

Mentor

SPECIAL EDITION

FALL 2014

Community Newsletter for the Residents of Mentor

More Opportunities to Bike & Hike

The City of Mentor is expanding the Bikeway System by adding bike lanes on Jordan Drive. And, in partnership with Lake Metroparks, a new multiuse paved path will be added through the Newell Creek Development.

Currently, Jordan Drive is being widened and resurfaced. During the project, 5 foot wide bike lanes are being added on both sides of the road. The new bike lanes connect Corduroy Road to South Rambler Drive. The majority of the cost for the roadway improvement and bike lanes is covered by a grant from the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency. The project is expected to be completed and open to bike traffic in mid-September. The new bike lanes represent one more step in the City of Mentor's plan to construct bike lanes that will one day extend to Mentor Headlands State Park.

Bids for the Newell Creek multiuse path, a joint project with Lake Metroparks, will be solicited this fall, with construction planned soon after. The path will be approximately 4000 feet long and will run along an old carriage trail on the property, extending between Norton Parkway and Garfield Road. Parking spaces will be available, for those wanting to walk the trail, at the Norton Creek Recreation Center. The City has been proactive for many years in expanding and enhancing our bikeway and trail system, primarily through grants and outside funding. This project is being funded entirely with federal funds.

For a Bikeway System map contact the Mentor Recreation Department at 440-974-5720.



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for your information

Mentor Farmers Market

Shop for fresh local produce at the Mentor Farmers Market on September 5, 12, and 19, from 3 to 7 PM at Civic Center Park. Come and reap the benefits of the Fall harvest with just picked apples, squash and potatoes. Your taste buds will thank you!



Special Collection Event

A free Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held for all Lake County residents on Saturday, September 27th from 9 AM to 3 PM at the Lake County Fairgrounds. Dispose of household cleaners, used motor oil, gasoline, oil-based paint, and other hazardous wastes. Questions? Call 440-350-2644 or 440-350-2582.

Veterans Breakfast & Ceremony

Mentor Senior Center on Saturday, November 8th at 9:30 AM. Free Pancake Breakfast for all Veterans. Non-veteran guests \$4. Register by November 7th by calling 974-5725. Co-sponsored by Perkins Restaurant in Painesville.

Yard Waste Collection

Mentor's yard waste limit increases from 12 to 25 units on October 5th to help residents get rid of fall leaves. A unit is one bag, bundle or container of yard waste. Residents are reminded to put their yard waste on the curb after 7 PM on the night before their regular trash collection. Call 974-5780 with questions.

Deer Season

Applications for the 2014/2015 Deer Season are available at the Mentor Municipal Center or download a Deer Hunter Permit Application at cityofmentor.com; click on Deer & Other Nuisance Animals under the Live tab. Hunting is only permitted on properties where the owner has granted permission.



Mysteries of the Manor Trail

This spooky family-friendly program will take place at Wildwood Cultural Center on Friday, October 24th from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. A twilight hayride will take you deep into the woods as you listen to the story of the Manor Trail. After the ride, families will be invited to stay warm by a roaring bonfire, as they enjoy games, music, and a Fall snack of cider and donuts. Glow sticks will be provided for children. Register for the program at cityofmentor.com/play. Resident cost is just \$5 and children under age 2 are free.



#Prepared2014

September is National Preparedness Month. Resolve to be ready for a disaster. Make a disaster plan and emergency kit for your home. To find out how, go to Ready.gov or lakecountyohio.gov/ema.

thanks!

Each summer the City, with the help of several organizations and businesses, sponsors free, fun activities to entertain, engage and enrich Mentor residents. We'd like to extend a big Thank You to all those organizations and business partners that helped make our 2014 summer events so special.



Concerts in the Park Presented by Dollar Bank

With additional sponsors: Aqua Ohio, BackTrack, Buyers Products, Center-Tyler Auto Body, Component Repair Technologies, Crossroads Hospice, Emeritus Newell Creek, FirstMerit Bank, Fredon Corporation, Lake National Bank, Lennon Realty, Lifeguard Financial, Lintern Corporation, Manhattan Deli, Mentor Area Chamber of Commerce, Mentor Lumber & Supply, Mentor Public Library, Royal Plastics, Runyon & Son Roofing, The Calvetta Brothers – Floor Show, Visiting Angels, W.S. Tyler.

