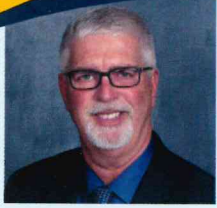




*Early voting
for the 2024 General Election
available now at Town Hall*



Tom Schmitt, Councilmember Ward 4



Robin Arvanitis, Councilmember Ward 1



Kevin Connelly, Councilmember Ward 2



Rob Guetzloff, Councilmember Ward 3



Caleb Johnson, Councilmember Ward 5



Mike Troxell, Clerk-Treasurer



Randy Wyllie
Judge, Schererville Town Court

Election Day is Tuesday, November 5. Early voting for the 2024 General Election begins Tuesday, October 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Community Room at Schererville Town Hall, 10 East Joliet St., and will continue through Monday, November 4.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays in October. Voters can cast their ballots from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursdays in October, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 26.

During the first week of November, the polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, November 1 and Saturday, November 2. On Monday, the day before the election, early voting will be available from 9 a.m. until noon.

According to public law, Indiana residents are required to present a government-issued ID before casting their ballots. That ID needs to meet certain criteria:

- Must display your photo
- Must include your name as it conforms to your voter registration record
- Must display an expiration date
- Must be issued by the State of Indiana or the U.S. government

In most cases, an Indiana driver's license, Indiana photo ID card, Military ID or U.S. Passport is sufficient. A student ID from an Indiana State school may only be used if it meets all four criteria listed above.

Additional information can be found on the Lake County, Indiana Website <https://lakecountyin.org>.

**SCHERERVILLE
FIRE DEPARTMENT
OPEN HOUSE**

Plum Creek - Station No. 2

11A - 2P

**Saturday
OCTOBER
5th**

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- KIDS' OBSTACLE COURSE
- HAND'S-ONLY CPR DEMO
- SPRAY A FIRE HOSE
- FREE BICYCLE HELMETS
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DAV Walk in Schererville draws people of all ages



Cub Scouts and Scoutmaster leading the Pledge of Allegiance.



Participating in the walk.



Alex Ehlebracht, a Lake Central High School band student, playing taps

Dozens of people of all ages gathered on Saturday, August 24 to participate in the 3rd Annual St. John Township Walk for Disabled Veterans co-hosted by the Town of Schererville, Hammond-based DAV Chapter #17 and St. John Township Trustee Cathy Lareau.

"This year we had about 150 people participate including families and kids who joined us for this wonderful event that honors U.S. Military veterans who suffered disabilities while actively serving our country," Lareau said about the DAV Walk that began with opening ceremonies at the St. John Township Veterans Memorial located in front of the Schererville Police Department then proceeded to the nearby 9/11 Memorial where the walk stepped off.

"This walk helped raise funds and awareness of the benefits available to these well-deserving vets," Lareau said. "DAV is dedicated to a single purpose – empowering the USA military service veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity."

And participation by so many community members and groups helped make the DAV Walk special, she said.

At the opening ceremony Alex Ehlebracht, a Lake Central High School band student, joined Carlos Lara to perform *God Bless America*. Vietnam veteran Tom Bainbridge and his daughter Julie Dugan sang the National Anthem. The Indiana Patriot Guard were accompanied by Shawn Wells and Logan Danielson, members of Cub Scouts Pack 504. The Cub Scouts and Scout Master Anthony Wells also led those gathered in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Kathleen V. Camarena, DAV Chapter #17 Chaplain and retired Army Major, offered a prayer.

John Cap, DAV Chapter #17 Commander, welcomed walkers along with Schererville Town Manager Jim Gorman, and Cathy Lareau. Other speakers included Bob Carnagey, past-two-time DAV State Commander Anthony Ferraro, Regional Director for U.S. Senator Mike Braun; Frank Mrvan, U.S. Congressman of Indiana District 1; Tom Clark, retired Lake Central High School teacher and DAV Chapter #17 member; and Ton Guitierrez, DAV Chapter #17 member.

The opening ceremony concluded with Alex Ehlebracht performing taps. The walk to Redar Park was led by Cub Scouts Shawn Wells and Loga Danielson and Scout Master Anthony Wells.

At Redar Park, walkers were served lunch by The Sizzle Shack, a U.S. veteran-owned food truck. In addition, Joe Cantaflo played patriotic music at the park.

