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Funds Needed for Westbury Area Patrol

The Westbury Civic Club URGENTLY needs more money to pay our WAP deputies through the end of the year. We are short over \$45,000 for the year. This is a very important program that we cannot afford to lose. This program protects you, your family and your property by having assigned deputies in our neighborhood and offers great benefits such as Vacation Watch and home security inspections. This is the second year in a row that there has been a deficit. We cannot go back to 3 deputies. We are required to have at least 4 deputies to retain our vital patrol program. We have a plan for next year and the following years, but we need to get 2015 contract covered.



Please send in your support TODAY! Clip out the form to the right and mail the WCC office at 5322 W. Belfort #107 Houston, TX 77035. No donation is too small or too large. You may also pay with your credit card via paypal.com. Pay to our email address, westburycc@sbcglobal.net, make sure to include your street address in the comment section.

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Upcoming Events Willow Waterhole

Dog Park Committee Meeting: Nov. 10
November Work Day: November 14
Holiday Music in the Park: December 6
For more information, see page 18

Family Fun Day Platou Community Center

Sat., November 14, 10AM -2PM
All about birding! Take a bird survey, meet a bird expert and make a bird house craft

Flood/Reconstruction Debris WARNING

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). City debris pickup is completed. Please remove all debris from curbs to avoid fines. The next Junk Waste Heavy Trash is December 10. Heavy Trash may be placed on the curb starting December 5.


Vote on Election Day: November 3

TRASH ALERTS

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

No trash or recycling pick up on Thursday, November 26. Trash & recycling will be picked up on **Friday, November 27**

HEAVY TRASH:

Heavy Trash for **NOVEMBER** is  **TREE WASTE ONLY.** Pick-up for ALL of Westbury is **Thursday, NOVEMBER 12**

DO NOT PLACE TREE WASTE ON CURB UNTIL NOVEMBER 7

JUNK WASTE: Junk waste pickup is not until **DECEMBER.** Do not put out Junk Waste until **December 5** for pickup on **December 10.**

More trash info, see page 5

Daylight Saving Time Ends November 1

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*The office is closed on all major holidays, weekends (follows HISD calendar)

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713-884-3131

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Platou Community Center
713-726-7107

Poison Control
1-800-764-7661

Street Light Repairs (Give pole number)
713-207-2222

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832-393-3004

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713-755-6111

Deed Restriction Enforcement (City Legal)
832-393-6333

Report Graffiti—Brays Oaks Management District (BOMD) www.braysoaksmd.org
Use "Report A Problem"

City of Houston 311 Hotline (for all Non-Emergency Issues)

Forestry Department, Hazardous Waste Disposal, Heavy Trash Violations and Questions, Neighborhood Nuisances, Parking Management, Solid Waste - Trash and Recycling, School Crossing Light Repairs, Water Main Break, and Sewer Repair, etc.

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President's Message

November, to me, is always a time for thankfulness. Writing my president's message made me think of how many things I am thankful for. A decade ago, I might not have even noticed or had many of these on my list.

I am thankful to live in Houston. As this Crier is being delivered we will be electing our next Mayor and the fact that we have good candidates to choose from really speaks to the stability of Houston's future. I urge all of you to get out and vote. It is one the most important things that you can do for Westbury. Elected officials are responsive to voters! In a city where 10% of the people participate in the election process, it is good to live in a neighborhood that has higher percentage voter participation.

I am thankful to live in Westbury. We have so many caring, compassionate, and giving neighbors. It is an awesome place to live. I am thankful to be able to serve one more year on the WCC board. I am amazed at the wonderfully talented people that volunteer to make Westbury a better place to live. A recent candidate for city office commented that they had grown up in a neighborhood much like Westbury, but without a committed connected board and that neighborhood had gone into decline. I hear often that for 60 years the Westbury Civic Club has been the catalyst to keep Westbury as a viable neighborhood.

I am thankful for the Westbury Community Garden. Our effort to save the garden won First Place from NUSA, Neighborhoods USA this year for Physical Revitalization.



I am thankful for the investment into Parker Elementary and Westbury High School by HISD. These improvements to both campuses should serve the next generation of Westbury children well.

I am thankful for City of Houston for investing in both Westbury Park and Hager Park. Westbury Park has a brand new fence and Hager Park has an improved walking trail. I am also thankful for the City matching grant program. This defrayed part of the cost of the project to add irrigation on the Hillcroft esplanade at Willowbend.



I am thankful for Keep Houston Beautiful. You can read on page 19 about the latest beautification project that came to us through Keep Houston Beautiful. The *Bud Light Gives Back to Houston* event was a great success. Not only did the Willow Waterhole park receive a much needed facelift but many more people were introduced to this wonderful green space.

I am thankful for all of the friends I have made here in Westbury and while working for Westbury. My life is certainly richer in friendship since I began this civic journey.



As the holiday season approaches I hope you can get out to enjoy the great social spaces that are being created throughout Westbury. Bring the family out to the Willow Waterhole for a walk, walk the new path at Hager Park, or visit the Westbury Community garden.

Show your thanks for our WAP Constables by sending in financial support. As those holiday package deliveries begin, keep an eye out for those pesky package thieves. Send in your WAP patrol dues today. Help keep all of Westbury safe this holiday season. I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving!

