



# Westbury Crier

VOLUME 57, ISSUE 9

SEPTEMBER 2011

## HIGHLIGHTS:

- MANDATORY WATER RESTRICTIONS SEE PG. 6
- Pool open Labor Day weekend
- WCC Board Annual Meeting: Sept. 21, 7PM Westbury High School. Win DOOR PRIZES!
- White Elephant Community Garage Sale: Saturday, Oct. 29 8AM- Noon
- September heavy trash is TREE WASTE ONLY

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Dues Form                   | 3  |
| Calendars                   | 5  |
| Water Restrictions          | 6  |
| Security Update             | 7  |
| Waste Management            | 8  |
| Westbury Schools            | 9  |
| Community Garden            | 12 |
| Pool, Platou, Yard of Month | 13 |
| Neighborhood News           | 15 |

## Do You Need to Have a Garage Sale?

### October 29 is the Fall White Elephant Community Garage Sale!

Yard sales, garage sales, estate sales, moving sales, etc. are **NOT ALLOWED** at residential properties in Westbury. This applies to **ALL** sections of Westbury and Parkwest. The Civic Club provides fall and spring community garage sale events to our members. The Civic Club will provide security and publicity for the sale. The Civic Club does NOT provide tables, chairs, or shade.

**Booth space will go on sale Monday, September 26, for Westbury residents ONLY.** Booths will be on sale during the normal Civic Club office hours 9:30AM to 1:30PM. **The WCC office will be open late on Wednesday, September 28, from 6PM to 8PM for booth space purchase.** You must be a current member of the Westbury Civic Club to purchase booth space. This means you had to have paid your WCC membership dues of \$36. The booth prices for Westbury residents will be \$15 (small) or \$20 (large). Booths will go on sale to non-residents on October 5. The booth price for non-residents is \$50 and \$55.

The Westbury White Elephant Sale allows residents an opportunity to sell unwanted items at a highly visible central location with security provided. Most crimes are crimes of opportunity, so the fewer non-residents that we invite down our streets on the weekends, the fewer weekday crime problems we have to contend with.

So, have fun, make money, be safe and be a good neighbor. Plan on having a booth at the Westbury White Elephant Sale!

### IMPORTANT DATES

- Sept. 26**—Booths go on sale for Westbury residents
- Sept. 28**—WCC office open late from 6PM to 8PM
- Oct. 5**—Booths on sale for non-residents
- Oct. 29**—White Elephant Community Garage Sale
- Nov. 5**—Rain Date



SPRING 2011 WHITE ELEPHANT COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

## National Night Out: October 4, 2011

National Night Out (NNO) is an event designed to celebrate neighbors and to learn more about safe neighborhoods. We encourage all residents to organize block parties or other events and spend some time getting to know each other better.

Please contact the Westbury Civic Club to let us know the location of your NNO event. Why tell us? First, if you register by September 26th, we will try to arrange for police, constables or WCC board members to drop by your event. Also, we want to acknowledge your efforts in the next newsletter. Send in your NNO pictures to be included in the next Crier or on our website. Contact us at 713-723-5437 or [westburycc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:westburycc@sbcglobal.net)

**\*\*\*MANDATORY WATER RESTRICTIONS ORDERED BY MAYOR PARKER, SEE PAGE 6\*\*\***

## Westbury Civic Club Board of Directors 2011

|                |                 |                                |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| President      | Becky Edmondson | wccpresident@westburycrier.com |
| Vice President | Marcia Hartman  | wccvp@westburycrier.com        |
| Secretary      | Phyllis Frye    | wccsecretary@westburycrier.com |
| Treasurer      | Pamela Schertz  | wcctreasurer@westburycrier.com |

## Directors at Large 2011

|                                |                   |   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Communications                 | Melissa Denney    | wcccommunications@westburycrier.com     |
| Community Relations            | Cindy Chapman     | wcccommunityrelations@westburycrier.com |
| Deed Restrictions              | Liz Klingensmith  | wccdeedrestrictions@westburycrier.com   |
| Flood Control & Infrastructure | Ken Downey        | wccflood@westburycrier.com              |
| Greenspace Beautification      | Hazel Potvin      | wccmaintenance@westburycrier.com        |
| Membership                     | Janie Schexnayder | wccmembership@westburycrier.com         |
| Security                       | Morgan Gaskin     | wccsecurity@westburycrier.com           |
| Volunteer Coordinator          | VACANT            | wccvolunteers@westburycrier.com         |

## Section Directors 2011

|                |                     |                                 |
|----------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Westbury 1     | Sylvia Rendon       | Westbury1@westburycrier.com     |
| Westbury 2     | Shawn Thomas        | Westbury2@westburycrier.com     |
| Westbury 3E    | Don Bryan           | Westbury3E@westburycrier.com    |
| Westbury 3W    | Ron Brown           | Westbury3W@westburycrier.com    |
| Westbury 4E    | John Cashin         | Westbury4E@westburycrier.com    |
| Westbury 4W    | Vicki Eldridge      | Westbury4W@westburycrier.com    |
| Westbury 5E    | Virginia Livingston | Westbury5E@westburycrier.com    |
| Westbury 5W    | Sara Roberts        | Westbury5W@westburycrier.com    |
| Westbury South | Robert Capps        | Westburysouth@westburycrier.com |
| Parkwest 1     | William Grimsinger  | Parkwest1@westburycrier.com     |
| Parkwest 2     | Peter Zografos      | Parkwest2@westburycrier.com     |
| Parkwest 3     | Dorothy Rhoades     | Parkwest3@westburycrier.com     |

## Westbury Civic Club Office

**Office Hours:** Monday—Friday 9:30AM— 1:30PM\*

**Address:** 5322 W Bellfort Ste 107 Houston, TX 77035

**Phone:** 713-723-5437

**Email:** Westburycc@sbcglobal.net

\*The office is closed on all major holidays and weekends

**FREE NOTARY SERVICE IS AVAILABLE TO ALL WESTBURY RESIDENTS**

## USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

### Westbury Area Patrol Constable Dispatch

**281-463-6666**

HPD Non-Emergency

713-884-3131

Power Outages (Centerpoint)

