



SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

Save the Dates (stay tuned for more information)

Cedar Lake Spring Soccer Registration - March 9th, 10th & 24th
Easter Egg Hunt Registrations February 26th - March 10th
Easter Egg Hunt- March 23rd
Chamber of Commerce Business Showcase- March 24th

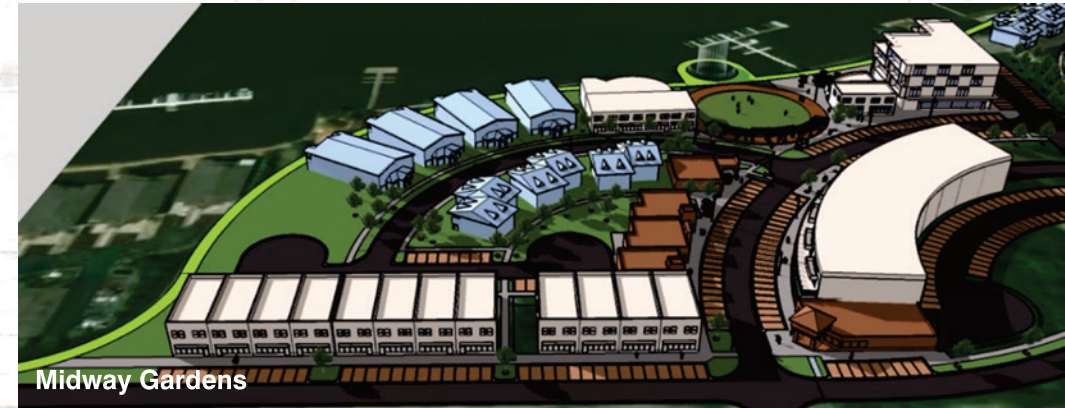
				1 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am	2 Groundhog's Day	3 Flag Football & Cheer Registration @ Hanover Trustee Office 10 am -1 pm
4 Super Bowl LII Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	5 Cedar Lake Softball Registration 6:30 – 8:00 pm @ Hanover Field House	6 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am Town Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm	7 Plan Commission Work Session @ 7:00 pm	8 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting @ 7:00 pm	9	10 CLHA "A Piece of Love" @ 1:00 pm Cedar Lake Library
11 Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	12 Redevelopment Commission Meeting @ 6:00 pm Cedar Lake Softball Registration 6:30 - 8:00 pm @ Hanover Field House	13 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am Mardi Gras	14 Valentine's Day	15 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am	16	17
18 Flag Football & Cheer Registration @ Hanover High 12-3 pm Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	19 President's Day, Town Hall Closed	20 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am Town Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm	21 Unsafe Building Meeting @ 6:30 pm Plan Commission Work Session @ 7:00 pm	22 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am	23	24
25 Yoga 6-7 pm @ Town Hall	26 Egg Hunt Registrations at Town Hall through March 9th	27 Easy Does It Fitness @ 9:15 am Storm Water Board @ 5:30 pm	28 Police Commission Meeting @ 7:00 pm			

DOWNTOWN CEDAR LAKE

In 2017, Cedar Lake celebrated its 50th anniversary. Our 50 year journey has included a great deal of growth and many changes. As a community in close proximity to Chicago, our population has increased exponentially every decade.

However, our business district has not grown at the same pace. The lack of a Downtown Business District has created challenges for Town Government to fund infrastructure improvements (neighborhood, streets and sidewalks) and to support higher wages and greater staffing levels for public safety. When the best days of Cedar Lake are spoken about, the time period discussed is over 90 years ago. The Town Council believes that we are living in the greatest era in the history of Cedar Lake. This project will make Cedar Lake a one-of-a-kind place to live, work and play for generations to come. This year the Cedar Lake Town Council has approved a plan to begin the development of a Downtown Business District. The funding for a Downtown will come from partnerships with reputable, interested developers. The Town's investment in a Public Private Partnership will be through the utilization of a Tax Increment Financing District (T.I.F.). This T.I.F. district will not cause residential or commercial property tax rates to rise. In fact, in neighboring communities such as St. John, Schererville and Crown Point the use of T.I.F. districts has led to a decrease in overall tax rates and an increase in property values.

