



# CITY OF WHITEHALL

## *Our City, Our News*

APRIL 2024



### IMPORTANT TENTATIVE DATES:

- **Hydrant Flushing:**  
April 15-26, 2024
- **Leaf Pickup:**  
April 14-28, 2024
- **Brush Pickup:**  
May 6, 2024
- **Election:**  
May 7, 2024
- **Pride Day:**  
May 18, 2024
- **Community Wide Garage Sale:**  
June 22, 2024



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### City Council Members

Mayor Steve Salter  
 Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Holstrom  
 Scott Brown  
 Tanya Cabala  
 Debi Hillebrand  
 Steve Sikkenga  
 Tom Ziemer

## “Sgt. Bilko”

### From the Mayor



Spring is here, the season when nature wakes up and gets going! The new Harwood Flats is rising and is expected to begin welcoming residents this fall. The fishing dock will finally be rebuilt with ADA accessibility. Once again, I ask you to look at your sidewalk and make sure its free of debris and safe to walk on. Also if you have a storm drain near your home, please remove any obstructions.

If you have any questions about any ordinances, policies, or upcoming events, please reach out to any council member or come into City Hall and talk to staff. We welcome your concerns, comments, and questions. Also, you can find out what’s going on in your city government by attending the twice monthly council meetings. During those meetings, we provide opportunities to voice any concerns you may have.

## “All of Me”

### Special May Election



There will be a special election on **May 7th, 2024** with a proposal from the White Lake Fire Authority on the ballot. All registered voters for the City of Whitehall vote at City Hall, 405 E. Colby Street. Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. All voters have the option to vote early by mail (absentee voting). To register to vote, see a sample ballot, or receive an absentee voter application, visit the Michigan’s Voter Information Center online at [www.mi.gov/vote](http://www.mi.gov/vote) or contact your clerk. There will not be 9 days of early voting for special elections, only State and Federal elections in even years.

## Pride Day Update

**Saturday, May 18th** is Pride Day at The White Lake Solid Waste Authority! A pass for \$25 off a load of regular household trash is available at City Hall and is required to participate. The Transfer Station is now open and hours are Wednesdays and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Come to City Hall in Whitehall to pick up your pass that is good for \$25 off a load of regular household trash. For further questions call the Transfer Station: 231-893-2405. Located at 2100 Holton-Whitehall Rd, Whitehall, MI 49461.

**Did You Know...**

That we're now featuring different actors/actresses in each newsletter by using their movie titles as our article titles?

**January's newsletter featured...**



**Audrey Hepburn**

Can you guess which actor /actress starred in the titles we're featuring in this newsletter?



# "The Out-of-Towners"

## Leaf Pick-up

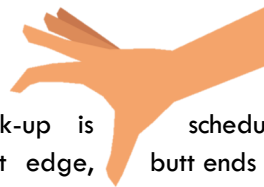
The Spring Leaf Removal Program is scheduled to begin **April 14<sup>th</sup>** and go through **April 28<sup>th</sup>**. Guidelines are:

- 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 and damage 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 is scheduled to begin **May 6<sup>th</sup>**. Please stack neatly at the curb or street edge, butt ends to the street, no longer than four feet in length, and no larger than three 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, please have your brush out by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

# "The Pink Panther"

## New Drop Box

**NEW**

City Hall has a new drop box that is located in the back of the parking lot off of Spring Street. You may drive-up to put your water and tax payments as well as your ballots here. The dropbox attached to the City Hall building will no longer be in use.



## Hydrant Flushing

The Department of Public Works will be flushing water mains, through fire hydrants, **April 15 - April 26** between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

There may be some discoloration in your tap water during this time. If this occurs, open your water taps until the discolored water and/or air clears the lines. Your help and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

# “Housesitter”

## 3rd Annual Walk the Beat

Saturday, July 20

1:00PM-5:00PM

FREE EVENT



walk the beat.

Join your friends, family, and neighbors for the Third Annual Walk the Beat—White Lake Area Music Festival. There will be 19 different venues in Whitehall and Montague, with a total of 40 musical acts. There will be a \$5,000 Grand Prize Raffle plus \$4,000 in FREE door prizes.

The Playhouse will be one of the venues featuring Karen and Eric Smith (2:00PM and 4:00PM), Tommy Foster and Justin Avdek (1:00PM and 3:00PM). Come by and listen to some great music, enter to win fabulous door prizes, and buy your raffle tickets. The Playhouse keeps 50% of all raffle ticket sales, so your purchases help support your community theatre!



