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Dear Residents and Neighbors:

As we provide our economic development report for the month of April, I would like to highlight some of the many programs that are available that we are trying to put into place. The U.S. Small Business Administration is a resource that is very seldom tapped into. If a small business is solvent and has a good credit score, along with other variables, they are entitled to some guaranteed loans through the U.S. Small Business Administration. All of the contact information will be on our website to detail exactly what is needed to obtain these loans; it will give you the eligibility requirements of exactly what you are qualified to receive.

Not only does the U.S. Small Business Administration help to obtain loans, but it also helps gain access to different federal contracts. The many different products and supplies that are made for NASA and other companies that supply our state and federal governments are also made in some of our Walton Hills businesses. The local companies producing products for the military and other government agencies are entitled to these small business loans to expand their companies.

By taking advantage of these loans, you can help with the growth of your business. The loans help with financing and with finding capital. There are a lot of resources available at the federal level that can assist our small businesses.

One of the many goals that we are trying to accomplish is to continue the growth of local small businesses in order for them to succeed in the world marketplace. We are planning to have our own Small Business Loan Association meeting, hopefully in the latter part of this year, to go over those details. Many county programs and universities can also assist small business growth; we will make that connection from point A to point B

as well. The Village of Walton Hills is here to help businesses make investments in our community and to grow in a way that would benefit the business itself and the village. Always remember, strong businesses make strong communities and keeping business economies strong will make our economy strong. One hand washes the other.

We will continue to use this formula on a constant basis in order to make our community stronger and protect our business base. The formula is not new; it has been practiced throughout the United States for a long time. Sometimes the success rate is not as great as it should be, but we will strive to make it successful.

As the Mayor of Walton Hills, I want to continue to improve on using the resources that are available to us. I want to include international trades and bring in more products that we can control and export throughout the world. All of these loan programs are only as good as the investment that people want to put into them and spend time learning how to make their business grow. Again, using small business loans is only a small part of our many goals to continue being a part of the feeder resource that will help businesses in Walton Hills grow and expand.

Now that we can hopefully forget about the snowy and frigid winter that everyone has lived through, we can prepare for the spring weather and have an enjoyable and Blessed Easter!

Sincerely serving you,

*Kevin Hurst*

Mayor/Safety and Economic Director, **I.G.I.T.**



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# Walton Hills Police Department Information

**Kenn Thellmann, Chief of Police**  
**Councilman Denny Linville, Safety Committee Chair**

## Walton Hills Police Officer Honored for Heroism

At the Council Meeting on February 18, 2014, part-time Police Officer Joshua Wendl was honored at an award ceremony. Chief Kenn Thellmann addressed Council and the audience composed of Walton Hills Police employees and Officer Wendl's family and explained the circumstances of the award. The Chief also commented on how many deeds or acts by our Police Officers go unnoticed or unrecognized. The Chief has now implemented an award recognition program for our Officers, recognizing such acts as bravery, lifesaving, education, heroism, baby delivery, etc. and one (1) Officer each year shall be named as "Officer of the Year" for their accomplishments.

The events surrounding Officer Wendl's heroic act are as follows: On Saturday, January 18, 2014 around 9:26pm, Officer Wendl was going to refuel his Walton Hills Police cruiser at the Northfield Village Sunoco gas station located on Northfield Road when the gas station attendant yelled to him and began pointing across the street to a vehicle that had struck a pole and flipped over at the corner of Fell Avenue and Northfield Road. When Officer Wendl arrived on the scene, he observed a maroon colored SUV (sport utility vehicle) lying on its driver's side with a female partially ejected. The female's head was between the door frame of the SUV and the ground. Numerous bystanders and a Northfield Police Officer (who was on his way to work) were stabilizing the vehicle by pushing on it to relieve some of the pressure of the vehicle's weight on the female's head. Officer Wendl immediately notified Walton Hills Dispatch to contact Northfield Village Police and Fire about the roll-over with an entrapment.

