



# *Westcreek Times*

Villages of Westcreek  
Quarterly Newsletter

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## Happy Fall Ya'll!



*Come in* WE'RE  
**OPEN**

The office will be open for business on Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. to accept payments and update I.D. cards.



To stay updated on community events and information, go to our website: [www.villagesofwestcreek.com](http://www.villagesofwestcreek.com) and sign up for our free email service. You can also find us on Facebook!



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Richard Gentry**

It is that time of year again and the holidays are right around the corner. It seems like it was just yesterday we welcomed a New Year, time sure does fly by these days. I hope all of you have had a great year so far and are ready to enjoy some cooler weather. The Board of Directors has been working diligently for our community. We have made huge strides by improving and beautifying the Villages of Westcreek, but we really need some help from more of our homeowners. We enjoy and appreciate constructive feedback from our residents and always encourage homeowners to attend our monthly Board of Directors meetings.

One of my main focuses in the up-coming months, is to continue to upgrade the monuments that are at each of the individual village entrances. To do this, we would appreciate input from our homeowners. We now have a chairman for the Landscape Committee, Mr. Chaisson, however, we will need additional volunteers to join and help this committee put together the plans and suggestions for the monuments. The board will use this input to help guide us in funding the projects which will have a long lasting impression on everyone that passes by. We all notice the homeowners who do a great job to keep their properties well-groomed and know we have many skilled and talented residents who enjoy landscaping. We would like to encourage any resident to join the committee. Please contact the office for more details.

The Landscape Committee is just one way to have your voice heard. We have additional committees which cover many different aspects of the Association. Volunteering to help on one or more of the committees, not only will get your opinions and ideas out there, but ultimately benefits us as a Board when it comes to making decisions. We currently have a wonderful group of hard working volunteers, but they can only do so much. I encourage each of you to help out and take part in making the Villages of Westcreek remain a great place to live.

### **Outdoor Decorations:**

Outdoor decorations for the holidays may be displayed on the outside premises of residential properties, (without ARC approval), if they are displayed no earlier than: Forty (40) days before Christmas; thirty (30) days before all other holidays and removed no later than fifteen (15) days following the actual holiday's date (January 1 for the Christmas holiday). Therefore, Halloween decorations can be put up on October 1st, and must be removed by November 15th.

Thanksgiving decorations can be put up on October 28th, and removed by December 11th.

Christmas decorations, however, can be put up on November 15th, and removed by January 16th. Please keep in mind if you put lights on your house, the clips or nails need to be removed as well. This is not only for esthetic purposes but also to prevent damage. If nails are used and kept in the wood of the house, they end up rusting and discoloring the fascia. This also allows water to penetrate into the fascia boards and promotes wood rot.

National Night Out is a neighborhood crime and drug prevention event that occurs annually and is celebrated throughout the U.S.A. This year National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Sports Park. The Public Safety Committee has been working diligently to bring this event to you and will be bringing together organizations that benefit and provide services to the community. A food vendor will be on-site as well as sales of popcorn and water. Bring your lawn chairs, come connect with new and old friends and have a good time. We hope to see you there!



# VWOA

## National Night Out

Music

Tuesday, Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Westcreek Sports Park

*(Bring your lawn chairs)*

Food & Drinks for purchase

Door Prizes!

Donations of non-perishable food items accepted for San Antonio Foodbank

## ONLINE PAYMENTS

Westcreek homeowners can pay their assessments online at [www.villagesofwestcreek.com](http://www.villagesofwestcreek.com) via PayPal.

If you are past due, contact the office prior to submitting a payment. If you no longer live in WC, please reference your WC property address.

## JOIN A VWOA COMMITTEE

There are committees that need membership and support homeowners. These committees do not take up too much time and your input is critical to the success of our community. Please volunteer and become an active member of our community and help us continue to make Westcreek a great place to live.

## ***RECREATION ROUND-UP: Dawn Garza***

### **Swimming Pools:**

Our swimming pools will be closed for the season beginning October 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fall Soccer Program:**

Our Fall Soccer Season began August 31<sup>st</sup>, and we will hold our end of season tournament on November 7<sup>th</sup>. We registered 350 kids for the Fall program, and the season is going great!

