

Ward 4 Newsletter

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Parks & Recreation Happenings

Summer Registration

Registration has started for pool parties, swim lessons and season passes. Camp registration is going strong! We have camps for children ages 4-13 and also offer one day trips for teens ages 13-17. log onto

willoughbyohio.com

for more information.

You can now register online for a number of programs, it's fast, easy and secure. Log onto willoughby ohio.com/parks-recreation/click on "Register for Programs Online!" and follow the steps.

Please bring a current utility bill showing your name and address and a photo ID when purchasing pool passes.



Councilman Bob Carr rcarr@willoughbyohio.com Home 440-946-2926 Cell 440-488-7321

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Calling all Military Personnel

We are looking for active or retired military personnel who are interested in marching (or possibly riding on a trailer) in our 2014 Memorial Day Parade. For more information please contact us at 440-953-4200. The parade in on Monday, May 26th at 9:30 am; the route is Downtown Willoughby to Park Ave. to the Willoughby Cemetery. Ceremonies held immediately following (Ceremony held rain or shine).

ELECTION this Tuesday, MAY 6

This is a primary election so you can vote for Democrat, Republican, Libertarian or Green Party candidates. There are also 2 issues on the ballot. Issue One, as mentioned last month, is for issuance of Bonds that go to infrastructure projects. NO increase in taxes and helps to fund local projects. Please vote yes. There is also a renewal levy for Lake Metroparks. Again, no increase in taxes.

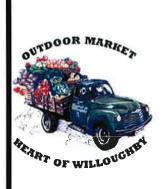


May 17, 2014 12:00-8:00 pm Historic Downtown Willoughby

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Time to clean out your closets and let go of the treasures! The Community Yard Sale will attract many people looking for bargains and steals. Tables will sell quickly, reserve yours today!

Saturday, May 17 8:00 am - Noon Osborne Park, 38575 Lakeshore Blvd. Call Parks & Rec for more information



The Willoughby Outdoor Market 8:00 am to 12:00 pm Saturdays, May to October the parking lot of Willoughby City Hall from

Shoppers find great values from various local vendors. Vendor booths sell coffee & tea, maple syrup, jams and jellies, baked goods, seasonal fruits & vegetables, fresh flowers – even jewelry, pet treats and a crafty item or two.

For updates on the vendors or activities at the market, Like Us on Facebook at Willoughby Outdoor Market.

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2014 EVENTS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE
April 12	5K Run Fight Like Mike	8:30AM	Downtown	Bridgette Tichar	216-870-1099
April 12 Rain Date April 19	Easter Egg Hunt	11AM- 12:30PM	Todd Field	Recreation	440-953-4200
April 25	Arbor Day	6:30PM	Point Park	Service	440-953-4115
April 26	Eco-Fair Flea Market	8AM-Noon	CH Parking Lot	Service	440-953-4111
May 3 thru Oct 25	Outdoor Market	8AM-Noon	CH Parking Lot	Heather Argenti	440-749-2693
May 17	Rib Cook Off	12-8PM	Downtown	DTW B&R John Bower	440-478-8078
May 26	Memorial Day Parade	9:30AM	Erie Street to Cemetery	Recreation	440-953-4200
June 1 thru Sept 28	Lakefront Outdoor Market	8AM-1PM	Osborne Park	Aaron Zone	440-339-5556 Aaron Zone@sbcglobal.net
June 1	Hidden Treasures by the Lake	9AM-1PM	Osborne Park	Aaron Zone	440-339-5556 Aaron.Zone@sbcglobal.net
June 21	Classic Car Cruise-In	4-11PM	Downtown	Frontier Days Committee Cell	willoughbyfrontierdays.com 440-376-3360
June 28	5K Race	7:30AM	Osborne Park	Michael Prah	440-975-1049
July 4	Fireworks	9:45PM	South High	Recreation	440-953-4200
July 18, 19, 20	Octoberfest	6PM Fri, 4PM Sat 1PM Sun	Immaculate	Church	440-942-4500
July 19	ArtsFest	10AM-5PM	Downtown	Chamber	440-942-1632
July 19, 20	Gathering of Eagles	10AM-	Lost Nation	US Aviation	aimb29@roadrunner.com
		5:30PM	Airport	Museum	usaviationmuseum.com
August 2	Community Shredding	9AM-Noon	South High	Service	440- 953-4111
August 3	Bark For Life	10:30AM	Wes Point Park	Alyssa Hancock	888-227-6557 xt 1219
August 16	Last Stop Willoughby Taste of Willoughby Parade at 2PM	12-7PM 12-6PM	Downtown	Heart of Wlby Kathi Cannon	216-882-8304 heartofwilloughby@gmail.com
September 14	5K Race	10AM	Downtown	Craig Rowe	DTW5k.com 216-849-4403
September 14	Clam Bake	12-6PM	Downtown	DTW B&R John Bower	440-478-8078
October 5	Fall Food Fest	12-6PM	Osborne Park	Aaron Zone	440-339-5556 Aaron Zone@sbcglobal.net
October 11	White Cane Walk	9AM-1PM	Euclid Ave Pool to Wes Point Park	Kathy Holaus	440-946-3363
October 17-31	Scarecrow Contest		Downtown	Parks & Rec	440-953-4200
October 18	Chili Cook-Off	12-6PM	Downtown	DTW B&R John Bower	440-478-8078
October 25	Will-o-Boo	12-2PM	Downtown	Merchants	
October 31	Trick or Treat	6-8PM	City-Wide	Recreation	440-953-4200
November 6	Chocolate Walk		Downtown	Merchants	
November 6-8	Downtown Chocolate Stroll		Downtown	Merchants	
December 4,5,6	Miracle on Erie Street Stroll and Festival		Downtown	Merchants	
December 4	Spaghetti Dinner	4-7PM	Methodist Church	Kiwanis	440-953-8737
	Lighting Ceremony	7:00PM	Point Park	Recreation	440-953-4200
	Auction	7:35PM	City Hall	Lions	440-951-9000

