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Mayor's Report



Robert Fiala
Mayor/Safety Director

Our New Year's resolutions are incredibly ambitious and forward-looking. I am thankful for what we accomplished last year and looking forward to a successful 2022. Willoughby continues to be a desirable place to live and visit, and we will redouble our commitment to a family-friendly city while promoting new business.

Last year, while still in the throes of the pandemic's variants, we increased community programming to include Sunset Concerts at Osborne Park. We are hoping to expand these concerts in the coming year. We also saw new business open in the Lakeshore District and new housing. Both are critical pieces to stimulating growth in this area. Our Parks and Recreation Department increased programming at Lost Nation Golf Course, and for the first time, we did not require a fund transfer to cover debt from previous renovations. We are looking forward to additional improvements to

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Willoughby Parks & Recreation: Upcoming Programs & Events

Reserve your 2022 Pavilion early!

Willoughby Parks and Recreation will start taking 2022 pavilion reservations on Friday, January 7 online or starting Monday, January 10, you can call us to reserve over the phone.

Need a place to hold that picnic, party or family event? - Why not use a Willoughby park pavilion? Pavilions are located at Daniels Park (seats 56, 63 and 98), Osborne Park (seats 70, 65) Gilson Park (seats 70) and at the Euclid Ave. Pool (seats 84). All of the park pavilions have electricity, water, grills and seasonal restrooms nearby. You may purchase your pavilion online with a major credit card, or phone in your order. Payment is due at this time or order and your purchase is nonrefundable and non-transferable.

After you have booked your pavilion you will have 14 days to stop in or office in city hall with your proof of residency (a current utility bill with your name and address on it); proof of residency must be in the name of the receipt. At that time a permit will be issued for your rental; your permit needs to be with you on the day of your rental or you will forfeit all rights to your reservation.

Reservations are accepted for **Willoughby Residents Only**; there is a \$60 non-refundable fee. All posted rules must be followed. Be sure to reserve your pavilion, they fill up fast.

Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library: January Programs

During the month of January 2022, the following free programs will be offered at the Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library. Registration is required. For a complete schedule of events or to register for one of our upcoming programs, visit www.we247.org.

Adult Programs:

Willoughby Library Take-n-Make Monthly Crafts for Adults

Home Town Hero's Banners

Registration begins January 10, 2022 and the Deadline is April 1, 2022 for the City of Willoughby 2022 Hometown Hero's Banner Program. This program has been created as a walking tribute to honor Willoughby residents and their immediate family member's who are serving or veterans who have served our country in the Armed Forces. The cost of a banner is \$125 or (\$65 to reuse your previous banner)

Willoughby Youth Basketball - Grades 1-2 co-ed

Willoughby Youth Basketball is a recreational youth basketball league serving boys and girls in the community of Willoughby. The focus of our offerings is to teach the participants the fundamentals of basketball including shooting, passing, dribbling and team work. In addition to skill development, emphasis will be placed on good sportsmanship.

Practices and games will take place on the City's court in the Union Village Field House.

Registration Opens 01/01/2022 | Registration Deadline: 02/02/2022

Preseason Clinic: 02/05/2022 | Practices start: 02/12/2022

Register Online at willoughbyohio.activityreg.com

Jumpstart Sports Willoughby - Little Hoops

Jump Start Sports provides well-organized recreational sports programs in an environment that is more focused on fun and

learning than on competition. Coaches from Jump Start Sports will run this instructional and recreational basketball program for children in Pre-K (must be 4 years old to participate) through Kindergarten. Players are taught the basics of dribbling, passing, shooting, positioning, defense, and rebounding, and then apply what they have learned in fun, non-competitive games. Players will be assigned to teams and each session will include a game as well the instruction. This program will be held on the city's court in the Union Village Field House.

