



## **E-NEWSLETTER**

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**Welcome to our new E-newsletter subscribers!**

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### **MAYOR GARDNER'S REPORT:**

The recycle magnets are on the way! Residents should be receiving them this week, if they have not already. I have included a copy of the magnet in this newsletter that was approved by my office which may help you in the interim.

It may be the lazy, hazy days of summer, but work continues to get some very important City projects accomplished. Council will be reviewing bids that were received after a June 23 bid opening for the City Hall parking lot. This is broken into two contracts (A&B) which will account for the parking lot itself and then the concrete driveway leading into the complex. This is being done in concrete since our second project (the City Hall Salt Storage Structure) is also being constructed and may serve to break up an asphalt driveway, but not particularly a concrete driveway. Once Council approves the bids, we will move forward to get these projects started.

Our Chardon Road resurfacing project continues and is making very good progress. The road is open now for the entire stretch, having just finished the area from River to Worrell, using flaggers while motorists waited patiently to take their turn to get through. Thank you for your cooperation in this regard if you were one of those motorists! It truly looks (& feels) nice, without the bumps that previously were so burdensome.

The residents on Rivers Edge/River may have experienced a short power outage on Thursday at about 2:00 p.m. when a tree fell, taking down CEI power lines and causing a small fire. WHFD was on scene and power was eventually restored to the area. As you know, the City continues to work with First Energy to assess the cause of any power outages so I thought it was important to report this to our residents who may have been affected by this outage.

Chagrin River Watershed Partners (CRWP) is offering a Chagrin River Trail Workshop on Saturday, July 9 from 11am to 2pm at Squire's Castle, 2844 River Road. This is open to the public and will explore new ways to improve access to the Chagrin River. Come enjoy some free lemonade and give your input to CRWP.

In closing, I want to remind everyone that ODNR will be Council's guest at the Monday, July 11, 2022 6:00 p.m. meeting in Council Chambers and will discuss the deer population in our City. Feel free to come for this informative presentation.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

**Monday, July 11, 2022**

**WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING**  
**(including a presentation by OH Dept. of Natural Resources on**  
**Deer Population Management)**  
**6:00 P.M. – Council Chambers**

**Wednesday, July 13, 2022**

**LAKE COUNTY SIREN TESTING**  
**10:00 A.M.**

**Thursday, July 14, 2022**

**CUYOHOGA COUNTY AIRPORT NOISE ABATEMENT COUNCIL (NAC)**  
**MEETING**  
**10:00 A.M. – County Airport Administration Building, 26300 Curtiss Wright**  
**Parkway, Richmond Heights, Ohio**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers**

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Willoughby Hills End of Summer Garage Sale Day**  
**Saturday, August 6, 2022**

**Applications must be received by July 31.**

**Click on the link below to get your application!**

<https://cms2files.revize.com/willoughbyhills/SUMMER%20GARAGE%20SALE%20APP%202022.PDF>

**Rock N Roll Day in Willoughby Hills**

**Saturday, August 13, 2022**  
**10 a.m. to 10 p.m.**

Featuring food, bands, kids' games, memorabilia tables, classic cars (link to register is:  
<https://cms2files.revize.com/willoughbyhills/CAR%20SHOW%20APPLICATION%202022.pdf>

(limited # of cars accepted), cornhole tournament and more.

See the flyer at the end of this E-newsletter for more details.

Volunteers are needed to make this a great event...please consider giving a few hours of  
your time on this date to help your community.

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**CLASSIC/WILLOUGHBY HILLS 5K RUN AND WELLNESS WALK**

**Sunday, October 9, 2022 8:00 a.m. Registration**

Registration is open now! (see flyer in this newsletter)

All proceeds benefit St. Noel Food Pantry and Velosano's Cancer Research Project

## RECYCLE MAGNET:

**City of Willoughby Hills**  
2022 - 2023 Recycling Calendar

**City of Willoughby Hills**  
440.946.1234  
Mayor: Andy Gardner

■ - normal recycle pickup  
■ - one day delay pickup

**REPUBLIC SERVICES**  
Sustainability in Action

**Rachel Handley**  
Billing Coordinator  
8123 Jones Road

## BLOCK PARTY INFORMATION:

There's still time to plan a party for your block! Just fill out the Block Party application and get ready for some fun! Click on the link below to get started:

<https://cms2files.revize.com/willoughbyhills/BLOCK%20PARTY%20APPLICATION.pdf>

## ROCK N ROLL DAY MEETING RECAP:

A June 28, 2022 meeting was held and the planning seems to be on track for a great City festival on Saturday, August 13 from 10am to 10pm. Each committee reported on their progress and we are now looking for participants for the Corn Hole Tournament, Car Show Display and volunteers. Please reach out to Gloria in the Mayor's Office or sign up on our Signupgenius.com app

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4DA9AF29A1F9C34-willoughby2>

Paula from WNCX has reached out to join us for the Michael Stanley Tribute which will kick off the festival at 10:00 a.m. Michael's daughter will be on hand to sell MSB memorabilia. Plan to be a part of the fun! If you can volunteer an hour or two, that would be great!

## SNOW PLOW CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION:

We are still working on an informational booklet for snow plow contractors which will help in their compliance with Council's recent ordinance that provides for all snow plow contractors who will be working in our City to be registered. There is a process through our Building Department that will have to be followed to get registered before they can work in our City. As a resident, please pass this information on to your contractor so it won't be a surprise once the snow flies. We will provide more information in an upcoming newsletter. Thank you.



## RESIDENT AND EMPLOYEE NEWS...

Congratulations to our City Engineer firm (Richard L. Bowen & Associates) on being named one of the Plain Dealer and Cleveland.com's top Workplaces for 2022! They are being honored for having a workplace that fosters a people-first culture, leadership, and career opportunities! We are happy to be on their team!

Congratulations to resident Jillian DiDona who received recognition as a member of the President's List for Spring 2022 at Cleveland State University! What a great accomplishment! Keep up the good work, Jillian!!

Best of luck to Karen Haberecht, who left the City of Willoughby Hills this week as our Clerk of Court. We wish her the best on her future endeavors! Anyone who may be interested in this position can find information on the City website, "Employment Opportunities."

Congratulations NICE GOING!  
GREAT! Way to Go!  
Yea! FELICITATIONS  
CHEERS Take A BEST  
BOW! WISHES!

## DOUBLECHECK FOR NOPEC OPTIONS:

The July 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 JULY 2022:

Standard Plan  
\$5.990 per mcf

Monthly Variable Plan  
\$6.711 mcf

12-mo. Fixed Rate  
\$8.650 per mcf

24-mo. Fixed Rate  
\$7.750 per mcf

#### NOPEC RATES FOR ELECTRIC FOR JULY 2022:

Standard Plan  
12.000 cents per kWh

Monthly Variable Plan  
Closed to new enrollment

12-mo. Fixed Rate  
11.900 cents per kWh

24-mo. Fixed Rate  
10.900 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!

Please see the note below that the Mayor received from NOPEC Executive Director Chuck Keiper which is a good explanation of the NOPEC rates and challenges with pricing.

### PAPER SHREDDING DATES & RECYCLING RESOURCES:

**Electronics Recycling Day:** Saturday, September 10, 2022 from 9 a.m. to noon at City Hall front parking lot. Rain or shine!

**Paper Shredding:** 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)



## A NOTE FROM NOPEC'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

These are tough times in the energy industry. Gasoline, natural gas, and electricity prices have all doubled since 2021 and NOPEC is not immune to current market and inflationary spikes. Here's what NOPEC is doing to assist you, your residents and small businesses:

### **NOPEC Electric Pricing**

- The current NOPEC electric price is more than the current utility Price To Compare (PTC). The current PTC is low because the utility began purchasing the power more than 11 months ago when prices were much lower. This difference will continue until May 2023 when the utility's pricing is expected to adjust to the current market and will likely increase. Until then, residents who are dissatisfied with NOPEC's current electric pricing can call the NOPEC Customer Care Center at 855-667-3201 and ask specifically to be dropped to the utility's default service at no charge- but not to "opt out". Residents who drop NOPEC now can always rejoin when markets normalize. Our customer service team will be ready to receive these calls and will explain the process and the consequences of 'opting out' instead of 'dropping'.
- Every three years we are required by the PUCO to send a letter to every NOPEC electric customer that includes updated pricing, rate options, terms, and opt out details. The next electric letter is expected to be mailed early (in mid-September) so that we can offer a more predictable and competitive rate starting January 1, 2023.

### **NOPEC Natural Gas Pricing**

- Although the current NOPEC natural gas price has also increased due to the current market, the NOPEC price is still 12% LESS for Dominion and 28% less than the Columbia Standard Choice Offer (SCO) rates which are set monthly. NOPEC natural gas customers should be cautious of other retail offers that may end up costing them way more than the discounted rate they are receiving from NOPEC.

### **Final Message to Residents and Small Businesses**

- Please be patient. Despite these troubling times, energy markets will stabilize.
- We have discovered that some nefarious energy suppliers are using this uncertainty to their own advantage. Please remind your residents and small businesses to be especially wary of offers that sound too good to be true. Most are deceptive and have costly consequences. Consumers should never share their utility bill or account information with anyone that contacts them unprompted and should review the fine print very carefully before signing any contract.
- As an extra precaution against high utility bills, NOPEC continues to closely monitor current energy-related regulation and legislation to strongly advocate against unfair passthrough charges and rate hikes.



# Rock N Roll Day in Willoughby Hills

Saturday, August 13, 2022 from 10:00 am-10 pm  
Willoughby Hills Community Center,  
35400 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills  
**FREE EVENT! COME TOGETHER & JOIN THE FUN!**

10:00 A.M. – Tribute to Michael Stanley (at the Gazebo) with a special MSB memorabilia booth

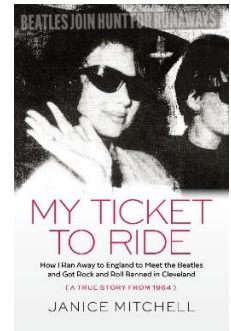
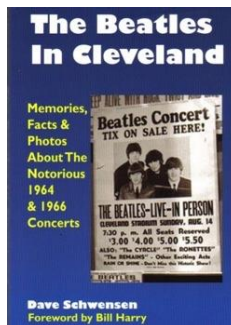


11:00 am – 8:00 pm – Food trucks open & fresh roasted sweet corn available!

11:00 am- 3:00 pm – Classic Car Show Display (Registration required if displaying a vehicle!)



1:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Corn Hole Tournament (pre-registration required)



1:00 pm-3:00 pm Live Entertainment by Sumrada (Center Stage!)

4:00 pm – “The Beatles in Cleveland” video presentation by Dave Schwensen (O’Ryan Room – Community Center, limited seating...come early!)

7:00 pm-9:00 pm Live Entertainment by Ricky & the Rockets (Center Stage!)

Other events:

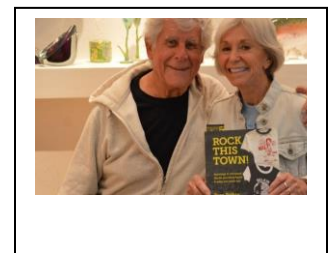
Kids’ Games Basket Raffles Souvenir Stand Beer

Rock N Roll Memorabilia on Display Rock N Roll Trivia Game

“My Ticket to Ride” Book signing by Janice Mitchell

“Rock This Town” Book signing by Fran Belkin

“Cleveland Rock N Roll Roots” program/book signing by Deanna Adams



This event is sponsored by the City of Willoughby Hills and WH Fall Corn Fest LLC.  
For more information, call Gloria in Mayor Gardner’s office at 440-918-8730 or email:

[gloriamajeski@willoughbyhills-oh.gov](mailto:gloriamajeski@willoughbyhills-oh.gov). Come together! Join the fun!

## WILLOUGHBY HILLS YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE FUNDRAISER:



### WILLOUGHBY HILLS YOUTH SPORTS ASSOCIATION

## ATTENTION All Baseball and Memorabilia Fans

The Willoughby Hills Youth Sports Association is having a Fundraising Raffle:  
A Chance to Win a Signed Shane Bieber Jersey, or a Roger Dorn Jersey Signed by Corbin Bernsen

Order Your Tickets by Scanning the QR Code with your cell phone below  
or use the link for Your Chance to WIN:

<https://whysa.ticketspice.com/summer-2022>

Winners will be Drawn on August 13th, 2022 at the Willoughby Hills Rock N Roll Day City Festival  
(Willoughby Hills Community Center)

SCAN HERE



TO ENTER

\$10 = 1 Entry  
\$25 = 3 Entries

Ticket Sales will Close at 8:pm, August 13, 2022

SCAN HERE



TO ENTER



Signed Shane Bieber Jersey



Signed Roger Dorn Jersey  
by Corbin Benson



*Our Youth of Today are Our Leaders of Tomorrow*



# ROCK & ROLL DAY IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS



## CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT APPLICATION

**Sponsored by Fall Corn Fest, LLC**

**Saturday, August 13, 2022 – 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Our Rock N Corn Hole Tournament will begin at 1:00 p.m. **Teams should pre-register by completing the following application by mail prior to the event.** If over 24 teams apply, single elimination will be played. If less than 24 teams apply, double elimination will be played. Entrance fee is \$25 per team. The prize money (100% back to participants) is as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> Place = 50%,

2<sup>nd</sup> Place = 25%, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place = 15% and 4<sup>th</sup> Place = 10%.

