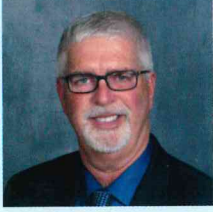


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Tom Schmitt, Councilmember Ward 4



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Caleb S. Johnson, Councilmember Ward 5



Mike Troxell, Clerk-Treasurer



Randy Wyllie
Judge, Schererville Town Court

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR PET LICENSES

Pets are members of many Schererville families, and now is the time to renew their 2025 pet licenses.

Pet owners must register in person at the Schererville Police Department, 25 East Joliet St. between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Owners are considered late to renew pet licenses beginning April 1, 2025.

"Please bring proof of shot records and proof of spaying/neutering," said Kelly Wynkoop, Dispatch and Records Supervisor with the Schererville Police Department. "The Police Department does not keep these records on file."

Town of Schererville Ordinance #1549 limits residents to owning no more than five dogs and/or cats, Wynkoop noted.

- The license renewal fees are as follows:
- \$5 for spayed or neutered cats or dogs
 - \$10 for non-spayed or non-neutered cats
 - \$20 for non-spayed or non-neutered dogs
 - There is a \$10 late fee per pet after the renewal period ends.

For more information, call (219) 322-5000.



TOWN HALL, POLICE DEPARTMENT NO LONGER ACCEPTING BATTERY DROP-OFFS

"The Schererville Police Department and Schererville Town Hall **are not** accepting battery drop-offs," noted Police Chief Peter Sormaz.

Proper battery disposal is handled by the Lake County Solid Waste Management District's

hazardous collection program and can be contacted at (219) 853-2420, he said.

For more information log on to <https://www.lcswmd.com/services/what-can-i-do-with-my-household-hazardous-waste-products/>.

Building Blocks to Literacy & Power Paws perfect for kids at Dyer-Schererville Library



"Many families are familiar with our storytimes, but we also offer Building Blocks for Literacy and co-sponsor the Power Paws program in February and March," said Beth Alyea, Branch Manager of the Lake County Branch of the Dyer-Schererville Library, located at 1001 W. Lincoln Hwy in Schererville.

Building Blocks to Literacy is an open block play program where kids ages 6 months to 3-years of age and their caregivers will enjoy interacting at various block play stations, Alyea said, adding that special blocks for older kids will also be available at high tables.

"A few of the foundational literacy skills needed to learn to read include letter knowledge, vocabulary and narrative skills. One of the best ways to hone these skills is through play. Playing helps children learn language, literacy, socialization and other skills," she said.

"Block play covers a variety of skills including the following: recognizing shapes that leads to recognizing letters and actively describing what is happening as you play equals narrative and vocabulary practice," Alyea noted. "By building with blocks, you are laying the foundation to literacy."

Power Paws is a program designed to allow children to explore reading within the library while enjoying the company of service dogs. Power Paws for Kids is a non-profit organization providing animal assisted activities programs.

"The dogs make excellent listeners and provide a safe environment for the children to practice and hone their reading skills," Alyea said.

Both programs will be offered on Saturday, February 15 and Saturday, March 15. The Building Blocks to Literacy will be held from 10:30 a.m. to noon, while the Power Paws program will be from 11 a.m. to noon on both days.

"By offering these two programs on the same day with overlapping times, we allow for a variety of early literacy learning opportunities. It's especially convenient for families with toddlers and older kids who are just learning to read. These families can move from the Building Blocks program to the Power Paws program when it suits their needs," she said.

For more information or to register visit www.lcpln.org/events or call (219) 322-4731.

PB&J FOOD DRIVE TO HELP ST. JOHN TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY



Peanut butter and jelly not only make great sandwiches, they also help the "Wipe Out Hunger" campaign sponsored by Schererville-based Scott's U-Save Tires & Auto Repair. This year's campaign, which runs through February 28, will benefit the St. John Township Food Pantry, located at 1515 W. Lincoln Hwy in Schererville.

Those who donate the specific jars of peanut butter or jelly at Scott's U-Save Tires and Auto Repair at 7701 U.S. 41 in Schererville will receive free wiper blades. There is a limit of one pair of wiper blades per customer, up to a \$35 value, noted Brad Templin, the son of founder Scott Templin.

"We raised just over one ton last year of PB&J across all our stores," he said. "This year our goal is to beat 2,500 pounds of PB&J."