Lareau thanked Andrew Hansen, Director of Operations for the Town of Schererville; Schererville Police Chief Pete Sormaz and Jim Gorman who are part of the year-long planning team for the DAV Walk.

"The funds raised by the DAV Walk go directly to help disabled veterans in our area," Lareau said. "The DAV will help disabled veterans monetarily with bills. They will also connect veterans with a service officer to help file for benefits through the Veterans Administration."

She added, "Every year someone reaches out who didn't realize they could receive benefits. Last year, we had someone who now is receiving \$3,000 a month from VA. That's life-changing."

Town Dump now closed for upgrades

The Schererville Town Dump, located at the Schererville Public Works Department, will remain closed until approximately mid-December so upgrades can be completed.

Upgrades at the Public Works facility include a newly-constructed Town Dump, modifications to the parking lot, electrical and lighting enhancements, storm water infrastructure improvements as well as new fencing and gates. These upgrades are needed because of the future expansion of Kennedy Avenue and are part of Phase 2 of that project.

Residents are encouraged to use the Republic Services Transfer Station, located at 1155 Birch Ave, two blocks east of the intersection of U.S. 41 at 65th

Avenue. "This is NOT a free-of-charge facility," said Chad Nondorf, Director of Public Works. "You will be required to pay based on the weight of your load."

Tire recycling disposal will also NOT be accepted at Schererville Public Works during site improvements, Nondorf said. Additional Lake County Solid Waste Management District tire recycling disposal locations can be found at <https://www.lcswmd.com/services/tire-recycling-locations/>.

"Site improvements should be completed by mid-December 2024, and we will notify residents upon the completion of this work as well as the opening of the dump site and tire disposal site," Nondorf said. "Thank you for your patience."

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LET'S GET MESSY! (FOR AGES 18 MONTHS-3 YEARS OLD)

SESSION 4: MONDAYS, OCTOBER 7-OCTOBER 28 9:30-10:30 A.M.

SESSION 5: MONDAYS, NOVEMBER 18-DECEMBER 9 9:30-10:30 A.M.

Your toddler will enjoy fun activities and make a mess without the fuss of cleaning up at home! GUARDIAN PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED. The fee is \$40 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

MUSIC TIME WITH MISS CAITLIN (FOR AGES 10 MONTHS TO 4 YEARS)

SESSION 2: TUESDAYS, OCTOBER 8-NOVEMBER 19 10:15-11 A.M.

SESSION 2: THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 10-NOVEMBER 21 11:15 A.M.-NOON

Introduce your child to the joy of music! Led by Miss Caitlin, a certified music teacher and mom, this class features live music and will focus on singing, lap bounces, and simple instrumental play. All music is appropriate to support development. **PARENT MUST ATTEND WITH CHILD.** The fee is \$75.00 for residents/+5% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

BABY IN TUNE (FOR AGES NEWBORN TO 8 MONTHS)

THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 10-NOVEMBER 21 12:15-1:15 P.M.

Bond with your baby and with other parents! Learn how to use music to establish routine, soothe and communicate with your baby. We will sing songs that keep your baby stretching, swaying and smiling. There is a strong element of therapy for parents through music and discussion. One parent per child if possible. Please bring a blanket for your baby. The fee is \$75 for residents/+5% for non-residents. An optional material fee of \$15 will be available on the first day of class. This will include a shaker, scarf and videos of Miss Caitlin's songs. Register at www.schererville.org.

FAIRYTALE READER'S THEATRE (FOR AGES 4-7)

THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 10-NOVEMBER 21 5-6 P.M.

Fairytale Readers Theatre is an enchanting program where young imaginations come to life!

Participants will dive into beloved fairytales, bringing characters and stories to the stage through expressive reading and creative performance. This program combines the magic of storytelling with the excitement of theater, allowing children to explore their voices, build confidence, and work together as they transform classic tales into captivating performances. Whether you're a seasoned performer or new to the stage, join us for a journey into the world of "happily ever after" like you've never seen before! The fee is \$35.00 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

HALLOWEEN GNOME POTTERY PAINTING CLASS (FOR AGES 5 AND OLDER)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10 6-8 P.M.

