



## **E-NEWSLETTER**

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

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

I hope that you've had the opportunity to take advantage of the wonderful weather this week. I'd like to thank everyone who participated in our Memorial Day Ceremony. It was well attended and a fitting remembrance of those who made the supreme sacrifice for our country. I also hope that you've also had a chance to enjoy the decorations and beautiful lighting at City Hall prepared by Council's Beautification Committee.

The City's Electronics Recycling Day a few weeks ago was also a great success. Approximately 80 cars dropped off old stereos, computers, and other materials and about eight pallets of materials were saved from the landfill.

As a quick reminder, tomorrow is Shred Day. The event will be from 9:00-12:00 at The Shoppes of Willoughby Hills in the parking lot near Marc's.

Thanks to John Lillich for leading May's nature walks. He reported that both were well attended.

Please see the flyer for Safety Town registration in this edition of the Newsletter. I hope your children can participate in this wonderful program. Thanks to Elaine Crane for her generous donation to support Safety Town in Willoughby Hills.

Finally, plans for Music Fest are well underway. We are seeking a few more sponsors and some musicians to help. Please see these opportunities later in the newsletter. Have a great weekend.



## **CITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **Saturday, June 3, 2023**

#### **CITY SHRED DAY**

9:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.—Shoppes of Willoughby Hills Parking Lot

### **Monday, June 5, 2023**

#### **WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING**

6:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

### **Wednesday, June 7, 2023**

#### **RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

### **Thursday, June 8, 2023**

#### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR CITY TAX BUDGET**

#### **PUBLIC HEARING FOR CITY'S MASTER PLAN**

#### **FOLLOWED IMMEDIATELY BY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

### **Thursday, June 15, 2023**

#### **PC-ABR MEETING**

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

### **Sunday, June 18, 2023**

#### **HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**

### **Monday, June 19, 2023**

#### **WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING**

6:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

### **Tuesday, June 20, 2023**

#### **SENIOR LUNCHEON**

11:30 A.M.—Senior Room at Community Center

### **Tuesday, June 20, 2023**

#### **TRIVIA NIGHT (Ages 50 and up)**

7:00 P.M.—O'Ryan Room at Community Center

### **Thursday, June 22, 2023**

#### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers



# 2023

class of

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!



“Take pride in how far you’ve come.  
Have faith in how far you can go.  
But don’t forget to enjoy the journey.”



- Michael Josephson

*All the best to our Willoughby Hills High School Graduates!*

Jasmine Abounader

Abbey Adams

Nora Benaouda

Cameron Bolden

Marco Bortnick

Nicholas Brandt

Damon Bryant, Jr.

Brandon Burdick

Isabelle Burkholder

Tallula Burns

Emme Butera

Camryn Byrne

Alexa Cesar

Aidan Clay

Curtis Conway

Chloe Costello

Brandon Crone

Gabriella DeVecchio

Caeli DiFranco

Marshaya Dixon

Anthony Frank

Catherine Gallagher

Connor Gorka

Theodore Griffin

Trinity Hawley

Jade Holmes

Ke'Shaun Howard

Keon Howard

Finley Hubans

Ja'Vayise Johnson

Alex Johnson

Elijah Jones

Gavin Kozelj

Anisha Lavender

Aniya Lavender

Kyndall Lewis

Nicolino Mandato

Andrew Matish

Maitea McKenzie

Hannah Mitchell

Terrell Mitchell

Sendce Mohamed

Noelle Molnar

Nyla Moore

Alexander Nguyen

Jonathan Owens, Jr.

Alexa Putinski

Leah Richter

Robert Roberts

Destiny Rose

Adam Salesky

Alicia Santagata

Julia Santagata

James Saracene

Gavin Soric

Robert Tomasic

Zahdi Torres Wenzel

Susan Toth

Jesse Watkins

Justin White

Sir Jeyson Williams

Tashjanae Williams

Maria Wolska

Domenic Zevnik

## SHRED DAY / RECYCLE



**PAPER SHRED DAY** will be on Saturday, June 3, 2023  
from 9am—noon at the Shoppes of Willoughby Hills

Start gathering documents and paperwork you'd like to have shredded and  
bring them over to the Shoppes' parking lot on June 3rd!



