

E-NEWSLETTER VOLUME 24 FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2021 **WELCOME TO OUR NEW E-NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIBERS!!!** PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO E-NEWSLETTER ON APRIL 23RD, BUT THE E-NEWSLETTER WILL RESUME ON APRIL 30TH!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS. THIS WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION TO ITS READERS. PLEASE ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO JOIN BY SENDING AN EMAIL REQUEST TO: <u>NEWSLETTER@WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV</u>

DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE CITY IS COMMITTED TO CONTINUE COMMUNICATIONS WITH OUR RESIDENTS WITH THE HELPFUL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND ON THE CITY WEBSITE: <u>http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/index.php</u>

SCHOOL NEWS:

WILLOUGHBY-EASTLAKE SCHOOLS IS BACK IN SESSION! WELCOME BACK TEACHERS, AIDES, STAFF & BUS DRIVERS!



GARAGE SALE APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 16TH!

CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE DAY – SPRING CLEAN UP! SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021.

VISIT THE CITY WEBSITE AT <u>WWW.WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV</u> FOR A FILLABLE APPLICATION, OR CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW:

http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/departments/services/recreation/index.php



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021 6:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING AND RULES & LEGISLATION MEETING

Zoom ID# 874 4011 7582 Zoom Password 537509

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021 6:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM COUNCIL BUSINESS SUBCOMMITEE MEETING Zoom ID# 837 4685 5327 Zoom Password 122420

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021 7:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION MEETING Zoom ID# 854 5331 7928 Zoom Password 647729

ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS DAY!!

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021 7:00 P.M. VIA ZOOM REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Zoom ID# 829 4876 5506 *Zoom Password* 275078 EARTH DAY!

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021

GARAGE SALE DAY IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS! LAKE COUNTY'S ELECTRONICS COLLECTION – 1301 MENTOR AVENUE, PAINESVILLE, FROM 8 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

ACCESS LINKS MAY BE FOUND ON THE CITY WEBSITE FOR ALL OF THESE MEETINGS.

JUST A REMINDER THAT ALL COUNCIL ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS MAY BE FOUND ON THE CITY WEBSITE AT:

http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/government/city_council/records/prior_years.php

CONGRATULATIONS TO WILLOUGHBY SOUTH'S "TOP 10":

ELLIOTT YOON

ANMOL KANG

JACK BARNOSKI

SWAYAM PATEL

GABRIEL PAVLIC

EMMALY KENNELLY

MITCHELL MARSH

SAMANTHA KOVACH

MIKAYLA SCHULLER

MAGGIE MUSGRAVE (ALSO ONE OF THE CITY'S COMMUNITY CENTER MONITORS!)



UPDATE ON OUR "HOMETOWN HERO, AMERICAN IDOL CONTESTANT MARY JO YOUNG:

Mary Jo Young was eliminated last weekend but she remains our favorite! Congratulations on a great run and thanks to all who supported our Willoughby Hills native! THANKS TO ALL OUR FELLOW RESIDENTS WHO VOTED FOR MARY JO!



A NOTE FROM MAYOR ANDY GARDNER:

COVID VACCINE CARDS:

While some experts advise against having the card laminated so that booster shots of vaccine can be added if that becomes necessary, others say that it is "OK" because a more sophisticated record-keeping system is likely to be in place by then.

"I would laminate it because by the time a booster comes along, the technology will have evolved," suggested Dr. Maureen Miller, a professor of epidemiology at Columbia University's School of Public Health.

You can get your card laminated for free at Staples Office Supply store by using the code 81450 or at Office Depot with code 52516714.

Make sure to store the original hard copy of your card someplace safe. You don't need to keep it on your person at all times and risk losing it. Experts recommend keeping the original with other important documents or medical records and carrying just a copy. It is wise to take a photo of the front and back of your card and store it on your cell phone, too.

Notify your PCP that you've received the vaccine, as you would any other inoculation. This helps the provider keep your record of immunizations up to date.

"What if I lose it?" If you lose your card, don't panic. Every time a vaccine is administered, the provider records it in the State's Immunization Registry. Call your State's Health Department and ask for a replacement.

