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## Mayor's Report



**Dennis Morley**  
Mayor/Safety Director

I would like to start by saying THANK YOU for your faith in me. I am honored to be serving the City of Eastlake and its residents for another 4 years. We have come a long way and I know we have a way to go but by you passing the renewal levy you have shown a positive commitment to Eastlake and our vision. For that I thank you.

I would like to congratulate the three Council people that you have chosen to represent you. I am sure that Angela Schmidt, Mike Semick and Chris Kranjak will all have the best interest of the residents in mind when they cast a vote. I look forward to working with them and the rest of city council to move the city in a positive direction.

I would like to thank Todd Guley for his service to our community and his continued

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## Willoughby-Eastlake Public Library Programs & Events

During the month of December 2021, 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](http://www.we247.org).

### Adult Programs:

#### Carryout Crafts for Adults

Prepackaged craft kits to do at home! Materials can be picked up at the Willoughby Library.

December-Jingle Bells Door Hanger

Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-942-3200

#### Learn How to Sew a Holiday Quilted Pot-Holder

Sewing machines and all supplies provided. Limit 6 participants.

Thursday, December 2, 5:30-7 pm -Willoughby Hills Public Library, 35400 Chardon Rd., Willoughby Hills, 440-942-3362

#### Cleveland's Holiday Traditions

Join Chad Malkamaki of the Western Reserve Historical Society as he enlightens us on Cleveland's holiday traditions over the years. Share your memories of Mr. Jingeling and department store windows while learning about some of the lesser-known holiday traditions of Clevelanders.

Monday, December 6, 6:30 pm  
Online via Zoom

#### Tarot Card Basics

A brief introduction to Tarot card meanings. Single card readings and question & answer session to follow.

Thursday, December 9, 6:30-

7:30 pm -Willoughby Hills Public Library, 35400 Chardon Rd., Willoughby Hills, 440-942-3362

#### Next Chapter Book Club

The Next Chapter Book Club (NCBC) is a reading and discussion group that caters to adults with Down syndrome, autism and other developmental disabilities. Participants will continue to read and/or listen to passages from Shel Silverstein's Where the Sidewalk Ends. NCBC is now a hybrid program. Members can participate in-person or via Zoom.

Monday, December 13, 10-11 am

Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-

942-3200

#### Health Insurance Marketplace Special Event

If you're uninsured, or just want to explore your choices, join us to learn more about the Health Insurance Marketplace and find coverage that fits your budget and meets your needs.

Monday, December 14, 9 am-4 pm -Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-942-3200

#### Still Beating: The Story Behind the Tell-Tale Heart

Edgar Allan Poe's chilling terror tale The Tell-Tale Heart is an enduring favorite. We will take a

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## GFWC of OHIO: Eastlake Women's Club

Hope everyone had a safe and "fulfilling" Thanksgiving last month. We are all looking for ways to spend a safe time with our families and friends. Enjoy the holidays we celebrate in December.

Our members and community had a great time meeting Santa last month at the Firehouse. The children had a chance to meet Mr. & Mrs. Claus to start off the holiday season.

Our next meeting is Dec. 1st. at 6:30 p.m. at the Eastlake City Hall Meeting Room. Besides our usual business meeting we will be artistic and create some holiday crafts.

The Christmas Market, Sunday, Dec. 12, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. will be held at the Boulevard of 500 FLAGS. So stop by and see if there any last minute gifts you might find!

We have a special project this year and that is collecting plastic grocery bags, plastic wraps, baggies, plastic seals on food, bread bags, cereal bags, case overwrap, and newspaper sleeves among among other plastic articles. The project will

take 6 months for the bags to fill marked boxes by Eastlake City Hall, Dollar Bank on 34829 Vine St., and the Eastlake Public Library on Lakeshore Blvd. This is sponsored by NexTex. AND if we collect enough bags and plastic waste we will be able to win a BENCH made from recyclables to place in Eastlake. So We hope everyone will pitch in and help us win a bench.

#### HOLIDAYS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

St. Nicholas Day - Dec. 6th  
Hanukah - Nov. 29- Dec. 6th  
Pearl Harbor Day - Dec. 7th  
Human Rights Day- Dec. 10th  
Wright Brothers' Day- Dec. 21st.  
Christmas - Dec. 25  
Boxing Day - Dec. 26th  
Kwanzaa - Dec. 26th

Wish you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah. and a peaceful Kwanzaa.