Join us for a spook-tacular time at our Halloween Gnome Pottery Painting Class! Unleash your creativity as you paint your very own gnome -- perfect for adding a touch of Halloween charm to your home. Whether you want a gnome that's creepy, cute, or somewhere in between, Gratefully Painted will provide all the materials you need to bring your magical creation to life. Bulbs and plexiglass are included! This class is for ages 5 and older. **CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.** The fee is \$50 for residents/+15% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.



COVERED BRIDGE FESTIVAL BUS TRIP

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 7 A.M. TO 7 P.M.

Enjoy all of the fall colors, crafts, antiques, the flea market, food and more as we spend the day at the Covered Bridge Festival in Rockville and Bridgeton, Indiana! **Please note this trip requires a lot of walking.** We will depart from the Schererville Community Center, 500 E. Joliet St., at 7 a.m. and return at 7 p.m. The fee is \$55 for residents/+20% for non-residents. The cost includes round-trip coach bus transportation. Register at www.schererville.org.

BINGO MONDAYS -- I WANT CANDY!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 1-2:30 P.M.

Enjoy an afternoon of snacks, time with friends, and of course BINGO! This Bingo will have a candy twist. Come prepared for snacks and hopefully win some prizes! The fee is \$6. Register at www.schererville.org.

TANG SOO DOO KARATE SESSIONS #6

FOR AGES 4-10

TUESDAYS, OCTOBER 15 (NO CLASS ON OCTOBER 22) – DECEMBER 10

NOVEMBER 5, CLASS AT THE ACADEMY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 (GRADUATION DAY)

5:30-6:15 P.M. AGES 4-6

6:30-7:15 P.M. AGES 7-10

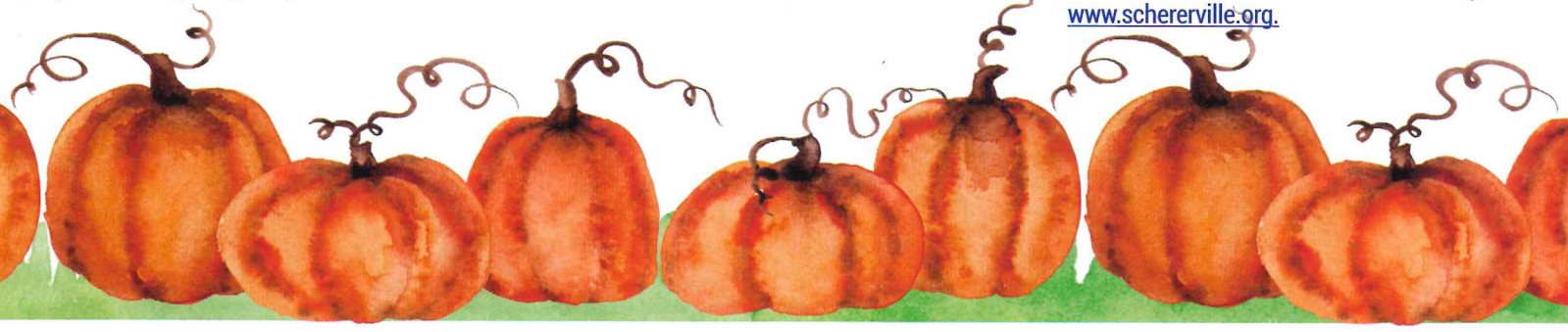
Our children's martial arts programs are high-energy, fun and interactive. Martial arts classes should go far beyond just kicking and punching. Our classes focus on character development, physical fitness, and self defense - with the primary goal of building a child's discipline, self-confidence, and self-esteem. The training at our school emphasizes encouragement and positive correction, and we work hard to ensure all students are treated with dignity and shown respect. Our instructors, under the direction of 4th degree black belt master instructor Adam Theros, will teach curriculum that is fun, challenging, and aligns with Northwest Indiana Martial Arts Academy and the World Tang Soo Doo Association. When you join our club you become a part of a world-wide organization with more than 200,000 members. The fee is \$79 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

GHOULISH GOODIES COOKING CLASS

(FOR AGES 4-7)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 4-5 P.M.

