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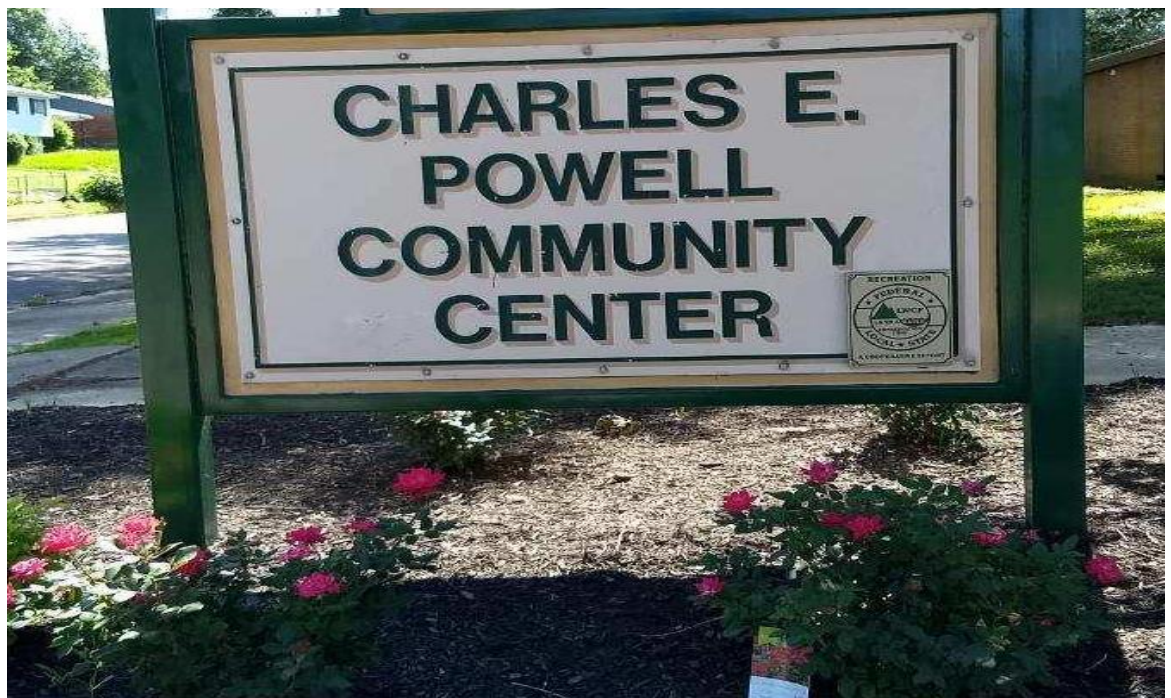
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The Powerful COVID-19 Pandemic . . .

The **COVID-19** pandemic is still with us. This time last year, I and many others thought that the pandemic would have been eradicated by now. Yet, it keeps rolling on; records show almost 600 thousand deaths. Recently, there have been less casualties and hospitalizations, of course, but it is still lingering. Many persons have died as a result of the pandemic, moms, dads, grandparents, sisters, brothers, cousins, friends, and other family member. Many lives have been changed forever each passing day. We pause to say thank you to all of the front-line workers in the medical field and others fields that helped throughout the past year. They have poured out their hearts, worked long hours, many cried, prayed, and some of them even succumbed to the pandemic.

Schools have been closed for months. Students have lost valuable times of study. It is not known if they will ever catch up on their studies. The loss of housing has been devastating. Some businesses did not survive and have gone out of business; the government is assisting those that have lost their jobs as a result of the pandemic. We, perhaps can see the end of the rainbow and look forward for brighter days ahead through the promise of Christ Jesus, "And now just as you trusted Christ to save you, trust Him, too, for each day's problems." Colossians 2:6.

The landscaping for this sign is sponsored by Westwood Neighborhood Association, Inc.



2021 Calendar

Graduations:

June 12, 2021

1:00 P.M.

Westwood High
School
Cannon Center

June 10, 2021

Freedom Preparatory
High School

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Westwood
Neighborhood
Association, Inc., taking
pride in our
neighborhood

Join your
neighborhood
association today . . .

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WNA
~Since 1986~

City Ordinance -
Garbage
Carts-Public Notice
Section 9-56-23

Garbage carts are not allowed on the sidewalk, in public view anytime other than between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. on the regular scheduled collection day. Let us take pride in our neighborhood and bring our carts from the curb.

