



The Westgate Hills News

Westgate Hills Civic Association
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Meetings held at St. Matthews Church the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM (except Aug. & Dec.)



NEXT MEETING – Tues., March 19th at 7:30 PM



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Easter Egg Hunt: The Easter Bunny will be visiting the park to kick off the Easter Egg Hunt on **Sat., March 23rd at 1:00 PM. (rain date March 30th at 1:00 PM).** This is the first event of the year and a great opportunity to reconnect with neighbors after the long Winter. Please call **Peggy Candelori at #610-853-1893** if you can help in any way. We will need helpers to set up, and clean up.

Ladies Bowling Night Out: The date is set - **Sat., April 13th, 7-10 PM at Wynnewood Lanes.**



Thanks to Brenda Hushen for once again volunteering to organize our night out. If you are not a bowler, don't think this is not for you! It's all about getting together and having fun no matter what your score! The cost is \$15 which includes unlimited games for 3 hours, snacks and shoe rental. This year we will have an award for high game! Space is limited so reserve your spot now by calling **Brenda Hushen at #610-446-9616.** All money must be received no later than **March 30th.** If you plan to bring a snack, call Elaine Skahan at #610-446-8842 to let us know what you are bringing. We are suggesting that you bring smaller portions this year since in years past we have had an overabundance of food.

Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale: It's time to clear out your clutter. Sale is scheduled to start



bright and early on **Sat., April 27th (rain date Sun., April 28th).** Carol Fishman will be making a map of the neighborhood listing the addresses of those who are participating. If you want your house listed on the map, call **Carol at #610-789-3378 by April 22nd.** The maps will be distributed from 121 Walnut Hill Lane. The Civic Association will advertise in the local papers and post signs. Don't miss those early bird bargain hunters; get your "stuff" out early.

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Santa's Visit: Many will remember the 2000 and 2001 Santa Visits by the stark contrast in the weather. The brave souls who attended the 2000 visit endured single-digit temperatures while dancing to Christmas music and gulping down hot chocolate. This year was almost balmy in comparison, but the music, hot chocolate, Santa's helpers, and most important, Santa Claus himself, were all once again a big hit.

We thank Paul French, Jim Lajeunesse, Tigger, Pooh, Rudolph and Frosty for all the time and effort they put into making Santa's Visit a great time for everyone, especially the kids. Paul and his supporting cast of characters have not only appeared at the past several Santa's Visits, they've also been very active with past Easter Egg Hunts.

Another special thank you goes out to the Manoa Fire Company for providing an escort for Santa. The Manoa Fire Company has participated in Westgate Hills activities for many years. Please remember their support of the Civic Association during their annual sponsorship campaign!



Holiday House Display Contest: It was a really tough decision, but the three winners for the contest are: The Frascone's at 408 Walnut Hill, The Rossi's at 324 Ivy Rock, and The Bradley's at 357 Crescent Hill. We should all be proud of how our neighborhood displays the true spirit of the Holidays.



Babysitting and Job Referral: Do you need a night out but don't know a babysitter? Have you had a sledding accident and can't mow your lawn? Are you a working parent who needs part-time or full-time childcare? Do you need someone to feed or walk your dog while you are away? We have decided to reinstate and update the referral list. Here is how it works: Someone needs a sitter or someone to do yard work, etc. - they call **Elaine Skahan at #610-446-8842** - Elaine provides the referral list.

Anyone interested in being on the referral list to provide one of these services should call Elaine Skahan at #610-446-8842. Children should be at least 12 years old and have their parent/guardian call and give their permission to be placed on the list. The referral list will be available to all Westgate Hills residents looking for local help. With Spring only a few weeks away, now is the time to respond.



Volunteers and Helpers Needed for 2002 events. In particular, people are needed for the Halloween Parade, Chanukah Candle Lighting Ceremony and Ladies Bowling Night (next year). You will get a lot of support and help from the board members and volunteers. Please call any board member if you can help in any capacity.



Web Site: The Civic Association is looking into local commercial sponsorship of the web site (currently hosted by GeoCities at <http://www.geocities.com/westgatehills>) so that we can offset hosting and domain registration fees. Please contact **Danny DiBartolomeo at #610-446-0270** if you're interested and want more details.



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. Contact us at westgatehills@hotmail.com with a request to be added to our email service. We have no intentions of eliminating the newsletter. The Email has been an efficient, cost-effective means of delivering civic-related news to our neighborhood.

Annual Membership Drive: Thank you to all residents who have sent in their annual dues. If you still have not sent in your dues, it's not too late. Mail in your envelope or drop off your application and dues to **Brenda Hushen at 302 Fairlamb Ave.** The dues collected helps offset expenses for all of our events throughout the year. Dues is \$10 per family, make checks to the Westgate Hills Civic Association.



Newsletter Delivery: We continue to try to identify those blocks in our neighborhood that are not receiving the newsletter, or are not receiving it in time to attend events or respond to inquiries. Please contact Elaine Skahan (610-446-8842) if you or a fellow Westgate Hills resident is not receiving the newsletter.

Lost and Found: During the 4th of July celebration a bracelet was found on the field near the Pony Rides. At the Halloween Parade a watch and a black glove was found at the Park Circle. Call Elaine at #610-446-8842.

Reminders:

- Be aware and watchful. Call the Haverford Township Police Dept. to report any suspicious behaviors or activities. Let's look out for each other.
- Remember the speed limit is **25 mph or lower** in Westgate Hills. **Slow Down!**
- Baseball season is approaching; 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. Set an example for the kids and encourage them to clean up also.
- All dog owners, please clean up after your pets.

Mark Your Calendars!!

Board Meeting at St. Matthew's Church - Tues., March 19th - 7:30 PM (*new time*)

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Ladies Bowling Night at Wynnewood Lanes - Sat., April 13th - 7 to 10 PM

Yard Sale - Sat., April 27th (rain date Sun., April 28th)

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