The female driver was able to tell Officer Wendl that her two year old baby was in the vehicle. Officer Wendl was able to see the child in the rear passenger area hanging from the car seat in distress, with one strap around his arm and the other strap around his neck nearly asphyxiating him. Without hesitation, Officer Wendl immediately ran around to the rear of the vehicle and broke out the rear window of the SUV and advised Walton Hills Dispatch that he was entering the overturned vehicle. Once inside the vehicle, Officer Wendl stabilized the child and then cut him out of the car seat with his knife. When the child was free, Officer Wendl handed the child to Walton Hills Officer Steve Davis, who took him into his police vehicle to keep him warm until a rescue squad arrived. Once the Oakwood Village rescue squad was on the scene, the child was turned over to them for treatment. Officer Wendl then exited the overturned vehicle and assisted the Macedonia Fire Department by stabilizing the female driver's head and neck area while she was being extracted from the vehicle. Officer Wendl then went on to assist other officers directing traffic.

Officer Wendl has proven to be a true hero by his heroic actions in assisting the two year old child. He exhibited a true act of bravery and compassion for the child's safety and well-being by entering the overturned vehicle, thereby risking his own health and safety to save the life of another without hesitation. He was presented with a proclamation from Mayor Hurst, a Police Chief's commendation and a plaque which read: "Officer Joshua Wendl - 2014 Life Saving Award." Congratulations Officer Wendl, and keep up the good work!



Chief Kenn Thellmann presenting Officer Josh Wendl with Lifesaving Plaque



Mayor Kevin Hurst presenting Officer Josh Wendl with his proclamation

*Congratulations to Chief Thellmann for being inducted into the Bedford High School Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame!*



# Street Commissioner's Report

## Dan Stucky, Street Commissioner

Recent renovations in the Community Room have been completed. These renovations entailed moving our Historical Society display case to the south wall for better visibility. Along the north and west walls we custom built new cabinets, shelving units, and a new coat rack. Come check out the nice work by our own Rob Kalman!

Now with spring and summer just around the corner, I would like to thank all of the dedicated members of our Service Department for a job well done again this winter season. Although it proved to be much busier and a lot more challenging than the past few winters, our crews answered each and every call, be it day or night, weekends or holidays. They all did a fantastic job battling heavy snowfalls, ice storms, extreme cold temperatures and

our biggest obstacle, "The Salt Shortage." Everyone should be commended for their great work ethic and desire to provide the best service possible to our residents and non-residents alike. Whenever called upon, regardless of the responsibilities and commitments of their personal lives, they could be seen plowing, salting, or shoveling snow as needed.

A special thank you to our mechanic, Gary Wilner, for pulling double duty all season by plowing and repairing most of our equipment on a weekly basis so that we could provide the safe environment on our streets that everyone expects from our Service Department!

## RECYCLING ROUNDUPS

### 8am to 3:30pm – Walton Hills Service Center, 6800 Dunham Road

**Household Hazardous Waste Disposal** – May 5th through May 9th and September 8th through September 12th

**Recycle your Computer** – May 12th through May 16th and September 22nd through September 26th

**Scrap Tire Round-up** – September 15th through September 19th

## Paper Shredding – Saturday, May 10th – 9am to 12pm

We will be offering a personal shredding service for our residents and businesses on Saturday, May 10th from 9am to 12pm. You will have the opportunity to dispose of old financial statements, tax forms, bills, medical records, and other paper without worrying about identity theft or the effect of dumping paper into the environment!

A powerful, mobile document destruction vehicle will provide quick, confidential destruction and recycling of your items to be shredded. Staples, binder clips and paper clips are acceptable. This program is only for Walton Hills residents / businesses; therefore proof of residency will be required. The shredder and bin will be located at the Village Hall parking lot off of Alexander Road.

The program will proceed rain or shine.

**Please bring along a paper product for our food pantry (toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, tissues). Without a donation, the cost will be \$5 for Walton Hills residents and \$10 for Walton Hills businesses.**

**We will shred:** bank statements, books with hard covers, brochures, cancelled checks, computer printouts, copy paper, envelopes, financial reports, folders, hanging file folders, greeting cards, ledgers, letters, magazines, medical records, pamphlets, tax forms. **We will not shred:** plastic bags, boxes, paper products contaminated with food, clothes.

