



# WHITEHALL

## *Our City, Our News*

APRIL 2016



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Pride Day Voucher** enclosed!
- **For daytime sewer or water emergencies call 894-4157. After hours call 911.**
- **Utility bills are mailed quarterly.**
- **Building and zoning permits are available on the City's website: [www.cityofwhitehall.org](http://www.cityofwhitehall.org)**

### City of Whitehall

#### City Council Members

- Mayor Edward Whalen
- Mayor Pro Tem Steve Salter
- Tanya Cabala
- Ellie Dennis
- Debi Hillebrand
- Jeff Holmstrom
- Patrick Landis

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## “Palisades Park”



### Coming Spring 2016

Community gardens provide fresh produce and plants as well as satisfying labor, neighborhood improvement, sense of community and connection to the environment. Whitehall High School Seniors, Brittney Loudermilk, Noelle Loomis and Melissa Shoup are taking this on for their Senior Project.

The Community Garden will be located at the corner of Spring & Franklin Streets. Donations are being accepted if interested. Keep an eye out for the grand opening and exciting things growing in the neighborhood!

For more information, contact City Hall at 231-894-4048.

## “Blue Plate Special”

### Taste of White Lake

Thursday June 2, 5:00-8:00 pm

Tickets go on sale May 2 | \$15 in advance, \$20 at gate, kids 7 & under are free! Tickets include entry and food; beverages sold separately. Hope to see you there!



## “Happy Shades of Blue”

### Water Quality Report Available



The water quality report describing the source and quality of your drinking water is available on the City Website, [www.cityofwhitehall.org](http://www.cityofwhitehall.org) on the Public Works page **or** the Links and Documents page: <http://cityofwhitehall.org/city-hall/public-works-department> **or** <http://cityofwhitehall.org/city-hall/links-documents>. To receive a paper copy in the mail, contact the City Clerk at [cityclerk@cityofwhitehall.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofwhitehall.org) or call 231-894-4048.

Direct link to report:

<http://cityofwhitehall.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/CCR-2015.pdf>



That we're trying to keep you on your toes by featuring an artist's song titles as our article titles?

January's newsletter featured...

Buffalo Springfield.

Can you guess who's song titles we're using this time?

## "You Know"



### Leaf Pick-up

The Spring Leaf Removal Program will run **April 15th** through **April 30th**. Guidelines to follow are:

- Leaves cannot be bagged. Please rake them to the edge of the pavement where they will be collected.
- If you have a curb and gutter, leaves must be raked over the curb into the street.

- Make sure sticks are not mixed in with the leaves because they clog the vacuum machine and may cause the entire pile to be left behind.
- Every effort will be made to pick up leaves once per week depending on the weather, amount of leaves, and holidays.

### Brush Pick-up

Spring brush pick-up will begin **May 2nd**. Please stack neatly at the curb or street edge by 7:30 the morning of the 2nd, butt ends to the street, no longer than 4 feet in length, and no larger than 3 inches in diameter. There will be only **one pass** through the city so brush put out late may

not be picked up. To ensure pickup, you may want to have your brush out by May 1st. All brush can be disposed of at the White Lake Area Solid Waste Authority's Transfer Station at 2100 W. Holton Whitehall Road on Wednesdays and Saturdays year round.

## "Opportunity"

### Election Workers Needed

We are gearing up for the Presidential Election this November and are looking for individuals interested in becoming election workers. Training is provided (and required) and it's a paid position! You just need to be a registered voter in the State of Michigan; being a city resident is not required. If you're interested in applying, please contact the City Clerk.

#### Contact Info:

City Clerk: **Brenda Bourdon**

Phone: **231-894-4048**

Email: [cityclerk@cityofwhitehall.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofwhitehall.org)

### Absent Voter List

If you find that one of the following apply to you and you would like to be on the permanent Absentee List to receive an application to vote prior to each election, please contact the City Clerk by phone or email.

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

A registered voter is eligible to obtain an absentee ballot for an upcoming election if he or she: 1) is 60 years of age or more 2) is unable to vote without assistance 3) expects to be absent from his or her city or township of residence for the entire time the polls are open 4) is in jail awaiting arraignment or trial 5) has been appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of his or her precinct of residence or 6) is unable to attend the polls due to his or her religious beliefs.

# ELECTIONS



## “Action”

### Howmet Playhouse Spring Schedule



HOWMET PLAYHOUSE

April 23, 7:30 pm	An Evening with Neil Jacobs, 12 String Guitarist
April 29 & 30, 8:00 pm	Echoes of Pink Floyd
May 7, 7:30 pm	White Lake Blues Fest: Joe Moss Band & Slyde Malone
May 21, 7:00 pm	Carmichael Heating & Air Conditioning's Free Movie Night: Mary Poppins
June 2 from 5-8pm	Taste of White Lake
June 15-17, 7:30 pm	Nuveen Center Presents Junie B. Jones, the Musical
June 23, 7:30 pm	40th Anniversary Concert: Amaryllis
June 25, 7:30 pm	Bob Milne, Boogie-Woogie, Ragtime Piano Player

For ticket and show information on all of the events visit [www.howmetplayhouse.org](http://www.howmetplayhouse.org) or by calling Playhouse Manager Beth Beaman at 231-894-4048.

