

Mentor

SPECIAL EDITION

Community Newsletter for the Residents of Mentor

SEE SOMETHING – Say Something

The Mentor Police Department is now offering the iWatch Northeast Ohio crime watch program to empower citizens to report suspicious behaviors or activities using text messaging, e-mail or voice. Mentor is one of 17 law enforcement agencies in the Greater Cleveland area to offer this service. All tips are secure and anonymous and can include photos and videos.

To get started, download the free mobile application from iWatchNEOhio.com. Then, if you see something suspicious – say something. You can also sign up to receive a variety of alerts, from weather to missing children.

Four ways to report:

- Online at www.iWatchNEOhio.com
- Text to 216-539-9504
- Use the downloadable app
- Call 216-539-9504

“This free, community policing app encourages our residents to be the eyes and ears of the community,” said Mentor Police Operations Commander Captain Ken Gunsch. “A simple observation and a single report can help solve or prevent a crime.”

Since iWatchNEOhio debuted in May, nearly 4,000 Android and Apple devices use the mobile app, with another 5,200 using the online version. An interesting fact: there are 313.9 million people in the US today, yet more than 330 million mobile devices used in the US.



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Veterans Breakfast

Mentor Senior Center, Saturday, November 9 at 9:30 AM
Free pancakes, eggs and sausage to veterans, along with entertainment, guest speakers and Color Guard Ceremony. \$4 for guests. Register by November 6 by calling 974-5725. Co-sponsored with the Painesville Perkins Pancake House.

Veteran's Day Observance

Mentor Senior Center, Monday, November 11, 7 PM
Anyone wishing to honor those who served in the armed services is encouraged to attend. If your group would like to be a part of the official program, contact Paul Hegreness at the Mentor Recreation Department at 974-5720.



Tree Trimming Reminder

Street trees are the responsibility of the homeowner. Trees should be trimmed to ensure that branches are at a minimum seven feet above the sidewalk and 14 feet above the road and/or bike lane.

Special Collection Event

A free Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held for Lake County residents on September 28 from 9 AM – 3 PM at the Lake County Fairgrounds. Drop off household cleaners, paints, varnishes, stains, grease, aerosols, chemicals, fluorescent bulbs, empty propane tanks. Call 440-350-2644 or 440-350-2582.

Preparing for Deer Season

Application packets for the 2013/2014 Deer Management Program are available at the Mentor Municipal Center or download a Deer Hunter Permit Application from the city's website at www.cityofmentor.com; click on Deer & Other Nuisance Animals under the LIVE tab. Hunting is permitted on those properties where the owner has granted permission to hunt. Property owners who wish to allow hunting on their property can send an email to deermanagement@cityofmentor.com or call (440) 974-5717.



Levy Supports Fire Services

By Chief Richard L. Harvey

This fall, voters will be asked to renew the existing five year 1.5 mil Fire and Rescue Levy. The cost to the homeowner of a \$150,000 home is \$32.90 per year. The levy is due to expire at the end of 2013 without voter approval.

The levy helps fund full and part-time firefighter/paramedics which operate from five neighborhood fire stations. It also helps maintain and update fire and emergency medical service vehicles and equipment.

The department managed over 7,200 calls for service in 2012. We pledge to continue to be responsive and professional in delivering cost-effective services to you, the residents of Mentor.



Lake Health Northern Ohio Marathon



October 13, 7:30 AM Start
www.lakehealthrunning.com

Lake County's first marathon is the brain child of two veteran runners – Bill Dennison, owner of Second Sole Mentor and Geoff Weber.



The event, sponsored by Lake Health, is expected to draw over 1,000 participants, with 1/3 already registered. A half marathon, 5K and 2 mile walk are also planned. The Marathon and Half Marathon will wind through the northern parts of Mentor's residential streets, as well as through the Mentor Lagoons and Headlands Beach State Park.



"I've run 30 marathons," said Weber. "So I've seen what works and what doesn't. Bill and I wanted the east side to have a race of its own and we've developed a great route through sections of Fairport, Grand River and Painesville with the bulk of the race running through north Mentor. The Marathon will be a certified course, so we'll be attracting serious runners from all over the country. In fact, we've already attracted runners from California, Florida, Georgia, Michigan, Maryland, Virginia, and New York."

Organizers are looking for community groups to volunteer in a variety of areas, from sponsoring a water stop, to passing out water to runners, or pointing runners in the right direction as they pass by. Contact Geoff Weber at geoff26.2@gmail.com or 440-478-5800.

The key to the success of a marathon in a small market is its community support. There are very few marathons that actually run through a town, so this is a great opportunity for Mentor to shine. Runners will appreciate some show of support throughout the 26 mile route.

You can become involved, by simply setting up a neighborhood cheer zone! Check out the race route and organize a group of people to cheer runners on as they pass through your area.



