

# Westbury Crier

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# Westbury White Elephant Community Garage Sale

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10 8AM - NOON WESTBURY UNITED METHODIST (5200 WILLOWBEND)

Parking is available at St. John's Presbyterian (5020 W. Bellfort) or in the surrounding neighborhood. Handicap parking will be available at the event (enter off Cedarhurst).

Come shop over 50 "garage" sales in one location at the Fall White Elephant Sale! There are always super deals and steals. The Westbury Civic Club provides its residents with two community garage sale events per year, since garage sales, estate sales, yard sales, and moving sales are NOT allowed at any Westbury residence. As of press time, only a few booth spaces were still available. Call the WCC office at 713-723-5437 for more information.

# MONEY NEEDED TO PAY OUR CONSTABLES THROUGH THE END OF THE YEAR! SEE PAGE 22. IN THIS ISSUE: National Night Out. Upcoming Events a

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# National Night Out: October 6

Plan your parties now! National Night Out is a fun event designed to celebrate neighbors and security. We encourage you to organize block parties or other events and to get to know your neighbors.



Let the WCC Office know about your party and we will try to arrange a WCC Board Member or Westbury Area Patrol Deputy visit. We look forward to meeting you!

# Flood/Reconstruction Debris

Storm Debris and construction materials may NOT be placed on the curb unless it is during the appropriate JUNK WASTE Pickup time (every other month). The City debris pickup is completed. Please remove all debris from curbs to avoid fines. The next Junk Waste Heavy Trash is October 8. Heavy Trash may be placed on the curb starting October 3. The next pickup is not until Dec. 10. Upcoming Events at the Willow Waterhole Budlight Gives to Houston Special Workday - October 17 Halloween Movie Night October 24- FREE! Holiday Music in the Park December 6 For more information, see page 19



Daylight Saving Time Ends November 1

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# President's Message

The Westbury Civic Club URGENTLY needs more money to pay our WAP deputies through the end of the year. Please send your money ASAP using the form on page 22.

The WCC held its Annual Meeting in September and a new board was elected. I want to thank all of those who continue to serve, those that are new to the board, and those that have had to step down. Each one of you is appreciated and I hope you know that your service to Westbury does make a difference. The annual meeting is recapped on page 10-11.

Gary Zika updated us on Project Brays and how it will alleviate flooding in the Brays watershed. City Councilmember Larry Green gave an overview of the accomplishments of the past year and an overview of upcoming projects. State Representative Borris Miles surprised us with two framed proclamations; one from his office and one from the Governor in honor and recognition of Westbury being named Neighborhood of the Year by Neighborhoods USA. HISD Trustee District IX Wanda Adams spoke about her commitment to the children and schools in her district and vowed her support to Westbury High School. Introductions were made of the various candidates running for public office who attended the meeting. Door prizes were awarded and we thank our generous donors. Both Jackie Murray and Kendyl Maurer of Weichert Realtors and Charlsey and Tony Porcarello of Coldwell Banker generously donated multiple gift certificates. A list of all the donors is on page 11. We thank them and our Crier advertisers for regularly supporting Westbury.

Early voting starts in October and Election Date is November 3. We will elect the Mayor, City Controller, Council Members for our District K and C and all five At-Large seats. It is so important to us as a neighborhood that the City of Houston remains strong, viable and financially sound. PLEASE VOTE! See page 22 for early voting times and locations. Not sure who/what to support? There are many opportunities to meet the candidates and hear what they have to say. Westbury has been a sponsor for years of events to help residents familiarize themselves with candidates for office. I hope many of you went to the event this year sponsored by our Super Neighborhood and the others in our area on September 29th.

Did you notice a new line on the front page of the Crier? Se habla Espanol? In September, we added a part time employee to the WCC office. We are excited to welcome Valerie Salinas and to provide a Spanish speaker for those residents who are more comfortable speaking Spanish.

October 6 is National Night Out. Every year hundreds of Westbury residents gather on driveways and in front yards

to visit and get to know one another. You don't have to have a party to participate; just walk outside around 6:30 PM and meet your neighbors and exchange contact information. Observant neighbors are our first line of defense in combatting crime. Property crimes, such as cars being broken into, tires being stolen, packages taken from porches, and now even lawn equipment stolen as yard men mow back yards, occur with regularity. These are crimes of opportunity and occur very quickly. If you see something suspicious, call it in!

The Fall White Elephant Sale will be held on October 10th. There may be a few last minute booths still available. Call the WCC office to find out. Come on out and shop! It is a fun day.

Willow Waterhole events are ramping up and you can read about them on page 19.

Hope to see you around the neighborhood enjoying our wonderful fall weather!

Becky Edmondson



The Westbury Civic Club, along with it's employees and volunteer board members, are working hard to make Westbury the best that it can be. Won't you join us by paying your dues today? If you have paid your dues, we thank you! Please talk to your neighbors and ask them to pay!

Westbury Civic Club Board Meeting Wednesday, October 21 7PM-9PM Westbury Baptist 10425 Hillcroft

#### Board Notes September 2015

- For all the details from the Annual Meeting in September, see page 10 & 11
- Next meeting is Wednesday, October 21

# **Platou Community Center**

11655 Chimney Rock Hours: Mon-Thurs 12PM-8PM; Fri 11AM-7PM Supervisor: Dan Reilly, Daniel.reilly@houstontx.gov or 713-726-7107

#### Family Fun Day @ the Platou Center Sat., Oct. 24, 10AM-2PM

All about Spiders! – Get ready for Halloween and learn all there is to know about our 8-legged friends (fun crafts included for all ages).

