

E-NEWSLETTER VOLUME 123 FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2023

Welcome to our new E-newsletter subscribers!

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MAYOR GARDNER'S REPORT

(no report this week)

What are you doing on Saturday, August 19th? Mark your calendars because from 11:00am until 10:00pm, you're invited to the Willoughby Hills Community Center for a day full of music, food, and fun! All are welcome to attend this free event. Check out what's on tap for the day!

- Kick-off Q&A session with rock-radio pioneer & author, David Spero at the gazebo
 - Sumrada, Blue Evolution, and Ricky & The Rockets on the main stage
 - Local acoustic artists at the gazebo
 - Food trucks
 - Beer tent
 - Kids Zone (11-4)
 - Car Show (12-4)

While the committee has been hard at work, we truly couldn't make any of this happen without our amazing business sponsors and volunteers—and we could always use more of both! Click the links below to get more information on how to volunteer, participate in the car show, or become a local business sponsor.



CITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, July 17—Friday, July 21, 2023

SAFETY TOWN 9:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.—Community Center

<u>Tuesday, July 18, 2023</u> SENIOR LUNCHEON 11:30 A.M.—Community Center Senior Room

<u>Tuesday, July 18, 2023</u> TRIVIA NIGHT 7:00 P.M.—Community Center O'Ryan Room

> <u>Thursday, July 20, 2023</u> PC-ABR MEETING 7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

<u>Monday, July 24, 2023</u> WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING 6:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

> <u>Thursday, July 27, 2023</u> REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

<u>Wednesday, August 2, 2023</u> RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING—*CANCELED*

> <u>Thursday, August 3, 2023</u> PC-ABR MEETING 7:00 P.M.—Council Chambers

Saturday, August 5, 2023 CITYWIDE GARAGE SALE

(<u>Applications</u> due by 7/28) <u>Monday, August 7, 2023</u>

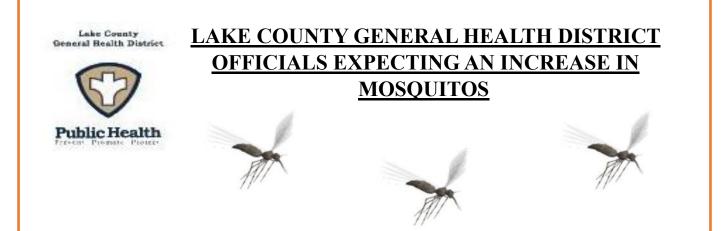
WORKING COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING 6:00 P.M.—Council Chambers



Road & Service Update: Road Striping began on July 3rd.

If you should see our service crew out working, please slow down when driving through the area as both workers and equipment are constantly moving.

Be courteous and mindful so the crew can do their job safely! Thank you!



With the recent rains and arrival of warm weather, LCGHD officials are expecting an increase in the number of mosquitos in Lake County. The rains over the past few weeks have left large areas of standing water where mosquitos typically lay their eggs. "The best advice is to get rid of standing water around your house if you can, and use personal protection against mosquitoes," noted Bert Mechenbier, Supervisor of Mosquito Control at LCGHD.

For more information, including how to keep mosquitos from breed in your backyard and advice on protection against mosquitos, please visit the <u>Lake County General Health District's</u> website.

UPCOMING RECREATION EVENTS:



Friday, July 28, 2023 Willoughby Hills Community Day at the **Captains Stadium** Please click here to purchase tickets!

> Saturday, August 5, 2023 **Citywide Garage Sale Day**

Please click here if you'd like an application to participate! (Applications must be returned by July 28th)

SAVE THE DATE!



Willoughby Hills MusicFest 2023 Saturday, August 19, 2023 11:00am—10:00pm

Music * Food * Family * Fun

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

- Please see flyer attached to this e-newsletter -

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 – July 14, 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.