Becky Edmondson

Board Notes

- Motion by David Cummins to transfer \$34,526 from the WAP Savings Account to the WCC General Account to cover the 2014 patrol shortage that the WCC Account paid. Seconded by J. Weiss. Motion Approved.
- The following committees were formed: Deed Restriction Revision, By-Laws & Policies, New Resident, and Budget
- Discussion on Mandatory Assessments and Deed Restriction revision
- Discussion on WAP funds shortage and plans for upcoming years.
- Representative from Solid Waste attended to discuss different city services available to residents of the City.
- Resident Steve Goldberg spoke about the new LED lighting that CenterPoint is installing and its possible negative effects.
- Thank you Jackie Murray & Kendyl Maurer for providing cookies and water.

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, November 18
7PM-9PM
Westbury Baptist 10425 Hillcroft**

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

Meyer Neighborhood Library

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

Family Fun Day @ the Platou Center
Sat., Nov. 14, 10AM-2PM
Birding—Join us for an enjoyable bird survey around the park, listen to an expert from the Houston Audubon Society, and enjoy a bird feeder craft.

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
Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9-9:45AM
Improve your flexibility by joining this non-strenuous exercise class. No registration required.

MSBEEHAVEN QUILTERS -Tues., 10AM - 2PM

GAMES—Wed., 10AM to 12PM
For more information, contact Wally at 713-729-9310

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 details.

TOPS: TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY
A Weight Loss Support Group
Tuesdays 5:45-7PM
Drop in to preview or call Dorothy at 713-723-4441 Naomi at 713-988-2233

November 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.

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

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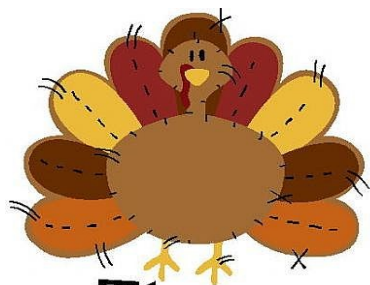


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What's Happening in Westbury

Events & Meetings Calendar November 2015

Oct 31	Parker Elementary FunFest 10AM-2PM Westbury Park
Sat 1	Daylight Saving Time Ends Roll those clocks back an hour!
Tues 3	Election Day! VOTE VOTE VOTE
Tues 10	Willow Waterhole Dog Park Committee Meeting 6:30PM The Gathering Place - 5310 S. Willow For more information, see page 18
Sat. 14	Family Fun Day @ Platou Center 10AM - 2PM 11655 Chimney Rock Activity: Birding; See page 4 for more information
Sat. 14	Willow Waterhole Workday 9AM - Noon The Gathering Place - 5310 S. Willow For information, see page 18
Mon. 16	Brays Bayou Association Meeting 7:30PM The Gathering Place—5310 S. Willow Topic: Bayou 2020, more info on page 18
Wed. 18	WAIC/Super Neighborhood #37 Meeting 8:30AM Salem Lutheran Church 4930 W. Bellfort See page 6 for more information
Wed. 18	Westbury Civic Club Board Meeting 7PM-9PM Westbury Baptist —10425 Hillcroft
Sat. 21	Audubon Society Bird Survey 8AM Meet at The Gathering Place parking lot—5310 S. Willow
Wed 25-27	HISD Thanksgiving Holidays
Nov 19-27	WCC Office Closed Due to Thanksgiving Holiday Email and voicemails will be checked daily.



Happy Thanksgiving

Planning Calendar

Holiday Music in Park—Dec. 6
Deck the Halls Parade—Dec. 19
HISD Winter Break - Dec. 21- Jan. 4

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RECYCLING AND HEAVY TRASH CALENDAR



November 2015	
Thurs 12	Curbside Recycling All of Westbury
Thurs 12	Heavy Trash- TREE WASTE ONLY ALL OF WESTBURY
Friday 27	Regular Trash & Recycling All of Westbury
December 2015	
Thurs 10	Curbside Recycling All of Westbury
Thurs 10	Heavy Trash- JUNK WASTE ALL OF WESTBURY
Thurs 24	Curbside 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
- ♻️ YARD 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

City of Houston Heavy Trash Schedule

November	Tree Waste	December	Junk Waste
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Community News

Anderson Elementary Participates in “Read Across the Globe”

Isn't it fun to read a book with a child? Did you know that there is a Guinness World Record for the “most children reading with an adult in 24 hours”? On October 19, Anderson Elementary, other schools in Houston, and schools around the world participated in an initiative to impact literacy while also attempting to break that Guinness world record. The book read to children here in Houston was “Farmer Will Allen and the Growing Table”, a true book about a former basketball player who operates an urban farm and trains people on how to grow their own fresh food.

At Anderson Elementary, more than 40 volunteers showed up to be either classroom readers or official witnesses. Volunteers included parents and relatives, community volunteers, members of Westbury United Methodist Church, members of the Fountain of Praise Church, and HISD Trustee Wanda Adams.



WAIC Updates

The Westbury Area Improvement Corporation (WAIC) board met on October 21. This meeting is open to the public and includes Westbury residents, business owners, and reps from local organizations, METRO government, and schools. This meeting also serves as the meeting for the Westbury Super Neighborhood.

SCHOOLS: Anderson Elementary had been projected to have 690 students but actually has 761. Enrollment may increase since it is a regional hub and will accept students from schools that have hit maximum enrollment. Both Kindergarten and First Grade are Dual Language. Next year, Pre-K will be added to Dual Language. Parker Elementary has 832 students, and First and Third grades are capped at maximum enrollment. They are working on plans for a new SPARK Park, in conjunction with the new school building, including a great entry plaza for the school. Westbury High School has 2,121 students. The school is in an attendance contest with several other high schools. Principal Monaghan is working to change the school culture and emphasizes talking to students and building relationships with students.

