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From the Desk of the Town Manager

Calumet Avenue

By the time this newsletter reaches your mailbox, a number of new construction projects will be underway. The old fence along Calumet Ave has started coming down and the new precast cement fence is being installed from Main Street to north of 213th. We have made some changes to the existing design to soften the tunnel effect of the old fence. The new fence will have a textured look that will complement the stone pillars that will also be installed. The fence design, called Chiselcrete is a precast concrete product, manufactured in Texas and installed by local vendor, Fence Masters. The project will take several months to complete. After the fence is installed we will fill in the gap sidewalk along the west side. Landscaping will be installed at a later date. This project is funded by the Re-development Commission. Motorists will experience moving lane closures to protect the workers. Please be aware and drive carefully.

Road resurfacing will begin this month on Calumet Ave. from RT. 30 to the bridge north of 213th and the intersection approaches at 213th. This \$460,000 project is funded by Dyer's Tax Increment Revenue and a 2016 Community Crossing Grant from the State of Indiana. The section north of 213th on Calumet Ave will be improved later this year after the fence project is completed. The contractor for both projects is Walsh & Kelly.

Sheffield Avenue

We are anticipating final approval from the State of Indiana that will allow the Town to install the Quiet Zone at Sheffield and the CSX RR crossing. Once this is received we can complete the approach work as soon as possible. Walsh & Kelly will complete this work.

The Town will be applying for State funds to assist us with additional improvements to Sheffield Avenue under the Community Crossing Matching Grant Program. Improvements will include resurfacing and intersection improvements. We are meeting with the Lake County Highway Department on the reconstruction of the bridge at Hart Ditch. We anticipate construction in 2018.

Other Utility Projects

The rehabilitation and painting of the Sandy Ridge Elevated Tank is underway and will be completed by mid-summer.

The Sanitary Board has several projects underway throughout the system as well as at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Board is beginning the process to sell \$2.7 million in bonds to undertake a series of projects, primarily at the WWTP. We will discuss these improvements in future articles.

The Stormwater Board has authorized design work for the long awaited Berens Monaldi project and a comprehensive study of the Northgate Subdivision storm water issues.

The proper maintenance of all the utilities assets is critical to systems performance. These improvements are a part of the rate structure of all the utilities.

Town Departments

Town Council Office

865-6108

Clerk Treasurer's Office

865-2421

Department of Public Works

865-4222

Police Department

865-1163

Fire Department

865-4226

Parks & Recreation Department

865-2505

Upcoming Recreation Events

Our Summer 2017 Leisuregram should have been delivered by now. If you did not receive one in the mail, please check out our Facebook page: Dyer Parks and Recreation or our website: parks.townofdyer.com to view our new classes, special events and fun things to do.

Painting Classes- Our next painting class takes place Fri., 6/2 from 11:00 am-12:30 pm. Participant's age's 7-adult will have fun painting Star Wars Stormtrooper on a 12x12 canvas. Fee: \$16

CPR/AED/First Aid- During this 4 hr class, you will receive a completion certificate good for 2 yrs., program materials and training certification in infant, child and adult First Aid/CPR/AED. This class will be held on 6/3 at Town Hall from 9am-1pm. Fee: \$47

Sylvan Robotics/Summer Camp with Lego- This is designed for boys & girls in 1st-7th grade. This program helps participants gain a love of science and technology at a young age by introducing interactive, fun and hands-on activities. Class will be held at the Town Hall on Mon. & Wed., 10:30am-12:30pm on 6/12,14,19,21,26 & 28 (3weeks). Fee: \$110

Soccer I & II- Designed for beginner and intermediate players, this camp focuses on dribbling, passing, shooting and ball control. This camp will take place at Northgate Park for boys & girls ages 6-9. Session I is 6/12-16 & session II is 7/17-21 from 9am-12pm. Fee: \$119

Young Rembrandts- The class for 4-5 yrs. old (9:30-10:30am) will expand on pre-schoolers' imagination and vocabulary as they draw familiar images such as fish, teddy bears, rainbows and cowboys. The 5-12 yrs. old (11-Noon) class will learn basic to advanced drawing skills, art techniques and vocabulary. Classes will be held at Town Hall on Tues., 6/13-7/11 (off 7/4). Fee: \$46

Cheerleading Camp- This entry-level cheer program ensures, for 6-10yrs. old, that each camper learns cheers, proper hand and body movements and jumping techniques. This 1 week camp will be held at Pheasant Hills Park from 6/26-30 from 9am-12pm. Fee: \$119

Volleyball Camp- All aspects of the game are taught through drills and exercises that focus on passing, setting, hitting and serving. This week long camp, 6/19-23, is for 6-12 yrs. old girls & boys. This will be held at Northgate Park (grass courts) from 9am-12pm. Fee: \$119

Tee Ball- This introductory Tee Ball program for 4 & 5 year old boys & girls will emphasize instruction and teamwork. Participants

will work on catching, throwing, ground balls & running the bases. Batting will be introduced in a safe, proper and encouraging manner. This class will take place Mon & Wed from 6:15-7:15pm at Northgate Park, 6/12-7/19. Fee: \$60