## Backflow Testing

It's Spring time, which means the City of Whitehall Public Works Department will be sending letters to water customers who will be required to have backflow prevention tests done this year. If you have any questions or would like to know if your irrigation line is due for this testing, please contact the Public Works Department Office at 231-894-4157.

# “Cheaper by the Dozen”

## Community-Wide Garage Sale

Mark your calendars for Whitehall’s Tenth Annual Community-wide Garage Sale scheduled for **Saturday, June 22, 2024**. 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 14 so they can be included on a map that shows the location of a ll

registered sales. The maps will be available to garage sale shoppers at City Hall, the White Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, the White Lake Community Library, and possibly at some other local businesses beginning Wednesday, June 19.



## 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**  
Robert Tufts

**Electrical**  
Jeff Johnson

**Plumbing/Mechanical**  
Jim Callender

**Rental**  
Toby Fredericksen

894-4157

## 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 & October  
at Noon

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# “Roxanne”

## Upcoming Events at The Playhouse at White Lake

### Season Flex Passes

**\$270—Full Flex Pass**  
Includes 12 full price tickets for the price of 10.

- These tickets may be used in any combination you choose.
- No ticketing fees associated with single ticket purchases.

**\$135—Mini Flex Pass**  
Includes 6 full price tickets for the price of 5.

- These tickets may be used in any combination you choose, plus one free ticket that can be used in any combination for the summer shows.
- No ticketing fees associated with single ticket purchases.

**\$110—Matinee Only Pass**

- 6 tickets for the price of 5 tickets
- Valid for specific shows only

Connect with us online through our website, Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram!

### The Elephant Man

April 25, 26 & 27 at 7:30PM, April 27 at 2:00PM

\$20-Adult, \$12-Student, or Pay What You Can

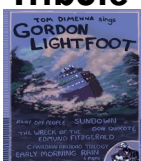


The White Lake Dramatic Club is retelling the classic story of Joseph Merrick (a.k.a. The Elephant Man) and his relationship with Dr. Treves. It is a story with the ultimate outcast that feels fresh and as relevant as ever.

### Gordon Lightfoot Tribute

Friday, May 24 at 7:30PM

\$20 in advance, \$25 day of show



Get your friends together to experience a nostalgic night of Gordon Lightfoot's classic tunes, performed by Maine-based singer/songwriter Tom DiMenna. DiMenna's impressive vocal range and guitar style have been perfected over decades of stage performances.

## Summer Sneak Peek

### CMU WEEKEND



### Exit, Pursued by a Bear (dark comedy)

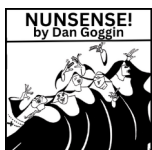
Friday, July 12 at 7:30PM

With the help of her friend Simon, a stripper named Sweetheart, and the words of The Bard, Nan tapes her abusive ex husband to a chair and forces him to watch as they re-enact scenes from their painful past.

### Nothin' But a Good Time — an 80s Revue

Saturday, July 13 at 7:30PM

Get out the hairspray and leg warmers and join us for this nostalgia-fueled music and dance journey through the 1980s with songs like “True Colors”, “Man in the Mirror” and “I Love Rock ‘n Roll”! We promise you nothing but a good time!



### Nonsense! (a musical)

July 19, 20; 26, 27, 28 at 7:30PM

July 21, 27, and 28 at 2:00PM



### The Foursome

August 9 & 10 at 7:30PM

August 10 & 11 at 2:00PM



### An evening with the Legendary Peter Yarrow

Saturday, August 3 at 7:30PM



### Till Beth Do Us Part

August 16 & 17 at 7:30PM

August 17 & 18 at 2:00PM

## Summer Musical Play Camp-Jack and the Beanstalk

June 17-22; Workshop cost: \$175

Scholarships available, contact Cindy Beth: [davis-dykema@cityofwhitehall.org](mailto:davis-dykema@cityofwhitehall.org)

The White Lake Youth Theatre welcomes the Missoula Children's Theatre back to the Playhouse for a one-week Summer Musical Play Camp featuring Jack and the Beanstalk. There will be open auditions for actors ages 5-15 and cast up to 60 local students to perform. Students will have a public performance after a week of rehearsals.

