



E-NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our new E-newsletter subscribers!

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MAYOR GARDNER'S REPORT:

On Monday, May 30, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. we will be hosting our Annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the VFW Memorial located at the Community Center. Our VFW Post 4358 has a special program planned and looks forward to coming back for the ceremony after a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our Service Department has worked hard this week to prepare the grounds for this special day. They have done a great job. Carol Lillich created a beautiful wreath that the Ladies' Auxiliary will present and it will remain at the memorial after the ceremony. In addition, Hanna Road residents Sue and Ted Vandemotter put up all of the markers and flags that represent donations made to the VFW Post 4358 to honor special military service members. Because of these efforts (organized and administered by Gloria in my office), I will be able to present the donations totaling over \$2,100. to the Post on Monday. The Post has many expenses that the donations will be put toward and are very appreciative of our City's efforts.

The Chardon Road construction continues and we look forward to Phase I wrapping up soon so that the stretch between Route 91 and Route 174 will be reopened. We will continue to send out email blasts as progress is being made between our weekly E-newsletters. We appreciate your patience and remind you to adhere to the posted speed limits.

At last week's Council meeting, Council adopted Ordinance 2022-027 which mandates the registration of snow plow contractors to our City's Building and Service Department, similar to other contractors such as electrical contractors, plumbing contractors, general contractors, etc. We will be coming out with more direction on this in the coming months, but I wanted to pass this information along to you as you plan for services this winter. This ordinance was passed to protect our residents from snow plow companies who may damage mailboxes or driveways, as well as making City streets unsafe when pushing snow into the roadway. Again, when we have the snow plow contractor guidelines a bit more defined, we will make sure that our residents are made aware prior to the need for a snow plow contractor.

Council also adopted Ordinance 2022-028 which reaffirms the ban on discharging, igniting or exploding fireworks in the City. Prior to July 4th holiday, I will make sure our Safety Forces provide more information on this to ensure a safe holiday weekend for you, your family and our community.

In closing, congratulations to all of the students who enjoyed clap outs, graduations and celebrations to honor the special time in their lives. Congratulations!

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

Monday, May 30, 2022

VFW MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

11:00 A.M. - COMMUNITY CENTER GAZEBO

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**CITY HALL OFFICES ARE CLOSED & REPUBLIC TRASH COLLECTION IS
DELAYED ONE DAY!**

Wednesday, June 1, 2022

RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

7:00 P.M. - Council Chambers

Thursday, June 2, 2022

PC-ABR MEETING

7:00 P.M. - Council Chambers

FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS:

The U.S. Government has opened up its website again for eight more free at-home COVID-19 tests, even if you have already ordered.

The website is:

<https://www.Covid.gov/tests> <<https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/kPeXCKrzmOsyAwt3Bb58?domain=covid.gov>

We will keep you posted if we learn of any other test kit availabilities or booster clinics in our community.



SAVE THE DATE - Saturday, August 13, 2022

Rock N Roll Day in Willoughby Hills

Sponsored by Fall Corn Fest LLC & the City of Willoughby Hills

Our plans are coming along following a second productive meeting this week.

We are in need of a few people to help with a few events:

- Car show display (organize 10 cars to display/play host on event day)
- Rock N Roll BINGO game (set your times/run the game with R&R theme)
- History of Rock & Roll Presentation (tell the story)

Please call Gloria in the Mayor's Office (440-918-8730) if you can help with any of these three items.

We are also seeking volunteers for the day of the event to help with Kids' Games, etc. Our Sign-Up Genius app and hard copy applications will be available with the next E-newsletter. Come Together! Join the fun!

MEMORIAL DAY UPDATE:

Don't forget about our Annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Veterans' Memorial gazebo on Monday, May 30, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

While the Post has taken a little hiatus during COVID-19, we welcome them back to host a nice patriotic ceremony for our residents and veterans.

The City continues to place flags and markers at the gazebo to honor our favorite military service members. If you are interested in making a donation (of any denomination) to name a service member, please complete the attached application. Remember that checks (made payable to VFW Post 4358) or cash are being given directly to our Willoughby Hills VFW Post at 29412 White Road to help serve our veterans and will be presented at the May 30 ceremony.

Not only will it be a great tribute but also the array of flags and markers by our memorial is truly breathtaking as you drive by. Thank you for remembering our military service members!

To date, we have placed markers in honor of the following service members:

Mike Lombardo	Larry O'Donnell	William A. Majeski
Mary R. Majeski	Henry A. Rawa	John M. Lillich
Joseph Klunder	Don Trobenter	Tim O'Donnell
George Rodich	Robert Sacerich	Ted Vandemotter
Perry Hines	Albert Russ	Louis Prijatel
Jon Michael Zavodny	Richard R. Weaver	Karen A. Weaver
Frank Cihula Sr.	Fred Hoge	George A. Gardner
William Armstrong	Bill Shibley	Joe Osborne
Rudolph Taylor	Lawrence A. Hupertz	Ray L. Buzanski, Sr.
Hermie Wein	Matthew J. Dolence	William E. Hart
David Joseph Dolan	David James Dolan	Charles Francis Dolan
Lawrence John Dolan	William Edward Dolan	Breyant Kosek
Louis J. Aliberti	Daniel Tobin	Bruce Weber
Benjamin Cantrell	Michael A. Doley	James W. Graham
Mark W. Graham	Jack Armstrong	Donald Armstrong
Loyal Burke, Jr.	Joseph Burke	Thomas Burke
George A. Gardner, Sr.	Bernard "Jack" Vincent	Cara Miller
Richard L. Kostelnik	Herbert Foust	Larry Grady
Joyce Grady	John Racic	
All Military Families	All Those Who Served	

This is a great tradition for our City and a great way to remember some special people in your life with all proceeds benefitting our local VFW!



A RESIDENT'S INVITE FOR A SPECIAL CAUSE:



Batten is a fatal genetic disease, described as “Parkinson’s and dementia in children.” Stop by Gale’s on Thursday, June 9 to beat the heat and beat batten.

RESIDENT AND EMPLOYEE NEWS...

Welcome to the following new residents:
Todd Vernon & Joseph Simicic of White Road
Susan Kain of Maple Grove Road
Alex Cori and Bridget Heller of Fowler Drive

Best wishes to Service Department worker Chuck Anderson who is leaving the Service Department for another job. Good luck on your new job and thank you for your service to the City of Willoughby Hills!

Condolences to the families of Gloria Ann Fuller and Robert Koles who passed away this week. You remain in our thoughts and prayers.

Taylor Malie (Southern New Hampshire University Presidents List) and Karunakar Arsam (Campbellsville University graduate) were recently recognized in the News-Herald for their accomplishments. Great job, students! You make us proud!

Congratulations to all of the fine students who graduated this year. Some students left the School of Innovation to now attend high school. Others graduated from high school and now will attend college, trade schools, or head to the work world. Whatever your plans, do your best. Congratulations on a job well done!

DOUBLECHECK FOR NOPEC OPTIONS:

The May rates for NOPEC gas and electric follow on the next page, but please take a moment to check your bills to see what option you have chosen and if may be time to review for a cheaper plan. Some of the options had increased considerably since the April numbers and it is good to keep an eye out for the best pricing. The following rate page is a good start.

NOPEC RATES:

NOPEC RATES FOR GAS FOR MAY 2022:

Standard Plan
\$6.750 per mcf

Monthly Variable Plan
\$7.427 per mcf

12-mo. Fixed Rate
\$6.950 per mcf

24-mo. Fixed
Rate \$6.250

NOPEC RATES FOR ELECTRIC FOR MAY 2022:

Standard Plan
8.700 cents per kWh

Monthly Variable Plan
5.048 cents per kWh

12-mo. Fixed Rate
8.900 cents per kWh

24-mo. Fixed Rate
8.800 cents per kWh

Standard Plan - Automatically enrolled unless you pick another option or opt out totally.

Monthly Variable - Guaranteed \$0.02/mcf less than Standard Option.

To enroll call 1-855-667-3201

12 & 24-month Fixed Term Products. To enroll call 1-855-667-3201.

Maple Hill Road residents please note: You are not able to enroll in NOPEC since NEOGAS is the unique supplier to your street only, based upon the gas line installation that occurred when the Maple Hill Development was put in! Thanks to the great E-newsletter reader who helped locate this information to help his neighbors!

PAPER SHREDDING DATES & RECYCLING RESOURCES:

Saturday, June 11, 2022 and Saturday, October 15, 2022 from 9 a.m. to noon at City Hall front parking lot. No limit! No fees! Rain or shine!



Just a reminder, too, that the following items can also be recycled by taking them to the appropriate places listed below:

Pop Tabs - Ronald McDonald House (can at City Hall)

Eyeglasses - Lions Club (bin at City Hall)

Pop Cans - WH Fire Department (to benefit the Burn Unit)

Old Flags - VFW or the Scout Troops (at the Grange Building or City Hall)

(Thanks to resident Cheri Desotell for this helpful reminder!)