METRO: Concerns about bus stop maintenance on W. Bellfort at Burdine were discussed with the METRO rep. The bench has been repaired and efforts to improve mowing are on-going. A bus shelter has been requested for that location.

Commercial Update: Much discussion about strengthening ties between WAIC, WCC and area businesses.

WAIC Projects:

Neighborhood Trails - signs paid for by the WAIC have been posted. A coalition representing several communities is working together to advocate for trails.

Westbury Community Garden – \$5,000 approved by the Brays Oaks Management District board for driveway repairs.

Westbury Park – the city has finished replacing the tennis backdrop and the new fence along Stillbrooke. A plaque to acknowledge donors to the playground project has been again delayed and the Houston Parks Board may switch to another contractor.

Mayoral Debate – event was well-attended and well organized.

NEXT WAIC MEETING

Wed, November 18, 8:30AM

Salem Lutheran

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WHS and Bond updates

HISD Bond Project Updates

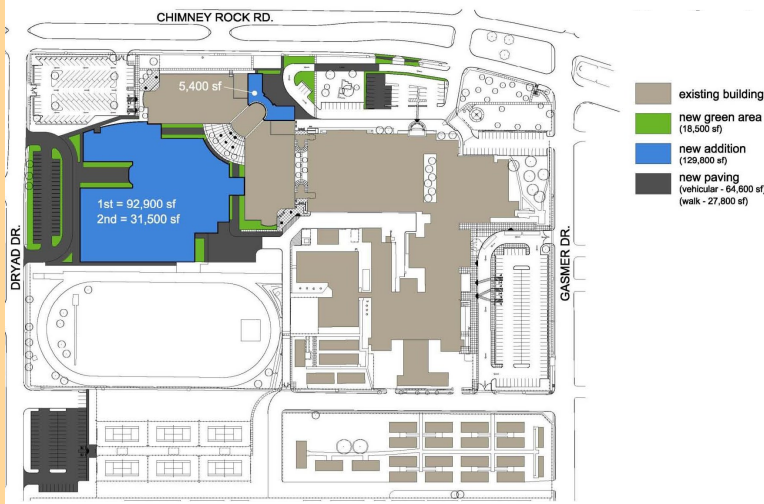
Parker Elementary: Although construction has not yet started, the project team still hopes to have the new building completed and open for the 2017-2018 school year.

Westbury High School: City permits have been issued and contractor approved to build a new baseball and softball field on Gasmer, with field completion anticipated in February 2016. Work should begin soon with fencing and trailers arriving in several weeks.

Amenities such as lighting and restrooms will be completed in the summer. The team is working with the city regarding detention requirements for the new tennis courts with construction beginning in Summer of 2016.

Design work for the new building wing continues. A traffic consultant will be used to examine the parking areas and drop-off zones. The baseball fields are Phase 1 as the new building will sit on the existing baseball field.

Design Progress Update



Updated drawings shown during October PAT

Student Success Center at WHS

Westbury High School recently rebranded its Truancy Office, now called The Student Success Center. The name change was made to better reflect the office's overall mission of helping students graduate by providing a more positive and encouraging emphasis. This re-branding effort is particularly timely because the Texas Legislature passed groundbreaking legislation, HB 2398, that will end the criminalization of truancy, protecting hundreds of thousands of Texas children from receiving hefty fines and criminal convictions for being absent from school.

The name change coincided with new initiatives that are relevant to all students on campus. The first initiative of The Student Success Center was a school-wide awareness campaign called "Relationships Matter: Every Student Needs a Champion", which spotlighted teachers on the campus who have made positive and powerful connections with students and who have created classroom environments that motivate them to thrive.

Each month, "Relationships Matter: Every Student Needs a Champion" will plan, produce and market student-led, school-wide awareness campaigns that include Great Things That Are Happening Behind the Doors of Westbury, Anti-Bullying, Culture Awareness, Parental Involvement, and First Generation College Readiness. Each campaign is designed to attract, inform and motivate everyone from students to teachers to the community.

You can watch a Westbury Teacher Video on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9SsuJu7TkoY>

Westbury High School does not allow off campus lunch. If you see kids out and about at lunch time who you believe are WHS students, you can call the school at 713-723-6015.

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Election Information & Mayoral Debate Recap



The Westbury Super Neighborhood, Southwest Houston 2000, and the nearby Super Neighborhoods of Braeswood, Brays Oaks, Fondren, Hiram Clarke, and Fort Bend Houston jointly hosted a non-partisan Candidate Forum and Mayoral Debate on September 29, 2015, called "Moving Forward Together". The event was held at Riceville Mt. Olive Baptist Church and was also live-streamed. We are very pleased to announce that this event was well-attended by the public with about 400 persons in the audience.

The Westbury community has a tradition of being involved in civic activities and having a high rate of voting. Cindy Peden Chapman, Co-President of the Westbury Super Neighborhood, said that "we want our residents to have a chance to learn more about the candidates, but it is equally important that the candidates learn about our issues and our concerns. Another point that I hope these candidates notice is that the communities in southwest Houston are working together on many projects. We are expanding our focus beyond our own boundaries because we have many issues in common. We know that we are stronger when we work together."

