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Town of Dyer

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From the Desk of the Town Manager

As we begin to close out the 2019 year, we still have some exciting things going on.

Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Code Revisions

The Town Council and Plan Commission have been engaged in what will be a yearlong process to update the Town's Comprehensive Plan and a rewrite of the current Zoning Code. The Comp Plan was last reviewed in 2012. On Wednesday, October 16th, the first of a three Public Forums will be held at Town Hall beginning at 6PM. We have posted the forum on Facebook and Social Media. I apologize in advance if you receive the newsletter after the 16th meeting. There will be at least two more forums and opportunities to comment online. The Town's website will contain the information as we progress through the process www.townofdye.com. When the plan is completed, we will have plans for bike and pedestrian trails, new zoning concepts for Sheffield Ave, Calumet Ave, and Route 30 east of Calumet, and a revitalization of the RT 30 Hart area.

Citizen Advisory Board on Disabilities Services

The Town Council recently adopted Resolution 2019-15, creating an Advisory Board on Disability Services. The principal mission of the five member Board is to provide a mechanism to both solicit input from and educate the community to continually improve the

Town's efforts on accessibility of events, meetings, programs, appointments to Boards and Commissions and employment opportunities and quality of life for all residents of Dyer. The Town has a current ADA Transition Plan that the Advisory Board will review as a part of the regular plan update. The Town has worked hard to eliminate physical barriers in public access buildings and places. The park renovations of the past few years are continuing to eliminate these barriers.

We view this Board as a way to provide a public forum 'think tank' and clearing house of ideas from the community in an effort to make Dyer a truly accessible community. The Board may be a conduit for identification of additional grants opportunities that will improve the quality of life for residents with disabilities. If you are interested in applying for the CAB please visit the Town website www.townofdye.com, click on the link to forms/applications on the left side of the Homepage. Please fill out the application marking CAB as the Board you wish to apply. Return the completed form by Monday November 4th. You may:

Drop it off in person to the Town Council Office during regular hours; Mail to #1 Town Square Dyer, IN 46311 you may also drop it off in the Utility Mailbox.

Fax to 219-865-4233

Email:

towncouncil@townofdye.com

Monthly Meeting Calendar

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| Oct. 9 | Park Board Meeting | 6:00 pm |
| Oct. 10 | Town Council / RDC Meeting | 6:00 pm |
| Oct. 16 | Plan Commission Meeting | 7:00 pm |
| Oct. 15 | Historical Society Speaker | 7:00 pm |
| Oct. 16 | Stormwater Board Meeting | 5:00 pm |
| Oct. 16 | Comp. Plan Forum | 6:00 pm |
| Oct. 17 | Police Commission Meeting | 6:00 pm |
| Oct. 21 | Plan Commission Meeting | 7:00 pm |
| Oct. 22 | Park Board Study Session | 6:00 pm |
| Oct. 24 | Town Council/ RDC Study Session | 6:00 pm |
| Oct. 28 | Utility Board | 6:00 pm |
| Oct. 31 | Halloween Trick or Treating | 5-7 pm |

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

Comprehensive Plan Public Forum

October 16, 2019 from 6-8pm we will be holding our First Public Forum regarding the 2019-2020 Dyer Comprehensive Plan. All residents and business owners are invited to participate. Come share your ideas for the future plans of Dyer. The Forum will take place in the Main Meeting room, Town Hall, One Town Square, Dyer IN, 46311. Please contact the Town Council office at (219) 865-6108 or blane@townofdyer.com with any questions or concerns.

Code Corner - Junk Vehicles

Sec. 6-59 Illustrative Enumeration - Weeds, Rubbish, Noise, Odors, Junk Vehicles, Etc.

The maintaining, using, placing, depositing, leaving or permitting to be or remain on any public or private property the following conditions or actions are declared to be and constitute a nuisance:

(p) Any junk vehicle. For the purposes of this Article a "junk vehicle" shall be defined as a motor

vehicle, or a part or parts from a motor vehicle, which meets any one of the following qualifications:

- (1) It does not carry the current state registration (license plates);
- (2) It cannot be safely operated under its own power;
- (3) It is not carried on the most recent tax records of the county assessor's office.
- (4) It is not the property of and is not located in a licensed junkyard.



