



Westhaven News

2011 Westhaven Board of Directors

Special Points of Interest:

- Architectural Inspections to begin in May 2011
- Next Board Meeting is June 14th at the Richard Byrd Library at 6:30PM
- Community Gathering scheduled for 17 September 2011.
- The July Board Meeting will be July 12th at the Richard Byrd Library at 6:30PM
- The August Board Meeting will be August 9th at the Richard Byrd Library at 6:30PM

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The 2011 Westhaven Board of Directors would like to introduce ourselves and encourage you to get involved in your community.

Most of the 2011 Westhaven Board of Directors are relative newcomers to the Westhaven community. We enjoy the location and the neighborhood and want Westhaven to be the best it can be. As volunteers, we all have other jobs in addition to serving the community.

We would like to welcome members of the community to join us at the monthly Westhaven Board of Directors meetings. Meetings are held at Richard Byrd Library on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Each homeowner will be provided 5 minutes to discuss

comments and concerns related to our community.

Please visit our website www.westhaven-whoa.org each month, as scheduling conflicts occasionally require us to reschedule the meeting, and/or hold in an alternate location.

2011 Board of Directors:

President

Eric Woller,
Owner since 1999

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Ken Klimpl
Owner since 2010

Treasurer

Aaron Pagnotti
Owner since 2009

Secretary

Kathryn Verber
Owner since 2007

Member at Large

Russ Carl,
Owner since 1994

Safety—Slow Down and STOP!

One concern that has been expressed several times by residents in our community is the lack of attention which is being paid to the road signs in our community.

Remember, the speed limit in our community is 15mph, and children do

play in close proximity to the streets. Please obey all stop signs in the community. Not only is it required by law, but there have been instances where children and pedestrians have nearly been hit. Please remember that Fairfax County police are authorized to en-

ter our community to enforce all matters of law enforcement, and this includes all traffic infractions you would encounter outside of our community.

Architectural Inspections

Do you know of all the positive things happening in Springfield right now? The recent Base Realignment is causing a large growth of jobs moving to Fort Belvoir. Springfield Mall is getting ready to undergo major renovations. Old blighted buildings on Old Keene Mill are being torn down and replaced. We have easy access to major interstates, the DC Metro, Metrobus and Fairfax connector. The location of our community is extremely desirable and sought after.

Unfortunately, despite our prime location, many in our community have watched their property values fall over the past few years. As housing market and overall economy begin to improve, Westhaven should be leading the pack in the recovery.

But, in order for that to happen, we all need to take a look at our homes and ensure they meet the standards which will make our community one of the most desirable in Springfield.

“Architectural Inspections will begin in May 2011”

There has been much recent discussion at board meetings about reinstating the architectural inspections to ensure our community conforms to the standards outlined in the by-laws.

To that end, the board of directors will be conducting architectural inspections beginning in mid-May.

The inspections will be performed by the Board of directors. Items to be inspected include (but are not limited to)

- Rotted Wood
- Paint Colors
- Light Fixtures
- Fences
- Railings

Other major deficiencies which are clear violations of the by-laws and regulations will also be noted.

These inspections and subsequent enforcement will conform to the guidelines set in the covenants and in the Community Handbook.

Rest assured, our intent is not to give homeowners a laundry list of “to-do” items, but to identify the major issues in our community that require attention.

To prepare for this inspection, the Westhaven Board of Directors requests that you perform your own inspection of your residence. Do your gates open? Is there broken glass in your light fixtures? Does your Deck and Fence meet community requirements? Do you have peeling paint, or rotting wood? Do you have dead shrubs or even a snow shovel in your front yard? Some of the little things make the biggest difference.

Thank you for your understanding and patience as we go through this process. In the end, these inspections will benefit all of us, and help protect the large financial investment each of us has made to live in this community.

For more information on the upcoming architectural inspections, visit Westhaven online at www.westhaven-whoa.org.