#### **NEW Greeting/Holiday Card Making Class** 2nd & 4th Thursdays 10AM-2PM

The types of cards they will make will change each week and have a theme. Some supplies will be provided and some will need to be purchased by the participant.

#### STRETCHING EXERCISE CLASS

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#### cise class. No registration required. MsBEEHAVEN QUILTERS -Tues., 10AM - 2PM

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PORTABLE PROJECTS- Thurs., 9:30-11:30AM For more information, contact Hazel at -729-4568

LINE DANCING Mondays @ 12:30PM For more information, contact Dan at 713-726-7107

Ping Pong Leagues—Wednesday & Friday Open adult ping pong will be on Fridays from 11AM to 2PM. Open adult and teen play on Wed., from 6-8PM.

#### After School Care

The 2015-2016 After School Enrichment program has started at the Platou Center. This is a **free** childcare program for children ages. 6 to 13. from 3PM to 6PM. After homework is completed, the kids play games, do crafts, and play outside. Sign up soon to hold a place for your child. Call Dan at 713-726-7107 for

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details.

#### **Meyer Neighborhood** Library

5005 W. Bellfort **Hours: See box below** Phone: 832-393-1840 / www.houstonlibrary.org

# **October 2015 Events**

**New & Improved Story Times** 

Baby Story-time: Every Tuesday, 10:30-11:15AM Toddler Story-time: Every Wed. & Saturday at 10:30 AM

Children's Story-time: 3rd Saturday, 10:30-11:30AM

#### Youth Arts & Crafts

Thursdays, 4:30-5:30PM Come enjoy an afternoon of arts and crafts. Explore making collages, stencil art,

painting, origami, making jewelry and much more.

Adult Mystery **Book Club** Call the Meyer Library for more info.

Monday: Closed Tuesday: 10AM-6PM Wednesday: 10AM-6PM Thursday: 12PM-8PM Friday: 1PM-5PM Saturday: 10AM-5PM Sunday: Closed

HOURS

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# What's Happening in Westbury

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#### Events & Meetings Calendar October 2015

Tues. 6	National Night Out See page 1 for more details
Wed. 7	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Info. Meeting 6 – 8PM Jewish Community Center @ 5601 S. Braeswood See page 17 for more information
Sat. 10	Westbury White Elephant Sale 8AM to Noon Westbury United Methodist Parking lot See page 6 for more information
Sat. 17	Audubon Society Bird Survey 8AM Meet at The Gathering Place parking lot—5310 S. Willow
Sat. 17	Bud Light Gives Back to Houston Workday 8:30– 1PM Willow Waterhole See page 19 for more information
Mon. 19	Westbury Community Garden Meeting 6:30PM Platou Community Center - 11655 Chimney Rock
Mon. 19	Brays Bayou Association Meeting 7:30PM The Gathering Place—5310 S. Willow Topic: TX Med Ctr Flood Protection, more info on page 19
Wed. 21	WAIC/Super Neighborhood #37 Meeting 8:30AM Salem Lutheran Church 4930 W. Bellfort
Wed. 21	Westbury Civic Club Board Meeting7PM-9PMWestbury Baptist —10425 Hillcroft
Sat. 24	Family Fun Day @ Platou Center 10AM - 2PM 11655 Chimney Rock Activity: Spiders; See page 4 for more information
Sat. 24	Halloween Movie Night @ Willow Waterhole 5:30-9PM 5300 Dryad - South Gazebo at Willow Waterhole Free Movie, costumes, train, for more info see page 19
Tues. 27	SW PIP (Police Positive Interaction Program) Meeting 7PM Pilgrim Lutheran Church -8601 Chimney Rock Rd.
Sat 31	Parker Elementary FunFest10AM-2PMWestbury ParkSee page 9 for more information
Nov 1	Daylight Saving Time Ends Roll those clocks back an hour!
Nov 3	Election Day

# **Planning Calendar**

Platou Family Day—Nov. 14 Holiday Music in Park—Dec. 6 Deck the Halls Parade –Dec. 19

City of Houston Heavy Trash Schedule			9
October	Junk Waste	November	Tree Waste
September	Tree Waste	December	Junk Waste

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~~>	TRASH CALENDAR				
	October 2015				
Thurs	Curbside Recycling				
1	All of Westbury				
Thurs	Heavy Trash– JUNK WASTE				
8	ALL OF WESTBURY				
Thurs	Curbside Recycling				
15	All of Westbury				
Thurs	Curbside Recycling				
29	All of Westbury				
November 2015					
Thurs	Curbside Recycling				
12	All of Westbury				

**RECYCLING AND HEAVY** 

12	All of Westbury
Thurs 12	Heavy Trash- TREE WASTE ONLY ALL OF WESTBURY
	Regular Trash & Recycling All of Westbury

# Important Trash and Recycling Info

Regular trash pickup is every Thursday. Recycling is every other Thursday. Heavy Trash is once a month, 2nd Thursday. Trash cans need to be on curb by 7AM each Thursday Trash cans must be removed by 10PM each Thursday Trash cans must be placed at least 3 feet apart Trash cans must be stored out of sight. Yard waste MUST be in correct biodegradable bags Heavy trash can be placed starting at 6PM the Friday before pick-up VARD WASTE is not considered tree waste. It is collected on regular Thursday trash day Call 311 for all trash questions and complaints Nearby Trash Depositories and Recycling Centers: SW Trash Depository/Recycling Ctr 10785 SW Frwy / Hours: Wed.—Sun. 9AM to 6PM; Accepts Junk Waste, Tree Waste & Recyclables. Environmental Service Center - 11500 S. Post Oak Hours: Tues/Wed 9AM-3PM; 2nd Sat 9AM-1PM. Accepts Hazardous Household & Electronic Waste. Refer to www.westburycrier.com or www.houstontx.gov for more trash and recycling information

