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Newsletter

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Honoring the Past -Welcoming the Future Dear Residents:

Like most of you, Village officials and staff spend the first part of a new year planning projects, programs and budgets for the year. We are always looking for ways to improve the Village with new and improved ideas or products such as new LED street lights, green foliage, colorful flowers and informational signs.



Mayor Mark A. Cegelka

Plans for 2019 are already underway for enhancements in the Village for roads, parks, public spaces and new equipment. The staff and I plan for new and annual projects, ensure funding is available and provide for oversight during the project. Look for more details about 2019 projects in this Newsletter. Additional information will be available in the next Newsletter.

Please mark your calendars for all the Summer Concert Dates, Family Movie Night and Community Garage Sale list in this edition. These are just a few activities that help make our community a great place to live and raise a family. Many thanks to the Recreation Committee of Council, who work diligently with the staff planning these activities.

Late last year, the Village received a Clean Ohio Grant for land conservation from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. This grant of \$383,000 allowed the Village to purchase five parcels, totaling 35 acres, along Tinker's Creek from Pettibone Road to Richmond Road. This land acquisition was important because it maintains the riparian area around Tinker's Creek and provides the ability to construct a multi-purpose trail along the creek in the future.

As I begin my 10th year as Mayor, I continue to be honored to serve in this capacity. We have one of the best communities in Northeast Ohio. Council, staff and I will continue to enhance all aspects of our Village. Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Cegelka, Mayor

DON'T FORGET APRIL 15TH!

Federal, state and local income taxes are due by April 15th. There are local resources to help you preparing your taxes. See Page 3 for details.

IMPORTANT NOTES

TRANSPORTATION FOR SENIORS AND PHYSICALLY **CHALLENGED RESIDENTS AVAILABLE**

The Villages of Glenwillow and Oakwood entered into a contract to provide local transportation to senior citizens or residents that are physical challenged. Please see Page 2 for details.

MEDICATION DISPOSAL

You can dispose of unneeded medications at Village Hall Monday thru Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Village has a secure disposal box for these medications and ensures that they are properly disposed.

NEW SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROVIDER

We are aware of the impact that access to transportation has in enhancing the lives of our senior residents. As of January 2, 2019, The Village partnered with the Village of Oakwood to provide senior transportation. **STC will no longer** provide rides to Glenwillow residents.

The Senior Transportation Program with Oakwood Village shall include transportation services from Oakwood to the seniors in Glenwillow for medical appointments, shopping, personal business, recreation, nutrition, religious events and any other social events.

Who can use the Oakwood Village Van?

Seniors 60 years or older and physically challenged residents who live in the Village of Glenwillow.

How do you reserve your ride for medical appointments?

Reservations for medical appointments should be made at least ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday by calling 232-9988. If you are scheduled to have a procedure requiring the use of anesthesia, please make other arrangements. The van is not equipped and drivers are not trained to handle emergencies that may arise during transport. Please note that the van is not available on Wednesday afternoons.

Suggested appointment times are 9:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. Return trips are not available after 4:00 p.m. In this situation, please make other arrangements for return transportation.

The following information is required to reserve a ride:

- Name, address and telephone number
- Date and time of appointment
- Destination address
- Physician's name and phone no.

How do you reserve your ride for other appointments?

Reservations for banking, prescription pick-ups, grocery shopping, social service agencies, library, beauty shops, cinema, etc., should be made 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE by calling 232-9988. Please note that the van is not available on Wednesday afternoons.

Suggested times are 9:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. Return trips are not available after 4:00 p.m. In this situation, please make other arrangements.

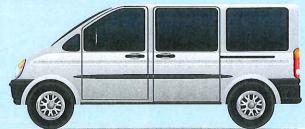
How do you cancel your trip?

Please let us know within 24 hours if you must cancel a scheduled appointment.

Van Fare:

There will be a charge of \$1.00 per ride (round trip).

If you have any questions, before or after the transition occurs, please contact Lori at Village Hall at 440-232-8788 or email lpepera@glenwillow-oh.gov



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The Recreation Committee is busy planning the Summer Concert Series for the Village. The concerts have been very successful and a great way to connect with neighbors and friends. The first concert is scheduled for Sunday June 9th, 5p.m-7p.m. The Community-Wide Garage Sale will be held in August and will be partnered with the Village of Oakwood's Community Garage Sale. Plans are also under way for our Movie in the Park! More details and the full schedule will be posted on our website and will be in the next newsletter.