*"KINDNESS IS LIKE SNOW- IT BEAUTIFIES EVERYTHING IT COVERS"*

*~ Kahlil Gibran*

### **Mayor**

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willingness to be a part of it on other committees.

I am very excited to invite you to shop at our Christmas Market on December 12th. It will be held behind City Hall at the Blvd. of 500 Flags. The outdoor Market is modeled after the Christkindl Market in Chicago. This first-time event offers over 50 vendors, complimentary hot chocolate and cider, a strolling Santa and a "sleigh ride" featuring a cart pulled by mini-horses! Come shop among the twinkle lights and support Little Annie's Hope Train, a local homeless outreach. All proceeds from the 50 plus raffle baskets as well as our two Grand Raffle items will go to help this outreach which supplies Blessing Bags filled with basic necessities like toiletries and non - perishable food items to the homeless in our County. On that same note, a bin will be provided

for you to drop off new men's, women's and baby socks. The Christmas Market will run from 3-7pm and there will be 3 food trucks for you to choose from when hunger strikes. Swenson's, Barra de Taco and Fuoco Pizza will all be ready and waiting to take your order!

Santa has sent me a special request! He has asked that all the littles get their Santa letters in by December 12th! The Santa mailbox is located in the gazebo behind city hall. Please make sure there is a name and address on all letters.

From my family to yours I wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I look forward to 2022!

Mayor Morley  
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# City of Eastlake Council Reports



**Todd Gulley**  
Council-at-Large



**Angela Schmidt**  
Council-at-Large



**Dave Spotton**  
Ward 4 Councilman

## Gulley

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out street lights. So, call the customer service line from your bill, or you can report the burned-out light through your online account. Just click on the 'outages' link, then click 'report lighting problem.' Answer a couple questions to indicate that there is not a widespread outage or broken glass or exposed wires in the area. Then you can choose the option that describes your situation. The prompts will ask for the address closest to the burned-out street light, and a nearby cross street to help the work crew locate the specific street. I recently reported a burned-out light on Grovewood, and it was repaired in just a few days.

As I leave office, I believe this is a good time to share why I decided to seek the appointment in 2019, and why I decided to run to keep the seat in 2021. Jeremiah 29:7 is the Bible verse

that has defined my volunteering, serving, and supporting all those in Eastlake who are seeking to make it an even better place to live. Jeremiah 29:7 says, "And work for the peace and prosperity of the city where I sent you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, for its welfare will determine your welfare." While I certainly do not feel like I have been exiled to Eastlake, I will continue to work for the peace and prosperity of Eastlake and will continue to pray for the city, its leaders, businesses, and residents.

If I can be of help in any way, please email me at my personal email, [pastortoddg@hotmail.com](mailto:pastortoddg@hotmail.com).

This month's inspirational quote is by Dr. Wayne Dyer, quoted in the book, *Wonder*: "If you have a choice between being right and being kind, choose kind."

Regards,  
J. Todd Gulley  
Councilman-at-Large

Hello, Eastlake!

This is my final article as your councilman-at-large. I want to thank the other members of the council who appointed me in October 2019, and congratulate Michael Semick, Angela Schmidt, and Chris Krajnyak on their election to council. I wish them all the best, and encourage all of us to be supportive of these good people. I also wish Logan Shreves the very best as he continues to do all that he is doing in our community to work with our middle school athletic teams, Eastlake basketball, the disabled community, and whatever he puts his mind to.

Back to city info. Street light burned out? When you have a street light that has burned out, you do not need to call the city service department. The Illuminating Company is responsible for fixing burned-

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Greetings!

I've been enjoying the fall season with it's many vibrant colors. Although Thanksgiving has passed, I hope you had a wonderful Holiday surrounded by friends and family, filled with love, and of course lots of really good leftovers!

As we all travel through the holiday season, please remember it can sometimes be a lonely or sad time. If you or someone you know has lost a loved one there are many resources in our area that can provide comfort and aid along the healing path. Harvest Bible Chapel & Willoughby Hills Evangelical Friends Church in Willoughby Hills and Community of the Holy Spirit in Willoughby all offer "GriefShare," a grief recovery support group.