713-207-2222

Westbury HPD Storefront

713-726-7126

Platou Community Center

713-726-7107

Poison Control

1-800-764-7661

Street Light Repairs (Give pole number)

713-207-2222

Councilmember Anne Clutterbuck

832-393-3004

County Commissioner El Franco Lee

713-755-6111

## City of Houston 311 Hotline

**(for all Non-Emergency Issues)**

Forestry Department

Graffiti

Hazardous Waste Disposal

Heavy Trash

Neighborhood Protection

Parking Management

Recycling

School Crossing Light Repairs

Water and Sewer Repair

**Why does no one answer the phone at the WCC office?**

**The office manager only works part-time. She could be on another call or out in the neighborhood checking on reports and houses.**

**Please leave a message!**

**WCC OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 9:30AM-1:30PM**

# President's Message

September...back to school...elections... cooler temperatures? I always have mixed emotions about September. I love the going back to school and getting back to normal routines, but I miss the summer. This year's heat and drought make it a little easier to know that summer is ending.

It's time to start thinking about the upcoming City elections. We will get a new Council person in District C and K. The five At Large positions also represent Westbury. Take advantage of the candidate forums to learn about who is running. Ask them where they stand on single stream recycling for all Houstonians, Quality of Life issues, and protection of neighborhoods. Come to a civic club meeting and see which candidates are interested enough in Westbury to come visit us. The Westbury Civic Club cannot endorse candidates. Our meetings are open to any candidates who want to come. It is a great way to meet the candidates.

I was thinking back to 2005 when I first met Anne Clutterback at a WCC meeting. She seemed amiable, seemed genuine, seemed intelligent and seemed to have a true interest in Westbury. She continued to manifest those traits these past six years in office. I've heard she has

the highest constituent approval numbers. She will be at our annual meeting this month so that we can thank her for her service to the City of Houston and to Westbury. She stood with us against the cell tower operator, who thought he could just railroad his way over Westbury; she stood with us against the widening of Hillcroft to 8 lanes; she stood for us and negotiated the lease for the Westbury Community Garden; she found funds to buy chairs at the newly renovated Westbury Pool and hosted a wonderful grand opening party; she fought to keep the Platou center open and donated funds from her budget to help with its costs; she worked tirelessly on the city budget and all areas of District C benefited from her service. Anne and her very competent and capable staff were always available to take constituent calls and helped clear many bureaucratic logjams. Westbury is a better place for having had been represented by Anne Clutterback.

Hoping to see you on the 21<sup>st</sup> and praying for rain,

Becky Edmondson

## Stay connected all month long:

Are you one of the 194 people who "like" Westbury Houston on Facebook? There were 10,000 page views last month! Keep informed all month long...Go to Facebook and "like" Westbury Houston.

Are you one of the 539 visitors to the Westbury website? Visit us at [www.westburycrier.com](http://www.westburycrier.com).

Have you read the **Working on Westbury** blog? Communications Director Melissa Denney thought a blog would be "fun" for the President. Read Becky's blog! <http://workingonwestbury.blogspot.com/>

## Board Notes

- City Council candidate for District K, Larry Green, discussed his qualifications and answered questions.
- A Spokesman for David Robinson, City Council candidate for At Large 2, discussed priorities.
- HCC trustee candidate, Wendell Robbins, spoke of his vision for better schools and training.
- Thank you to Jackie Murray of Weichert Realtors for providing cookies and water.

## 2011 Westbury Civic Club Dues

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to:  
 Westbury Civic Club, Inc.**

**Mail to:  
 P.O. Box 975182  
 Dallas, TX 75397-5182**

**Please send this form  
 with your payment**

**Online payment:  
[www.westburycrier.com](http://www.westburycrier.com)  
 go to paypal.com**

Sending multiple payments?  
 Circle your payment choice

2 payment of \$147.50

3 payments of 98.34

|                                  |              |           |
|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Westbury Civic Club Membership   | \$36         | \$        |
| Greenspace Beautification        | \$25         | \$        |
| Westbury Area Patrol             | \$234        | \$        |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                  | <b>\$295</b> | <b>\$</b> |
| <b>Additional Contributions:</b> |              |           |
| Westbury Civic Club              |              | \$        |
| Greenspace Beautification        |              | \$        |
| Westbury Area Patrol             |              | \$        |
| Westbury HPD Storefront          |              | \$        |
| <b>Total</b>                     |              | <b>\$</b> |

## Thank You Westbury!

We greatly appreciate the residents who used the past *CRIER* issues to submit their 2011 dues.

Here's another chance to submit your dues and help us get another deputy added to our patrol!

# The Faces of the Westbury Civic Club



**Pam Schertz** is our current WCC Treasurer. She is a CPA, licensed in the State of Texas. She has her own practice and has an office in the same building as the civic club. She specializes in providing Controller/Accounting services for small businesses on a contract basis.

Pam, originally from Columbus, Texas, and her husband Kevin moved to Westbury after they were married seven years ago. Her husband Kevin graduated from Westbury High. Kevin's father still lives in the neighborhood in the house Kevin grew up in. Kevin has two children Ali, 27 and John, 21. Pam's hobbies include reading, tennis, and walking in the neighborhood.

**Janie Schexnayder** is the Director of Membership. She is a long time Westbury resident and the wife of former WCC board member Russell Schexnayder. Janie is active at the Platou Community Center and serves on the Friends of Chimney Rock Park board. She is also active with the Westbury Community Garden and a member of the Westbury Garden Club. She is an avid genealogist and outstanding quilter.



**Don Bryan** is the Section Director for Westbury 3E. Don and his wife, Helen, moved to Westbury about 20 years ago. He served on the WCC board when Leiv Platou was President and was a founding member of the Westbury High School Area Improvement Corporation, now known as the WAIC. He is the owner of Bryan Calvin Smith Insurance Agency and owner of the Westbury Professional Building where the Westbury Civic Club office is located. Don is extremely supportive of community improvement projects.

- ◇ City Council Member Anne Clutterbuck
- ◇ METRO CEO George Greanias
- ◇ Door prizes! Door prizes! Door prizes!