# Fall 2015 White Elephant Sale

# Fall White Elephant Sale on October 10

The Westbury Civic Club (WCC) provides fall and spring community garage sale events to our members. The Fall White Elephant Sale will be on Saturday, October 10, from 8AM to Noon at Westbury United Methodist Church. The rain date is November 14.

# Booth space is still available. Purchase your booth today at the WCC office. Call the WCC office for more information, 713-723-5437.

The Westbury White Elephant Sale allows residents the opportunity to sell unwanted household items at a highly visible central location with security provided. The WCC provides location, security, bathrooms and publicity for the sale. The Civic Club does NOT provide tables, chairs, or shade. Garage, Estate, yard, moving sales, etc. are not permitted at Westbury residences. See box to the right or the Westbury Garage Sale Policy.

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







WCC POLICY Garage Sales, Estate Sales, Yard Sales, and Moving Sales, etc.

Westbury Civic Club , Inc.

# Westbury Civic Club Policy: Garage Sales, Estate Sales, Yard Sales, Moving Sales

**Purpose:** The intent of this policy is to clearly convey the Westbury Civic Club restriction on garage sales, estate sales, yard sales or any other independent action of the kind.

**Definition:** <u>Garage, Estate, Yard or Moving Sale</u>: The sale of personal property in, at, or upon any residential lot or home. This includes, with limitation, sales of personal property from the garage, driveway, yard, patio or house area of such premises.

**Policy:** Garage, estate, yard, moving sales and the like are not permitted in Westbury.

All sections of Westbury and Parkwest have deed restrictions that state "no noxious or offensive trade or activity shall be carried on upon any lot nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood". Garage, estate, vard, moving sales and the like draw substantial traffic and contribute to: hindering the flow of traffic on major thoroughfares; impeding access to homes by emergency vehicles or residents due to parking congestion; parking violations on city streets or esplanades; parking violations from vehicles parked on front yards; and, parking violations from blocking public right-of-way on sidewalks. Furthermore, advertising materials for garage, estate, yard, moving sales and the like contribute to: visual blight, trash along public streets, and violations of the city sign ordinance. The Westbury Civic Club considers garage, estate, yard, moving sales and the like to be "an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood".

All sections of Westbury and Parkwest have deed restrictions that state the lots are to be used for single family or family residential purposes. The Westbury Civic Club considers garage, estate, yard, moving sales and the like to be commercial use of residential property.

Approved by the Westbury Civic Club Board, August 20, 2014

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# WCC at Work!

#### **HCFCD Tours Westbury**

Representatives from the Westbury Civic Club and the City of Houston and the Harris County Flood Control District (HCFCD) walked 2 of Westbury's bayous that flooded in May. WCC Office Manager Jennifer Edmondson, WCC Section Director Joe Niles, and WCC President Becky Edmondson walked the Willow Waterhole Bayou and the Braewick ditch with Gary Zika, Project Manager for HCFCD Project Brays, HCFCD Curtis Lampley, and Donald Perkins, Chief of Staff for Council District K. Joe Niles was one of the many Parkwest 3 residents whose homes flooded on Memorial Day.

The group looked at the current work being performed on the Braewick and Willow Waterhole Bayous. They also discussed ongoing measures to alleviate flooding in the future in Westbury.



#### WCC Partners with City of Houston Department of Neighborhoods

If you see a suspicious white van driving slowly through Westbury streets, you might be observing a driving tour of Westbury by the Department of Neighborhoods (DON) with community representatives. Formerly done on a quarterly basis, the driving tours are now performed monthly. The tours cover both residential and commercial properties. Due to the limited amount of time and large number of properties, only a small slice of the Westbury area can be reviewed on the driving tour each month. We appreciate the work by DON to help us clean up our neighborhood and for their advice about how to resolve more complicated issues.



WCC Jennifer Edmondson, WCC Eugene Sirls, WCC Cindy Chapman, & DON Mayra Hypolite.

Stay connected with what is happening within the neighborhood by joining our Facebook page, Westbury Houston.





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# Westbury Civic Club News

#### Welcome NEW 2016 Westbury Civic Club Board

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#### VACANCIES Director of Volunteers/Events Director of Membership Westbury 5 Section Director Westbury South Section Director

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact the WCC at westburycc@sbcglobal.net or attend the next WCC board meeting to see what we do. Meetings are every 3rd Wednesday of each month.



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# Keep Houston Beautiful Awards

For 36 years Keep Houston Beautiful (KHB) has been working to improve the physical appearance of Houston. You can definitely see the difference they have made in Westbury.



The KHB annual fund raising luncheon will be

on October 26 and for just \$100 you can support KHB, enjoy lunch and see all the great projects that have been completed this year. You can register on line at <a href="http://www.keephoustonbeautiful.org">www.keephoustonbeautiful.org</a>. Can't attend the luncheon? You can still go online and donate.