This month's Senior Potluck on Tuesday, July 18 at 11:30 a.m. is Attorney Joyce Hribar Fiebig. Joyce is an estate planning attorney who can assist seniors in preparing wills, living trusts and other important documents, such as Power of Attorney. Her business is located at 33977 Chardon Road in Willoughby Hills. Our main entrée will be sausage and peppers (yum!). We hope you will join us on Tuesday, July 18th! And don't forget Senior Trivia on the same day, but at 7:00 p.m. in the O'Ryan Room. Lots of great questions on many different topics. Come to have fun!

Interested in being on the Senior Board? Send us an email to <u>WilloughbyHillsSeniors@yahoo.com</u>!

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: <u>www.willoughbyhills-oh.gov</u>. Fee is \$7 for one member, or \$10 for a couple.

The Senior Board is truly trying to obtain the myseniorcenter.com system from the Lake County Commissioners, similar to what other Lake County cities have received through the Lake County Senior Levy funding. Despite paying into the Senior Levy fund, Willoughby Hills residents have not received the benefits for their Senior Center since previous applications required a full-time director, which Willoughby Hills does not have. This rule was changed but the City was not made aware that they were able to apply for this funding until recently. We now want the same system that others have gotten. It tracks membership for people coming and going for the various programs in the senior center and will provide the County with this information for future funding. The Board presented their request to City Council on Monday night at the Working Committee of Council and they agreed that we will attempt to get this item for our seniors. We will be asking for help from all of our seniors to write letters to the Commissioners or come to a meeting to let them know how important this is to us. We will continue updates in the newsletter as things progress.

I have gotten a few emails from residents who are looking for some assistance with tasks they can no longer do on their own. You may recall that the City started the W.H.I.S.P.E.R. program until Mayor Weger's administration which can help our seniors. Please visit the City website to get an application to get assistance, or volunteer to help with the program.

There will be some information in the next newsletter regarding the HEAP Program which provides funding for electric bills for eligible customers. There are certain income thresholds but also medical conditions that will be shared with you to see if you may be eligible for this county program.

The Willoughby Hills Quilt Guild continues to make quilts for the community through the Community Quilts group that meets on the second Monday of each month in the Senior Room. Everyone is welcome to join the fun and if you know of anyone who may be recovering from an illness and in need of a lap quilt, please let us know and we will be happy to do what we can to make this happen. The WH Quilt Guild meets on the third Thursday of each month in the Senior Room. They will be displaying their beautiful work at the Community Center, with a special reception on Friday, September 8 at 7pm in the foyer, where quilts will be hung for the entire month.

Classic Lexus in Willoughby Hills is preparing for the annual Classic 5k Run/Walk which is set for Sunday, October 8 at Classic Lexus on Som Center Road. Registration begins at 8am and the run begins at 9am, with the walk to follow. This is a pet-friendly event and an adoption agency will be on hand if you are in the market for a furry friend! This is a great community event, with all proceeds going to St. Noel Food Pantry and Velosano Childhood Cancer Research Organization. Each runner brings a canned good, too, which truly helps fill the pantry at St. Noel. Raffle baskets are available too so you can even come to check those out even if you are not a runner! Put this on your calendar...it is so much fun and a great way to give back to the community.

The Senior Group is planning to sponsor a few families during the Christmas holiday. If you know of someone who may be in need, please get their name to the Senior Board before December 15. We are planning to do a holiday craft, too, which will help you with your holiday gift giving.

The Senior Board presented Council with their Comprehensive Plan at the 7/10/23 Working Committee of Council meeting (in addition to their request for the Senior Registration software). It included programs, room amenities and other items that will make our Senior Room a nice place to go. If you want a copy of the Comprehensive Plan emailed to you, please send your request to: willoughbyhillsseniors@yahoo.com. We will let you know how Council responds to our request.

In closing, please know that we are continuing to bring some nice programs and cleaning up the Senior Room. We have reached out to Council for funding allocation and hope our dream may soon become a reality. (I have been very diligent in buying Powerball tickets from Rodney at Dynamic Duo in the hopes that we can accomplish everything in one full swoop!! Will keep you posted)!

It appears the hot temperatures are going to continue. Make it a point to hydrate and be smart when planning to work outdoors!

