

FELLOW WESTWOODIANS,

Phew! It felt like two summers crammed into one this year. Somehow, it is already August. Second Saturdays have come and gone and school starts next week. It's been so great to see the neighborhood reopening and neighbors working to cram in as much time with friends and family as possible!

This busy summer has translated into a lot more activity at the Westwood Civic Association as well. More volunteers are working with board members on important zoning, communications, and safety issues. I'm really proud that our request for more help was so well responded to! The more the community gets involved, the more our whole neighborhood benefits. There is so much work to do to get the word out about neighborhood events, coordinate with city leaders, and develop solutions to challenges the community faces. No one person can do it alone and I'm so proud of the work everyone is doing.

Want to make a difference? Need your voice heard? Just curious about what's going on? Come to a meeting! Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Westwood Town Hall. We'd love to see you.

Your Neighbor,

Thomas Sauter
WCA President



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Westwood Civic Meetings

- *General Membership Meetings* are held at on the third Tuesday of each month from 7-9 p.m at Westwood Town Hall and live streamed via Facebook Live
- *Steering Committee Meetings* are held on the second Tuesday of Jan, April, July, & October at 7 p.m.
- ALL meetings are open to the public. ALL are welcome!

Purchase your new Westwood flag today for \$35!



Our next Westwood Civic meeting is Tuesday, August 17, 7-9 p.m.

Join us in person at Westwood Town Hall or Facebook live.



Be informed, have a say, make a difference

**WESTWOOD CIVIC ASSOCIATION
AUGUST 2021 TREASURER'S REPORT**

	Deposits	Payments	Balance
July 19, 2021 Checking Balance			\$15,274.09
Gardens		\$284.80	
Westwood Sign		\$59.68	
Campaign Monitor		\$65.50	
Memberships	\$20.00		
Flags	\$5.00		
Miscellaneous	\$0.11		
8/11/21 Checking Balance			\$14,889.22
Uncommitted Funds			\$3,787.03
Community Gardens Balance			\$2,609.85
Youth Council Balance			\$505.34
Committed / Unspent NSP Funds			\$7,987.00
SAVINGS			
7/19/2021 Balance			\$33,882.20
Flinchpaugh donation	\$24,750.77		
Interest	\$0.55		
8/11/2021 Balance			\$58,633.52

**Congratulations to
Dave & Sharon
Hopkins
for being WCA's
Neighbors of the Month
for July 2021!**



The nominator states: Dave & Sharon Hopkins are people who make Craig Avenue/ Westwood feel like a small town. Dave has often mowed other people's lawns or snow shoveled/blown sidewalks for years...out of kindness. This year he cut down an ever-green tree that was blocking my backyard and trimmed my dogwood. They do it only to be good neighbors, never expecting anything in return. Sharon makes amazing candles, soaps, and food. She has made my parties and days special with her thoughtfulness. They have given me care packages of food and beverages when I am sick or lonely. The Hopkinses are part of the reason that I lovingly call Craig Avenue "Mayberry Cincinnati."



Neighbor of the Month celebrates our Westwood residents who humbly make a positive impact on our neighborhood. Attend the WCA monthly meeting to find out who has been selected as this month's neighbor of the month! Nominate your good neighbors at the following link: <https://westwoodcivic.org/nominate/> Neighbor of the Month nominees will be received and selected by the Outreach Committee and announced at our monthly general meetings and in Westwords.

Westwood Yards of the Month

Westwood has beautiful homes and beautiful yards that we are all able to appreciate and enjoy. Thank you to the neighbors who help keep Westwood beautiful! Check out this month's notable yards.



- 3370 Kathy Ln.
- 2604 Fenton
- 3255 Hildreth
- 3138 Pershing
- 3204 Buell
- 2831 McKinley
- 3202 Glenmore
- 2898 Montana
- 3427 Craig

Submit your nominations for Yard of the Month via the WCA website: <https://westwoodcivic.org/nominate/westwood-yard-of-the-month/> or by e-mailing Tbai-ley@zoomtown.com.

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Help keep Westwood beautiful!

To report a blighted property, please email John Kerr (WCA's Properties, Infrastructure, Beautification, & Zoning Committee Chair) at john.kerr@fuse.net.

You can also request a service from the city through the Fix It Cincy app, or the public services website: <https://cagismaps.hamilton-co.org/csr/cincinnati/>



Cincinnati Recreation Commission—Westwood Town Hall

The Westwood Town Hall CRC is welcoming back adults and youth for programs this fall.

- Cheryl will be teaching sewing and quilting on Tuesdays for adults and seniors from 10am to 1pm and on Wednesdays for seniors from 10am to 1pm.
- Indoor group cycling is available for teens, adults, and seniors with Andrea on Mondays from 6pm to 7pm and Fridays 9:30am to 10:30am.
- Friday night teen programs for ages 13-17 begin again with the First Friday Birthday Program and open auditorium and teen room time from 6pm to 8:45 pm. Teens must have their own transportation.
- Preschool programs continue Monday through Thursday 9:30am to 12 noon. Preschoolers can attend one day or all four days.
- Afterschool Day Camp begins again on Thursday, August 19th for ages 5-12 from 2-6pm and runs through the school year. Van pick-ups are available from Cheviot, Midway, and Our Lady of Lords schools. Children from Westwood Elementary are escorted here. The cost for ASDC is \$140 per month.
- Need a parent night out? On the third Friday of each month, (8/20, 9/17, 10/15, 11/19) from 6:30-10pm children aged 5 1/2-to-12 can have fun at Westwood Town Hall.
- Home School Art is taught by Kim on Fridays from 10am to 12 noon.
- **Register for CRC programs on-line at cincyrec.org**
- Contract instructors also offer a variety of programs at Westwood Town Hall. For dance on Mondays or Tuesdays (Preschool Ballet & Tap ages 3-4, Ballet/ Tap/ Hip Hop/Jazz ages 5-12 and Tap Inter/Adv. Teen and adult contact Instructor Meri at Cincytap.com. For Taekwondo for all levels and ages on Tuesday and Thursday evenings contact Master Tommy at thomasvelkoff@gmail.com or tristatehapkido.com. Interested in clogging on Thursdays? Contact Instructor Pam here at WWTH on Thursdays 6:30pm to 9pm. CRC Memberships are required for all students and can be purchased on-line at cincyrec.org.

Westwood Town Hall is also available once again for rentals. Reach Westwood Town Hall at (513) 662-9109 or check out our complete schedule at cincyrec.org.

Jincey Yemaya
Service Area Coordinator
Westwood Town Hall



It was a beautiful night on Saturday, July 31 for members to gather at our Westwood Community Garden to share recipes and ways of preparing the vegetables we have been growing. Thanks to Julie Crossen for her tasty grilled veggies and dressing, Jennifer Lewis-Thornton for her delicious tomato relish and lessons on canning and Irina Niculescu for her beautiful looking stuffed yellow squash and parsley salad.



The lack of rain the past few weeks have been challenging . Thanks to the many volunteer gardeners who help water all the community garden beds in addition to their own. We suggest to our members that all of the raised beds be covered with a few inches of straw around their plants which we provide to help keep the moisture in and to suppress the weeds.

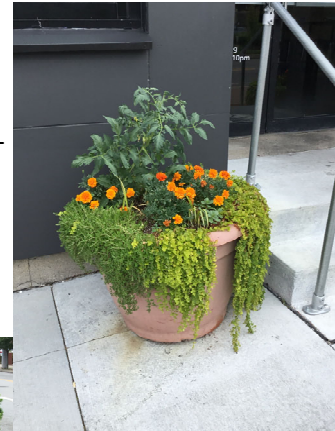
You are welcome to stop by and visit our garden, at the corner of Harrison and Talbot and sit a while in our Gazebo and listen to the birds and watch the butterflies and goldfinches.

Peg Rhein
Westwood Community Garden Coordinator
wcgcoordinator@gmail.com





Sometimes Mother Nature gives us unexpected gifts; hopeful signs of living determination! Slow down to get a look at Tom Dietrich's pot near the northeast corner of Montana and Harrison. Some lovely bloomers have set seeds in-between the brick pavers, adding to this beautiful pot's presence...and then there is an unexpected bonus crop of plum tomatoes in one of the pots at Westside Brewery courtesy of the adopter's compost! What do you think, Westside? Have any ideas for a new brew? If you are interested in sharing your growing passion for Westwood, how about adopting a pot in our business district. For more information contact Marie (Mama J) Jones at: ma-jones711@gmail.com



Westwood Citizens on Patrol is Looking for New Members

Citizens on Patrol in Westwood is officially back to regular patrols and meetings. We are a Volunteer Community based division of the police department. We will be patrolling during Second Saturdays in the Westwood Business district. In September, we will be in the Harvest Home Parade. Our members attend the Westwood Civic meetings and Westwood United to Stop the Violence Meetings. So, if you see us out and about give us a wave.

As always, we need new patrol members. For membership application go to: <https://www.cincinnati-oh.gov/police/community-involvement/> or contact us by e-mail at WestwoodCOP@aol.com.

Westwood Branch Library

by Travis Castleberry



School is back at the Westwood Branch Library!

- Free snacks for kids starting every day from 2:15-2:45 on August 30th
- Free printing for up to 50 pages!
- Now open extended hours on Monday and Tuesday from 10am – 8pm.

Outdoor toddler storytime every Wednesday at 10am

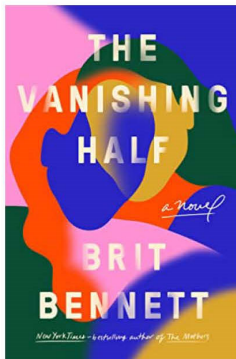
Outdoor STEAM storytime on the 1st Thursday at 10:30

Homeschool Meetup on the 3rd Thursday at 10:30

Library playdate every 2nd and 4th Friday at 10:30am

Westwood Book Club - Thursday, August 26th - 6:30-7:30

***The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett**



The Vignes twin sisters will always be identical. But after growing up together in a small, southern black community and running away at age sixteen, it's not just the shape of their daily lives that is different as adults, it's everything: their families, their communities, their racial identities. Many years later, one sister lives with her black daughter in the same southern town she once tried to escape. The other passes for white, and her white husband knows nothing of her past. Still, even separated by so many miles and just as many lies, the fates of the twins remain intertwined. What will happen to the next generation, when their own daughters' storylines intersect?

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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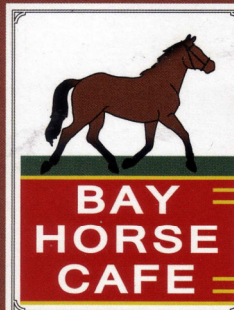


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