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YOUR FRIENDLY STAFF AT WESTMORE

April, Kelly, Jennifer, Dan,
Ramiro and Jesse

OFFICE HOURS

M - W: 9:00am - 6:00 pm
Th - F: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sat: 10:00am - 4:00pm
Sun: Closed

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Leasing Office & Daytime

Maintenance:
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After-Hours Emergency

Maintenance:
(630) 973-8120

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Email the Property Manager
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LEASING OFFICE TO BE DONATED TO
THE RONALD MCDON-
ALD HOUSE CHARITY!



Happy
New Year
2012

Westmore News & Notes

The New Year is Here!

The Westmore Apartments Leasing and Maintenance staff wishes you a safe and prosperous 2012! Happy New Year!

Holiday Hours

The Leasing Office will observe holiday hours on the following days:

Friday, December 30: Open 9am to 1pm
Saturday, December 31: Open 10am to 2pm
Sunday, January 1: CLOSED

Exterminator

NEW! The exterminator is now on the property on the second Tuesday each month. This month he will be at Westmore on Tuesday, January 10. Please call the office to schedule an appointment if you require extermination services for ants, spiders, etc.

Out of Town Parking Procedures

If you plan on being out of town for two or more consecutive days, please park in the Visitor's Parking area located along Highland Road. You will not be required to move your vehicle in the event of a snowstorm if you are parked in this area.

Toys for Tots

We would like to thank all of our residents who donated a new gift to the Toys for Tots drive we held during November and December. We collected over 100 toys for the less fortunate boys and girls in our area who would not otherwise have a present to open on Christmas Day. It is very heartwarming to see how charitable and giving our Westmore residents are! Thank you so much for your participation!



JANUARY RENT GIFT

DELUXE

SNOWBRUSH



Be one of the first 50 residents to stop in the Leasing Office to pay your January rent and get your complimentary SNOWBRUSH! These come in handy on those cold winter days so hurry in to get yours now!

Recycle Your Electronics

Beginning January 1, 2012, Com2 Recycling Services will accept end-of-life electronics for recycling. As technology advances, electronics have a reduced useful life. When the useful lives of your electronics have been reached, COM2 has safe, convenient ways to help you recycle them. They offer these services FREE of charge to Westmore Apartments.

Residents can drop off old electronics at the Com2 facility located at 140 Fullerton Avenue in Carol Stream between 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday through Friday, or 11:00am to 2:00pm on Saturdays. You can check out Com2's process and certifications on their website www.Com2Recycling.com or call them for further information at 630.653.2662.

Electronics accepted by Com2 include computers and monitors, televisions, printers and faxes, phones and cell phones, stereos, VCR/DVD players, and data storage systems. A list of items that cannot be recycled at the Com2 facility is shown in the diagram below. We hope you find these services useful.

DO NOT ACCEPT LIST				
RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS (MATERIALES RADIOACTIVOS) 	HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (LIQUIDO PELIGROSO) Oil Antifreeze Paint 	NON-ELECTRONICS (NO-ELECTRONICO) Tires Dirt Wood Composites Office Waste 	CORROSIVES (CORROSIVO) Batteries 	COMPRESSED GAS CYLINDERS (CILINDROS DE COMPRESIVO)
FLAMMABLE MATERIALS (MATERIAL INFLAMABLE) 	OTHER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (OTROS MATERIALES PELIGROSOS) Pesticides Oil Filters Mercury Switches Fluorescent Lights 	REFRIGERANTS (REFRIGERANTES) Freon / Substitutes (e.g., R-134a) Cars Compressors Air Conditioners 	PCBs Capacitors Transformers Ballast 	EXPLOSIVES (EXPLOSIVOS) Fire Arms Ammunition Shells

Pets & Leashes

Some of our residents have noticed a few dogs being walked on our property without a leash. Per our Pet Policy, your dog must be on a leash no longer than 5-feet at all times while outside of your apartment.