This year I'm thankful, grateful, and blessed for my family, friends and the opportunity to continue serving the people of Eastlake. During this season of giving it's been wonderful seeing so many Eastlake businesses going above and beyond to make a difference in our community. From the many fundraisers and collections, all of which benefit local families, to the ongoing holiday drives. The compassion and generosity of the Eastlake residents and businesses are truly what makes us the "Crown Jewel." The opportunities are endless, not only for those in need, but also a great time to volunteer or donate.

Santa visited the Eastlake Fire Dep. behind City Hall for the community lighting on Sunday, November 28th. You can also find him throughout the holiday season at several local businesses. It's not too late to check in with the big guy, and be sure to check out his list!

As we get into the colder months I would encourage you to stay connected and engaged with family and the community. The

Hello Ward 4,

Congratulations to the Angela Schmidt for retaining her seat as council at large as well as the Mike Semick and Chris Krajnyak for their victory on Election Day, looking forward to working with all to continue moving our city forward.

By the time this is published I hope that you will see that the Smoke / Captains Club building will have been leveled for Culver's. Culver's will be doing a new complete build out including paving and new structure. We are being told that it should be open in the spring and be great addition to the city.

No new news on the splash park as the engineers have been going core drilling and will have a report soon so that we can move on to the next step.

Reminder that yard waste pickup has been pushed back until December 13.

And a shout out to Ron Dustman for another great year of classic / hot rod car cruises.

Have a great Holiday!  
Your Ward 4 Council person,  
Dave Spotton  
440-212-3575

## "The Sunny Boutique" Now Open in Eastlake

The Sunny Boutique located at 34510 Lakeshore Blvd., Eastlake, OH in the Eastlake Plaza is a unique clothing boutique for women's fashions size 0-24+. Brand new and gently used clothing along with purses, shoes, jewelry, soap, lotion, and bath bombs fill this delightful boutique. You may find Coach and Kate Spade to drop a few designer names, hanging out as well but you won't pay their prices!

Hours of operation: Tuesday 11-5, Wednesday 11-8, Thursday-Sunday 11-5.

## Schmidt

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Eastlake library or the Senior Center can be a great place to stay connected and meet some new friends. They both offer a lot

of classes, events and programs to fit many needs.

Positively Eastlake,  
Angela R. Schmidt



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**December 5th, 2021 | Winter Wonderland | 10am - 3pm**

For photo sessions on this date, families will be offered the opportunity to take their photo sessions WITHOUT Santa. Pets will be set upon a lovely backdrop

that is winter wonderland themed for the most perfect holiday photo. There will only be 30 sessions available on December 5th and families MUST book in advance. Each session will be offered in 5-minute increments and the rooms will be sanitized and cleaned between sessions. *Santa will NOT be present on the 5th.*

**December 12th, 2021 | Sessions with Santa | 10am - 3pm**

For photo sessions on this date, families will be offered the opportunity to have photo sessions WITH Santa. Jolly old St. Nicholas will make for the perfect addition to pets holiday

photo. There will only be 30 sessions available on December 12th and families MUST book in advance. Each session will be offered in 5-minute increments and the rooms will be sanitized and cleaned between sessions.

All sessions are \$30 each and include 2 electronic photos, holiday frame, treats and a festive pet stocking full of goodies (while supplies last). Printed photos may be purchased at the event for an additional \$5 each.

Registration is now open and all attendees MUST register in advance. For more information, please visit [lakehumane.org](http://lakehumane.org).



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Peace of Mind for the Holidays

It's that time of the year that we all love and dread at the same time. The increased financial pressure of the holidays often dampens a time that should be remembered as exciting and joyous whether we have that much money or not. This little article is specifically for people

who are being bothered and harassed by creditors and how to end that now so you do not have to deal with it over the holidays or ever.

When you retain (hire) a bankruptcy lawyer you are now a "represented individual" which gives you certain rights and powers that you did not have before. First and foremost, it gives you the power to direct

the debt collectors to talk to your attorney. If they disregard this and continue to call you or harass you in any way- you may be able to sue. You also have an attorney available to advise you when legal problems with creditors arise. You have a legal professional who concentrates in the area of bankruptcy on your side.

Currently, as a holiday promotion we are offering to start your case for only \$100.00. Our retainer is regularly \$300.00. This means you will have retained us as your attorneys and ALL COLLECTION CALLS MUST BE STOPPED. If the creditors do not stop calling we will intervene aggressively on

your behalf.

