CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER
MAY 24, 2024

<u>IMPORTANT COUNCIL DATES:</u>

May 29, Wednesday, 3 p.m. – Executive Session (30 Park)
June 3, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)
June 17, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (30 Park)
July 15, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)
August 5, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)
August 11, Sunday, 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. – Ice Cream Social (Shafor Park)
August 19, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (30 Park)

<u>BUSINESS UPDATE:</u>

➢ <u>Memorial Day</u>: Offices are closed on Monday for Memorial Day. Enclosed is a *Register* article.

➢ <u>May 29 Executive Session</u>: We are confirmed for an executive session at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 29. We will conduct the meeting in the 30 Park conference room.

➢ <u>Gardner Pool</u>: The pool opens at noon tomorrow!

➢ <u>That Day in May</u>: It was a great event last Saturday. Enclosed is a *Register* article with photos.

➢ <u>City Manager Selection Process</u>: Enclosed is a *Register* article.

➢ <u>Hefty ReNew Program</u>: Enclosed is a *Register* article about the Hefty ReNew Program being available in Oakwood.

➢ <u>Joe Desch and Codebreakers</u>: Enclosed is a *DDN* article about the proclamation event at our May 6 council meeting.

➢ <u>American Flags</u>: The small Memorial Day flags went up along Shafor Boulevard today, and come down on Monday evening. We also placed the large flags along Far Hills and will leave them in place through Veterans Day.

HAVE A GREAT MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND!

<u>TRANSMITTALS NOTED WITHIN NEWSLETTER</u>
Register article re: Memorial Day
Register article/photos re: That Day in May
Register article re: City Manager Selection Process
Register article re: Hefty ReNew Program
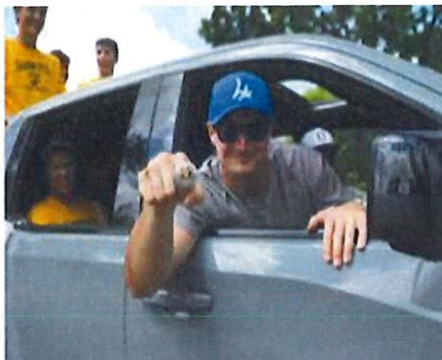*DDN* article re: Joe Desch and Codebreaker

City offices to close for holiday

Oakwood city offices will be closed on Monday, May 27, in recognition of Memorial Day.

Trash pickup for all routes the week of May 27 will be one day later than usual. Monday's route will be picked up Tuesday; Tuesday's route will be picked up Wednesday; Wednesday's route will be picked up Thursday; and Thursday's route will be picked up Friday.

A Picture Perfect That Day in May

A perfect spring day welcomed festival-goers as the annual That Day in May Celebration kicked off in the heart of Oakwood.

The Pancake Breakfast got the day off to a great start as runners warmed up and stretched out for a go at the Fun Run, 5K and 10K and the challenges of the three new run courses. The Community Parade started at noon as viewers lined Shafor Boulevard to cheer on their favorite community groups along with the Rotary Club of Oakwood's President Joe Scott and the Parade Grand Marshall, City Manger Norb Klopsch.
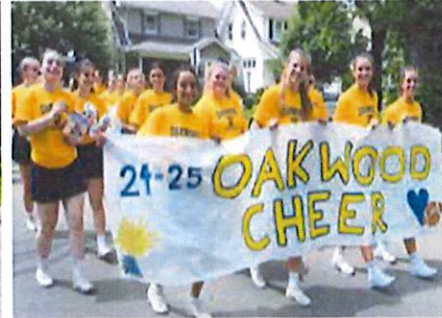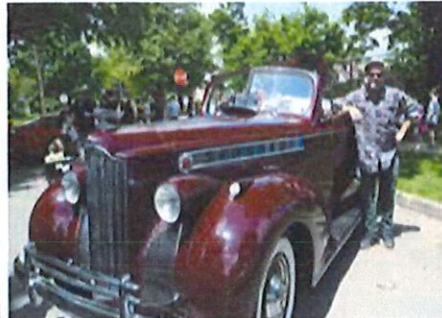
Classic cars bound for the Auto Show turned onto Dellwood and the community followed to make their way to Mack Hummon Stadium and the area outside the Junior High School for games, bouncy houses, a dunk tank with Oakwood personalities, food trucks and booths for local businesses and community favorites. The Premier Health CareFlight helicopter made a picture-perfect landing right on the fifty-yard line in the stadium, and pups prepped and preened in their Barbenheimer costumes for The Best Dog Show Ever!