### **Hazardous Waste Event Dates**

Unloaded by Collection Team

**June 10 and September 23**

**Lake County Fairgrounds**

1301 Mentor Ave., Painesville Twp., enter via Mentor Ave.

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Most automotive, household cleaners, lawn, pool, unknown chemicals.  
Bulbs and batteries, Aerosols, empty propane tanks, kerosene, mercury,  
paints (oil-based), polyurethanes, primers and grout, Roofing tars, shellacs,  
stains,  
thinners, turpentine and varnish

**PROHIBITED:** Ammunition, explosives, latex paint (dry it & toss it), medical  
waste, prescription medicines, and smoke alarms (mail to manufacturer)



Sponsored by the The Lake County Board of Commissioners,  
Solid Waste District, and the Department of Utilities.  
For specific questions call (440) 350-2645 or (440) 350-5766

## **SAFETY FIRST!**



Our Service Department is out patching the City's roads. They are currently on Maplegrove and will be moving to River Road after.



**If you should see them out working, please pay attention and SLOW DOWN! THIS IS A WORK ZONE! Be courteous and mindful so the crew can do their job safely! Thank you!**



The Willoughby Hills Fire Department has been on several outside fires in the last week or so that were started innocently as small contained (and probably legal) fires but subsequently spread to nearby combustible materials requiring the Fire Department to be called to contain and extinguish. (No injuries were sustained in any of the incidents.)

Please remember that there are only three types of fires allowed by the City Fire Code including bonfires, recreational fires, and portable outdoor fireplaces; each with their own set of specific requirements and limitations which can be found on the Fire Department's website. Primarily, these fires must be a certain distance from any structure, of a specified size, must be attended to at all times until extinguished, and shall have a water supply or other adequate means of immediately extinguishing the fire present.

Burning of yard waste or other trash is strictly prohibited as is any type of open-flame on apartment balconies. Dry and windy weather conditions make following these rules particularly important to avoid injuries and/or loss of property. Thank you for your cooperation!



The Police and Fire Departments were invited to visit the day camp at Harvest Community Church on May 24th. The kids had the opportunity to climb into the vehicles and interact with the [officers and firefighters](#).

Thank you for the invitation! A great time was had by all!

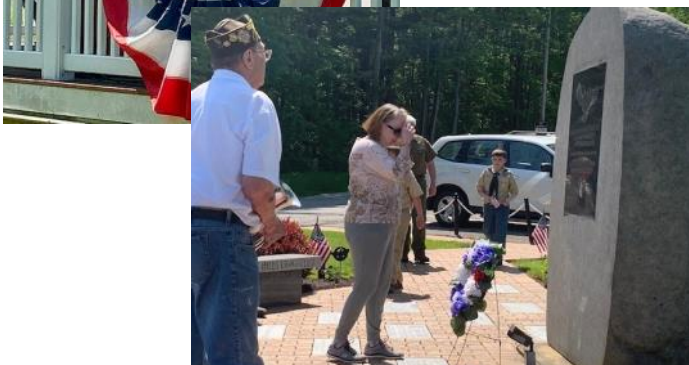




The Willoughby Hills VFW Post #4358 held their annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the City's Veterans Memorial on Monday.

Many thanks to all who came together to present such a beautiful ceremony for our residents. These include Post Commander Dave Broadwater, Ray Somich, Friends Church Assoc. Pastor Brad Reynolds, Chaplain Al Taddeo, Bobby Leach, Kevin Malecek, Auxiliary Post Representative Kelly Graham, and Scout Troop #280. Also thank you to Carol Lillich for donating her talents to make a wreath for the ceremony, Sue & Ted VanDemottor for organizing the VFW flags and markers for the memorial, our Service Department for getting the grounds ready, Benjamin Moore for donating the wood markers for our memorial campaign, and to all who donated to "Honor a Service Member" this year. We were able to raise \$1,000 for Post #4358.

