

WESTWOOD PARK ASSOCIATION



Newsletter ~ Autumn ~ 2003

Letter From The President:

Hello and welcome to the Fall 2003 edition of the Westwood Park Association Newsletter. In this Letter from the President, I would like to tell you about a neighborhood restoration project recently undertaken by the Association.

In the cover letter to the recent annual assessment mailing, we mentioned that the Association had been the recipient of bequest by former Westwood Park homeowner Charles Clark. After several months of public discussion, the Associations Board of Directors decided to allocate part of the bequest to complete repair of the historic columns in our neighborhood. At our June meeting, the Board of Directors reviewed competitive bids for the work, and selected a vendor to perform the work.

By the time you read this article, restoration work should be completed on all the columns--two at Miramar and Ocean Avenues, one at Phelan and Flood Avenues, and one at Phelan and Judson Avenues. The bids called for concrete to be repaired and/or replaced, historic lettering to be restored, and new paint and weatherproofing to be applied. In the case of the columns at Miramar and Ocean, electrical and iron work was also performed to restore the lanterns that top the columns.

Please walk or drive by the newly restored columns, and let us know what you think of the work. We're hopeful that, with this new work, they will stand proudly for another eighty years.

Best Regards,

Danny Burkes

board@westwoodpark.com

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How to Contact the Westwood Park Association Board of Directors

Voicemail: 415-333-1125

Email: board@westwoodpark.com

Mail:

P.O. Box 27901, #770
San Francisco, CA 94127

Westwood Park Association Meeting Notice and Agenda

September 20th, 2003
11 a.m. - Faxon Green

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Greg Clinton

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Kathleen Beitiks

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Kathleen Beitiks

VI. Special Recognition of Volunteers

Danny Burkes

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VIII. Adjournment

Westwood Park's Annual Meeting is September 20, 2003

Library Update

In April, the Association mailed a packet asking for your support in amending Westwood Parks CC&R's to encourage the San Francisco Public Library (SFPL) to locate its new Ingleside Branch at the corner of Plymouth and Ocean Avenues. We're pleased to announce the amendment was overwhelmingly approved, with 543 yes votes, to just 24 no votes.

Subsequent to our successful referendum, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors approved the purchase of the property by SFPL, and the purchase is now progressing towards closing. For more details about SFPL's plans for the site, as well as the current schedule for construction, contact Mindy Linetzky at 557-4354 or mlinetzky@sfpl.org.

Westwood Park on the Internet

For those of you who use the Internet, I encourage you to check out the official website of the Westwood Park Association, at <http://www.westwoodpark.com>. There you'll find lots of information about what the Association is, what it was chartered to do, dates of upcoming Association meetings, past meeting minutes, and more! You'll also find fascinating articles and photographs about the history of our neighborhood, as well as message boards where you can discuss topics of local interest with your neighbors.

In addition to the website, the Association also maintains an email list of residents who want to receive notification of upcoming events affecting the neighborhood. To sign up for this very low-traffic mailing list, send a blank email to neighbors-subscribe@westwoodpark.com, and follow the instructions you receive in the automated reply.

Legal Assistance to Senior Citizens

In a continuing effort to keep Westwood Park residents informed about community resources, the Board has obtained copies of an excellent guide recently published by the California State Bar describing legal resources available to Senior Citizens. The guide addresses a number of issues confronting seniors including: finances and debt, social security and insurance, housing and caregiving, employment, healthcare, elder abuse/elder fraud, grandparents' rights, divorce and remarriage, estate planning and legal services.

Copies of this guide will be available at the WPA Annual Meeting on September 20. You can also get a copy by calling the Association at 415-333-1125 or from the State Bar website at <http://www.calbar.ca.gov/>

Volunteers Needed

Westwood Park is a wonderful community with lots of needs. Our neighborhood benefits from the interest of volunteers.

If you would like to volunteer in the Westwood Park community please let us know.

Call 415-333-1125
or email:
board@westwoodpark.com

Our committees need volunteers. A current list of committees are listed below.

