



Westbury Crier

HIGHLIGHTS:

- WCC Board Meeting: February 20 at 7PM at Westbury Baptist
- February's heavy trash is JUNK WASTE. Pick up is February 14 for ALL of Westbury.
- Don't forget to pay your 2013 Dues, form on page 12

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WHS Baseball Team Rescues Crier Delivery

Many thanks to Westbury High School teacher and Assistant Baseball Coach Robert Lyle, plus some WHS Baseball players and parents, for coming to the rescue of the WCC and completing delivery of the January *Crier*. Unfortunately, we experienced major problems in January with a new delivery service which had been recommended to us. This delivery service had promised to deliver the newsletters to our almost 5,000 homes in a single day. Despite providing maps to them and demonstrating how the *Criers* were to be properly PLACED on the porch, this group had its own method. Some newsletters were properly placed; however, some were thrown in the yard, on the sidewalk, or on the driveway. Our office manager caught up with them and again instructed them how to properly place the

newsletters on the porch. Despite their assurances that all 5,000 *Criers* had been delivered, the WCC discovered major problems. None were delivered south of West Bellfort. Some were delivered incorrectly to homes in the Meyerland subdivision, and we suspect many were thrown into a trash bin.

We reprinted the *Crier*, but now needed a different delivery service to replace the one we had fired. Westbury High School came to our rescue. Coach Lyle, along with his wife and brother-in-law, rounded up several WHS baseball players - thanks to the help of WHS Baseball Booster Club parent, Desiree Slack. The *Criers* were delivered over the end of the holidays by them and Paul Slack, Andrew Slack, Daniel Schepp, Nikki Schepp, George Elizondo,

and William Nelson. Also assistance was provided by Boy Scout Troop 549 from St. Paul's Presbyterian.

This ended up being a win-win situation for us and the WHS Baseball Booster Club. In the future we hope to continue this relationship: the students may receive community service credit; the Baseball Booster Club will raise needed funds; and the *Crier* will have a delivery team which is reliable and dedicated.

Additionally, the WCC office received many compliments about our January newsletter from Meyerland residents who incorrectly received our newsletter. We are pleased to let you know that they found the *Crier* to be very informative and interesting.

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New Exciting Events at the Platou Community Center

February is a very exciting month at the Platou Community Center. We are pleased to announce several new classes and events. If you would like more information about the following items, please see page 4 and call Dan at the Platou Center at 713-726-7107 or stop by and check it out in person.

NEW ZUMBA CLASS FREE Thursdays 8AM-9AM	NEW JEWELRY MAKING CLASS \$10 Fee Thursdays 1:30-3PM	LINE DANCE SOCIAL Mon., Feb 18 11AM-2PM	SALADS FOR THE HEART LUNCHEON Thurs., Feb 14 12PM-1:30PM	NEW CLAY WORKSHOP \$10 Fee Wednesdays 12:30-2:30PM
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Garden Beds Available at the Community Garden, see pg 6

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Platou Community Center

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President's Message

I have to confess that December's lack of formal meetings was a refreshing change from the prior eleven months. January began with a vengeance and I am happy to report that your Board members are all back in the saddle and attending meetings. Our January Westbury Civic Club meeting was well attended and it was nice to meet some new Westburians, as well as to see some familiar faces. Sallie Alcorn, Chief of Staff for At-Large CM Stephen Costello, attended our meeting and took our neighborhood concerns about proposed changes to Chapter 42 (Planning ordinance) back to City Hall. Mary Seymour, from TX Rep. Borris Miles' office, brought greetings and a report on the inauguration of our Texas legislature. Barbara Hite, from District K CM Larry Green's office, attended our morning WAIC/Westbury SuperNeighborhood meeting and will be checking on several outstanding items for us. For a long time I was one of those cynical people who thought people at City Hall and in the Westbury Civic Club did "nothing." I could not have been more wrong! It's easy to become jaded by politics, but our City and our neighborhood function because caring and talented people step up and get the

jobs done. Do some things take what seems like forever? Yes, but don't give up! The squeaky wheel eventually gets attention. If you have been struggling with a longstanding problem on your street, send us the information. Even if you have sent it before, send it again. The system seems designed to protect the scofflaws, but circumstances do change. We are committed to protecting our neighborhood by enforcing all deed restrictions.

And speaking of deed restrictions, each section will have an opportunity to amend their deed restrictions this year. I hope many of you will volunteer to collect signatures when the time comes. Jennifer Edmondson is heading up the Deed Restriction Revision Committee and more info will be upcoming Criers.

I've written before about the wealth of information and historic neighborhood data that we have in the Westbury Criers that have been produced monthly since July of 1956. That's over 50 years of "hot topics ranging from bomb shelters for your backyard to teenage promiscuity", WCC president musings, and current events. I started scanning them this past weekend and you will see references to them in this month's Crier. It is so

wonderful to have that historical perspective when looking at neighborhood issues. The WCC lobbied for the library back in 1960; for a park and swimming pool near Parker in 1961; for bus service; for roads, for traffic lights; for street lights; for garbage pickup; for a fire station; for better security; and for a community center. And now, fifty years later, we are still lobbying for these same things! That library we fought for is now slated to be replaced; the playground at Westbury Park is about to be replaced; those new roads from the sixties need resurfacing; we all want single stream recycling, and security is everyone's concern!

The Westbury Civic Club is just as relevant and important today as it was 50 years ago and maybe more so. **That's why it is so important to send in your dues.**

Westbury's 5,000 homes and 20,000 plus residents were a bigger part of the pie when Houston's 1960 population was 938,000 compared to over 2 million today. We now have to work twice as hard to get our share of the pie! Working together, we remain vigilant, we will succeed!