BeachFest – Great Lakes Publishing, Lake Health, Lake County Visitors Bureau Arts & Culture Fund, Ohio Arts Council, *The News-Herald*, STERIS, Classic Auto Group, radio stations MIX 97.1, Cougar 93.7 and Magic 102.5, Lake National Bank, Laketran, Mentor Economic Assistance Corporation, Best Western Plus – Lawnfield Inn & Suites, Macaroni Kid and Mentor Area Chamber of Commerce.



CityFest – Presented by Lake Health

With additional sponsors: Aqua Ohio, Cougar 93.7, FirstMerit Bank, Mentor Firefighters Local 1845, Medical Mutual, Red, Wine & Brew, STERIS, the bicycle hub, Waste Management, Yuengling.



Protecting the Future

Lake Erie is Ohio's greatest natural resource, so protecting and keeping our lake clean should be of concern to every citizen. The Ohio Coastweeks program encourages people to be part of the solution. During the month of September, the organization sponsors beach cleanups throughout the state. Join Mentor's cleanup at 8:30 AM on Saturday, September 20, at the Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve. Community groups, organizations, businesses, or individuals wishing to volunteer should call Bonnie Rice, Keep Mentor Beautiful Director, at 974-5780 or by email at rice@cityofmentor.com.

Last Year, 1,344 volunteers collected 19,386 pounds of trash from 65 combined miles of beaches, streams, and tributaries.

Preserving the Past



The National Park Service is replacing the heating, ventilation and air conditioning system in the historic Garfield home located at the James A. Garfield National Historic Site. As a result of the construction, the Presidential home will be closed to visitors through March 2015. All furnishings and artifacts in the home will be removed during construction to ensure they remain safe. While tours of the Garfield home will be unavailable during construction, the visitor center and grounds will remain open to the public. Guests will still be able to tour the museum exhibits, walk the grounds, watch the site's introductory film to learn about President Garfield's life, and view a video tour of the home. The James A. Garfield National Historic Site is open Tuesday – Saturday from 10 AM to 5 PM through October 31. Winter hours start November 1, with reduced hours of Fridays and Saturdays from 10 AM to 5 PM.

Calendar of Events

September 13
Just Kids Stuff Garage Sale
Garfield Park, 9 AM – Noon

October 5
Fall Bridal Gala
Holiday Inn Mentor, Rt. 306.
Noon – 4 PM

October 12
Porcelain Treasures Show
Wildwood Cultural Center, 11 AM – 4 PM

October 17
Howl-O-Ween Party for Dogs
Mentor Dog Park, 5:30 – 6:45 PM
Dress up your pooch for this unique Halloween party and you might win a prize!

November 2
Wildwood Quilters Guild Quilt Show & Sale
Mentor Senior Center,
10 AM – 4 PM

November 8
Mascot Day
Mentor Ice Arena, 1:30 – 3:30 PM
Skate with some of your favorite sports and business mascots!