A LITTLE SENIOR HUMOR

Waiter: "How do you like your steak, sir?"

Sir: "Like winning an argument with my wife."

Waiter: "Rare it is!"



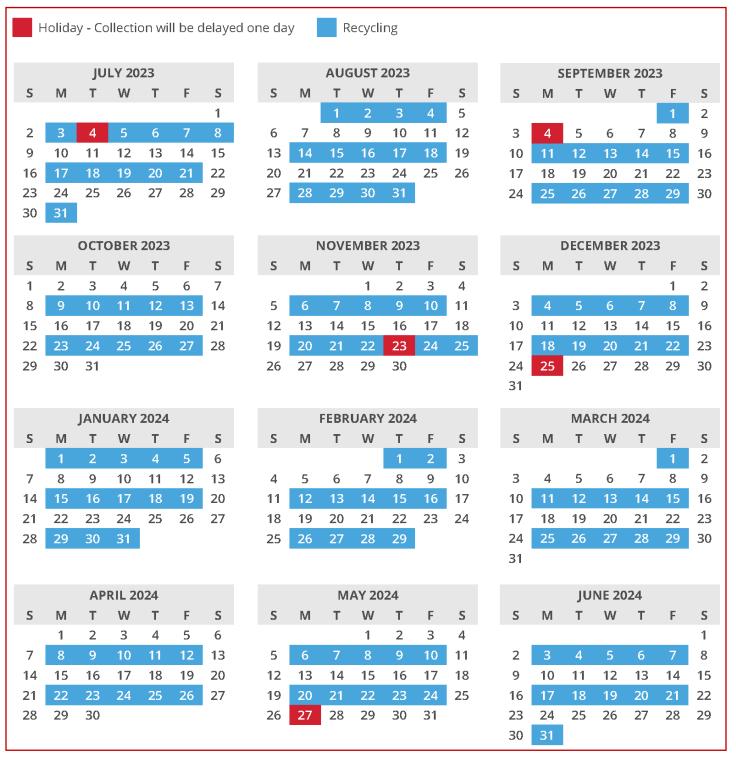
Have a great week!

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

<u>JULY 2023</u> <u>Willoughby Hills Seniors, Inc.</u>

<u>Sun</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tue</u>	<u>Wed</u>	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>Sat</u>
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	YOGA 1pm (Lions Room)	HAPPY 4 [™] of July!	BRIDGE 12:30-3pm	KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon	EXERCISE 11am MAHJONG 1pm PINOCHLE 6-9pm	PINOCHLE 6-9pm
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	COMMUNITY QUILTS 10am-2pm YOGA 1pm (Lions Room)		BRIDGE 12:30-3pm	KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon (No podiatry appts. this month)	EXERCISE 11am MAHJONG 1pm PINOCHLE 6-9pm	PINOCHLE 6-9pm
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	YOGA 1pm (Lions Room)	POTLUCK LUNCH 11:30am-1pm SENIOR TRIVIA O'Ryan Room 7pm	BRIDGE 12:30-3pm	KNIT/CROCHET 10am to noon QUILT GUILD MTG. 7pm	EXERCISE 11am MAHJONG 1pm	PINOCHLE 6-9pm
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- Magnets with updated recycle schedule are forthcoming. -



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

- <u>Yellow Bag Service Customers</u>* 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. <u>THEY ARE NOW \$40.50 FOR A ROLL OF 10</u>.

THANK YOU!





SNOW PLOW REGISTRATION

June 1st began the new year for snow plow registration. Registration IS required if you plan to remove snow from private driveways or private parking areas in the City during the 2023-2024 winter season. Cost to register is \$25.00 for the first vehicle and \$5.00 for each additional vehicle. Registration is required annually (expiring May 31, 2024) and there is no prorating of registration fees. Click <u>here</u> for the City's annual application.



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

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.

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!