In keeping with Westbury's long history of beautification efforts, the Westbury Civic Club as well as Westbury residents are receiving awards again this year.

Westbury resident, Bill Burhans, will receive a Certificate of Recognition, for planting palm trees at Meyer Library.

The Westbury Civic Club, WAIC, and the Super Neighborhood will be receiving a Certificate of Recognition for our Keep Westbury Parks Beautiful Day in Westbury and Hager Park.

In addition, City Council Member Larry Green will receive the Distinguished Service Award for the Council District K initiatives.

These volunteer beautification efforts are so important. One longtime volunteer was asked by his teenage son, "Dad, why do you work on all these projects when no one pays you?" He told his son, "Look around at the trees on the esplanades and the trees at our parks. Almost everything you see has been planted by volunteers over the past 60 years. Now it's my turn to leave something for the future".



Twenty two years ago the grounds of the Meyer Library were a weedy, barren, and fire ant infested lot. Today a Palm Garden with 20 different varieties, most adaptable to Houston, is there for people to view. Bill Burhans modeled it after botanic gardens he had seen in public spaces in Arizona and California. Over the years he kept maintaining and replanting; investing thousands of hours and money.

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# October Events Around the Neighborhood

#### **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: OCTOBER 6**

National Night Out is the perfect time to get together and meet your neighbors.

National Night Out is a national event designed to celebrate neighbors and to learn more about safe neighborhoods. We encourage all residents to organize block parties or similar events and spend some time getting to know each other better. The official NNO for Houston and Westbury will be conducted in the evening of October 6.

Let us know the time and location of your NNO event. Why tell us? First, we will try to arrange for HPD, WAP Constables, or WCC board members to drop by your event. Also, we want to acknowledge your efforts in the next newsletter.



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#### Parker Elementary FunFest 2015: October 31

Parker PTO proudly presents FunFest, their annual fall carnival, on Saturday, October 31 from 11am-2pm. Admission is free and open to the public. Please be sure to bring your entire family and invite your neighbors.

Arrive early to hear Parker's award winning band and impressive jazz band. Carnival games will keep your kids entertained for hours. You can purchase game tickets, or buy an "all inclusive" \$20 wristband covering games, rides and attractions (excluding the dunking booth and consumables). Attractions include several inflatable moon walks, a rockwall, face painting, a "Glam Booth" in which participants can get their hair and nails painted, and much more. Win fantastic prizes at our carnival games and enjoy traditional carnival food including nachos, hot dogs, snow cones, cotton candy, and more...all at low prices.

Money generated by FunFest helps fund school needs such as computer and science upgrades, library improvements, instrument replacement and repair, and other educational enhancements. We welcome volunteers from the community to help us with this fun-filled event and contributions are graciously accepted. For more information, contact Samantha Wallace at swallace@me.com or (813) 494-2804.

Mark your calendars for this memorable event!

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# 2015 WCC Annual Meeting

Over a hundred Westbury residents gathered in the Westbury Baptist gym for the 2015 Westbury Civic Club annual meeting. A meet and greet preceded the meeting and residents were able to meet the WAP patrol deputies, WCC board members, candidates for office, and neighbors. Becky Edmondson called the meeting to order and the first piece of business was the introduction of the WAP patrol.

Due to the extensive flooding on Memorial Day, Gary Zika, Project Manager for Harris County Flood Control District Project Brays was the main presenter. He had already committed to another meeting the same evening, but knowing how important this topic was to Westbury, he agreed to speak at our meeting.





Gary gave an overview of Project Brays and an update on the Willow Waterhole project. He then answered questions from concerned residents in the audience.

Texas State Representative from District 134, Borris Miles, surprised the WCC by presenting two framed proclamations in honor of Westbury receiving NUSAs Neighborhood of the Year award. One from the Governor and one from his office! We were humbled by his thoughtfulness. Rep. Miles spoke briefly about the last legislative session and vowed to come back with a more lengthy update in the future. Attending with Borris Miles was our constituent representative, Mary Seymore, who is also a Westbury



resident who faithfully attends our neighborhood meetings each month.

WCC Office Manager, Jennifer Edmondson, was introduced and gave an update on National Night out and the upcoming White Elephant sale. New office worker Valerie Salinas was also introduced.





# 2015 WCC Annual Meeting

District K Council Member Larry Green spoke of all the accomplishments of the past year and about upcoming projects. District K Staff members Barbara Hite (our amazing constituent representative) and Donald Perkins (Chief of Staff) were also on hand to answer resident questions.

HISD Trustee Wanda Adams spoke about the changes at Westbury High School and her commitment to making Westbury High School a priority. She spoke about the importance of the 2012 bond and being sure that Westbury received the promised improvements.

Becky Edmondson recognized the candidates for public office in attendance and thanked them for their interest in learning more about the issues facing Westbury: Tom McCasland, Laurie Robinson, Sharon Moses, Jennifer Poole, Amanda Edwards, Jack Christie, and Jew Don Boney.

Becky also recognized Municipal Judge Phyllis Frye, former long-time WCC board secretary, who was featured in the Sunday *New York Times* in September.

The newly elected 2016 Westbury Civic Club Board was introduced to the crowd. The meeting ended with Connor Edmondson drawing the winning door prize numbers. We would like to thank our great donors for making this a fun end to a wonderful meeting!











 Thank you to our generous door prize donors! We had over \$500 worth of door prizes to give away!