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## April Recreation News

Carol Stanoszek, Recreation Director (440) 786-2964 stanoszekc@waltonhillsohio.gov  
Mary Brenner, Recreation and Community Life Committee Chairwoman

**Event: TRIP TO COOPER'S MILL - APPLE BUTTER & JELLY FACTORY (BUCYRUS, OHIO)**

**Date: Wednesday, April 9th**

Time: Leave Village Hall at 8:30am

Trip is full

**Event: TRIP TO WEST SIDE MARKET**

**Date: Wednesday, April 16th**

Time: Leave Village Hall at 10:45am

Site: Downtown Cleveland

Cost: \$1.00

Note: Pick up your Easter goodies!

**Event: HEARING AID TESTING & CLEANING**

**Date: Wednesday, April 23rd**

Time: 1pm – 2pm – hearing testing;

2pm – 3 pm – hearing aid cleaning

Site: Community Room

Cost: Free!

Note: Sign up before Thursday, April 17th by calling Carol at 440.786.2964

**Event: SENIOR BREAKFAST AT SAM'S CLUB**

**Date: Thursday, April 24th**

Time: 7am to 9am

Site: Oakwood Village Sam's Club

Cost: Free!

Note: Enjoy breakfast with friends! Win gift cards! Mandatory signup by Thursday, April 17th – call Carol at 440.786.2964

**Event: SENIOR LUNCH**

**Date: Monday, April 28th**

Time: 11:15am

Site: Community Room

Cost: \$5.00

Note: Visit with Annie Oakley! (Women in History)

**Event: CAROL'S BOOKWORMS**

**Date: Monday, April 28th**

Time: 7pm

Site: Community Room

Cost: Please bring an item for our Village food pantry

**Event: TRIP TO HISTORIC FORT STEUBEN**

**Date: Wednesday, April 30th**

Time: Leave Village Hall at

8:30am

Trip is full

**Event: NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

**Date: Thursday, May 1st**

Time: 11 am

Site: TBD

Note: An annual observance held on the first Thursday in May. Turn to God in prayer and meditation. Light refreshments will be served. More information will be available in the May issue of the *Journal*.

## Camp Counselors Needed

Applications for summer park camp counselors can be picked up in the Recreation and Community Life Department or found online at [www.waltonhillsohio.gov](http://www.waltonhillsohio.gov) until **April 7th, 2014**.

Applicants must be willing to work with children, enjoy the outdoors, and be at least 16 years of age.



## EASTER EGG HUNT Walton Hills Church of Christ

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at the Walton Hills Church of Christ, located at 7166 Dunham Road, on Saturday, April 19th at 10am.

This is a free event, fun for all children up to age 12.

Please R.S.V.P. by calling 440.439.4339.



# Senior or Handicapped Resident Lawn Care Program

To be eligible to participate in the Senior or Handicapped Resident Lawn Care Program, you must be either a senior age 65 or older or have a handicap which prevents you from cutting the lawn, have earned income of less than \$10,000 and have no other person residing with you who is capable of providing lawn care service. Handicapped residents must provide a doctor's certificate relative to their handicap.

Residents can apply for lawn cutting and leaf pickup service, lawn cutting only, or leaf pickup only. Applications are available at the Village Hall or can be downloaded from the Village website. Residents have the option of paying in full for the entire season or paying in two installments. A check, made payable to the "Village of Walton Hills" for the appropriate amount, should be included with the application. The application is to be mailed or placed in the Village Hall mailbox marked "Senior Lawn Care Program" on the outside of the envelope. All prices include edging driveways and walkways, collecting and disposing of grass clippings, and general trimming around trees and shrubbery.

Lawn cutting season is from approximately April 15th to October 31st. Leaves will be picked up in November. Maximum grass height shall be no higher than 3.5 inches throughout the lawn cutting season. The service provider is not responsible for removing leaves from flower/shrub beds. Residents may remove leaves from flower/shrub beds to be picked up by the service provider. Leaves will be placed at the street for removal by the Walton Hills Service Department.

Residents will sign a service agreement detailing the terms of the program with the lawn care provider. **Please note that the service agreement is NOT with the Village.** It is between the resident and the service provider. The Village is only acting as the bargaining agent for the program. The Village will monitor the performance of the service provider. Any complaints must first go to the provider for correction and not the Village. **There will be no priority list and cutting may not take place on the same day each week.** Service will be between the hours of 8am to 9pm. Home address must be visible on mailbox.

