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FELLOW WESTWOODIANS,

I hope your summer is going great! Our new baby Eloise has managed to go from 4 pounds 3 ounces all the way to 6 pounds 13 ounces in just 4 weeks! That's an increase of 62% which is fantastic, (though if any of us gained 62% in one month that would not be good...).

Westwood participated in the 3rd Cincinnati Neighborhood Games earlier this month. Led by Captain Lara Dorenkemper, Westwood won 28 medals and is bringing the Neighborhood Cup back to Westwood! We beat out 2nd place West Price Hill by only 4 medals. I managed to win bronze in whiffle ball home run derby - sadly no MLB scouts witnessed the power show I put on so I doubt I will be suiting up for the Reds this year.

I hope most of you were able to attend Westwood Second Saturdays in July. The new park at Town Hall was packed and it was heartwarming to see all the people out and enjoying our neighborhood. Huge thanks to our friends at Westwood Works for hosting these great events. The next Second Saturday is August 10th. My family and I hope to see you there!

Along with developing a new neighborhood strategic plan, we will have another exciting item to tackle. The City now owns the old Mercy Hospital grounds at the corner of Queen City and Boudinout as well as the old Midway School grounds near that same site. Mayor Cranley has asked for a plan to develop those sites and we are now working with the Cincinnati Recreation Commission to come up with a game plan to tie those plots into Oskamp. I don't know about you, but this seems like a great opportunity for Westwood to have a full fledged Rec Center and to also re-imagine Oskamp. The Westwood Coalition groups will be co-leading an effort with the CRC this fall to get your input on what you want this land to become. You all did a great job with the Town Hall grounds and this is our next big fun project to take on. I love when our tax dollars actually come back to our neighborhood and generating a solid community backed plan is the first step to make that happen.

Enjoy the rest of summer!

Henry Frondorf

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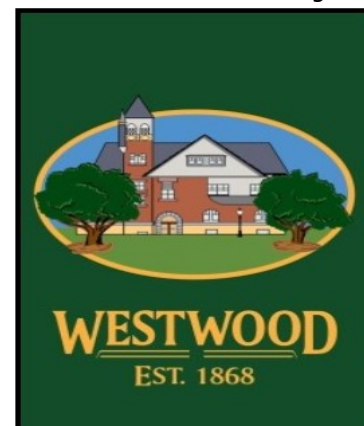
WESTWOOD CIVIC MEETINGS

- *Steering Committee Meetings* are held at Westwood Town Hall, **7:00pm**, on the second Tuesday 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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Exciting News from the Westwood Community Gardens by Peg Rhein

Thanks to the remarkable efforts of Westwood's Boy Scout Troop 107, and their supporters on 7/13 at 8:30am on a HOT Saturday morning in a little more than an hour all the piers were filled with concrete that will support the new gazebo that will soon be built at the heart of our garden, They were assisting Payton Lynch with his Eagle Scout project which had been delayed due to all the rain earlier.

We are all looking forward to seeing the Gazebo being built this summer and used for hosting future programs.

There are still a few beds available for rent for those interested in planting a late summer/ fall crop. You can download the application form from the WCA website under Initiatives. <https://westwoodcivic.org/initiatives/westwood-community-gardens/application-rules/>



🏆 And the winner is.....WESTWOOD! Congrats to all the medal winners and participants, including 26 City of Cincinnati Neighborhoods! Thank you all braving the heat to come compete in our 2019 #CincyGames Finals Day! Thanks to our volunteers and partners including [Cincinnati Recreation Commission](#), [Greater Cincinnati Water Works](#), [City Of Cincinnati Government](#) and [Elder High School](#)!



Drivers coming off the Western Hills Viaduct toward Harrison Avenue will soon no longer have to merge into one lane.

Two new lanes are being built from the upper and lower ramps of the viaduct. The concrete's already been poured, and the lanes should open by the end of July.

Traffic changed on this stretch of road when the Beekman Street Connector closed.



