

WESTMINSTER CRIER

Save the Date

The Community Center is having our annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony December 1st at 6:00 PM. All new residents and anyone who has not put an ornament with their name and date on the tree is to bring one.

Wine, beer and cheese will be available. We will sing merrily to a Christmas karaoke DVD.

Come join the fun



News from the Board Meeting

Irrigation Repair or Check

For your convenience, irrigation pumps will be on an extra hour on Wednesdays and Thursdays until 10 am for irrigation system checks ONLY. Please notify your irrigation company of these new times for maintenance so they can adjust their scheduled checks on your system. IF your irrigation system is running after 9 am and a wet check is NOT being conducted, then you will be in violation of the Westminster's Docs.

Pool Furniture

New pool furniture is being purchased! New chairs, chase loungers, large and small tables are being ordered.

New front flowers were planted

Reminder

There is no overnight parking from midnight to 6 am in Westminster!

Fireworks

NO Fireworks are allowed within the community

Coming Soon- Two new stop signs and 3 additional signs for a three way stop on Oxford Ridge

The updated ARC guidelines following were approved. See below for your viewing. **Changes appear in red**

Updated Driveway Section

Garages, Driveways and Walkways

- a) Conversions of garages to living space or other uses are prohibited, even though same are not readily apparent from the exteriors of applicable units.
- b) Materials used for driveways and walkways must be concrete, brick or paver blocks. Any changes from the original installation **MUST be approved by the ARC.**
- c) Add: **Stained or colored stamped concrete driveways may not be painted a solid color. An appropriate sealer must be used to restore the original color.**
- d) **Pavers may not be painted a solid color, but must be cleaned and sealed according to paver manufacturer's directions.**
- e) Walkways and driveways **ADD: Walkways from the driveway to the front door must be the same color as the driveway.**

Approved 7-0

Updated ARC Lawn Furnishings

f. ARC approval is required before installing any lawn furnishings. The ARC will evaluate all proposed or installed exterior decorative objects solely in terms of design, execution, and general appropriateness in order to prevent such objects from having a significant negative impact on adjoining homes, the neighborhood setting, and the Westminster Community at large. The ARC will not judge the individual artistic merits of any object, but rather will make its evaluation solely on the object's impact.

All approved lawn furnishings must be placed in an existing planting bed contiguous to the house or garage. No lawn furnishings may be placed on the grass in the front yard, with the exception of holiday decorations and approved For Sale or For Rent signs.

Planting beds shall include not less than two feet and not more than four feet adjacent to the foundation of each side, front and rear of the home. This shall apply also to homes with rear lanais. Front Landscape beds may exceed this distance from the Foundation, but must be completed in good taste and with the approval of the ARC.

Updated Lawn Furnishings Continued

Decorative flags may be no larger than 24" x 40" and should also be aesthetically pleasing.

American flags are exempt and are included in existing covenants and ARC Guidelines.

Game day flags may be erected in existing planting beds contiguous to the house or on flag poles

attached to the house. They may be displayed on game day and must be removed within 48 hours

afterwards. (This is in our guidelines already p.15, (h)

No bird feeders of any kind are allowed on the property.

Approved 6-1

Guidelines For Home Security Cameras

Exterior home security cameras may capture images only on homeowner's property.

Recording activity on common property and neighbors' property is prohibited.

Approved 6-1

Christmas for the Guards is back!!

Last year many of you showed your appreciation of the work our guards do for all of us. The Guards received gift cards and food for Christmas and New Years' days at the guard house because of your generosity. IF you are interested in donating again, please stop by the Westminster Community Office to see Paul or Jessica OR contact Betsy Rosser at

brosser@brockport.edu Donations can be given until December 19!

Please support our Guards and make it a special holiday time for them.



Holiday Trains

It's that time of year again, We are starting to put the village together again.

Dates: Thanksgiving - New Years Eve

Days: Wednesday-Sunday 6p-9p

Where: 2105 Oxford Ridge Circle

Come enjoy some Holiday Cheer and reminiscing. See if you can find any new additions.

Christmas Caroling

Christmas Caroling will take place on two separate Saturdays this year as many participating residents have schedule conflicts and are unable to participate on December 15th. The size of this event has grown so large that two days may be beneficial in keeping the carts contained so that we can all share in the caroling and keeping the streets open for traffic. The two dates are December 8th and December 15th. More information will follow once particulars can be confirmed as far as where we are meeting and at what time.

From Lee County Sheriff's Office

Online Phishing Scams Target Holiday Shoppers

If you are doing your holiday shopping online through popular websites such as Amazon, eBay or Etsy and are expecting shipments from UPS, FedEx or the U.S. Postal Service, listen up. Fraudsters are once again sending convincing and credible looking emails to holiday shoppers in a "phishing" scheme designed to get the attention and personal identifying information from consumers who mistakenly fall for these authentic looking emails.

Some examples of bogus emails a cyber-thief may use to steal your holiday cheer start with subject lines aimed at grabbing your attention, such as: "Your recent order cannot be processed due to problems with your method of payment," or "You have a package ready to be delivered, please download the attachment to confirm your delivery address." In the body of the email, you will likely find instructions to click on a link or open an attachment with directions to enter your personal and financial information.

To keep from becoming a victim of this clever scheme, the Lee County Sheriff's Office recommends following these safety tips:

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1. Never click on an embedded link or attachment located in an email. Instead, enter the company's official website address in your browser, sign in to your account and check "your orders" to determine if the email you received matches your order information. If you do not have an online account or do not know how to create one, call the number located on the website, not the number in the email.

2. UPS, FedEx and the U.S. Postal Service do not request payments, personal or financial information, account numbers, or passwords in an unsolicited manner through email, mail or phone.

3. Analyze the salutation. Is the email addressed to a vague "valued customer, ma'am or sir?" If so, watch out. Most legitimate businesses will use a personal salutation with your first and last name.

4. Be on the lookout for unofficial "From" addresses. Fraudsters often use email addresses that are similar to, but not the same as, a company's official email address. For instance, if you receive an official email from Amazon, it will always come from @amazon.com.

You can report a phishing email by forwarding to spam@uce.gov, visiting www.FTC.gov/complaint, or contacting the Sheriff's Office Fraud Line at 258-3292.



More Pictures from
the Pot Luck Dinner

Mark your 2019 Calendar

Saturday January 12 -----Italian themed Pot Luck dinner at 5:00 PM & **DJ Dancing** at 6:00 PM

Saturday February 16 ----Pig Roast 5:00 pm

Saturday February 23 ----Coffee Social 9:00 am. Meet the Board Candidates

Saturday March 2 ----- Casino Night 5:00 pm

Saturday April 13 ----- Ice Cream Social 2:00 to 4:00 pm

The Crier- please read

The Crier is your newsletter. Submit items for publication at least 1 week ahead of time. The next regular Crier publication date is stated below.

IF you have a new neighbor, please have them e mail the crier so they can be added to our listing. **IF you have moved out of the community you may still see the Crier online via the web site- westminstercommunity.com**

This address (westminstercrier@gmail.com) is just for submitting items to the crier. Concerns about information appearing in the crier should be addressed at the office.

The next regular crier will be published the week of **December 4**

IF you know someone who is not getting the Crier, please invite them to sign up. We don't want them to miss important information in the community!!