Beware of fake immunization cards or the promise that an agency other than the Health Department can provide you a card for a fee. Some "anti-vaxxers" who don't plan on being immunized, but still want whatever access the card affords them are purchasing such cards. Fraudulent use of an official federal seal constitutes a felony that carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison. Beware of these "faux vax cards."

Remember to call the Mayor's office at 440-918-8730 if you need assistance with scheduling an appointment for a vaccine. There are still several places offering the vaccine and, with the successful mega PODS serving to vaccine a large amount of our population, smaller and possibly even some evening clinics will be forthcoming. We will provide information in the E-newsletter as it becomes available to the Mayor's Office.



Stay safe. Mayor Andy Gardner

CAMPBELL PARK UPDATE

WITH THE RECENT GUIDELINES PUBLISHED BY THE LAKE COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT AND CDC, THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS HAS ESTABLISHED THE FOLLOWING POLICY UPDATES FOR PARKS & RECREATION:

BASKETBALL COURTS - CLOSED (DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING CONCERNS)

TENNIS COURTS – NOW OPEN

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT – NOW OPEN, WITH SIGNAGE THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS NOT SANITIZED ON A REGULAR BASIS

OUTDOOR RESTROOMS – OPENING SOON, WITH SIGNAGE THAT THE RESTROOMS ARE MAINTAINED ONCE DAILY BY OUR SERVICE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

PAVILIONS – NOT YET AVAILABLE FOR RENT. THEY WILL BE ROPED OFF TO AVOID UNSCHEDULED EVENTS UNTIL THE LCGHD AND CDC GUIDELINES PERMIT PUBLIC PICNICS. IN THE MEANTIME, RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ENJOY FAMILY PICNICS AT HOME.

BASEBALL FIELDS – AVAILABLE FOR WILLOUGHBY HILLS YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE TEAMS ONLY, WHERE COACHES HAVE BEEN ADVISED ON COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES.

AS THESE GUIDELINES CHANGE, WE WILL PUBLISH THEM IN OUR WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER. STAY SAFE!



COVID VACCINE UPDATE:

THERE ARE PLENTY OF PLACES THAT HAVE OPENED UP TO RECEIVE YOUR COVID-19 VACCINE. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE REGISTER WITH THE LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (<u>WWW.ARMORVAX.COM</u>) TO GET SCHEDULED ASAP! STAY SAFE!

BUILDING DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

Contractor and Permit Information to Protect Willoughby Hills Homeowners

Contractors performing work in the City of Willoughby Hills must be registered annually, and before applying for a permit. All contractors are required to have a \$20,000.00 bonding obligation and certificate of liability insurance in the amount of \$100,000/\$300,000 for bodily injury and \$50,000 for property damage (Willoughby Hills named as additionally insured).

Seek a referral from someone you know who is happy with his or her contractor's work. Solicit bids from at least three (3) contractors.

The Building Department is unable to recommend contractors, but can supply a list of registered contractors. Contact the Better Business Bureau for any complaints, etc. against the contractors.

Obtain a written contract which contains a complete scope of work description, drawings, all associated costs, start date and complete date. Obtain a written warranty on all work and materials.

Permits are issued to the person, owner or contractor who shall physically perform the work for which the permit was sought. Verify that the contractor(s) has obtained all necessary building permits before any work begins.

Permits are required for most home repairs and improvements, and help assure the homeowner that the work being done meets quality building standards.

Homeowners pulling permits and performing the work themselves will need to fill out the Homeowner's Permit Acknowledgement Statement in the Permit Application Packet.

Contact the Building Department for permitting requirements and to make sure the contractor (s) are registered to do work in the City of Willoughby Hills. This is for the protection of the property owner and the contractor.

The time needed to issue a permit varies based on what reviews need to be done by the department and boards.

The permit and inspection process is designed to aid residents in the building process.

Make sure the contractor(s) obtain all inspections. Confirm that a final inspection has been obtained before you make a final payment or sign off on the contractor's work.