OPPORTUNITIES







The Willoughby Hills Isolated Senior Program for Everyday Relief (W.H.I.S.P.E.R.) committee is looking for volunteers to assist with incoming requests for services. If you think you might like to help out please fill out the volunteer application located <u>here</u>. If you're a senior who would like assistance with things such as raking leaves or yard clean-up, please complete <u>this application</u> and send it back to City Hall. For W.H.I.S.P.E.R. guidelines, please click <u>here</u>.

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 in the process of putting together an all day City event (MusicFest 2023) 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.

A place for everything, and everything in it's place...

Clear out your house & make some money!



Download your application here:



Or send an email to: recreationevents@willoughbyhills-oh.gov

Hard copies of the applications available at the Willoughby Hills Community Center (35400 Chardon Road)

Deadline for entries July 28

Sign up to be included on our list, map, facebook page, city website & newsletter = free advertising!

WILLOUGHBY HILLS SPRING GARAGE SALE DAY Saturday, August 5, 2023

APPLICATION FOR FREE ADVERTISING

You are invited to join us for the annual **Willoughby Hills Garage Sale Day**! We will help promote your sale through our city website, newsletter, Facebook pages, posters and flyers. Please return by July 28, so your garage sale can be included and promoted as part of this special day.

- Please complete and return the registration form below
- · Residents must pre-register to be able to take advantage of our free advertising
- Residents are encouraged to put a sign in their yard and at the street corner to make your garage sale easy to find – coordinating signage with your neighbors for a street-wide sale can attract a greater number of visitors.

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY: JULY 28

For more information:

Call: (440) 975-3540 or Email: recreationevents@willoughbyhills-oh.gov

Name:	Email:					
Address:						
Phone:	Sale Start & End Times:					
Any additional days of the week that your garage sale will be open:						
Description of items for sale (25 words or less/please print clearly):						

Return your application to: recreationevents@willoughbyhills-oh.gov

or mail to: City of Willoughby Hills Recreation | Community Garage Sale Day 35400 Chardon Road | Willoughby Hills, OH 44094

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY: JULY 28, 2023.

HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!



AUGUST 19 11 AM-10 PM

Willoughby Hills Community Center (35400 Chardon Road)

TO VOLUNTEER: recreationevents@ willoughbyhills-oh.gov

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: (440) 918-8730

FEATURING: SUMRADA Blue Evolution





Ricky & the Rockets & more local artists



















The <u>Back to School Bash</u> is a community event for families in Lake County. Lake County YMCA is hard at work collecting clothing to be distributed to hundreds of children at the event on Saturday, August 5, 2023.

> We're in need of *new, packaged underwear and socks for infants and children ages 5 - 18.*



West End YMCA, Willoughby | Central YMCA, Painesville | East End YMCA, Madison



Now through July 31, 2023

Questions? Contact Pattie Ritt Lake County YMCA Senior Child Care Director 440-946-1160 ext 102 | pritt@lakecountyymca.org

The Back to School Bash is sponsored by:

Lake County Job and Family Services

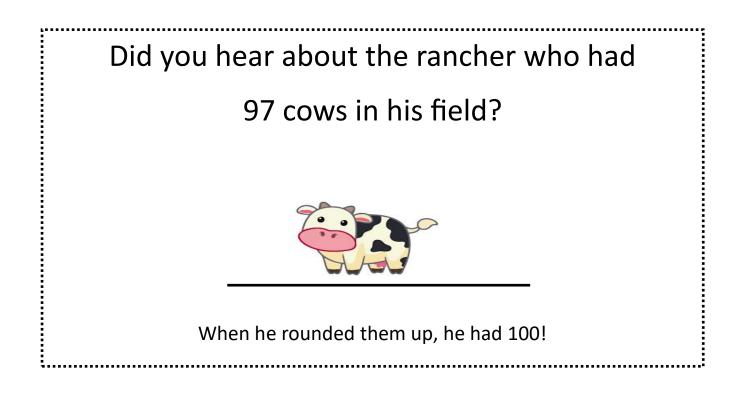


Family and Children First Council









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.

HAYE A WONDERFUL WEEK!