## Full Season Payment – Due April 10, 2014

Up to 1 acre:	\$ 700.00	(\$ 770.00 with leaf pickup)
1 to 2 acres:	\$ 980.00	(\$1,080.00 with leaf pickup)
2 to 3 acres:	\$1,260.00	(\$1,410.00 with leaf pickup)

## First Installment – Payment due April 10, 2014

Up to 1 acre:	\$350.00
1 to 2 acres:	\$490.00
2 to 3 acres:	\$630.00

## Second Installment – Payment due July 8, 2014

### (With leaf pickup)

Up to 1 acre:	\$420.00
1 to 2 acres:	\$590.00
2 to 3 acres:	\$780.00

### (Without leaf pickup)

Up to 1 acre:	\$350.00
1 to 2 acres:	\$490.00
2 to 3 acres:	\$630.00

## Two (2) Leaf Pickups only — Payment due July 8, 2014

### Application must be submitted by April 10, 2014

Up to 1 acre:	\$ 70.00
1 to 2 acres:	\$100.00
2 to 3 acres:	\$150.00



Applications can be picked up at the Village Hall.  
If you need an application mailed to you, please call 440.232.7800.  
Applications are also available on our Village website.

# Economic Development Update

Paul Rich, Economic Development Committee Chairman

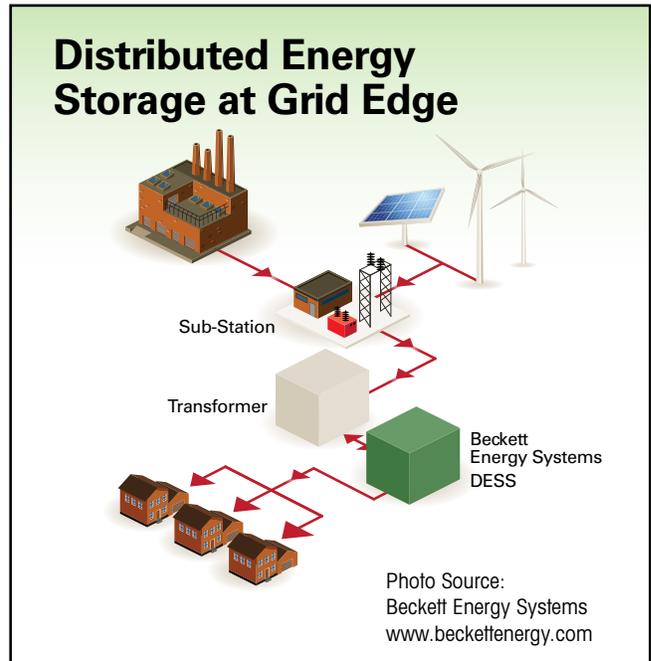
## What are PPA's and Advanced Energy Technology?

The Economic Development Committee strives to identify strategies for our businesses and citizens in order to balance costs and position them to achieve increased value in their bottom line and lives. Below is an example of how technology is supporting ways for businesses to drive efficiency and save costs.

One of the ways in which businesses can harness and make an impact on overhead costs is through energy costs. Today, companies and industries in the U.S are taking advantage of signing power purchase agreements with electricity providers. Private energy company providers promise to provide electricity at a fixed reduced rate and provide all the set up costs. RECs, or renewable energy certificates that are 1-megawatt hour of renewable energy, are an important component of the energy project and are viewed as currency in the renewable energy markets. RECs help to support the funding of these projects.

What occurs, is the private energy company owns the renewable energy system and the business purchases the electricity generated by the system from the provider. There is no set up cost to the business. The provider can gain up to 30-percent tax credit of the total cost of their system. (Ohio requires at least 12.5% of the electricity provided by electric utility companies to their customers with renewable sources by 2025).<sup>1</sup>

Prior to 2012, providers of *renewable energy* were providing wind and solar power services but lacked good energy storage until 2013. Today, a local company, *Beckett Energy Systems* in North Ridgeville, Ohio, developed, tested, certified and manufactures products for energy storage.<sup>2</sup> Their lithium ion and inverter storage products work together with electric, solar and wind generated renewable systems. Their distributed energy storage systems include grid set up, lithium ion battery packs for storage, and battery management electronics. Another feature of this storage system is that electronic design methodology eliminates peak spikes and valleys during peak demand and ultimately provide balanced energy. The storage system sends excess stored energy



back to the grid through net metering. Net metering, through a bi-directional characteristic of these systems, will help the user to achieve a credit to the business on their electricity bill if surplus electricity is sent back to the grid.