Upcoming Session: 1/14/2022 - 2/18/2022 Fridays 5:30 - 7:30pm

Safe Sitter

Worried about leaving your 11, 12, or 13 year old child home alone for a couple of hours? Concerned about leaving younger siblings with their older brother or sister? Want to prepare your child for babysitting? Young teens will be trained in first aid, indoor and outdoor safety, and how to handle household emergencies so they are adequately prepared to stay home alone or watch younger siblings. Safe Sitters® is a nationally recognized, medically accurate program, taught by certified Safe Sitter instructors, and recognized for excellence by the American Academy of Pediatrics. Safe Sitter graduates show increased self-esteem, confidence, compassion, & responsibility. Ages: 11-16

Upcoming Classes: Saturday

02/12/2022 9am - 2pm | Saturday
03/09/2022 9am - 2pm

Dog Training Class

Did you just get a new puppy, rescue an older dog, or just want to re-teach your furry friend some basic manners? Then bring them to school and get started off on the right paw to a well-behaved four-legged member of the family! We are offering a 6-week Basic Obedience Course taught by David Sacks, Owner of D.A.S. Dog Training. David will teach you to work with your dog to learn: Sit, Down, Stay, Come, Loose Leash Manners, Leave it, Drop it, Off (jumping on people or furniture), and Place.

David has been working with dogs on his own, in shelters & with various rescue groups for 30 plus years. David is certified as a Dog Trainer through Animal Behavior College and Certified in Pet First Aid & CPR through The American Red Cross. Please note, No Dogs are allowed at the first class. Please bring a copy of your current vaccination records. Ages: Dogs 6 months and up; The class is held in the David E Anderson Willoughby Senior Center 36939 Ridge Rd Willoughby, Oh 44094

Upcoming Class: 1/19/2022 - 2/23/2022 Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00pm

Call Willoughby Parks and Recreation at 440-953-4200 for details on any of these programs or visit willoughbyohio.activityreg.com

other developmental disabilities. Participants will read and/or listen to Shel Silverstein's Where the Sidewalk Ends and other poems. Members can participate in-person or via Zoom.

Monday, January 10, 10-11 am
Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-942-3200

Murder at the Hills Book Club

Twenty-One Days by Anne Perry

Thursday, January 13, 2 pm
Willoughby Hills Library, 35400 Chardon Rd., 440-942-3362

A History of the Cultural Gardens

Join Lori Ashyk, Executive Director of the Cleveland Cultural Gardens Federation, to learn

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Library Programs Continued....

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Thursday, January 13, 6:30 pm
Willowick Public Library, 263 E. 305th St., Willowick, 440-943-4151

New Year, New You Signature Program

Join us live and in-person for Willowick Library's third annual New Year, New You! This

year we'll welcome several local Willowick businesses and offer in-person and hybrid presenters throughout the day. Register at we247.org or call 440-942-3200. All programs will also be simulcast on Facebook Live at [facebook.com/willoughbyeastlakepubliclibrary](https://www.facebook.com/willoughbyeastlakepubliclibrary) and recorded for future viewing!

Saturday, January 15
11 am-4 pm
Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Classes are offered with instructors of ASPIRE of Cuyahoga Community College. Attendees must register through the ASPIRE office, 216-371-7138 or 216-261-5006.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 24-May 19, 9:30 am-12 pm • Willowick Public Library, 440-943-4151

Mayor

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both the course and programming. Our Historic Downtown continues to welcome new tenants, and our Economic Development team is working to seek quality merchants to complement our bars and restaurants in creating a DTW "experience." We are also looking to expand our downtown across Mentor Avenue to enhance that experience. Of course, we always look forward to our third Saturday summer events and Gazebo Concerts.

fully, but we are excited to start this journey.

Finally, this year, we will continue to support our local manufacturing and professional services businesses by developing an outreach program to better understand their needs and goals. We are hopeful we can assist in their growth and success with this information.

All the goals for this year

will require a concerted and cooperative effort between our city government and our residents. City Council has provided guidance and support on critical initiatives, and our directors are committed to continuing and increasing the excellent services they have provided over the past years. I look forward to working with them and our residents in 2022.

Happy New Year!

