



Scrapbook of People to see, Places to go, and Things to do

- explore
everyday -

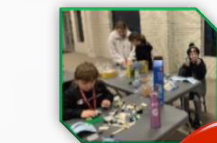
April

- 1 Easter Egg Hunt, Town Grounds, 11:15 am
- 3 STEM Club, The Clubhouse, 4 pm
- 4 Redevelopment Commission, Town Council, 6:30 pm
- 5 Plan Commission Meeting, 6 pm
- 6 Park Board Meeting, 6 pm
- 7 **Good Friday – Town Offices Closed**
- 11 Storm Water Board Meeting, 6 pm
- 12 Senior Social, Clubhouse, 2 pm
Jewelry Class, Clubhouse, 6 pm
- 13 Board of Zoning Appeals, 6:30 pm
- 14 Ground-Breaking Ceremony, Town Grounds, 5 pm
- 17 Bingo, Clubhouse, 3 pm
- 18 Utility Board, Town Council, 6:30 pm
- 19 Unsafe Building, 5:30 pm / Plan Commission, 7 pm
- 20 Adult Paint Class, Clubhouse, 6 pm
- 21 Rain Barrel Pick-up (Pre-arranged pick-up times)
- 25 Kids' Art Class, Clubhouse, 4 pm
- 26 Board of Safety Meeting, 6 pm
- 29 American Legion's "Poppy Day" Tag Day – (Rain Date 5-6)



May

- 1 STEM Club, The Clubhouse, 4 pm
- 2 **Primary Election Day – Town Offices Closed**
- 3 Plan Commission Meeting, 6 pm
- 4 Park Board Meeting, 6 pm
- 5 Senior Social, Clubhouse, 5 pm
- 8 Bingo, The Clubhouse, 3 pm
- 9 Storm Water Board Meeting, 6 pm
- 10 Farmers Market, Town Grounds, 3 pm
- 11 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting, 6:30 pm
Senior Social, Clubhouse, 4 pm
- 16 Kids' Art Class, Clubhouse, 4 pm
Utility Board, Town Council, 6:30 pm
- 17 Unsafe Building, 5:30 pm / Plan Commission, 7 pm
- 18 Adult Paint Class, Clubhouse, 6 pm
- 21 Utility Board, Town Council, 6:30 pm
- 22 Board of Safety Meeting, 6 pm
- 23 Stewardship of the Lake, Lions Den, 4 pm
- 24 Farmers Market, Town Grounds, 3 pm
- 29 **Memorial Day – Town Offices Closed**

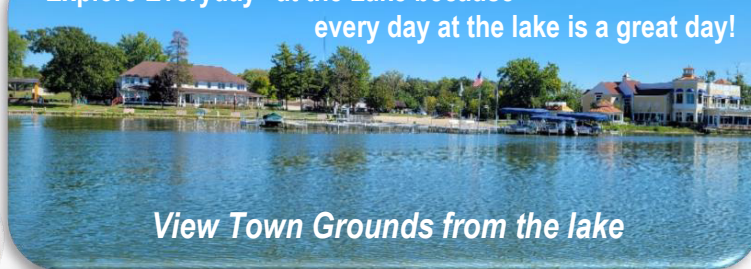


June

- 1 Park Board Meeting, 6 pm
- 5 STEM Club, The Clubhouse, 3 pm
- 6 Redevelopment Commission, Town Council, 6:30 pm
- 7 Farmers Market, Town Grounds, 3 pm
Plan Commission Meeting, 6 pm
- 8 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 10 Hanover Jr. Wildcats Football Tag Day (Rain Date 5-17)
- 11 Lakeside Artists Guild, Town Grounds,
- 12 Bingo, Clubhouse 3 pm
- 13 Storm Water Board Meeting, 6 pm
- 16 Senior Social, The Clubhouse, 2 pm
- 20 Utility Board, Town Council, 6:30 pm
- 21 Farmers Market, Town Grounds, 3 pm
Unsafe Building, 5:30 pm / Plan Commission, 7 pm
- 22 Lakeside Artists Guild, Town Grounds,
- 28 Board of Safety Meeting, 6 pm
- 30 Summerfest through July 4, Town Grounds (times vary)



"Explore Everyday" at the Lake because
every day at the lake is a great day!