In summary, solar and electric power can be stored and excess power generation can be sold back to the grid by the user. These systems help greatly reduce utility costs for our businesses and cut down on peak demand load. Not only will distributed energy storage provide stable utility electric rates and in most cases provide a surplus back to the grid, it solves energy problems during black-out events. And most of all, it increases shareholder value.

1. Ohio Revised Code 4928.64.
2. <http://beckettenergy.com>



## Thank You Carol James Florist

Our most sincere appreciation is extended to Carol James Florist, located at 451 Broadway Avenue in Bedford, for donating a beautiful floral arrangement for display in the Village Hall lobby every week.

*Please patronize this wonderful florist! Their phone number is 440.786.1811.*



## Medicaid is Not Just for the Poorest of the Poor!

### Councilwoman Gloria Terlosky, Chairwoman of Information Committee

You do not have to be homeless or destitute to receive Medicaid; it is the Safety Net for the Middle Class. I learned these facts after attending a workshop provided by a local Elder-Law Lawyer. I was surprised to learn how much I did NOT know about Medicaid rules.

In my estate planning I have completed the usual documents you read about – the Will, Power of Attorney, TODs, PODs – the list goes on and on. I thought I had covered all the document bases so to speak; I wanted my children to be able to settle my estate quickly and to share in my inheritance, which I worked my whole life to acquire. Boy was I ever wrong!

I invite you to come to a FREE meeting on **Monday, April 7th from 7pm to 8:30pm in the Walton Hills Community Room** and hear for yourself! You can ask your questions of an Elder-Law Lawyer and be enlightened about the ins and outs of Medicaid and Estate Planning, especially terms like “Look-Back Period” and “Snapshot Date.” This is not your Grandmother’s plan. Times have changed and we have to be up-to-date in our thinking and planning. I guarantee you will be glad that you attended and so will your future heirs. So bring along your spouse, son, daughter, neighbor or friend and remember: THE ONLY DUMB QUESTION IS THE ONE THAT IS NOT ASKED. Please plan on joining us!

## Springtime Tips for Healthy Soil

Spring is right around the corner! As you prepare to tackle your lawn, garden and landscape beds this season, keep in mind the health of our watershed and environment. The key to a lush lawn and vibrant plants is healthy soil. Did you know that a teaspoon of healthy soil contains as many as **four billion** beneficial microorganisms? Composting, mulching, and using the right fertilizers are simple things you can do on your own to promote healthy soil and clean water.

- Composting allows you to recycle the nutrients found within your kitchen scraps (e.g., vegetable trimmings, fruit skins, egg shells), as well as in your yard waste, which reduces the chance for debris washing into local streams. Furthermore, making and utilizing your own compost can reduce your dependency of using chemical fertilizers.
- Mulch feeds the soil, conserves water, and prevents weed growth. Add a layer of organic material such as leaves, wood chips, compost or grass clippings around your plants this spring, being sure to keep it about an inch away from the base of plants.
- Although chemical fertilizers and pesticides green our lawns and expel unwanted pests, they can also be harmful to all those microorganisms, which are vital to maintaining healthy soil. Prior to applying any fertilizer, have your soil tested. Once you know which nutrients your soil is in need of, consider natural organic alternatives such as blood meal, fish bone meal, alfalfa meal, or compost. If you must fertilize, choose carefully. Look for “phosphorous-free” fertilizers and organic or “slow release” fertilizers, which are less likely to be washed into our streams and rivers when it rains. Lastly, be sure to follow all storage and use directions.

For more information on composting, mulching, organic fertilizers and soil testing, contact The Ohio State University Extension, at 216-429-8200, or go to [www.cuyahoga.osu.edu](http://www.cuyahoga.osu.edu). To learn more about your watershed, visit the Tinker’s Creek Watershed website at [www.tinkerscreekwatershed.org](http://www.tinkerscreekwatershed.org).