-Becky Edmondson

Board Notes

- Sgt. Crouch from the Maplewood Constable program spoke
- Approved 2013 Budget and SN Motion for WCG, see pg 6 & 10
- Deed Restriction Committee formed
- Update on St. John's Presbyterian, pg. 21
- Cookies and water provided by Jackie Murray of Weichert Realtors

WCC Board Meeting
Wednesday, February 20
7PM-9PM
Westbury Baptist

HAVE A QUESTION, COMPLAINT, COMPLIMENT? I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! EMAIL ME WCCPRESIDENT@WESTBURYCRIER.COM

It's time to pay your dues!

Please send in your support that:

1. protects your investment in your home by keeping Westbury a strong and vibrant neighborhood
2. protects your home and family with the Constable service
3. improves the look of our greenspaces
4. keeps the doors to your Civic Club office open

The dues form is on page 12.



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Platou Community Center

11655 Chimney Rock

Monday-Thursday 12PM—8PM; Fridays 11AM-7PM

Supervisor: Dan Reilly, Daniel.reilly@houstontx.gov or 713-726-7107

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FEBRUARY SPECIAL EVENTS

Salads for the Heart February 14, 12PM—1:30PM.
Let's get healthy and have a Vegetarian Luncheon. Please bring a salad or vegetarian dish, as well as recipes and ideas to share.

Line Dance Social Monday, February 18, 11AM-2PM
Come dance with line dancers from around the City of Houston. Learn new dances or teach others the ones you know.

NEW Jewelry Making Class Thursdays, Feb. 21—
March 14, 1:30PM-3PM. For beginners or those wanting to renew their interest. Learn basic bracelet techniques in these first 4 classes. These techniques can be used in many other facets of jewelry making. Cost is under \$10 for the materials to start. For questions, please call Dan at Platou or email Laura Coplin at arthouse@arthouseinc.net. Class size limited, please register.

Clay Workshop Wednesdays 12:30-2:30PM. The popular Clay Workshop is back. Learn to make original objects from clay, kiln on site. Material fee is \$10 for 6 weeks. Call Dan at Platou Ctr

Classes/Groups/Meetings

NEW Zumba Class Thurs., 8-9AM FREE!
Stretching Exercise Class M, W, F 9-9:45AM
Aerobics Tues. and Thurs., 6:30-7:30PM
Line Dancing Class Mon., 1-2PM

CALL 713-726-7107 FOR MORE INFORMATION FOR
THE ABOVE 4 CLASSES LISTED

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly
Weight loss support group: Tues., 5:45-7PM
Drop in to preview the program or call Dorothy
713-723-4441 or Naomi 713-988-2233

Ballroom Dance Class : Wed., 6-8PM
Call Marilyn at 713-729-9425. Classes resume Jan. 9

Quilting Workshop Tues., 10AM - 3PM
Contact Janie at 713-721-5526

Games Wed., 10 AM
Contact Wally at 713-729-9310

Portable Projects Thurs., 9:30- 11:30AM
Any kind of handiwork: knitting, crochet, needle-
point, card-making. Contact Hazel at 713-729-4568

Westbury Community Garden Mon., Feb 18
at 6:15PM. Public welcome! Come learn about the
Garden and gardening.

After School Enrichment

This is a **free** childcare program for
kids ages, 6 to 13, from 3PM to
6PM. Call 713-726-7107 for more
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What's Happening in Westbury

Events & Meetings Calendar February 2013

Fri 1	Assessments Due for Mandatory Homes in Parkwest 1 and Parkwest 2 — Call the office if you have any questions at 713-723-5437
Sat 16	Willow Waterhole Monthly Audubon Society Bird Survey 8AM Meet at The Gathering Place parking lot—5310 S. Willow
Mon 18	Westbury Community Garden Meeting 6:15PM Platou Community Center— 11655 Chimney Rock
Mon 18	Brays Bayou Association Meeting 7:30PM The Gathering Place—5310 S. Willow
Wed 20	WAIC/Super Neighborhood #37 Meeting 8:30-10AM Salem Lutheran—4930 W. Bellfort Open to all Westbury residents!
Wed 20	WCC Board Meeting 7PM– 9PM ***NEW LOCATION*** Westbury Baptist Church—RM C103 Open to all Westbury residents!
Thurs 21	Horseshoes From the Heart Campfire 5PM-8PM Westbury Little League at 5200 Dryad See page 23 for more information
Fri 22	Trail Riders ride thru Westbury and stop at Westbury Area Schools See page 23 for more information
Tues 26	SW PIP (Police Positive Interaction Program) Meeting 7PM Aramco Building—9009 W. Loop South

Planning Calendar:

March 11-15: HISD Spring Break
March 25-April 1: WCC Office Closed
April: Spring White Elephant Sale,
Date & Location TBA
April: Jazz Festival @ Willow
Waterhole, Date TBA

Heavy Trash & Recycling Calendar

February 2013	
Thurs 7	Curbside Recycling All of Westbury
Thurs 14	Heavy Trash— JUNK WASTE ALL OF WESTBURY
Thurs 21	Curbside Recycling All of Westbury
March 2013	
THURS 14	Heavy Trash— TREE WASTE ONLY ALL OF WESTBURY



Important Trash & Recycling Information

- 🗑️ Trash cans need to be on curb by 7AM Thursday
- 🗑️ Trash cans must be removed by 10PM Thursday
- 🗑️ **Trash** cans must be placed at least 3 feet apart
- 🗑️ Trash cans must be stored out of sight.
- 🗑️ Yard waste **MUST** be in the correct biodegradable bags
- 🗑️ No heavy trash out before 6PM the Friday before pick-up date
- 🗑️ **YARD WASTE** is not considered tree waste & won't be collected with heavy trash. It is collected on regular Thursday trash day as long as it is in the correct recyclable bags
- 🗑️ Call 311 for all trash questions and complaints
- 🗑️ Nearby Trash Depositories and Recycling Centers:
SW Trash Depository/Recycling Ctr -10785 Southwest Frwy
Hours: Wed.—Sun. 9AM to 6PM; Accepts Junk Waste, Tree Waste and Recyclables. Current utility bill needed.
Environmental Service Center - 11500 South Post Oak
Hours: Tues/Wed. 9AM-3PM; 2nd Saturday 9AM-1PM
Accepts Hazardous Household Waste & Electronic Waste
- 🗑️ Refer to www.westburycrier.com or www.houstontx.gov or more trash and recycling information

