Fund from 2.22% to 1.97%. While this is estimated to be \$84.3 million over the State biennium, the amount could either increase or decrease depending on actual State revenues. This latest cut is an 11% further reduction in Library funding and while very difficult, is less than the 30% cut proposed by the governor. We thank you, our users, for contacting our legislators with thousands of emails and phone calls. These messages did make a difference. We deeply appreciate your actions in voicing support for public libraries.

**Monthly Program Calendar Goes Green!**

To save money and become more environmentally green, the Library will no longer be publishing a printed monthly calendar of programs offered throughout the system. Easy access to the entire monthly schedule of the Library's free programs for children, teens, and adults is available online. You can search here by date, location, type of program, or by age category on the Library's website.

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**Join us at the Westwood Branch Library for these exciting programs!**  
**For information on any of our programs, please contact us at 369-4474.**  
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**AUGUST PROGRAMS for ADULTS**

**BEST OF HOT SUMMER SOUNDS CONCERTS**

Singer/songwriter/Westwooder Brent Heckerman combines folk, country, R&B, rock, and blues in a groove-immersed acoustic performance.  
Thursday, August 6  
6:30 p.m.

**ADULTS SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM, TOO!**

Call 369-4474 to sign up.  
Thursday, August 20  
6:30 p.m.

**EVENING BOOK CLUB**

*The Ten Year Nap* by Meg Wolitzer  
Thursday, August 27  
6:30 p.m.

**AUGUST PROGRAMS for KIDS**

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**

Story fun with Ms. Nancy  
Every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.  
Ages 3-6

**HUMANA HEALTHY KIDS ZONE**

Learn about fitness and nutrition and have a healthy snack!  
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2:00 p.m.  
Ages 5-12

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**Wii and MORE! For Tweens**

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Ages 8-12

**BINGO for KIDS!**

Play for fabulous prizes!  
Thursdays, August 27  
3:00 p.m.  
Ages 6-12

**BUCKEYE SEARCH and RESCUE DOGS**

Handlers discuss how dogs and humans are both trained together and how to increase your chances of survivability in an emergency situation.  
Thursday, August 6  
2:00 p.m.  
Ages 6-12

**TWEEN Wii and MORE!**

Join us and play some cool video games!  
Monday, August 10  
2:00 p.m.  
Ages 8-12

**SHIRTS to "DYE" FOR!**

Bring a clean white cotton T-Shirt!  
Wednesday, August 12  
2:00 p.m.  
Ages 6 and up

**AUGUST PROGRAMS FOR TEENS**

**All programs Ages 12-18**

**READ-TO-REEL MOVIES!**

Your favorite books come to life on the big screen!  
Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m.  
August 19--*Hotel for Dogs* (PG) 100 min.

**WESTWOOD SCREAMS for ICE CREAM**

Join us for a taste test to decide your favorite frozen treats!  
Wednesday, August 5  
2:00 p.m.  
Ages 12-18

**BEADING BONANZA**

Create a necklace and earrings to take home with Leslie Nixon  
Thursday, August 18  
2:00 p.m.  
Ages 12-18

Please call 369-4474 to sign up.  
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Our goal is to make our programs accessible to everyone. Please request ADA services one week in advance at 369-4406 (TTY 369-4409).

Programs made possible by the Charles H. Dater Foundation, The Friends of the Public Library, and the Kersten Fund. For more programs at other library locations, check out our program calendar: <http://www.cincinnati.org/programs/calendar.html>

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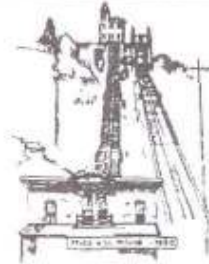
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