Welcome to Little Chefs, where young culinary artists embark on fun-filled cooking journeys! In this exciting program, kids will explore the magic of the kitchen as they whip up a variety of delicious and creative dishes. In our Ghoulish Cookies class, young chefs will brew up deliciously eerie treats just in time for Halloween! Chefs can make a variety of Halloween-themed snacks such as "mummy" hot dogs, Skeleton Hand Pies and Ghost Pizza Bagels! The fee is \$25 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.



GHOULISH GOODIES COOKING CLASS
(FOR AGES 8-12)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 6-7:30 P.M.

Step into the world of cooking with our Master Chefs program! Designed for young culinary enthusiasts ready to take their skills to the next level, this program offers hands-on experience in creating exquisite dishes. From cooking and assembling challenges, to food competitions, participants will learn techniques and presentation skills. Each session is a journey into the world of culinary excellence, where young chefs transform into kitchen maestros. In Ghoulish Goodies, young chefs will brew up deliciously eerie treats just in time for Halloween! Chefs can make a variety of Halloween-themed snacks, such as "mummy" hot dogs, Skeleton Hand Pies, and Ghost Pizza Bagels! The fee is \$25 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

GET YOUR GAME ON! (FOR AGES 8-13)
WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 16-NOVEMBER 20
5:30-6:30 P.M.

Are you ready to bring your A-game? In this action-packed program, each week is a new adventure as we dive into a different sport! From swinging for the fences in wiffle ball to scoring goals in soccer, shooting hoops in basketball, throwing for the end zone in ultimate Frisbee, and kicking it up in kickball—there's something for every athlete to enjoy! The excitement doesn't stop there! On the final day, we'll wrap up with a big game that combines all the skills you've learned. It's the ultimate showdown where teamwork, fun, and a bit of friendly competition come together for a grand finale you won't want to miss. The fee is \$50 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

LASER TAG: THE HAUNTED ARENA (FOR AGES 8-13)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 6-8 P.M.

Dare to enter the Haunted Arena? In this spine-tingling laser tag showdown, ghosts, ghouls, and goblins lurk in every corner, waiting to test your skills in the ultimate battle between the living and the undead. Armed with your laser blaster, you'll navigate through eerie fog,

flashing lights, and hair-raising sound effects as you hunt down your opponents—or avoid getting tagged yourself! Will you survive the haunt and emerge as the champion of the arena, or will you become just another ghostly figure wandering the halls? There's only one way to find out—join us for a night of thrills, chills, and pulse-pounding action in Laser Tag: The Haunted Arena! The fee is \$25 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

CSRI PAINTING SERIES WITH SCHERERVILLE (FOR ALL AGES)

MONDAYS, OCTOBER 21 & DECEMBER 9
4:30-5:30 P.M.

We invite participants of the Cooperative Special Recreation Initiative to decorate cookies or create watercolor paintings with Schererville Parks and Recreation! These classes are for participants with special needs. The fee is \$10. Register at www.schererville.org.

HALLOWEEN STORIES AND CAMPFIRE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23 6-8 P.M.

SCHERERVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER
(OUTDOORS)



Get ready for a spooktacular evening at our Halloween Stories and Campfire! Join us as the glow of the campfire sets the stage for spine-chilling tales told by Cindy Horgash and the Northwest

Indiana Storytelling Guild. This FREE event is perfect for both children and adults looking to embrace the Halloween spirit with family and friends. Bring your own lawn chairs and blankets to cozy up while enjoying some spooky stories. We'll provide the snacks to complete the campfire experience! In case of inclement weather, the event will move indoors. Don't miss this enchanting night of storytelling under the stars!

BUDDY AND ME (FOR AGES 18 MONTHS - 3 YEARS)

WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 23-NOVEMBER 20
9:30-10:30 A.M.

Learn, play, make new friends, and have FUN with your little one by joining our Buddy and Me Class. During each class we get creative with exciting crafts, dive into enchanting stories that spark the imagination and enjoy group games that build teamwork and social skills. *PARENT/GUARDIAN PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED.* The fee is \$40 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

KIDS' NIGHT OUT: HALLOWEEN EDITION (FOR AGES 5-12)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 5:30-10 P.M.