You can rest assured you and your family will not be bothered during the holiday season. We will handle the creditor calls for you. When the New Year arrives you are put on a liberal payment plan that is affordable to you and we continue to monitor your case. When your fee is paid in full we file the case. We are available to help you whenever needed.

I hope that no one needs this service but if you do please feel free to set up a free initial consultation with our bankruptcy attorney. The consultation is entirely free and there is no obligation to make any type of commitment or decision. We will not recommend bankruptcy unless absolutely necessary for

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Since this promotion is geared to provide individuals and families with peace of mind throughout the holiday season this promotion will expire on midnight December 31, 2021.

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Upon high school graduation, CCP students can continue on to complete an associate degree or certificate at Lakeland or transfer directly to any Ohio four-year college, including four-year partner programs available through Lakeland's Holden University Center.

Admission into the program is open to students who have clearly demonstrated the ability to handle college-level coursework. Successful CCP students typically have good self-management skills, excellent class attendance and no disciplinary problems. Students must meet college-ready scores on a state identified assessment

exam. Test prep resources are available at [lakelandcc.edu/web/about/test-prep](http://lakelandcc.edu/web/about/test-prep).

On Lakeland's campus, CCP students participate in student organizations and hold leadership positions, including:

- Honors Program participants
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Interested students should check with their high schools for specifics. Information sessions will begin in January. Visit <http://lakelandcc.edu/web/about/info-sessions-ccp> for details.

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## FOR SPRING SEMESTER



### Spring 2022 semester begins in January!

- First (P1) and full sessions begin Jan. 15.
- 12-week (P12) begins Feb. 12.
- Second session (P2) begins March 19.

[lakelandcc.edu/spring](http://lakelandcc.edu/spring)



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# Lakeland

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## Holiday Handyman: First Come, First Serve

The holidays are coming that means every toilet needs to be in working order. The family will be there - probably judging each and every imperfection of your home. The good news is Eastlake's favorite handyman is getting homes ready for the holidays. Leaving only your cooking to be judged by your family.

There is no better time than now to get items repaired before the holidays. Making sure your home is in tip-top shape for guests.

Eastlake's handyman company keeps hearing from customers "we planned on getting this done anyway, so it just makes sense to do it now."

They have staff working tirelessly to get Eastlake residents serviced before the holidays. Some common service this time of year

are toilet mainentence calls and mailbox repairs. Monthly Upkeep Handyman also offers assembly services on furniture and other ready to assemble items.

They currently have customers booking into the into of next year for kitchen and bathroom remodels. These customers understand that by locking in the price now they are making sure they are getting the best price with prices on the rise. They also understand the sooner they get the planning started the smoother the project will go.

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# Audubon Seeks Counters for Christmas Bird Census

Blackbrook Audubon Society invites everyone to add their observations to the 122nd annual Christmas Bird Count Sunday, December 26. Blackbrook encourages birders of all skill levels to join the CBC in one of two ways: in the field or from the comfort of your own home. Everyone will bird safely following the current Covid-19 guidelines.

The object of the CBC is to count all the bird species and number of birds in a 15-mile diameter circle in one 24-hour period between December 14 and January 5. Anyone living within the circle can also report birds at their feeder.

To be assigned to a team covering a specific area on foot or in a vehicle, or to report backyard feeder counts, contact Dan Donaldson, the compiler for Blackbrook's circle, at [danook057@yahoo.com](mailto:danook057@yahoo.com). He will provide details on how to join the virtual gathering later in the day, rather than the traditional lunch at noon, where everyone can share stories of the day's census.

Blackbrook's CBC circle extends from Lost Nation Airport to Western Perry, Lake Erie south to Holden Arboretum and Big Creek Park in Geauga County.

Blackbrook Audubon's

territory covers Ashtabula, Geauga and Lake counties. The Burton CBC held in Geauga County will be Sunday, January 2, 2022. Linda Gilbert, the primary compiler and a naturalist with Geauga Park District, can be reached at [lgilbert@geaugaparkdistrict.org](mailto:lgilbert@geaugaparkdistrict.org). Dan Best will assist with the compiling of lists for the Burton count.

The Ashtabula CBC, centered just east of Kingsville, will be Tuesday, January 4, 2022. Marc Hanneman compiles this count which covers both Ashtabula and Conneaut Harbors, as well as several Ashtabula County Metroparks. Contact Marc at [marchanneman@embarqmail.com](mailto:marchanneman@embarqmail.com) to help with that count.