One unusual aspect of the "Moving Forward Together" event was the emphasis that was placed upon participation by youth. The Westbury High School Choir provided the musical prelude. The Presentation of Colors was jointly provided by the 4 ROTC units from Westbury High, Sharpstown High, Madison High, and Willowridge High. The Westbury High and Willowridge High debate teams helped sort the questions from the audience for the event moderator. The high school students stayed for the entire event and were able to talk to candidates before and after the event.

Among the Westbury residents spotted in the audience were WCC Board Members: Becky Edmondson, Eugene Sirls, Marcia Hartman, Cindy Chapman, David Cummins, Larry Ellis, Robert Montgomery, Virginia and Taylor Livingston. We thank all the event sponsors and everyone who participated in this civic event.



ELECTION DAY – Tues., November 3

Your Decision. Your Vote. Westbury is respected as an area with high voter turnout. Keep up the Westbury tradition and VOTE!

What is on the ballot?

*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 Comm. Ctr,
11655 Chimney Rock

Precinct 281: Kolter Elementary,
9710 Runnymede 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 293: Andy Anderson Elementary,
5727 Ludington

Precinct 693: Braeswood Assembly of God,
10611 Fondren

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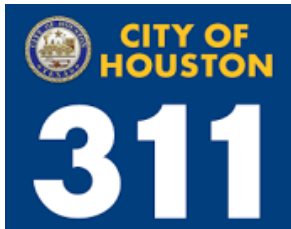


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Westbury Civic Club News

As part of the service provided by your Civic Club and the Super Neighborhood, we monitor the monthly 311 service calls submitted for the Westbury area. The Department of Neighborhoods, in addition to touring Westbury each month, also provides a monthly report of 311 calls. This report helps us monitor trends in missing trash pickups, broken water mains, nuisance properties and other items.



Please call 311 or use the handy 311 app for all your City of Houston questions and concerns. If you would like the WCC to monitor a situation after you have reported it to 311, please send an email to westburycc@sbcglobal.net with the Service Request (SR) number you have received. Provide a brief description of the problem.

For the 30 day period from September 19 to October 20, there were 344 service requests submitted to 311 from Westbury. The top calls made to Neighborhood Services were to report: Nuisances on properties, heavy trash violations, and parking violations. Calls to the Parks Dept.

311 HelpLine	16
Health	1
Neighborhood Services	36
Parking	8
Parks & Recreation	26
Public Works	79
Solid Waste	178
Grand Total	344

were for tree removal and stump grinding primarily. Sewer wastewater issues, water leaks and street hazards topped the calls for Public Works. Solid Waste reports generated the highest number of calls. Top issues were missed trash pickup which totaled 121 calls. Sadly, there were 20 calls for dead animals.

WCC Proposed 2015 Budget

The Westbury Civic Club (WCC) Budget Committee is working on the 2016 budget. The budget will be published in the Crier newsletter once it is approved at the upcoming November 2015 board meeting. This year's proposed budget will be similar to last year's budget.

The WCC operates on a calendar year budget. We estimate our income for the coming year (based on prior history), and then we budget proposed expenditures based on the predicted income.

Our biggest expense is the Westbury Area Patrol (WAP) security control contract with the Precinct 5 constable office. The WAP Patrol cost will remain the same as 2015 at \$316,925 for 4 patrol officers. For the past two years, we have been required to have a minimum of 4 patrol officers in our contract with Precinct 5. Although our patrol income had been sufficient in the past to pay for 3 officers, for the past 2 years we have NOT received enough funds to pay for 4 officers. The WCC board considers this to be a very concerning and serious situation, and the board is considering ways to increase income in 2016 for the security patrol. Our goal is raise sufficient patrol funds each year to pay for the patrol costs for that year. On page 1, you will see a request for residents to contribute additional funds toward the 2015 patrol costs.

The Greenspace Committee is evaluating its service contract with our landscape company. At this time, the proposed 2016 budget for our Greenspaces is \$42,600, but this may change as more information is obtained. The remaining proposed General Expense budget for the Westbury Civic Club is anticipated to be \$142,500. The General Expense category includes all the items that go into operating the Civic Club: printing and distribution of the Crier, operating an office and staffing it, insurance, professional fees (financial reviews, legal expenses), doing projects and programs, and deed restriction enforcement. Advertising in the monthly newsletter offsets the printing costs.

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City Services

New Trash Reminder App

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METRO See Something, Say Something

METRO is asking for help and support from the community to advise them when issues arise and need to be resolved. Their "See Something, Say Something Program" is designed to work with their community partners and residents to help make them aware of any issues about METRO services/areas or its facilities. Using the information below will allow for improved scheduling and tracking of issues and resolutions.



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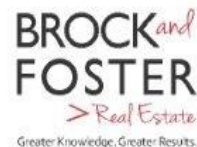
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Storm Water Drain Lines Vital to Prevent Flooding

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COH truck with crew and equipment



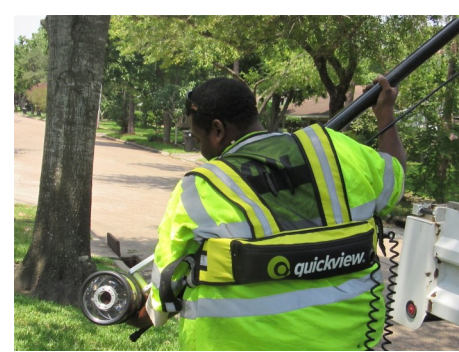
Map of storm drainage lines to inspect.