Lakefront and riverfront access will also be a priority this year, and we have retained design consultants for both a reimagined Osborne Park and the Chagrin River Trail. Thus far, and with the assistance of area environmental groups, we have successfully obtained 3 million dollars to protect and enhance these assets. We encourage our residents to become involved in planning our lakefront and riverfront. Both projects will take years to realize

Now is the Time for Laser Removal

Cosmetic Laser Medi-Spa & More has been providing laser and other cosmetic services for over 18 years. Our staff of Medical Doctors, Cosmetic Therapists, and Nurses are licensed medical professionals with years of experience in Botox, Juvederm, laser hair removal, and mole and spider vein removal. Our Estheticians and Massage Therapists can also help you relax and rejuvenate your skin, body, and mood! Our goal is to offer services affordable to the average person because we all deserve to invest in ourselves but rarely make it a priority. Whether you're looking for an outpatient cosmetic procedure or a self-care pick me up, we've got the service for you!

We pride ourselves in our deep knowledge of skin, lasers, and how energy all interact. Laser and electrolysis are our primary focus as Cosmetic Therapists are the expert health care professional in permanent hair removal. We also guide you through the expectations and recommend which treatments or combination of that would provide your desired outcome. Lasers can be used on dark hair to reduce or remove growth on large surface areas. Laser hair removal typically requires 8-14 treatments at 4-week intervals. Electrolysis works on all hair types and can clean up any hairs the laser is not able to do such as white, grey or blonde hairs. Since this treats one hair at a time it typically requires

regular visits for 1-2 years. We are a LGBT friendly business and come highly recommended from the Transgender community including Dr. Cecile Ferrando's team at the Cleveland Clinic Transgender Surgery & Medicine program, and University Hospitals, Metro Pride Clinic and the VA.

Learn more about the standard cosmetic procedures performed at Cosmetic Laser Medi Spa & More under the guidance of our Medical Director, Dr. Robert Salamon, Board certified in Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery. Our most popular service is Botox and it is a safe cosmetic procedure when administered by a well-trained doctor to an appropriate candidate. Botox can reduce or eliminate wrinkles without surgery.

Our Estheticians are experienced in facial peels to address concerns like fine wrinkles, uneven tones and improves texture with topical applications. The skin consultation will also advise on the proper exfoliation methods best for your lifestyle for continued care.

Microblading is a much-desired treatment because it is a manual technique of implanting pigment into the skin to create a manicured and full eyebrow effect. Unlike typical eyebrow tattoos, microblading tends to look extremely natural where you can hardly tell that it's not real hair. We offer skin resurfacing with E Matrix and Microneedling.

Delicious Discussions Book Club

Join us on the fourth Monday of January and March starting at 7 pm. Please register to be notified of any changes.

A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabel Allende, Monday, January 24

Online via Zoom

Children & Teen Programs: Sensory Family Storytime

Children of all ages & abilities are welcomed to this interactive, inclusive storytime specifically designed to support the developmental needs of those with sensory challenges.

Tuesday, January 11, 6:30 pm
Eastlake Public Library
440-942-7880

LEGO Club

We provide the LEGOs, you provide the imagination. All ages.

Saturday, January 8, 2 pm
Willowick Public Library 440-943-4151

Winter Wonderland Music and Comedy Show

Enjoy a snowy musical experience designed to engage

children through winter songs, movement activities, children's stories and interactive music technology. Inclusive for all children! View this virtual event at the Library or from home.

Wednesday, January 12, 1 pm
Willoughby Hills Library, 35400 Chardon Rd., 440-942-3362

Homeschool Research

The average Google search can yield millions of results, but which one will give you the information you need? In this class, children ages 8-12 will learn how to find, evaluate and utilize information.

Thursday, January 13, 2 pm
Willowick Public Library, 263 E. 305th St., Willowick, 440-943-4151

Homeschool Rescue Readers

In 20-minute sessions, emerging readers will gain confidence, improve skills and provide soothing company to cats and critters as they await adoption at Lake Humane Society in Mentor. Masks required.