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## Congratulations to the New Bedford High School Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees!

Walton Hills Police Chief Kenn Thellmann (Class of 1977) and Dr. Alan L. Palgut (Class of 1969) were inducted into the Bedford High School Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame on Friday, March 14th.

Chief Thellmann's law enforcement career with Walton Hills began in 1979 when he served as a part-time police dispatcher. He spent the next 32 years rising through the ranks to Chief of Police. He was recognized in 2011 as the "Top OVI Cop" by the Cuyahoga County DUI Task Force. The Cuyahoga County Chapter of M.A.D.D. also honored him for his special dedication to DUI enforcement and education. He has received numerous commendations/awards for his service.

Dr. Alan L. Palgut, DC, FIAMA, is a chiropractic spine specialist with 32 years of experience in treating spine and neuromuscular disorders, conditions, and injuries. He is the President and Clinic Director for the Center for Spine Care and Natural Medicine. He is also the President of ChiroHealth Ohio, Ltd. He was named the Northeast Ohio Academy of Chiropractic "Chiropractor of the Year" in 2008. He served as District Director of the Ohio State Chiropractic Association (OSCA) for nine years and was OSCA Chairman of the Insurance and Workers' Compensation committees for four years.

Congratulations Chief Thellmann and Dr. Palgut!

## Legislation Unanimously Approved At the 3.18.14 Council Meeting

**Council meeting minutes are available in their entirety on the Village website**

Resolution No. 2014-8, supports the amending of Sub House Bill 377 to give Walton Hills 35% of the second payment from the Casino Operator Settlement Fund

Resolution No. 2014-9, authorizes a Joint Economic Development Zone Agreement with the City of Cleveland

Resolution No. 2014-10, authorizes an Asset Transfer Agreement with the City of Cleveland

Resolution No. 2014-11, authorizes a Water Service Agreement for direct service with the City of Cleveland

Resolution No. 2014-12, a Commendation to the Bedford High School students who won Academic Challenge on 2/8/14

Resolution No. 2014-13, authorizes an agreement with Tactical Planning, LLC for Planning and Zoning services

Resolution No. 2014-15, authorizes an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for for rock salt

Resolution No. 2014-16, urges Ohio voters to support State Issue 1, renewal of the State Capital Improvements Program on the May 6, 2014 ballot

## Cuyahoga Valley Chamber of Commerce Scholarships

Applications for Cuyahoga Valley Chamber of Commerce scholarships are available at the Village Hall or on the Village website. The Chamber gives out three \$1,000 scholarships and graduating seniors from Walton Hills are eligible. Applications must be received by the Chamber on or before April 16, 2014.

## Opportunity for Students Interested in Politics and Government

Students between the 7th and 12th grades, if you are interested in politics and how our government works and want to experience first hand writing legislation, please contact the Village Hall at 440.232.7800. The Hawthorne Valley Youth Council offers first hand opportunities in learning and influencing legislation. It's a great chance for you to make a difference and gain leadership skills.



# Spotlight on

## George "Duke" Owens

### One of the many threads in the fabric of our Village

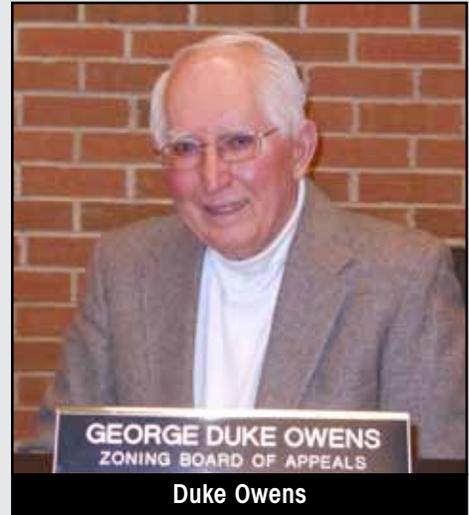
When George Owens was just a week old, his father's younger brother came to see the first Owens child born into the family. George had long sideburns that came down and curled up. His uncle looked at the newborn in the crib and said that he looked like a "Duke." The name stuck, and to this day people are still calling George "Duke!"