Soccer Buddies- During this introductory soccer program, boys & girls ages 4 & 5 yrs. old will practice on skill development and teamwork. Participants should wear shin guards and gym shoes. Soccer runs 6/13-7/25 at Northgate Park. Fee: \$50

Tiny Tot Sports- This camp is geared towards the active 3 year old. During this 6 week summer camp, participants will be introduced to various sports including: soccer, basketball, tee ball, tennis and bowling. An obstacle course will be set up for the last day of class. Classes will be held at Northgate Park, 6/15-7/20, from 9:15-10:00am. Fee: \$50

Sporties for Shorties- During this six week program, participants, 4 & 5 yrs. old, will be introduced to various sports including: soccer, basketball, tee ball, tennis and bowling. An obstacle course will be set up for the last day of class. Classes will be held at Northgate Park, 6/15-7/20, from 10:15-11:00am. Fee: \$50

Kiddy Kamp- Children ages 3-5 yrs. old will be introduced to new friends, fun, sports, music, crafts, new games, songs and basic sign language. Camp runs Mon- Thurs, 6/12-7/20, from 10:30am-Noon at Elmer Miller Park. Fee: \$100

Outside Adventurers- Participant's ages 6-10 yrs. old will enjoy this time as they play new games, learn camp songs, make special crafts, and enjoy water day/s and several field trips. Camp runs Mon-Thurs, 6/12-7/20, from 12:30pm-2:30pm at Elmer Miller Park. Fee: \$115

Toddler Time- Parents or caregivers, join us during this hands-on camp that was created especially for children ages 18mo-3yrs. old. You and your child will join other families as you are introduced to interactive stories, nature, new friends, music, crafts and special guests. Camp runs on Wednesdays, 9:15am-10:00am, 6/14-7/12 at Elmer Miller Park. Fee: \$35

Tee 3- This program is designed to teach the basics of tee ball to 3 year old boys & girls. Skills to be covered are: stepping and throwing, catching, hitting off a tee, running the bases and more. This 6 week class will take place on Thurs., 6/15-7/20 from 6:15pm-7:00pm at Northgate Park. Fee: \$50

Kids Garage Sale- This sale is to encourage kids to sell their unused toys, books, clothing, sports equipment, collectables, bikes and dolls to others (parental supervision is required). Bring your own table, chairs and

change. This event takes place 6/17 from 10am-1pm. Fee: \$11

Baseball Tots- Baseball Tots is a development program, for boys & girls, 2-3 yrs. old, that uses a variety of fun games to engage kids while teaching the sport of baseball and developing fundamental skills. This class will take place at Northgate Park on Tues., 6/20-7/25 (off 7/4), from 10:15am-11:15am. Fee: \$58

Soccer Tots- Younger age groups focus on developing motor skills and self-confidence; older classes focus more on developing core soccer skills and personal focus. This class is for boys & girls 18mo-3yrs.olds. This will be held at Northgate Park on Tues., 6/20-7/25 (off 7/4) from 9:00am-10:00am. Fee: \$58

Chicks Fun Run/Walk- We are looking for Chicks of all ages to register for this 4th Annual GIRLS ONLY walk/run. Dress as you wish, but old prom dresses, hats, fancy jewelry, jeans (with holes), pajamas, work out gear, silly socks, funky hair and tennis shoes are encouraged. This event will take place 6/22 at 6 pm at Central Park. Fee: \$10 per person.

Tennis- Skyhawks will be offering 2 one week camps of tennis. Players will learn proper grips, footwork, strokes, volleys and serves during a series of drills. Sessions will take place at Northgate Park Tennis Courts on 7/10-14 from 9am-12pm and 7/24-28 from 12:30-2:30pm for boys & girls 7-12 yrs. old. Fee: \$85

Patti's All American Classes- Patti's is offering swim lessons and gymnastics class. Please call our office for dates and fees.

Midwest Training & Ice Center Classes- Midwest is offering Parkour, gymnastics, ice skating, hockey and trampoline classes with us. Please call our office for dates and fees.

Online Registration Is Here!

All Dyer residents will have the opportunity to register for special events and programs online. Our new registration website is: PARKSREGISTRATION.TOWNOFDYER.COM. If you already registered for a program or event with the Parks and Recreation Department then you already have an online account. You will just need to create a password. If you have never registered for a program or event then you will need to create an account and password. When at the webpage, PARKSREGISTRATION.TOWNOFDYER.COM, please read the instructions at the bottom of the webpage. If you have any questions, please call us at 219-865-2505.