 \*Jackie Murray & Kendyl Maurer, Weichert Realtors

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 \*Tapester's Grill (Beechnut)

 \*Plumbco



\*Tony & Charlesy Porcarello, Coldwell Bankers
\*Tapester's Grill (Beechnut) \*Plumbco
\*Randall's (Meyer Park)
\*Home Depot (Westbury location)
\* Luby's (Meyer Park)
\*Fuddrucker's (Meyer Park)
\*Jackie Zehl & Teresa Lewis, Coldwell Bankers

# Support Local Westbury HISD Schools

#### "Friday Night Lights" in Westbury Support the WHS Football team

Did you know that just south of Westbury at 13155 South Main (US 90) sits Butler Stadium? This 8,000 seat football stadium is the long time home of the Westbury Huskies. Why not come out and support your local school?

Friday, October 9 at 7PM Westbury vs. Reagan Saturday, October 17 at 1PM Westbury vs. Milby Friday, October 30 at 7PM Westbury vs. Westside —HOMECOMING GAME

#### **Calling All Volunteers for Westbury High School**

by Westbury Resident, Kent Perschke, WHS Teacher Social Studies & World Geography

If you have a little time on your hands and want to be a part of Westbury High School's transformation, we would like to make you aware of volunteering opportunities. The VIPS (Volunteers In Public Schools) program is under the radar, but is a wonderful tool the Houston Independent School District offers as a tool to nurture our students' educational trajectory. All the volunteers need to do is register with the program for a background check and, after finishing that, go to our Main Office on the Westbury campus and show a valid form of identification. The process can take as short as a few days and will most definitely help the kids understand what a wonderful community they are a part of.

Translation services are the most necessary, but I'm sure there are many other avenues for service. Here are a list of necessary languages: Arabic, Burmese, French, Ibo/Igbo, Kanuri, Kirundi, Konkani, Mandarin, Nepali, Pashto/Puschto, Spanish, Swahili, Temni, Tigrinya, and Vietnamese. By helping these children transition into the English-based curriculum, we offer them an opportunity at success that they most assuredly deserve. So if you can help, please be an active participant in turning Westbury into a school that fosters educational success for all. By utilizing volunteers, we can use our budget for many other necessary programs and improvements to our campus. We welcome your help and hope the process of clearing the VIPS registration is easy. We hope to see you soon and Thank you.

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# WHS HISD Bond Update

Westbury High School (WHS) Principal Susan Monaghan welcomed a crowd of about 50 on September 17 to the first HISD community meeting to discuss the progress made so far to create building plans for WHS. Much was promised by HISD in the 2012 bond referendum, and this was the first opportunity to see how well HISD was planning to deliver these promises for WHS improvements. More community meetings will be held in the future.

Principal Monaghan reiterated what so many of us know to be true, "Westbury High School has so much potential". Assistant Principal Jerry Dixon explained the guiding principles generated by the Project Advisory Team (PAT), which is made of the principal, teachers, parents, students, and community members. The first guiding principle was a commitment to Academic Excellence. The PAT has been meeting for over a year and a design charrette was held in April where two schemes were proposed for consideration. After additional review, the designs have now been honed into one final proposed design.

Project goals included: to move the 27 classrooms of students currently housed in temporary buildings into the main school building; to better define the school entry; to make a safe, secure campus; to create a 21st century learning space to enhance learning opportunities; and, to phase the project so as not to disrupt the existing school.

Scott Brady from Joiner Architects delivered a presentation of the planned improvements to be made to the campus. Some of the proposed changes include: to relocate the administration offices to the "butterfly wing" part of the building and make this area into the new main school entrance: to relocate the baseball field so that the existing field can be used for a new classroom wing; to build a new gym, cafeteria, and 27 classrooms; and to remove the 27 temporary buildings that currently house the entire freshman class. Burdine Street would be closed to through traffic. To meet federal Title 9 gender parity requirements in sports facilities, new tennis courts will be built. Also, a new softball field will be built next to the new baseball field, although these fields will be located several blocks away from WHS on Gasmer.

Next to speak was Dan Bankhead, AIA, CEFPI, NOMA. He is the General Manager-Design for the Construction Services Division of the HISD Construction and Facilities Services Department. For the past two years, he has led a \$1.2 billion facilities capital program involving more than 160 campuses across the city. He said that HISD had a commitment to complete all the work that the 2012 bond had proposed. Due to higher construction costs than originally planned, the district does not have enough money in the bond fund to pay for all the construction proposed. The district has identified a funding mechanism that could add an additional \$211 million to the overall bond program and is recommending that the HISD Board approve the plan. This would allow each school project to receive a portion of that money based on its original construction budget.

A question and answer period followed. Members of the WCC board (Cindy Chapman, Marcia Hartman, and Becky Edmondson) asked questions. Concerns were expressed that the scope of work for WHS had already been reduced from what was originally promised to be done in the 2012 bond project. Concerns were expressed about whether sufficient funds were available for WHS improvements. Kathleen Ownby, Friends of Westbury High School Foundation, reiterated the need to renovate or replace the Fine Arts wing, which original plans had said would be replaced. The Fine Arts wing is in the original building built in the early 1960s and used to be the school administrative offices.