The celebration wrapped up on Monday with the Golf Outing at Dayton Country Club's beautiful golf course as the baskets, items and services up for bid at the Silent Auction sold like hot cakes. Golfers and the community closed out the day with a celebration at the 19th Hole Cocktail Party where final Silent Auction bids were closed and winners of the golf scramble and skills contests were announced.

The Rotary Club of Oakwood would like to thank participants, volunteers and festival-goers for supporting That Day in May and special thanks to generous sponsors and *The Oakwood Register* for promotional support. A portion of proceeds from That Day in May and the That Day in May Golf Outing benefit the Oakwood Rotary Foundation, a charitable arm of the Rotary Club of Oakwood. Since 1988, the Foundation has awarded more than $800,000 in grant funding to local non-profits and charities.

Consultant hired in search for new city manager

The city of Oakwood has selected Management Advisory Group, LLC, to support the search for a new city manager, as mandated by the Oakwood City Charter, which stipulates that the five-person City Council is responsible for this selection process.

On April 1, City Manager Norbert Klopsch announced his planned retirement in November of this year.

In the coming weeks, Oakwood City Council will collaborate with Management Advisory Group to establish the process for identifying and appointing a new city manager.

Oakwood participating in new Rumpke recycling effort

Rumpke Waste and Recycling recently announced the expansion of their acceptable items by adding hard-to-recycle plastics as part of the Hefty ReNew Program.

The city of Oakwood collects recyclables weekly from residential households and delivers them to the Rumpke material recovery facility for sorting and eventual conversion into new materials. The Hefty ReNew Program allows residents to purchase specific orange bags from local retailers and place materials in those bags that were previously unacceptable in the loose co-mingled recyclable container. Once the orange bag is full, simply place it in your current co-mingled container at your home or in the co-mingled recycle container at the Recycling and Yard Waste Drop-Off Facility located at the entrance to the J. David Foell Public Works Center, 210 Shafor Boulevard. The orange bag is delivered to Rumpke where it is removed from the loose recyclables and separated for delivery to specialized recyclers. This program is optional for those residents who wish to further reduce their waste and recover hard-to-recycle plastics. "The Hefty ReNew Program will allow additional materials to be diverted from the landfill and provide another opportunity for residents to continue doing their part in responsible recycling," said Doug Spitler, Director of Public Works.

It is important that the co-mingled recycling stream contains only recyclable materials. In years past, the guidance was: "when in doubt, throw it in the recycling container". The guidance is now: "learn what is recyclable and what is not, but when in doubt, throw it in the regular trash."

Visit the city's website for the latest information on acceptable materials for recycling at www.oakwoodohio.gov/recyclables or visit www.heftyrenew.com for additional program information.

Mayor proclaims May as 'Codebreaker Month'

In a nod to Oakwood's remarkable historical figures, Mayor William D. Duncan declared May as "Codebreaker Month" during the scheduled Council Meeting on May 6. This proclamation is in recognition of Joseph Desch, a pioneering American engineer whose groundbreaking work in cryptography during World War II made a pivotal contribution to the Allied victory.

Desch, a Dayton native and longtime Oakwood resident, led the development of the American Cryptanalytic Bombe machine under the United States Naval Computing Machine Laboratory. His innovative work provided the Allies crucial intelligence by breaking complex Enigma-encrypted messages in near-real time, significantly shortening the duration of the war and saving numerous lives. Desch's achievements not only helped to shape the outcome of the war, but also laid foundational stones for modern automated cryptography and computing.

During the ceremony at City Hall, Mayor Duncan delved into Desch's extraordinary contributions and their lasting impact on technology and global cooperation. This event is a significant milestone in celebrating a local hero whose legacy continues to inspire advancements in science and technology.