New and unopened jars of peanut butter and jelly can be donated. Peanut butter, soy butter or almond butter jars of 40 ounces or more are accepted. Jelly jars of 10 ounces or more can be donated.

Templin said peanut butter is loved by kids, is a great source of protein and is shelf-stable.

St. John Township Trustee Cathy Lareau said the St. John Township Food Pantry provides food to the residents in the entire St. John Township, including Schererville, St. John, Dyer and unincorporated areas of St. John Township.

"PB&J would be a wonderful item to give to all of the families who come to us," Lareau said.

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STITCH PAINTING CLASS (FOR ALL AGES)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Ohana means family, and family means making magical moments together! Join us for a fun-filled painting class featuring everyone's favorite mischievous alien, Stitch! Led by the talented Chris Hnatusko, you'll learn how to create your very own Lilo & Stitch-inspired masterpiece!

All ages are welcome – perfect for families, friends, and Stitch fans of all kinds! All materials provided – just bring your creativity and aloha spirit! This is **NOT** a drop-off event – enjoy the fun together as a family!

The fee is \$30 for residents/\$36 for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org/catalogue.

TANG SOO DOO KARATE 2025 SESSIONS #2 (FOR AGES 4-10)

TUESDAYS, FEBRUARY 18 - APRIL 1

5:30-6:15 P.M. AGES 4-6 (CHAMPION SQUIRES)

6:30-7:15 P.M. AGES 7-10 (JUNIOR KNIGHTS)

Our Tang Soo Do Karate classes are high-energy, interactive, and go beyond just kicking and punching. We focus on building character, improving physical fitness, and learning self-defense. Under the guidance of 4th degree black belt master instructor Adam Theros, your child will grow in discipline, self-confidence, and self-esteem while having fun in a supportive environment.

Join our global community with over 200,000 members worldwide! This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to grow physically, mentally, and emotionally through martial arts. **NEW STUDENT'S UNIFORM IS INCLUDED!!** The fee is \$79 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Register now at www.schererville.org/catalogue.

2025 HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 3-6 P.M.

LEVEL UP your health at the FREE Health & Wellness Fair! In honor of American Heart Month, take care of yours and join us for a fun-filled afternoon of valuable health information, demonstrations and activities that are good for you!

This year, we're taking our Health & Wellness Fair to the next level! Whether you're looking for tips to improve your physical health, mental well-being, or overall wellness, we've got you covered with:

- * Health Advocates & Resources
- * Exciting Demonstrations
- * Free Raffles for Attendees!

Applications are available at

<https://www.eventeny.com/events/vendor/?id=26424>. Hope to see you there!

MUSIC TIME WITH MISS CATLIN 2025 – SESSION #2

TUESDAYS, MARCH 4 - APRIL 8 10:15-11 A.M.

(FOR AGES 9 MONTHS TO 4 YEARS)

Introduce your little one to the joy of music! Join Miss Catlin, a certified music teacher and mom, for a fun-filled class featuring live music, singing, lap bounces and simple instrument play. Each activity is developmentally designed to support your child's growth and create meaningful parent-child moments. **Parent participation is required, so come ready to sing, play and make memories together!**

The fee is \$90 for residents/+5% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org/catalogue.

MUSIC TIME WITH MISS CATLIN 2025 – SESSION #2

THURSDAYS, MARCH 6 - APRIL 10 11:15 A.M. - NOON

(FOR AGES 9 MONTHS TO 4 YEARS)

Introduce your little one to the joy of music! Join Miss Catlin, a certified music teacher and mom, for a fun-filled class featuring live music, singing,

lap bounces and simple instrument play. Each activity is developmentally designed to support your child's growth and create meaningful parent-child moments. **Parent participation is required, so come ready to sing, play and make memories together!**

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BABY IN TUNE 2025 – SESSION #2 (FOR AGES NEWBORN TO 8 MONTHS)

THURSDAYS, MARCH 6 - APRIL 10 12:15 - 1:15 P.M.

Join us for Baby in Tune with Miss Catlin, a heartwarming music class designed for parents and little ones. Through singing, swaying and playful interaction, you will discover how to use music to establish routines, soothe and communicate with your baby and foster joy and connection. This class also offers therapeutic benefits for parents and group discussions. Please bring a blanket for your baby. One parent per child is recommended to enhance the bonding experience.