Preliminary Inspiration-to-Concept

# Crime/Security

#### Crime Statistics for Westbury Super Neighborhood 37\* 30 days September 20, 2015

	Single- Family Home	Apt/ Condo	Commercial Property	Public Areas	Totals
Burglary	9	4	4	0	17
Theft	9	9	5	0	23
Auto Theft	4	4	2	0	10
Robbery	2	1	1	0	4
Assault	0	2	1	0	3
Rape	0	0	1	0	1
Murder	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	25	19	14	0	58

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 by block number, not exact address. Stats for 30 days preceding September 20, 2015

Block #	Street	Crime
5900	Beaudry	Burglary
5600	Cartagena	Burglary
10700	Chimney Rock	Auto Theft
12100	Dunlap	Burglary
5400	Effingham	Robbery
5600	Effingham	Burglary
5900	Effingham	Theft
6000	Ettrick	Burglary
5700	Farwell	Theft
12200	Hillcroft	Burglary
5300	Hummingbird	Burglary
5200	Kingfisher	Theft
5000	Ludington	Auto Theft
5700	Ludington	Robbery
5500	McKnight	Theft
11600	Mullins	Burglary
5600	Sanford	Theft
5300	Spellman	Auto Theft
5500	Stillbrooke	Theft
5600	Warm Springs	Theft
5100	W. Bellfort	Theft
5900	W. Bellfort	Theft
6000	W. Bellfort	Auto Theft
5500	Willowbend	Burglary

#### Don't forget Vacation Watch!

For Westbury residents, who pay the WAP patrol dues, a special Vacation Watch may be requested from Pct 5. The form is available online. Sign up is available on their website. If you want to request a Vacation Watch, but do not have



access to a computer or internet, please call 281-463-6666 for assistance. If you are a flood victim and have vacated your home during remodeling, please call in a Vacation Watch.

#### **FREE** Home Safety Inspections

Take advantage of the home safety inspection program offered by Precinct 5 and your Westbury Area Patrol (WAP). Information and awareness are two of the most reliable tools available in protecting your home, your family and yourself. Harris County Constable Precinct 5 offers programs designed to enhance your security. To schedule an inspection at your home, please contact Deputy Kovar at (281) 642-8814 or john.kovar@cn5.hctx.net

Report any suspicious activity immediately. 281-463-6666

#### Westbury HPD Storefront \*NEW PHONE NUMBER 832.394.7520\*

We welcome Kevin O'Brien as the new WCC Security Director. Thank you Leslee Cross for serving as our prior Security Director for the past 3 years.



# 2015 Dues/Assessments

#### ATTENTION: PARKWEST 1&2

Homes purchased in Parkwest 1 after Jan. 1, 1993 and Parkwest 2 after Jan 1, 1994 have mandatory assessments.

#### The amount of the 2015 Mandatory Assessments is \$230. The 2015 Assessments were due by February 1.

If you have any questions or did not get your invoice, please contact the WCC office at 713-723-5437 or email westburycc @sbcglobal.net.

#### Why do my dues go to Dallas? Is this correct?

Yes, this is correct! We have you mail your payments directly to our bank's processing center. This allows your payments to be processed immediately.

#### **Mission of the WCC**

The purposes of the Westbury Civic Club, Inc. (the "Club") are to improve the appearance of the Westbury area and promote the civic, cultural educational, health, and general welfare of the residents of the Westbury and Parkwest subdivisions in Harris County, Texas (collectively, the "Community").

#### Why Should I Pay My Dues? What are the Benefits?

- Protects your investment in your home by keeping Westbury a strong and vibrant neighborhood.
- Keeps the doors of the Civic Club office open and staffed.
- Protects your home and family with the Westbury Area Patrol through Constable Precinct 5.
- Improves the looks of our esplanades, parks, and green spaces.
- Advocates for City services and infrastructure improvements
- Hosts two White Elephant Community Garage Sale events each year
- Organizes community get togethers such as Coffee with Constables and National Night Out

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# Westbury Area News

#### Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Meeting Wednesday, October 7, 6 – 8PM

Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center @ 5601 S. Braeswood Blvd. The City of Houston, in partnership with Texas Department of Emergency Management, is applying for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) grant to assist qualified homeowners with the cost of mitigating flood prone properties. Homeowners may request funding for home elevation or demolition-reconstruction. HMGP is a state wide competitive program and funding is not guaranteed. **HMGP is a separate** grant opportunity from the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grant **Program which was recently submitted to FEMA.** At this meeting, an update on the status of the FEMA grant application will be provided. Please note that interested homeowners must submit all required documents before 5PM, November 6, 2015 to be considered for inclusion in the HMGP grant application. For more information about submittals please visit www.houstonrecovers.org.

#### Westbury Meet & Eat

Come out to Teotihuacan Mexican Restaurant at 6579 W. Bellfort every 1st Thursday of the month to meet Westbury residents. This event is open to anyone who lives in Westbury.

October Meet & Eat: Thurs., October 1 @ 6PM November Meet & Eat: Thurs., November 5 @ 6PM

#### **Westbury Wine Lovers**

The Westbury Wine Lovers group meets once a month on the 2nd Thursday. October's get together will be at Napoli on 5266 Beechnut. No membership fees, no forms to fill out. JUST FUN. NO WINE SNOBS ALLOWED! RSVP to Charlsey at 713-898-1484 or charlsey@swbell.net

#### Napoli's on October 8 at 6:30PM

#### Links for Lost & Found Pets in Westbury

✓ Nextdoor Westbury - <u>www.nextdoor.com</u>
 ✓ Westbury Lost and Found Pets Facebook
 -<u>https://www.facebook.com/westbury</u>
 <u>houstontexas?fref=nf</u>
 ✓ CARE- Contact at westburycare@gmail.com
 Compassionate Animal Rescue Efforts is
 located in Westbury) or at
 www.westburycare.com

#### Deck the Halls Parade: December 19

One fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish....this year, the theme for the Deck the Halls parade will be Dr. Suess! Hope to see you on December 19. More info in future *Criers*.

