Dear Resident:

As we welcome a new year, we also welcome three new faces to Westlake City Council and the newly crowned Mr. & Mrs. Westlake.

We also send best wishes in retirement to Council President Michael Killeen, Ward 1 Councilperson Lynda Appel and Ward 5 Councilperson Kenneth Brady. The City greatly appreciates the time and dedication they’ve devoted throughout their years of service. It was an honor to work alongside each of them and to recognize their contributions to the community in a ceremony at the Dec. 16 Council Meeting.

I look forward to working with our incoming Council President David Greenspan, as well as our new ward representatives, Duane Van Dyke (Ward 1) and Amy Green Havelka (Ward 5). We were pleased to introduce each of them following the November election in our December 2021 - Special Edition Newsletter.

In this edition, we would like to introduce you to Mike and Susan Pandoli who the Westlake Town Criers selected to be Mr. & Mrs. Westlake 2022 because of all of their selfless work for the benefit of our community, particularly its youth. The Pandolins will make appearances at various City events throughout the year, such as the annual Memorial Day and Independence Day parades.

Let us all look forward to a year filled with opportunity and promise!

Sincerely,

Dennis M. Clough
Mayor
Community Services Department News

Coffee With A Vet
Once a month, all veterans are welcome to come to the Community Services Center and enjoy a cup of coffee and conversation in the Connections Café with other local residents who have served our nation’s Armed Forces. These casual get-togethers will happen the first Wednesday of each month from 9-11 a.m. No registration necessary. Walk-ins are welcome!

Coffee with...

Connections Café offers free coffee courtesy of O’Neil Healthcare and free tea courtesy of Holy Family Hospice.

Technology Help Sessions With Simply Virtual
Come visit us the second Friday of each month (Jan. 14 and Feb. 11) from 11 a.m. to Noon to receive one-on-one personal assistance with your electronic devices including phones, tablets, laptops and iPads. Designed for all levels. The instructors are professional, patient and specializes in older adults who are new to technology. Reserve a spot no later than one day prior to the appointment at 440-899-3544.

Coffee With A Vet

Recharge And Rejuvenate: A Retreat For Women
Our facility will host a special retreat for women of all ages on Wednesday, Jan. 29, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Center Director and Professional Counselor Lydia Gadd will facilitate this day to meditate, de-stress and set your intention for the year ahead. For more information or call 440-899-3544. Please check the Westlake Community Services Facebook page for possible changes.

Holiday Luncheon Photo Gallery
Some special guests attended this year’s Holiday Luncheon, including Mayor Clough and Santa Clause! The band Baker’s Basement performed in the Eileen Humphrey Auditorium and Generations Senior Living provided party favors. Door prizes were sponsored by Always Best Care, Home Instead, Concord Reserve and Life Care Center of Westlake.
**Police Department News**

*Karoly "Chuck" Petrik Retires After 30-Plus Years*

The Westlake Police Department held a retirement ceremony for Karoly "Chuck" Petrik, who has served as the WPD's Vehicle and Building Maintenance Technician for the last 21 years. Chuck held one of the most demanding jobs in the City, as he was responsible for the upkeep of the Police Station, as well as the department’s fleet of police vehicles. He also was tasked with several extensive building renovation projects.

*Nate Fox And Ryan Pischel Promoted To Sergeant*

The City of Westlake promoted two officers to the rank of Sergeant on Dec. 17 in the Council Chambers at City Hall: Ryan Pischel and Nate Fox. In addition to their years of experience, both completed extensive training and exercises needed to demonstrate the character traits and knowledge necessary for the role of Sergeant. Mayor Clough and Police Chief Kevin Bielozer congratulated them on their well-deserved promotions.

**Recreation Department News**

*Check Out The Winter Rec Gazette!*

Happy New Year! It’s time to execute those New Year’s resolutions but coming and joining the Recreation Center. Group exercise classes (some restrictions apply) and child care are free to all Recreation Center members. Members also enjoy the best prices. Our Winter Rec Gazette is out and we have lots to offer. The Rec Gazette has information regarding learn to swim lessons, group exercise classes, youth programs and some fun activities for the whole family.

*January/February Event Calendar*

The Recreation Center will be hosting numerous family events such as:

- Family Bingo (Jan. 20)
- Father/Daughter Dance (Feb. 4)
- Preschool Beach Party (Feb. 18)
- Presidents Day Beach Party (Feb. 21)

Registration can be done online or in-person at the Recreation Center.

*Follow The Rec On Social Media*

Follow the Recreation Department on Facebook at @WestlakeRecreation, Instagram @WestlakeRecDept and Twitter @WestlakeOH_Rec. You will receive the most updated information and it’s a great way to see what we have to offer at all of our facilities throughout the year!

**Fire Department News**

*Craig Goodwin Retires After 30 Years*

The City of Westlake held a retirement ceremony for longtime Firefighter/Paramedic Craig Goodwin in November. Goodwin is an Air Force veteran, as well as a 30-year veteran of the Westlake Fire Department. In fact, it was the Air Force that gave him his start fighting fires before coming to work for the City of Westlake in April 1991.
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Building Department Bulletin
Common City Ordinances to Know And To Follow
The City of Westlake has numerous Codified Ordinances in place outlining acceptable and unacceptable practices for residences within the City. Please note that all of Westlake’s Codified Ordinances are available at www.cityofwestlake.org under the “Government” tab at the top of the homepage. We at the City understand that many residents are unaware of some of these ordinances, and have highlighted some of the more common ones here:

- Maintain lawn so grass/weeds do not exceed six (6) inches in height. Section 1381.07 (b)(1)(B)
- Maintain yard and remove trash, brush, debris and leaves. Section 1381.07 (a)(1)
- Vehicles are only permitted to be parked on paved or improved surfaces. Parking on lawns is not permitted. Section 1211.04 (a)(7)
- Storage of commercial vehicles, equipment or materials is not permitted in residential districts. Section 1381.07 (b)(1)(A)
- Recreational vehicles, including but not limited to trailers, boats, RVs, jet skis and campers, are only permitted to be stored in the rear yard with a minimum distance of thirty (30) feet from property lines. Temporary storage in the front or side is limited to seventy-two (72) hours in any 21-day period. Section 1211.30
- Dead trees, branches and limbs must be removed. Section 1381.07 (a)(2)
- Garbage cans and refuse for city pick-up may not be placed on the tree lawn prior to 6:00 p.m. the evening before the regular pick-up day. Storage of garbage cans is not permitted in the front of a house or garage. Section 951.02

***NOTE: The Building Department is issuing FREE permits to residents for the installation of a barrier to shield garbage cans from view when stored on the side of a house/garage.

- Development plans and permit approval are required for all new development, site improvements or building additions. This includes but is not limited to prefabricated structures such as sheds. Section 1220.01

How To Report A Concern
To report a violation related to a property, please call the Building Department at 440-617-4108. If you would like to report a violation of a City Ordinance and wish to remain anonymous, you may do so on the City’s website using the “Report a Concern” tab. See below to learn how to quickly locate all of this information online at www.cityofwestlake.org.