Circles for the count stretch from Arctic Bay, Baffin Island in Canada to a NOAA research vessel in the Drake Passage at the southern-most tip of South America; as far west as Guam in the Pacific to the eastern tip of Brazil. Census takers in the NEO circles share the same mission and may count on the same day as birders in some of these far-off places.

View a map of active CBC circles at <https://www.audubon.org/conservation/join-christmas-bird-count>.

For more information on the

local Audubon chapter, visit [blackbrookaudubon.org](http://blackbrookaudubon.org).

The Christmas Bird Count is the longest-running community science project in North America and helps biologists monitor bird population trends. Beginning on Christmas Day 1900, ornithologist Frank Chapman proposed a new holiday tradition - a "Christmas Bird Census" when people would count birds rather than hunt them.

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# How to Locate a Missing Life Insurance Policy

Locating life insurance documents for a deceased person can be challenging. Insurance companies are not required to let beneficiaries know that they are mentioned in a policy so many people are not even aware that someone left them money. This is one of the reasons why, more than \$2 billion in insurance proceeds remains unclaimed.

Searching for a policy will take some investigative skills on your part. Here are some ideas to help you begin your search:

**Take advantage of policy locators.** While there is no national data base for insurance policies, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners provides a free website that is a good place to begin. Go to <https://eapps.naic.org/life->

[policy-locator/](#) to use the policy finder tool. If you think the policy may have been purchased in Canada, try contacting the Canadian Ombudservice for Life and Health Insurance for information.

**Search reputable websites.** Insurance companies are supposed to reach out to beneficiaries when the policyholder dies, but sometimes they cannot track down the right people. After a period, they turn the benefits over to the state's unclaimed property program. [Missingmoney.com](#) or [unclaimed.org](#) may provide some answers. Both organizations match people up with money that may be owed to them from various sources.

Comb through old paperwork and email files. Look through old

records for billing statements, account summaries and other communications from any insurance companies if you have access to these records.

**Contact past employers and groups.** Contact old employer/s, fraternal organizations, labor union, credit union, and pension plans.

**Contact professionals.** Talk to the deceased's attorneys, accountants, investment advisors, bankers, business insurance agents/brokers and other financial professionals who may be able to help with the search.

Privacy regulations control who can request information about another person's finances.

In general, the only ones who will be able to access a deceased's financial information including insurance policy documents include:

- The executor of a person's estate
- The deceased's next of kin
- Named beneficiaries to any life insurance policies

This is a good reminder for you to always keep important documents in a safe place and prepare a paper trail of all your investments and insurance policies. In this way, you can make sure your estate, no matter how big or small, goes to the people you choose.

If you would like more information on the various types of life insurance for yourself or

members of your family, please give me a call or email me to set up an appointment. Contact me at 440-255-5700 or [Lmutsko@mutskoinsurance.com](mailto:Lmutsko@mutskoinsurance.com).

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Advent Worship – Sundays Nov 28, Dec 5, 12, and 19 at 9 & 11 am  
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## Library Programs

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closer look at the true stores that inspired it, the story's impact on today's horror fiction & film and Poe's efforts to find a magazine willing to print it. Presenter will be live via Zoom and attendees will gather in the meeting room to watch, listen and ask questions.

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 6:30 pm

Willowick Public Library, 263 E. 305th St., Willowick, 440-943-4151

### De-Stress with Adult Coloring

Need a break from last minute holiday tasks? The Willoughby Library is hosting a relaxing morning of Yule-themed coloring.

Tuesday, December 21, 11 am

Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-942-3200

### Children & Teen Programs: Carryout Crafts for Teens

Each month we will have an activity kit for you to pick up at the Willoughby Library and complete at home.

Month of December – Origami Star Wreath

Willoughby Public Library, 30 Public Square, Willoughby, 440-942-3200

### 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 use information.

Thursday, December 2, 2 pm

Online via Zoom

### The Grinch and the Mayor of

### Whoville

Help the Mayor of Whoville find the missing presents and save Christmas! This retelling of the Dr. Seuss's classic How the Grinch Stole Christmas will feature live performers and be presented virtually.