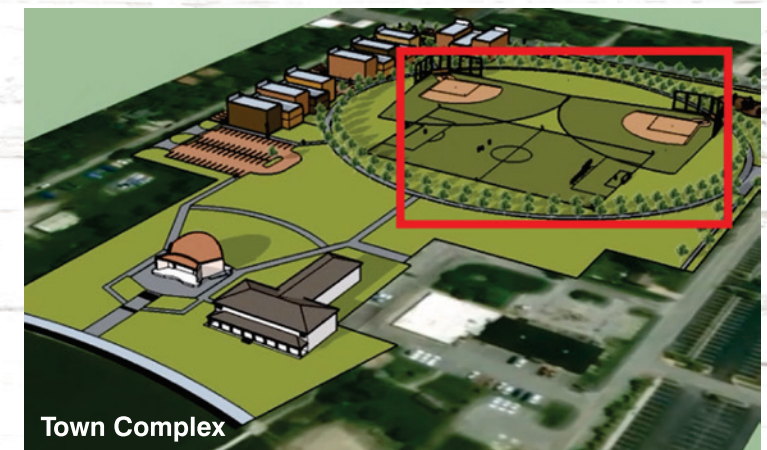
Fifty years ago our founders experienced many challenges and some protest when they had the courage and foresight to incorporate Cedar Lake. Misinformation and rumors stalled and nearly derailed the incorporation of Cedar Lake. The Town Council wants every interested



Midway Gardens

person to have an opportunity to participate and access the correct information for the entire duration of the Downtown Development. The Town Council will be

hosting numerous public information sessions. These sessions will ensure that all residents and business owners have an opportunity to gain information and offer input on the future of their community. The public information meetings will be advertised in our newsletter, local newspapers, website and on social media. We hope that all of you will take some time to visit our website to view the architectural concepts and the Comprehensive Master Plan. Please feel free throughout this process to contact your Town Council Member for more information.



Town Complex

For contact information visit the website or call 219-374-7000 and ask for your Council Member's phone number. Town Council meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise advertised. With a bold vision and an engaged public, the possibilities for Cedar Lake are endless!



CEDAR LAKE TOWN HALL

7408 Constitution Avenue - P.O. Box 707 - Cedar Lake, IN 46303
cedarlakein.org

Town Events

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



Easter Egg Hunt

The Town is once again hosting 2 Easter Egg Hunts! The hunt for ages 8-12 is a flashlight hunt!

Who: Children ages 4-7 and 8-12.

Where: Town Grounds, 7408 Constitution Ave.

When: March 23rd; ages 4-7 from 6:00-7:00 pm and ages 8-12 from 8:00-9:00 pm

Cost: \$1 per child. Register at the Town Hall February 26 - March 9, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm; Saturday, March 10, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

What to bring: A bag and ages 8-12 bring a flashlight!

Yoga

Classes are led by registered Yoga instructor, Kandi Bredar.

Who: Appropriate for all ages.

Where: Town Hall; 7408 Constitution Avenue

When: 6:00 pm- 7:00 pm, Sundays

Cost: \$8.00 per class

What to bring: A mat, water and a small towel.



For those who need a more Gentle Exercise – try sitting while working out.

It's easy and you still get the benefits of a work out.

Who: Appropriate for all ages.

Where: February classes contact the Town Hall

When: 9:15am -10:00am Tuesday and Thursday

Cost: \$5.00 per class

What to bring: Hand weights and water. We provide the chair.