June 9th

July 28th

August 25th

June 30th

July 27th- Movie in the Park

Community Garage Sale-TBD

July 14th

August 11th

LOCAL INCOME TAX-FILING DEADLINE-APRIL 15, 2019

The Village of Glenwillow has a 2% income tax. All persons over 18 years of age working in the Village of Glenwillow and all business entities doing business in the Village are subject to the local income tax.

Glenwillow residents are granted 100% credit up to 2%, for municipal tax withheld or paid to another municipality. All residents over 18 years of age must file an annual return whether tax is owed or not.

R.I.T.A. tax filing deadlines are the same as the Federal and State taxes-April 15, 2019. For more information about our income tax, please contact R.I.T.A. at 440-526-0900 or at www.ritaohio.com.

INCOME TAX SERVICE AVAILABLE

It is that time of year again to prepare and submit your Federal Income taxes before the April 15th deadline. AARP Senior Tax Preparation is available to assist you now through April 15th.

There is no charge for this service.

There is a limited amount of

appointments.

Call the Solon Senior Center to schedule yours at 440-349-6363.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED THE VILLAGE'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD DECEMBER 13TH AT MT. ZION CHURCH OF OAKWOOD VILLAGE.

It was an overwhelming success with over 300 residents in attendance. The festivities began at 6:30 p.m. with wonderful Christmas music played by Dave Day on the key board and a wonderful selection of Christmas music played by DJ Exousia Sound Mobile, Roberto Pagarigan. The children received a surprise visit from Santa Claus and a special treat from him. A special thank you to Mt. Zion for the use of their facility and the great food catered by the Glanwillow Grille. Plans are already underway to make 2019 even better!









THANK YOU

A special thanks to all the Village residents, Stratford Care and Rehabilitation, Pipeline Packaging, Cleveland Steel Container, Home Depot Supply and Millwood Inc. for the overwhelming support and participation in the Annual Food Drive. As a result of the kindness and generosity, there was enough food and toys collected to help 9 families in the Village.



FOR 2019, COUNCIL COMMITTEES ARE:

Budget/Finance: Chair; Don Banas, Jeff Adie and Barb DiBacco.

Personnel: Chair; Jeff Adie, Don Banas and Barb DiBacco.

Safety: Chair; Barb DiBacco, Jeff Adie and Gurvis Smith.

Infrastructure/Capital Improvements: Chair; Don Banas, Anthony DeCarlo and Larry Sylver.

Building/Housing: Chair; Gurvis Smith, Larry Sylver and Anthony DeCarlo.

Recreation: Chair; Larry Sylver, Barb DiBacco and Gurvis Smith.

Service Department: Chair; Anthony DeCarlo, Larry Sylver and Gurvis Smith.

Council meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Check the website for meeting updates.

The Architectural Review Board and Planning Commission meet every third Wednesday of each month. The purpose of these Boards is to promote the orderly and harmonious development of the Village while ensuring the level of quality of all constructed projects. The Boards are made of 5 members each.

Architectural Board of Review begins at 5:30 PM.

Architectural Board of Review Members:

Mayor Cegelka-Chairman

Barb DiBacco-Council Representative

Tim Haupert-Planning Commission Representative

Jerry Eisen-Public Representative

Roberto Pinedo-Architect

Planning Commission begins at 6:00PM.

Planning Commission Members:
Tim Haupert-Chairman
Jeff Adie-Council Representative
Scott McColl-Citizen Representative
Kel Billings-Citizen Representative
Mayor Cegelka

GLENWILLOW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Village of Glenwillow is pleased to offer scholarships to our students who reside in Glenwillow and graduate from Solon Public Schools or Private Schools. This money is donated from companies who have opened businesses in the Village with the assistance of various tax incentives that we are authorized to offer. This money is set aside for the scholarship program created by Village Council many years ago. Each year, the Village and a representative from the Solon Schools review the tax incentives to ensure compliance with the program. Village Council established the scholarship program to help the youth of our community. Students who have graduated from High School while living in Glenwillow for at least one year will be awarded \$250.00 per year with the maximum amount of

\$1,000.00. Students must attend a 2-year or 4-year accredited college or university in order to be eligible.

Applications will be sent out in March to graduating seniors. If you are graduating and do not receive an application, please contact Lori at Village Hall: 440-232-8788 or email lpepera@glenwillow-oh.gov.



CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS WARNS RESIDENTS OF NEW ROUND OF IMPOSTOR SCAMS

CLEVELAND – The Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs is warning residents about a new round of impostor scams impersonating County Sheriff's deputies or court officials.

Arrest and court scams were the most-complained about category of scams reported to the Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs in 2018.

Recently, the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department received multiple complaints about impostor calls in which scammers identified themselves as deputies. When a Sheriff's Department employee dialed one number reported by a resident, the scammer answered by saying, "Cuyahoga County Sheriff."

In these scams, callers posing as police or court officials tell potential victims they missed a court date and threaten them with immediate arrest or account seizure unless they pay a fine. Some scammers may initially tell people to go to the Justice Center to pay, but when victims call back as instructed, they ultimately are told to pay using retail gift cards or money wires—forms of payment that government agencies do not accept.

"Calls threatening you with arrest, lawsuits or account seizure are flat-out scams," said Sheryl Harris, Director of the Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs. "These scammers steal the names of real agencies solely to scare you into paying them."

Nine of the top 10 scams reported to Cuyahoga County Consumer Affairs in 2018 were impostor scams. They are:

- 1) Arrest/Court Scams (Scammers pose as law enforcement or court officials)
- 2) IRS Scams (Callers pose as IRS agents)
- 3) Computer Tech Scam (Callers pretend to be techs offering help with one's computer)
- 4) Sweepstakes/Lottery Scams
- 5) Grandparent Scams (Callers pretend to be grandkids in trouble with the law)
- 6) Robocalls (Tie with grandparent scams)
- 7) Social Security or Medicare Scams
- 8) Credit or Account Scams (Callers pose as banks or offer to lower credit rates)
- 9) Charity Scam Calls
- 10) Debt Collection Scams (Tie with charity calls)

So far in 2019, Consumer Affairs has been receiving additional reports of impostor calls offering free braces or other medical equipment.

The Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs offers these tips for avoiding impostor scams:

- Don't trust caller ID readings—scammers often spoof names and numbers.
- Let numbers you don't recognize go to voicemail. And don't call unknown callers back.
- Hang up on anyone who threatens you with arrest, legal action or seizure of your accounts.
- Hang up if someone claims to be a grandchild in trouble with the law.
- Remember, it's not "free" or a "prize" if you must pay.
- If you're worried, call police, Scam Squad or family for help checking out the call.
- Hang up if a caller insists on staying on the phone while you go to the bank or to buy gift cards. That's a ploy to keep you from checking out the story.
- Hang up if anyone directs you to pay using store gift cards, money wires or mailed cash. They're scammer favorites because they're hard for police to trace.

Cuyahoga County residents who receive scam calls are encouraged to report them by visiting consumeraffairs.cuyahogacounty.us or by calling the Scam Squad line at 216-443-SCAM (7226).

BUILDING DEPARTMENT NEWS-2018 YEAR END REPORT

The Building Department, like other reporting agencies, has a construction year that begins in January and ends in December. Through that period statistical reports are created and are filed with other branches of government including federal government (Census Bureau), State of Ohio (Board of Building Standards and Cuyahoga County (Fiscal Office).

This past year the Building Department issued a total of 43 permits (16 residential and 27 commercial) accounting for over \$19,000,000 in construction valuation and the collection of over \$140,000 in permitting, registration and licensing fees.

Significant permits included a <u>new 434,000 square foot industrial building on Victory Parkway in the Diamond Business Center and a 25,000 square foot mezzanine addition at InterDesign located on Emerald Valley Parkway.</u>

Eight permits were issued for tie-ins to the sanitary sewer on Pergl Road, Mello Drive and Annetta Drive.

There were 56 contractors registered to work in the Village and 7 licenses were renewed for rental properties.

Significant occupancy permits included 2 new industrial buildings in Diamond Parkway; GED Integrated Solutions and Mantua Manufacturing as well as an addition to InterDesign located on Emerald Valley Parkway. These projects accounted for nearly 500,000 square foot of new office/industrial floor space.

The Architectural Review Board reviewed 19 applications for design review and the Planning Commission reviewed 21 applications for site and landscape review.

SCHOLARSHIP FROM OALPRP AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS

The Ohio Association of Litter Prevention and Recycling Professionals (OALPRP) is offering a \$1,000 C.R. Meyers Scholarship for eligible students. One scholarship will be awarded in 2019. To be eligible, a student must:

- Be enrolled or plan to enroll in an accredited Ohio college, university or technical school.
- Have declared or plan to declare a major related to environmental sciences or environmental education.
- · Reside in Ohio.

