



The ^{WH} Village Voice

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From the Office of the Mayor...



Dear Waite Hill Residents,

It is hard to believe that summer is already upon us and we are halfway through another year. Below is a brief update on some of the things that are garnering our attention these days.

Improved Communication

Apart from our new Village website, www.waitehilloh.gov, we are committed to improving communication so that everybody in the Village is better informed on matters affecting the Village. To that end, Marcia Merritt has taken on an initiative of coordinating a quarterly newsletter, *The Village Voice*, to give our residents a periodic update on some of the happenings going on in Waite Hill. The newsletter will be a compendium of contributions from many in the Village and, if all goes as planned, will be published on a quarterly basis. We enthusiastically invite you to offer topics for inclusion or become more directly involved with Marcia in the assembly and publication of the newsletter. Please enjoy this inaugural edition and we ask for your feedback and contributions as we are always looking for ways to make things better and improve communication with you.

Summer Celebration

We are also pleased to announce that on August 12th we will be hosting our first annual summer celebration from noon to 2:00 p.m. at Village Hall. This event will be an informal picnic for our residents. We hope it will promote our sense of community, give our residents a chance to renew friendships and make new acquaintances, and give you an opportunity to discuss on an informal basis ideas you may have for ways to improve the Village.

More details are published in this edition of the *The Village Voice*, so please be sure to read up and plan on attending.

Landscaping at Village Hall

Some have inquired about the landscaping or lack thereof at Village Hall. The answer is that there will be landscaping and color added, hopefully by this fall. We have been

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Let's Celebrate...

Summer in Waite Hill!

Please join the Waite Hill Village Council in celebrating summer time in Waite Hill!
Come out to see some old friends and to make new ones!

Pack a picnic lunch and bring a blanket.

Purchase your favorite cold treat straight from Jingle Brothers ice cream truck.

Enjoy live music while having fun with family and friends!

When: August 12, 2012

Noon to 2:00pm

Where: Waite Hill Village Hall

Police Department Reminders...

* Residents are reminded to have their address clearly marked and visible for emergency responders. When time is critical, you do not want emergency services wasting time searching for the correct location.

* If you have an alarm system at your residence, please use it. Secure your doors, windows and vehicle(s). Do not leave keys or valuables in your vehicle. Remember, thieves are looking for opportunity.

* If you observe suspicious activity, notify the police immediately. It only takes a few minutes for the police to check a suspicious person or vehicle.

* With warmer weather here, be mindful of your speed and children playing. Also watch for pedestrians and cyclists in the area.

* Be cautious of telephone and internet scams. In these economic times, criminals are looking to access

money anyway possible. "If it sounds too good to be true, it is".

* Pets Please be considerate of your neighbors. Waite Hill Village has ordinances which pertain to barking dogs and animals running at large. You are responsible to keep your pets under control at all times.

* Parents should be aware of the information your children are posting on the internet. This includes texting, photos, posting on "Myspace", "Facebook", and other social networking sites. Once the send button is hit, it's out in cyber space and there's no deleting or bringing it back. Also keep in mind, some information can be damaging, hurtful or embarrassing to your family or others.

The Waite Hill Village Police Department, as always, looks forward to serving the community. Your safety and security is always our concern. Please call us with any questions or concerns. Have a great summer!

Happy Anniversary!

Ryan and Julie Cox are celebrating 5 years of marriage on September 29th.
Congratulations!

Welcome to Waite Hill!

Mr. and Mrs. Bowden/Waite Hill Road
Mr. and Mrs. Brekalo/Rollin Road
Mr. and Mrs. Hiltzley/Waite Hill Road
Mr. and Mrs. Keay/Eagle Road

We'd like to hear from you! Is there a special birthday or anniversary you'd like to share?

Any weddings, births or deaths that the village can join in recognizing? Please send your submissions to villagevoice@waitehilloh.gov or 7215 Eagle Road, Attn: Village Voice.