View Town Grounds from the lake



First Farmers Market of 2023 is May 10th



Have a blast at an Adult Paint Class or a free concert in the park!

For information on Museum Activities, steamboat rides, and opening day, please visit lassensresort.org

Photos from Facebook Pages and staff photos of events.



LAKE SIDE Bulletin

Second Quarter Edition – 2023

Getting to Know You: The Town Councilmembers & Clerk-Treasurer

Our Elected Officials are our neighbors and fellow citizens. They care deeply about this community. Oftentimes, we do not get to know the people beyond their positions, hence this brief "getting to know you" article will let you know them a bit better.

Robert "Bob" Carnahan is our longest sitting Councilmember and a lifelong resident of Cedar Lake. He has been a public servant of Cedar Lake since 1984. Before retiring from Ford Motor Company, he worked at the Chicago Stamping Plant from 1989 to 2007 as a Safety Trainer. Bob has made his home in Cedar Lake where he raised his three loving children. Today, retired Bob has made a career as an avid philanthropist and spends a substantial amount of time serving a number of non-profit organizations. You can find him helping at the Cedar Lake United Methodist Church Project Love Food Pantry and the Cedar Lake Chamber of Commerce weekly. Bob told us, "I feel I am a servant of the community; I'm not a politician. Just as Jesus Christ is a servant, so am I, and he has blessed me in many ways!"



Bob Carnahan, Ward 1



Julie Rivera, Ward 2



Nick Recupito, Ward 3



Ralph Miller, Ward 4



Colleen Schieben, Ward 5



John Foreman, At-Large



Rick Sharpe, At-Large



Jennifer Sandberg
Clerk-Treasurer

Julie Rivera and Ed, her husband of 27 years, made Cedar Lake their home 18 years ago. They have two beautiful children, Ariana, 21, and Alex, 17. Julie earned a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology from Purdue Northwest and is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Education with a concentration in school counseling, and will be completing that this coming May. She has been a School Counselor for Calumet New Tech High School since 2014. Julie has told us, "I hope to go on to pursue a license in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and one day have a non-profit that will provide counseling services to at risk youth. In my free time I enjoy playing with my dog, traveling, trying new recipes, and spending time with people that make me laugh."

Nick Recupito is passionate about public servitude and when asked to tell us about himself, he responded, "I am in the first year of my first term on the Town Council. My wife Kathryn and I have 3 daughters ranging in age from infant to 4 years old. We are parishioners at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church. I am fortunate that my parents instilled a faith-based set of values in me that will help guide my decision-making for our town. My background includes 6 years serving on our town's Board of Zoning Appeals as well as experience as a heavy equipment technician and in road maintenance. My hobbies include studying American history, waterfowl hunting, fishing, and learning skills to promote self-sufficiency. I believe that independence is strength, and this logic can have its place in local government as well. My passion for the outdoors leads me to spending time boating on the lake and camping with family and friends. My favorite part about this Council position is the line of communication I have with our residents and the faith that is bestowed upon me to make decisions that are in the best interests of our current residents. I do not take lightly that my neighbors sent me to the Council to be their representative and it will be my mission going forward to make sure that there are no second-class citizens in Cedar Lake!"

Ralph Miller, a college graduate with an Associate's of Arts from Thornton Community College, and a Bachelor's of Art from Governors State University. He married his beloved wife LuAnn and moved to Cedar Lake 49 years ago. They enjoyed dancing in various locations across the US with the Indiana Dancers Association, which was 7000 members strong and were fortunate to have Ralph as a Past-President. Ralph is an active parishioner, board member of Grand Tots, and Eucharistic Minister of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church and a US Navy Veteran who served in Vietnam. Ralph is very active in local organizations: American Legion, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Knights of Columbus, and Keenagers. When asked being a Councilmember for three terms, Ralph stated, "I believe in working for the good of the entire community through both progress & preservation. Communication is the key to understanding. Cares about your concerns."

