



JULY - AUGUST 2017



A Message
From Mayor
Dennis Clough

Dear Westlake Resident:

Now that summer is here, Westlake is filled with summer projects and activities. Many of these involve construction and repairing of streets. For updates and timetables, please visit our website or simply call our Engineering Department.

The Engineering Department is also conducting an inspection of all sidewalks throughout the city and is notifying property owners who need to replace damaged portions. Please contact the department at 440-617-4145 should you have any questions or need a payment plan to assist in the repair or replacement of marked sidewalks.

This November, we will have a number of issues and candidates on the ballot. I hope that you will become informed on them. Two issues will involve the continuation or renewal of a portion of the city's income tax that will enable new recreation facilities such as an aquatics center, state-of-the-art sports fields, walking and biking trails. In addition, a new community (senior) center will be constructed along with current and future infrastructure improvements to roads, streets, storm sewers and waterlines. We will update you in future newsletters.

As always, please call with any questions or concerns on items contained in this publication. Have a great summer!

Sincerely,

Dennis M. Clough
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Mayor

Celebrate July 4th in Westlake!

Start your day at 10 a.m. cheering for the bands, clubs, community organizations, and other participants in our parade. The parade starts at Lee Burneson Middle School on Dover Center Rd. heading north and turns east onto Hilliard Blvd. until it reaches Clague Park. After the parade, Mayor Dennis M. Clough, members of City Council, and special guests honor America's birthday in a short ceremony.

Clague Park will continue to be the site of many of the day's other events, including the 28th Annual Charity Classic Car Show, a Dog Show, Martial Arts Demo and rides on the Euclid Beach Boys Rocket Ship Car. Children's activities run from 10 a.m. to noon.

At Peterson Pool, we will offer free games every hour starting at 1 p.m. Noodle race, silly tube race, watermelon eating contest, funny swimming race and tennis ball hunting contest. Awards will be given for each game. Regular admission fees apply.

Food and drink vendors are located near Clague Cabin after 4 p.m. Musical entertainment begins after 6 p.m.

Fireworks at the park begin at dusk, weather permitting.

Find the latest details at www.cityofwestlake.org/Special-Events.



Using Native Plants Saves Water, Time, and Money

How is your garden growing? Consider adding some plants native to our area. Such plants have adapted over time to flourish in our specific soil and weather conditions so they require less maintenance. Find lists of both recommended plants and invasive species to avoid, tips, and more at www.cityofwestlake.org/Native-Plants.

Summer Concerts in the Park Continue

Join us on Sunday evenings in July and August from 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the Westlake Recreation Center Pavilion for our FREE Summer Concert Series.

See www.cityofwestlake.org/Summer-Concerts for more details.

- July 9 – Jersey (Bruce Springsteen Tribute Band)
- July 16 – Steel Ivory (Country)
- July 23 – Chardon Polka Band
- July 30 – Fastlane (Eagles Tribute Band)
- August 6 – FM Project (Steely Dan Tribute Band)
- August 13 – Smokin' Fez Monkeys (Rock Mix/original tunes)



NEWS FROM THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Special Collections Reduce Trash in Landfills

The following collections are open to Westlake residents ONLY.

• Computer Round-Up:

Westlake Service Center at 741 Bassett Road
Monday – Friday, August 14 – August 18, from
8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday, August 19, from 7:30 a.m. – noon
www.cityofwestlake.org/Computer-Roundup

• Cleveland Furniture Bank

City Hall parking lot on Saturday, July 15, from
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

NEW THIS YEAR! A collection truck from the Cleveland Furniture Bank and the Cleveland Thrift Store will be accepting items in usable, complete, and in relatively good condition. Pick up service is also available.

www.cityofwestlake.org/Special-Collections

For more information, please contact the Westlake Service Department at 440-835-6432 or visit www.cityofwestlake.org/Service.

Rubbish and Recycling Notes

Rumpke can pick up as early as 6 a.m. on your collection day. Please make sure your rubbish and recycling are outside by that time to avoid a missed pick up! Best practice is to place them out after 6 p.m. the night before. Thank you for your cooperation!



Holiday Collections: Independence Day on Tuesday, July 4 will result in 1-day delay for Tuesday – Friday routes. Labor Day on Monday, September 4 will create a 1-day delay for all routes this week.

Tree Care Tips for Watering

The Westlake Tree Commission offers the following tips to keep your trees healthy. Learn more about it at www.cityofwestlake.org/Tree-Commission.

- Water the base of the tree around the mulch ring 2-3 times per week if there is no substantial rainfall.
- Keep the soil moist, but not water-logged.
- When the soil is dry below the surface of the mulch, it is time to water.
- Water the tree through the growing season, which is from the time the tree is planted until mid-fall.

For more information about trees, visit www.cityofwestlake.org/Forestry.

Military Banners

The City of Westlake honors those from the community who are serving in the armed forces by hanging banners with their photos at strategic intersections throughout the city. Residents and employees of Westlake companies can request a banner for any relative serving in the military by contacting Gayle Hill at 440-617-4211.

NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The Community Services Department offers enrichment programs and services that address the multiple needs of older adults and provides a system of social services for Westlake residents. Our monthly newsletter with all of our upcoming programs is online at www.cityofwestlake.org/50-Plus-News. Visitors are welcome to stop by the center located at 29694 Center Ridge Road to meet the staff and take a tour.

For more information, contact the Westlake Community Services Center at 440-899-3544 or visit our webpage at www.cityofwestlake.org/Community-Services.

In addition to entertainment, exercise, and card games, residents enjoy the opportunities we offer for day and overnight travel. Here are just two of the many trips listed in our 2017 travel brochure at www.cityofwestlake.org/Travel.

Tour Amish Country Thursday, September 14

Explore all the best shopping and goodies Amish Country has to offer. We'll add a treat from each stop along the way to your shopping bag! The cost is \$71, payable by Tuesday, August 15.

Travel to Frankenmuth, Michigan's Little Bavaria! Wednesday-Thursday, October 18-19

Take in the sights and sounds of this quaint German style village. Enjoy The Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village in Detroit and Tony Packo's in Toledo (M*A*S*H's Cpl. Klinger's favorite) on day 2. Single/double occupancy, payable by Thursday, September 9.

NEWS FROM THE WESTLAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Take a minute to make sure you have a working smoke detector on each level of your home.



Fourth of July Safety

We all enjoy the Fourth of July activities. For everyone's safety, we ask for your patience and cooperation in maintaining the safety zones we are mandated to create around the launching site during the fireworks display.

Safety Town Visitors to Meet New "Friends"

On their first school bus ride, each session of Safety Town students visit the Police and Fire Stations for a meet and greet with first responders and are introduced to basic safety concepts. Not sure who enjoys it more, the adults or the kids! For more information about the Fire Department, visit www.cityofwestlake.org/Fire.

Aluminum Cans for Burned Children

The Westlake Fire Department collects aluminum cans at both fire stations (3200 Crocker Road and 2110 Columbia Road) to benefit the Aluminum Cans for Burned Children (ACBC) Program.



It raises money to help burn survivors and their families by funding educational and support programs, and paying for nonmedical items or services not covered by insurance.

NEWS FROM THE WESTLAKE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Meadowood Golf Course

As summer continues to shine, Meadowood Golf Course, with its 27 holes, is as busy as ever. Located at 29800 Center Ridge Road, our three 9-hole courses provide a little something for every skill level. In addition to daily specials, our new "Family Play" on Sunday afternoons allows adults paying full price for green fees to get the green fees waived for juniors (15 and under). Lessons are available for different ages. Call Meadowood Golf Course at 440-835-6442 or visit www.cityofwestlake.org/Golf.

Westlake Recreation Center

Family Campout

Friday, July 14, at 6 p.m.

Spend a night under the stars! Bring your tents and sleeping bags for a campout on the grounds of the Recreation Center. Dinner, s'mores and continental breakfast will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share. Games and activities run until 11 p.m., including swimming and story time. For more details, call 440-808-5700 or visit www.cityofwestlake.org/Recreation.

Swim Team Meets at the Recreation Center

Recreation membership passes will be honored all day on these dates.

