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Town of Dyer

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From the Desk of the Town Manager

As we start the fall season, we start losing daylight at an ever-increasing rate, even before we change our clocks back in early November. Watch out for our young residents when driving as they walk and cross streets, even after school. Watch your speed in residential subdivisions. Adjust your speed to the weather conditions.

Leaf pickup begins the week of October 9th. Check the September newsletter, available at TownofDyer.com under "News", for details on when your leaf pickup dates are.

The Town received notice that we were awarded \$ 400,000 for our **2017-18 Community Crossing Matching Grant** project. This grant will be matched with \$450,000 in local Tax Increment Financing Revenues to complete the improvements to **Sheffield Ave from Main Street to Rt. 30 and 213th east of Sheffield**. This will also include the installation of a concrete median at the CSX tracks. The State has approved the work and we are waiting for the Railroads to sign off on their agreements before work can proceed. The Town has been ready for at least two years to move forward with the crossing. The Town will then pursue the establishment of a "No Horn" crossing. The complete project will involve rehabilitation to drainage structures, curb work as necessary, grinding of the surface, necessary repairs to the base course and a complete overlay and pavement markings. Walsh & Kelly has agreed to hold their prices from an earlier job. The Town will enter into a contract with them and be prepared to begin work in the spring when the asphalt plants open and weather is good.

This entire Sheffield Corridor will be undergoing a comprehensive study in the next year to determine if lane and intersection capacity is adequate for long term growth. We must examine possible solutions for the "S curve." This study is necessary regardless of the West Lake expansion possibility.

The Town had agreed to contribute \$75,000 to assist with the resurfacing of **Main Street from White Oak to Sheffield**. This project is on hold at this time. Lake County has begun discussions with Dyer, Munster, Highland and Schererville about the **Main Street Bridge east of Calumet Ave**. There is an 8-ton load limit which will be inadequate as a detour route when the 45th & Calumet Underpass begins construction in 2018. The plan is to reconstruct the bridge with the current two lane width and install piers for the eventual widening to the needed four lanes in the future.

We have not forgotten **Hart Street south of Rt. 30**. That resurfacing work will be coordinated with Lake County Highways reconstruction of the bridge. A bid date has not yet been determined.

The Calumet Ave Fence project continues to lag. Fence Masters and the Town are frustrated with the continued supply issues of the fence manufacturer. We are working to get this long-awaited and now delayed project completed. One option is to change suppliers. This will likely result in some difference in the finished look and slight color variation.

Enjoy the start of fall.

Upcoming Recreation Events



Don't forget to check out our Facebook page: Dyer Parks and Recreation and/or our website:

parks.townofdye.com to view our new classes, special events, pictures and other fun

things to do. **Online registration is**

here! For more information, please contact Dyer Parks at (219) 865-2505.

Halloween Parade: Our 17th annual parade will take place on Sunday, 10/22 with onsite registration from 1-1:45 and parade starting at 2. Raffle will be held after the parade.

8th Annual Mini Lights- Flashlight Halloween Hunt for children 4-6 yrs. old will take place on 10/23 from 6-7pm. Fee: \$9

Frights, Lights & Bites- Our 15th Annual Flashlight Halloween Hunt will take place on 10/25 for children 7-12 yrs. old from 6-7:15pm. Pizza will be served. Fee: \$11

Volleyball Skyhawks- Skyhawks takes the energy and excitement of this great sport and puts it together into one fun-filled camp. All aspects of the game are taught through drills and exercises that focus on passing, setting, hitting and serving. This co-ed Camp is held on Mondays, 10/23-11/27 from 5-6pm. Fee: \$75.

Hoopster Tots Skyhawks- These classes focus on dribbling, shot technique, passing and team work. Adjustable hoops and appropriately sized basketballs are used. This co-ed camp is for 3 & 4yr olds on 10/23-11/27. Fee: \$60

Game Night Skyhawks- Skyhawks Game Night incorporates several of the popular games played in gym like dodgeball, flicker ball, ultimate Frisbee and soccer just to name a few. Children 7-12 yrs. old will meet 10/23-11/27 from 6:15-7:15pm. Fee: \$75

Bumper Bowling- All the fun of bowling and no gutter balls! Children 3-6 yrs. old

w/parent or caregiver will bowl as many games as they can in the 45 min. time allowed. Class is 10/23-11/13 from 4:15-5pm. Fee: \$27