City of Houston Heavy Trash Schedule

January	Tree Waste	July	Tree Waste
February	Junk Waste	August	Junk Waste
March	Tree Waste	Sept.	Tree Waste
April	Junk Waste	October	Junk Waste
May	Tree Waste	Nov.	Tree Waste
June	Junk Waste	December	Junk Waste

Stay informed and up-to-date! Follow the WCC on Facebook at Westbury Houston or on Twitter @Westburyhouston

Westbury Community Garden



GARDEN BEDS AVAILABLE FOR SPRING

The Westbury Community Garden has beds open for spring planting!

Sadly, some of our gardeners are moving away from the area. We will miss them. But happily, we know they will find a new garden home and continue spreading the WCG mission of finding joy in growing healthy food. We look forward to new gardeners joining this wonderful community. If you have ever wanted to know how to grow good food sustainably, there is no better place in Houston to do it. Our soil is healthy. Our gardeners are knowledgeable, and it is wonderful eating your own homegrown veggies!

Consider gathering together a group of neighbors to share the experience and the food. Perhaps you are a young family with a shady backyard looking for a family gardening opportunity. The sunny WCG awaits.

Send an email with your contact information to get your names on the waiting list. Email it to: westburycommunitygarden@gmail.com. If you don't use email, then call the WCC office at 713-723-5437.

Westbury Community Garden Site – Land Appraisal

The WCC Board of Directors approved a motion at the January WCC meeting to hire an appraiser to obtain an appraisal for the value of the property currently leased by the WCC for the Westbury Community Garden. The purpose of an appraisal is to find out how much money would need to be raised to acquire the property from the Houston Housing Authority (HHA). The boards of both the non-profit Westbury Area Improvement Corporation (WAIC) and the WCC approved a motion on January 16, 2013, on this topic, which makes this motion an official Westbury SuperNeighborhood motion.

SuperNeighborhood #37 motion states: The Westbury Civic Club is to obtain an appraisal of the Westbury Community Garden property, and the Westbury SuperNeighborhood supports acquisition of this property from the HHA.

Thank You Starbucks!

The Westbury Community Garden is pleased to announce that they have received a grant from the Starbucks Foundation. You may have seen the painted signs and plant identification sign that were created by Starbuck team members who were here in Houston for their annual convention this past October. This grant was a part of that program and will allow the garden to add dozens more beds for those on the waiting list. So if you have been waiting to garden now is the time. The garden will be planting an orchard of fruit trees.

Stay updated through the WCC website,
www.westburycrier.com or the WCC Facebook page,
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Check out the WCG website also at
www.westburycommunitygarden.org

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February Garden Tips

Tips for Pruning Roses

Who doesn't love roses? While February isn't officially Rose Month, it's certainly a good time to begin preparing for the display of color we hope to have later in the spring.

Most roses need some sort of light pruning at the end of winter in Houston. But you don't want to prune too early, as this encourages new growth which can be damaged by a late frost. Valentine's Day is the traditional day for pruning roses here (barring any predicted heavy freezes, of course). And while different types of roses respond to different types of pruning, all of them will benefit from the removal of dead wood and branches, and a general "cleaning up" to reshape them if necessary.

Hybrid tea, floribunda, and grandiflora roses (what we usually think of as "bush" roses including the popular Knockout roses) respond best to pruning in late winter to remove dead or diseased wood. Cut at least 1 inch below the damaged area, using a 45-degree angle cut and a sharp blade. (This encourages water to flow off the stem, rather than sitting on a

flat surface.) Keep in mind that the best shape for most of these bushes is an open vase shape, so prune them to encourage this type of growth. Remove limbs that cross over other limbs in the center of the bush; if two limbs are rubbing against each other, remove the smaller one; cut a branch just above an outward-facing leaf bud—you get the picture. You want the plant to grow up and out, to encourage good air flow through the center of the bush, because this helps to control mildew issues later in the season and insures sunlight reaches all areas of the plant.

Climbing-type roses, on the other hand generally need to be pruned after flowering or in the fall, rather than in late winter. This is because they don't flower on new wood, but on 1- or 2-year-old canes. **Ramblers**, an old-fashioned type that produces long, thin canes of 10 feet or more in a single season, bloom on 1-year-old wood, so prune them immediately after they finish blooming. (Okay, so you can do it this year!) Cut out dead wood and remove some of the oldest canes to make room for new ones and remember: this year's flowers will come from last year's new growth.

Climbers are a larger, sturdier version of

ramblers. They bloom best on wood that is 2 years old, and can be pruned in the fall after blooms are spent. Like the ramblers, cut out dead wood and remove some of the oldest canes. You can also do a light (4 to 6 inches) pruning of the side shoots (the ones that come off the main canes and bear flowers) after they have flowered. And don't be fooled by the name: they don't really climb on their own—they need to be tied to some sort of support if you want them off the ground!

Once you have pruned your roses, apply fertilizer. A good choice is an organic type, either Earth Essentials or Microlife. Organic fertilizers release more slowly than the commercial types and they promote the production of important microorganisms in the soil.

February is rose planting time. You will find an abundant choice of roses in local nurseries.



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What's In A Name?

The past issues of the *Criers* have such a wealth of information and historical data. Have you ever wondered where our area schools got their names? Unless you or your children attend a school chances are you might not know. Below are stories from the *Crier* and supplemental information from HISD website.

PARKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Cynthia Ann Parker Elementary School opened in January 1959. It is named for one of the early Texas settlers. Cynthia Ann Parker (1827-1870) was just nine years old when Comanches captured her at her family's settlement in east Texas. She was adopted by the Indians and married a chief and her son, Quanah Parker, was the last free Comanche chief. She was "rescued" at the age of 34 by the Texas Rangers but had difficulty in assimilating. Quanah, after the tribe moved to a reservation, saw to it that all the children were taught to read and write. He realized the value of education to their future lives. There is a mosaic depicting her story in the hallway at Parker Elementary.

ANDERSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Ralph A. "Andy" Anderson was a reporter for the Houston Press for 34 years until his death in 1956. Anderson was also a humanitarian who gave unsparingly of himself in helping children, senior citizens, people with disabilities, and needy people of all ages. The school was built in his memory in 1960.

TINSLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Tinsley opened in autumn of 2001 and relieved overcrowded conditions at Anderson and Elrod Elementary Schools. It was named for former City Council Member Eleanor Tinsley, who also served on the HISD Board of Education and played a pivotal role in the campus beautification SPARK (School **PARK**) program.



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KOLTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

In the November 1960 *Crier*, it reported that "Kolter Elementary school drawing children from the northeast corner of the addition, has been formally dedicated and has organized its PTO. The school is named in honor of Jennie Katherine Kolter, teacher at Poe School, who was killed in the tragic bombing last year". Kolter was killed on September 15, 1959, when a disgruntled parent detonated a homemade bomb on the school's playground. The explosion killed six people, including the perpetrator and his son, teacher Jennie Kolter, two first grade students, and school custodian James Montgomery. Nineteen others were injured. Jennie Kolter lost her life trying to protect the students. As a result of their courage and bravery, Jennie Kolter and others are credited for saving the lives of many. The following year, two new campuses were opened in HISD. One was named in honor of Jennie Katherine Kolter and the other for James Arlie Montgomery.

JOHNSTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Albert Sidney Johnston was a West Point graduate who served as a representative of Texas and the Confederacy. He was widely respected by both enlisted men and officers. Johnston was killed during the Battle of Shiloh during the American Civil War. The Kentucky native's body was buried in Texas. The current Johnston Middle School was built in 1959, but the original school was built elsewhere in the 1926.



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What's In A Name?

FONDREN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Walter W. Fondren was a prominent Houston oil man and philanthropist, whose family had extensive land holdings in southwest Houston. After the school was built in 1966, the Fondren family donated land for an access road to the school for the safety of its students

PIN OAK MIDDLE SCHOOL

Opened in the fall of 2002, it was named in honor of the Pin Oak Charity Horse show, which took place annually on the property where the school now stands.

BELLAIRE HIGH SCHOOL

This school is named for the city in which it was built. Bellaire High School opened in 1955.

WESTBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Westbury High School takes its name from the community that surrounds it. Our community was named by its developer Ira Berne, who moved to Houston from Westbury, New York. The high school opened in 1961.

HEROD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

In June of 1961 the Crier had the following article titled CAPTAIN GARY HEROD PLAQUE: "On this past Memorial Day a plaque was dedicated to the memory of the

National Guard pilot who gave his life staying with his plane instead of possibly letting it crash into the heavily populated

Westbury-Meyerland area. Your President had the privilege of being present at this fitting and memorable occasion which was complete with Air Force Color Guard and the playing of our national anthem. The highlight of the day was the planting of "The Hero Tree" adjacent to



Beechnut Street in front of the Meyerland State Bank. The plaque is directly in front of the tree. Mrs. Gary Herod put the first shovelful of dirt on "The Hero Tree" followed by members of his family and hers. Your President talked for a time

with Mrs. Herod and she asked me personally to thank, from the bottom of her heart, all of the generous residents

who gave to the Gary Herod Fund. She stated that the money collected and turned over to her will be used for educational purposes for her two children." Herod Elementary, built as a memorial to his bravery, was originally built in 1965 and was replaced in 2011.

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February Heart Month Events

- Red Wine & Dark Chocolate Event
Hosted by Memorial Hermann Southwest and Memorial Hermann Sugar Land Hospitals
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2013 Budget

WCC General Operation/Programs 2013

General Income	Dollars
Transfer + Refinance Fees	29,400
Advertising— Crier	50,000
Interest Income	1,650
Mandatory Membership	15,000
Non-Mandatory Membership	44,000
Donations—Civic Club	3,000
Community Garage Sale	2,500
Total General Income	145,550

Expenses –Administrative

Expenses –Administrative	Dollars
Insurance	6,350
Rent– Office	8,160
Telephone & Internet	1,200
Electricity	1,000
Salaries & Wages	32,500
Payroll Tax Expense	2,600
Taxes Personal Property	390
Banking & Paypal Fees	3,800
Equip. Maintenance & Repairs	400
Training/Meetings—Directors or Staff	2,000
Website– Maintenance & Hosting	2,000
Computer Hardware/Software	2,000
Postage—Regular	1,000
Office Supplies/Equipment	4,000
Professional Services	3,750
Total Expenses (Admin)	71,100

Expenses—General Programs

Expenses—General Programs	Dollars
Programs/Hospitality/Events	2,000
Deed Restriction Revision Project	10,000
Deed Restriction Enforcement	5,000
Crier– Prepare, print, distribute	45,000
Membership– Brochures/Envelopes	6,000
Community Garage Sale Expenses	2,500
Contributions to External Orgs.	1,500
Yard of the Month Program	2,400
Total Expenses (General)	74,400

Total Admin & General Expenses 145,550

WCC Programs with Restricted Funds 2013

WAP Constable Patrol -Restricted Funds

WAP Income	Budget
Mandatory Assessments	48,000
Voluntary Dues	200,000
WAP Balance Forward	24,400
Donations to WAP	10,000
Westbury Garden Townhomes	9,600
Total WAP Income	292,000