The fee is \$90 for residents/+5% for non-residents. Optional materials priced at \$15 include a shaker, scarf and access to song videos. Register at www.schererville.org/catalogue.

SPONGEBOB PAINTING CLASS (FOR ALL AGES)

SATURDAY, MARCH 15 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

Who lives in a pineapple under the sea? *It's SpongeBob and Patrick!* Join us for a fun and creative painting class where YOU get to choose your favorite character to paint – SpongeBob or Patrick! Led by the amazing Chris Hnatusko, this class is perfect for fans of Bikini Bottom of all ages.

All ages are welcome – perfect for families, friends, and SpongeBob fans! All materials provided – just bring your creativity and love for underwater adventures. This is **NOT** a drop-off event – enjoy the fun together as a family! The fee is \$30 for residents/\$36 for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org/catalogue.

YOGA MONDAYS (SESSION #2A)

MONDAYS, MARCH 17 - APRIL 28 6-7 P.M. (NO CLASS ON MARCH 24)

Join us for a refreshing new round of Yoga Mondays for ages 10 and older! This session is perfect for everyone—whether you're just starting your yoga journey or have been practicing for years. Our wonderful instructor, Lynn, will lead you through a variety of poses and breathing exercises designed to enhance your flexibility, strength, and sense of inner peace. Let's come together to rejuvenate our minds and bodies!

The fee is \$43.50 for residents/+15% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org/catalogue.

YOGA TUESDAYS (SESSION #2B)

TUESDAYS, MARCH 18 - APRIL 29 6-7 P.M. (NO CLASS ON MARCH 25)

Elevate your midweek routine with our Yoga Tuesdays for ages 10 and older! This class is open to all skill levels, from newcomers to seasoned yogis. Join our experienced instructor, Lynn, as she guides you through a series of soothing poses and mindfulness practices that will improve your flexibility, balance, and overall well-being. Experience the calming effects of yoga and embrace the journey to inner peace!

The fee is \$43.50 for residents/+15% for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org/catalogue.





What's Happening in Town



FEBRUARY

- 5 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 6 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 17 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 24 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m.

MARCH

- 3 Plan Commission/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 5 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 6 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 17 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 24 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m.

APRIL

- 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/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 9 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.

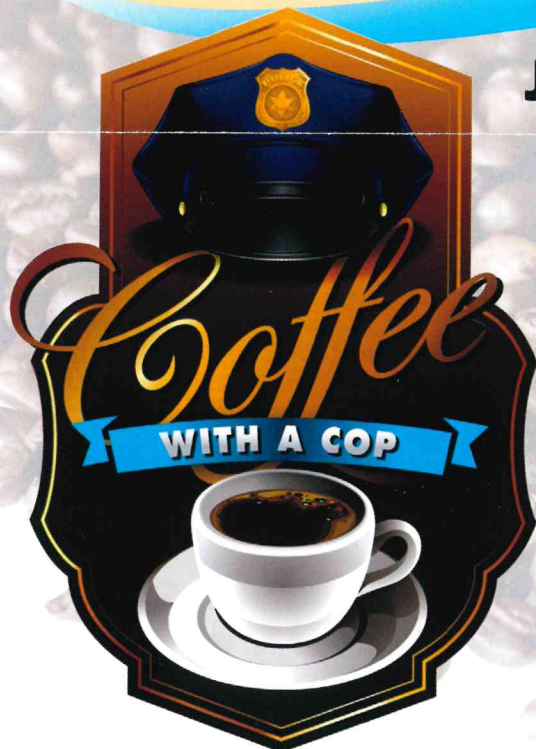
- 18 Good Friday – Town Hall closed
- 21 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 28 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m.

MAY

- 5 Plan Commission/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 7 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 8 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.
- 14 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 26 Memorial Day – Town Hall closed
- 26 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m. (Subject to change)

JUNE

- 2 Plan Commission/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 5 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.
- 10 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 11 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 16 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 23 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m.



JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND POLICE OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND CONVERSATION!

No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood!

**March 13,
2025
9am-11am**

**McDonald's
1855 US Hwy 41,
Schererville, IN**

[For more information, Corporal Ryan Staley 219-322-5000 Ext. 2324]

**Schererville
Police Department**