K9 Fundraiser

The Dyer Police Department is holding a fundraiser for our recently retired K9 Igar. The fundraiser is on October 26, 2019 at the Dyer VFW, 2125 Gettler Street, from 2-8 pm. The cover is a \$20 donation with all proceeds going directly to the Dyer K9 Police Dept. Unit. 50/50, Tip Boards, Raffles, and Supporter T-Shirt are for sale. It will also include a Built-A-Burger with many toppings donated by Rob's Meat & Deli of Dyer.

For more information of donations please contact Stephanie at (708) 341-0733 or Anthony at (219) 313-3792.



Census 2020

The Census is a beneficial tool which helps your community in many various ways. Federal Funds, Grants, and support to the States, counties and communities are based on population total breakdowns by sex, age, race, and other factors. Your community benefits the most when the census counts everyone. People in your community use census data in all sorts of ways:

Local Government: Officials use the census to ensure public safety and plan new schools and hospitals.

Residents: Use the census to support community initiatives involving legislation, quality of life and consumer activities.

Businesses: Use census data to decide where to build factories, offices and stores, and these create jobs.



Dyer Trick or Treat Halloween Safety Tips



Just a few Safety Tips from the

Dyer Police Department



Trick or Treat hours are from 5pm-7pm

- Children should trick-or-treat during daylight hours.
- Children should never be allowed to go out alone on Halloween.
- Children should never eat any treats until they have been examined.
 - All fruit should be cut and closely examined before eating.
- Advise children that they should never enter strangers' homes.
 - Never invite children into your home.
 - Children should never accept rides from strangers.
- Children should never take shortcuts through backyards or alleys.
- Set a specific time limit for your children to be out on Halloween night.
 - Give wrapped homemade treats only to children you know.
 - Instruct children not to stray from their group.
- A responsible adult should escort children while trick-or-treating.
 - Adult escorts should carry flashlights.
 - Don't leave your home unattended on Halloween night.
- Keep pets inside your home, or other safe place on Halloween night.
- Children should walk, not run, during their trick-or-treat activities.
 - Parents should know what route their children will be taking.
 - All costumes should be made of light-colored, fireproof material.
- Children should wear proper fitting, comfortable costumes and shoes.
- Props such as toy guns or swords should be made of pliable material.
 - Realistic replica firearms should never be used.
 - Masks should not be worn if they impair vision.
 - Wigs should be fireproof and should not restrict vision.
- Children should always use sidewalks, not the street, for walking.

Dyer Police Department Officer Spotlight

Officer Eduardo Farfan:



Serving Since: August 2018
Badge #: 69
High School: Thorton H.S. (9,10) and Thornwood H.S. (11,12)
College: South Suburban College Criminal Justice Degree
Experience: Northwest Indiana Law Enforcement (NILEA) Class of 2016. Prior to Dyer served with East Chicago PD and Calumet City, IL PD. Officer Farfan grew up in Riverdale Illinois and has played soccer his entire life. He is very family oriented and enjoys dancing. Officer Farfan is bilingual and fluent in Spanish. He is currently assigned to the Patrol Division.

Upcoming Parks & Recreation Events

If you would like to view our classes, special events, pictures and other fun things to do, check out our website: parks.townofdye.com or on our Facebook page: Dyer Parks and Recreation. Register online at: parksregistration.townofdye.com. Don't forget to follow us on Twitter: @DyerParksandRec. For more information, please contact Dyer Parks at (219) 865-2505.

