



Neighborhood Improvements

In the last year and a half, there has been a great deal of activity relating to improvements in the Westwood neighborhood. Since the approval of the Special Assessment in June of 2017, the following has been accomplished: the new entrances have been built, electrical wiring units installed, and new landscaping added - all within budget.

The change that is immediately noticed is at night when entering Wilshire or Waltham from the new lighting. Instead of entering a poorly lit neighborhood,

you are instead greeted by a brightly lit structure, that provides both a sense of welcome and security.

Work for which the assessment was approved is continuing. Payment by all neighbors will facilitate completion of that work. The following map shows the status of payment by all Westwood neighbors.

And with Spring, the colorful entrances will continue to add enhancement of our community. We look forward to its completion!



Thank You to 95% of Homeowners for paying the 2017 Special Assessment!

Dates to Remember:

- **May 1st – Dues for 2019 are officially due.**
- **May 19th – Annual Meeting at the Rocks**
- **May 27th – Memorial Day Brunch at the Rocks**

Nominations will be accepted for the following offices:

- **Vice President**
- **Secretary**
- **Committee Chair**

More information will be provided.



to our new neighbors & their families this past year:

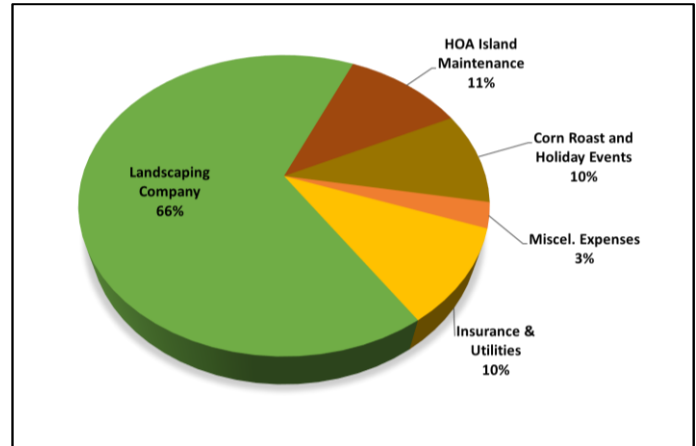
Larry Burke
Henry and Diane Fowler
Susan Lumetta
Nate & Brooke Hart
Jim Soma
Katie & Amando Taborga
Carl & Sarah Wesolowski

HOW ARE YOUR DUES SPENT?

The Annual Dues for Westwood Homeowners are one of the lowest in the area. Also, great care is taken to get competitive bids for services. Neighborhood volunteers do a considerable amount of work as well. But still, you may wonder, how is the money spent?

As listed in the Westwood Directory on page one, the annual dues of \$100 covers maintenance, social events and other expenses. Although these expenditures are discussed more fully at the annual meeting, they do not generally change significantly from year to year.

The pie chart, on the right, shows the average expenditures by percentages over the period 2012 to 2018. As is often discussed, the main expenditure (77%) for Westwood Association is the mowing, fertilizing, mulching, weeding & maintenance of our shared areas: two entrances and five islands, which benefits the entire neighborhood. This expenditure is comprised of a hired landscaping company (66%) and many volunteer hours by residents to plant flowers and tend to new plants at the islands (11%). Social events comprise the next category of expenditures (10%), which enhances the livability of the community.



Westwood Homeowners Association Average Expenses

The next category, and a rising cost, is insurance & utilities (10%). The insurance covers the Homeowners Association and its events. The miscellaneous expenses (3%) include postage, copying, web, etc.

Are Dues & Assessments to Westwood Homeowners Association Optional?

Our fellow neighbors pay the dues and assessments to maintain our neighborhood. It is the function of the Westwood Homeowners Association to provide governance and insure maintenance of the shared property and to plan social events within the neighborhood.

Dues and assessments are approved at the annual meeting and all meetings are announced ahead of their scheduled date. If unpaid, the dues and assessments are collected upon the sale of the home under local real estate and title insurance company practice.

Board Members

President	Doug Salzenstein
Vice President	Torri Calver
Treasurer	Jon Forsberg
Secretary	Amy Bumbaugh
Committee Chair	Mike Zainea

Standing Committees

Architectural Committee	Amy Bumbaugh
Communication Committee	Pat Pelavin
Island Oversight	Torri Calver, Paul Schwab
Social Committee	Julie Hamilton
Village Liaison	Mike Zainea

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