What's New

Stormwater Ordinance Amendment

With due diligence from many involved, the Town Council passed a Stormwater Ordinance Amendment at the December 19, 2017 meeting. Ordinance 1278 is an amendment to the existing Stormwater Ordinance, which deems the town responsible for the collection of user fees from all properties located within the Stormwater Management District. The amendment, which took effect the first of the year, allows a credit for all **non-residential** properties within the Stormwater Management District for the monthly stormwater fees. There are two options concerning the credit, either an automatic 20% for all non-residential stormwater fees or the second option, to apply for a direct discharge credit or quantity reduction credit. Only the greater of the two will be applied to the appropriate account. The credit will only apply to accounts that are being charged more than 1 ERU. An ERU, Equivalent Residential Unit, is defined as a unit of measure used to compare the amount of runoff per each property. This amendment was found necessary to provide partial relief to the non-residential owners of the financial impact of the stormwater charges. Stormwater charges increased June 2017 per Ordinance 1263. Ordinance 1263, with guidance from financial consultants, engineers and committees, was essential in order to make stormwater improvements to the Town.

These improvements include High Grove Subdivision, South Shore Subdivision, the Parrish Avenue Road Improvement Project and many more. We are always striving to improve the Town's infrastructure and with continued efforts from all parties we will succeed in accomplishing these goals. If anyone has any questions or concerns please contact the Utility Department at 374-7000 or the Town Administrator at 374-7400.

Animal Care and Treatment Ordinance

The Town Council passed the Animal Care and Treatment Ordinance 1281 at the January 2nd, 2018 meeting. This ordinance was established to ensure proper care and safety of local animals. The full ordinance is available on the Town's website. Key points per the Ordinance include

- Keep animal clean and safe, provide adequate food and water.
- Provide necessary medical care to veterinary standards.
- No tethering between 11:00 pm and 6:00 am.
- Provide shelter in a temperature controlled facility below 32°F or above 90°F.

If these regulations are not adhered to the owner will be subject to a fine per violation of Ordinance 1281. For any questions please contact the Cedar Lake Police Department at (219) 374-5416.

Hanover Jr. Wildcats Flag Football & Cheer

February 3rd from 10 am – 1 pm at Hanover Trustees Office and February 18th from 12-3 pm at Hanover High School. All children are invited to come out with no weight or town restrictions. Cost is \$50 and includes a shirt to keep. For more information go to www.hjwfootball.com



Cedar Lake Girls Softball Registration

February 5th and February 12th from 6:30-8:00 pm at Hanover High School Field House, 10120 W. 133rd Avenue. For any questions please contact Jessica Guska at (219) 707-6788 or cedarlakegirlssoftball@gmail.com. Age ranges are from 5 – 18 years.

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! 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 \$54.00 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 20th from 2 to 5 pm at the Cedar Lake Town Hall, 7408 Constitution Avenue. Last day to order is April 10th! For any questions please contact Jessica at (219) 374-7400 extension 127.

Beards for St. Jude...Donations Needed!

Throughout the months of January and February, 2018, police officers at the Cedar Lake Police Department are growing their beards out for St. Jude! For a minimum donation of \$1 per day, officers are allowed to grow their beards out until February 28. This campaign is a joint cooperative between the Cedar Lake Police Department and the Cedar Lake FOP Lodge #173. Please feel free to contribute on your own, or sponsor an officer as well.

There will be a "Best Beard" and "Worst Beard" award at the conclusion of this event, so please follow the progress on Facebook at Cedar Lake FOP #173 for updates. The goal is to raise **\$2,000 for the St. Jude Children Research Hospital**, let's surpass that and double it for these kids that deserve a chance at a healthy life!

<http://fundraising.stjude.org>

Team Name: Cedar Lake Police Department / Beards Battling Cancer



Cedar Lake Enhancement Association

The Cedar Lake Enhancement Association (CLEA) is a grassroots organization started in 1996 for the purpose of enhancing the water quality and clarity of Cedar Lake. CLEA has worked

towards this by preparing grant applications, hosting fundraiser events and donating hours of labor on ecosystem protection projects. The main objectives of CLEA are to restore the littoral currents and nutrient cycling of the beautiful Cedar Lake, increase spatial coverage of viable in-lake habitat, eradicate/control non-native species, re-establish fish passage/colonization and increase Cedar Lake's biodiversity. For more information or to place a *donation* to help restore Cedar Lake to its beautiful natural state please go to cleaindiana.org. Stay tuned for information on the ecosystem restoration project.