Friday, January 14, 1 pm

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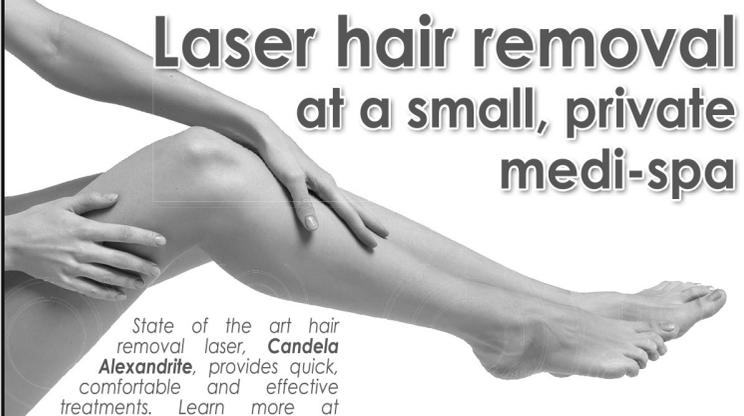
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Audubon Examines Unusual Bird Names at January Meeting

Birders are often asked why birds were given the names they were, such as nightjar, phalarope or killdeer. Blackbrook Audubon will host "Where Did You Get That Name?" by Mary Huey 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 18 at Penitentiary Glen's Nature Center. A former interpretive

naturalist for Lake Metroparks, Huey researched the topic to satisfy her own curiosity when pondering the Blackburnian Warbler. She will share how the names of native birds evolved and introduce some 19th century ornithologists who laid the groundwork for contemporary

bird study.

Participants can attend the program in person or register on the event page of blackbrookaudubon.org to receive a link to view the program live

online. Refreshments will not be served at the in-person program, which will be at 8668 Kirtland-Chardon Road in Kirtland.

Blackbrook Audubon covers Ashtabula, Geauga and Lake

Counties as the local chapter of National Audubon Society. For more information, email blackbrookaud@aol.com. Follow Blackbrook Audubon Society on Facebook for updates.

Bathroom Remodel Horror Story

Let us paint a horrific picture for you. You pay the wrong contractor \$9,000 upfront to give you the perfect bathroom and 9 months later you still have no working bathroom and it's less than 25% done. To make matters worse the 25% that was "completed" was completed incorrectly and needed to be torn out. This is the unfortunate story of a Lake County Resident and neighbor of yours.

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experienced and we wrote this article to make sure it never happens again. Here's some ways to prevent it. Check reviews online, if a company has no online reviews likely they are inexperienced and not qualified to do your job. Ask them for references, reputable companies like Monthly Upkeep will be happy to hand over a list of super satisfied customers. Never pay for a job upfront, reputable companies may require a small deposit to secure a spot on their calendar but will never require payment in full upfront.

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evaluate their risk with regard to lending to a specific person. FICO assigned mathematical quantities to patterns of behavior (like how often one pays late, whether they have unsatisfied legal judgments, etc.) and computes those quantities into a numerical risk factor which is known as our "credit rating." FICO sells people's credit ratings to lenders based on their FICO formula which is a trade secret and

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There are other companies like FICO which have come up with their own secret form of credit rating which they also sell to credit reporting agencies such as Equifax, Transunion and TRW. In my mind, these companies secrecy causes me to question their integrity and the efficacy of their formulas. FICO should willingly disclose the science behind their mathematical formula so it can be challenged and discussed. It only seems fair that a rating factor which affects so many people's lives, whether it be for getting credit, a job, security clearance or the trust of another person, should be open to investigation. How do we really know its not complete voodoo?

There is a widely held belief that FICO and the entire individual

credit rating system was developed by the elite to keep the average person in their place. "Their place" is presumably in a constant state of fear over their financial rating willing to pay the banks any interest rate or penalty without question.