Report any misrepresentation, shoddy work, failure to honor contracts, unlicensed contractors or other problems you have with a contractor to the Building Department, appropriate licensing board and/or the Better Business Bureau.

You are welcome to contact the Willoughby Hills Building Department at:

440-975-3550 or

building@willoughbyhills-oh.gov

HONOR A MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER:

HERE IS A LIST TO DATE OF THE SERVICE MEMBERS WE WILL BE HONORING WITH MARKERS AND FLAGS AT THE WILLOUGHBY HILLS VETERANS MEMORIAL DURING THE MONTH OF MAY:

GEORGE A. GARDNER, USAF WILLIAM ARMSTRONG, USA WILLIAM A. MAJESKI, USN MARY R. MAJESKI, USA HENRY A. RAWA, USA MIKE LOMBARDO, USA LARRY O'DONNELL, USAF **RICHARD KOSTELNIK, USA** LAWRENCE A. HUPERTZ, USN MICHAEL CHOSICH, USN **ROBERT SACERICH, USMC** LTC DAVID R. NICHTING, USA **BREYANT KOSEK, USAF** JOHN M. LILLICH, USAF JOSEPH KLUNDER, USN RYAN RACIC, USAF LCL JAMES REGNIER, USMC RAYMOND TYCZKOWSKI, USN **RICHARD BROCK, USMC** TED VANDEMOTTER, USA DANIEL DHONDT, USA TOM SHIMROCK, USA STANLEY J. BYKIEWICZ, USA **RAYMOND H. JENKINS, USN** PERRY HINES, USAF JOSEPH LUZAR, USA ALBERT A. RUSS, USA (WWII) JACK H. FELLOWS, USA

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO HONOR YOUR SPECIAL MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER BEFORE THE FLAGS AND MARKERS ARE PUT UP FOR THE MONTH OF MAY! PICK UP AN APPLICATION AT CITY HALL OR THE CITY WEBSITE TO BE A PART OF THIS GREAT PROGRAM, WITH ALL FUNDS GOING TO OUR VFW POST 4358 IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS!



RESIDENT NEWS:

GET WELL WISHES ARE GOING OUT TO MARCUM RESIDENT JOYCE GRADY, WHO IS RECOVERING FROM SHOULDER SURGERY. BEST WISHES TO GET WELL SOON!

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF RICHARD BOWEN, THE FOUNDER OF OUR CITY ENGINEERING FIRM. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE BOWEN FAMILY.



POOL PASS UPDATE:

WITHOUT A PUBLIC POOL IN THE CITY, WE RELY ON OUR NEIGHBORS TO PROVIDE THAT PIECE OF RECREATION AND THEN OFFER A SUBSIDY OR REIMBURSEMENT FOR OUR RESIDENTS.

THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY RECREATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

OSBORNE POOL WILL BE THE POOL AVAILABLE TO WILLOUGHBY HILLS RESIDENTS, OPENING ON SATURDAY, MAY 29 UNTIL AUGUST 15. AFTER THAT DATE, THE POOL WILL BE OPEN ON WEEKENDS ONLY (NOON TO 5PM) UNTIL LABOR DAY. POOL PASSES WILL COST \$125 PER PERSON AND WILLOUGHBY HILLS WILL OFFER A REFUND OF \$25 PER PASS TO INDIVIDUALS, OR \$35 PER PASS TO SENIORS (AGE 60 AND OVER). RESIDENTS SIMPLY PROVIDE A COPY OF THE RECEIPT PAID TO THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY AND WILL RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT, AS NOTED.

WE ARE STILL ATTEMPTING TO WORK WITH THE YMCA FOR POOL PRIVILEGES AND WILL KEEP YOU POSTED AS THAT INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE. IF AVAILABLE, RESIDENTS HAVE THE REIMBURSEMENT OPTION FOR ONLY ONE OF TWO POOL OPTIONS.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS HOSTING GARAGE SALES NEXT WEEKEND!

STAY SAFE!!! CALL CITY HALL IF YOUR HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS AT 440-946-1234 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT: WWW.WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV