

FELLOW WESTWOODIANS,

We have a new Mayor-elect and a new City Council! They will be sworn in on January 2nd, 2022. There were many candidates this year and now that the dust is settled, we know who will be representing us locally for the next 4 years. With so many new council members, it is especially important for every neighborhood to get to know our new local government and make our voices heard. Regardless of whom you voted for, these new officials will have a lot of control over the direction our City and our neighborhood will take the next four years (or more!).

I encourage you to look up the candidates, follow them on social media, and reach out to the people volunteering and working for them. Some will be more responsive than others. This is ok! I know that all of you have concerns about safety, schools, traffic, development, parking, public health, and so much more. Now is perhaps the best possible time to make a first impression to the member-elect that the people of Westwood care about their community, the largest neighborhood in the City, and want results.

The people voted, but now the real work begins. Get involved!

If you need tips or help, come to one of WCA's meetings on the third Tuesday of the month or email us at info@westwoodcivic.org.

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 meeting is Tuesday, November 16, from 7-9 p.m.

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



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The nominator states: As volunteer members of Westwood Civic's PIBZ Committee (Properties, Infrastructure, Beautification, & Zoning), Kelly and Ellen stepped up to organize and lead a neighborhood clean up on October 23, "Make a Difference Day". In addition to recruiting a bunch of volunteers to the event, they developed partnerships with Keep Cincinnati Beautiful, Home Depot, and Kroger to provide support and supplies for reducing litter in our neighborhood. They are passionate about making our neighborhood a better place for everyone, and hope to organize more cleanup events in the future. Thank you for caring about Westwood, Kelly & Ellen!

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 Neighbors Making a Difference Win Oscars

On October 23, twenty Westwood community volunteers and a team of Kroger executives and employees from the Ferguson store joined forces with Price Hill Safety CAT volunteers (including Elder High School students) to care for our neighborhoods by picking up trash along the perimeter of the Kroger/Walmart/District 3 Police parking lots, Ferguson, Queen City, Boudinot, Harrison, Glenway, and Sidney. They believe that litter begets litter and hope that cleaning up these streets will encourage folks to keep them clean. At the Kroger and LaRosa's-sponsored after-party at Westwood Town Hall, volunteers were awarded Oscars (named after Sesame Street's garbage-can dwelling grouch) for the grossest, funniest, and most valuable finds, as well as for the "trashiest" selfie.



If you would like to build pride in our neighborhood, make a difference in the lives of your neighbors, and have a blast while doing so, watch for calls for help in WestWords or contact Kelly Hibbett (hibbettkelly@gmail.com) or Ellen McGrath (emmcgrath7@gmail.com).

The group, organized by Westwood Civic's PIBZ committee (Property, Infrastructure, Beautification, and Zoning), plans to stage clean-ups on a regular basis. Please also check to see if elderly or disabled neighbors need help picking up litter from their property. If we all just took a few minutes a week to clear the area in front of our homes, the impact on the overall neighborhood would be huge. Plus, when folks see you out there cleaning up, it's contagious.

Westwood Litter Clean-Up October 2021

Special thanks to Keep Cincinnati Beautiful, Sgt. Hicks from District 3 Police, CRC Area Coordinator Jincey Yemaya, and team mentor Sue Bilz from PHS CAT for advising us and helping with logistics; the Kroger Company, Home Depot, and LaRosa's for their generous donations; the team at Kroger for volunteering alongside us; Urban Promise and St. Peter & St. Paul UCC for providing parking; and all of the amazing volunteers for being awesome neighbors who care about our neighborhood and are truly making a difference!





You don't have to have a green thumb to be a part of the Adopt-a-Pot program! Maybe you have some greenery we could use to dress the pots for the holidays! Trimming some of those evergreens and don't want to recycle them right away? Send me an email and I'll make arrangements to pick them up for our potadopters.

Marie Jones

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<u>Westwood-themed Holiday gift ideas...no supply chain</u> <u>delays!</u>

Westwood-Opoly Holiday Special —\$10

Gift Membership in Westwood Historical Society —\$15 per household



On the Right Track: Historic Cincinnati Railroads. Contains detailed chapter on the Cincinnati & Westwood Railroad —\$10

If interested, email info@WestwoodHistorical.org or leave message at 513-662-1156





We had a great time at our Howl at the Moon Fall Gathering with great food prepared by our gardeners, many who incorporated veggies from their garden beds. Now that we are getting freezing temperatures, we are harvesting our green tomatoes, indigo leaves and planting fall crops. Julie Crossen is the "Garlic Queen" and planted an entire bed in garlic that she will harvest next year.







We are grateful for the wonderful students from Gamble Montessori High School who volunteered on Oct 14 in the morning at our garden during their Intercession week. They did a great job with painting our tool shed and picnic tables under the guidance of Joel Kimmet and weeded some of our community garden beds mentored by Judy Reilmann and Peg Rhein.

Peg Rhein Westwood Community Garden Coordinator wcgcoordinator@gmail.com



Westwood Branch Library

by Travis Castleberry



- . Free snacks for kids given out every Monday from 3-5.
- . Free printing for up to 20 pages!
- . The Library is officially fine free!

Outdoor toddler story time every Wednesday at 10am

Anime Club for Teens every Thursday at 4:30pm

Outdoor STEAM Storytime on the 1st Thursday at 10:30am

Homeschool Meetup on the 3rd Thursday at 10:30am

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

Westwood Book Club - Thursday, November 18th - 6:30-7:30 *The Invisible Life of Addie LaRue by* V.E. Schwab



France, 1714: in a moment of desperation, a young woman makes a Faustian bargain to live forever and is cursed to be forgotten by everyone she meets.

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

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