

WESTWORDS



HELLO EVERYONE,

I hope that you all had a wonderful and very filling Thanksgiving. I'm happy to announce we have appointed a new board member to the board. John Bowen, a relatively new resident to Westwood, has taken an interest in working and serving the community. We all should welcome John to the team!

WCA votes against the Mercy land swap. At Tuesday night's meeting, Nov. 15th, 2016, there were some compelling arguments from the crowd and from a board member that swayed the board. There was a lot to be considered; the decision to move forward without the golf course with the prospect of a new recreation space at the Mercy site, or not to. There was a motion that WCA does not support the selling of Woodland Golf Course via a land swap in any part of the city. The overall sentiment is, even though Woodland Golf Course is in Green township, it is an asset to Westwood as well. By losing the golf course now and in the future, it would affect people interested in playing and learning the game.

The prospect of having a recreation site or park at the Mercy site was hard to let go of. WCA felt it is important to Westwood to have something appealing in the site, in addition we hope Mercy wants a good "neighbor" there considering its investment into the Healthplex and Emergency facilities.

The NEP wish list is due Dec. $12^{\text{th.}}$ A stakeholder group has been put together for NEP and is working on the "wish list" for streets in quadrants 281/282. The focus on Westwood by PIVOT (Place-based policing) and Westwood Uniting to Stop the Violence, transforming the intersection of McHenry and Harrison is priority for the project.

Have a Happy Holiday and New Year's to you all!

Sincerely,

Shawntee' Stallworth Schramm

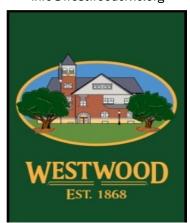
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WESTWOOD CIVIC MEETINGS

- Steering Committee Meetings are held at Westwood Town Hall, 7:00pm, of Jan, April, July, & October
- General Membership Meetings are held at Westwood Town Hall, 7:00pm, on the third Tuesday of each month.
- ALL meetings are open to the public. EVERYONE is welcome!

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TRAFFIC ALERT: Traffic Restrictions on Montana Avenue from Week of Nov. 28 through Fall 2017

CINCINNATI – Traffic restrictions on Montana Avenue in Cincinnati's Westwood neighborhood will begin the week of Nov. 28 and continue through fall 2017, as part of the Metropolitan Sewer District of Greater Cincinnati's (MSD) Montana Avenue Sewer Replacement Project.

Montana Avenue - between Ferncroft and Mustang drives - will be closed to through traffic going east toward Interstate 74 and down to one lane going west toward Westwood Northern Boulevard during the construction hours of 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday through Friday. Local and emergency traffic will be maintained, but delays are possible.

Montana will be plated and open to all traffic from 9 p.m. - 9 a.m. Monday through Friday and all day on the weekends. This should help reduce delays during the morning rush hour. However, delays during the evening rush hour are expected. We urge you to plan your trips accordingly. Traffic can detour to or from I-75 via Westwood Northern Boulevard/Hopple Street.

Traffic can detour to or from I-74 via Montana Avenue/Baltimore Avenue/Westwood Northern. Alternate detours include I-74 via North Bend Road or Rybolt Road. Please see the attached traffic plan.

MSD will be replacing more than 3,000 linear feet of deteriorated sewer pipe along Montana Avenue between Ferncroft and Mustang drives. MSD's construction contractor is Howell Contractor's Inc. The project schedule is pending weather and the contractor's schedule.

Typical construction-related disturbances such as noise, dirt and vibrations should be expected throughout the construction period.

This project is part of Project Groundwork, MSD's multi-year plan to reduce sewer overflows into streams and rivers in Hamilton County. Project Groundwork will protect public health, improve our local streams and rivers and enhance our communities.

For additional information about the project, please contact MSD Engineering Customer Service at (513) 557-3594 or MSD.Communications@cincinnati-oh.gov.



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Westwood Historical Society Membership

Membership runs from January to January. If you are a current member of the Westwood Historical Society, you will receive a notice regarding dues renewal. If you are not a member, consider joining! Dues are \$15 per year for a household. If interested, send check (payable to the Westwood Historical Society) to Westwood Historical Society, PO Box 11095, Cincinnati, OH 45211. Include your name, address, phone, email address if available, and names of household members. Also indicated if you wish to receive your newsletter via mail or e-mail.

Holiday Gift Ideas!

Looking for a special holiday gift for a friend, relative, or neighbor? Consider a gift of history:

Westwood Historical Society Membership \$15

James N. Gamble house Sheila's Collectible wooden figure (1996) \$25

Books: John M. Miller Diaries (1993) \$20

Ambassadors of Westwood (1997) \$20

Contact Liz Kissel (513-662-1156) or info@WestwoodHistorical.org





Gamble-Nippert YMCA celebrated their 50 Year Anniversary with a VIP Reception on Saturday, November 12, 2016. The event included a proclamation from the city presented by PG Sittenfeld declaring November 12, 2016 Gamble-Nippert YMCA Day! Food for the event was donated by Kretschmar, and another sponsoring gift was made in memory of Charles W. Reusing and Sandy K. Reusing. The Gamble Montessori Steel Drum Band performed, as well as the GNY Preschool students and alumni. Gamble-Nippert YMCA thanks the community for their ongoing support and looks forward to many more years of impact in the community!