**WESTBURY ANNUAL MEETING**  
**September 21 @ 7PM**  
**Westbury High School**

## \*WE ARE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD\*

*LOCAL & NATIONAL COVERAGE*



JACKIE MURRAY  
 jackiem@waynemurray.net

*OVER 35+ YRS EXPERIENCE*



KEVIN BERKEBILE  
 kevinb@waynemurray.net

*NEIGHBORHOOD SPECIALIST*

*SPECIALIZING IN RESIDENTIAL + NEW HOMES*

Wayne Murray Properties  
 713-728-2300



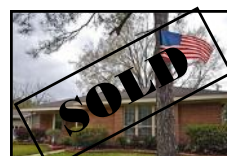
**10619 Atwell**  
 3 bed/2 bath  
 \$199,500



**5818 Spellman**  
 3 bed/2 bath  
 Another One Sold!



**5430 Kinglet**  
 3 bed/2 bath  
 \$174,900



**10830 Burdine**  
 3 bed/2 bath  
 Another One Sold!



**11122 Endicott**  
 3 bed/2 bath  
 \$242,000

Call (713) 728-2300 for Information on Featured Listings ♦ [www.waynemurray.net](http://www.waynemurray.net)

# What's Happening in Westbury

## September 2011 Events & Meetings Calendar

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <b>Mon 5</b>   | <b>HAPPY LABOR DAY!</b><br>WCC office will be closed<br>Westbury Pool will be OPEN Sat & Sun 1-8PM; Mon 1-5PM   |
| <b>Wed 7</b>   | <b>Westbury Community Garden Meeting 6:30-7:30PM</b><br>Community Garden under the pavilion—12500 Dunlap<br>Open to the public                                    |
| <b>Sat 17</b>  | <b>Willow Waterhole Monthly Audubon Society Bird Survey 7AM</b><br>Meet at The Gathering Place parking lot at 5310 S. Willow                                      |
| <b>Mon 19</b>  | <b>Brays Bayou Association Meeting 7:30PM</b><br>The Gathering Place—5310 S. Willow   |
| <b>Wed 21</b>  | <b>WCC Annual Meeting 7PM– 9PM</b><br>Westbury High School - 11911 Chimney Rock<br>Door prizes! Door Prizes! Door Prizes!   |
| <b>Mon 26</b>  | <b>Booths on sale for the White Elephant Community Garage Sale Open to Westbury Residents ONLY</b><br>WCC Office—5322 W Bellfort #107 during normal operating hrs |
| <b>Tues 27</b> | <b>SW PIP (Police Positive Interaction Program) Meeting 7PM</b><br>Aramco Building—9009 W. Loop South   |
| <b>Wed 28</b>  | <b>WCC Office open late 6PM—8PM for White Elephant Community Garage Sale Booth sales.</b><br><b>Open to Westbury Residents ONLY - 5322 W. Bellfort #107</b>       |

### Important Trash & Recycling Information

- 🗑️ Trash cans need to be out on curb by 7AM Thursday
- 🗑️ Trash cans must be removed by 10PM Thursday
- 🗑️ Trash cans must be stored out of sight.
- 🗑️ No heavy trash out before 6PM the Friday before pick-up date
- 🗑️ YARD WASTE is not considered tree waste and will not be collected with heavy trash. It is collected on Westbury's 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 Center 10785 Southwest Frwy**  
 Hours: Wed.—Sun. 9AM to 6PM; Accepts Junk Waste, Tree Waste and Recyclables.  
**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](http://www.westburycrier.com) for more trash and recycling information

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Tuesday, Oct. 4

National Night Out

Saturday, Oct. 29

Fall Community Garage Sale

### September 2011 Heavy Trash & Recycling Calendar

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>Thurs 8</b>  | Curbside Recycling<br>All of Westbury                 |
| <b>Tues 20</b>  | Heavy Trash—TREE WASTE ONLY<br>(South of W. Bellfort) |
| <b>Wed 21</b>   | Heavy Trash—TREE WASTE ONLY<br>(North of W. Bellfort) |
| <b>Thurs 22</b> | Curbside Recycling<br>All of Westbury                 |
| <b>October</b>  | Heavy Trash—JUNK WASTE                                |

**\*PLEASE NOTE: SEPTEMBER HEAVY TRASH IS TREE WASTE ONLY. DO NOT PUT OUT TREE WASTE UNTIL SEPT 16TH AT 6PM**



10400 South Post Oak #E  
Houston, TX 77035  
Phone: 713-728-9663

Serving: Ribs • Chicken • Pulled Pork • Beef Brisket • Sausage  
Potato Salad • Baked Beans • Slaw • Desserts  
And More... in the Tennessee Tradition!



**FARMERS**

***One stop for all your insurance needs***

***Auto-Home-Life-Renters-Condo-Boat-RV  
Flood-Motorcycle-Business***

**Peter Zografos**

5322 W. Bellfort #206

**(713) 877- 8811**

pzografos@farmersagent.com

www.farmersagent.com/pzografos



## Meadows Preschool

Creative, age appropriate

learning experiences

Babies—Pre K.

**713.255.7025**

cwehmeyer@wmbc.org



**Meadows Preschool**

*The Little School with a Big Heart*

4300 W. Bellfort

Houston, TX 77035

# MANDATORY WATER RESTRICTIONS

On August 15<sup>th</sup>, due to persistent drought conditions and continuously decreasing water levels in Lake Houston, Mayor Parker mandated the implementation of the City of Houston Stage Two Water Conservation Measures in accordance with the procedures outlined in Chapter 47 in the [Code of Ordinances](#). Please see below for a copy of the city ordinance. **Failure to follow requirements may result in fines. For questions or to report a violation, please call 3-1-1.**

"While these restrictions are mandatory, we will begin with warnings and an informational campaign because the goal is voluntary compliance," said Mayor Parker. "For those who insist on not being good neighbors, citations will follow."