Colleen Schieben moved into her first home in Cedar Lake in 1988, and she and her husband Dan raised two children and still live in that home. Both of their children live in Cedar Lake. Dan and Colleen opened Schieben Automotive in 2012 and are still operating the business today with their son Kevin. Colleen told us, "I enjoy boating, fishing and all things water related. I have enjoyed being on the Town Council and helping to improve as much as possible around the town for all others to enjoy as much as I do." Colleen loves spending time with her family and has been spotted looking very happy taking her grandchildren to the Farmers Market and other child-friendly events.

John Foreman, born and raised in Cedar Lake, is a graduate of Hanover Central High School, has earned two Associate of Arts Degrees from Vincennes University, and he earned a Bachelor's Degree from Northwestern University while working in the Advanced Manufacturing Field. John participated in many sports growing up and enjoys golfing, all sorts of racing, boating, motorcycling, and snowmobiling. When asked what he enjoys most about the lake, John said, "The resort feel of having a lake in town, yet being so close to Chicago." Having always loved this town, John and his wife Audra built a house and raised their family here. John also told us, "Over the past number of years, I've learned a great deal about local government and I love serving people and meeting many of the new folks that now call Cedar Lake home and am excited to continue to help make this the place to live, work and play for future generations."

Richard "Rick" Sharpe was born and raised in Indianapolis and graduated from Butler University in 1975 with a Bachelor's Degree in Business and a concentration in Accounting. He passed the Certified Public Accountant's Exam in 1974 and spent the next 45 years working as a CPA in both the public and private sectors in various roles, including tax accounting and auditing, working for individuals and small companies to large corporations. Rick married his wife Georgia over 32 years ago. They have been residents of Cedar Lake for over 30 years where they raised three children. They are proud grandparents and enjoy sharing Cedar Lake with their five grandchildren. When asked Rick said, "I feel fortunate to be a public servant on the Town Council for the past 7 and a half years and I hope to continue helping Cedar Lake citizens for many years to come."

Jennifer Sandberg, a lifelong resident of Cedar Lake, graduated from Hanover Central in 2007. She began attending Purdue Calumet that same year and transferred to Indiana University Northwest, where she received her Associate's Degree in Business Administration in 2013. Jennifer and her husband Jeff chose to make Cedar Lake their home and raise their sons, Ryan and Nathan. In 2014, Jennifer began working for the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer as an entry level billing clerk and became our Clerk-Treasurer in 2018. Jennifer says, "I firmly believe in a hands-on approach to running the many duties of this office. You can find me in the office almost every day. I serve the residents of this Town and I don't take that responsibility lightly." When she is not in the office, Jennifer is cheering on her kids at their cross-country and track meets or running a 5K herself. Jennifer and her family enjoy camping and spending their free time outdoors.



From the Desk of Chris Salatas, Town Manager

"All water has a perfect memory and is forever trying to get back to where it was." – Toni Morrison

This is a great quote to open my letter with as the dredging of the lake will be starting soon, and the water carried with the sediment to the Sediment Dewatering Facility off of Parrish Avenue, will naturally drain the water so it can find its way back to the lake. The Lake Eco-System Restoration Project is underway, and Dredge America has started prepping the equipment for the dredging of the Lake starting this April. The dredging will not take place over holidays or holiday weekends.

Ground-breaking Ceremony New Police Station & Fire Station



**Friday, April 14, 2023
At 5 p.m.
on The Town Grounds**

The Park Board is continuing to work on staffing up the new Parks and Recreation Department and are setting plans in motion that will benefit the community for years to come. A new Superintendent of Parks and Recreation will be announced at an upcoming Park Board Meeting. We are currently accepting bids for new pavilions at Bartlett-Wahlberg Park, Woods of Cedar Creek Park, Kiwanis Park, Lynnsay Park, and Monastery Woods North Park; with Bartlett-Wahlberg and potentially Kiwanis to also have restroom facilities.