Westwood Branch Library

by Kathy Bach and Sierra McKenzie

Sounds of the Holidays!

Celebrate the holidays with your musical talents! Share your musical talent whether it be singing, dancing, or playing an instrument! Contact Angie Lewis at 665-3295 or angie.lewis@cincinnatilibrary.org



Programs: *= Registration Required

- □ Westwood Book Club—December 1 7:00 p.m.—Adults
 - Newcomers welcome! December title: My Brilliant Friend by Elana Ferrante. Sponsored by the Library Programs Fund.
- *Play & Learn—December 2 and 16 10:30 a.m.—Ages 1-5
 - 4C for Children presents Play & Learn to promote healthy development and learning. Participants also receive activities and materials to take home to extend the learning and the fun
- *Holiday Soap Making—December 5 6:00 p.m.—13+
 - Come make your own signature soap with Carisa Bunten. Great to give as gifts during the holidays. Space is limited, sign up today!
- □ Tabletop Tonight—December 8 6:30 p.m.—Ages 14+
 - Come and play our games or yours at the Monthly Tabletop Program!
- *Sock Snowmen—December 21 3:00 p.m.—Teens
 - Make a snowman out of an old (clean) sock! Sign up today!
- Between the Pages—Every Tuesday and Thursday 4:00 p.m.—Ages 8-16
 - Join us for the weekly tween and teen story hour and get caught up in a good book!
- □ Movers & Shakers Every Wednesday 10:30 a.m. Ages 1-4
 - You and your child shake it together for music, movement, and fun.

Branch Holiday Hours:

All library locations will be closed on **December 24**th and **25**th in observance of the Christmas holiday.

All library locations will be closed New Year's Day.



Season's Readings!

From the Westwood Staff:

Kathy, Kristyn, Angie Michelle, Donna, Sierra, Alex, Kathleen, Lily, Owen, and Gavin

Westwood Branch Library

Hours of Operation:

3345 Epworth Avenue 513-369-4474 Monday/Tuesday/Thursday: 12-8 Wednesday/ Friday/Saturday: 10-6

Changing Westwood Civic Dues

Dues for WCA have not been increased in years. WCA voted to raise the dues for people who want Westwords print version. We've added an additional \$5 charge to the \$10 annual dues for people who would like the printed version of the newsletter. The benefit is to encourage people to switch to the electronic version, and to help pay for the newsletter. Our Bylaws state that the board can once a year decide to change dues.



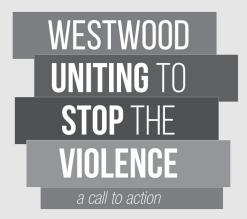
Hot Chocolate Social SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2-5 PM

Join us before the snow falls as we come together to "Build Community over Cocoa" & enjoy the new facilities at Ryan Park!

Come check out the new Challenge Course, playground, updated basketball court and other improvements at Ryan Park, all made possible through the Marvin Lewis Community Fund & Cincinnati Bengals 2016 "Hometown Huddle" project, in partnership with the Cincinnati Recreation Commission.

FUN...FOOD...INFORMATION...ACTIVITIES See you there – Tell a Neighbor, Bring a Friend!

Ryan Park 3324 Meyer Pl, Cincinnati, OH 45211



	Deposits	Disbursements	
October 1, 2016 Balance			\$5,308.16
Electricity for Westwood Sign (Oct & Nov)		\$48.93	
Westwood Flags	\$30.00		
Campaign Monitor		\$59.00	
Directors' & Officers' Insurance		\$865.00	
Memberships	\$90.00		
Newsletter (Oct & Nov)		\$734.36	
misc		\$2.06	
NSP Reimbursement	\$319.84		
November 26, 2016 Balance			\$4,038.65

Savings

Beginning Balance Interest Ending Balance

20	\$8,947.10
\$0.14	
	\$8,947.24

WCA Board	April 2015—April 2016				
<u>Officers</u>					
President	Shawntee Stallworth Schramm	(513) 364–9025			
Vice President	Tom Sauter				
Vice President	Karen Strasser	(513) 604-1167			
Treasurer	Steve Beckman	(513) 481-0840			
Recording Secretary	Sara Overstake				
Membership Secretary	Stephen Schramm	(513) 346-9944			
Board of Directors					
Joe Corso	April Stephens				
Emily Reynolds	Larry Eiser				
Trinette Zawadzki	Henry Frondorf	Joel Kimmet			
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\$100—Full Page; \$50—Half Page; \$50—Insert; \$25— Quarter Page; \$10—Business Card

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