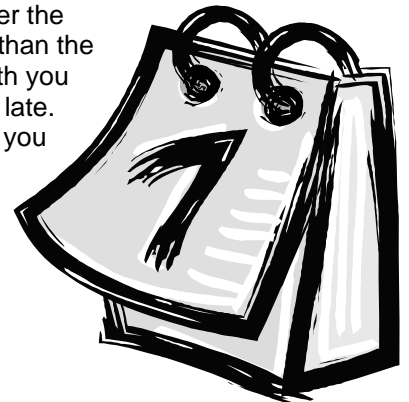
If you see anyone walking a pet without a leash or a large dog on the property, please call the Leasing Office right away.



Avoid Late Rent Payments

Please remember that rent is due on the first of every month. We do provide a five-day grace period. As long as your rent is received by 11:59pm on the fifth of the month, your rent will not be considered late. If you rent is received on or after 12:00am (midnight) on the sixth of the month, you will be charged a \$50 late fee and any renewal or move-in discount you typically receive will be forfeited for the month.

We understand that sometimes personal situations arise. If you are unable to pay your rent on time, Westmore will be able to assist you, however you must communicate a payment arrangement with our Property Manager, April, in person or over the phone no later than the fifth of the month you are going to be late. She will advise you of payment options, terms and conditions.



Snow Plow Procedure Reminders

After a snowstorm, all vehicles must be moved from their existing parking stalls to a cleared parking stall within 24 hours of the storm's end (2" of snow or more) so that we may properly clean all of the lots. Please watch for plow trucks and move your vehicle to a clear stall after each snowfall so that we may expedite the snow removal process.

Keep in mind, our plows move sideways, not stall by stall. If your vehicle is not cleaned and relocated within 24 hours after a snowfall, Westmore will relocate your vehicle to the Visitor's/Out-of-Town Parking area along Highridge Road without prior notice. A fee of \$100 will be charged to your account. Any vehicle without a parking permit will be towed off the property at the vehicle owner's expense.

Do not park your vehicle in any assigned parking space that is not assigned to you or you will be towed off the property at your own expense. The south parking lot, including buildings 1057, 1061, 1065, and 1069 have an assigned parking space. Watch for the Assigned Parking signs and numbers located on the bumpers. We also have Reserved Resident Parking spaces 69-83 in the north lot by buildings 1041, 1045 and 1053. A sign is posted for each Reserved Resident Parking space. Your parking permit or assigned parking hanging tag must be displayed on the vehicle at all times to avoid being towed!

Thank you so much for all of your help and cooperation! Snow removal is very efficient at Westmore thanks to our wonderful residents!



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OFFICE HOURS:

9AM - 7PM MONDAY - THURSDAY

9AM - 5PM FRIDAY

9AM - 1PM SATURDAY



Community Shovels

After the snow storm this past season, we noticed that a lot of our residents did not have a shovel. This year, Westmore will have one community shovel per building stored in the basement. This shovel can be used by any resident living in the building to dig out their car or clear snow from patios and balconies.

The snow shovels are the property of Westmore Apartments and must be returned to the basement after each use. We will encourage you to purchase your own shovel since we are only able to provide one per building. If you need an ice scraper, we have extras available in the Leasing Office.

Resident Activities

Back in August, we held a Resident Function Survey and we received a lot of great feedback and recommendations for future events. One of the recommendations was to give out free tickets to the Mayan Adventure Indoor Water Park in February, so, in November, we sent out another survey asking if this is something in which our residents would like to participate. We are sad to say that we only received three responses to this survey and only two of those respondents showed interest in attending the water park event. Based on this lack of interest, Westmore will not be holding that event this year.

Westmore would like to continue to provide our Resident Activities Program, however, we need your help to improve the resident interest and participation! Please watch for articles in future newsletters and make sure that you call us when you are interested in attending an event. Don't forget that all of the activities we offer are FREE for our residents.