Finally, thank you to all who attended the ceremony to remember and honor those who served.





## UPCOMING RECREATION EVENTS:

July 17—July 21, 2023

Willoughby Hills Safety Town

Class Size is limited so click [here](#) to register or fill out and return the attached registration form!



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***SAVE THE DATE!***

## Willoughby Hills MusicFest 2023

Saturday, August 19, 2023

11:00am—9:00pm



**Music \* Food \* Family \* Fun**  
**Stay tuned for more details...**

Do you want to be part of the MusicFest?

We'd love to have you!

We're currently seeking the following:

- Additional Sponsors
- Acoustic Acts
- Car Show Applicants

For more information, please reach out to the Mayor's office at  
440-918-8730 or email

[WHCommunications@willoughbyhills-oh.gov](mailto:WHCommunications@willoughbyhills-oh.gov)



# WILLOUGHBY HILLS SENIORS, INC.

*Find a group of friends who challenge and inspire you; spend a lot of time with them,  
and it will change your life. (Amy Poehler)*



## NEWSLETTER – June 2023

### EDITOR'S REPORT:

Willoughby Hills Seniors, Inc. is happy to provide this newsletter to you as a way to stay engaged in senior activities in our community.

#### **The following schedule covers the month of June at the Senior Room:**

Mondays, June 5, 12, 19 and 26 10am-2pm Tina's Sit & Sew

1pm Yoga (in the Lions Room!)

Monday, June 12 10am-2pm Community Quilts

Tuesday, June 20 11:30 a.m. – Senior Potluck Lunch – Main entrée is lasagna;

speaker is Medical Lecturer Tom Strong (more info to follow!)

7:00 p.m. – Trivia (50 and over please) in O'Ryan Room

Wednesdays, June 7, 14, 21 and 28 12:30-3pm Bridge

Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 10-noon Knit & Crochet

Thursday, June 15 7pm WH Quilt Guild meeting

Fridays, June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 11:00am Exercise 1:00pm Mahjong

Friday, June 2 and June 9 6-9pm Pinochle

Saturdays, June 3, 10, 17 and 24 6-9pm Pinochle

*\*Please note that there is a fee paid to the instructor for Exercise and Yoga!*

The Board continues to plan for some additional programs. This month we welcome "Tina's Sit & Sew" on Mondays for anyone interested in sewing. We have provided Mayor and Council with a plan for what we would like the Senior Room to be able to do for our seniors, beginning with some building maintenance repairs that are crucial before our plans begin. We will continue to work for our seniors!

**Interested in being on the Senior Board? Send us an email to [WilloughbyHillsSeniors@yahoo.com](mailto:WilloughbyHillsSeniors@yahoo.com)!**

If you haven't joined Willoughby Hills Seniors yet, there's still time to fill out your application to become a member. Pick up an application in the Senior Room or on the City website at: [www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov](http://www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov). Fee is \$7 for one member, or \$10 for a couple.

Sympathies to the family of resident Mark Kubik who passed away on 5/17/23 and the family of Robert Markinko who was responsible for the patio design of the family business "The Firehouse" who passed away 5/12/23.

Welcome to the following new residents:

Terry Cruickshank (Eddy Road), Pasquale & Victoria Dichiro (Pebblebrook) and Derek and Theresa Dernier (Eddy Road). All seniors are welcome to join our group!

#### A LITTLE HUMOR TO MAKE YOUR DAY.....

**WHEN I WAS A KID, THERE  
WERE NO PHONES OR TABLETS.  
WE READ CEREAL BOXES AT  
BREAKFAST**



Have a great week!