## CITY OF HOUSTON ORDINANCE FOR STAGE TWO WATER SHORTAGE

### Sec. 47-252. - Stage two water shortage.

(a) A stage two water shortage is a period of time that begins when, upon the recommendation of the director, the mayor declares a stage two water shortage upon finding that one or more of the following conditions exist:

- (1) Combined reservoir storage supply is approx. 24 months' surface water supply for a period of ten consecutive days;
  - (2) Average water production is 80 percent of the combined pumpage capacity of the treated ground water and surface water system for a period of three consecutive days; or
  - (3) Average water pressure within the city's treated water distribution system is 45 pounds per square inch or less.
- The declaration, may cover all or only a part of the city, shall be in writing and filed with the city secretary. A stage two water shortage ends when the director finds that the conditions leading to the declaration have ceased to exist for a period of between three and ten days, taking into consideration weather reports, the condition of the water system, and associated factors, and the director files a written declaration to that effect with the city secretary.

(b) During a stage two water shortage, customers are required to:

- (1) Repair detectible water leaks within 72 hours of discovery; and
- (2) Limit outdoor irrigation to the hours between 12:01 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. or between 8:00 p.m. and midnight on no more than two days per week in conformity with the following schedule:
  - a. Sundays and Thursdays for customers with even-numbered street addresses; and
  - b. Saturdays and Wednesdays for customers with odd-numbered street addresses.

(c) During a stage two water shortage, the director shall institute a water use reduction program for city departments, including but not limited to:

- (1) Establishing a ten percent water consumption reduction goal for all city departments;
- (2) Ensuring that city irrigation systems do not wastewater;
- (3) Discontinuing of water main flushing except to protect life or health; and
- (4) Discontinuing washing of city vehicles.

### WAYS YOU CAN HELP CONSERVE WATER

- Keep showers under five minutes
- Turn water off while brushing your teeth
- Wash only full loads of dishes or clothes
- Refrain from washing any vehicle or motorbike unless the dirt poses a driving hazard
- Refrain from washing down any sidewalk, walkway, driveway, parking lot
- Refrain from filling, refilling or adding water to any indoor or outdoor swimming pool, spa or whirlpool.

**Ralph Rieger, CPA**  
You earned it... we help you keep it!

- Personal & Business Taxes
- Audit Assistance Guarantee
- Accounting/Bookkeeper
- Maximum Deductions


Register for Quickbooks Seminars: [www.llu.com](http://www.llu.com)  
Introductory Classes: May 16, 6:15-9:30  
Intermediate Classes: May 17, 6:15-9:30

**We Give Personal Attention to Every Client**  
[www.RiegerCPA.com](http://www.RiegerCPA.com)

11415 Chimney Rock, Suite 201      713.729.1122

*Brock and Foster*  
RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE

**Susan Brock Realtor®**  
**Westbury**  
**Sales & Leasing**  
**(713) 272-2000**



# Security / Crime

**Constable  
Dispatch  
281-463-6666**

**HPD Non-  
Emergency  
713-884-3131**

**HPD Westbury  
Storefront  
713-726-7126**

## Crime Statistics for Westbury Super Neighborhood 37 \* 30 days preceding August 20, 2011

|              | Single-Family Residential | Apartment/ Condominium | Commercial Property | Public Areas | Totals |
|--------------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------|
| Burglary     | 8                         | 4                      | 1                   | 0            | 13     |
| Theft        | 1                         | 10                     | 4                   | 2            | 17     |
| Auto Theft   | 0                         | 2                      | 0                   | 1            | 3      |
| Robbery      | 0                         | 2                      | 0                   | 0            | 3      |
| Assault      | 0                         | 3                      | 0                   | 0            | 3      |
| Rape         | 0                         | 0                      | 0                   | 0            | 0      |
| Murder       | 0                         | 0                      | 0                   | 0            | 0      |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | 9                         | 21                     | 6                   | 3            | 39     |

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

### Decrease in Crime *Morgan Gaskin, Security Director*

There was a remarkable decrease in crime in the latter part of July through the middle of August. This may be attributed to the scorching heat and/or to the great job done by our law enforcement officers who report more frequent patrols throughout the neighborhood. Interestingly, most of the crimes for this reporting period are centered around public areas, specifically Hager Park and Anderson Elementary School. Parents, please make sure that as school starts, instruct your children about the need for safety at all times and the importance of knowing your surroundings, especially as they travel to and from school if they travel unaccompanied. I look forward to a continued decrease in crime in the next reporting cycle. Continue to take the small steps to secure your family and your property such as testing your alarm system, removing valuables from your vehicles, and reporting any unusual activity.

## BMH Construction

Time to get a jump on spring-time repairs!

*~no job is too big OR too small~*

[www.roofsremodelsrepairs.com](http://www.roofsremodelsrepairs.com)

*See our website for discount coupon*

**832-867-4031**

Insured - All Work Guaranteed

Exterior/Interior paint ♦ kitchens ♦ baths ♦ roofs ♦  
driveways ♦ tile work ♦ patios ♦ sheetrock repairs



*~Westbury resident for 20 years~*

## Vonnie Cobb Realtors, Inc.



*Your  
Neighborhood  
Realtor for  
40 Years!*

Family owned and operated.  
Pictured Vonnie Cobb and  
Shannon Cobb.

**Call us today for your  
FREE Market Analysis!  
713.664.1818**



*Professionalism with a Personal Touch*

[www.VonnieCobbRealtors.com](http://www.VonnieCobbRealtors.com) • 4842 Beechnut • Houston, Texas 77096

# Waste Management, Inc.

Waste Management hosted the grand opening of their state of the art single stream recycling facility on Gasmer near South Post Oak. They will be recycling over 100 million tons of recyclables a year. This is the facility that processes Westbury's recyclables as well as recyclables from all over the city.

In addition to recycling, this facility has an education room on the second floor that overlooks the recycling operation. This beautiful new education room that was created by artist Dan Phillips and the Phoenix Commotion. The entire room including the chairs were made from recycled material. The room is educational, inspirational and completely unique. Look for opportunities in future Criers to visit this incredible facility.

It was with great pleasure and heartfelt thanks that the Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy accepted a \$6,000 donation from Waste Management. WWGC President, Howard Sacks and WWGC Recording Secretary, Becky Edmondson accepted the donation from Paul Ware and Laura Stein of WM.

