



The City Of Willoughby

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Ward 4 Newsletter

Parks & Recreation Happenings

Summer Registration

Registration is taking place for season passes, swim lessons and camps. Register NOW for Early Bird Rates!

Huge Kids Sale

Saturday, May 2nd at Daniels Park East Pavilion
8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Summer Day Camp

Looking for some fun this summer? Register for day camp! Enjoy field trips, performers, theme days, swimming and friends!

More info at www.willoughbyohio.com select Parks & Rec, then select forms.

Amusement Park Tickets

The Parks & Recreation department offers discounted amusement park tickets for Wildwater Kingdom Cedar Point Kings Island Pioneer Waterland cash or check only! Call 953-4200 for info.



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FEDERAL STIMULUS MONEY

Willoughby submitted a number of projects for consideration and we are fortunate to have received \$1.2M towards two Sewer projects. Funding was allocated as 50% of the project cost with low cost loans being made available for the additional 50%. This is really good news but we do need to go through internal review to ensure the City's portion can be addressed within our budget. These projects are not in the current budget so the good news is we received \$1.2M in Federal Funding. Bad news is we now have to figure out how we can afford this free money. Either laugh or just shake your head at this logic.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

SOM Slope Stabilization is proceeding slowly with the recent rainfall. This project is reducing traffic southbound from RT 2 to a single lane.

RT 2 Reconstruction has started from SOM to RT 306 in Mentor. Ward 4 residents have the luxury of being able to access RT 2 or RT 90 heading East. My advice is to avoid RT 2 as much as possible for the next 2 years. This entire section is being rebuilt as a concrete roadway and the Lost Nation intersection is being completely rebuilt. This includes replacing the bridge. Residents in North Willoughby are facing major delays navigating into downtown. I would even suggest taking SOM all the way to Lakeshore if you want to visit Osborne Park or other portions of North Willoughby.

RUMMAGE SALE

Sunrise Senior Living Rummage Sale will take place on Friday May 8th from 9am to 3pm. They are located at the end of Kaiser Court and all proceeds will be donated to the Willoughby Food Pantry.

LITHUANIAN CENTER PROJECT

The Lithuanian Center on Halle Dr. is revisiting their proposal to add a second building on the property across from Heinars. Plans have been submitted to the City and they are scheduled to go to Planning Commission in mid May. I had an opportunity to meet with the project Architect and get a preview of the plans. The proposed building will add 40 Congregate Living units in an adjacent 4 story building. The proposed building is much less institutional looking and appears to be a visually appealing structure. Setbacks are 1.5 or 2 times the requirements and they are making every effort to minimize impact on neighboring condominiums and houses, including the retention of existing trees which border the property. The plans will be submitted to the City and get appropriate review to ensure any new building meets all zoning and building codes. I would anticipate a public hearing and a walk thru of the property for those of you having concerns with the project.

WILLOUGHBY MARKET

The Willoughby Market opens this Saturday, May 2nd. This is one of my personal favorites and I look forward to Saturday mornings at the Market.

LAKE COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Special Collections for 2009:

Saturday, May 9 -- Computer Round-Up
9:00 am-1:00 pm @ Lake County Fairgrounds

Saturday, June 6 -- Household Hazardous Waste drop off. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm @ Lake County Fairgrounds

June 26-July 31 - Phone Book Recycling @ Wickliffe City Hall, Mentor Wal-Mart, Madison Giant Eagle.