**Willoughby Hills Seniors, Inc. Board Members:** Mary Cihula, Gloria Majeski, Laurie Feltham and PT Rec. Coordinator.

Newsletter questions??? Contact Gloria Majeski, c/o WH Seniors, Inc., 2717 Graylock Drive, Willoughby Hills, OH 44094

Phone: 440-951-0776 or Email: [WilloughbyHillsSeniors@yahoo.com](mailto:WilloughbyHillsSeniors@yahoo.com)

## JUNE 2023

### Willoughby Hills Seniors, Inc.

<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tue</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Sat</u>
				1	2	3
				KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon	EXERCISE 11am  MAHJONG 1pm  PINOCHLE 6-9pm	PINOCHLE 6-9pm
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	TINA'S SIT & SEW 10am-2pm  YOGA 1pm (Lions Room)		BRIDGE 12:30-3pm	KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon  PODIATRIST (appt) 9am to noon	EXERCISE 11am  MAHJONG 1pm  PINOCHLE 6-9pm	PINOCHLE 6-9pm
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	COMMUNITY QUILTS 10am-2pm  TINA'S SIT & SEW 10am-2pm  YOGA 1pm (Lions Room)		BRIDGE 12:30-3pm	KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon  QUILT GUILD MTG. 7pm	EXERCISE 11am  MAHJONG 1pm	PINOCHLE 6-9pm
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
FATHER'S DAY	TINA'S SIT & SEW 10am-2pm  YOGA 1pm (Lions Room)	POTLUCK LUNCH 11:30am-1pm  SENIOR TRIVIA O'Ryan Room 7pm	BRIDGE 12:30-3pm	KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon	EXERCISE 11am  MAHJONG 1pm	PINOCHLE 6-9pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	TINA'S SIT & SEW 10am-2pm  SACERICH SEWS 12PM-3PM  YOGA 1pm (Lions Room)		BRIDGE 12:30-3pm	KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon	EXERCISE 11am  MAHJONG 1pm	

Thank you to all who took part in our Electronics Recycle Day on May 20th!  
We had about 80 cars bring in their old, unused electronics so they could be recycled responsibly. Wiley and his assistant from Greenboard did a wonderful job and we look forward to working with them again.  
Start setting aside your old electronics and stay tuned for details on a Fall event!





## **ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW GUIDELINES**

**Below is a list of the updated Architectural Design Guidelines as discussed at the March 16th Planning Commission—Architectural Board of Review Meeting. If you would like to voice your opinion or concerns, please join us at an upcoming PC-ABR meeting held every 1st and 3rd meeting of the month at 7:00pm in Council Chambers. Or you can send an email to [PC-ABR@willoughbyhills-oh.gov](mailto:PC-ABR@willoughbyhills-oh.gov).**

### **Architectural Board of Review Design Guidelines**

**Date: 03/17/2023**

#### **1. Purpose**

- a. Protect and preserve the appearance and character of the community,
- b. Protect the desirable characteristics and promote the stability of existing buildings,
- c. Promote the use of quality materials and construction practices to maintain and grow the value of investments in the community.

#### **2. Architectural Style**

- a. Style, materials, and colors of building alterations and accessory structures shall match principal building.
- b. Trim, minimum 4 inches wide, shall be provided around all doors and windows unless otherwise approved by the ABR.
- c. Masonry facing along front building elevation shall return a minimum 24 inches around corners unless approved by ABR.

#### **3. Masonry Aboveground**

- a. No more than 8 inches in height of plain block or concrete will be accepted above ground unless approved by the ABR or is an alteration to an existing condition.
- b. Painted or stained block or concrete will not be accepted unless approved by ABR,
- c. Exposed block or concrete greater than 8 inches in heights shall be:
  - i. Covered with brick or stone facing,
  - ii. Split face or other integrally textured and colored block or concrete,
  - iii. Other architecturally enhanced covering approved by ABR.