Join us for a frightfully fun evening at our Kids' Night Out: Halloween Edition! Dress up in your favorite costume and get ready for a night of spooky games, creepy crafts, and ghoulish treats. The adventure doesn't stop there – we'll also have a spooky, kid-friendly movie screening perfect for little goblins and ghouls. It's the ultimate Halloween party where kids can celebrate with friends, make new ones, and enjoy a night of thrilling fun. Don't miss out on this eerie-sistible event! We'll entertain the kids. Have your child bring a pillow and blanket! The fee is \$30 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

HOME ALONE HEROES (HOME ALONE TRAINING) (FOR AGES 10-14)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26 9-11 A.M.

Is your child ready to take the next step towards independence? Join our Home Alone Training class, where they'll learn essential skills and knowledge to stay safe and responsible when left alone inside and outside the home. Through practical lessons and instructional videos, your child will gain the confidence to be a responsible young adult during those short periods of time alone. Let's empower them with the tools they need to be safe and self-reliant! The fee is \$35 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

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WICKED PAINTING PARTY (ALL AGES)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26 11 A.M.-1 P.M.

Join us as we paint the Wicked Witch of the West at our Wicked themed painting class with instructor Chris Hnatusko! Registration is required for each participant wanting their own canvas/painting supplies. The fee is \$30 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

PRIMETIMERS: HALLOWEEN PARTY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

11:30 A.M.-1 P.M.

Enjoy lunch, themed trivia and games, and good friends! Feel free to come dressed in a Halloween costume! The fee is \$6. Register at www.schererville.org.

2024 HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 9 A.M. - 3 P.M.

**SCHERERVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER,
500 E. JOLIET ST.
HOMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
210 E. JOLIET ST.**

Get ready to kick off your holiday shopping at Schererville's BIGGEST and LONGEST craft show of the year! Join us for a weekend of festive fun at two convenient locations -- Schererville Community Center and Homan Elementary School. These venues are just a short walk apart, making it easy to explore more than 200 talented crafters, offering a wide variety of handmade treasures, holiday decor, and unique gifts perfect for your loved ones. Whether you're searching for stocking stuffers, seasonal decorations, or one-of-a-kind presents, there's something for everyone! In addition to the amazing crafts, you can enjoy tasty bites from local food trucks while you shop. Plus, don't miss your chance to win big with more than 200 free raffles happening throughout the weekend! In addition, there's free admission and parking! This family-friendly event is the perfect way to get into the holiday spirit. Bring your friends and family, browse through beautiful handcrafted goods, and make a day of it!

WONKA FLAVOR FACTORY COOKING CLASS (FOR AGES 4-7)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12 4-5 P.M.

Welcome to Little Chefs, where young culinary

artists embark on fun-filled cooking journeys! Step into a world of culinary imagination with the "Wonka Flavor Factory Cooking Class," inspired by the whimsical and wondrous world of Willy Wonka! This magical cooking class invites young chefs to unleash their creativity and experiment with flavors, colors, and textures to create fantastical treats. Chefs will get hands-on experience crafting a variety of delightful and imaginative recipes, such as Wonka's Whimsical Waffles, Candy Necklace and Bracelet Making, Rainbow Fruit Pizza. The fee is \$25 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

WONKA FLAVOR FACTORY COOKING CLASS (FOR AGES 8-12)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12 6-7:30 P.M.

Our Master Chefs program is designed for young culinary enthusiasts ready to take their skills to the next level. Join us for an unforgettable adventure in the art of cooking! Step into a world of culinary imagination with the "Wonka Flavor Factory Cooking Class," inspired by the whimsical and wondrous world of Willy Wonka! This magical cooking class invites young chefs to unleash their creativity and experiment with flavors, colors, and textures to create fantastical treats. Chefs will get hands-on experience crafting a variety of delightful and imaginative recipes, such as Wonka's Whimsical Waffles, Candy Necklace and Bracelet Making, Rainbow Fruit Pizza. The fee is \$25 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

CRAFT & CONQUER CRAFT SHOWS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 9 A.M.-3 P.M.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23 9 A.M.-3 P.M.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29 2-6 P.M. FEATURING OUR GRINCHY GRISWOLD CHRISTMAS FINALE!!

Get ready to Craft and Conquer this November at three epic weekends of holiday fun with more than 75 incredible vendors each weekend! Each weekend brings a fresh lineup of talented crafters offering unique and handmade goods perfect for everyone on your list! You'll also find tasty treats at food trucks and so much more, including FREE RAFFLES! Plus admission and parking are free!