In our bankruptcy practice, we spend a large portion of our time helping people get back on financial track. I see people regularly who enter my office in a state of hopelessness and are healthy, happy, laughing and spirited six months down the line. Bankruptcy stays on your credit for ten years. But my response to that is "So what?" Anybody who really wants to get credit and buy another house can do it in three years or better. Even with a very low credit rating. They will have to be creative

nowadays. But that is a topic for a different day. So the focus should not be on your credit rating but on your ability to pay back a specific amount of a loan within a specific period of time.

The "fresh start" that one can receive, often times, through bankruptcy is extremely valuable in terms of peace of mind and freedom from stress. Do not put yourself or your family through unnecessary mental hardship. If you think bankruptcy can help, there is only one way to find out. Schedule a free consultation. Often times, we can do the consultation over the phone. The bottom line is that a bankruptcy will not make most people's credit rating much worse than it was already. And it is a new start for your credit rating also.



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Do your goals for the new year involve expanding your education and widening your horizons? Look no further than Lakeland's Holden University Center.

Since opening in fall of 2011,

Lakeland's Holden University Center has provided a convenient, close-to-home option for Lake County residents to further their education. More than 1,000 students have graduated, earning

bachelor's and graduate degrees, as well as graduate certificates and endorsements.

The Holden University Center partners with 11 university partners for college credit

programs: Bowling Green State University, Cleveland State University, Franklin University, Hiram College, John Carroll University, Kent State University, Lake Erie College, Notre Dame College, The University of Akron, Ursuline College and Youngstown State University. Students may take their first two to three years of coursework at Lakeland – at the lower community college tuition rate – and then transfer seamlessly into a university center partnership program. Graduates of the programs receive their degrees from the partner institutions.

New last fall, Case Western Reserve University's (CWRU) Siegel Lifelong Learning program

was added to the university center offering. Through this partnership, adults of all ages pursue their love of learning by participating in courses and lectures provided by CWRU faculty, renowned scholars and local subject-area experts. Topics include art, history, politics, science, religion, literature and more. The program also includes an 11-week Senior Scholars program.

New opportunities await in the new year! Learn more at "Holden University Nights" Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022, from 6-7 p.m. The event is free, but registration is required at lakelandcc.edu/ucevents.

NEW YEAR, NEW YOU!

SPRING SEMESTER 2022

If earning a college degree or job-ready credential is your goal in the new year, spring semester at Lakeland is the perfect time and place to begin the journey.

Classes begin Jan. 15.

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Estate Liquidators Antiques & Collectible Flea Market is Getting a New Look

Starting January 1, 2022 the market will be filled with Estate Sale items and items I have of my own. We will still offer spaces to vendors selectively and our hours and terms for vendor spaces will be updated. Still **NO COMMISSION OR WORK DAYS!** The shop is very successful with record weekly sales. I have made this decision based on a need to sell my own items.

The store is a wonderful place with so much to offer everyone. The variety is unbelievable and items range from old to new, antiques, collectibles, advertising, toys, glassware, handmade and the prices range from .50 to \$500. I will extend the hours at the end

of the month to **WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY 10-5 PM AND SUNDAYS NOON TO 5 PM.**

We will offer a variety of items and events including facebook live, Marketplace sales section, Ebay, and Etsy sections and selective estate consignments to put either in the shop or online. The traffic at our location is great and our sign you can see off the freeway.

Any questions please don't hesitate to text or call me and leave a message at 440-382-6789. We are always working to make not only the shop a success, but my dedicated vendors that are supporting me in all my efforts.

Here is to a great 2022...thanks everyone! ~ Deb

Estate Liquidators shop

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Money Back from Medicare? Here are some facts.

We have all seen the celebrity-endorsed television ads for Medicare Advantage plans that say they will pay you \$140 to \$148 a month. Can this be real?

While the plans these celebrities are promoting are perfectly legitimate, they may not deliver everything these pitchmen appear to promise. The commercials do not tell the full story.

Let's begin with some facts. To enroll in one of these plans, you must:

- Be a Medicare beneficiary enrolled in Part A and Part B,
- Be responsible for paying the Part B premium,
- Live in a service area of a plan that has chosen to participate in this program, and
- Find a plan that offers this 'give-back' benefit

While this type of plan is widely promoted, it is not

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Laketran's Design a Bus Wrap student art contest is open for entry submittals.