Assembling the sensitive camera equipment.



Attaching camera to COH operator



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Do Not Blow Your Leaves into the Storm Drains!

As you know, Houston has street flooding. Streets in Houston are designed to be channels for the raising water to gather into and then allow the water to flow into the storm drains. The rain water drains away and eventually ends up in Galveston Bay. Houston homes are set on higher ground, ideally, to keep them from flooding.

If you, or your hired lawn crew, blow leaves and debris into the storm drains, then the drain lines will be obstructed, resulting in slow draining and potential flooding. If your home has a storm drain in the street, make sure to regularly clean the top of debris. Often in heavy rains, the storm drains clog with sticks and newspapers, etc.

Leaves, grass and other debris can clog storm water drain lines and impede street drainage.



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Green News In Westbury

Westbury goes WILD

Houston Wild promotes the creation and conservation of wildlife habitats within the city. Even though we live in a large metropolitan area, there is wildlife all around us. The goal of Houston Wild is to support wildlife through the development and maintenance of habitats where they can continue to flourish. We can all play an important part!

Houston Wild is part of the National Wildlife Federation's **Certified Wildlife Habitat™** program. It promotes the use of native plants and landscaping to develop natural habitats that attract wildlife and birds, use little or no fertilizer and require modest watering. Local wildlife habitat in city spaces can qualify to be a Certified Wildlife Habitat. By registering your backyard, you join an active community of wildlife gardeners numbering over 400,000 nationwide. Being certified by the National Wildlife Federation makes you part of the Million Pollinator Garden Challenge, a national effort to restore critical habitat for pollinators in peril and celebrates your hard work in support of backyard wildlife. And, you are helping the entire city gain recognition as a Certified Wildlife Community.










Many of you already are doing all the things necessary to create a wildlife habitat in your backyard: you provide food, supply water, create cover, give wildlife a place to raise their young, and create a healthy habitat. Now you just need to take the next step and get certified.

For more information and tips, go to **National Wildlife Federation** http://www.nwf.org/how-to-help/garden-for-wildlife/create-a-habitat.aspx?s_subsrc=Web_Content_CWH_GardenSite_Main_3

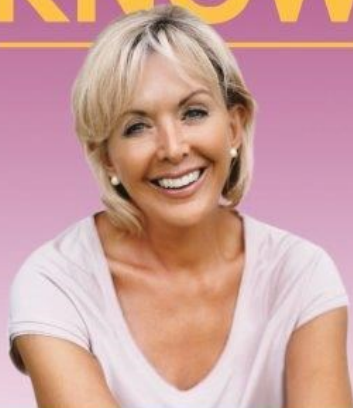
Register your yard and help Westbury be the wildest neighborhood in Houston!



Fall Yard Care Tips

-  Reduce the amount you water the lawn significantly in the Fall. As a general rule, your lawn only needs water every 5-7 days.
-  Overwatering in the Fall can lead to plant disease.
-  If there is a large amount of rain in the forecast, there is no need to water the lawn.
-  Mulch your garden, it reduces loss from evaporation and protects the soil and roots.
-  The best time of year to plant is in the Fall. Your plants will require less water and be ready to bloom in the Spring.
-  Avoid over-fertilizing the lawn.
-  Check your sprinkler system frequently for leaks.
-  Plant a Fall garden.
-  Plant lettuces as a border in your existing beds and enjoy fresh salads all season.

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Westbury Greenspace

Welcome to the greenest subdivision in the City--and not just because our city councilperson's last name is Green, either! Do you enjoy driving along our wide streets with green esplanades down the middle? Do the spreading oak trees give you a peaceful feeling? All that green is the result of years of dedicated work by Westbury residents, both to protect our greenspaces and to enhance our "curb appeal" for those who not only live here but who drive our streets daily. Westbury boasts 7 miles of esplanades and 3 City parks. The City of Houston has gradually been backing away from all but the barest minimum of maintenance when it comes to esplanades and parks. That means WE have to pick up the slack, if WE want Westbury to reflect the pride of ownership of its residents. We work hard to keep our homes looking nice; let's put the same effort into the streets we drive every day.

Some suggestions to help:

 Volunteer to be a Greenspace Steward: Keep your eyes on one park, or one section of esplanade, etc. and keep us notified of new problems as soon as they arise. That way, problems can be dealt with swiftly, rather than festering until they become a larger issue. This could be a perfect job for moms with tots, residents walking their dogs, etc.



Pick up litter when you see it. The City does not de-litter areas before they mow (which only happens about every three weeks, anyway).

That means litter simply gets chopped up and makes an even bigger mess. So instead of complaining about trash, pick it up and dispose of it. It's your neighborhood, be proud of it. Keep it clean. Even if you weren't the cause of the litter, you can be the solution.



Pick up illegally posted commercial signs on public property and esplanades. Our public spaces are not intended to advertise "We buy houses" or "Cheap movers", etc.



Join the **WCC Greenspace Committee** and help Westbury look good! We are always looking for new ideas, and new ways to work within the existing system to meet the needs of our residents. Your idea may be just what we need! (email mmhartman@gmail.com)

We are proud of Westbury. Help us keep it the "Greenest Neighborhood in Houston"!

**STREET TREES
TREES IN CITY RIGHT OF WAY**
If you witness the removal of trees from street easements, please call 832-395-7100 immediately so the City can check for permits and avoid unnecessary street tree loss. This phone line is answered 24 hours a day.