## Summer 2023 Information



Please note that the Fire Department will be flushing hydrants over the next couple of months. The time and day this occurs is dependent upon a few factors such as weather, available staff, and emergency calls. Thank you.

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### **PLEASE NOTE:**

#### **From the Fire Department:**

With the weather turning warmer, people will want to have outdoor fires.

#### **It is important to note that the burning of yard waste is prohibited.**

Thankfully, we have curbside yard waste pickup that allows for an alternative to burning materials.

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### **POOL SUBSIDY PROGRAM**

The Recreation Commission set the City of Willoughby Pool Subsidy Rate at their April 5th meeting. It was then approved by Council at their April 13th meeting. Subsidy rates are as follows:

**Season Pass (up to age 59)      Resident cost would be \$85 (City pays \$50)**

**Season Pass (for Seniors 60+)      Resident cost would be \$75 (City pays \$60)**

The City of Willoughby Hills will be invoiced for the difference of each pass purchased. Please call the Mayor's Office at 440-918-8730 if you have any questions regarding this program.

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### **SUMMER BLOCK PARTIES**

The City of Willoughby Hills encourages Block Parties in the community in order for neighbors to get to know each other and enjoy living in the City.

The City is committed to assist residents who plan a Block Party in their neighborhood by: Providing barriers to block off the street during the event, arranging for a representative from the City's Police, Fire, or Service Department to make an appearance at the event (often times with a treat bag for the kids), arranging for the Mayor or Council member to visit in order to allow the guests to become familiar with their representatives, providing information for your menu planning with contacts from Willoughby Hills businesses, and finally to provide an alternate location at one of the City's Campbell Park pavilions if your street would prohibit or make such a gathering difficult.

Click [here](#) for a request form to set up a Block Party in your neighborhood!



**YARD WASTE SERVICE INFORMATION**  
**FOR WILLOUGHBY HILLS RESIDENTS**

**YARD WASTE SERVICE BEGINS ON APRIL 1, 2023  
AND GOES UNTIL NOVEMBER 30, 2023**

**YOU WILL BE SERVICED WEEKLY ON YOUR TRASH DAY**

- **Yellow Bag Service Customers\*** must contact Republic Services to set up Yard Waste Services. Please call 800-968-7789 to set up. (\*See note below regarding yellow bag price increase.)
- Leaf pick up will be handled by the City in the Fall.

**DO NOT MIX YARD WASTE AND TRASH**

**SEE REQUIREMENTS BELOW FOR YARD WASTE SERVICES**

- Please make sure that yard waste is in Brown Kraft Biodegradable Paper Bags or in your own 32 gallon container clearly marked “Yard Waste.”
  - Please also make sure that the biodegradable bags/cans do not exceed 40 lbs.

Any tree branches must be tied and bundled no longer than 4 feet in length and no larger than 4 inches in diameter and cannot exceed 30 lbs.

**UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS**

- Dirt, large rocks and tree stumps, construction debris and landscape timbers are not acceptable items and will not be removed by Republic.

**\*PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PRICE OF YELLOW TRASH BAGS HAS  
INCREASED. THEY ARE NOW \$40.50 FOR A ROLL OF 10.**

***THANK YOU!***





### Willoughby-Eastlake Library System

- Eastlake Public Library
- Willoughby Public Library
  - Willowick Library
- Willoughby Hills Public Library



The Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library is collaborating with the [Greater Cleveland Food Bank](#) to provide free summer lunches for ages 18 & under. Daily meals are available on weekdays, June 1-August 11, from 1 – 2 pm at the Willowick Public Library. There is no registration. **Meals are only available while supplies last.**

For more information, contact Sarah Vargo at 440.943.2203 x112 or [sarah.vargo@welibrary.info](mailto:sarah.vargo@welibrary.info)



### Garden party

**Willoughby Hills Gardening Club  
Plant Swap  
Thurs., June 8, 6 - 7:30 pm,  
Willoughby Hills Library**

Join the Willoughby Hills Gardening Club, a new group that welcomes gardeners of all stripes. Whether you have been a gardener for years, or are thinking of getting started, we'll meet each month to share tips and resources along with our triumphs and tragedies. This month's meeting will be a Plant Swap--if you have plants to spare, please bring some to exchange with other plant lovers!

