WESTWOOD CIVIC ASSOCIATION



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The Westwood Civic Association Celebrated Our First Hundred Years 1911- 2011 and We're Still Going Strong!

April, 2012

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President's Message:

Is another great spring in Westwood. The cherry trees have finished blooming, and the festivals are about to begin. The Westwood Community Garden (Corner of Harrison and Talbot) is buzzing with activity. We are keeping our fingers crossed that there will be a breakthrough in the James N. Gamble House preservation project. The Westwood school rehab will be finished this spring, and Montana Avenue construction has begun. Harrison Ave. construction is next. The WCA Wayne Brinkman Student of the Year Ceremony will take place at our May meeting.

The (still unnamed) Harrison Avenue business district initiative has begun. Soon, WCA will be contacting residents, businesses, churches and organizations to shake things up a little along our main street.

The Westwood Civic Association will hold it's annual election of officers this month, and you"can meet the new crew at our annual dinner April 17 at Outback Steakhouse. A very abbreviated version of our regular monthly meeting will take place during the annual dinner.

I'll see you around the neighborhood...
Jim McNulty

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6:30PM — SOCIAL TIME AND APPETIZERS
7:00PM - DINNER
OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE
6168 Glenway Ave.

Everyone's welcome
Please RSVP no later than April 10 to
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Come and join the fun!!!!!



MAY WCA MEETING

You may have read a lot about our local Port Authority in the news recently but not sure who they are or what they do?? Well, our May 15th Westwood Civic Association meeting WILL be the place to be!! We have Laura Brunner and Paula Boggs Muething, President and Chief Executive Officer and Director, respectively, of The Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority who will be here to talk about this very powerful organization's plans and how Westwood can be a part of their exciting plans for Cincinnati and Hamilton County.

We also will have Todd Kinskey, from Hamilton County, who will also be in attendance to talk about the much needed and very exciting Landbank program.

As always this meeting is THE place to be in Westwood to hear about all the current, new, exciting, FUN and somewhat complex projects happening in Westwood and beyond!! Please join us on Tuesday, May 15 at 7 p.m.!!

April Westwood Historical Society Meeting: Over-the-Rhine: When Beer was King

Liz Kissel

The Wednesday, April 11 meeting of the Westwood Historical Society will feature Mike Morgan, author of *Over-the Rhine: When Beer Was King.* He will discuss how the development, economy and culture of early Cincinnati were influenced by its steep hillsides, Germans, and good beer. Over-the-Rhine remained the cultural center of local German-American societies even after people migrated out to the suburbs (often to the westside). Learn about the rise and fall and rise of this very unique community whose history is still being unearthed. (Literally! Long hidden tunnels and caverns continue to be discovered). Anyone interested is welcome to attend the meeting which takes place at Westwood First Presbyterian Church (3011 Harrison Avenue), starting at 7 p.m.



Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Program Begins and Earth Day 2012

The Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District is helping to celebrate Earth Day this year with the opening of the free Household Hazardous Waste drop-off program.

The District's free Household Hazardous Waste drop-off sites will open on Saturday, April 21. The drop-off program is free to Hamilton County residents. This program prohibits the acceptance of hazardous waste from businesses, churches, schools and non-profit organizations. Residents must bring a proof of residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill when dropping off their household hazardous waste.

Dates: April 21 - November 3, 2012

Locations: Environmental Enterprises, Inc.

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Tuesdays – 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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Wednesdays -2 p.m. -6 p.m.

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Unacceptable Items include: latex paint*, prescription drugs, radioactive materials, medical waste, explosives/ammunition, gun powder, heating oil tanks, tires, yardwaste, garbage, roofing materials, appliances, computers/electronics, fuel tanks, unmarked cylinders, fireworks and smoke detectors.

*Latex paint will only be accepted if resident brings other household hazardous waste. If resident brings only latex paint, resident will be charged \$1.50 per gallon of paint (minimum charge of \$5.00). Check or credit cards only — no cash will be accepted.