WAP Expenses

Harris County Constable	292,000
Total WAP Expenses	292,000

Greenspace Beautification– Restricted Funds

Greenspace Income	Budget
Mandatory Assessment	9,000
Voluntary Dues	39,667
Donations to Greenspace	1,000
Other (Grants)	1,000
Total Greenspace Income	51,667

Greenspace Expenses

Monthly Maintenance	21,000
Water and Watering	8,000
Other (supplies, labor)	2,500
Special Projects	15,000
WAIC 10% of Revenue	5,167

Total Greenspace Expenses 51,667

WCC Budget Highlights

- Income from *The Crier* will offset expenses
- Income from Community Garage Sales will offset expenses
- Funding provided to update deed restrictions
- Enforcement of Codes/Covenants/Restrictions – includes a new tablet and a mobile app, compatible for use with our property management software and also to document problems sent to the city for resolution
- Purchase new filing cabinets and supplies for the WCC office
- Increase payroll expenses to improve services to our residents
- Additional costs for security patrols
- Beautification “Special Projects”– esplanade tree trimming and appraisal for the Westbury Community Garden site

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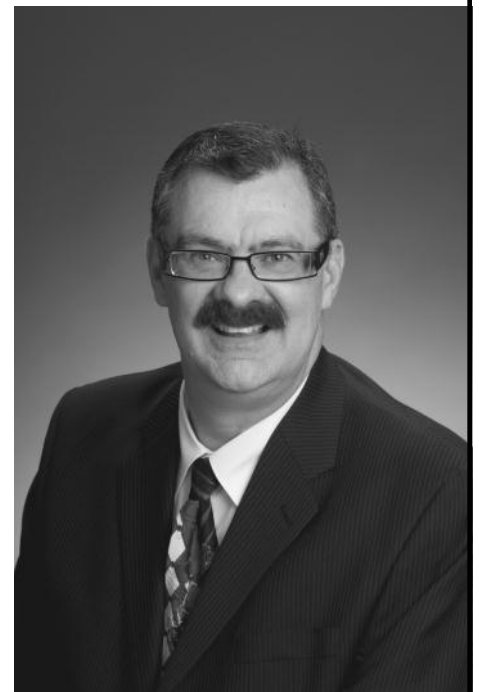
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Westbury Civic Club Membership	\$40	\$
Greenspace Beautification	\$25	\$
Westbury Area Patrol	\$230	\$
Subtotal	\$295	\$
Additional Contributions:		
Westbury Civic Club		\$
Greenspace Beautification		\$
Westbury Area Patrol		\$
Westbury HPD Storefront		\$
Total		\$

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Crime Statistics for Westbury Super Neighborhood 37* 30 days preceding January 17, 2013

	Single-Family Home	Apt/Condo	Commercial Property	Public Areas	Totals
Burglary	10	5	5	0	20
Theft	9	2	4	0	15
Auto Theft	3	3	0	0	6
Robbery	0	1	1	0	2
Assault	0	1	0	0	1
Rape	0	0	0	0	0
Murder	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	22	12	10	0	44

*Area bounded by: S. Post Oak, US 90/S. Main, utility easement north of Willowbend and drainage bayou, west of Braewick

Single Family Residential Crime Locations (30 days preceding 1/17/13)

5800	Alvarado	Burglary
10900	Ashcroft	Theft
11100	Atwell	Burglary
11300	Atwell	Burglary
12400	Atwell	Theft
5100	Creekbend	Theft
5300	Creekbend	Burglary
10600	Doud	Burglary
5900	Dryad	Auto Theft
11200	Endicott	Burglary
5800	Firenza	Theft
5700	Greencraig	Theft
5700	Greencraig	Auto Theft
5700	Greencraig	Auto Theft
10800	Hillcroft	Burglary
5100	Kingfisher	Burglary
12300	Nesmith	Theft
5900	Sanford	Theft
5800	W. Airport	Burglary
5100	W. Bellfort	Burglary

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- ◆ When not at home, draw curtains or close window blinds on ground floor windows. If this isn't possible, keep valuables out of plain sight as much as possible.
- ◆ Avoid having daily newspapers pile up in the driveway in front of the residence and turn off exterior lights during the day.
- ◆ Exterior doors must have deadbolts with a one inch throw extending from the door.
- ◆ The deadbolt strike plate should have screws long enough to screw the plate securely to the stud behind the doorframe that will strengthen the door against kicks or prying.
- ◆ Windows and Sliding Doors secured with auxiliary locking devices (includes screws, wooden dowels, pinning devices, and key-operated locks).

Anything that makes the break-in difficult will slow the burglar down or prevent entry – convince the thief to go elsewhere.

- ◆ Record serial numbers from any valuables, if available. In the event the home is breached, having serial numbers can help police identify and possibly recover stolen belongings. Serial numbers can be entered into the State's Crime Information Computer. If the item is recovered or pawned, the serial number is checked through this system to identify the owner and return the property.

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Local Area News

Former Morris Frank Library: Site of Future Ibn Sina Clinic

You may have noticed that the former Morris Frank Library building (the bright red building that is located to the west of Westbury in the 6400 block of West Belfort) has been sitting vacant for several years. The library was relocated to a nearby office building on Fondren due to foundation problems with the building and because the site is in a flood zone.

In January, District K Council Member Larry Green announced during a breakfast meeting sponsored by Southwest Houston2000 and the Brays Oaks Management District that this former library site has a new owner – the Ibn Sina Foundation. The Ibn Sina Foundation already operates several medical and dental clinics in the Houston area. As stated on their website, “The Vision of Ibn Sina Foundation is to create Ibn Sina Health Care System with multiple community clinics, preventive programs and

projects that can serve more than 100,000 uninsured patients by the year 2020. Presently we have served more than 46,000 patients in 2010 and expecting 60,000 this year.”