This isn't just a race ...

it's a major event that will attract thousands and ultimately impact the local economy. For example, 55% of the racers in the Akron Marathon come from outside the immediate area; the Cleveland Marathon attracts a phenomenal 20,000 runners and brings in over \$18 million. So, this inaugural Lake County event, with even 1,000 runners, can positively impact our restaurants, shopping centers, hotels and attractions.

Runners and walkers can register online at www.lakehealthrunning.com or pick up a registration form at Mentor City Hall or Second Sole Mentor. The Northern Ohio Marathon is a certified course. Marathon and Half Marathon participants will receive Brooks Essential 1/2 zip pullovers, with medals awarded to Marathon and Half Marathon finishers.

Senior Center Special Events

Captain Frank's Tropical Cruise Dinner Theatre

Directed by Jim Zofchak

September 21, 7-9 PM. Comedy, songs and dance with a fiendishly clever touch of mystery. The performers capture the spirit of exotic destinations while the passenger list includes Hollywood celebrities, the world's wealthiest couple and a notorious jewel thief. The evening also includes a complete dinner and music. Cost \$16

"Drama" presented by the Hillcrest Concert Band

September 24, 7:30-8:30 PM.

A dramatic and exciting evening with the 60-piece Hillcrest Concert Band. Light refreshments follows. Reservations until September 20. Cost \$5



Italian Dinner Dance

October 18, 6:30-9:30 PM. This exciting event is back with a traditional meal from Longo's of Italian sausage with peppers and onions, chicken cutlets, pasta and more. The evening also includes dancing to your favorite Italian music. Reservations by October 4. Cost \$15; \$16 after September 27

Calendar of Events

September 14
Just Kids' Stuff Garage Sale
 Garfield Park, 9 AM - Noon



October 6
Fall Bridal Gala
 Holiday Inn Mentor, Rt. 306. Noon to 4 PM

October 13
Porcelain Treasures Show
 Wildwood Cultural Center, 11 AM to 4 PM

October 18
Howl-O-Ween Party for Dogs
 Mentor Dog Park, 5:30 PM
 Yes, this is a Halloween party for dogs, with prizes, pet-friendly vendors, and doggone good fun!

November 3
Small Quilt Show & Sale
 Mentor Senior Center, 10 AM to 4 PM

November 15
Mentor Day at Kalahari
 \$144 gets you a standard room and four passes to the waterpark. Register by calling (877) 525-2427 and ask for the City of Mentor Group Rate.



Visit cityofmentor.com, or call 974-5720 for information on city events.

20TH ANNUAL Dorothy McNamara Maloney Memorial Art Contest and Show

Wildwood Cultural Center and the Community Arts Commission are accepting entries for the Dorothy McNamara Maloney Memorial Art Contest. Works of art should be brought to the Mentor Senior Center, 8484 Munson Road on Tuesday, September 10, from 9 AM to 4 PM. Works must be ready to hang. A variety of media will be accepted with a \$5 entry fee. Entrants must be residents of Lake County, 18 years or older and may only submit one item to be juried.

Artists who wish to enter, can download a 2013 Entry Form at cityofmentor.com; click on Cultural Arts under the PLAY tab, or call Wildwood Cultural Center at (440) 974-5735. Cash awards will be given in several categories, and a reception honoring those winners will be held Friday, September 13, from 7:00 – 8:30 PM at the Mentor Senior Center.

Community Arts Commission member Dorothy Maloney started this show in 1993 to highlight Lake County artists. A well-known artist, Dorothy regularly took first place in many of the art shows she entered. She was also an art teacher, and encouraged her students to keep improving their drawing and painting techniques. According to Len Zito, director of the Wildwood Cultural Center, "When Dorothy created this show it was called the Community Arts Commission Art Contest and Show. After her passing, the Commission renamed the annual event in her honor."



A Review of 1963

While looking for interesting things that happened the same year Mentor became a city, we came upon an impressive list of historical facts. We name a few:

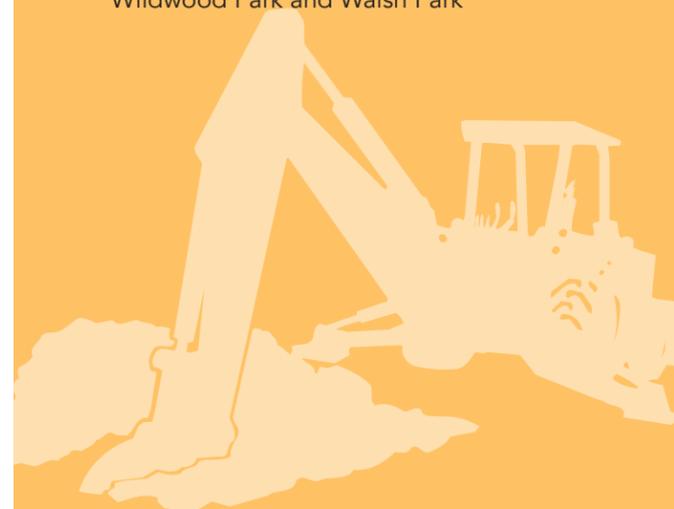
- An overwhelming increase in business mail, led the U.S. Post Office to implement the Zoning Improvement Plan. This five-digit code was promoted by Mr. Zip, a friendly postal worker who carried the message – Remember your ZIP!
- Bell Telephone introduced the Touch Tone phone and Kodak introduced the Instamatic camera.
- The Limbo became a big dance craze and Billboard's number one songs included Blue Velvet, Surf City and It's My Party.
- A gallon of gas cost \$.25; the minimum wage was \$1.25.
- The average cost of a new car was \$3,233; the average cost of a new home was \$12,650.
- There were three television channels to choose from (with no remote controls) and the most popular shows were The Ed Sullivan Show and The Beverly Hillbillies.
- Box office hits included Tom Jones, Mutiny on the Bounty and To Kill a Mockingbird.
- The biggest headlines were the Kennedy Assassination and Martin Luther King, Jr.'s, I Have a Dream speech.
- Meanwhile back in Mentor, Robert Brewer became the first mayor when Mentor's city status was attained on December 18, 1963. Robert Moon became the city's first City Manager and Mentor City Council members were: Alfred G. Howells, Joseph A. Atzberger, Robert P. Brewer, Kenneth B. Freeman, Edwin Harriger, Richard Kostic, Leonard Shrewsbury, Francis M. Osborne and Donald E. Krueger.



Under construction

The following projects are scheduled over the next few months:

- This Ohio Department of Transportation project replaces the bridge deck carrying Heisley Road over SR2 impacting the southbound traffic. Expected completion date is October 15;
- Munson Road (SR615) will be resurfaced from Center Street to Andrews Road;
- Portions of SR306 will be resurfaced from south of Kirtland Road to SR84;
- Full depth concrete repairs will be made on SR 306 from Adkins Road to Bellflower Road;
- Hoose Road will be resurfaced from the Concord Township Line to King Memorial Road. King Memorial Road will be resurfaced from this intersection to Bringman Court;
- The City has been inspecting sidewalks in Zone 3B as part of this year's sidewalk program. Zone 3B is generally located between Bellflower Road, Reynolds Road, Lakeshore Boulevard and Melshore Drive. This summer, the City sent out notifications, via certified mail, to property owners regarding sidewalk deficiencies on their property;
- The storm sewer on Beechwood Drive from Elm Street to Evergreen Drive will be replaced. The existing storm sewer is undersized and currently only serves the east side of the street. This project is scheduled to begin in August with completion in October;
- The 186-foot, four span Mentor Harbor Bridge will be demolished and removed over the Mentor Lagoons;
- Lighting in all areas of Mentor Municipal Center will be converted to Energy Conservation;
- Eight-foot wide concrete walk will be added along the 450' of bulkhead and complete the landscaping of additional green space at the Mentor Lagoons Marina;
- Install Thorguard Lightning Alert System and add drainage to all greens at Black Brook Golf Course;
- Rehabilitate and repair parking lots at Wildwood Park and Walsh Park



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Seated (l-r): Carolyn P. Bucey, Council President Scott J. Marn, Council Vice President Ray Kirchner. Standing (l-r): Robert M. Shiner, John A. Krueger, Bruce R. Landeg, Janet A. Dowling

Council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Municipal Center. Meetings are open to the public and can be viewed live over the Time Warner cable system on Channel 12 and on AT&T's U-verse Channel 99.

meeting information

Mentor City Council*

Mentor Municipal Center, 7 PM
September 3, 17
October 1, 15
November 5, 19

Board of Building & Zoning Appeals

Mentor Municipal Center, 7 PM
September 10
October 8
November 12

Municipal Planning Commission*

Mentor Municipal Center, 7 PM
September 12
October 3, 24
November 14

Tree Commission

Mentor Municipal Center, 3 PM
September 11
October 9
November 13

*These meetings are broadcast live on **The Mentor Channel 12, on AT&T U-verse channel 99, and online and on demand at TheMentorChannel.com.**



Gingerbread House Contest

Start a family tradition and use your creativity to build your own special Gingerbread House! Then bring it to the Mentor Municipal Center on Monday, November 25 between 8 AM and 5 PM where it will remain on display in the Atrium until December 20. Contest is open to Mentor residents only. We reserve the right to limit entries based on space availability. Judges will award 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners on Monday, December 2. A \$5 entry fee is payable when you deliver your entry. Contact the Recreation Department at (440) 974-5720 or visit www.cityofmentor.com, click on Upcoming Events under the PLAY tab for an entry form.

Fall Clean-Up

Keep one thing in mind when disposing of your yard waste; never dump it into the storm drain in the street or onto the banks of a nearby stream. Anything in a storm sewer or stream will wash directly into Lake Erie adding excess nutrients to our great lake! Try composting, use a mulching mower, or set it out to be collected with your yard waste. Please do your part to protect our area waterways and Lake Erie.

Mentor's yard waste limit increases from 12 to 25 units per week from October to December. Call 974-5780 with questions.