We're still accepting vendor applications at www.eventeny.com/apply/ to be part of the magic!

There's lots to do at the Dyer-Schererville Library

Looking for fun activities to get you out and about? The Dyer-Schererville Branch of the Lake County Public Library, located at 1001 Lincoln Hwy in Schererville, has so many fantastic choices including movie matinees, puzzle-solving, coloring sessions and engaging discussions about films and books!

The feature film matinees return at 1 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month from October to March. "We'll be screening a newer film on a big screen, complete with subtitles where available and serving up some light refreshments to enjoy while you watch," said Beth Alyea, Branch Manager. On October 16, guests will enjoy *Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire*. Then on November 20, *Wonka* will fill the screen.

"From November to April, we're particularly excited to kick off *Exploring Asian-American Cinema* led by Oliver Staton," Alyea said. "This monthly series will spotlight and delve into some incredible works in Asian-American filmmaking. The first discussion begins at 5:30 p.m. on November 18."

Also mark your calendars for the The Kanopy Streaming Platform which begins at 1 p.m. on Monday, October 21 with the captivating mystery *We Have Always Lived in the Castle* based on a Shirley Jackson novel. At 1 p.m. on Monday, November 11 things shift to an adventure documentary *Maidentrip: A Teen's Solo Voyage Around the World*.

Do you love books? The library's monthly Between the Lines Book Discussion group meets at 11:15 a.m. on the fourth Thursday of most months. On Thursday, October 31, the group will be diving into *Wrong Place Wrong Time* by Gillian McCallister.

For those ages 18 and older, the Morning Mix offers activities including jigsaw puzzles, crossword, coloring and word searches from 10 a.m. to noon on Friday, November 15 and Friday, December 20.

"We hope to see you for some great company and fun activities," said Alyea. To register or obtain more information, please visit www.lcpl.org/events or call the Dyer-Schererville library at (219) 322-4731.





What's Happening in Town



OCTOBER

- 2 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 3 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.
- 7 Plan Commission Meeting/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 9 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 28 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting 6 p.m.
- 31 Halloween Trick or Treat Hours 5-7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 4 Plan Commission Meeting/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 5 Election Day – Town Hall closed
- 6 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 7 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.
- 11 Veteran's Day – Town Hall closed

- 13 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 18 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 25 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting 6 p.m.
- 28-29 Thanksgiving Holiday – Town Hall closed

DECEMBER

- 2 Plan Commission Meeting/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 4 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 5 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.
- 11 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 16 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 24-25 Christmas Holiday – Town Hall closed
- 31 New Year's Eve Holiday – Town Hall closed

Leaf pickup begins week of October 1

Autumn brings falling leaves, and this year the Public Works Department will begin leaf pickup on the north side of U.S. 30 the week of October 1. Leaf pickup begins on the south side of U.S. 30 the week of October 7. Branch pickup also continues through December with both pickups dependent upon the weather.

No pickups are scheduled on holidays, including Election Day, Tuesday, November 5; Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11; Thanksgiving, Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29; Christmas, Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25; and New Year's Eve, Tuesday, December 31.

Leaf pickup alternates between the north and south sides of U.S. 30 on a weekly basis. The week of Thanksgiving – Monday, November 25 through Wednesday, November 27 – is when crews collect leaves on town properties, including the parks, the watertowers, etc, said Chad Nondorf, Public Works Director. "We also use this week to catch up as typically this is when accumulation is the heaviest," Nondorf said.

After the week of Thanksgiving, the regular schedule resumes north of U.S. 30. Leaf and branch pickups continue into December until weather forecasts indicate the Public Works trucks must be readied for snow removal and icy conditions. You can find a printable calendar online at www.Schererville.org. Click on the Documents section.

To ensure your leaves are picked up, please place them in a narrow pile (away from the branches) in the parkway or grassy area between the sidewalk and the curb by 7 a.m. on the Monday morning of your designated week. Please avoid parking any vehicles in front of the leaf piles.

To avoid an ordinance violation and to prevent flooding caused by blockage of storm drains, please don't put leaves in the street. If there is no curb, please place leaves within 5 feet of the street so that Public Works equipment can reach them. And always make certain the leaves are free of other debris.

Your cooperation is always appreciated.