To learn more about how to properly dispose of waste or how to increase your recycling, visit the District's booth at Sawyer Point's Earth Day Celebration on April 21 from noon to 5:00 p.m.

For more information about Hamilton County's Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Program, please call the Recycling Hotline at 946-7766, visit www.HamiltonCountyRecycles.org, or interact with us on Twitter (@HamCoRecycling) and Facebook (www.Facebook.com/HamiltonCountyRecycling).

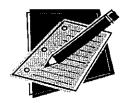
Cheviot Branch Marks 50th Anniversary Jennifer Weikert

The Cheviot Branch Library will celebrate a half-century of service to the community in April! Our current building is 50 years old. Check out our display of photos and memorabilia. Help us celebrate by sharing a memory of the Cheviot Library. We also have birthday shapes for children to sign and display in our window. On April 14, library staff will officially mark the branch's 50th birthday at an Anniversary Open House on Saturday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Join in on an afternoon of fun for the entire family—complete with face painting and birthday cake!



We will also have a delicious night with our Holy Chow! Ideas for Spring And Summer program. This will be held on Thursday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m. Meet Joanne Giovanna Della Carpini Trimpe, author of Holy Chow! and a chef at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral. Ms. Trimpe will share tips on how to stock your pantry to prepare easy, fast, healthy, and economical meals. Enjoy samples of Ms. Trimpe's recipes, too! Space is limited for this popular program, so reserve your spot today!

April is National Poetry month. Stop by the Cheviot Library and vote on the Shel Silverstein poem bracket of the day. Each day will feature two poems going head to head until we have an ultimate winner. Voters will receive a Shel Silverstein button for voting. Kids can also come to Super Duper Cupcakes program at the branch on Tuesday, April 17 at 4:00 p.m. and decorate a cupcake with ideas from the book Super Duper Cupcakes. Due to limited supplies, please register before coming to the program.



Teens can celebrate National Poetry month by submitting original poems to our Random Acts Of Poetry contest. The contest runs from April 1- April 30, and teens aged 12-18 can pick up entry forms at any branch or download them from www.teenspace.cincinnatilibrary.org. Teens can also customize blank books to store their ideas, poems, and personal thoughts on Tuesday, April 10 at the Cheviot Library at 4:00 p.m. Please sign up as space is limited.

Homework Helper at the Library

Westwood Library has a new Homework Helper! She is here Monday thru Thursday from 3-6 p.m.

Ms. Elaine works with grades K-12 and will be here at Westwood until May 17 for this current school year. She will be back for the new school year this September. If you have questions, please contact us at the Library.

One of our goals is to promote literacy so please help us spread the word that we have this fantastic new service. Tell your kids, grandkids, neighbors, etc.

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WESTWOOD TOWN HALL RECREATION CENTER 3017 Harrison Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45211 662-9109 Marlene Trapp

ZUMBA CLASS: **Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm.** Classes cost \$5 each or a pass of 10 for \$40. Center membership required. Barb Donnellon, Instructor.

Preschool Spring & Summer Registration: Call Andrea for further details.

SUMMER DAY CAMP: (CUSTODIAL CARE) - OPEN REGISTRATION begins at 10 am on March 5th. Cost for the 10 week camp is \$1000 for the summer AND \$40 pool fee - lessons and pool membership + \$10 Center membership. (\$1050) Camp runs from June 11th thru August 17 from 7 am until 6 pm Monday thru Fridays. That's ONLY \$100 a week for full custodial day camp! Cost includes: field trips, Madcap Puppet show and puppet workshop, Special Events, Arts & Crafts, Cooking, Sports, Drama, Picnics, Swim Lessons and swimming, and so much more. We strive to keep them safe and busy and send them home tired and wanting more!

TDW presents "The Crucible": April 29 thru May 5th. Please call 513-589-8083 for times and ticket information.