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



Marathon Runs Into Town



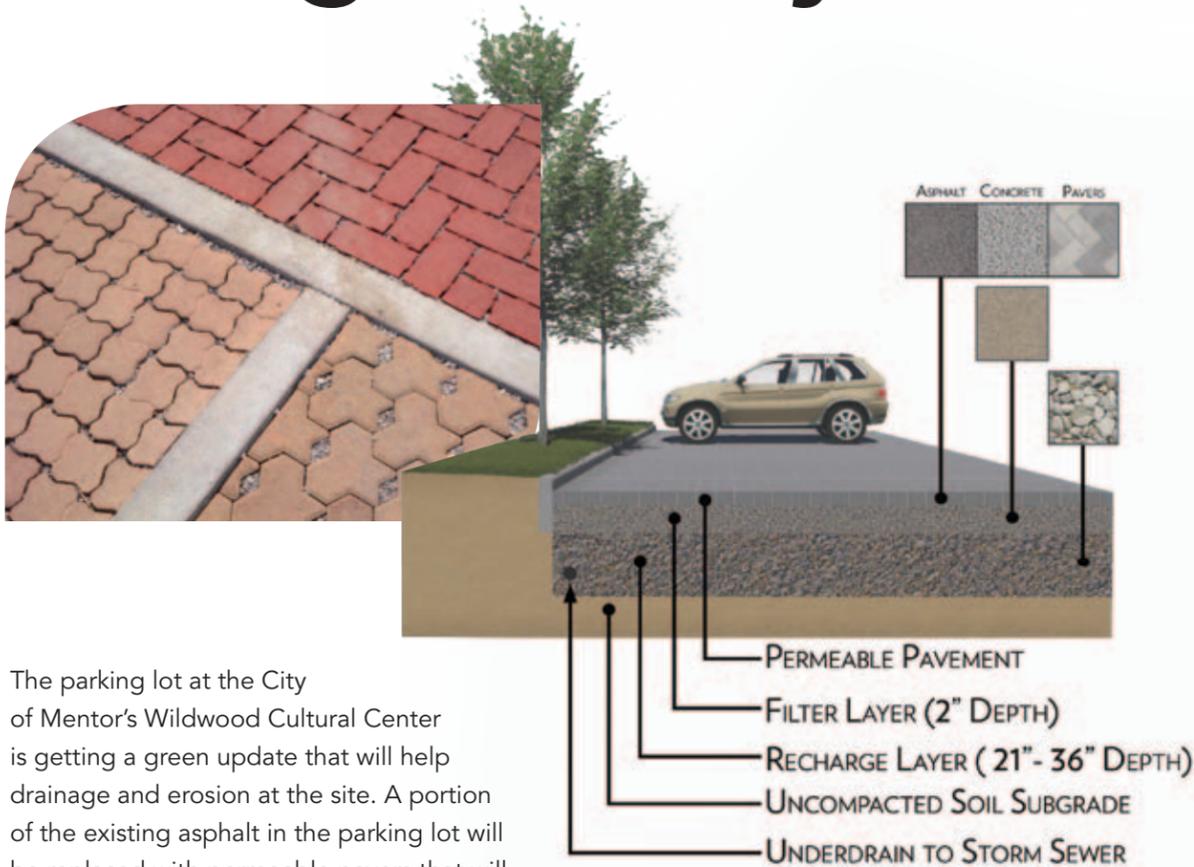
The 2nd annual Northern Ohio Marathon is scheduled for Sunday October 12th at 7:30 AM. Lake County's first and only marathon was a huge success last year, and is expected to draw even more runners this year. The event, sponsored by Lake Health, starts in Fairport Harbor, with the majority of the course traveling through northern Mentor neighborhoods, the Mentor Lagoons, and along the lakeshore. A Half Marathon and 5K Run/Walk is also offered. New for 2014, gather a team and enter the 5-Person Marathon Relay. You can register to participate online at lakehealthrunning.com, or pick up a registration form at Mentor City Hall or Second Sole Mentor.

Organizers are looking for community groups to volunteer to work on Marathon day at water stops or manning posts pointing runners in the right direction. Be a part of the excitement by emailing Geoff Weber at geoff26.2@gmail.com.

In 2013, the Lake Health Northern Ohio Marathon attracted over 1300 runners to our area from eight different states, including California, Virginia and Florida!



Paving the Way



The parking lot at the City of Mentor's Wildwood Cultural Center is getting a green update that will help drainage and erosion at the site. A portion of the existing asphalt in the parking lot will be replaced with permeable pavers that will help reduce stormwater runoff that flows into the Mentor Marsh. The environmentally friendly pavers look just like regular brick pavers, except they have open spaces between them to allow stormwater to flow down below the pavers, where it is slowly absorbed into the ground. The project also includes installation of bioretention landscaping in the area abutting the northwest corner of the parking lot. The landscaped area is designed to slow erosion by capturing and filtering stormwater runoff. Bioretention landscaping uses deep rooted native plants to absorb water, while creating space in the soil to allow for it to disperse. The project is being funded in part by Surface Water Improvement Fund grant from the Ohio EPA. To complete the project, a decorative entry way leading to the Manor House will also be constructed. The new entry way will feature an area to display information about the project and upcoming events.