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2014 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

DATE	BAND	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE
July 3	Chardon Polka Band	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
July 10	Don Disantis Orchestra	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
July 17	Mayor Anderson Presents the Sounds of Willoughby	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
July 24	Face Value	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
July 31	Alex Bevan	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
August 7	The New Originals: Alumni of the University of Akron Steel Drum Band	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
August 14	ContraBAND	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
August 21	Haywire	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190
August 28	The Diamond Project	7-9PM	Gazebo	Community Development	440-953-4190

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The City of Willoughby

For Immediate Release

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440-283-9888

Re: Audible Signal Demonstration: Tuesday, April 29, 2014 at 2:15PM at bus shelter at intersection of Par Lane & Ridge Road in Willoughby.

A new sound this spring: City improvements help seniors and disabled

Willoughby installed the city's first audible pedestrian signal at intersection of Par Lane and Ridge Road for better access to Pine Ridge Plaza and surrounding residential areas.

"I first became aware of the accessibility difficulties after speaking with resident Robert Glover of Pine Ridge apartments," shared Mayor David Anderson. "After reviewing the area, we have many residents residing at Lithuanian Center, a senior housing for residents over 55 years old, and Pine Ridge Apartments using this intersection. With the use of the Laketran bus stop and pedestrian access to Pine Ridge Plaza, plus increase traffic congestion the city recognized a need for better and safer accessibility."

Robert Glover, 54, moved to Willoughby from Madison for better access to public transportation for employment because he cannot drive due to his blindness. After completing Laketran's Travel Training program that provides one-on-one instruction on how to use the bus routes, Glover was still hesitant to cross the street.

"Travel Training isn't just about teaching a person how to ride the bus. The goal is to empower people with disabilities to advocate for themselves and express their needs so they can become more productive and independent. When Robert suggested the need of an audible signal, I told him he should approach the mayor or a commissioner. In Robert fashion, he did both!" explained Pat Pryatel, Laketran's Community Outreach Specialist who provides travel training for Laketran.

"When you're without your vision, you need to rely heavily on your other senses. I could hear the traffic coming, but I never know how long I have to cross an intersection. The majority of intersections across America do not provide ample time for someone to cross. I am also an amputee, so I'm not that quick," explains Glover of his difficulties crossing the intersection. "I'm currently job searching and constantly relying on my wife to take me to interviews. I'm so close to all the independence I need to go on my own and now being able to safely cross the street I more confident of going out on my own."

Investments:

Laketran enhancements: Laketran installed a sidewalk on south side of Ridge Road to improve the access and safety of the bus stop at the Pine Ridge bus stop. The \$35,000 project improvements were completely paid by American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) federal grant funds. Shelters and benches were installed on each side of the street, too.

The two bus stop service Laketran's Route 2 local bus route connecting Euclid to Mentor and Route 13 commuter express route to Cleveland.

City of Willoughby enhancement: City of Willoughby's Traffic Division installed an audible pedestrian signal at a cost of \$3,500 funded by city's general fund.

Pine Ridge Apartments maintains the snow removal of the sidewalk area for daily access.

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