

JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Happy New Year Town Hall Closed	2 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 Town Council Meeting @ 7pm	3 Plan Commission Work Session @ 7 pm	4 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 Cabin Fever Kids History Camp	5	6
7 Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	8 Redevelopment Commission Meeting @ 6 pm	9	10	11 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting @ 7 pm	12	13
14 Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	15 Martin Luther King Day Town Hall Closed	16 Town Council Meeting @ 7 pm	17 Unsafe Building Dept. @ 6:30 pm Plan Commission Public Meeting @ 7 pm	18	19	20
21 Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	22	23 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 Storm Water Board Meeting @ 5:30 pm	24 Police Commission Meeting @ 7 pm	25 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15	26	27 Winter Social at Lighthouse Restaurant 2-5 pm
28 Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	29	30 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15	31			



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A LOOK AT 2017

Jill Murr, Town Administrator

This past year has been an extremely busy and exciting time for Cedar Lake; from celebrating the **50th Anniversary** of our Town to seeing growth and progress in residential and commercial development, continued investment in the infrastructure around Town, while actively planning and working towards future projects. Our main focus will continue and always be the residents of our Town. We are excited to share with you all the progress that 2017 has brought and an update on future projects.

Roadway and Infrastructure Improvements

Infrastructure improvements are currently one of the main focal points around Town. The investment into our infrastructure would not be possible without planning and persistence from many including Town Council. The **\$4.2M Highgrove Subdivision** and **\$3.1M South Shore Subdivision** road and infrastructure improvement projects are currently underway. These subdivision projects are part of the 2010 Roadway Improvement Program which identified ten capital improvement projects. NIPSCO is replacing gas mains and service lines in these subdivisions as well; an added bonus to our residents. Your patience is appreciated as these updates are made.

There are many projects that are in place for the 2018 construction season. The Town was awarded a **\$690,000** Community Crossing Matching Grant to be used for the **\$1.6M Parrish Avenue - 141st to 151st** road and infrastructure improvement project which is scheduled to begin spring 2018.

The Redevelopment Commission awarded Walsh & Kelly the contract for the **\$394,000 Lincoln Plaza Entrance**

Improvement Project which will be a full renovation of the entranceway. The Cline and Lake Shore Drive roundabout project continues to progress. Working with INDOT and NIRPC, I was able to have this project funded in FY2019; three years earlier than anticipated.

We continue to see more and more interest in Cedar Lake regarding investors and business owners. The Town Council introduced the Town Livable Centers concept plan during a November meeting; livable centers are part of the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Three major residential developments in 2017 were Beacon Pointe, Lakeside and LedgeStone. These developments have brought an additional 148 units to the Town. New home permits for the year were at 161 with a value of \$27.1M in November 2017 compared to 152 with a value of \$21.3M we saw in 2016.

The Town is always trying to find alternative funding sources, whether for infrastructure improvements or bullet proof vests for the police department; grants, matching grants, partnerships and the like. We even recycle the millings from our road projects for use within our town; from the base of the parking area at Bartlett Wahlberg Park to the Town Hall and Fire Department parking lots. Many Town public works and police department vehicles use alternative fuel, E-85. I was able to secure \$92,000 in Federal grant funds for alternative fuel through 2019; the Town only pays 20%.

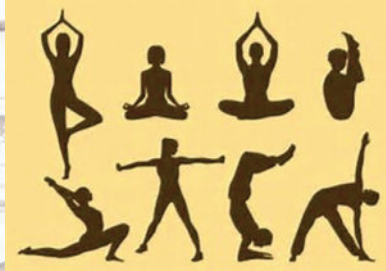
Bartlett-Wahlberg Park improvements will continue in 2018 with plans for a picnic shelter and more. Bartlett Wahlberg Park has turned into a beautiful place to enjoy the lake. The Town was able to team up with Lake County

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Fitness

YOGA

Yoga at the Town Hall Meeting Room, 7408 Constitution Avenue, Sunday's from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.
Cost is \$8.00 per class. Appropriate for all ages.
Bring a mat, bottle of water, and a small towel.
Classes are led by registered yoga teacher, Kandi Bredar.
If you have any questions, please call (219) 374-7400 or email Events@cedarlakein.org



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for a Founders Creek - Morse Street Crossing stabilization improvement. The road was slowly eroding away due to eroding ditch banks. Lake County supplied the materials and the Town supplied the labor and equipment for this improvement. Adding to around town improvements, Public Works completed \$300,000 worth of local roadway improvements.