Here are a few ideas of programs we would like to offer based on our August survey: Bowling Night in February, Movie in the Courtyard sometime in the summer. Providing we continue to have at least 15 residents attend our monthly Happy Hour, we will continue to host this event every third Thursday of the month. The new time for this event will be 5:30pm to 6:30pm so that we can accommodate the residents who would like to attend but are unable to make it before 6:00pm. The Easter Egg Hunt will be scheduled for the last weekend in March.

Remember, TAKE ACTION! Don't let our FREE Resident Function Program get cancelled due to lack of interest!

FUTURE EVENTS

- ★ **Bowling Night** ★
- ★ **Movie in the Courtyard** ★
- ★ **Happy Hour** ★
- ★ **Easter Egg Hunt** ★
- ★ **Summer Bash** ★
- ★ **Fall Fest** ★

Happy New Year
HAPPY HOUR



Gulliver's Pizza & Pub

Thursday, January 19

5:30pm - 6:30pm

17W517 Roosevelt Road,
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

Come celebrate the holiday season with your Westmore neighbors at our Happy New Year Happy Hour! We can't wait to see you there!

Happy Hour Voucher

Valid January 19, 2012

NAME _____

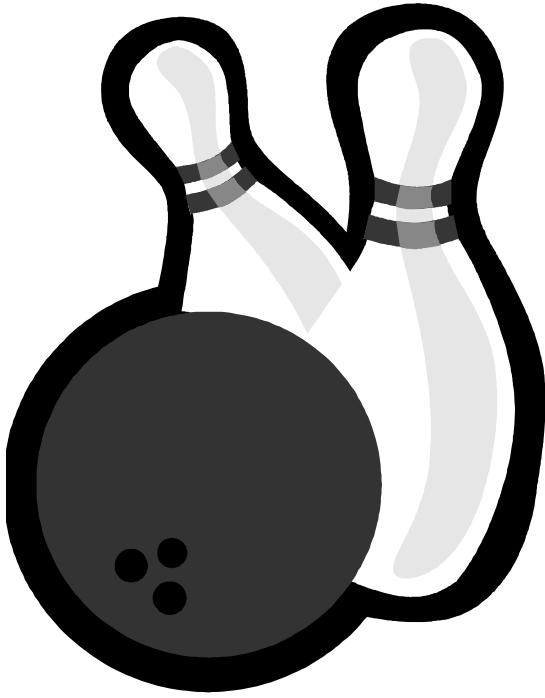
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OF RESIDENTS _____

*Voucher good for all occupants of one apartment. Please present to Westmore staff at Gulliver's Pizza & Pub at time of arrival.





WESTMORE RESIDENT BOWLING DAY!

We would like to hold a FREE resident bowling event in February! Based on our survey responses, the weekends work best for the majority of our residents. The event has been scheduled for Sunday, February 12 at the Stardust Bowling Alley in Addison from noon until 2:00pm.

We will need at least eight participants to host this event so call and reserve your spot today! We will also provide pizza, refreshments, shoes and bowling balls! Save your spot by calling the Leasing Office by January 22! We hope to see you there!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2012
STARDUST BOWLING ALLEY IN ADDISON
12:00PM TO 2:00PM

IMPROVE YOUR APARTMENT FENG SHUI

Maybe you're familiar with feng shui, or maybe you've just heard the term and are wondering what it means. An ancient Chinese practice involving the aesthetics, shape and symmetry of objects, rooms and buildings, feng shui is used to promote harmony and balance in everyday life. No matter how small your apartment in, you can make just a few small, inexpensive changes to improve the feng shui in your apartment without spending a lot of time. Read on to find out more.

De-Clutter

Perhaps the most important step in introducing feng shui but often the most overlooked, clearing out clutter in your home is an exhaustive yet cleansing process necessary to promote a harmonious home. Rid your space of anything that does not serve a purpose.

Let There Be Light

Proper lighting is essential to improving apartment feng shui. In fact, it is one of the elements necessary to producing good feng shui

energy, called "Chi." Choose sources of light that are soft, comforting and relaxing, instead of harsh, fluorescent lighting. Color is also considered a source of light, so keep that in mind when choosing paint colors and accompanying accent pieces. Fill your space with vibrant art pieces or nostalgic photographs to increase good energy. Open windows to let natural light in as often as possible.