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• Complete the application by the deadline of April 15, 2019.

For details, visit the OALPRP website: OALPRP.ORG or call Katrina at (740) 342-7881.

LICENSE PLATE RENEWAL

When you renew your license plates with the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicle, please remember to make sure you tell the clerk or indicate online, that you live in GLENWILLOW. The Village receives its portion of the license tax fee which is used to repair our roads. Since Glenwillow shares a zip code with Solon, many times the plates are registered incorrectly. There is no difference in the tax if you are

ANY NAME

listed with Solon or Glenwillow. Please help us earn the money for which we are entitled.



OLIVIA'S DREAM

On November 20, 2018 eight-year-old Olivia Schneider and her mother Rebecca Pletnewski, were tragically killed in an arson-related fire at their Mayfield Heights home. Olivia's father, Kurt Schneider, organized a toy drive in Olivia's memory. He said that it was always his daughters wish to make sure that all children received an abundance of love and joy for the holidays. The Glenwillow Police Department wanted to help Olivia's wish come true and donated several new toys in her honor.





SHOP WITH A COP WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

The Glenwillow Police Department, along with the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #67, would like to thank everyone who donated to this special event. With your generous support, many children in Glenwillow had the opportunity to shop for holiday gifts for themselves and for their families. Your donations really made a difference in the lives of so many children in our community. You helped make their holiday wishes come true.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:











Sgt. Nadette Russo

1 out of every 4 car accidents in the U.S. is caused by texting & driving. Remember, a crash typically happens within an average of three seconds after a driver is distracted. Please "Stay Alive, Don't Text & Drive".



AAA TRAFFIC SAFETY AWARD PROGRAM

AAA Community Traffic Safety Awards are presented to participating communities for their efforts to improve local traffic and overall safety. The Glenwillow Police Department was proud to be awarded a Silver AAA Community Traffic Safety Award for all our accomplishments.

The following programs were completed in "2018"

- Click It or Ticket
- · Block Party "Meet and Greet"
- Motorcycle Ride Safe
- Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over
- · Schools Open- Drive Safely
- Halloween Safety
- Stay Alive, Don't Text & Drive
- · Helmet Smart- Bicycle Safety
- Electronic Speed Signs
- Community Policing Using Special Bobcat



Accepting the award is Ptl. Greg Curtin





IDENTITY THEFT

Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in America. Prime targets include children, college students, military members and senior citizens, but can happen to anyone at any time. Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information without your knowledge or permission for financial or other gain.

Beware of Traditional Tactics:

- Mail Theft- use a locking mailbox if possible and always put outgoing mail into a postal mailbox
- Dumpster Diving- shred unwanted documents & unsolicited credit card or loan offers
- Shoulder Surfing- shield keypads before entering PINs, passwords or card numbers
- Purse or Wallet Snatching- minimize what you carry with you & never carry your Social Security card unless absolutely necessary

Watch Out for Skimming:

Potential thieves steal or "skim" your card information. They use it to create an illegal copy of your card (called "cloning"). Thieves use skimming devices that are small, easily portable and hard to detect. These devices are usually installed on ATM machines and gas pumps. They fit over the original card readers and are sometimes unnoticeable.

What Can I Do?

Try to use ATMs that are inside or outside of banks. They tend to have more oversight and be less vulnerable to tampering. When using a card reader at a gas pump, check to see if the colors and materials match. Look for extra pieces of plastic or anything that appears to be added on or out of place. Jiggle the area. If it moves or seems loose, don't insert your card.

Cyber Threats:

Make sure you have up-to-date and active security software and anti-virus programs installed on all electronic devices. Set devices to lock automatically after a few minutes of non-use. Create strong passwords and change them frequently. Do not open e-mails from unknown senders and be sure to log off of all accounts when complete.

What should I do if I'm a victim?

Visit <u>IdentityTheft.gov</u> or call the Federal Trade Commission at **1-877-382-4357**. They will assist you with getting a recovery plan that walks you through each step.

PAVEMENT REPAIRS

The Village was busy in 2018 to complete several pavement repairs projects. We completed the Pettibone and Cochran Road Intersection Improvement which the Village used Ohio Public Works Commission and Cuyahoga County Funding to perform the complete reconstruction of the intersection. The first two phases of the Richmond Road Railroad Crossing was completed last year. We used money from and worked with the Village of Oakwood, Cleveland Commercial Railroad, Cuyahoga County and the Public Utilities

Commission to complete these two phases.