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Advertise

You may advertise in the Spring/Summer 2021 newsletter:
\$75.00 full page,
\$50.00 half page

Remember Graduates:

“... go ahead and make mistakes. Make all you can. Because, remember, that’s where you’ll find success. On the far side of failure.”

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Ms. Opal Bowen, former principal of Westwood Elementary School, former member of Westwood Neighborhood Association, Inc. and former community team member, received an appreciation plaque from WNA, Inc. on March 18, 2021. The plaque was presented to **Ms. Bowen** for the support and commitment she provided to WNA, Inc. and to the Westwood community during her tenure at WES and beyond. We wish her well as she relocates to Tupelo, Mississippi where her daughter resides. Memphis will miss you, **Ms. Bowen!**



The Commencement . . .

Things You Control

Your efforts.
Your beliefs.
Your identity.
Your actions.
Your attitude.
Your integrity
~Share Parrish~

Congratulations to the 2021 graduating class of the “Mighty Longhorns” of Westwood High School. Hats off to the top fifteen students: Teqoya Jackson, Jerica Nelson, Genesis Rodriguez, Akiyah L Cole, Ni’Kaya Sales, Ashanti D. Brown, Tamyra R. Bland, Amarion T. Jones, Dainae L. Rivers, Martavious Kirkwood, Anthony Rogers, Tyre Williams, Hayli Saunders, Tallon Brewer, and Caira Skinner.



“Students today, leaders tomorrow”

Our Mission

The mission of WNA is to enhance the livability of the community by combating community deterioration, lessening neighborhood tension due to crime and unsafe conditions, increasing the sense of civic responsibility, and cultivating neighborhood pride

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Our Meeting

Join your neighborhood association at Charles E. Powell Community Center, 810 Western Park, each 1st Saturday at 10:00 A.M. for its monthly meeting

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This old world we're
livin' in
Is mighty hard to beat;
You get a thorn with
every rose,
But ain't the roses
sweet!

~Frank L. Stanton~



Congratulations

and well wishes to
Teqoya Jackson and

Amarion Jones, graduating seniors and the recipients of the **Phyllis Cleaves** and **Harold McRae** scholarships. The \$1000 awards were presented to each student on June 9th by the **Longhorn Scholarship Foundation** at Westwood High School. **Teqoya** is Valedictorian and **Amarion** is among the top ten graduates. **Mr. Alvin Walker**, Longhorn president and **Ms. Julia Callaway** is the principal.



In memory . . .

Mrs. Jearlean P. Haynes and **Mrs. Ruth Ward-Hibler** succumbed to illnesses during the past year. WNA remembers them in their dedication to Westwood Neighborhood Association, Inc. and the Westwood community. **Mrs. Haynes** served as treasurer of WNA and on other committees, and **Mrs. Hibler** served as past president from 1989 until 1994 and worked tirelessly as a booster for Westwood High School. Both loved the Westwood community.



Mrs. Jearlean Payton Haynes
May 5, 1942 - May 8, 2020



Mrs. Ruth Ann Ward Hibler
February 15, 1952 - December 5, 2020

"Little deeds of kindness, little words of love.

Help to make earth happy, like the heaven above."

Julia Carney

Words To Live By

Kindness

Peace

Joy

Self-Control

Love

Goodness

Faithfulness

Patience

Gentleness



Mrs. Olor W. Hughes, mother of the late **Rodney Darrell Hughes** was deeply honored to present, on June 9, 2021, the first **Rodney Darrell Hughes Athletic Scholarship** in the amount of \$1000 to **Kevin A. Shannon**, a 2021 graduating senior who played offensive lineman and baseball for Westwood High School.

Rodney Darrell Hughes, for whom this scholarship is named, was a 1985 Academic and Sports Honors' graduate from Westwood High School. He and Kevin exhibited not only athletic abilities but some of the same character traits (left) that are respected and admired by society.

Congratulations are in order for **Kevin**; however, this award is just the beginning of greater things for him. Therefore, we bid him Godspeed and encourage him to keep up the good work as he enters college this Fall and begins working toward accomplishing his goal of majoring in Construction Engineering. Kevin's parents are **Mrs. Rochelle Lewis** and **Mr. Kevin Shannon, Sr.**

Support the Longhorn Scholarship Foundation by purchasing a "school spirit" necktie. The donation is \$25.00 in support of Westwood High School for the 2021-2022 school year. "LIFT THE SCHOOL SPIRIT." Call **Mr. Elbert Brent, III** at (901) 634-5358



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