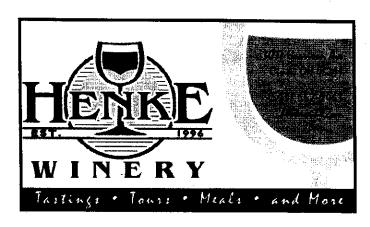
Good-Bye and Please Give a Warm Welcome to Dina Hanks:

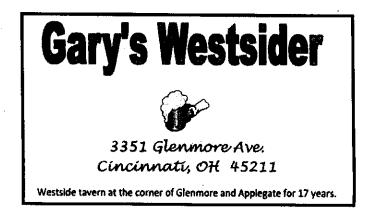
This is my final newsletter for the fine communities of Westwood & East Westwood. As of April 1st I will be transferring to Hartwell Community Center and Dina Hanks will take my place here.

Dina is a local, west side resident and is an experienced and talented Service Area Coordinator who brings a wealth of experience to WTH. I know that you will give her every consideration you gave me when I first came. Actually, Dina has been here before as an employee when Diann Hammant was Service Area Coordinator. WCA, please stop in and say hello to her since there won't be a meeting in April, but she will be visiting EWIA for their meeting this month.

I've enjoyed my years here and will treasure the friends I have made while I was here. I leave with many fond memories of the WEST SIDE. I can no longer be partial to either side of Cincinnati, and now consider myself neutral on the subject of the BEST SIDE!

Stop in and pick up a program guide or for a full schedule of our programs, please visit us at www.cincyrec.org





Westwood Civic Association Monthly Statement March, 2012

Revenue

Miscellaneous 1.38

Total Revenue \$1.38

Expenses

W.W. Community Gardens \$2,372.46

Newsletter 403.28

W.W. Community Gardens Logo Contest 100.00

Total Expenses \$2,776.74

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE \$8,272.93

SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE \$8,943.49

Submitted by Valerie Baumann, Treasurer

Upcoming Westwood Civic Association Meetings & Events

4/10 Steering Meeting
4/17 General Meeting
Dinner at Outback

5/8 Steering Meeting 5/15 General 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.

Commit to Anti-Idling this Earth Day Megan Hummel

The Southwest Ohio Air Quality Agency (Agency) will join other environmental organizations in celebrating the 42nd Earth Day this year at Sawyer Point on Saturday, April 21 from noon to 5 p.m.

The Agency will share how it works with government agencies, businesses, communities and citizens to achieve and maintain healthy air quality in Southwest Ohio. Admission is free and open to the public. A variety of exhibitors will have environmental information and provide fun activities for the whole family. Visit www.CincinnatiEarthDay.com for more details about the celebration at Sawyer Point.

Earth Day is a great reminder that we all have a role to play in taking care of our planet. Small actions—such as carpooling a few days a week or using less energy in your home—really can make a significant impact on the air we breathe.

An easy way to help improve our air quality is to avoid idling your vehicle. When the engine runs while your vehicle is parked or not in use, you are wasting money and natural resources. As well, idling can damage our vehicles, negatively affect the environment and harm our health. Thirty seconds of idling can use more fuel than turning off the engine and restarting it. If you are stopped for more than 30 seconds—except in traffic—turn off your engine.

Don't wait until Earth Day to start celebrating. To find out more ways to do your share for our local air, visit the Agency online at www.SouthwestOhioAir.org or interact with us on Facebook (www.Facebook.com/SouthwestOhioAir) and Twitter (www.Twitter.com/SWOhioAir).

The Southwest Ohio Air Quality Agency provides air quality monitoring and data, including pollen and mold counts, information on facility permits, and public initiatives for businesses and residents throughout Butler, Clermont, Hamilton and Warren counties.

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Annual dues are \$10.00 per household. Make your check payable to "Westwood Civic Association" and mail to: WCA, P.O. Box 11466, Cincinnati, Ohio 45211 Or you could save a stamp and bring this with you to the next meeting, we'd be happy to see you!
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Westwood Home Tour

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We hope to reschedule the Westwood Home Tour in 2013! Stay tuned! բիրիդիրդիրակիկուդուկիկիորդությանիկի AUTO-SCH 5-DIGIT 45821 88