The Ibn Sina Foundation was founded in 2001 and currently has more than 50 staff members. Their most recent clinic, located far south of Westbury in District K at 16345 South Post Oak, opened in December 2012. In November 2012 Dr. Aijaz Khowaja, Founding CEO of the Ibn Sina Foundation, received St. Luke Episcopal Health Charities’ Community Health Leadership Award in recognition of his lifetime of humanitarianism and outstanding leadership in healthcare.

The foundation is named after a physician / scientist / philosopher who lived about a thousand years ago. Ibn Sina, also known as Avicenna, wrote a medical encyclopedia which included both Greek and Arabic medicine and was used as a medical textbook in Europe and the Islamic world for centuries. For more information about the Ibn Sina Foundation, refer to their website www.ibnsinafoundation.org

New After-School Meal Program

Mayor Annise Parker and the Houston Parks and Recreation Department (HPARD) announced a new After-School Meal Program for youth, ages 6 to 13. The program offers free snacks from 3 to 3:45 PM PLUS a supper meal from 5 to 6 PM during the school year. The program began Tuesday, January 22, and will continue through Friday, May 17, 2013. The After-School Meal Program is available at our local Platou Community Center, 11655 Chimney Rock in Chimney Rock Park. All children must be registered in HPARD's After School Enrichment Program to be eligible for the After-School Meal Program at HPARD Community Centers.

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Residents Help Keep An Eye On Our Ditches

Thanks go out to two Westbury residents who have kept their eyes on their nearby waterways. First a big thank you to **Ron Hodge** for keeping on top of the Willow Waterhole Bayou. He walks the banks and has reported a downed tree, over a dozen shopping carts and stagnant foul water over the course of the past several months. The Harris County Flood Control district has responded on all occasions and cleaned the area.

On the far west side of the neighborhood in Westbury 5, the Braewick Ditch, known officially as HCFCU Unit D139-04-00, has developed a problem and, thanks to nearby resident **Peggy Born**, a solution is in the works. Peggy noticed that the water was exceptionally high back in September and for the last 3 months she has worked to get a satisfactory response. It took Peggy, the Westbury Civic Club and the District K city council office working together to make it happen. A flow line survey for the entire length of the earthen portion of the ditch from Glenfield to Atwell has been ordered. According to HCFCU, any work to be done will begin as soon as the cross section and flow line are reviewed to determine the areas of silt and the quantities to be removed have been determined.

If you live near or walk the banks of any of our waterways and notice anything of concern please let the WCC know.



Ditch just East of Braewick before Hillcroft



Ditch Along Braewick near dance studio

Westbury Esplanades

Maintenance and Beautification Director **Carlos Mata** worked with a tree trimming company in December and January on W. Bellfort to have the large existing esplanade oleanders trimmed and the trees pruned. He hopes this current tree trimming will last a long time. The oleanders were last trimmed five years ago and have regrown into huge shrubs. Some will be removed completely and some will be allowed to grow back. A few new and large trees will be planted by Trees for Houston thanks to a \$1,000 ExxonMobil Volunteer Grant earned by one of our Westbury residents.

Carlos believes that our trees are our best assets on the esplanades. He makes every effort to continue planting trees in our public spaces during the cool months. The Westbury Civic Club has been planting trees for decades, but we have been making a strong push to plant more trees the past decade. Each tree is mulched and staked and needs to be watered for at least two years.

Like our residences and businesses, Westbury's esplanades need regular care and oversight. Carlos surveys Westbury to see what needs attention, such as damage from an auto accident, downed branches from storms, or inappropriate dumping of trash. He works with Monarch Landscaping to be sure Westbury looks good. In addition, sometimes youth groups and other volunteers help out with a beautification project on Saturday mornings. Volunteers will be trimming back the red Knockout roses and the pink Nearly Wild roses this month. Although the city does basic mowing of our public spaces, Carlos Mata and the Westbury Civic Club devote the tender, loving care needed to make our esplanades and parks better than the minimum care provided by the city.

The new trees planted at Westbury Park and on the W. Bellfort esplanade (west of Hillcroft) will soon be budding out with fresh leaves. These trees were planted in November with the help of many volunteers from Westbury and youth from Memorial High School and Westbury Christian School.



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Westbury Park

Help Westbury Park Get a New Shade Structure

A new Westbury Park Playground is coming soon! See the design for one of the playground structures pictured below. There is an additional Toddler Playground included but it is not pictured. Westbury Park is the park located near Parker Elementary. The existing playground equipment will be demolished by the city in a few months and construction of the new playground area will begin in early 2013. City taxpayer funds will purchase and install the play equipment; however, the city does not provide shade covers similar to what has been built at the nearby Godwin Park playground. A "Friends of Westbury Greenspaces" committee has been created to raise additional funds to purchase a shade cover similar to what has been built at Godwin Park (see picture on the right). The neighborhood around Godwin Park raised money to build their shade structure, and **we can do it, too!**

Playgrounds are attractive assets to our community and play structures with shade will encourage our kids or grandkids to exercise outside even in hot weather. Please consider making a tax deductible contribution. Many employers offer matching gifts for community projects such as this. All amounts are appreciated and donors contributing \$250 or more will have their names engraved on a plaque placed at the playground as a permanent thank you.

Please use the form below. The WAIC is a 501(c)(3) organization which frequently partners with the Westbury Civic Club for improvement projects. Donations will be tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. If you would like more information about fundraising or would like to help with the effort, then please contact Westbury residents Bill Burhans (burhans56@yahoo.com) or Melanie Rosen (rosenworks3@gmail.com).