INFORMATION REGARDING CHARDON ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT:

This was the post from our last newsletter and nothing seems to have changed (except for the cones being placed on the south side of Route 6 between River & Worrell overnight), but the work is going well and we continue to look for the “30-day” end date to Phase I which will re-open Chardon Road between SOM Center Road & River Road. We will send out email blasts as the work progresses between newsletters. Again, thank you for your patience.

“The resurfacing of Chardon Road began on Monday, May 9. It has gone relatively well and we continue to monitor resident concerns. There was a minor issue this week with the trash collection along the Chardon Road stretch that was closed. Republic Services officials worked with ODOT to resolve the issues that prevented the ease of trash pick up that occurred earlier and the communication between the two entities will ensure that future trash pickups should go smoothly as the project progresses.

You may have noted that on Wednesday, 5/18/22, the north side of Chardon Road (Route 6) was closed and traffic was routed to use the south side of Chardon Road. The south side of Chardon Road has been paved and now Ronyak Paving will begin their work on the north side of Chardon Road. Chardon Road, between SOM Center (Route 91) and River Road (Route 174) remains “westbound only.” The alternate route around remains to be Eddy Road and the detour is clearly marked for City Hall, the Community Center, Roemisch Fields and St. Noel Church. The work seems to be going pretty fast.”

“Phase 2 will be between Route 174 (River Road) and Worrell Road. The eastbound lane will remain open. The westbound lane will be detoured around to Rogers Road. This Phase is expected to last approximately 30 days.”

“Any driveway entrances (business and residential) will remain open throughout the construction.”

“You can expect delays. Your patience is appreciated. Please direct all complaints/inquiries to ODOT’s Public Information Line at 216-584-2005.”



TRIVIA NIGHT/MIND CHALLENGE TEAM:

The City’s Mind Challenge Team competed in the first “best of 2 rounds” on May 23 at Willoughby Senior Center, followed by a second round at Willoughby on May 31. If our team has the highest score over the two weeks, we will be eligible to proceed to the next round at Kirtland on June 10. We are currently 3 points behind a Willoughby team, but hope to make up that ground on Tuesday.

We are happy to report that we will have one team representing our city this year with the following members:

Mary Melvin	Sandy Falck	Ira Lorber	Dave Reichelt
Denise Reichelt	Mike Kline	Gloria Majeski	Andy Gardner

Keep our team in your thoughts and prayers as we attempt to earn money for our Senior Center. We will update our progress in future issues of the E-newsletter. And don’t forget....even if you are not on the Mind Challenge Team, you are always welcome to join us for Trivia Night in Willoughby Hills on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Hope to see you there!



JUNE 2022 SENIOR NEWSLETTER

Willoughby Hills Senior Center
35400 Chardon Rd.
Lower Level



Podiatrist Dr. Kelley Whaley is back on Thursday, June 9.th Please schedule any future appointments with her.

Senior Luncheons: Potluck or Brown Bag

Save the Date: Tuesday June 21,st 11:00am. Please RSVP to: 440-975-3540

Holly's Hearing will be providing Free Hearing Screenings for Members of the Senior Center on Tuesday, June 21st, There are limited time slots, so please call the Recreation Office at 440-975-3540 and reserve a time for a hearing test.

Chief Robert Gandee will be guest speaker for the June Potluck. He will be at the Potluck around 11:30am. And provide a small presentation. With a Q &A after.

Joke of the Month: What's the Difference between a hippo and a Zippo?

Answer: One is really heavy and the other is a little lighter



In the month of June,
We will see the butterflies soon!

Activities:

BRIDGE: Every Wednesday 12:30pm until 3PM Bring your cards

Pinochle Group: First 2 Fridays And every Saturday at 6PM

Mahjongg: Every Friday at 1PM

Yoga: Every Wednesday at 11AM

Stretching Class: Friday at 11AM



Happy
Birthday

To everyone born in June!!!

PICKLE BALL COURTS ARE NOW OPEN:

Plans are currently underway to create a schedule for tournaments, open play and lessons on our new pickle ball courts. As soon as that information becomes available, we will disseminate it to our readers! The pickle ball courts are located behind City Hall as part of the tennis courts. You can enter either via Eddy Road (where there is a parking lot & you would walk through to the courts), or Chardon Road (by using the driveway between City Hall and the Fire Station to head back toward Campbell Park). Have fun!



MIXING ROCK N ROLL WITH CURRENT EVENTS:

I thought Monkee Pox was a hoax
Then I saw their face, Now I'm a
believer



CALL CITY HALL WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS AT 440-946-1234
OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV