

# **E-NEWSLETTER**

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW E-NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIBERS!!!

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# **MAYOR GARDNER'S REPORT:**

PLEASE NOTE...

**LEAF PICK UP HAS ENDED!** 

THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT WILL BE PREPARING THE EQUIPMENT FOR SNOW REMOVAL!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

AS WE FINISH UP THE HOLIDAY PARADE AROUND THE STREETS OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, I NEED TO TELL YOU WHAT A JOY IT WAS TO SEE SO MANY WILLOUGHBY HILLS RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ENJOYING THIS LITTLE BIT OF CHEER AMID THE COVID PANDEMIC. IT WAS TRULY OUR HOPE WHEN WE DECIDED TO COMMIT TO THE FOURNIGHT PARADE THAT OUR RESIDENTS WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO IT. YOU DID NOT LET US DOWN! THANKS SO MUCH! WE ARE SHARING SOME PHOTOS IN THIS NEWSLETTER BUT ARE STILL WELCOMING ANY PHOTOS YOU MAY HAVE TAKEN FOR OUR ARCHIVE. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SEND THOSE TO: <a href="mailto:newsletter@willoughbyhills-oh.gov">NEWSLETTER@willoughbyhills-oh.gov</a>.

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THE COLORING CONTEST AND HOLIDAY LIGHT CONTESTS HAD SOME FANTASTIC ENTRIES AND WE WERE HAPPY TO PRESENT THE WINNERS WITH SOME GREAT PRIZES AND RECOGNITION. THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED.

OUR DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON THEIR 2021 ACCOMPLISHMENT LISTS. (I TOLD THEM THIS WOULD PUT THEM ON SANTA'S NICE LIST AND IT HAS MADE THEM FRANTIC TO COMPLETE THE TASK!) WE WILL BE SHARING THOSE WITH YOU IN THE NEXT FEW NEWSLETTERS AND I THINK YOU (LIKE ME) WILL BE VERY PROUD OF THE GOOD YEAR THAT WILLOUGHBY HILLS HAD. WE ARE ALWAYS OPEN TO NEW IDEAS AND THOUGHTS FROM OUR RESIDENTS (AS WAS THIS NEWSLETTER!), SO DON'T BE AFRAID TO REACH OUT.

WITH THE HOLIDAY PARADE NIGHTS BEHIND US, I THINK WE CAN ALL FINALLY GO HOME AND ENJOY THE HOLIDAY.
HOPE YOU DO, TOO!

BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY, HEALTHY NEW YEAR!

# **UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS:**

# MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2021 9:00 AM TO 2:30 P.M. COVID BOOSTERS (MODERNA & PFIZER) WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER 35400 CHARDON ROAD BY PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 27!!!

WE ARE HAPPY TO WELCOME THE LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT BACK TO WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER FOR VACCINE CLINICS! A BOOSTER POINT OF DISPENSARY (POD) WILL BE AT THE WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER ON, DECEMBER 27 FROM 9:00 AM TO 2:30PM.! YOU MUST REGISTER BY CALLING THE LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AT 440-350-2188 OR ONLINE AT <a href="https://www.armorvax.com">www.armorvax.com</a>.

BOTH PFIZER AND MODERNA BOOSTERS WILL BE OFFERED. PLEASE BRING YOUR VACCINATION CARD (FROM YOUR FIRST 2 VACCINES), IF AVAILABLE. IF NOT, A NEW CARD WILL BE MADE FOR YOU FOR THIS DOSE!

# JANUARY DATES AT WILLOUGHBY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER HAVE JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED:

WE WILL NOTIFY YOU IF THESE ARE BY APPOINTMENT OR WALK-IN AS SOON AS WE ARE NOTIFIED BY LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022 9AM TO 2:30PM THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022 9AM TO 2:30PM MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022 9AM TO 2:30PM MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2022 9AM TO 2:30 PM













# **COVID TESTING INFORMATION:**

The Mayor's Office has received several calls, asking for COVID testing kits/appointments. While we do not have testing kits at City Hall, you are advised to reach out to the libraries who get kits in randomly and distribute them until they are gone. Here are some library phone numbers that may help you in your quest to get a test kit:

Willoughby-Eastlake Library (WH Branch) 440-942-3362
Wickliffe Public Library 440-944-6010
Kirtland Public Library 440-256-7323

The actual COVID testing may also be obtained at the following drug stores: CVS, Walgreens, Rite-Aid. All take appointments as they are available and it is best to do this on-line using the

appropriate drug store website.

# **HOLIDAY PARADE PHOTOS:**



SANTA, THE GRINCH & OFFICER CONTINENZA VISIT TOMMY & CHARLEY ON GRAYLOCK:



# **RECREATION COMMISSION NEWS:**

# **HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST**

Congratulations to this year's winners for the Holiday Lights contest:

1<sup>st</sup> Place – The Pollice Family, 37225 Beech Hills Drive

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – The Hay Family, 2791 Loreto Drive

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Thomas Boyza, 2491 Palmer Drive

Best Block/Holiday Spirit - Istra Lane

Honorable mentions to all participants:

38615 Rogers Road 2968 Worrell Road

2864 Loreto Drive 2501 Chagrin Drive

2681 Graylock Drive 2694 Graylock Drive

38455 Chardon Road 38176 Dodd's Hill Drive

2430 Pine Valley Drive 2720 Morning Star Court

2910 Istra Lane 2901 Istra Lane

2896 Rockefeller Road 2773 Rockefeller Road





# **HOLIDAY COLORING CONTEST**

Congratulations to the coloring contest winners:

Maddy - age 8

Adhrit – age 8

Gianni iacovetta – age 5

Tommy Walters - age 3

The kids did a great job on their pictures and got some great prizes!

# **COUNCIL NEWS:**

City Council's Organizational meeting is set for Monday, January 3, 2022....more details to follow in the next newsletter....

Also, Council looks forward to Judge John O'Donnell administering the Oaths of the Council members who were elected in November:

Council-at-Large I
Julie Belich

Council-at-Large II
Joe Jarmuszkiewicz

Council-at-Large III

Dan Knecht

Council-at-Large IV Vicki Miller









These individuals will be joining Councilman Chris Hallum, Councilman Mike Kline and Councilwoman Tanya Taylor Draper to lead the City of Willoughby Hills. Thank you, Council, for your hard work in leading our community forward in a positive direction!!!

### NEWS FROM CHAGRIN RIVER WATERSHED PARTNERS:



## **Shovel Early & Wisely**

Shoveling snow early and often prevents ice from forming and minimizes the need for products (such as rock salt or sand). Always shovel before applying salt. When shoveling snow, keep in mind where you place your snow piles, as snowmelt is often full of contaminants. Choose locations where the snow will have the greatest opportunity to infiltrate the soil as it melts, filtering out any harmful pollutants, instead of melting directly into runoff. Avoid

### **Sensible Salting**

While salting is common practice in Ohio, too much salt can damage watershed health, in addition to roads and cars. When using salt or other de-icing products, use only the instructed amount, as excess salt will not melt snow any faster. Sweep up any excess salt to prevent it from entering storm drains. When it comes to de-icing products, there are many options with varying environmental impacts. Traditional rock salts (such as sodium chloride) are harmful to aquatic organisms in the same way excess salt is harmful to humans. Alternatives, such as CMA (calcium magnesium acetate) or KA (potassium acetate), have fewer environmental impacts, and can be found at most hardware stores. In addition, while sand or kitty litter can be used to increase traction, they can clog sewers and degrade stream habitat. When looking to increase traction, try cracked corn, which will biodegrade. Lastly, keep temperature in mind when using any de-icer. Traditional salt is only effective above 15° F. When the weather is below 15° F, consider an alternative.

## Winter Car Washing

During warmer periods of the season, it can be tempting to grab a hose and rinse the salt off your car. However, this results in the salt, grime, and various chemicals being rinsed into storm drains and contaminating waterways. Instead, leave car washing to the professionals, where rinse water is treated. In addition, check your vehicle for leaks, and be careful to keep antifreeze from spilling. Shoveling smart, salting sensibly, and leaving the car washing to the pros are three simple ways one can contribute to a happier and healthier watershed this winter. For more information on these winter watershed practices and how you can keep your watershed healthy, check out

www.crwp.org

# HOLIDAY HOURS AT CITY HALL....

PLEASE NOTE THAT CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR THE CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS:

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2021 MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2021

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021 MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS, HOWEVER, WILL BE OPEN 24/7 FOR ANY URGENT NEEDS.



### HELP WANTED....

THE CITY IS STILL SEEKING EMPLOYEES FOR PROPERTY STAFF MEMBERS TO MONITOR COMMUNITY CENTER EVENTS AND SET UP THE ROOMS FOR RENTALS. PLEASE SEND YOUR APPLICATION AND RESUME TO THE EMAIL BELOW.

THE CITY IS SEEKING A PART-TIME HOURLY CLERK STENOGRAPHER FOR BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS. IF YOU HAVE GOOD TYPING AND ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS, PLEASE CONTACT JEFF IN THE CITY'S HR DEPARTMENT AT 440-918-8734 OR SEND YOU APPLICATION (ON CITY WEBSITE ) AND RESUME TO:

ASSTFINANCEDIRECTOR@WILLOUGHBYHILLS-OH.GOV

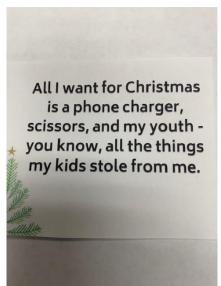
THE CITY IS STILL SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR THE RECREATION COMMISSION AND CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO APPLY, PLEASE FILL OUT THE APPLICATION ON THE CITY WEBSITE USING THE LINK BELOW:

 $\frac{\text{http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov/APPLICATION\%20FOR\%20BOARD\%20AND\%20COMMISSION\%20MEMBERS-REV\%20071620.pdf}{}$ 



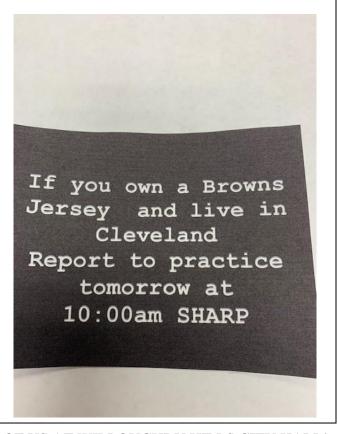
## THE BEST GIFT TO GIVE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON? A GOOD JOKE.....











BEST WISHES FOR A GREAT HOLIDAY FROM ALL OF US AT WILLOUGHBY HILLS CITY HALL!

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