18th Annual Halloween Parade (all ages welcome) – Dress up in your best Halloween costume and join us in a parade on 10/20 at 2pm sharp. Onsite registration is from 1-1:45pm. Fee: Free

It's the Great Pumpkin (2-10 yr. olds) - We will provide all the material for your little one to decorate their own pumpkin. Class is 10/21 from 5:30-6:15pm. Fee: \$11

10th Annual Mini Lights (3-6 yrs. old) – Create a Halloween craft while having a snack before hunting for treats with your flashlight. Class is 10/22 from 6-7pm. Fee: \$11

Frights, Lights & Bites (7-12 yrs. old) - Pizza and a drink will be served before heading out to look for candy with their flashlights in the park. Class is 10/23 from 6-7:15pm. Fee: \$12

Painting Classes- Pumpkin/Ghost 10/19, Thanksgiving Turkey 11/16 and Rudolph 12/14. Fee: \$30 each class. **Stop in Town Hall to see the examples.**



Yoga (18 & older) - This class aims to improve your ability to relax while increasing strength and flexibility within your body, mind and everyday life. Class is 11/4-1/13/20 from 6:30-7:30pm. Fee: \$70

Jr. Kids in the Kitchen (ages 6-8) - Learn about kitchen safety, rules etiquette, table-setting, recipes and have fun cooking during this hands on class. Class is 11/6-11/27 from 5-6pm at the Town Hall. Fee: \$52

Kids in the Kitchen (ages 9-12) - Learn about kitchen safety, rules etiquette, table-setting, recipes and have fun cooking during this hands on class. Class is 11/6-11/27 from 6:15-7:30pm at the Town Hall. Fee: \$55

Zumba (15 w/adult & older) - Join our high-spirited instructor as she gets you moving and having fun. Class is 11/7-12/5 from 7-7:45pm. Fee: \$32

Kidding Around Yoga (3-5 yrs. old w/parent/caregiver) - This class is a fun, active way to learn lots of yoga poses, as well an introduction to kid-friendly meditation. Class is 11/12-12/3 from 9:15-10am. Fee: \$45



Tiny Turkeys (3-10 yr. olds) - Enjoy creating your own turkey to take home and display for the holiday. Class is 11/12 from 5:45-6:30pm. Fee: \$11

BLAST! (Babysitting Lessons & Safety Training) (11-15 yrs. old) - This class has training in pediatric first aid, household safety and fundamentals of childcare. Class is 11/16 from 9am-1pm. Fee: \$35

18th Annual Holiday Shopping Spree & Craft Show- Over 125 crafters and home based businesses will be on hand displaying their products and services. Craft show takes place at Kahler Middle School on 11/23 from 10am-3pm.

Santa Letters- Imagine the look on your child's face when they receive a letter from Santa! Hint sheets will be accepted between now and 12/16. Fee: \$5

Candy Cane Hunt (2-8 yrs. old w/parent)- Children will enjoy making a craft, decorating cookies and having hot cocoa before heading outside to look for candy canes in the park. Class is 12/1 from 1-2:30pm. Fee: \$13

Chicago Christmas Lights Tour- Join us as we travel to Downtown Chicago to see the beautiful Christmas light displays. This trip fills up fast so register early! Trip is either 12/6 or 12/13 from 4-10pm. Fee: \$47

Six Flags Great America tickets- We are selling discounted Great America tickets for \$52. We also have discounted Fright Fest tickets with parking for one of the following dates: Oct 25th, 26th, 27th or 31st or Nov. 1st, 2nd or 3rd. Fee: \$45

Preschool Bricks 4 Kidz, Elementary Bricks 4 Kidz, Young Rembrandts Preschool Drawing, Elementary Drawing and Cartooning classes are also being offered along with winter camps. Call for dates, times and fees.

Midwest Training & Ice Center- Gymnastics, ice skating, parkour and dance classes are being offered. Call for date, times and fees.

NEW! Revolt Cheer & Tumble- We are offering CheerNastics, Cheer Abilities CheerNastics and Tumbling classes. Call for dates and fees.

Community Activist

Our very own Pat Rosewinkle is being recognized at this year's America in Bloom Symposium in St. Charles, Illinois. Pat is an asset to our Town and dedicates a lot of her time to the Police Department, Lincoln Highway Memorial, and many other beautification projects throughout Town.



Text us to sign up for updates