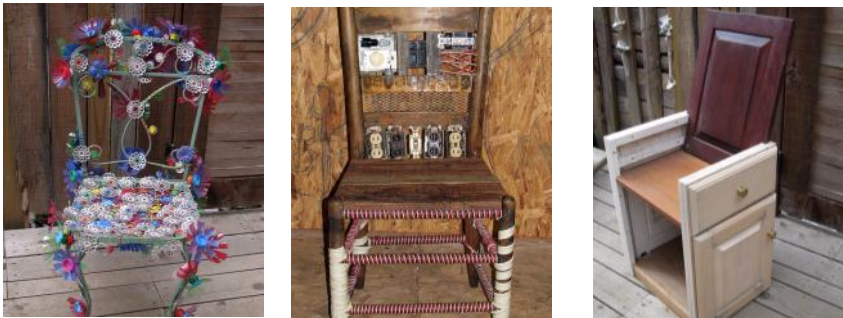
We salute this corporate neighbor for their investment in education, public art and the Willow Waterhole!



New single stream recycling equipment @ WM facility near Westbury



Howard Sacks & Becky Edmondson (Middle two) accepting donation from WM to the Willow Waterhole



Three of the chairs in the education room at the WM recycling facility on Gasmer. All of the chairs are made from recycled materials. The Crier staff favorite is the cabinet chair in the photo on the right. The middle photo features a chair made with electric outlets as the back.

|  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <p><b>Water Heaters:</b><br/>Regular &amp; Tankless<br/>Disposals<br/>Water Lines<br/>Gas Lines<br/>Drain Cleaning<br/>Under Slab Repairs<br/>Re-route kitchen &amp; laundry pipes</p> | <h2>ASTRO PLUMBING</h2> <p>Full Service Plumbing and Repair Specialist</p> <h3>713-256-0017</h3> <p>★ JOHNNY LEWIS ★<br/>WESTBURY RESIDENT</p> | <p><b>New Sewer Lines</b><br/>Hydrostatic Testing<br/>Remodeling &amp; Repairs<br/>Sinks<br/>Faucets<br/>New Drains under Bathroom</p> |
| <p>M16312 ★ Since 1985    ★ Senior Discounts    ★ All Major Credit Cards    ★ Fully Insured</p>  |  |  |

**RED RIVER CONTRACTING**

**713-665-9500**

[WWW.REDRIVERTRADES.COM](http://WWW.REDRIVERTRADES.COM)

**Concrete Contractors**

Driveways - Foundations - Patios - Walks  
Pavers - Stained Concrete - Breakout  
Residential & Commercial

*Serving The Westbury Area for 5 Years*

Texas Registered Builder #44786

Bonded & Insured



# Get to Know Westbury Zoned Schools!

## Elementary Schools

**Anderson Elementary:** 5727 Ludington  
Phone number: 713-726-3600  
Principal: Roslyn Vaughn

**Elrod Elementary:** 6230 Dumfries  
Phone number: 713-778-3330  
Principal: Linda Bellard

**Foerster Elementary:** 14200 Fonmeadow  
Phone number: 713-726-3604  
Principal: Maya Weatheron

**Kolter Elementary:** 9710 Runnymede  
Phone number: 713-726-3630  
Principal: Marguerite Stewart

**Parker Elementary:** 10626 Atwell  
Phone number: 713-726-3634  
Principal: Andrew Houlihan

**Tinsley Elementary:** 11035 Bod White  
Phone number: 713-778-8400  
Principal: Marilyn Cruz

## Middle Schools

**Johnston Middle School:** 10410 Manhattan  
Phone number: 713-726-3616  
Principal: Wenden D. Sanders

**Fondren Middle School:** 6333 S. Braeswood  
Phone number: 713-778-3360  
Principal: Charles Foust

**Pin Oak Middle School:** 4601 Glenmont  
Phone number: 713-295-6500  
Principal: Susan Monaghan

## High Schools

**Westbury High School:** 11911 Chimney Rock  
Phone number: 713-723-6015  
Principal: Tim Wainright

**Bellaire High School:** 5100 Maple St.  
Phone: 713-295-3704  
Principal: Timothy Salem

**Watch out for school zones! Remember that all school zones are cell phone free zones.**

Check out The Rebel Yell!

Principal Wainright of Westbury High School has a very informative blog.  
<http://westburyrebelyell.wordpress.com/>

## MILLION DOLLAR CLEANERS

### Dry Cleaner and Launderer

Dry Cleaner Laundry Wash Dry Fold  
Suede & Leather Cleaning Alterations Shoe Repair

**713-723-7510**

5503 Belrose Houston, TX 77035

In Westbury next to Old Post Office

Open Mon-Fri 7am-6pm \* Saturday 9am-2pm

## ALL TYPES IRRIGATION, INC.

OVER 30 YEARS EXPERIENCE  
Design • Drainage • Installation • Service  
Commercial • Residential

**Emil Becker**  
T.I.L. #4415  
D.L. #126891

Office: (713) 726-1636  
Fax: (713) 726-8322  
Cell: (713) 819-2872

**Hunter Preferred Contractor**

A Westbury Resident



## TODAYS MAIDS

WE DO THE CLEANING  
SO YOU HAVE MORE TIME TO PLAY

**713-534-2122**

[www.todaysmaids.com](http://www.todaysmaids.com)



## Home Improvement

Remodeling & Home Maintenance  
**Your Neighborhood Handyman**

It's 105°, and I want to work inside!

**10% Off Interior Painting  
& Drywall Repair**

**Call Today - 713.825.2486**

[hill@hillhomeimprovement.com](mailto:hill@hillhomeimprovement.com)

or check us out:

[www.hillhomeimprovement.com](http://www.hillhomeimprovement.com)

# Free Market Analysis

If you are thinking of selling your home or want to know the market value of your property, call **Larry Mercer** for a free Market Analysis.

## 713-826-7274

With 30 years of experience in the Houston real estate market, he will get the job done.

