

FEBRUARY 2017

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| 5 | 6 | 7 Town Council Meeting @ 7:00pm | 8 | 9 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting @ 7:00pm Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15pm | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 Cedar Lake Softball Registration @ 5:00-7:00pm Hanover Field House Redevelopment Commission Meeting @ 6:00pm | 14 Valentine's Day Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15am | 15 Unsafe Building Meeting @ 6:30pm Plan Commission Meeting @ 7:00pm | 16 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15am | 17 | 18 |
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LAKE SIDE BULLETIN

A Message From Public Works...

Public Works will again be open the third Saturday of each month for dumpster access: April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16 and finally October 21 from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm.

Visitors must sign in upon visit, presenting a Cedar Lake driver's license and or a current Cedar Lake utility bill, as the garbage dumpsters, yard waste and branch disposal are for residents only. Our metal and tire recycling is open to ALL Lake County, IN residents as is the recycling center at the entrance of the Public Works facility. The facility is equipped with a camera system so we ask that if anyone is in question whether or not something can be disposed of here, please contact us and we can either confirm items or help you find proper disposal.

We offer free firewood if anyone is interested – just swing by during business hours Monday through Friday, 7:00am-3:00pm, stop in our office and we'll help you load the firewood. Please check out more detailed info about our services on www.cedarlakein.org

Notice to Utility Customers Using Online Bank Payment Services

Avoiding Late Fees with Utility Payment Conveniences

The town is experiencing many utility customers using online banking features in order to pay bills. While this feature saves customers time and resources, please consider the timing involved in processing such payments. The banks issue a physical check and send it to us by U.S. Mail. This may take a few days before the town actually receives the payment. The Utility Billing Department collects mail every business day to ensure payments are credited to your accounts on the day it is received. However, we cannot be responsible for the actions of the banks or the postal service. If a holiday occurs within the time frame, please consider this when processing your online payment with the bank.

Utility bills are due by the tenth (10th) of the month with a ten (10) day grace period before the delinquent date occurs. After the twentieth (20th) of the month, the bill is considered past due and a penalty will be applied to the account. If this date falls on a weekend or holiday, the next business day is considered the delinquent date. Always confirm that your utility account number is accurately entered on the bank's payment site before the payment is submitted. The bank will send us this payment by mail with the account number as a reference. Having the correct account number available ensures that your payment is posted accordingly.

To avoid the possibility of delayed payment, we recommend using one of the town's features.

Sign up for auto withdrawal by submitting the completed form with a voided check. The form is available on our website or by contacting us directly. Payment will be electronically withdrawn from your account on the fifteenth (15th) of the month or next business day. This service is free of charge.

Pay online 24/7 by going to the link on our homepage at www.cedarlakein.org. Credit and debit cards are accepted, and e-checks. A convenience fee is charged and retained by our vendor for processing the payment. Your account number and a PIN, located on your monthly bill, are needed to access the information. You may also call us directly to make a credit or debit card payment.

Pay by phone 24/7 by calling toll free (855) 246-9327 and follow the automated instructions. A convenience fee is charged and retained by the vendor for processing the payment. Credit and debit cards are accepted. Make sure to have your bill available when calling. You may also call us directly to make a credit or debit card payment.

E-billing is also available to avoid any delays by the postal service. Your monthly utility bill will be emailed to you. Please call us if you are interested in signing up for this feature. There is no charge for this service.



Cedar Lake Town Hall
7408 Constitution Avenue
PO Box 707 Cedar Lake, IN 46303



At the Cedar Lake Clubhouse

Cedar Lake Clubhouse, 9800 W. 129th Avenue

Easy Does It – Gentle Exercise

For those who need a more gentle exercise – try sitting while working out. It’s easy and you still get the benefits of a workout.

When: 9:15am–10:00am Tuesday and Thursday
Cost: \$5.00 per class
What to bring: Hand weights and water.
We provide the chair.

For more information please call:
(219) 374-7400 or
email Events@cedarlakein.org



Winter Wine Event

The Cedar Lake Historical Association 2nd Annual Winter Wine Event is scheduled for Saturday, February 4, 2017 from 2:00–5:00pm at the Lighthouse Restaurant. Singer and musician J.T. Trimmel will entertain with a “Songs You Love” Branson-style show at 3:00pm. NEW this year! Raffle with prizes from Cedar Lake Sunset Cruises, Holiday Liquors, Bobb Auto, a “Taste of Cedar Lake” restaurant gift card package and more! Admission is \$35 per person and includes 10 tastes. Cash bar also available. Purchase tickets in the Cedar Lake Chamber of Commerce office or online today!

Winter Driving Tips

Stay home if you really don’t have to go out! But if you must go out remember to adjust your speed for the driving conditions:

- Always wear your seatbelt.
- Accelerate and decelerate slowly, it takes longer to slow down on icy roads.
- Allow extra space between you and other vehicles.
- Make sure your tires are properly inflated.
- Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full, to avoid the gas line freezing up.
- Always carry your charged cell phone.
- Keep extra hats, gloves, food, water, and blankets in your car.
- If you do become stranded, stay with your vehicle. Never try to walk in a storm.