Westwood Second Saturday is coming back again in August. If you were at the July 13 event, you know that we are starting to incorporate more and more of the renovated Town Hall Park. It was an awesome event! Westwood Works will be conducting the next Second Saturday event on Saturday, August 10, from 5:00 to 10:00. Harrison Ave., between Montana and Epworth, will be closed for this event.

Event includes craft beer from West Side and Fretboard, great live music, a great variety of food trucks and booths, and a wealth of games and activities for all ages.

This is a family and pet friendly event. Don't miss it!



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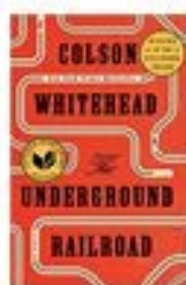
COMMUNITY FORUM

Bringing Westwood Together Around the Addiction Epidemic

Tuesday, July 30 at 6:30 p.m.

The abuse of opioids, methamphetamines, and prescription drugs has had a devastating impact on many neighborhoods. This forum brings community members together to better understand the impact of substance use disorders and how we can work together to combat this epidemic.

- **African Penguin**—Tuesday, August 13th @ 2:00PM—All ages
Enjoy an up close and personal encounter with a penguin! During this presentation, participants will learn about these incredible animals, including their natural history, geography, diet, predators, and WAVE Foundation's research and conservation initiatives. At the close of this experience, you will have a greater understanding and appreciation of these remarkable birds! Presented by the WAVE Foundation at Newport Aquarium.



Westwood Book Club Thursday, Aug 22nd 7-8 pm

Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, the #1 *New York Times* bestseller from Colson Whitehead, a magnificent tour de force chronicling a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South.

Join us at the Westwood Branch Library for more exciting programs!

For information on any of our programs, please contact us at 369-4474.

Programs made possible by the Friends of the Public Library and the Kersten Fund.

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Wednesday/ Friday/Saturday: 10-6



If enough people are willing to help, the Westwood Historical Society would like to start an initiative to preserve key information along the way as it happens. This information would then be available as a more complete description for people in the future who want to take a look back. Just like annual reports or school yearbooks, the idea is to preserve a snapshot of each year in review. The information documented could include photographs and other images of special events, changes to or demolition of significant buildings, officers of key community organizations, and significant changes in leadership of institutions and businesses. Certainly images would be an important part, as would ephemera like printed programs. Local, regional, national and international events can also be referenced for context.

If you or someone you know (member or non-member) would like to be part of this effort, email info@westwoodhistorical.org or contact 513-662-1156. Your involvement could be as simple as photo documenting Westwood or being a liaison for a Westwood organization or institution, as well as helping to plan and coordinate the project.

Check out www.WestwoodHistorical.org

Fall Session

Session A: September 9th- October 26th

Session B: November 4th- December 21st

Session C: September 9th- December 21st

Classes include improv for adults and teens, drama, dance, puppet making, and more! Check out www.madcapeducationcenter.org registration info and prices.

Art Start: Visual Art

Saturday, August 17th, 2019 from 11:00am-12:00pm

Geared towards families with preschool aged children, but all siblings are welcome. Register your whole family for only \$1 at <http://madcapeducationcenter.asapconnected.com>

Alice in Neverland

This original, two-person, interactive literary adventure will have your students on the edge of their seats and thinking critically as they join Alice, the best detective in Wonderland, who takes the case when Tinkerbell hires her to solve the mystery of Peter Pan's disappearance. Curiouser and curiouser!

This mashup of everyone's favorite childhood stories will have your children laughing, cheering, and using critical thinking skills to help Alice decipher clues and crack the case. Will Alice find Peter before he grows up? Will time be restored in Neverland? Will Captain Hook ever be picked for the hockey team? Join us for Alice in Neverland!

Wednesday, August 14th at 11:00am - General admission tickets \$10 (ages 12 months and up)

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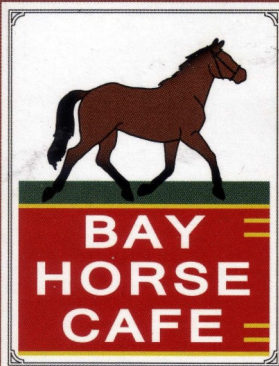
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