City of Canal Winchester
COMMUNITY CONNECTION NEWSLETTER

A Message from the Mayor

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Another year has come and gone and everyone at the City wants to say thank you to the residents of Canal Winchester for helping us help you. It's not always an easy job working in public service, no matter where it may be. The days can get rather long repairing broken water lines, managing sewage problems, picking up leaves for weeks on end, or plowing snow day, night, weekends, and holidays! But by doing small acts like raking leaves to the curb correctly or keeping vehicles off the streets during snow events, you make their jobs much less burdensome. And less stressful, too! When cars are parked on the streets, plowing snow takes on a whole new responsibility of trying not to damage any vehicles. At times, the roads can become treacherous and visibility from inside the trucks isn't always the best. So again, thank you all for making their jobs a little easier and helping them get the jobs done faster.

If you have been keeping up with the City newsletters throughout 2022, you know what a busy year it was. Perhaps one of the most exciting happenings was the move of City Offices, Council Chambers, the Community Center, and Mayor's Court into the new City Hall in the Bob McDorman Building – 45 East Waterloo Street. With that project came a new parking lot behind Shades that has created over 50 additional parking spots. It also paved the way for the Sheriff's Office move into 36 South High Street – a real upgrade from the damp and dingy basement of Town Hall at 10 N. High. Of course, the opening of the first phase of McGill Park ranks right up there, too!

2023 looks to be just as busy with our sights set on construction of the main shelter at McGill Park and hopefully beginning construction of Phase II, which will include baseball fields, a dog park, pickleball courts, a small playground, additional parking spaces, more trails, and another shelter similar to the one presently in place at the soccer fields. **Reconstruction of Woodsview Drive** will take place this year and will include new water lines, curb and gutter replacement, and street paving. This will be a major project that will take a few months to complete. There will likely be some inconveniences during the process but will be well worth it when it is complete, adding value to the neighborhood. More information for those living in that area will be coming within the next couple of months.

Lastly, the State of Ohio notified the City recently that our application for a **Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area** (DORA) has been approved. There are some housekeeping items that need to happen first, but watch for more to come soon on this and other exciting developments in "**The Greatest Little City in Ohio**".

Mayor Mike Ebert

Total Number of Christmas Lights Used by the City in 2022: 71,284!
That's roughly 7 miles long!

Important Dates

JAN 2	City Offices Closed—New Years Day *(observed)*
JAN 3	City Council Meeting
JAN 16	City Offices Closed—MLK Jr. Day
JAN 17	City Council Meeting
JAN 30	Committee of the Whole
FEB 6	City Council Meeting
FEB 12	CW Human Services SOUPer Bowl Fundraiser
FEB 17	Family Game Night
FEB 20	City Offices Closed—Presidents Day
FEB 21	City Council Meeting
MAR 6	City Council Meeting
MAR 20	City Council Meeting

All events are tentative and subject to change.
Visit our website for more details.

Canal Winchester Farmers' Market — Since 1800

Indoor Farmers Market,
Hosted by Destination: CW

Faith United Methodist Church
15 W. Columbus St.

9 AM—Noon

February 4
March 4
April 1

CITY NEWS, RIGHT TO YOU!

Sign up to receive email or text alerts from the City.

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Tax Preparation for Senior Citizens

AARP Tax-Aide Volunteers will once again offer **FREE** income tax preparation services to seniors. This year the group will operate out of the Community Center (45 E. Waterloo Street). Appointments are **required** and will be available on **Thursdays** beginning **February 2**.

Appointment scheduling begins January 9. Call 614-375-2167 to schedule your appointment. Scheduling is **not available at the Community Center.*

Did You Know...

The Fairfield County Sheriff's Office has a Vacation Check program? This free program gives Canal Winchester residents peace of mind that their property is being watched while they are out of town. A deputy will check on the residence at least once a day while you are away, for up to 30 days.

To sign up, call 740-652-7911 or visit sheriff.fairfield.oh.us to fill out the online form.

Are you a "snowbird" or otherwise out of town for extended periods of time throughout the year? Reach out to our Utility Billing Clerk to learn more about shutting off your water during your absence! Call 614-837-7716.

Rumpke Holiday Collection in CW

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Monday, January 16
No Delays

Presidents Day: Monday, February 20
No Delays

New Events at the Community Center

Yoga

Yoga classes at the Community Center are every Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm. Enjoy yoga flow for all levels! Classes are $5 per person. For more information, contact Sam Long at samlong.balance@gmail.com or call the Community Center at 614-837-8276.

Family Game Night

Grab your family and head to the Community Center for Family Game Night on **Friday, February 17**. Free dinner, snacks, and beverages will be served, and we'll have plenty of games to choose from. RSVP is not required but will help with food counts. Visit our website for more information.

SOUPer Bowl Fundraiser

Canal Winchester Human Services will host their 12th annual SOUPer Bowl fundraiser on Sunday, February 12 from 11 AM—2 PM. Enjoy free soup and dessert, bid on silent auction items, purchase a treat from the bake sale, and help support the many programs CWHS provides to our community. For more information, visit cwhumanservices.org.

City Phone Numbers

Main Number	614-837-7493
Clerk of Council	614-837-7493
Clerk of Court	614-837-7691
Community Affairs	614-834-9915
Community Center	614-837-8276
Construction Services	614-834-5109
Development Department	614-837-1894
Finance Department	614-837-6937
Human Resources	614-834-5118
Mayor Michael Ebert	614-837-7493
Public Service Department	614-834-5100
Water	614-837-5623
After-Hours Phone	614-837-7478
Streets, Lands, & Buildings	614-524-0163
Urban Forestry	614-834-5110
Water Reclamation	614-837-2254
After-Hours Phone	614-837-7478
Utility Clerk	614-837-7716
Sheriff Substation, *non-emergency*	614-837-7478

For complete directory listings, visit www.canalwinchesterohio.gov

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