Tree Farm in Westbury

Did you know that we have a tree farm right here in Westbury? In 2014, thanks to a donation of trees from Trees for Houston and a workday by Scotts Miracle Gro employees, we have 150 trees being grown for use around Westbury.

It has been a bit of a challenge to keep the irrigation system operational. Trees for Houston worked with us and thanks to Alan and Hazel Potvin, Wayne Slaikou, Stephen Cook, Marcia Hartman, and H. Newcombe, the irrigation system seems to be up and operational.

Do you love trees? We are looking for a volunteer to adopt this project and care for these trees until they are ready to plant.

Join us on November 7, for the first Westbury tree planting day. Meet at the WCC Office.



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Crime/Security

Crime Statistics for Westbury Super Neighborhood 37* 30 days October 21, 2015

	Single-Family Home	Apt/Condo	Commercial Property	Public Areas	Totals
Burglary	11	5	1	0	17
Theft	22	7	2	8	39
Auto Theft	2	2	4	0	8
Robbery	0	0	1	0	1
Assault	1	0	1	0	2
Rape	0	1	0	0	1
Murder	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	36	15	9	8	68

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

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



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.

Single Family Residential Crime

Locations by block number, not exact address. Stats for 30 days preceding October 22, 2015

Block #	Street	Crime
5500	Arboles	Theft
12100	Ashcroft	Theft
11900	Ashcroft	Theft
12200	Ashcroft	Burglary
5600	Bankside	Theft
5700	Benning	Theft
5500	Burlinghall	Burglary
5600	Burlinghall	Theft
11500	Chimney Rock	Theft
5800	Claridge	Theft
5500	Dryad	Burglary
5600	Dryad	Burglary
5600	Dryad	Burglary
11900	Dunlap	Theft
5800	Duxbury	Theft
5700	Ettrick	Theft
5700	Firenza	Theft
5800	Firenza	Auto Theft
5800	Firenza	Theft
5800	Firenza	Theft
11100	Fonda	Theft
11400	Hillcroft	Burglary
5700	Ludington	Assault
11400	Mullins	Burglary
10800	Oasis	Theft
5700	Portal	Burglary
11900	Rampart	Burglary

Westbury HPD Storefront

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Support the WAP Constables by sending in your dues TODAY!

IMPORTANT NUMBERS & CONTACTS

Westbury Area Patrol / Constables
281-463-6666
Westbury HPD Storefront
832.394.7520
HPD Non-Emergency
713-884-3131
Brays Oak Management District (BOMD)
www.braysoakmd.org
(report graffiti)

Block #	Street	Crime
5700	Southminster	Auto Theft
5700	Southminster	Theft
5700	Southminster	Theft
5800	Southminster	Burglary
5700	Spellman	Burglary
5500	Stillbrooke	Theft
5500	Stillbrooke	Theft
6000	Vickijohn	Theft
6000	Vickijohn	Theft
5300	Willowbend	Burglary

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.

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

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.

2015 Westbury Civic Club Dues

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 12 payments of \$25 is \$300/yr
 *Call the office for payment questions

Westbury Civic Club Membership	\$40	\$	
Greenspace Beautification	\$25	\$	
Westbury Area Patrol	\$230	\$	
Subtotal	\$295	\$	
Additional Contributions:			
Westbury Civic Club		\$	
Greenspace Beautification		\$	
Westbury Area Patrol (WAP)		\$	
Total		\$	

Thank you for supporting the Westbury Civic Club and the important programs it funds. We can't do it without you!
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Westbury Area News

Deck the Halls Parade: December 19

One fish, two fish, red fish, blue fish.... the theme for the Deck the Halls parade will be Dr. Suess! More info in the next *Crier*.



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.

November Meet & Eat: Thurs., November 5 @ 6PM
December Meet & Eat: Thurs., December 3 @ 6PM

Westbury Wine Lovers

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

Napoli's on November 12 at 6:30PM

Links for Lost & Found Pets in Westbury

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

Help Protect Houston's Animals

Did you know the Houston Police Department has a squad dedicated to investigating cases in which animals are abused, neglected, abandoned or stolen?

HPD's Animal Cruelty Squad works closely with BARC, the City of Houston's animal shelter and adoption center, to investigate cases in which animals do not receive proper care. Citizens can help by calling 3-1-1 or HPD's non-emergency dispatch number at 713-884-3131. A call to 9-1-1 should only be made in life threatening situations.

Senior Police Officer D. Farrell investigates animal cruelty. To assist him and his fellow investigators, he asks witnesses to provide as much specific information as possible about the animal's color, sex, breed, markings, tattoos, and whether it has any chips. Video of a short interview with Officer Farrell can be found on the HPD YouTube Channel at: <http://youtu.be/64eILfkBP6I>

For more information on BARC, visit the department's website at www.houstonbarc.com

Does Your Dog Bark?

When you are away from home your dog may be barking. You don't know, but your neighbor does. Barking dogs are still one of the number one complaints we receive at the WCC. Your neighbor doesn't want to tell you. They want us to fix the problem. If you own a dog, be a good neighbor and ask both your next door neighbors and the neighbor that lives behind you whether your dog barks while you are away.

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Willow Waterhole Events

Willow Waterhole

Workday: November 14

The next conservation workday will be on Saturday, November 14 from 9AM to Noon. This is open to all volunteers. Meet at The Gathering Place 5310 South Willow.

Brays Bayou Association

Meeting: November 16

On Monday November 16, Mike Nichols, Interim Director and Chip Place, Managing Director of Capital Projects, Houston Parks Board will join BBA to discuss Bayou 2020 program and to meet members of the Neighborhoods to Trails group

Holiday Music in the Park: December 6 3-5PM



Join us for inspiration and merriment from local church choirs and singing groups.

PARKING FOR ALL EVENTS:

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

Dog Park Committee

Meeting: November 10

Several acres have been identified as a possible dog park site. The next Dog Park Committee Meeting will be on November 10 at 6:30PM at the Gathering Place at 5310 S. Willow. Discussion will include our wish list for the park, amenities, and sub-committees.

Email: willowwaterhole@gmail.com



WHS Track Team Trains at the Willow Waterhole

Pictured to right: Otis Jackson, Yoel Yoel, Kwesi Awotwe, Zakarias Philipo, Saulo Yoel, Mohammad Sesay, Luis Hernandez, Aman Tesfai.



The Westbury High School track team attributes its recent success to being able to train at the Willow Waterhole. One of the track members said "It has hills, it has concrete, it has crushed granite and unimproved surfaces. It prepares us for all types of meets." Another member credited long time Coach Blanks saying, "we have a great program and good coaches who push us to do our best. There is always a nice breeze blowing at the Willow Waterhole", and one of the young men said he liked the weather at the park. **At the recent District meet, WHS placed second overall and will compete later in the Regional championship at Sam Houston State.**



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Bud Light Gives Back to Houston

BUD LIGHT GIVES BACK TO HOUSTON

“Bud Light Gives Back to Houston” at the Willow Waterhole was a wonderfully successful event. On a perfectly beautiful Saturday morning in October, about 200 volunteers came together to beautify the Willow Waterhole.

Bud Light and **Silver Eagle Distributors** were the major sponsors of this event: providing the call for volunteers (who had to be 21 or older), funds to support the projects completed that day, and providing food and drink and music after the event. **Keep Houston Beautiful (KHB)** was also an integral part of the workday. KHB provided tools and a roll off dumpster, ordered the plants, obtained a landscape architect to create a landscape design plan for the Dryad entrance, and also provided general support and expertise. **Trees for Houston** donated 8 beautiful large oaks and a crape myrtle. **Scotts Miracle Gro**, a long-time Westbury partner that helped the Westbury community garden get built, provided garden soil and mulch and two hard-working staff!

Board members of the Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy supervised several large workday projects. Ralph Rieger and Ray Runge led a project to repair trails. Bill Burhans and Howard Sacks oversaw beautification projects. Becky Edmondson led the team which



Clockwise from Top: Volunteers working on trail; new entrance to Willow Waterhole, right side; new entrance, left side.

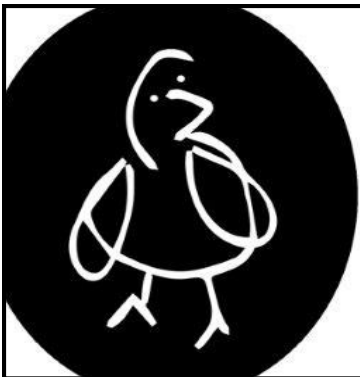
cleaned near the Dryad gate entrance, and then planted several large trees and more than 100 plants to make that entrance more attractive and inviting. Russell Shexnayder led the mulching crew at the Rafferty Memorial near Ricecrest. Valerie Runge led the tree trimming crew. Hundreds of volunteers came from all over Houston. Some volunteers were from Westbury, such as WCC board



members Marcia Hartman, Cindy Chapman, Jeff Benavides, David Cummins and Kate Wilson. Some were nearby residents. Some volunteers came from as far away as San Antonio. Commissioners from KHB helped out, as well as a contingent of Bud Light employees.

The Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy, along with the Westbury Super Neighborhood, were thrilled with this investment by Silver Eagle Distributors and Bud Light for making this corner of our world more beautiful and appealing.

Thanks to Bud Light and all the volunteers who made this day possible!



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Keeping Westbury Beautiful

Neighborhood Trail Project

Have you seen the new Westbury Neighborhood trail signs? Several of your neighbors are volunteering their own time and sweat to make some trails in Westbury. Westbury residents, Allen Potvin and Kevin O'Brien, maintain the greenspaces that line Westbury's drainage easements by mowing them regularly and clearing debris. One day we hope these unimproved trails will have walking surfaces and other amenities. For now, you can enjoy some off road walking thanks to Allen and Kevin. And thanks to the WAIC for providing the funding for the new signs!

Westbury resident and board member, Eugene Sirls, is serving on the larger multi-neighborhood "Neighborhoods to Trails SW" committee that is working to bring an entire network of trails to SW Houston. These trails would connect Westbury to other nearby neighborhoods and to the Brays Bayou system as well as the Willow Waterhole. If you would like to join this initiative email Al Potvin at abpotvin@gmail.com.



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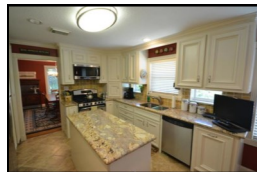
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Westbury Community Garden

Master Gardeners Visit Community Garden

A group of 21 Harris County Master Gardeners stopped at the award-winning Westbury Community Garden (WCG) as part of their Fall field trip. Five WCG volunteer tour guides, Marcia Hartman, Hazel Heddings, Wayne Slaikeu, Kat Elder and Virginia Livingston, guided small groups through seventeen features of the garden and answered their questions about native bees, composting, rainwater catchment, and Plant It Forward Farms, as well as vegetable gardening practices. Scout projects and the newly reconstructed compost bins elicited expressions of awe. Tour ended with a Q&A session.