### **Upcoming Events:**

~ **National Night Out: October 6<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 p.m.** Come on down to the Sports Park and mingle with your neighbors. We'll have food and drinks for purchase, music, Farmer's Market selling pumpkins, community vendors handing out information, door prizes and more. We hope to see you there!

~ **Fall Festival: November 14<sup>th</sup>, 1-8 p.m.** Come enjoy hay ride, free carnival rides (wrist bands given to all residents with current VWOA I.D.), food and drinks for purchase, a car show, music, vendors, and more! Please come by the office if you're interested in being a vendor. We hope to see you all there!

~ **Angel Tree Program:** Beginning November 2nd, we will be sponsoring our Annual Angel Tree. It will be set up in the Community Center Lobby. If the spirit of the season calls you to share, please come by and pick an Angel to sponsor. Some of our very own here in Westcreek are struggling this year and all Angels in need will be Westcreek residents. If you or someone you know needs a little help from the Westcreek Elves, please call 210-679-8761 or stop by the office to register for our Angel Tree. All information will be kept confidential and gifts can either be picked up or delivered. The deadline for returning unwrapped gifts is December 8<sup>th</sup>. The Westcreek elves will ensure all packages are wrapped for the recipients.

~ **Holiday Decoration Contest:** Show your holiday spirit and join our annual contest. Stop by the office to fill out a registration form in December. Judging will be December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Judges will pick winners for three separate categories: "Best Use of Light," "Best Holiday Spirit," and "Best Overall." Applications must be turned in to the office by 5:00pm by December 14th.

## ***ARC Meetings during the Holiday:***

Due to National Night Out, the ARC has rescheduled the meeting of Tuesday, October 6th to the following day Wednesday the 7th.

The ARC will not be meeting during the Thanksgiving (11/24), Christmas (12/22), and New Year's (12/29) Holidays. If you wish to do any improvements throughout your property over the upcoming holidays, applications must be submitted for review by noon on Monday the weeks prior (11/16 & 12/14).

## **MANAGER'S MINUTE: Jennifer Bell**

It is hard to believe that we are ushering in the last quarter of 2015 already. The cooler weather will be here soon, along with the holidays. October brings out the trick-or-treaters who will be donning their finest costumes to collect goodies from their neighbors. Please remember, to drive carefully on Halloween to keep the pedestrians safe, so everyone may enjoy a spooktacular evening. If you or your children are walking, please remember to stay together and use flashlights/reflective clothing to be easily seen. Additionally, if a neighbor does not have a light on, they are probably out enjoying the evening's festivities as well.

November welcomes in Fall Fest, Columbus Day and Thanksgiving. It is a wonderful time of year when people cozy up for time with family and friends, and begin to reflect on what they are thankful for. VWOA is very thankful for our supportive volunteers who dedicate their time to make Westcreek better every day. Our current volunteers would be very thankful for additional assistance and input from more residents. We strive to have meetings in the evenings to encourage residents to attend.

In December, we are ready to partake in the holidays- Christmas, Hanukah, Kwanza, and New Year's. So many festivities, so many people visiting family and friends near and far. Here are a few holiday safety reminders:

- Remember to stop your mail and paper delivery
- If possible, have a neighbor sign for your packages so they are not left on your front porch
- Contact your trash company for their trash/recycle holiday pick-up schedule.

The VWOA Board of Directors and staff would like to wish all of our residents a safe and joyous holiday season and thank you for your continued support.

If you should have any questions, comments, or need assistance, please contact our office 679-8761.

## **WWW.VILLAGESOFWESTCREEK.COM**

Please visit our website and click on the Subscribe button to sign up for our community Constant Contact to receive important emails and our weekly Week in Westcreek newsletter.

## **Important Maintenance Reminder:**

Do not dispose of any items such as limbs, rocks, trash, furniture, etc. in the Greenbelts or Easements. Items such as these may not be easily visible and may cause damage to maintenance equipment and could lead to additional destruction or injury.

Please slow down when you see the maintenance crew working along or near the roadways.

If you have any comments or concerns, please contact the office.