- Watering Patrol
- Green Area Maintenance
- Parking and Traffic
- Dead Car Patrol
- Neighborhood Nuisances
- Newsletter
- Special Events
- Planning and Zoning Committee
- NERT (Neighborhood Emergency Response Team)
- FUF (Friends of the Urban Forest)
- Website content

2003 Westwood Park Annual Meeting and Barbeque

Again this year we encourage all residents to attend the Westwood Park's Annual Meeting and Barbeque on September 20, 2003 at 11a.m. on the Faxon Green. Come to the meeting to hear the latest news and reports from our board and committee members. This is also a great day to meet with your neighbors and greet new ones. Several tables will be set up around the green and staffed by volunteers to supply information and answer questions. After the annual meeting adjourns chefs will serve hamburgers, veggie burgers, and hot dogs with all the fixings. These along with soft drinks and water are all free to residents. If you'd like to bring a favorite appetizer, salad, chips or dessert a community table will be set up for all to share. Just bring a chair or blanket, and we'll hope to see you there!

THE CANDIDATE'S STATEMENTS

Anne Chen

I have been a resident of Westwood Park for over 20 years and have loved living here. I do appreciate the many dedicated folks who have worked so hard in preserving the delightful quality of our life in this unique neighborhood. After enjoying the fruits of their labor for so many years, I feel it is time for me to contribute. If I am elected to the board, I will do my best to continue the wonderful work that has come before me.

Anita Theoharis

As a fifteen-year resident, I served as a Board member from 1991-1997. During my service, I take the most pride in the fact that our neighbors volunteered countless hours that culminated in Westwood Park being designated the first Residential Architectural Character District in San Francisco. I wrote two grant requests to San Francisco Beautiful that resulted in the Park being awarded a total of \$10,000 to preserve our trees and entrance gates. Our family is fortunate to live in such a wonderful neighborhood. I consider it a privilege to help preserve and improve the quality of life in our community by serving on the board.

Westwood Park Association Board of Directors Ballot

This ballot is to vote upon the election of **TWO** Directors to the Board.

Please use the enclosed, self-addressed, stamped envelope to mail this ballot to:

Westwood Park Association, P.O. Box 27901 #770

San Francisco, CA 94127

Please mail BEFORE September 20, 2003 or deliver it in person to the Annual Meeting, on the same date.

REMEMBER: Vote for TWO Directors to the Board:

<input type="checkbox"/> Anne Chen	<input type="checkbox"/> Anita Theoharis
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

Owner's Signature _____ Date _____

Address _____ Block and Lot Number _____
(located on the LABEL of your newsletter)

Westwood Park Halloween Contest

Don't forget our Annual Halloween decorating contest which is open to all residents of Westwood Park. Judges will tour the neighborhood on October 30th and give prizes to the three homes that best capture the spirit of Halloween. Be creative and have fun!

Winners will be announced in the next newsletter. For events like these stay informed by visiting our website at www.westwoodpark.com.

Annual Dues Reminder

The Association thanks all the members who have paid their 3/2003-2/2004 annual assessment. We are pleased to report that 85% of the dues have been collected to date.

If you haven't paid your mandatory assessment yet, please do so as soon as possible. As a property owner it is your responsibility to notify the Association of your new address if you move.

If you haven't received your bill or have questions regarding your bill please leave a message for Co-Treasurer Julie Hagelshaw at 415-333-1125.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING & BALLOT ENCLOSED

The Westwood Park Association Annual Meeting is scheduled for **September 20th** at 11:00 a.m. on the Faxon Green.

See inside for details!



Bungalow Tour

Saturday, September 13, 2003
2 p.m.
Meet at: 598 Miramar Street
Donation: \$10

This tour will be lead by Paul Duchscherer, author of *The Bungalow Series: The Bungalow, Inside the Bungalow, and Outside the Bungalow.*

RSVP & Information:
Kathleen Beitiks, 415-239-0795

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