Annual Dyer Summer Fest - 2017
Thursday, June 8th thru Sunday, June 11th, 2017
Pheasant Hills Park



Wednesday, June 7th

Bike Parade on-site registration	6:00 pm
Bike Parade	6:30 pm
"Movie in the Park"	8:30 pm - 10:00 pm
Movie: "Sing"	

Thursday, June 8th **5:00 pm till 10:30 pm**

Carnival Rides	(\$25.00 -Wrist Band Night).....	5:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Midway Games		5:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Food Vendors		5:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Beer Garden		5:00 pm - 10:30 pm
Main Stage: 6:30 pm	Flag Ceremony	
7:00 pm - 10:30 pm	PandoraRocks	

Friday, June 9th **5:00 pm till 11:00 pm**

Carnival Rides		5:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Midway Games		5:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Food Vendors		5:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Beer Garden		5:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Main Stage: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Capernaum	
8:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Crawpuppies	
Second Stage		5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Saturday, June 10th **2:00 pm till 11:30 pm**

VFW Summer Fest Ride		11:00 am departure
Carnival Rides		2:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Ride Wrist Bands - \$25.00	2:00 PM - 6:00 PM	
Midway Games		2:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Kidz Zone ... Code: 1301 Please call (219) 865-2505 for more information ..		2:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Food Vendors		2:00 pm - 11:30 pm
Beer Garden		2:00 pm - 11:30 pm
Main Stage: 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Dyer Wind Ensemble	
4:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Dixie Crush	
8:00 pm - 11:30 pm ...	Dick Diamond and the Dusters	
Second Stage		3:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Sunday, June 11th **1:00 pm till 10:00 pm**

Parade Staging		12:00 noon
Parade Step off		1:00 pm
Carnival Rides		1:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Ride Wrist Bands - \$25.00	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	
"Last Blast Special" - \$20.00	6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	
Midway Games		1:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Food Vendors		1:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Beer Garden		1:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Kidz Zone ... Code: 1301 Please call (219) 865-2505 for more information ..		3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Stage: 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm	5-N-Time	
5:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Sound Connection	
Second Stage		3:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Fireworks Display		
9:00 pm		

MONTHLY MEETING CALENDAR

May

May 15

7:00 pm Plan Commission Meeting w/ Study Session to follow

May 18

6:00 pm Police Commission Meeting
6:30 pm Water Board Work Session
7:00 pm Water Board Meeting

May 24

6:00 pm Park Board Study Session

May 25th

6:00 pm Town Council Study Session
6:30 pm RDC Study Session

May 30th

6:00 pm Sanitary Board Meeting
Memorial Day—Town Hall closed

May 30th

6:00 pm Munster/Dyer West Lake TOD Public Meeting—Centennial Park

June

June 1

6:00 pm Storm Water Board meeting w/ Study Session to follow

June 5

7:00 BZA Meeting

June 8

6:00 pm Town Council Meeting
6:30 pm RDC Meeting

June 14

6:00 pm Park Board Study Session

June 15

6:00 pm Police Commission Meeting
7:00 pm Water Board Meeting

Meetings are subject to change. Call 865-6108 for confirmation.

Police Department Hires New Officer

The departments newest Officer Trevor O'Donnell graduated from the Northwest Indiana Law Enforcement Academy on April 28th. O'Donnell will now begin 12 weeks of field training at Dyer PD before he begins patrolling the streets of Dyer solo. O'Donnell, a Highland resident, obtained a Bachelor's Degree from St. Joseph's College where he played College football for 3 years. Pictured Asst. Chief Troy Grady (left) and Officer Trevor O'Donnell (right)



Town of Dyer Arbor Day Celebration on April 28th.

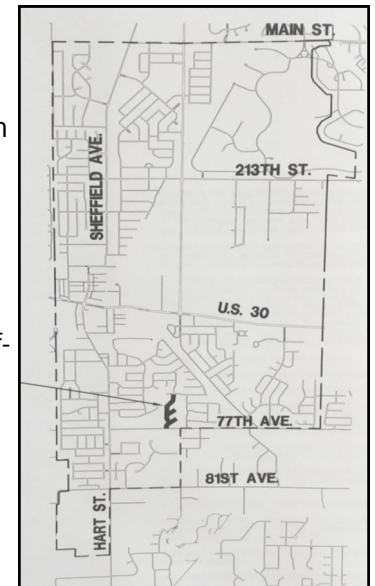


One hundred trees were available for free to residents. Two hundred additional trees were planted at the water tower near Protsman Elementary School.

2017 Dyer Street Reconstruction Project

This bids for the 2017 Street Reconstruction project were opened on Wednesday, May 9th. The estimated cost for the street reconstruction work on Blaney, James and Roy Streets was \$1,391,395.45. Walsh & Kelly was the low bidder at \$1,347,713.55.

Work on all streets will consist of complete street reconstruction, including spot sanitary sewer replacement and water main replacement. During construction one lane of roadway will be open to traffic at all times. Mailboxes shall be maintained and relocated as needed to allow mail delivery throughout construction. Work is scheduled to begin late May, early June. Also, as a reminder, later this summer or early fall we will have the Berens-Manaldi multiphase project designed and ready for letting.



Historical Society Speaker—Amelia Earhart

The Dyer Historical Society will be hosting speaker Jim Gibbons, historian, on **Tuesday, June 13th at 7:00 pm in the main meeting room of the Dyer Town Hall.** Jim will present the life of the woman known as "Lady Lindy," an American Aviation legend that simply vanished on her final flight. Did she drown at sea or land on an island to live the rest of her life? Was she taken captive by the Japanese and imprisoned as some claim or was she a spy for the US government? Gibbons will present the life and death, facts, and theories of America's legendary first woman aviator, Amelia Earhart.