Middle school and high school students from Lake County are eligible to enter by submitting original artwork with a positive, environmentally

friendly message. Participants are encouraged to create a design using the contest theme "Building a Greener Lake County" to promote public transit or ways to be environmentally responsible and care for Lake County's outdoors.

One student's winning design will be featured on a Dial-a-Ride bus wrap for six months and travel throughout the county. Entries are due Monday, January 31, 2022 and the bus wrap will be installed from March – July 2022.

The contest is open to middle school and high school students from Lake County or students enrolled in a Lake County school, art school or homeschooled during the 2021-2022 school year.

be able to offer this contest to our young Lake County artists again this year," shared Laketran spokesperson Julia Schick. "Many transit systems incorporate public art into their transit properties or vehicles, because it's a great way to share art in the community."

The 2021 art contest winners, along with 18 additional entries, are on display at the Frank J. Polivka transit center at Lakeland Community College that is open to the public Monday – Saturday.

Learn more about the contest and prizes on the Laketran website, where you can also download the entry form and art templates.

"We received over 75 entries last year and are excited to

Lake County Genealogical Society Meeting - January 27th

The Lake County Genealogical Society (LCGS) meeting will be held on January 27th from 10:00 am to noon. The LCGS is meeting on Zoom due to COVID-19. Please join us for a short business meeting followed by our speakers, Dr. Deborah Abbott and Louis M. "Lou" Lentine (an LCGS member). Our topic is "Lou's Brick Wall."

"So, You Think You Have a Brick Wall! Lake County Genealogical Society member Lou Lentine thought he had a brick wall. He shared his frustration in researching his father-in-law, Frank Piunno, with the Society's special interest group (SIG). Armed with oral history it would take more than Lou's eyes to see that his brick wall had a crack. Lou's ancestor talked about his days playing for the New York Celtics and even playing against the Harlem Globetrotters but left gaps. Dr. Abbott, who is very interested in basketball, took up the challenge and they bulldozed the brick wall and learned more. The methods used in this research can help you work through your brick walls as well. Come with us and follow the journey confirming the oral history of Lou's ancestor, Frank Piunno.

Deborah A. Abbott, PhD, is a professional genealogist, specializing in African American research, manuscript collections and genealogy methodology. She serves as a member of the Cuyahoga County (Ohio) Archives Advisory Commission. She is an associate with the

Kentucky-Tennessee Associates based in Springfield, TN; past president of the African American Genealogical Society, Cleveland, OH; and a retired professor of Counseling from Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland.

Dr. Abbott is an instructor as well as the coordinator for both the weeklong African American tracts at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR) held at the University of Georgia in Athens, GA and the Genealogy Research Institute of Pittsburgh held at LaRoche University in Pittsburgh, PA. She is also an instructor at the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (SLIG) in Salt Lake City, UT. She presents lectures and workshops at a variety of national, state, and local genealogy conferences across the country, as well as colleges, businesses & libraries.

Visit our Society web site at www.lcgsohio.org site to learn more about us and to find the email address to contact us for an invitation to our Zoom Meeting. Also, our members help each other at the Lake County Genealogical Society Special Interest Group (SIG), which meets virtually the first Thursday of each month at 10am. If you do not have a computer, you can join the Zoom meeting from your phone; so, call Bonnie or Cynthia to get the phone number for the meeting.

If you have any questions, call Bonnie at 440-428-3783 or Cynthia at 440-951-0914.

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Library Programs

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Lake Humane Society Homeschool Writers Club

Each month we'll use the amazing Playing with a Purpose videos from our partners at Lake Erie Ink to inspire young writers ages 7-12. Supplies will be provided.

Tuesday, January 18, 1:30 pm
Willoughby Hills Library, 35400 Chardon Rd., 440-942-3362

Homeschool Travelers

Take a trip around the world without leaving your house! Each month features a different location, complete with facts & fun activities.