- Wednesday, July 19 - Pools close at 4 p.m.
- Friday, July 28 - Pools close at 3 p.m.
- Saturday, July 29 - Pools are closed until 6 p.m.

Westlake Recreation Center Annual Shut Down

To keep our facility in tip-top shape, we will be closed during part of August. To keep our members active during the dates below, we have partnered with Rocky River and Fairview Park Recreation Centers to allow our members to use those facilities by showing their membership IDs.

- From Monday, August 7 – Friday, August 11 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., the center will be open for business transactions ONLY and closed completely on Saturday, August 12 and Sunday, August 13.
- The Aquatics Center will be closed Monday, August 7 – Sunday, August 20. Pools will reopen on Monday, August 21.

Peterson Pool

Please see the front page for details on July 4th activities at the pool.

Hours of Operation

Saturday, June 3 – Sunday, August 6:

Weekdays: 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Weekends: 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Adult Lap Swim: Monday - Friday, from 8:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. and Saturday/Sunday, from 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

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Christmas in July

We asked Santa to stop by at Peterson Pool and he said YES! Swim with Santa on Tuesday, July 25 and then enjoy story time with Santa and his friends. And of course we will decorate! Regular admission fees apply.

NEWS FROM THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

If you are experiencing drainage issues, call the Engineering Department at 440-617-4145 for free advice.



Watershed Group Meeting

The Westlake Watershed Group, a volunteer citizen's committee of Westlake residents, business people and city employees, continues its efforts to keep our local waterways clean and sustainable. Everyone is invited to attend our next meeting on Friday, September 29 at 7:30 a.m. at City Hall. Learn more at www.cityofwestlake.org/Watershed-Group.

Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program

This summer you may see our staff riding through your neighborhood in a golf cart inspecting the sidewalks. In February 2017, City Council passed Ordinance No. 2017-19 allowing the city to inspect all 250 miles of city sidewalks to ensure the sidewalks throughout the city are safe for the public to enjoy.

Construction Updates

Find details on all the projects overseen by our department underway in the city at www.cityofwestlake.org/Construction-Projects.

NEWS FROM THE WESTLAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Antique, Vintage, & Craft Show

It's one of Westlake's favorite summer events on Sunday, July 16, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Clague House Museum, 1371 Clague Road.

Enjoy 50+ vendors, snack bar, silent auction, plant sale, 50/50 raffle, and free guided tours of the museum. Rain date is Sunday, July 23.

Visit www.westlakeohiohistory.org/antique-craft-show-2017.html for more details.





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www.cityofwestlake.org/Mayors-Newsletter



NEWS FROM THE WESTLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS FROM THE PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Every year thousands of people, especially children, are injured by fireworks. Mixing them with alcohol use is even more dangerous. It is illegal to possess, discharge, or sell fireworks.

The weekend closest to the Fourth of July sees the most impaired driving taking place. Don’t be a statistic; drive sober or get pulled over.

Small unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) have become very popular. Their use is regulated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Be considerate of your neighbors; don’t fly over their property without permission.

Make sure your pets have food, water, and shade when outside this summer. Keep them leashed or on your own property. Remember also to pick up your pets’ waste. Your neighbors will be grateful, and you will help keep our water supply safe.

Community Police Academy

Learn about police procedures and get hands-on instruction in our 11-week police discovery session. Priority for seats will be given to those who live or work in Westlake but all are encouraged to apply for our next session on Wednesdays, September 6 - November 15 from 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Find details at www.cityofwestlake.org/Police-Academy.

New Businesses at Crocker Park

Crocker Park is excited to have two new tenants open by the end of June: Noodlecat and First National Bank. Other new arrivals coming soon with most opening by the end of the year are Cantina Laredo, Citizens Bank, Cyclebar, Oliver & Henry Retail Dog Shop and Starbucks (including a drive-thru).

Congratulations to American Greetings and Crocker Park!

The American Greetings Creative Studios World Headquarters project and Crocker Park have been selected by a judging panel as honorees at the 2017 Commercial Development Awards by Smart Business Cleveland Magazine. They represent projects that have made a positive impact on communities in Northeast Ohio.