Register: <https://bit.ly/45tDt4B>

## OPPORTUNITIES



The City is seeking to fill the following positions:



### Full-Time Road Worker Part-Time Property Staff Member

If you or someone you know would like to apply to work with an amazing group of people here at City Hall, this is your chance!

Applications for all open positions can be found [here](#).

Please send all applications to

[asstfinancedirector@willoughbyhills-oh.gov](mailto:asstfinancedirector@willoughbyhills-oh.gov)



## COMMISSION MEMBERS NEEDED

The **Recreation Commission** is seeking new members to assist with the planning and implementation of City recreation events including: Pancake Breakfasts, the Easter Scavenger Hunt, Fall and Spring Craft Shows, the City Halloween Party, Winterfest, Christmas Card Lane, the Holiday Lights Contest, the City Photo Contest and Breakfast with Santa. The Commission is also evaluating a potential all day City event (similar to Rock and Roll Day in 2022). Anyone who is interested in becoming a part of the Commission can fill out [this application](#) and deliver it to City Hall.

# City of Willoughby Hills Safety Town



**July 17 — July 21, 2023**  
**Willoughby Hills Community Center**  
35400 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills, OH 44094

**Register now!**  
**Class Size Limited — 15 children per session**

Registration Form *For children age 4-5, entering Kindergarten*

CHILD'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM DATE: Monday July 17 to Friday July 21

FEE: Residents: \$40.00 Non-Residents: \$50.00

*Circle preferred session:*

9:00 am to 11:30 am OR 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm

T-SHIRT SIZE (*circle*) SMALL 6 - 8 MEDIUM 10 - 12 LARGE 14 - 16

I hereby give my consent for my child to participate in the Safety Town Program. I understand the National Safety Town Center, the City of Willoughby Hills, class instructor(s) and aides, and all and any representatives of the aforementioned parties, are not responsible in the event of any accident or injury to my child.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this form & mail check or money order to:

City of Willoughby Hills  
ATTN: Safety Town  
35400 Chardon Road  
Willoughby Hills, OH 44094

Call for payment by credit card: (440) 975-3540

For more information: Diana Parker (440) 975-3540 / [Recreation@WilloughbyHills-OH.gov](mailto:Recreation@WilloughbyHills-OH.gov)



UNITED WAY OF LAKE COUNTY

# WIN CAR

2023 NISSAN SENTRA SV

WINNER WILL BE SELECTED ON  
OR ABOUT AUGUST 25, 2023!



## OR \$15,000 CASH!

COMPLIMENTS OF  
**Mentor**  
NISSAN

Proceeds Benefit Lake County Children, Families, and Seniors in Need.

GET YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS ONLINE AT [UWLC.ORG/WINCAR](https://uwlc.org/wincar) OR SCAN QR CODE NOW!



United Way  
of Lake County

- \$10/TICKET
- 4 TICKETS FOR \$30
- 8 TICKETS FOR \$50
- 20 TICKETS FOR \$100



**Bonus! For Every \$100 in Tickets Purchased During One Single Transaction, You Will be Entered into a Second Raffle for a Chance to Win \$1,000!**

Must be 18 years or older to purchase tickets. Car color to be determined at time of awarding. Complete contest rules available at [uwlc.org/wincar](https://uwlc.org/wincar).



WHY DID THE GOLFER BRING  
TWO PAIRS OF PANTS?

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IN CASE HE GOT A HOLE IN ONE.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out:  
City of Willoughby Hills,  
35405 Chardon Road,  
Willoughby Hills, OH 44094  
440-946-1234 and ask for Mayor Gardner's Office.

**HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK!**

