

The Westgate Hills News

Westgate Hills Civic Association
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Meetings held at St. Matthews Church the 3rd Tuesday of every month except December NEXT MEETING – June 19th at 7:00 PM - All all welcome and encouraged to attend!

Fourth of July Parade and Picnic - Wednesday, July 4th



We are busy planning this year's July 4th celebration. Once again, John Candelori has generously offered to run this year's event. Our parade will begin with the judging at 10:25 on Wednesday, July 4^{th.} Please call Elaine Skahan (610-446-8842) if you can donate a half an hour or more of your time. We need your HELP!

For Newcomers to Westgate Hills: The July 4th festivities start off at the top of the park with a judging of vehicles decorated in patriotic themes. Judging categories are Strollers, Wagons, Walkers/Brigades, and Bikes by ages 3 and 4, 5 and 6, 7 and 8, and 9 and up. Judges select 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place winners for each category. During the judging, we'll make some general announcements and inform people of any changes to the schedule. Once the judging is completed, we will have a police and fire escort for a parade through part of the neighborhood. After playing a patriotic song and announcement of the best-decorated vehicles, we start the cooking, games, and rides.

<u>Entertainment</u>: This year we will be featuring two moon bounces, the dunk tank, and pony rides. There will also be carnival games. If you can set up and monitor a game for our younger participants, please call Elaine Skahan (610-446-8842).

<u>50/50</u>: We will once again have a 50/50 raffle. Please support the civic association by buying some tickets.

<u>Volunteers Needed</u>: OK, now that you know a little more about the festivities, let's proceed. We need people to donate 1/2 hour (or more) of your time that day. We need volunteers to help set-up, work the tables, and help with games, face painting, cooking, judging and cleanup afterwards. Past years have been great! Everybody had a wonderful time, so let's make this year just another success!

Schedule:

8:00 A.M. Setup in the park.

10:25 A.M. Judging begins at top of park (the circle). Please be at the park between 10:15 and 10:25, as

we have to be ready to start the parade by 10:45 A.M.

10:45 A.M. Parade starts (Route -- up Oxford Hill, right onto Westgate, right onto I vy Rock, right onto

Windsor Park, right into the Park)

11:00 A.M. Announce winners National Anthem Rides and games open

11:30 A.M. Food goes on sale.

3:00 P.M. Cleanup. We may start cleaning up earlier depending on the turnout.

MENU: (selection and prices subject to change)

Hot Dogs/Pizza	\$1.00	Soda	\$0.50	Water I ce	\$0.50
Wings	5/\$2.00	Juice	\$0.25	Bottled Water	\$1.00
Chicken Nuggets	4/\$1.00				

<u>I tems Needed</u>: If you have access to an icemaker and can donate a cooler full of ice to keep the drinks cool, we'll gladly accept. We need a few grills for the hot dogs - call Dan DiBartolomeo (610-446-0270) if you can help us out.

<u>Tickets</u>: Tickets will be available during the parade assembly at the top of the park and at a table during the picnic on the lower field. Each ticket is worth 25 cents. Tickets will be collected for attractions only. The Moon bounce and Pony Rides will be 4 tickets, and the Dunk Tank will be 2 tickets.

NOTE: Food will be sold in cash. Tickets will not be accepted for food.



Women's Bowling Night - Recap: It was a great night out with lots of laughs, food and fun for the women of Westgate! Many thanks to everyone who brought snacks, Lisa Yacovelli for organizing the 50/50 and raffle, and to Brenda Hushen who worked so hard to coordinate this event. \$330 was raised which will go towards this year's July 4th celebration. Be sure to

visit our Website http://www.geocities.com/westgatehills/ to view pictures of each team.

Easter Egg Hunt – Recap: Thanks to Peggy Candelori and Donna Milligan for a tremendous job running this event. We had a great turnout, and all of the kids had a wonderful time with the egg hunt and getting to spend some time with the Easter Bunny and his friend The Bear. Thanks to Paul French, Scott Wanamaker, Dan McCarty, Steve D'Emilio, Dan D'Bartolomeo, Brenda Hushen, Nancy Brown, Danielle Scutti, Susan Osbourne, Karen Slater, and Chris Shawver.

Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale - Recap: Many residents participated this year and enjoyed the benefits of more room in their closets and a little extra cash in their pockets. Thanks to Brenda Hushen for taking care of advertising the yard sale in the local paper.

Steve Marlin Golf Outing: Volunteer(s) are needed to organize the outing this year. The Golf Outing has always been a great time. Please call any Board Member if you are interested in running, or helping with, this event.

Annual Membership Drive: Thank you to all residents who have sent in their annual dues. If you still have not sent in your annual dues, it's not too late. Mail in your envelope or drop off your application and dues to Brenda Hushen at 302 Fairlamb Avenue.



Westgate Hills Email: The Westgate Hills Civic Association established an email account at westgatehills@hotmail.com as a supplement to our newsletter. Due to the time it takes to prepare the newsletter and distribute it, we are unable to notify the neighborhood of important news with less than 2 to 3 weeks notice. With our email service, we can provide real time notification

of all newsworthy items at no cost to the Civic Association. We currently have approximately 100 individuals/families who have provided the Civic Association with their email address, but this represents less than 15% of the households in our community. We are therefore soliciting all residents to contact us at westgatehills@hotmail.com with a request to be added to our email service. We have no intentions of eliminating the newsletter. We simply are trying to establish an efficient, cost-effective means of delivering civic-related news to our neighborhood.



Newsletter Delivery: Please contact Elaine Skahan (610-446-8842) if you or a fellow resident is not receiving the newsletter. If you are interested in delivering the newsletter, please call Elaine. **Thank you to all Deliverers!** We could not do it without you.

A Few Friendly Reminders:

- Remember the speed limit is 25 mph or lower in some areas of Westgate Hills. Please be aware of children and adults on bikes or walking and jogging through the neighborhood.
- For our children's safety, please adhere to parking regulations and stop signs especially at both park entrances.
- Lets make an extra effort to pick up trash to help keep the park clean during the busy Summer/Fall months. Set an example for the kids and encourage them to clean up also.
- Please put trash cans out at the curb after dusk and promptly remove them from the curb after trash pick up in the morning. Let's keep Westgate Hills looking clean by keeping lids on trash cans and storing trash cans in back yards.
- All dog owners, please clean up after your pets.

WE NEED YOU! Anyone who has thought of helping with the Civic Association, but never gotten around to attending a meeting, **now is the time!** The meetings are very informal and friendly. If you are a new resident, it is a great way to get to know people and keep informed on neighborhood activities. Attendance at meetings has continued to be only two to five people! For us to continue to run events and proceed as we have for the past 50 years, we need more people to get involved.

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendars!!

- Board Meeting at St. Matthew's Church Tuesday, June 19th at 7 PM
 - July 4th 2001 Parade, Picnic and Celebration (call to volunteer)
 - Steve Marlin Golf Outing Watch Newsletter for Information *
- * (Please call a Board Member if you are interested in running this event!)
- Board Meeting at St. Matthew's Church Tuesday, July 17th at 7PM