Water, Water, Everywhere

According to ancient feng shui tradition, water is believed to be an auspicious element, bringing wealth and prosperity. If your apartment is located near a lake, ocean or other natural body of water, consider yourself extremely fortunate. Pools, ponds or fountains are also considered bodies of water that bring good luck. Consider bringing in a fish tank or aquarium to bring an element of water into your home and promote greater fortune.

Plant Power

Part of feng shui involves bringing elements of the outside into your inside space to promote balance and harmony of the elements. Choose low-maintenance plants that also provide an element of air purification, such as the Bamboo Palm or Rubber Plant.

The Trinity

Overall, be mindful of how the feel of your home contributes to your health and well-being. Do you feel comfortable and relaxed? Is there just a bit too much clutter? Do I feel a positive or negative energy? Focus on the three elements of the feng shui trinity when asking yourself these questions—the bedroom, the bathroom and the kitchen. Your bed should always be placed with a solid wall at the head. A solid wall provides an element of strength and security, which leads to deeper sleep and more restfulness. Place a big mirror in the bathroom to increase energy and give the illusion of a bigger space. The kitchen should always be filled with plants or flowers to create an uplifting energy. Paint or decorate the kitchen with accent pieces of yellow, as this color promotes digestion.

Source: blog.apartmentguide.com



Coffee & Cream Martini Recipe



INGREDIENTS

- 2 tablespoons coarse sugar
- 1 teaspoon finely ground coffee
- Ice cubes
- 1-1/2 ounces vodka
- 1-1/2 ounces Kahlua
- 1-1/2 ounces Irish cream liqueur
- Chocolate syrup, optional

DIRECTIONS

Sprinkle sugar and coffee on a plate. Moisten the rim of a cocktail glass with water; hold glass upside down and dip

rim into sugar mixture.

Fill a mixing glass or tumbler three-fourths full with ice. Add the vodka, Kahlua and liqueur; stir until condensation forms on outside of glass.

Drizzle chocolate syrup on the inside of prepared martini glass if desired. Strain vodka mixture into glass; serve immediately. **Yield:** 1 serving.

Enjoy this tasty cocktail at your New Year's Eve celebration!

January 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 RENT DUE OFFICE CLOSED New Year's Day	2 Christmas Tree & Wreath Recycling, Lombard Village Hall (thru Jan 13)	3 Visit Winter Wonderfest at Navy Pier through Jan 8!	4 Trivia Day	5 RENT LATE AFTER MIDNIGHT!	6 RENT LATE	7
8 Lombard Park District Health Fair & Fitness Expo, Sunset Knolls, 11am to 2pm	9 Bubble Bath Day	10 Exterminator on property. Call for an appointment.	11 .	12 Make Your Dreams Come True Day	13 Chicago Cubs Convention (Jan 13 - 15)	14
15 Blackhawks vs. San Jose, 6PM	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	17	18 Lombard Community Blood Drive, 9:30am to 7:00pm	19 Happy Hour 5:30 to 6:30 Gulliver's Pizza & Pub	20 Magic Show @ Plum Library, All Day	21 Bulls vs. Charlotte, 7PM
22 <i>See Legally Blonde: The Musical</i> at the Lincolnshire Marriott Theater	23 Bulls vs. New Jersey, 7PM	24 <i>See Mama Mia!</i> on stage at the Oriental Theater in Chicago	25 Fun at Work Day	26 <i>Disney on Ice</i> performs at Allstate Arena (Jan 25 to Jan 29)	27 Chicago Snow Days at Navy Pier (Jan 27 - 29)	28 Bronco Casino Night, Montini Catholic High School, 6pm to 12am
29 Chicago Chinese New Year Parade	30 Chocolate Cake Day	31 Go ice skating in Millennium Park all winter long!				