You may contact me by email at:

**Lmercer@flash.net**

Or visit my web site at:

**www.Larrymercer.net**



Neighborhood  
Specialist

## Board Nominations for 2012 WCC Board

The following individuals have been nominated for the 2012 WCC Board.

President—Becky Edmondson  
 VP—Marcia Hartman  
 Secretary—Phyllis Frye  
 Treasurer—Pamela Schertz  
 Communications—Melissa Denney  
 Comm. Relations—Cindy Chapman  
 Flood Control & Infrastructure—Ken Downey  
 Membership—Janie Schexnayder  
 Parkwest 1—William Grimsinger  
 Parkwest 2—Peter Zografos  
 Parkwest 3—Joe Niles  
 Westbury 1—Sylvia Rendon  
 Westbury 3W—Ron Brown  
 Westbury 3E—Don Bryan  
 Westbury 4W—Vicki Eldridge  
 Westbury 5E—Virginia Livingston  
 Westbury South—Robert Capps

The following positions are VACANT:  
 Deed Restrictions  
 Greenspace Beautification  
 Security  
 Volunteer Coordinator  
 Westbury 2  
 Westbury 4E  
 Westbury 5W

## This Month in Westbury History

The first *Westbury Crier* was published in July 1956. We have 55 years of monthly history at our fingertips. Here are some headlines and stories from the past.

### September 1956

- ◆ Bikes, bikes everywhere! With the start of school, did you notice the great increase in number of bicycles on the streets of Westbury? Please drive slowly.
- ◆ New club "Home" - The September meeting will be the first one held in the 250 seat community hall of the Harris County Water Control and Improvement District 49 (now called the Platou Center).

### September 1962

- ◆ The start of the first direct-to-downtown air conditioned bus service south of Brays Bayou and west of Main Street. We are pleased to have the start of this line in Westbury.

### September 1985

- ◆ Message from the board: We get many complaints regarding vacant houses, 18 wheelers, garage sales, multi-family dwellings, businesses in homes, illegal carports, plumbing company in homes, garage apartment rentals, building code violations, lot line inquires, car repair business in homes, stagnant pools, health violations, bee hives, chickens, rabbits, signs on esplanades, trash/garbage on the esplanades, high weeds, water leak complaints, loud music, junk cars in driveways, junk cars in yards, loose stray dogs, and more. Sometime the office is more like a zoo. Remember the tiger we had out in Westbury 4? We recently found a gorilla on Hillcroft.

## Proposed ByLaw Revisions

At the upcoming September general meeting, there are several modifications to the WCC ByLaws proposed by the ByLaws Revision Committee, as summarized below:

1. Decrease the interval between when directors are elected in September and when they commence duties. Currently duties commence on January 1.
2. Eliminate section director geographic restrictions for Westbury 5, as consistent with Westbury 3 and 4.
3. Add Director of Communications position to the board.
4. Provide more flexibility for meeting times.
5. Modify financial oversight responsibilities and remove requirements that are covered elsewhere.

**"Take an Hour of Your Time**

**to Change Your Life!"**

Every  
Tuesday  
Night

@ 7pm

Each Location Independently  
Owned and Operated

RSVP:  
713 728 2300  
Careers@waynemurray.net

Ask about  
our next  
career night

**Weichert,  
Realtors**  
Wayne Murray Properties

webinar!  
 LEADING REAL ESTATE COMPANIES OF THE WORLD

# Plumbco 713-725-5025

MPL 36609

**For all your plumbing installations and repairs.**

**Gary Bloch • www.PlumbcoHouston.com**

# Platou Community Center & Westbury Community Garden

## Platou Community Center Schedule

Open Monday– Thursday 12PM-8PM; Friday 12PM-6PM  
Supervisor–Chris Allen; Phone number: 713-726-7107

## Weekly Class & Meeting Schedule

**Stretching Exercise Class**—M, W, F, 9-9:45AM  
**Quilting Class**—Tuesdays, 9:30AM-1PM  
**Games**—Wednesdays, 10AM-Noon  
**Portable Projects**— Thursdays, 9:30AM—11:30AM  
**TOPS Weight Loss Program**— Tuesday 5:45 –7PM  
**Aerobics led by Chris Allen**– Tues & Thurs 6:30-7:30PM  
**Ballroom Dance lessons**—Wednesday 6-8PM

The Platou Center is funded and staffed through June 30, 2012! The new supervisor, Chris Allen, has just been reassigned to the Platou Center, much to the pleasure of everyone who knew him when he started his HPARD career in 2009 as supervisor of the Platou Center. He has pledged to do all he can to help promote the use of Westbury's community center by having classes/activities for adults in the morning, early afternoon and evening and events/programs for children in after school care and school break programs.

The Platou Center has been repainted inside and out. Some new furnishings have been provided by the Parks Department and Friends of Chimney Rock Park.

### Platou Community Center possible classes/events:

- Additional morning or early afternoon classes for adults
- Sewing Class
- Art Class
- Little Classes for Children from 3:30-4:30

## Westbury Community Garden Expands *by Ray Sher*

Eleven new raised garden beds have been added to the Westbury Community Garden, bringing the total beds to 61. Many of the community gardeners worked side by side with some great kids from the Student Conservation Association on hot August days to layout and construct the new beds. People on the waiting list are currently being contacted to assign them the new beds.



# SUPPORT THE PLATOU!

Join a class!