Bowling- Stay active and have some fun! Children 6-13 yrs. old will bowl as many games that they can in the 1 hour time frame. Class is 10/23-11/13 from 4:15-5:15pm. Fee: \$32

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. Class takes place 11/4 from 9am-1pm. Fee: \$47

Tiny Turkeys- Gobble gobble tiny turkey! During this craft class, children will create their very own turkey. Class is for children 3-10yrs. old from 5:30-6:15pm on 11/9. Fee: \$10

Young Rembrandts Preschool Drawing - This class provides a nurturing & strong learning environment that expands Preschoolers' image vocabulary as they draw familiar images such as fish, teddy bears, rainbows and cowboys. Classes are 11/15-12/6 & 12/3-1/3/18 for boys & girls 3.5-5 yrs. old. Fee: \$44

Young Rembrandts Elementary Drawing- Our elementary-age curriculum is designed to teach basic to advanced drawing skills, art techniques and vocabulary. Classes are 11/15-12/6 & 12/13-1/3/18 from 5-5:55pm for children 5-12 yrs. old. Fee: \$44

Young Rembrandts Cartooning- Learning to draw can be fun, especially when we create silly characters, funny expressions and drawing sequences that tell a joke! Classes take place 11/15-12/6 & 12/13-1/3/18 for children 5-12 yrs. old. Fee: \$44

Preschool Bricks 4 Kidz- Introduce your preschooler to the fun of learning, building and playing the Bricks 4 Kidz way! Classes

are 11/15-12/6 & 12/3-1/3/18 from 4-4:45pm for children 3.5-5 yrs. old. Fee: \$55

Elementary Bricks 4 Kidz- These one-hour classes will explore architecture, engineering and technology concepts using LEGO Bricks. Students work hands-on to design and build machines, buildings and other constructions. Classes take place 11/15-12/6 & 12/13-1/3/18 for children 5-12 yrs. old. Fee: \$55

Senior Bowling- During this 4 week program, participants 50 & older will meet new people, bowl a few games and socialize during this non-competitive program. Program dates are 11/6-11/27 & 12/4-1/8/18 (off 12/25 & 1/1/18). Fee: \$17

Kick'n with the Kids- This program aims at teaching the importance of sportsmanship & teamwork while making new friends. Classes take place 11/20-12/11 from 10-10:45am for children 3-5 yrs. old with parent. Fee: \$31

Yoga- Whether you are new to Yoga or an experienced Yogi, this class is right for you. Class meets on Mondays, 10/30-12/4 from 6:30-7:30pm for Adults 18 & older. Fee: \$50

Holiday Shopping Spree and Craft Show- Be sure to mark your calendars! The 16th Annual Holiday Shopping Spree and Craft Show will take place on Sat., 11/18 at Kahler Middle School from 10am-3pm.

Chicago Christmas Lights Tour- Join us on a bus tour of Downtown Chicago to see the beautiful light displays. Stops include the Planetarium Overlook, Millennium Park and a 1 1/2 hr. stop at the German Christkindlmarket at Daley Plaza. Tour is Fri., 12/1 from 4pm-10pm. This trip sells out every year. Fee: \$45

Midwest Training & Ice Center- We offer Parkour, gymnastics, ice skating, hockey and trampoline classes. Call for dates and fees.



Halloween Safety Tips from the Dyer Police

- Children should trick-or-treat during daylight hours and should never go out alone.
- Never eat any treats, fruit, or other food before being examined.
- Advise children to never enter a stranger's home or accept a ride from a stranger. Know what route your child is taking.
- Do not take shortcuts through backyards.
- Keep pets inside your home.
- Toy guns, swords, etc. should be made of pliable material, and realistic replica firearms should never be used.
- Masks should not be worn if they impair vision.
- Walk on sidewalks where possible.
- Costumes should be made of light-colored, fireproof material.

Have a fun and safe night!

Who Should I Call?

Below is a list of common topics each department in Town can help you with, along with their phone numbers.

Clerk-Treasurer—865-2421

Utility bill, business licenses, new residents/water service signup, pool fills, rental registrations, soliciting permits.

Public Works—865-4222

Streets, mosquito spraying, limb/leaf pickup, Town dumpsters.