Duke is one of Walton Hills' favorite sons. He and his wife Fran have been very involved in the community ever since they moved here from Maple Heights on July 4, 1972. Duke and Fran have been married for 51 years. They have three children – Mary Beth, Carol Ann, and Kenneth, and seven grandchildren ages 4 to 16.

Duke is a tool and die maker by trade. He worked at Mercury Machine in Solon for 35 years. He was a Production Manager for 30 of those years and retired in 1995. He now works part-time for Dunham Products in Walton Hills. Duke is in great physical shape and attributes that to the fact that he is still working and enjoys what he is doing.

Duke is happy to serve his community. He was appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals in 1990 and has served as

its Chairman since 1994. He is proud of his work and he takes his responsibilities on the board very seriously. He also served as President and Vice President of the Walton Hills Lake. When the nation was celebrating its Bicentennial in 1976, he convinced Council to pass a resolution allowing a Lake sponsored fireworks show on July 4th and also allowing the Lake to be opened up to all residents on that day. (To this day, the Lake is still open to all residents on July 4th, but there are no longer any fireworks). He served as President, Vice President, and Secretary of the Walton Hills Men's Club. He is currently the Publicity Chairman for the 50 Plus Club. He is also devoted to St. Mary Church, before it closed and since it has reopened. He has served as a lector since 1975 and is also a Eucharistic Minister. In addition, he was appointed to the Apprenticeship Board at Tri C and Lakeland Community College from 1985 to 1995. He is also proud of his wife's civic mindedness. She was the President of the Walton Hills Women's Club when he was the President of the Men's Club; she is the Membership Chairwoman for the 50 Plus Club and she organized the Knit Wits knitting group that meets on Tuesdays from 1pm to 3pm at the Walton Hills Church of Christ.



Duke Owens

Duke has been a ham radio operator for over 30 years. He talks to people around the world, as far away as Russia. He considers serving on the Zoning Board as a hobby because he thoroughly enjoys it. He also likes to fish, especially in the Outer Banks in North Carolina – which is where he and Fran have their home away from home. Their three bedroom vacation/rental home is located in Kill Devil Hills, just one-half block from the Atlantic Ocean. They have owned their beloved get-away home for 24 years and enjoy spending time there with each other and with their kids and grandkids. They have affectionately named their home the "Owens Burrow."

What are Duke's thoughts about Walton Hills? He believes it is an aging community. He feels that it was a great place to raise kids, but he doesn't see as many kids anymore. However, he appreciates it as a good, safe place for retired people to live.

Walton Hills appreciates you too, Duke!

### Get to Know Duke

Favorite movie	African Queen
Favorite TV show	The Voice and other talent shows
Favorite foods	Standing rib roast and homemade spaghetti
Favorite music/singer	Country music – Willie Nelson
Favorite song	Amazing Grace
Favorite vacation spot	Owens Burrow in Kill Devil Hills, N.C.

# Calendar of Events

## April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Women's Club Auxiliary Mtg. 7pm	3 Mayor's Court 4pm	4	5
6	7 Men's Club Mtg. Scoreboard 6:30pm  Medicaid & Estate Planning Mtg. 7pm  Women's Club Board Mtg. 7pm	8 COW Mtg. 6pm	9 Trip to Cooper's Mill 8:30am	10 Mayor's Court 4pm	11	12
13	14 50 Plus Club Board Mtg. 10am  Historical Center Open 1-3pm & 7-8:30pm	15 Council Caucus / Council Mtg. 6pm	16 Trip to West Side Market 10:45am  Antique Auto Club Mtg. 7pm	17 Mayor's Court 4pm	18	19
20	21 50 Plus Club Mtg. 1pm	22	23 Hearing Aid Testing 1-2pm Cleaning 2-3pm  Women's Club Mtg. 7:30pm	24 Senior Breakfast at Sam's Club 7am  Mayor's Court 4pm	25	26
27	28 Senior Lunch 11:15am  Carol's Bookworms 7pm	29	30 Trip to Historic Fort Steuben 8:30am			

**Women's Exercise Class** - Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:30pm in the Community Room

**Mahjongg** - Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 4pm at the Walton Hills Church of Christ

**Knit-Wits 2 Needles** - Tuesdays from 1 to 3pm at the Walton Hills Church of Christ

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