Main Playground
(Ages 6-12)



**Donations as of
1/21/13**

**\$15,448 from Westbury
residents and businesses
and \$1,375 in matching
grants from employers.**

Total= \$16,823

Friends of Westbury Greenspaces Donation Form

Name(s): _____
 Address: _____
 Phone #: _____
 Email: _____

Donation Amount \$ _____ * (if amount is \$250 or more please fill out below)

*Names on plaque: _____

Mail donations to: WAIC/Friends of Westbury Greenspaces, 5322 W. Bellfort, Suite 107, Houston, TX 77035.

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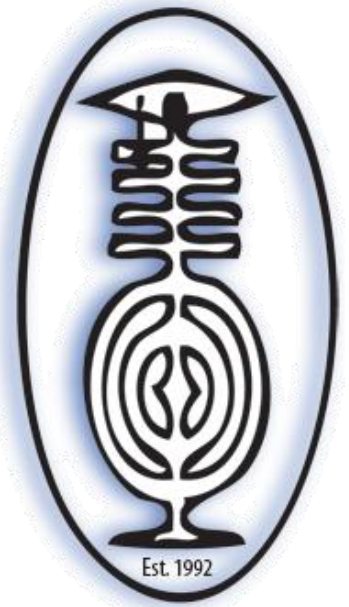
Continuing our series about other organizations which work with us to make improvements in the Westbury area, this month we feature the non-profit Friends of Westbury High School. The "Friends" have been a tireless advocate on behalf of Westbury High School. Founded in 1992, the all-volunteer organization celebrated its 20th anniversary last year. The "Friends" have raised over \$187,000 for scholarships, aiding more than 160 students, since they began awarding scholarships in 1994. The scholarships are presented each spring at a gala event, "An Evening with Westbury Stars", which also honors alumni of WHS, teachers at WHS, and community leaders who have worked on behalf of WHS and the nearby area. This year's gala will be held on April 27, 2013, at BraeBurn Country Club. Ten \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to deserving Westbury High School seniors.

Goals and objectives for the "Friends of Westbury High School" are to raise funds for:

- Scholarships for Westbury graduating students
- Provide funding for teachers ongoing classroom education
- Enhancement and expansion of the WHS campus
- Establishment of an alumni mentor partnership program

Rita Woodward is one of the founders of the Friends and is a member of the board of the Westbury SuperNeighborhood (more about the SuperNeighborhood in a coming feature). The *Rita Woodward Environmental Nature Park*, located at the corner of Gasmer and Chimney Rock on the WHS campus, is named in honor of Rita and her many years of advocacy for WHS. A building on that corner had become an eyesore, and Rita worked diligently for years to convince HISD to relocate those operations to another site and to then demolish the building. Rita also served an important role in bringing the 9th Grade Academy to the WHS, and has been a strong supporter to make WHS a premier campus once again. Tests scores and attendance are improving, the Fine Arts programs continue to expand, and WHS is scheduled to have parts of the campus rebuilt in 2017.

If you are interested in supporting the Friends of Westbury High School or want to donate to the scholarship fund, more information is available at website www.friendswhs.org One of the foundation's ongoing fundraising events is the Brick Walk of Fame located in the *Rita Woodward Environmental Nature Park*. Beautiful inscribed granite bricks are around the flag pole and the "W" planter. Donors can purchase an engraved brick 4x4 (\$75), 8x8 (\$100) or 8x16 (\$500) or even a bronze plaque (\$1,000). This is your opportunity to leave a lasting legacy to the school and to contribute to the future education of Westbury High School students. You gift is tax-deductible and all proceeds are used for the Foundation's scholarship fund. The Foundation will be adding benches and tables to the park. You can also make a contribution for these items. Join us in our effort to help make our neighborhood "Westbury" high school the best that it can be.





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Area School News & Happenings

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7AM-1PM

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Contact Susan Phillips for more information on the Garage Sale at 832-387-8320 or at phil-lipsrand@sbcglobal.net. See the band's trip website at www.parkerand.org.

Long-time St. Thomas More Teacher Honored

On Saturday, January 5, a blessing and dedication of the Polly Rucker Memorial and Sculpture was held. Mrs. Rucker taught at St. Thomas More Parish School (STM) from its opening in 1965 until November of 2011. The plaque on the memorial recalls her as a dedicated teacher, parishioner, colleague, mentor, eternal optimist and loving friend. Due to the weather, the blessing was held in Servant Hall where many STM students, faculty and the Rucker family, including her daughter, WCC President Becky Edmondson, gathered to honor Mrs. Rucker's memory. A scholarship fund was established in her name and two deserving STM students will receive scholarships towards their high school tuition each year.



Student Registration at Parker Elementary

Parker Elementary has a renowned music magnet program. Parker will hold a Kindergarten Visit Day for Kindergarten students who are **ZONED** to Parker on **March 1st, 2013, at 8:30 AM** to ensure that zoned students have a spot for the 2013-2014 school year. Parker wants to make sure that zoned students are not turned away due to high enrollment. There will be an information session and a school tour. Children must be 5 years old by September 1, 2013, to enroll in Kindergarten.

If you are **NOT Zoned** to Parker, then your Kindergarten Visit Day for children and parents will be held on March 28, 2013 at 8:30 AM. If you have a child entering 1st through 5th grade, then the school tour and information session will be held on April 4th at 8:30 AM. Call the school at 713-726-3634 for questions.

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St. John's & PCHAS Project

You've read much about deed restrictions and deed restriction revisions in the **Crier**. There is an ongoing dispute between the Meyerland Community Improvement Association (MCIA) and St. John's Presbyterian Church, located just outside Westbury on West Bellfort across from the Meyer Library. This church has been serving area families for over fifty years. Whether you are for or against or have no opinion on this specific project, this dilemma points to the importance of deed restrictions and the conflicts caused by lack of zoning in Houston. What the MCIA has discovered is that there aren't many rules that stop development on property without deed restrictions.