Please return the Corn Hole Tournament Application form at the bottom of this page by July 13, 2022, to the following address: Willoughby Hills City Hall, Rock N Roll Day, 35405 Chardon Road,

Willoughby Hills, OH 44094. Complete details will be sent to all participants during the first week of August.

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### Rock N Corn Hole Tournament Application

2022 Willoughby Hills Fall Corn Fest

Team Name (It's okay to get creative here!): \_\_\_\_\_



Members of Team \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry fee is \$25. Please make check payable to: Willoughby Hills Fall Corn Fest, LLC, ATTN: Rock N Roll Day, 35405 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills, OH 44094. Entry is limited to a first come, first served basis. We reserve the right to refuse applications and return entrance fees once all slots have been filled.

**CLASSIC****LEXUS**  
EXPERIENCE AMAZING **Cleveland Clinic**  
Classic Lexus Welcomes You and Your Family to this Great Event!

Classic Lexus, Willoughby Hills Family Health Center &amp; the City of Willoughby Hills present the 8th Annual

## Classic Willoughby Hills 5K Run/Walk

### Sunday, October 9th, 2022 • A special event for the whole family

**PLACE**

The run and walk will depart from:  
**Classic Lexus**  
2551 SOM Center Road  
Willoughby Hills, Ohio 44094

**Family activities!****PARKING**

Willoughby Hills Family Health Center  
2570 SOM Center Road  
Willoughby Hills, Ohio 44094

Walk across the street to Classic Lexus

**TIME**

8am - Registration and check-in  
9am - Run begins, followed by walk  
5K run or walk  
1 mile walk

**FEES**

5K Run/Walk: \$20 registration for each individual participating

**1 Mile Walk:**

\$20 registration for each individual participating, no charge for any pets!

**Register:**

In person at Classic Lexus or online at:  
[www.greaterclevelandXC.com/classic](http://www.greaterclevelandXC.com/classic)  
or [www.classiclexus.com](http://www.classiclexus.com)

**Prize Contest for best dog costumes!**

**Proceeds to benefit:**  
**Harvest for Hunger/St. Noel's**  
**Food Pantry & Velosano**

Everyone who brings a canned good on race day will receive a **FREE GIFT** and help the fight against hunger!

**AWARDS**

Awards provided to top overall female and male runners. Runners in the top three in each of the following age groups (male and female): 15 and under\*\*, 16-22, 23-30, 31-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60+  
\*\*(children must have adult supervision at all times)

T-Shirts guaranteed for the first 200 registrants. Refreshments will be available for the walkers & runners at the end of the event.

**City of Willoughby Hills**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

☐ M ☐ F Age \_\_\_\_\_☐ 5K Run ☐ 1-Mile Walk

T-shirt size size (adult):

☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL

*In consideration of your accepting this entry, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Cleveland Clinic, Classic Lexus, Second Sole, and the City of Willoughby Hills, their representatives, successors, and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event or in transit to and from said event. I further attest that I am physically fit and have sufficiently prepared for this event. I will additionally permit the use of my name and/or pictures in the Cleveland Clinic's publications.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND ENTRY FORM &  
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CLASSIC LEXUS****SECOND SOLE**  
8791 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor Ohio 44060  
440-290-0185

**CONTINUE TO PREPARE FOR ROCK N ROLL DAY IN WILLOUGHBY HILLS....**

My neighbour just banged  
on the wall at 4:20am,  
can you believe that?  
Lucky I was still up  
playing music.

He banged and shouted,  
"Can we have a little  
respect please?"

So I shouted back, "I'm not  
a big Aretha Franklin fan,  
but ok this one's for you".



**Best wishes for a great week!!**

**If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out:**

**City of Willoughby Hills, 35405 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills, OH 44094**

**440-918-8730 Mayor Gardner's Office**