## **ADMINS CORNER: Melynda Porter**

Holiday schedule- The office will be closed November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The office will be open on December 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> from 9am-5pm and December 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> from 9am-2p.m. The office will be closed December 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Please keep an eye out for the assessment coupon cards that we send out in November. These coupons are good for the entire upcoming year (2016), and we do not send out quarterly reminder statements. If you do receive a statement, this is notifying you that your Assessments are late and finance charges have been applied.

\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\*

\*Valid ID card stickers must be at least 4:5 to be current for the quarter. With our Fall Festival in the park right around the corner, your cards will need to be current to receive your free wrist bands which will allow you and your family access to all of the rides at the Festival. If you do not have your cards with you when you come in to pay, please feel free to leave them in our after-hours drop box and we will update and return them to you.

\*If you would like to receive more information on upcoming events, crime, vandalism, upcoming meeting and much more, please take a moment to stop by the office and fill out a Constant contact form, or you can go on our website at [www.villagesofwestcreek.com](http://www.villagesofwestcreek.com) and add your email address under the subscribe tab.

\*A big thank you to Metro Waste for their continued support at our community events as well as at the VWOA office for all of our garbage and recycling needs!

### **COMMUNITY REMINDERS**

Please remember to be observant in your neighborhood. Report any suspicious activities or persons to the Bexar County Sheriff's office. (210) 335-6000.

If you see graffiti or vandalism in the Villages of Westcreek, please report it to the office at 679-8761.

Please be sure to pick up after your animals on all common areas and while in the Sports Park. A pet waste station is located next to the park rules sign. Also, be respectful of your neighbor's property and clean up any waste.

### **ASSESSMENTS AND ID CARD REMINDERS**

All residents 12 and older must have a current VWOA ID card to access either pool, the park and attend all VWOA events.

Please ensure you get your VWOA ID cards stickers updated at the office so you can enjoy our amenities and events.

The assessments for 2015 are \$328.00 for the year or \$82.00 quarterly. If you pay quarterly, please remember the due dates are January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1, 2015. Finance charges are applied on past due assessments

## ***Community Information***

### Office Information

Phone: (210)-679-8761

Fax: (210)-679-0040

After Hours Emergency Phone:

(210)-854-9282

Address: 12395 Military Dr. W.  
San Antonio, TX 78253

Hours: Monday- 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday- 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

The office will be open Saturday, October 10, 2015  
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. to accept payments and update  
VWOA ID cards.

Website: [www.villagesofwestcreek.com](http://www.villagesofwestcreek.com)

Email: [board@villagesofwestcreek.com](mailto:board@villagesofwestcreek.com)

Facebook: Villages of Westcreek

### Board of Directors:

President- Richard Gentry

Vice President- Kevin Drummonds

Treasurer- Christopher Bell

Secretary- Guy Oliver

Asst. Secretary- Tony Hoffman

### Staff:

Community Manager- Jennifer Bell

Asst. Community Manager- Sylvia Mennel

Superintendent of Standards- Adrian Suttles

Interim Superintendent of Parks and Rec – Dawn Garza

Superintendent of Maintenance- Jamie Esquivel

Administrative Superintendent- Melynda Porter

Administrative Assistants- Melissa Garcia

Laurie McVey

### Committees & Chairs:

Architectural Review (ARC) - Gene Hopkins

Communications- Bill Fenstermacher

Fence Ad-hoc- Francis Lomax

Finance- Christopher Bell

Landscape- Ann Lomax

Public Safety- Francis Lomax

Sports Park- Steve Zajchowski

Strategic Planning- Kevin Drummonds



Fireworks: Unless a fire ban is in effect, they are permitted outside the City Limits, but not on:

- Utility easements

-Grassy and weeded areas

-Military Drive West, Westcreek Oaks,  
Westcreek View and Grosenbacher Road

-Any common properties within the  
Villages of Westcreek.

***All trash/debris must be removed from the  
property/streets by 9 AM the following day.***

## ***Villages of Westcreek Owner's Assessment Coupon- 4th Quarter***

***\$82.00***

***Due October 1, 2015***

***Mail payment to:***

***12395 Military Dr. W***

***San Antonio, TX 78253***

***Property Address:***

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