The Town took a night to honor the past, enjoy the present and look forward to the future as we celebrated the Town's 50th Anniversary. The celebration was made possible through the generous donations of many and we would like to again *thank* all of those who contributed to such a

successful evening. The Fire Department brought back the Fireman's Ball, which was held for the first time in 25 years, as a way to celebrate their 75th Anniversary.

We look forward to all that 2018 will bring to our community; from road and infrastructure improvements in our established areas to new homes and new community members; a blending of the old with the new. Improvements and growth will go hand in hand with advancements in the lake's ecosystem restoration project with the United States Army Corp of Engineers. Watch for more updates coming soon.

Snow Removal

Plowing and Snow Removal

The snow has arrived! We want to ensure our roads are as safe as possible and with everyone's effort we will get through this winter! The priorities for which roads are plowed are as follows: main roads of travel, secondary roads with high volumes of traffic, steep hills that are difficult for vehicles during inclement weather and finally, all remaining streets. It is important that any obstructions on private property be removed from the roadway prior to snow plowing. This is important for two reasons: quicker passes with plows and the prevention of damage to private property. Obstructions can range anywhere from garbage and recycling bins to parked vehicles and trailers.

Removal of Ice and Snow

Within 12 hours after any snow or ice storm, it is the duty of the owner or occupant of each parcel in town bordering any sidewalk to keep that sidewalk free and clear of snow and ice.



Parking and Snowfall

Please be mindful to not park on streets where there is signage regarding 2 inches or more of snowfall. According to Town Code, Section 72.35, Removal and Impoundment of Vehicles, the Cedar Lake Police Department has the authority to "remove, or have removed, a vehicle from a snow emergency route to the nearest garage or other place of safety, including another place on a street, or to a garage designated or maintained by the Police Department, or otherwise maintained by the town..." including if "the vehicle is parked in violation of any parking ordinance or other provision of law, and is interfering or about to interfere with snow removal operations."

Cedar Lake Historical Association

Cabin Fever Kids History Camp
Thursday, January 4, 2018 from 10 am - 2 pm at the Cedar Lake Library

Learn Cedar Lake's ice harvesting history and more through fun, hands-on activities. Ideal for ages 8-13. Registration required. \$5 members, \$10 non-members. Call 219-390-9423.



CLHA 3rd Annual Winter Social

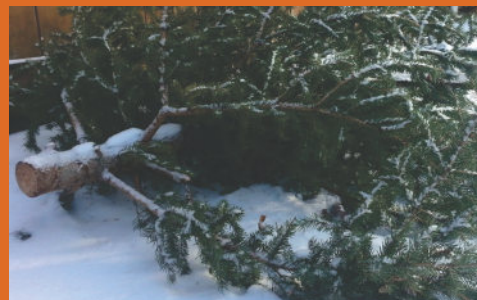
Saturday, January 27, 2018 from 2-5 pm at the Lighthouse Restaurant

Wine and craft brew tastings, chocolate pairings, and live entertainment. Tickets are \$30 per person. Available at www.cedarlakehistory.org or call 219-390-9423



Live Christmas Tree Disposal

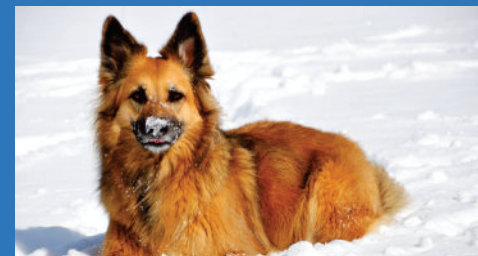
A ceremonial Christmas tree burning hosted by Geisen's Funeral Home will be held January 7th, 2018 at the Lake County Fairgrounds. Live Christmas tree owners are able to bring their trees to the Fairgrounds starting January 1st through January 7th to the west side of the Industrial Building. The Fairgrounds are open from 7:00 am till dusk.



Permits & Renewals

DOG LICENSES

Dog license renewal will take place from January 1st through March 31st 2018. 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 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. If you have any questions, please contact the Clerk-Treasurer's Office at 219-374-7000.



ALARM PERMITS

All businesses and residents who have 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 8:00 am to 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 us at 219-374-7000.

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE RENEWAL

January 1, 2018 until March 1, 2018 the Town of Cedar Lake will be accepting Contractor's License renewal applications. The renewal fee is \$50.00 along with your renewal application, a copy of your recorded Lake County bond, a copy of your certificate of insurance with Workman's Compensation, and a copy of your Lake County License (General Contractor's only). Applications for renewal will be mailed mid-December. For more information about Contractor's License renewals for 2018, please contact the Building Department at (219) 374-7400.