Parks —865-2505

Recreation activities and classes, events, Six Flags/Amusement tickets, park and facility rental.

Police Department—865-1163

Code Enforcement issues, animal control, VIN checks, gun permits.

Building — 865-4228

Building, electric, and plumbing permits and inspections.

Town Council—865-6108

Planning, zoning, storm water and flooding, Town meetings, general complaints/questions.

Historical Society Speaker



Join us on November 14th at 7 PM to hear Ken Schoon talk about the history of Pere Marquette and his travel into our region.

This will be the Historical Society's last speaker of 2017! The next speaker will be February 2018, so make sure to come out!

New Dyer PD Officers



At the September Police Commission meeting, two new officers were sworn in to join the ranks of Dyer PD. Nicholas Kiesling (left) and Brandon Lopez (right) are the newest additions to DPD. Kiesling, a Munster resident, will be attending the Police Academy for 15 weeks. Lopez, a Dyer resident, will begin field training at Dyer PD.

Kiesling filled a vacancy in the department and Lopez was an additional hire to bring the department to full staff of 31 officers.

Out-of-State License Plates



If you are now living in Dyer and are a new resident to Indiana, **Welcome to Indiana!**

When you become a resident of Indiana, you have 60 days to obtain a new driver's license if you hold a valid driver's license from another state. **You must also transfer the titles and registrations of any vehicle you own from your previous state to Indiana.**

Additional information is available to assist you in your transition to Indiana at www.in.gov.

The Dyer Police Department actively enforces all out-of-state registration violations. If you would like to report a possible violation, you can email police@townofdyer.com, or leave a message for Code Enforcement at 219-865-1163.

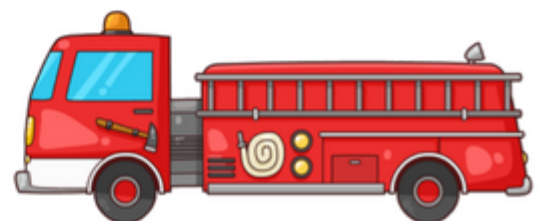
Dyer Fire Department

OPEN HOUSE

October 14th 12 PM - 4 PM

Join the Dyer Fire Department at Station 1 on Hart Street for an open house!

The station will be open and there will be rides and demonstrations!



Monthly Meeting Calendar

October

October 16

6:00 pm Special Meeting of the Storm Water Board

October 19

7:00 pm Water Board Mtg

October 25

6:00 pm Park Board Study Session

October 26

6:00 pm Special Town Council Meeting--Budget Adoption with Town Council and RDC Study Sessions to follow

October 30

6:00 pm Sanitary Board Meeting and Study Session

November

November 8

6:00 pm Park Board Mtg

November 9

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

November 10

Town Hall Closed—Veteran’s Day

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



Text us to sign up for updates!

Hurricane Donations



Dyer Police Department collected supplies for Hurricane Harvey relief. The community stepped up and dropped off an overwhelming amount of supplies. Bill's Movers donated a truck and helpers to take the donations to the Houston Food Bank.

Thank you to all of the people that donated supplies and the businesses that collected items! A special thanks to all of the Dyer PD officers that volunteered their time stacking, handling, and loading the trucks.

What do you think?

We are currently working on improving the content and look of this newsletter. If you have concerns about the newsletter, feel free to email: aretske@townofdye.com.

LCSWMD Website



Lake County Solid Waste Management District has a new website they'd like you to see! Go to www.lcswmd.com for information on their events and services, as well as lots of information about recycling.

Hydrant Flushing

Crews will be flushing out the fire hydrants the third week of October.

Code Corner

For this month's Code Corner, we wanted to remind residents about the parking code.

According to Section 8-29, "...no person shall stand or park a vehicle on a roadway other than parallel with the edge of the roadway **headed in the direction of the lawful traffic movement** and with the right hand wheels within twelve inches of the curb or edge of the roadway.

In addition, Section 8-68 explains that no person can stop or park a vehicle in places such as sidewalks, in front of driveways, within intersections, or on a grass parkway located alongside or within a dedicated street, except when necessary or ordered by a police officer or other traffic control devices. Please see Section 8-68 for the complete list of places parking is prohibited.



As always, if you see a code violation, call the police department at 865-1163 to leave a message for the Code Enforcement Officer.

Happy driving!