#### Youth Theatre Auditions:

Auditions date and time to be announced: White Lake Youth Theatre Show, The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales, ages 10 to 18. Video auditions are permitted for students who are unable to attend the scheduled audition date. Please contact Beth Beaman for details at 231-894-4048.

#### Summer Season Auditions:

Sunday, April 17th from 12:30 pm-6:30 pm and Monday, April 18th 5:30 pm-8:30 pm. See the Playhouse website for more information: [www.howmetplayhouse.org](http://www.howmetplayhouse.org).

### Howmet Playhouse Summer Schedule

July 7-9, 7:30 pm	Rounding Third
July 14-16, 7:30 pm	CMU Touring Company <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dearly Departed</li> <li>• Marriage is Murder</li> <li>• Shady Business</li> </ul>
July 21-23, 7:30 pm	Bakersfield Mist
July 28 and 30, 7:30 pm	White Lake Youth Theatre Presents:
July 29, 3 pm	The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales
August 4-6, 7:30 pm	Quilters
August 11-13, 7:30 pm	Sherlock Holmes and the Final Adventure
August 18-20, 7:30 pm	On Golden Pond

*July 14-16: The talented students of CMU's Summer Theatre touring company will return to the Playhouse stage with three performances that will knock your socks off!*

**Memberships are now on sale. Get your Full or Mini Flex Passes and save!  
Visit [www.howmetplayhouse.org](http://www.howmetplayhouse.org) for more information.**

## Pride Day

**May 28, 2016** The city will be participating in "Pride Day" at the White Lake Area Solid Waste Authority's Transfer Station this year. Citizens can take unwanted clutter to the Transfer Station at 2100 W. Holton-Whitehall Road free of charge. The Transfer Station is open on

Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Vouchers are required and are included with this mailing. The loads are limited to one full-size pickup truck per household. Appliances with Freon such as refrigerators and freezers will be charged additional fees. Items that will not be accepted at the transfer station include tree stumps, cement blocks, and hazardous waste materials.

**Pride Day Voucher Enclosed!**

## Community-Wide Garage Sale



Mark your calendars for Whitehall's Fifth Annual Community-wide Garage Sale scheduled for **Saturday, June 25**. All city residents can hold a garage sale on this day, anytime between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The normal \$1 fee is waived and signing up is not required, but residents are asked to register their sale at city hall by

June 10 so they can be included on a map that shows the location of all registered sales. The maps will be available to garage sale shoppers at City Hall, the White Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, the White Lake Beacon, the White Lake Community Library, and possibly at some other local businesses beginning Friday, June 17.

## Storm-Ready City

While we all like the arrival of the warmer weather this time of year it also means that the storm season is arriving as well. Whitehall is designated a Storm Ready Community and to help you be ready we have a few tips.

seeking shelter in a weather emergency. Prepare a place in basement or in the interior of your home, away from windows and seek extra protection under a sturdy table, mattress or a couch that is tipped over forward.

**BE ALERT:** Besides regular observation of weather it's a good idea to have a weather alert available. Most mobile phones can use weather alert apps available from NOAA by searching "Weather Ready Nation" then selecting "Mobile Weather" under the Education tab. Local television stations also offer alert apps and small Alert radios are available in stores if you don't have a smartphone.

**STAY SAFE:** Don't go or stay outside in a lightning storm. Don't approach ANY down wires. Don't drive through water standing across the roadway. Stay away from flooded creeks and rivers.

**HAVE A PLAN:** Talk with your family about

Whitehall Police will be testing our OUTDOOR emergency sirens on the third Friday of each month from April through October at 10:00 a.m. These sirens are intended for people who are busy with outdoor activities and generally cannot be heard inside a house. Have a storm safe summer.

### Office Hours

#### City Hall

405 E. Colby Street  
894-4048  
Monday - Friday  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### DPW

2055 Warner Street  
894-4157  
Monday - Friday  
7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

#### Inspections

Building—Chris Hall  
Electrical—Tim Chorney  
Plumbing/Mechanical—Jim Callender  
894-4157

2055 Warner Street

### Meeting Dates

#### City Council

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

#### Planning Commission

1st Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

#### BRA/LDFA/TIFA

2nd Thursday of January, April, July and October at Noon



## Sgt. Doug Morris Retires

Congratulations to Sgt. Doug Morris on his retirement! Doug started with the Whitehall Police Department in December 1992 and his last day was March 26, 2016. On behalf of Whitehall staff and City Council, we thank Doug for over 23 years of dedicated service and we wish him the best in his retirement!