Parking Reminder

As a friendly reminder to all, parking in the Westhaven community is unfortunately limited. There is approximately one visitor space for every 4 to 5 units. As such, the Westhaven board asks that residents refrain from parking in the visitors parking spot. Long-term visitors (Visitors for longer than 7 days), should contact Cardinal Management and obtain a visitors parking pass. Remember, all cars must be registered and display a current community decal. Violators of our parking policy will be warned, and habitual violators will be towed. Thus

far in 2011 there have been 21 cars towed in the community. Don't be the next one on the list!

From the parking regulations, residents will not park in visitor spots unless for brief intervals (such as while a contractor is working at your house for the day). If you have more cars than decals, you will need



to make parking arrangements off the property. LANDLORDS, it is your responsibility to ensure that your renters are properly registered within the community and aware of the community bylaws.

If your car is towed, contact Virginia Dominion Towing at 703-339-2400. Fees for towed cars will exceed \$100 per occasion.

Trash Pickup & Recycling

As a reminder to all new (and old!) residents of Westhaven, American Disposal Service currently services the community for trash pickup on Monday and Thursdays. The board of directors requests that trash be placed on the curb no earlier than 7PM the night prior to pickup. Recycling is only picked up on Thursdays. Please note that the recycling and trash pickup will be at different times during the day, so please be sure to separate your recyclables from the general trash to ensure that it is not inadvertently



picked up during trash removal. In the event of inclement weather or holidays, please check www.americandisposalservice.com for updated pickup information.

Recently there has been a few instances of large items being left on the curb for trash pickup. Please remember that our contract with American Disposal Services does not cover large items such as Washers, Dryers, Refrigerators, Sofas, Mattresses and Construction Mate-

rial. It is the responsibility of all Homeowners to ensure that these (and other) large items are properly disposed of. Please call American Disposal Services at (703) 368-0500 to arrange for pickup.

Holiday Decorations

By now, aside from a couple of extra pounds and broken new years resolutions, your 2010 Holiday Activities are probably a distant memory. Unfortunately there is one more thing that still keeps reminding us of the cold weather which just left us.

As we walk through the community, we still see Lights, Wreaths and

even snow shovels!

Board of Directors politely requests that all Holiday Decorations be removed as soon as possible so that we can all enjoy the warmer weather without a constant reminder of the brutal cold which we are all trying to forget!

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Contact Us

Responding to you concerns, the Westhaven Board of Directors has established an email address for you to contact us. board.westhaven@gmail.com will go directly to all current board members. Please remember that since all members of the Westhaven Board are volunteers, we all have

day jobs and it is not always possible for us to respond immediately to your emails. For immediate assistance, please contact our community manager, James Hawkins at J.Hawkins@cmgmt.com or (703) 565-5033

Please visit us on the web at

www.westhaven-whoa.org for meeting minutes and other important information about our community.

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Westhaven Homeowners Association is a 192 Unit Townhome community located in Springfield, Virginia.

This publication will be published a minimum of twice per year. If you wish to help defer the cost of publication of this newsletter by receiving it electronically, send an e-mail to board.westhaven@gmail.com.

If you are interested in advertising in this newsletter, please contact us at board.westhaven@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed!

The new Westhaven board of directors is energetic and wants to make our community the best it can be...but we cant do it alone!

We currently have no volunteers to assist with processing architectural requests, with development and enforcement of parking policy, or to greet new homeowners to the community. If you would like to help make your community better, contact us at board.westhaven@gmail.com

In addition to the committees, the board is looking for volunteers to perform specific functions to help defer some of the cost of running the community.



Volunteer in your community!

Specifically we are looking for volunteers for the following:

-A couple volunteers to help hand-deliver newsletters to all homes in the community, and stuff envelopes for all off-site Homeowners.

-A volunteer to assist in contacting local businesses for advertising in this newsletter to help defray the publication cost.

-Volunteers to write articles for this newsletter. Submit newsletter articles to board.westhaven@gmail.com

Save the Date!

The Westhaven Board of Directors is planning a community gathering on Saturday September 17th, 2011. If you have any suggestions or Ideas for this gathering, or wish to assist in the planning effort, please attend a board meeting, or email your suggestion to board.westhaven@gmail.com. Check the website at www.westhaven-whoa.org as the date approaches for more up to date information

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