Recycle your newspapers onsite

## WESTBURY & PARKWEST

## JACKIE ZEHL & TERESA LEWIS

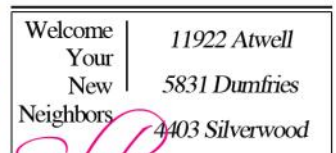


**PARKWEST \$279,900**  
10806 Atwell 3/2/2+Hrdwds+  
Raisd Bmd Cathdrl Ceiling+Granite+  
CustomCabinets+RemodldMstrBth

**PARKWEST \$227,500**  
5538 Bankside 3/2/2+TileFlrs+  
Cook'sKitchn+SSCooktop&Sink+  
UpdtdHallBth+Wilkn+GatedDrive

**WESTBURY \$188,500**  
5722 Arboles 3/2/2+Updtd+Granite  
+SSGasRange+TileFlrs+Renovtd  
MstrShwr+ReplacdUndrslabPlmbng

**WESTBURY \$177,500**  
5939 Sanford 3/2/2+Updtd+  
Hrdwds+SSAppl+FrenchDrs+  
UpdtdBths+UpdtdWindows+Fireplce



**PARKWEST \$149,900**  
5747 Willowbend 3/2/2+Study+  
Remodelor / Investor Opportunity+  
TimelessFlplan+RecentGarageDrs

**WESTBURY \$213,500**  
10915 Cedarhurst 3/2/2+Updtd+  
Hrdwds +Tile Flrs +Renovatd Kitch+  
Granite+SSAppl+Low-EWindows

**WESTBURY \$237,500**  
5514 Willowbend 3/2/2+Hrdwds+  
DbI Ovns+White Tile Countrs+DbI  
Frnch Drs+Updtd/RenovatdBths

Welcome Your New Neighbors  
11922 Atwell  
5831 Dumfries  
4403 Silverwood  
8607 McAvoy

For all of your Real Estate needs:

**Jackie Zehl & Teresa Lewis**  
713.854.6675 or 713.828.2096  
jackiezehl@coldwellbanker.com  
tlewis.houston@att.net



COLDWELL BANKER UNITED, REALTORS 5111 BELLAIRE BLVD. BELLAIRE, TEXAS 77401

\*INFORMATION HEREIN IS DEEMED TO BE ACCURATE BUT CANNOT BE GUARANTEED BY COLDWELL BANKER UNITED, REALTORS OR ITS ASSOCIATES

AD BY DEJA LAND

# Yard of the Month & Westbury Pool

## Yard of the Month August Winners

### Parkwest 1

5530 Redstart—Lorraine Leavell

### Parkwest 2

5723 Portal—Jean & Richard Tapia

### Parkwest 3

5923 Beaudry—Rebecca Rabin

### Westbury 1

5123 Willowbend—Robert & Kay Thornburg

### Westbury 2

5454 Stillbrooke—Tom Matthews &  
Bob Hergenroeder

### Westbury 3

5826 Cartagena—Robert Montgomery &  
Larry Ellis

### Westbury 4

5619 Duxbury—Jack & Lynn Powell

### Westbury 5

5614 W Belfort—Henry Abiera

### Westbury South

5751 Southminster—Stephen Smith



## Westbury Pool Summer 2011 Schedule

The last weekend for the pool to be open in 2011 is Sept 3 & 4. The pool is open 1-8PM.

September 5 (Labor Day) - Last day for the pool to be open! 1-5PM

Questions? Call pool at 713-723-2192

Do you like to drive around Westbury and look at pretty homes? Do you want a great volunteer opportunity? **BECOME A YARD OF THE MONTH JUDGE!** No experience needed or qualifications! Fun to do with a friend! **WE NEED YOU!** Call 713-723-5437

*Cyndi's Pet Sitting*

**832-483-1204**

[cyndipetsits@yahoo.com](mailto:cyndipetsits@yahoo.com)

Check us out on Facebook!

Westbury Resident for 20+ yrs

Caring for your pets in your home since 1998



**713.960.6222**

**MEYERLAND**  
WINDOWS & DOORS

**CALL FOR A  
FREE ESTIMATE  
TODAY!**

MIKE@MEYERLANDWINDOWS.COM  
MEYERLANDWINDOWS.COM



\$\$\$\$ Free Copy of Tax Return on CD \$\$\$\$  
 \$\$\$\$ Free Review of Prior Year Return \$\$\$\$

## Pam Schertz, CPA

Small Business Accounting & Tax Services  
 5322 West Bellfort, Suite 211  
 Houston TX 77035

281-974-2096



- FULLY INSURED
- FREE ESTIMATES
- NEW ROOF & REPAIRS
- SIDING
- ATTIC INSULATION
- 5 YEAR WARRANTY

713-819-5537 www.legacyroofers.com

## Professional Landscaping Services

- Complete Lawn Maintenance
- Flowers, Mulching, Edging
- Mowing, Flower Bed Cleaning
- Trimming, Blowing
- Flower Bed Design
- Season Colors
- Tree Trimming



FREE ESTIMATES ♦ CALL 713-303-7800

## G&D Remodel and Repair

*Over 14 years of experience.*

All Major Credit Cards Accepted



|   |  |
|---|--|
| Carpentry, Siding, Fences<br>Hardy Plank, Roofing<br>Ceramic Tile, Floor Tile, Vinyl,<br>Painting, Pressure Washing,<br>Plumbing, Gutters | Install: Plasma TV, Counter Tops,<br>Cabinet Doors, Windows, Ceiling<br>Fans, Light Fixtures, Garbage<br>Disposal, Stoves, Water Heaters,<br>Filters, Ice Makers, etc. |
|---|--|

Satisfaction Guaranteed

Excellent References

office (713) 771-2869 Free Estimates cell (713) 269-9414

## Dick n' Sons Floor Covering Center

All Major Credit Cards  
Accepted

M-F 8:00-5:00  
THURS. 8:00-7:00  
SAT. 10:00-4:00

713.981.1900

6240 Bissonnet @ Hillcroft  
www.dicknsons.com

Purchase any carpet and your First Annual Cleaning is Absolutely Free!

**CARPET LAMINATE WOOD CERAMIC TILE VINYL!**

THERE'S JUST SOMETHING SPECIAL ABOUT A  
NEIGHBORHOOD FLOOR COVERING STORE....COME SEE WHY.  
SERVING WESTBURY FOR OVER 40 YEARS!



Mention this ad and receive 15% off any Cleaning Services



You'd never pick a pair of shoes  
without trying them on.

Why pick your ob/gyn that way?

Join us and several fabulous doctors for our first-ever Memorial Hermann Physician Match event. This free, no obligation event lets you meet and talk with as many doctors as you wish in one, convenient setting.

Memorial Hermann Wellness Center  
7731 Southwest Freeway, Houston, TX 77074

Sept. 17, 2011  
from 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Sept. 20, 2011  
from 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Call 713.222.CARE (2273) to register.  
The event is free but space is limited.