The church signed an agreement with the Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services (PCHAS) in October 2012 to build four duplexes for a single parent family outreach program. This project is not in Westbury, but we included questions about it in our survey this past summer. Of the 173 responses to the survey, 10% were opposed, 17% thought it didn't belong in Meyerland or Westbury, 11% had serious concerns, 20% needed more information to form an opinion, and 41% thought that St. John's and PCHAS would operate it responsibly. The Houston **Chronicle** featured a front page story on it in September after the MCIA Board voted in August to oppose the project.

The MCIA Board of Directors formally opposes the multi-family, multi-unit housing project that is planned by St. John's Presbyterian Church (SJPC) in conjunction with the Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services (PCHAS) because the development does not preserve the established character of the Meyerland subdivision. The MCIA Board has reached this position as a result of community concern, sense of urgency, and a lack of formal project specifications being provided by PCHAS. The Board is committed to establishing and maintaining an ongoing dialog with SJPC and PCHAS.

According to the pchas.org website (<http://pchas.org/documents/HoustonSPFFAQAug232012.pdf>): "The partnership (St. John's Presbyterian Church, Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services, and HomeAid Houston) plans to build four duplexes and a playground. This will provide seven homes for seven single mothers and their children. The eighth unit will house an on-site, full-time Case Manager. Construction details developed by the project's architect will be shared by the project sponsors with the Meyerland Community Improvement Association board. The units will be beautiful, fully landscaped residences and will be an attractive addition to the neighborhood."

The construction costs are budgeted to exceed \$1 million. The duplexes are not government-sponsored low-income housing. They will not resemble that type of housing. The project was approved in concept by St. John's Presbyterian Church. St. John's Presbyterian Church and Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services have discussed co-sponsoring a project for the past ten years. During that time, St. John's Presbyterian Church has provided, and continues to provide, office space for Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services' Child and Family Program. On May 13, 2012, the church's congregation voted to approve the project in concept by a vote of 130 in favor and four opposed. During the 12 years that St. John's Presbyterian Church has provided office space for Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services' Child and Family Program, the Child and Family program has served over 500 families in need. Because the West Bellfort location provides access to public transportation, libraries, parks, good schools, and the loving care available from nearby congregations and synagogues, St. John's proposed PCHAS choose this particular site for the Single Parent Family program."

This topic has been discussed at many WCC board meetings, as of press time, the WCC does not have an official position

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Neighborhood & Area News

Audubon Society Bird Survey

Saturday, February 16 at 8AM Meet at The Gathering Place parking lot at 5310 S. Willow Bring your binoculars and good shoes for walking. Come prepared to see many species of birds! The January Survey identified 46 species. Earlier in the week, a pair of Crested Caracara and a Brown Pelican were seen as well as Great Blue Herons, yellow warblers and many other varieties of birds.

The Willow Waterhole Wants YOUR Comments

What events would you like to see held at The Willow Waterhole? Please participate in the survey at www.wwgc.org to express your thoughts and comments.

Check out our website

WWW.WESTBURYCRIER.COM

Willow Waterhole is Seeking Volunteers

The WWGC is looking for volunteers to serve as members of the Jazz Festival Committee. The Jazz Festival is tentatively scheduled for Sunday April 28, 2013.

The WWGC is also looking for a volunteer to serve as a Historian.

For more information about the WWGC, please visit our website at www.wwgc.org Use the Contact Us tab to let us know if you are interested in learning more about these volunteer opportunities.

Parker Elementary Music Magnet presents its 34th annual Suzuki Workshop Concert

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Friday, February 8 @ 6:30 PM

At Westbury Baptist Church (10425 Hillcroft)
Pieces performed by Parker Suzuki Strings cello and violin students – kindergarten through 5th grade
Free Admission

Remodeling your home? Adding On?

Remember, please let the Westbury Civic Club office look over your proposed plans before you start construction. We want to avoid deed restriction violations before they happen, and without a doubt you would like to find out before wasting money on construction that later has to be modified or demolished. Obtaining a city construction permit requires your written acknowledgment that the plans comply with your deed restrictions.

February Volunteer Opportunities

*Scanning Historical Documents at the WCC office, call Jennifer at 713-723-5437

*Deed restriction revision committee, call Jennifer at 713-723-5437 for more information

*PW2 resident? Want to be on the architectural control committee? Call the WCC office at 713-723-5437

*Street light check, call WCC office, 713-723-5437

Congressman Al Green: Guest Speaker

Congressman Al Green will be the guest speaker at the March 12, BiMonthly Breakfast jointly sponsored by our community partners SWHouston2000 and the Brays Oaks Management District. Congressman Green represents most of our Westbury residents. The WCC sponsors a table and has a limited number of seats available. Contact us as soon as possible for a seat. Seats are also available at the event for the price of breakfast. For more info, www.braysoaksmid.org

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Trail Riders Come to Westbury

20th Annual Campfire and Trail Ride

Horseshoes from the Heart and the Los Vaqueros Rio Grande Trail Riders will hold their 20th annual Westbury Neighborhood Campfire on Thursday, February 21 from 5PM to 8PM, at the Westbury Little League Baseball field (5200 Dryad). The event is open to all residents of Westbury and the surrounding area. The event will include a campfire circled by trail ride wagons and horses, live music, and a native dance program by the Alabama-Coushatta Indians. Admission is Free. Food and drinks may be purchased at the event.

The "Horseshoes From The Heart Foundation and the Los Vaqueros Rio Grande Trail Riders" annual trail ride leaves Westbury Little League at 8AM and winds through Westbury. The route will include stops at Anderson Elementary, Parker Elementary, and Westbury United Methodist.



2013 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo

Feb 22: Go Texan Day

Feb 23: Downtown Rodeo Parade

Feb. 22-Feb 24: BBQ Cookoff

Feb 25-March 5: Rodeo + Shows

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