The Village will perform the next phase this spring to improve the grade on the south side of the tracks. Finally, we completed our annual pavement repairs related to asphalt and concrete roadways and appurtenances throughout the Village and will continue this maintenance process going into 2019.

LED LIGHTS

The Village worked with the Illuminating Company and Firstenergy to improve the energy efficiency and lighting for the fixtures on Cochran Road. The Village will continue in 2019 to add new lights and modify the existing lights to improve visibility and promote a more energy efficient Village.

RESTROOM PETTIBONE PARK

In 2018, the Village installed the infrastructure needed to add a restroom at the new Pettibone Road Park, which is on the south side of Pettibone Road across from the Village Hall. After the Village received grant money to install a shelter on the new park in 2017, the next step in the planning for the park area was to add a public restroom to compliment the new shelter. The infrastructure is in and ready for the new restroom to be installed in 2019, as funding allows.



When we set our clocks ahead an hour in spring and back an hour in fall, we should also change the batteries in our smoke detectors and other safety equipment.

- 1. Remove the smoke alarm from the wall or ceiling.
- 2. Look at the back of the alarm for the date of manufacture.
- 3. Smoke alarms should be replaced 10 years from the date of manufacture and batteries changed when the time changes.
- 4. Put the alarm back on the ceiling or wall if it is less than 10 years old.

Village of Glenwillow residents can obtain a free smoke detector from Village Hall Monday –Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information call Lori at 440-232-8788 or email lpepera@glenwillow-oh.gov

For more information about smoke alarms, visit: usfa.fema.gov

PLEASE PICK UP PET WASTE AND DISPOSE OF IT PROPERLY!

Pet waste is teaming with E. Coli and other harmful bacteria including fecal coliform bacteria, which causes serious kidney disorders, intestinal illness, cramps and diarrhea in humans.

There are more than 90,000 dogs in Cuyahoga County creating around 45 tons of waste per day (NEORSD).

There are 23 million fecal coliform bacteria in a single gram of pet waste - over 10 million more per gram than human waste.

When our pets leave those little surprises, rain or melting snow washes all that pet waste and bacteria into our storm drains.

ORDINANCE NO. 521.08 LITTERING AND DEPOSIT OF GARBAGE, RUBBISH, JUNK, ETC.

- (a) No person shall, without lawful authority, place or dispose of in any manner, upon any public property, upon his own premises, or upon the premises of another, any paper, trash, garbage, waste, rubbish, refuse, junk or any substance or material which is or may become noxious, offensive, injurious or dangerous to the public health, comfort or safety.
- (b) No person shall throw, deposit, or allow to accumulate any paper, trash, garbage, waste, rubbish, refuse, junk or any other noxious or offensive materials on any open or vacant public or private property within the Village, whether owned by such person or not.

SPECIAL DELIVERY

Santa made his way through Glenwillow on a fire truck on December 15th to make a surprise visit. He stopped at more than 20 homes and delivered more than 50 gifts to children throughout the Village. Thank you to all who participated and to the Oakwood Fire Department for help making this special event possible.









Do you lay awake at night wondering how to go organic in your garden?

Do your tomatoes grow eight feet tall with barely any fruit?

Are you confused about all those numbers on a package of fertilizer?

Do you want to go veganic?

Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District presents:

THE GARDENER'S GUIDE to ORGANIC FERTILIZERS







Learn how to amend your garden or farm organically.

We will discuss the difference between minerals, soil conditioners, and fertilizers, and how to use them.

Wednesday March 13th • 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District 3311 Perkins Ave, Suite 100 Cleveland, OH 44114

FREE - Registration required Contact Justin Husher 216/524-6580, ext 1007, or Register online at www.cuyahogaswcd.org —> Events



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New time for Council Meetings

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

Village Council Meetings All meetings start at 7:00 pm

February 20th
March 6th • March 20th
April 3rd • April 17th
May 1st • May 15th

Architectural Review Board Starts at 5:30 pm & Planning Commission Starts at 6:00 pm

February 20th • March 20th April 17th • May 15th

All meetings are open to the public.

Check our Website for an agenda of each meeting at www.glenwillow-oh.gov

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A&S Animal Control

REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS, call the Glenwillow Police Department 440-232-8787 | 9am-4pm

AFTER HOURS, for emergencies only, call the Solon Police Department non-emergency at 440-349-1234

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