Village Meeting Schedule:

Council Meeting
2nd Monday of every month
8:00 am

Planning and Zoning Meeting
4th Monday of every month
8:00 am

Village Update from the Mayor *continued*

working with a landscape architect to come up with a plan and proposal for plantings at the Village Hall as we punched out the remaining construction issues on the building these past few months. The landscape plan will include an evaluation of what already exists including what to do with the three large pine trees in declining health and what we hope is a proper balance of appearance, cost and future maintenance considerations as we strive to be economically responsible and, at the same time, maintain that look of dignity and casual elegance that have come to define the Village.

Wood Chips Available

The Service Department will deliver wood chips free of charge to residents. Requests are honored in the order they are received, while supplies last. You can call us at 942-2074 or email a request to gearl@waitehilloh.gov.

Village Finances

I cannot let an opportunity to pass without at least mentioning our finances. Council President Ryan Cox, Karl Scheucher, Chairman of Council's Finance Committee, Janet Mulh and I continue to spend an extensive amount of time evaluating our revenues, potential new revenue sources, expenses and ways to operate more efficiently. As I have said in past correspondence, we will be communicating in much greater detail we had all hoped to be at that point by now but we would all prefer to be accurate rather than fast in this area because Waite Hill is not immune from the fiscal challenges facing virtually all municipalities today.



The good news is that I believe we are coming down the home stretch in completing our analysis and we should be coming to you with more details on this front over the next several months.

Please do not hesitate to call Village Hall or better yet, e-mail us - with any questions, comments or concerns that you have. We will do our best to address them. As always, thank you for your time and interest.

Very truly yours,

Bob Ranallo

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New Asphalt Hauler Assists in Road Maintenance

The Service Department was glad to see a mild winter. This allowed for less wear and tear on the vehicles and the roadways, unlike previous years. It also gave us a chance to begin on our Spring cleanup early by working on flower beds around the sign posts, finishing the excavation in front of the Village Hall, planting grass seed after the new drainage pipe that was put in last fall, and getting ahead start on tree trimming which is a never ending battle.

New Equipment

The Village purchased a new asphalt hauler and took receipt of it on June 14,

2012. We are trying to extend the life of the roads from 10 years to 15 years and this piece of equipment will help in maintaining the roads. The roads we plan to concentrate on this year are Hobart Road, Gardenside Drive, and Metcalf Road. Keep in mind, when you see road work signs and the Service Department Crew, please slow down and use caution when approaching work zones for our safety and yours.

Recycle Update

The Village's recycling is done by Recycle Midwest who provides door-to-door pickup service for your

convenience. They gathered over 7.1 tons of recycling for the first quarter of 2012. According to the number of tons picked up, about 85% of the homes in the Village are recycling. For the residents that are not recycling and would like to, please call the Service Department at 942-2074 or email us at gearl@waitehilloh.gov and we will put you on the pickup schedule, which is every other Friday. It's as easy as setting it outside your garage door.

Social Clubs Give Residents Opportunity to Make New Friends

Have you ever wanted to meet more neighbors? Find people in Waite Hill with similar interests or hobbies? Village Council would like to help get that ball rolling for you! Below is a list of different social groups that may have a place in Waite Hill. If you are interested in leading the start-up of a group, let us know. If your interest is in simply being involved in a group, let us know that as well! We will help put all the interested people together and then you can take it from there and have some fun!

Please contact Marcia Merritt with your interest or ideas by email at mmerritt@waitehilloh.gov or by phone at (440) 391-8334. We look forward to hearing from you!

- * Walking Group
- * Garden Club
- * Wine Tasting Group
- * Book Club

- * **Hospitality Group** - This group would help welcome new families to Waite Hill and recognize major life events on behalf of all Waite Hill residents.

- * Senior Club
- * Mom and Tots Group
- * Bridge Group
- * Tweens and Teens Group

JULY						
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22	23 [Red]	24	25	26 [Orange]	27 [Yellow]	28
29	30	31				



- [Blue] Council Meeting 8am
- [Red] Planning and Zoning Meeting 8am
- [Green] Trash Only
- [Yellow] Trash and Recycle
- [Orange] Extra Pick-ups

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