We have had many items that have caused issues for sanitary sewer pumps, including hypodermic needles, which can kill someone if punctured by one due to the bacteria that runs through a sanitary system. Below is a list of items **NOT TO FLUSH** and photos of items recently found with one of our pumps that quit working due to such products being flushed down the toilet:

- Kleenex and other facial tissues
- Baby wipes (or other personal hygiene wipes)
- Feminine products (sanitary napkins, pads of all sorts, and tampons)
- Facial cleansing wipes or make up removers
- Paper towels or napkins
- Q-tips and other make up applicators
- Kitty litter
- Cigarette Butts
- Oil, grease, or food scraps
- Prescription drugs
- Hypodermic Needles!



Parks & Recreation Activities & Classes



Contact Hope Tauber for questions, to register for events (required), or to rent a shelter or the Clubhouse.

(219) 374-7400 x 132, or email hope.tauber@cedarlakein.org

Unless specified otherwise, events are free and open to all ages.

Bingo

Monastery Clubhouse
9800 W 129th Avenue
Mondays at 3 p.m.
April 17th, May 8th, June 12th

Kids' Art Class – 5 and up - \$15

Monastery Clubhouse
9800 W 129th Avenue
Tuesdays from 4-5:30 p.m.
April 25th & May 16th

STEM Club – 2nd-6th Graders

Monastery Clubhouse
9800 W 129th Avenue
Mondays at 4 p.m.
April 3rd & May 1st
June 5th Special start time – 3 p.m.

Adult Paint Class - \$25

Monastery Clubhouse
9800 W 129th Avenue
Thursdays from 6-8 p.m.
April 20th, 6 p.m. & May 18th, 6 p.m.

Patti's All-American and Parks & Rec
Gymnastics, Dance, Ninja & Swim Collaboration
Discounts offered for CL Residents - Use code "CLPAA"
219-865-2274

Jewelry Class - \$23

Monastery Clubhouse
9800 W 129th Avenue
Wednesday, April 12th, 6 p.m.

Purdue Extension Classes

Lions Den Shelter
7408 Constitution Avenue
"Stewardship of the Lake"
Friday, May 23rd, 4 p.m.

Senior Social - Senior Citizens

Monastery Clubhouse
9800 W. 129th Avenue
Wednesday, April 12th, 2 p.m.
Thursday, May 11th, 4 p.m.
Friday, June 16th, 2 p.m.

Pointers from Public Works

Does your water bill seem higher than usual? If you have higher than usual water bills lately, you may want to check your toilets, faucets, and sprinkler systems for constant running water or drips. Both can increase your water consumption exponentially and cost you more money. Even if you are not on a municipal water system and have a private well—you use extra electricity to run the water pump, which can increase your electric costs. The following are some facts on what it can cost you.

A constantly running toilet is not just a sound nuisance, it is a pocketbook thief that can quickly steal money from your budget with increased water or electric costs! Oh, if you use a water filtration system or softener of any sort, it will cost you more with that as well. A toilet that is running can use from 3 to 4.5 gallons per minute—just shy of 5000 gallons a day at the high end! If you have a flapper that is leaking in the tank, you may not hear it, but that can waste 200 gallons of water a day, nearly undetectable to your ear unless it is very quiet or the tank lid is off.

Using simple math with a standard 1.5-gallon tank, the additional cost is as follows: A standard residential municipal water rate is \$10.22 for the first 4000 gallons, with a 2,000-gallon minimum fee of \$20.44, before applicable taxes; the next 4000 gallons are an additional \$8.52, and the scale does slide downward—rates can be found on our website at cedarlakein.org. One day of a running toilet is more than double the standard monthly usage. For example, a running 1.5-gallon toilet will use approximately 4,320 gallons per day. Based on our rates, if left undetected for a month, it could cost you about \$365 before applicable taxes for using water you are wasting due to a running toilet. Again, it is based on the leak itself. In short, you may want to keep an ear out for drips or a running toilet. Check your toilet components in the tank to ensure the flapper is sealing completely between flushes, the float is working right and is at the correct level.

Sprinkler systems use approximately 7-10 gallons of water per minute, which can contribute to higher water bills. To lower that impact, you can shorten the length of time and decrease the number of days you water your lawn.

Branch Pickup: Branch pick up starts the first week of April with the last run the first week of October. Please **do not** put anything in brush pile other than sticks.

Branches in a ditch or farther than 6 feet away from the roadside and grass, weeds, or wood will not be picked up.