#### HEB on S. Braeswood Will Reopen on October 9

The HEB on S. Braeswood is currently closed due to the flood in May. The WCC has confirmed with Regional members of the HEB team that the store will reopen on October 9. For more information, you can check HEB's website or call their customer care hotline.

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# Eagle Scout Projects at Willow Waterhole

#### Eagle Scout Projects Completed at Willow Waterhole Park

Christian Lopez and Joseph Lupski, both from Scout Troop 1266 based at Saint Thomas Episcopal School, completed their Eagle Scout projects at the Willow Waterhole Park in August.

Joseph designed and installed mileage markers on the Westbury Lake south trail. The two mile loop has scenic overviews starting at the gazebo and along the elevated berm parallel to Highway 90A (South Main). The green markers are placed at 1/4 mile intervals. This trail is used by many walkers, joggers, and for area school cross country meets. Joseph remarked "I am glad to have worked on a project that impacts the community in such a positive way".

Christian installed five birdhouses at three different sites. He put in Purple Martin and Barn Owl houses at Westbury Lake, Screech Owl and a Chickadee houses along the Bayou Trail near The Gathering Place, and a Wood Duck house across from the Levitt Pavilion site. Christian worked with the Audubon Society to choose the sites and type of birdhouses. He will be attending the next Society meeting at the Park on September 19th at 8:00 to point out the new additions to members. Christian said "I was happy to be a part of the growth of the Willow Waterhole, and hope this project will encourage others to continue expanding the park for the benefit of our community."

The Scouts presented their project proposals for approval by the Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy, the City of Houston Parks and Recreation Department, and Scout Leadership. They prepared budgets, conducted fundraising, purchased materials, and organized workdays to complete the projects.



Above: Joseph Lupski by one of his mile markers. Top Right: Christian Lopez and one of his birdhouses. Bottom Right: Boy Scout Team work



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# Willow Waterhole News

#### **Bud Light Gives to Houston Day at** the Willow Waterhole: Oct. 17

If you are over 21 and looking for an opportunity to give back to your community, join us at the Willow Waterhole for Bud Light Gives to Houston Day. We're looking for volunteers to help us beautify Willow Waterhole Park on October 17 from 8:30AM to 12PM. The After Party is from Noon to 1:30PM. Find details and RSVP here: http://bit.ly/1NJT9DT #BudLightGivesHOU



#### Halloween Movie Night & Costume Contest: Oct. 24, 5:30-9PM

Kids and adults will enjoy Disney's "Hocus Pocus" projected onto a huge outdoor screen! Prizes will be awarded for the best Halloween costumes. This is the 5th year for this great family event. Fun for all ages.





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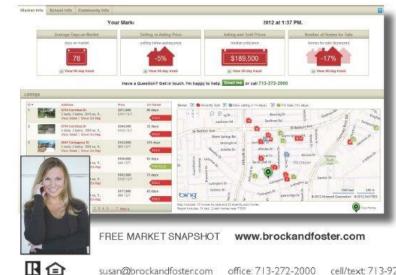
EVENTS: Parking will be open on Dryad and Gasmer. Make sure to lock vehicle and do not leave valuables in the car.

#### Holiday Music in the Park: Dec. 6, 3-5PM Join us for inspiration & merriment from local church choirs and singing groups.

Willow Waterhole Conservation Workday: Oct. 10 The next conservation workday will be on Saturday, October 10 from 9AM to Noon. This is open to all volunteers. Meet at The Gathering Place 5310 South Willow.

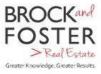
**Brays Bayou Association Meeting: October 19** Monday, October 19, 2015, Charles Penland, of Walter P. Moore, will address what The Texas Medical has been doing to harden and protect the Center since the disaster it experienced from Tropical Storm Allison.

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# **Keeping Westbury Beautiful**

#### **Keep Westbury Clean**

The holidays are approaching. Every year about this time we begin receiving calls from people who tolerate their neighbors' messiness until it's time for company to visit. October is Junk Waste Pick Up, so take advantage of this service from the city and clean up around your home. Junk waste pick-up will also be on December 10

Did you know it is against city ordinance to store your trash cans in public view? The city can ticket you for this offense. There are ways to screen your cans from view. With two large cans it is ugly for your neighbors to see your cans out on your driveway in front of your garage or on your front porch.

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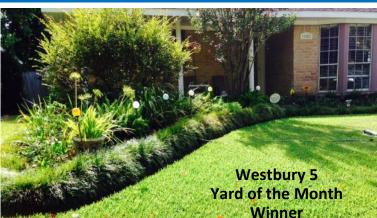
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September Yard of the Month Westbury 1

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Westbury 3 Amy & Erich Schraub — 5714 Cerritos

Westbury 5 Richard & Linda Hulbert — 5522 Spellman

Parkwest 1 Karen Calabro — 5515 Stillbrooke

Parkwest 2 Jim Clutterbuck — 10706 Ashcroft 20

# Westbury Community Garden

#### **Garden Tour**

to savor.