Thursday, December 2, 6:30 pm

• Online via Zoom

### Stories of the Season

Enjoy favorite holiday stories, sing songs and share seasonal traditions!

Monday, December 6, 6:30 pm

Online via Zoom

### 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, December 7, 6:30 pm

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### Teen Art Club

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. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18).

Thursday, December 9, 6:30-8:30 pm -Eastlake Public Library, 36706 Lakeshore Blvd., Eastlake, 440-942-7880

### Saturday with Santa

Have a holly, jolly time with Santa! Each child will get a chance to share their gift wish list and get a virtual photo with Santa.

Saturday, December 11, 2 pm or 3 pm • Online via Zoom

### Lego Club

Join us to discuss and show off your amazing LEGO creations. All ages welcome.

Saturday, December 11, 2 pm

Online via Zoom

### Homeschool Writers Club

Each month, we'll use the amazing Playing with a Purpose videos from our partners Lake Erie Ink to inspire young writers ages 7-12. Classes will be facilitated by a librarian.

Monday, December 13, 1:30 pm

• Online via Zoom

### Homeschool Travelers

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

Wednesday, December 15, 2 pm

• Online via Zoom

### Family Holiday Celebration

We'll read stories about Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa! Learn about the different holiday celebrations held during the month of December.

Monday, December 20, 6:30 pm

• Online via Zoom

### Gingerbread House Decorating

Design and construct your own gingerbread house for the holidays. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18).

Tuesday, December 21, 6:30-8 pm • Willowick

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All programs begin at 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.

The menu is Hungarian Chicken Paprikash over egg noodles, garden salad, rolls with lemon squares for dessert.

Women's Committee members Paul Holm, CEO of The Fine Arts, and Roy Smith, Board President of The Fine Arts will be host servers.

The cost is \$15/member; \$20/non-member; \$10/program only payable by check or cash. ALL RESERVATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE PROGRAM LUNCHEON NO LATER THAN NOON, JANUARY 7, 2022.

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1. Sunday Dec. 5th 10-5pm Open House and Meet & Greet Vendors as well as various storewide sale events.

2. Our kids Twigbee shop (registration & payment for the little shoppers will be required in exchange for play money for them to shop) The Twigbee shop will be open three Sundays - Dec. 5, 12, & 19 from 10-5pm. All funds for this event will be donated to a cancer for kids foundation.

3. Estate sales online & virtual

and on Marketplace Facebook as well as estatesales.net local national.

4. Our online 5050auctions.com featuring several closeouts from estates, buyouts and clean-outs.

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## LCGHD is Offering Free Private Well Water Testing

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There are a limited amount of samples that will be available each Tuesday by calling (440) 350-2543. Appointments will be scheduled on a first-come-first-served basis. A laboratory that is certified and approved for drinking water tests is used for processing the test. *Water samples for home sale*

*transactions are not eligible for this promotion.*

LCGHD is encouraging homeowners to have their well water tested regularly. Private residential wells are often shallower than large volume public supply wells and more open to contamination. Unlike public supply wells, private wells are not regulated under the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Act.

"Many well owners do not regularly test their well water

quality, and it's important that they have all the information they need to make the best decisions to protect their well water and their health," commented Chris Loxterman, LCGHD Environmental Health Supervisor. LCGHD recommends that private well owners test their well water each year for contaminants, such as total coliform bacteria and other contaminants that may be of concern in your area. A homeowner may test more often if a problem is suspected.

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## Great Lakes Mall Welcomes Holiday Season with Full Sleigh of Winter Activities

Great Lakes Mall is ready to shine for the holiday season. With a full list of holiday activities lined up, friends and families can celebrate the season in their own unique style whether that's sipping cocoa or parading around with Santa.

"The holidays are an important time for our community to gather, celebrate our loved ones and share gratitude," said Scott Creel, General Manager at Great Lakes Mall. "We are proud to offer events and activities that bring people together to ignite the spirit of the season, while also supporting our local small businesses."

Great Lakes Mall Town Center festivities include:

### Photos with Santa:

Photos with Santa will be available from Nov. 19 through Christmas Eve. Guests can save time this holiday season and reserve their photo time slot in advance. Walk-ins are also welcome. A full list of Santa Photo Hours and a link to reserve your spot can be found by visiting [shopgreatlakesmall.com](http://shopgreatlakesmall.com).