Under construction

The following projects are scheduled over the next few months:

■ **Roads**

Continue construction to extend Plaza Boulevard across the railroad tracks to just north of Mentor Avenue. The City's portion of construction will be completed by the end of the year, with work by the Railroads to follow.

Demolish and remove debris from the 186 foot long Mentor Harbor Bridge over the Mentor Lagoons. Work to begin in late October and be completed by the end of December.

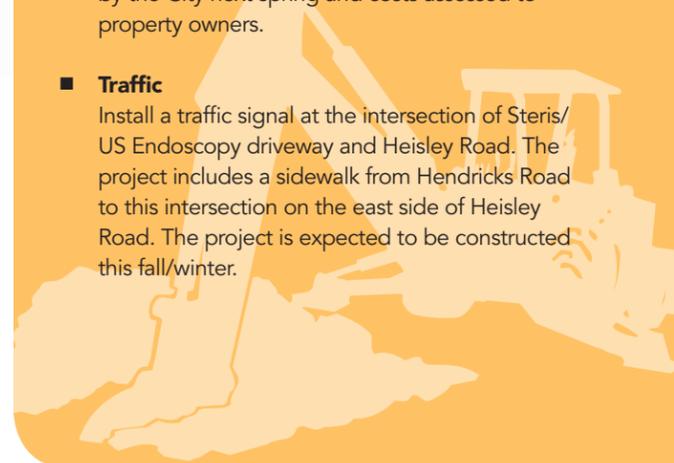
Widen Heisley Road to 4 lanes between Jackson Street and Mentor Avenue. Utility relocations are expected to begin late this year.

■ **Sidewalks**

Inspect sidewalks in Zone 4A (Pinagate Subdivision) as part of the 2014 Pedestrian Safety Program. Once formally notified, residents will have until the end of October to complete repairs. After that date, repairs will be made by the City next spring and costs assessed to property owners.

■ **Traffic**

Install a traffic signal at the intersection of Steris/US Endoscopy driveway and Heisley Road. The project includes a sidewalk from Hendricks Road to this intersection on the east side of Heisley Road. The project is expected to be constructed this fall/winter.



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Seated l-r: Bruce R. Landeg, Council President Ray Kirchner and Council Vice President Janet A. Dowling. Standing l-r: Matthew E. Donovan, Robert M. Shiner, John A. Krueger and Scott J. Marn.

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 also be viewed live over the Time Warner cable system on Channel 12 and on AT&T U-verse Channel 99. To reach a member of City Council, call (440) 974-5755.

meeting information

Mentor City Council*

Mentor Municipal Center, 7 PM
September 16
October 7, 21
November 5, 18

Board of Building & Zoning Appeals

Mentor Municipal Center, 7 PM
September 9
October 14
November 12

Municipal Planning Commission*

September 18
October 9, 30
November 20

Tree Commission

Mentor Municipal Center, 3 PM
September 10
October 8
November 12

*These meetings are broadcast live on
The Mentor Channel 12, digital 96.12,
AT&T U-verse channel 99, and online at
TheMentorChannel.com.

Calling All Hockey Fans

Some of the best college club hockey teams will be coming to the Mentor Ice Arena this October. The American College Hockey Association Showcase Men's Division II will be held at the arena October 10-12. The top 25 Division II teams in the country will bring their sticks to Mentor to play in a showcase format. Games will begin Friday morning and end Sunday evening. Tickets are available at the door. Weekend passes are \$30, or purchase an adult day pass for \$15. Game times and teams will be announced closer to the event. Contact the Mentor Ice Arena for details at 974-5730.



School is in Session – SLOW DOWN

Students are back in the classroom, and motorists need to exercise more caution when driving, especially in school zones. Remember to watch for children walking to school, be aware when approaching school buses picking up or dropping off students, and observe speed limits in school zones. According to Police Chief Kevin Knight, "The safety of our children is a top priority for the Mentor Police Department, and the speed limit of 20mph during the times school zones are active will be strictly enforced." So when you see the flashing lights warning you that you have entered a school zone, slow down, and do your part to help keep Mentor students safe.