Rain Barrel & Composter Ordering

Did you know that lawn and garden watering make up almost 40% of water usage during the summer months? A rain barrel collects water and stores it for when you need it most! Saving water not only helps protect the environment, it saves you money and energy. Diverting water from storm drains also decreases the impact of runoff to streams. Therefore, a rain barrel is an easy way for you to have a consistent supply of clean, fresh water for outdoor use, free. The Town of Cedar Lake will work with UpCycle Products to host a rain barrel event for Earth Day, April 22nd! You can order through the town’s website, www.cedarlakein.org, which will allow you to pre-order your rain barrel for this spring! Prices start from \$56.50 for a 55-gallon barrel and range with the type of product. Rain barrels come in black, grey, blue, and terra cotta. Pre-ordered rain barrels will be available for pick up on Friday, April 21st from 2:00pm–5:00pm at the Cedar Lake Town Hall, 7408 Constitution Avenue. Delivery and installation is also offered through UpCycle Products.

Dog Licenses

Dog license renewal will take place from January through March 2017. The fee is \$10.00 per dog; up to three dogs allowed per residence. A valid rabies vaccination certificate is required in order to renew the license. After March, the fee will increase to \$15.00 per dog. The licenses are available at the Clerk-Treasurer’s Office Monday through Friday from 8:00am–5:00pm. If you have any questions, please call us at (219) 374-7000.

Cedar Lake Girls Softball Registration

February 13th from 5:00pm–7:00pm at Hanover High School Field House, 10120 W. 133rd Avenue and March 4th from 10am–4pm at the Hanover Township Trustee Office, 13330 Parrish Ave. Age range is from 5–18 years old, and there is also a women's league. For any questions pleasecontact Becky Villa, (219) 374-5844 or papatony@att.net.

Alarm Permits

All businesses and residents having an alarm system are to obtain a permit from the town. This permit can be completed at the Clerk-Treasurer’s Office during business hours Monday through Friday from 8:00am–5:00 pm The fee is \$10.00 and the permit is valid for two (2) years from the date of application. Necessary information for the permit includes the name, address and phone number of three (3) contacts, and the phone number of your service provider. If you have any questions, please call (219) 374-7000.

Nixle

Have you ever heard of Nixle?! Nixle is a Community Information Service dedicated to helping you stay connected to the information that matters most to you, depending on your physical location. You stay connected to your local police department, your children’s schools, your local community agencies and organizations, and the important information from other locations throughout the country that are relevant to you. Information is immediately available over your cell phone by text message, by email, and over the web. Your account can be customized so you receive the information that matters most to you. Whether it is where you live, work, or have friends or family throughout the country, the information is immediately available to you over your mobile phone, email and computer. www.nixle.com
Text your zip code to 888777 to opt-in!

Did You Know...

The Town now offers a ChargePoint electrical vehicle charging station here at the Town Hall! It is located on the west side of the Town Hall. EV charging helps the environment as well as businesses and drivers. Driving an EV can cut greenhouse gas emissions in half or more. By driving hundreds of millions of miles without gas over the past few years, our drivers have grown the equivalent of millions of tree seedlings for 10 years and prevented more than 65 million kilograms of greenhouse gas emissions. We’re charging toward the future of transportation and helping the environment as we go. For more information about ChargePoint: Visit chargepoint.com, call 1 (408) 841-4500, or email info@chargepoint.com.

Save the Dates

Chamber of Commerce Business Showcase:
• March 18, 2017

Cedar Lake Spring Soccer Registration:
At the Cedar Lake Town Hall
• Friday, March 3rd, 9:00am–5:00pm
• Saturday, March 4th, 9:00am–1:00pm
• Monday, March 6th, 4:30pm–6:30pm

Midwest Training & Ice Center

Registration fee is waived when signing up through Cedar Lake.

Classes are taught at the Midwest Training & Ice Center in Dyer, 10600 White Oak Avenue, Dyer, IN. This an exciting opportunity to get our kids involved in extracurricular activities. For more information about the programs, check out our website at www.cedarlakein.org or contact: (219) 374-7400 or events@cedarlakein.org.

Tots-learn to skate-beginner skating lessons
(Ages 3-5) (\$80 for 4 classes)

Days: Dates: Times:
Thursdays, Feb. 2–23, 5:50pm–6:35pm
Saturdays, Feb. 4–25, 9:05am–9:50am

Pre-alpha – beginner skating lessons
(Ages 6 & older) (\$80 for 4 classes)

Days: Dates: Times:
Thursdays, Feb. 2–23, 5:50pm–6:35pm
Saturdays, Feb. 4–25, 9:05am–9:50am

Blackbirds Youth Hockey Development Program
(Ages 3 & Up) (\$140 for 8 classes)

Days: Dates: Times:
Fridays, 4:00pm–5:00pm &
Saturdays, 10:00am–11:00am
Feb. 3–25 (this is a two day per week program)

Preschool Artistic Gymnastics
(Ages 3-5) (\$85 for 4 classes)
USA Gymnastics Development Gym of the Year!
Days: Dates: Times:
Tuesdays, Feb. 7–28, 5:00pm–5:55pm

Morning - Preschool Artistic Gymnastics
(Ages 3-5) (\$50 for 4 classes)
USA Gymnastics Development Gym of the Year!
Days: Dates: Times:
Wednesdays, Feb. 1–22, 11:30am–12:25pm
Fridays, Feb. 3–24, 11:00am–11:55am

Beginning Artistic Gymnastics Classes
(Ages 6 & Older) (\$85 for 4 classes)
USA Gymnastics Development Gym of the Year!
**NO ADDITIONAL ATTIRE COSTS!*
Days: Dates: Times:
Tuesdays, Feb. 7–28, 5:00pm–6:00pm

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