### Sensitive Santa®:

For children on the autism spectrum and those with related sensory sensitivities, a Santa visit can often mean crowded

spaces, long lines and a swirl of competing noise that can create an overstimulating and upsetting environment. Sensitive Santa® provides a magical experience for guests and is hosted before the town center opens. Santa has been especially trained and takes cues from parents and caregivers in order to meet each child's individual needs.

Sensitive Santa will take place on Sunday, Dec. 5 from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. and Sunday, Dec. 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and will include crafts, refreshments, free books, courtesy of Mentor Public Library pop-up library, and a free ride on the All Smiles Aboard trackless train.

Space is limited; advance registration is required and guests can register at [www.shopgreatlakesmall.com](http://www.shopgreatlakesmall.com).

### Paws & Claus:

Great Lakes Mall wants to make sure our furry friends get everything on their holiday lists this year. Dog owners are invited to mix and mingle as they get their favorite pet's photos taken with Santa at Paws & Claus on Monday, Dec. 13 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Monday, Dec. 20 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Pets will enjoy a special treat after their visit with Santa. The Santa set is located in the Dillard's concourse and pets and their owners are encouraged to enter the mall between Dillard's and Tony Sacco's Coal Oven Pizza on the west side of the mall.

### Cookies and Claus:

There is magic in the holiday season—especially when Santa and Mrs. Claus come to town. On Saturday, Dec. 11 from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., Great Lakes Mall invites families with children to hear a story from Mrs. Claus, pass on their wish list and enjoy refreshments with Mrs. Claus. This event will take place near the Santa set located in the Dillard's concourse.

### Shop With Your Pet:

Great Lakes Mall's popular Shop With Your Pet event is back with a special holiday edition. Pet owners are invited to bring their four-legged furry friends to Great Lakes Mall on Saturday, Dec. 4 from noon - 4:00 p.m. and enjoy a day of shopping and other activities including free doggie treat bags (while supplies last), pet caricatures, selfie stations, and more.

Posh Pet Boutique will host a pet fashion show at 3:00 p.m. on the stage in the Dillard's concourse

near Santa.

### Holiday Entertainment:

While you are shopping at Great Lakes Mall this holiday season, enjoy the sights and sounds of local performers. Great Lakes Mall will feature a variety of musicians and performers that include jazz ensembles, string duos and quartets, guitarists, saxophone player, singers and more. Visit [www.shopgreatlakesmall.com](http://www.shopgreatlakesmall.com) for a complete list of performance dates and times.

### Holiday Gift Guides:

Need a little help choosing gifts for the people in your life? Great Lakes Mall will be sharing gift guides of hand picked items for her, for him, for pets, wellness lovers and coworkers. Gather inspiration and shop from the comfort of your own home from November 26th – December 24th by following Great Lakes Mall on Instagram.

### Kindness Campaign:

The true spirit of the season is about kindness. In celebration of National Kindness Day on Saturday, Nov. 13, Great Lakes Mall kicked off an interactive art display where guests are invited to 'Make Kindness Stick.'

Visit the art display located near the Cleveland Clinic Children's

Play Area to participate throughout the entire holiday season.

### Bring Home Holiday Magic Sweepstakes:

Thanks to Coca-Cola, 20 lucky winners will receive a \$500 gift card to shop this holiday. Guests visiting Great Lakes Mall can scan the QR code found at an on-site Coca-Cola vending machine to enter the promotion for a chance to win prizes. The sweepstakes will be active from November 15 through December 31, 2021.

In addition to a wide variety of events taking place at Great Lakes Mall this holiday season, guests can look forward to extended shopping hours. To learn more about holiday celebrations and extended holiday hours at Great Lakes Mall follow along on social media and visit [shopgreatlakesmall.com](http://shopgreatlakesmall.com).

Great Lakes Mall remains focused on providing a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone. All activations will adhere to our rigorous cleaning and disinfectant practices. We ask all guests to conduct themselves in a safe and respectful way in accordance with all federal, state, and local regulations, recommendations and mandates, while also adhering to each individual retailer's policies.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

*from the staff at Lake Community News*

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We would like to thank the Mayors and City Council for keeping us informed with what is happening in each community. We would like to thank our Police and Fire Departments for keeping our communities safe. We would also like to thank all those who contribute articles about special events and activities taking place throughout Lake County.

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*Matt, Deanne, Kristy, Julie & Nancy*



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