On Saturday, September 19, a group from the Greater Houston Community Foundation toured Westbury Community Garden (WCG). The tour group started in

the garden's outdoor learning pavilion with a welcome and brief overview of WCG's history by the WCG President. Tour guides led visitors on a stroll among the 62 leased allotment gardens, compost area, orchards, butterfly gardens, tree farm, and visited with PIFF farmers near their fields. Many guests took advantage of the fresh PIFF produce available to carry some home



#### Volunteers Working in the Garden

The Westbury Community Garden continues to attract a bevy of volunteers to assist in keeping the many gardens and orchards in shape. Both Westbury Community Garden and Plant It Forward Farms utilize community volunteers to supplement property maintenance work. On September 19, a volunteer group from St. Agnes Academy painted the storage shed on the Plant It Forward Farms acreage at the garden. On September 13, a team of volunteers from Salem Evangelical Lutheran



Church worked in the garden for their annual day of serving the community. The group weeded the potted trees in the Tree Farm and placed all the trees in their new area. Before they left, they found time to weed the walkway and pavilion area. For more information about the Westbury Community Garden or if you are interested in volunteer activities at the garden, visit www.westburycommunitygarden.org

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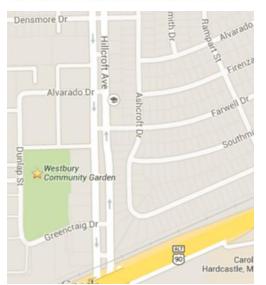
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# WHERE IS THE GARDEN?

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\*City of Houston General Election for Mayor, City Controller, Council Member District C and K, all 5 At-Large Council Members. \*7 Propositions under State of Texas Constitutional Amendment \*4 Propositions under Harris County and Harris County Flood Control District Bond Elections.

\*2 Propositions under City of Houston, Special Election. One relates to the Houston Equal Rights Ordinance and on relating to term limits for city elected office.

#### Where Do You Vote?

 Precinct 14: Parker Elementary, 10626 Atwell
 Precinct 22: Foerster Elementary, 14200 Fonmeadow Dr
 Precinct 146: Platou Community Center, 11655 Chimney Rock
 Precinct 281: Kolter Elementary, 9710 Runnymeade Dr
 Precinct 453: Spanish United Pentecostal Church, 5365 W. Airport
 Precinct 291: Houston Christian Fellowship, 11122 Hillcroft
 Precinct 403: Westbury Baptist Church, 10425 Hillcroft

Precinct 405: Westbury Baptist Charter, 10425 Hillfold Precinct 293: Andy Anderson Elementary, 5727 Ludington Precinct 693: Braeswood Assembly of God, 10611 Fondren

#### When Can You Vote?

Early voting starts on October 19. The hours are Monday-Friday October 19-23 from 8AM to 4:30PM, Saturday October 24 from 7AM-7PM, Sunday October 25 from 1PM-6PM, and Monday-Friday October 26-30 from 7AM to 7PM. Convenient sites to Westbury are Bayland Community Center, Fiesta Mart on Kirby, and Hiriam Clarke Multi-service Center. Voting locations may change up until Election Day. Visit www.harris.votes.org for up to minute news.



The Westbury Civic Club URGENTLY needs more money to pay our WAP deputies through the end of the year. We are short over \$70,000 for the year. This is a very important program that we cannot afford to lose. This program

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#### New Trash Reminder App

The City of Houston Solid Waste Department has a new free app for smartphone users, Rollout! It is available for Androids and IPhones. Insert your address, set reminders and never forget when trash day is! The app will send notifications to your phone remind you when it is recycling trash, regular trash and even heavy trash.



# **Heavy Trash Warning**

The City of Houston Solid Waste Department responded quickly after the Memorial Day flooding and made three special sweeps through the neighborhood through the end of July picking up storm debris. They even made a special requested Westbury run as we had over 40 homes in violation in early September. **The City of Houston's Solid Waste Department has resumed its regular heavy trash schedule.** 

We know that flood cleanup and construction are still ongoing, but the city requires debris/materials to be removed by your contractor or placed in a dumpster. Construction materials, debris, or trash may NOT be placed on the curb. You can place Junk Heavy trash on the curb starting October 3 for pick-up on October 8. The next Junk Waste collection is December 10. Debris may be placed starting December 5.

Dumpsters may be placed in your driveway or yard, but may not cross the sidewalk or be placed in the street. It is also necessary to sweep your sidewalks where glass and other small debris remains after the City completed their post flood cleanup.

We understand the frustration, anger and pain caused by the Memorial Day flooding. The WCC is notifying residents by mail, who place their heavy trash out too early, to please remove it from the curb. The City moratorium on ticketing heavy trash violators ended on September 1. The City is now

issuing tickets. We don't want anyone to receive a ticket!

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HEAVY TRASH TIME. FLOOD DEBRIS PICKUP HAS ENDED.

#### Recycle Often, Recycle Right.

"Recycle often, recycle right" is Waste Management's message to their customers. Westbury has great participation rates as far as the number of homes that put their recycling cans on the curb. We seem to be recycling often, but are we recycling RIGHT?

Our single stream recycling cans have increased almost everyone's recycling volume. However, some items may be recyclable like garden hoses, plastic bags and hangers, but not in your recycling cart. Plastic bags can shut down an entire recycling plant. Soggy, wet items can spoil whole load of recycling. Here are the essentials. Recycle all bottles, cans and paper. Keep items clean and dry. No plastic bags in the recycling. That's it. Follow these simple guide-lines and you will be recycling right!

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