Wednesday, January 19, 2:30 pm • Eastlake Public Library, 36706 Lakeshore Blvd., Eastlake, 440-942-7880

Winter Adventures of Olaf and Sven

Join our virtual adventure to save Olaf from the warm weather!

Wednesday, January 19, 6:30 pm. Online via Zoom

Magic Class for Teens

Magician Chris Woodman will teach you how to perform cool magic tricks with playing cards and everyday objects. Participants should bring a deck of cards.

Wednesday, January 19, 6:30-7:30 pm

Willoughby Hills Library, 35400 Chardon Rd., 440-942-3362

Homeschool Fitness and Rhythm

Children ages 6-12 will enjoy a variety of different learning experiences each month! Space is limited.

Thursday, January 20, 2 pm
Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-942-3200

Homeschool Book Club: Other Worlds

Children ages 8-12 will read and discuss Other Worlds edited by Jon Scieszka. These short stories will engage even the most reluctant reader.

Friday, January 21, 2 pm
Willoughby Hills Library, 35400

Chardon Rd., 440-942-3362

STEAM Storytime

Join us for a STEAM inspired storytime for school age children. Ages 5-8.

Saturday, January 22, 11 am
Willowick Public Library, 263 E. 305th St., Willowick, 440-943-4151

Khin's Craft Corner

Make a craft with Miss Khin in our pirate ship.

Wednesdays, January 26-March 16, 10 am
Eastlake Public Library, 440-942-7880

Art Club for Teens

Do you love to create art but never get the chance? Join other art-loving teens for Art Club where we will focus on a different artist or style each session. Grades 6-12

(Ages 11-18).
Thursday, January 27
6:30-8:30 pm
Eastlake Public Library, 36706 Lakeshore Blvd., Eastlake, 440-942-7880

Adapted Story and Craft

All ages and abilities are invited to join us for an adapted storytime and craft activity.

Thursday, January 27, 6:30 pm
Willowick Public Library, 263 E. 305th St., Willowick, 440-943-4151

Music and Movement

Join us for music, movement and an opportunity to socialize and play with toys provided by the Library. Ages 2-5.

Saturday, January 29, 10:30 am • Willowick Public Library, 263 E. 305th St., Willowick, 440-943-4151

Gaming Club for Teens

Make friends and play video games provided by the Library, bring your trading card games to play against others or play a board game. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18).

Saturday, January 29
2-4 pm
Willowick Public Library, 263 E. 305th St., Willowick, 440-943-4151

Caregiver Stress... Take Time for Yourself

Caregiver burnout is more common than you think. It's so important to take time for yourself when caring for a loved one. But how...

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Don't ignore these caregiver burnout warning signs.

Crying more often - Trouble Sleeping - Low Energy - Headaches - Chest Pains - Change in appetite

These emotions are not uncommon when caring for a loved one.

- Guilt - Sadness - Exhaustion - Loneliness - Helplessness - Frustration

Here are some tips for reducing caregiver stress:

- Ask for and accept help
 - Don't feel guilty that you are not perfect
 - Accept what you can and cannot change
 - Find out about caregiving resources in your community
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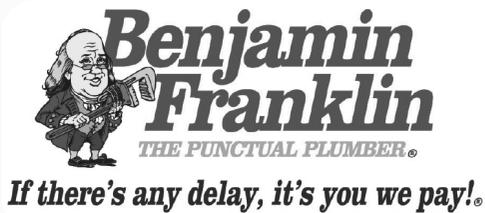
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The February 9, 2022 program begins 11:00 a.m. at The Fine Arts Association, 38660 Mentor Avenue, Willoughby, followed by the luncheon at noon in the lobby.

Covid protocols will be respected.

A menu is roasted pork loin with Dijon sauce, potatoes, green beans almondine and red velvet cupcakes.

Cost is \$15 a member; \$20 non-member; \$10 for program only (which can be purchased at the door). All tickets payable by check or cash.

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Email: anthonyjanem@yahoo.com or phone: 440-579-5020 by noon February 4, 2022.

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