Like many other groups, the Master Gardeners were surprised to hear that the garden was built entirely by volunteers over the past six years. WCG has been blessed with an energetic and talented group of volunteers who reach out to invite others to join in the creation of this outstanding asset to our community.

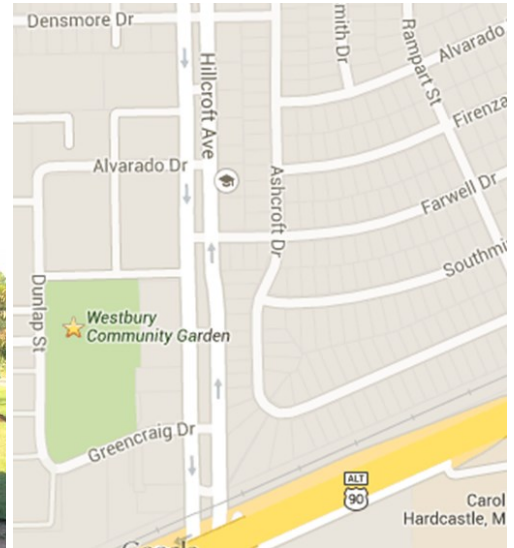
 Interested in vegetable gardening?

 Want a tour?

 Wish to volunteer?



Contact WCG at www.WestburyCommunityGarden.org or wcvirginia@gmail.com. Like them on Facebook, Westbury Community Garden Houston.



WHERE IS THE GARDEN?

12581 Dunlap (77035) is off Hillcroft between W. Airport and South Main. Heading south on Hillcroft, turn right onto Green Craig, follow it around the bend where it turns into Dunlap. The large blue roof on the WCG Pavilion is readily visible. Street parking.

KEEP THOSE HOME VALUES UP

- ◆ Keep your home and fences in good repair.
- ◆ Maintain a mowed and edged yard.
- ◆ Now is a perfect time to tackle those big projects!
- ◆ Do NOT put out Heavy Trash before the acceptable date.

The next JUNK WASTE heavy trash date is December 10.
Junk Waste may be put on the curb starting December 5.
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2015 Fall White Elephant Sale

Another White Elephant Sale is in the books! It was a beautiful morning, cool temperatures, no gusty winds, low humidity. Fifty (50) booths were sold. There was a glitch and no porta potties were delivered. However Westbury Methodist was good enough to open their facility for access to their restrooms. What wonderful partners we have in our Westbury churches.



Thanks to the hardworking WCC board and staff who worked the sale. Robert Montgomery, Larry Ellis, Libby Mondello, Valerie Salinas, David Cummins, Jennifer and Becky Edmondson were on site at 5 AM. Thanks to Robert and Larry for remembering that our big banner needed help and they came with an awesome solution! Then at 6 AM in the dark, with a very cool sliver of the moon and Venus and Jupiter looking down, people began arriving to set up sales booths.



When the sale opened at 8 AM, several hundred people were waiting in line. Four hours and hundreds of treasures and dollars later, it was done! The cleanup and shut down were handled by Kevin O'Brien, Eugene Sirls, and Jeff Weiss. We were out by 1:30 PM.



Many thanks to Leslee Cross for coming with the PUCs food truck. It was appreciated. Thanks to everyone who came to sell their items, and to all those who came to browse and buy. It was another organized and efficient sale ably run by the Westbury Civic Club Office Manager Jennifer Edmondson and assisted by Valerie Salinas.



Next White Elephant Sale: Spring 2016

Stay tuned to future *Westbury Criers*





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2015 National Night Out



National Night Out was a great success as dozens of parties took place all over Westbury. Hundreds of neighbors came together to meet one another and to renew friendships. The Westbury Area Patrol (WAP), HPD officers, elected officials, and WCC board members visited as many of the parties as possible. The winner of the pizza party provided by the WCC was Bonnie Bibeau.



Remember, you don't have to wait for NNO to host a block party or a neighborhood get together. The best way to combat crime is when we all are looking out for one another. Know your neighbors. Know their cars and schedules. Exchange contact information. If you think to yourself that something seems odd or unusual, then act on that intuition and call the constables.



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If your street or block didn't have a party and you are interested in having one next year, let the WCC office know and we can give you pointers and sign you up for a WAP visit!



Remodeling your home? Adding On? Do you know your deed restrictions?

Did you know that the Westbury Civic Club can look over your proposed plans for free before you start construction?

We want to avoid deed restriction violations before they happen. Did you know that Westbury 2, Westbury 3, and Westbury 5 have a 25 foot rear setback for the main structure? Did you know that there is a minimum percentage of brick that must be on your home? Did you know that you can't build in front of your building line? We want to help you! We want you to find out about possible violations before it costs you money and time. Several homeowners in the past couple years have had to tear down and/or modify their construction due to deed restriction violations.

The City of Houston does not review deed restrictions when issuing permits. They require a signed affidavit acknowledging that the plans comply with your deed restrictions. This holds YOU, the homeowner, accountable for knowing and complying with your deed restrictions. We are here to help you. All deed restrictions are available online at westburycrier.com.

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