**MEMORIAL  
HERMANN**  
Southwest  
Breakthrough every day

# Neighborhood and Section News

## 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CANDIDATES FORUM

Our partners, the Brays Oaks Management District (BOMD) and Southwest Houston 2000 (SWH2000) will be hosting the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Candidates Forum on Thurs, October 6, 2011, 7-9 PM at Fondren Middle School located at 6333 South Braeswood.

The City of Houston Charter requires that City Council expand to include 11 single-member districts. The Brays Oaks Management District has been divided into three separate council districts; J, K, and C in the new redistricting. Districts J and K, both brand new, and District C, with current Council Member Anne Clutterbuck being term limited, are all up for new representation.

The Candidates Forum was started in 2000 by the leadership of SWH2000 and this year BOMD has joined forces with them in supporting the event. Judy Terry, longtime resident and board member of SWH2000 stated "there is an air of excitement and patriotism when you walk into the Fondren Middle School auditorium and see the red, white and blue decorations made by the students. It makes me proud that we live in a democracy where we can discuss our issues and concerns with our candidates and elected officials."

The forum will begin promptly at 7 PM and will be moderated by Nancy Sims, who is senior VP with Pierpont Communications. We encourage residents and property owners to submit questions prior to the forum, which can be directed to [nlacasa@hhcllp.com](mailto:nlacasa@hhcllp.com). If you would like additional information or want to volunteer for the event, contact Rita Woodward, Event Coordinator at [rwoodward2@att.net](mailto:rwoodward2@att.net). Come join us to meet the candidates who want to represent you for the next two years.

## Prayers for Peace

To remember the 10th anniversary of 9/11, the choirs of Westbury United Methodist Church, Westbury Baptist Church and Willow Meadows Baptist Church will combine for a service of worship on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 4:00 p.m. The hour-long service, "Prayers for Peace," will be held in the sanctuary of Willow Meadows Baptist, located at 4300 W. Bellfort. The pastors from all three churches will offer prayers for peace around the world, interspersed by scripture readings and songs led by the choir and also sung by the congregation. Nursery care will be provided by Willow Meadows Baptist. For more information, contact Rev. DeAndre Johnson at 713-723-0175 or [deandre1@westburyumc.org](mailto:deandre1@westburyumc.org).

## Hurricane Preparedness

Contact the Harris County Office of Emergency Management for preparing for a hurricane and tips ([www.hcoem.org/](http://www.hcoem.org/))

## Commercial Businesses operating out of Westbury Homes

All Westbury homes are protected by deed restrictions which limit how the property may be used. One requirement is your property is to be used for residential purposes. The City of Houston Legal Department enforces this deed restriction (and others). Recent violators handled by the city involved: an auto repair business, a landscaping business, and vehicles defined as commercial (tow truck, ambulance, delivery truck, etc) parked on residential property. Violators can be fined and may incur expenses for legal representation in court.



Call Now:  
**713-782-2989**

Leak  
Detection  
Experts



[WWW.ASAMERICAN.COM](http://WWW.ASAMERICAN.COM)

Hello My Name is  
**ROBERT**

### FOUNDATION REPAIR

### PLUMBING SPECIALIST

- ◆ Exclusive Ameri-Link System
- ◆ Lifetime Transferable Warranty
- ◆ FHA/VA Approved
- ◆ Licensed & Fully Insured
- ◆ Warranties Available on Existing Piers



- ◆ City Permits & Inspections
- ◆ Hydrostatic Testing
- ◆ Sewer Reroutes
- ◆ Tunneling Experts
- ◆ Leak Detections
- ◆ Gas Leaks & Repair



SAVE \$100.00 OR 5% OFF  
ANY FOUNDATION REPAIR  
OR CONCRETE WORK

**NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER  
NEW CUSTOMER ONLY**

RESTRICTIONS APPLY



SAVE \$50.00 OR 5% OFF  
ANY FOUNDATION REPAIR

Call Today (713) 782-2989

**NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER  
NEW CUSTOMER ONLY**

RESTRICTIONS APPLY

**\*CALL TODAY SO I CAN GIVE YOU  
AN HONEST FREE ESTIMATE\***



**CONCRETE WORK** Driveways, Patios, Etc....

## Westbury/Parkwest Specialist!



31 yr  
Westbury  
Residents

Buy  
Sell  
Lease

### Tony and Charlseay Porcarello

*"Who Better to Sell or Lease YOUR Home than  
YOUR Westbury Neighbor!"*

Tony: 713-898-1546 [tporcarello@yahoo.com](mailto:tporcarello@yahoo.com)  
Charlseay: 713-898-1484 [charlseay@swbell.net](mailto:charlseay@swbell.net)  
Office Direct Line: 713-349-7262



Visit us on the Web @ [www.porcarello.com](http://www.porcarello.com)

## ASTRO PLUMBING

"YOUR PROFESSIONAL PLUMBER"  
BEST PRICES • FREE ESTIMATES • SENIOR DISCOUNT

CALL JOHNNY  
C: 713-256-0017

JOHN LEWIS  
M16312

ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

## DAVID J. CROWLEY ATTORNEY AT LAW

Wills

Probate

Juvenile Law

P.O. BOX 310218  
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77231

713-721-2300

PROUDLY SERVING WESTBURY FOR 35 YEARS



## Legal Eagle CONTRACTORS

713-723-8850

Come see our Showroom at  
5008 Locust Street  
at South Rice, Bellaire

Visit our web site at:  
[www.legaleaglecontractors.com](http://www.legaleaglecontractors.com)



Dan Bawden, President  
Certified Graduate Remodeler Graduate Master Builder Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist Certified Green Builder

Top BBB Award Winner - Five Times  
Texas Remodeler of the Year - Three Times  
Houston Remodeler of the Year

Design and Build  
Kitchens ★ Baths ★ Additions

Texas Registered Builder # 4301

Westbury's favorite remodeler  
for over 25 years!



# BryanCalvinSmith.com



## Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America

TRAVELERS

Safeco Insurance™

Member of Liberty Mutual Group

713-723-9353