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Our town has many buildings and pavement surfaces which don't allow rain to soak into the ground. We rely on storm drains to carry large amounts of runoff from roofs and paved areas to nearby waterways. Unfortunately storm water runoff also carries pollutants such as oil, dirt, chemicals, and lawn fertilizers directly to streams and rivers where that pollution seriously harms water quality, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

prevent harmful discharges

Schererville residents can help promote good storm water quality and prevent harmful discharges into our local streams, ditches, downstream rivers, and waterways a number of ways. For example, don't dump lawn clippings into streams or ditches; either compost or recycle them. Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep driveways, sidewalks, and roads instead of using a hose. Households can also prevent polluted runoff by picking up after pets and using, storing, and disposing of chemicals properly. Check your vehicles for leaks. Contact the Schererville Public Works Department at Publicworks@schererville.org with any questions about storm water maintenance.

Lake County residents can also dispose of household hazardous wastes thanks to the Lake County Solid Waste Management District. Latex paint is among the hazardous wastes processed for disposal at these collections or during regular trash pick-up. The proper disposal of latex paint includes the following steps, according to the LCSWMD:

- 1. Remove lid and add an equal amount of any of the following: cat-litter, sawdust, oil-dry granules, sand, or paint drying crystals, to an equal amount of latex paint.
- 2. Stir contents until the paint and absorbent material-mixture has a thick, oatmeal-like consistency.
- 3. Leave lid off, and allow mixture to air-dry (one to two days) until dry and solid.
- 4. Place at curb for regular trash pick-up, without lid on paint can. Haulers will take the paint if they can see that it is dried out.

Oil based paint can be dried out in the same manner. However, even if it has been dried out, it's still considered hazardous waste and must be taken to a hazardous-waste site. Please refer to the Lake County Solid Waste Management District's website, www.lcswmd.com or you can contact Lake County Hazardous Waste at (219) 853-2420.





Lake Central High School Centralettes take top national dance championship honors

Practice definitely made perfect for the Lake Central High School Centralettes who won the National Dance Alliance grand championship in Orlando, Florida, earlier this spring.

This makes the dance team's 18th year of earning a championship at nationals since 1995, noted Kevin Mathis, the team's head coach, who joined the Lake Central High School staff in 1989.

During the Grand National competition that featured 93 teams from all over the U.S., the Lake Central varsity team of 17 girls won the best in jazz award. Lake Central's team also took top honors in its division for medium-sized teams competing in jazz, hip-hop and pom categories.

At the ceremonies in Orlando, the Centralettes team members were awarded medallions and banners. "They are also receiving beautiful rings which the parents purchased for them," said Mathis, who serves as president of the National Dance Coaches Association.

This year also saw the varsity Centralettes team earn its 26th consecutive state championship at Jefferson High School in Lafayette, Indiana, Mathis said. The team participates in three categories of dance and has won 50 state titles overall in jazz, hip-hop or pom.

"COVID took out last year's state competition, or it would have been 27 consecutive state championships," Mathis said.

The varsity team includes 11 seniors who recently graduated from Lake Central High School as well as four juniors and two sophomores, he said.

The 16-member junior varsity Centralettes dance team also brought home top honors at the state competition, winning all three categories of jazz, hip-hop and pom. Members of this team include freshman and sophomore students, Mathis noted.

Many of the Centralettes team members have been dancing since childhood, he said. During the May through March season, members of both the varsity and junior varsity teams rehearse every weekday. They are also required to take specific dance classes in the evening and sometimes have practices or events on Saturdays or Sundays, he said.

Mathis credited the parents of the dance team members for their support and enthusiasm.

"My parents are my secret sauce," he said.

"They provide the rhinestone costumes, pay for repairs to those costumes and for dance lessons," Mathis said. "It's the strength of our parents that make our program a success."

In addition, the parents help raise funds to support the program. "They have raised funds in the six figures for our program," he said.

Summer Reading Program returns to public library

The Summer Reading Program returns to all branches of the Lake Public Library with events and prizes for all ages throughout June and July!

"Reading is its own reward," said Chris Rettig, Manager of the Dyer-Schererville Branch, located at 1001 W. Lincoln Hwy in Schererville. "But why not try to win a \$200 gift card for yourself, a Nintendo Switch for the kids, or a Shedd Aquarium pass for the whole family, just by reading?"

Each hour spent reading earns a raffle ticket to be entered in one of 12 drawings held at the library branches.

"We also have useful services for people who need help selecting books," Rettig added. "Choose from our Bestseller Express collection of current popular titles or request a 'surprise bag' of books hand-picked by a reader's advisor."

The Dyer-Schererville Branch also offers film showings, crafts, story times, AARP's Safe Driver Course, and other events for all ages this summer.

More information about the Summer Reading Program and a calendar of events at all Lake County Public Library branches can be found at www.lcplin.org.





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CHERERVILLE MARKET 2022

ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS, JUNE THROUGH OCTOBER

-8 P.M. (3-7 P.M. IN THE FALL)

CHERWOOD PARK, 500 E. JOLIET ST.

his sequel will be even better than ne original! And we've added four nore shows. One of those new hows is Get Fit @5 held near the og Cabin. Enjoy Yoga in the Park with Aly Juran at 5 p.m. on June 15, ugust 3 and September 21. articipate in Zumba in the Park with ue Bourget at 5 p.m. on July 6, ugust 17 and October 5. There's Iso Family Fitness in the Park ponsored by the Schererville amily YMCA starting at 5 p.m. on uly 20, September 7 and October



9. These programs are FREE! ou'll also find farmers markets, crafts and vendors, food trucks, live music rith two acts every night, other unique entertainment at each market and ounce houses! What else is new? The Schererville Market goes on RAIN OR HINE! If the weather doesn't favor an outdoor Market, we'll move the Market side the nearby Schererville Community Center. We are so PUMPED to be ne ONLY Market that you can count on to be "Going Strong" — no matter that Mother Nature throws our way! Masks are optional.

* Interested vendors can email us at events@schererville.org **

ELEBRATE SCHERERVILLE FEST

UNE 8-12

ETER G. REDAR PARK, 217 Gregory Street

's back!! Join us as we celebrate CHERERVILLE!! Festival hours are p.m. to 11 p.m. on Wednesday, une 8, and Thursday, June 9; from 5 .m. to 11:30 p.m. on Friday, June 0; from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, une 11; and from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. unday, June 12.

gain this year, you can purchase a IEGAPASS wristband that's good or all five days! This wristband is vailable for purchase online only at www.schererville.org through 4 p.m. n June 8 for \$50. After that you can urchase a wristband for all five



ays for \$60 or a single-day wristband for \$25 at the fest ticket booth. /hatever wristband you purchase, you can enjoy the rides provided by lodern Midways. Wristband hours are 5-11 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; -11:30 p.m. on Friday; 2-6 p.m. on Saturday and 2-9 p.m. on Sunday.

ou'll also find a wide range of activities including BINGO games operated by the The Knights of Columbus Council 12177 from 6-10 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday and from 6-11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Bring your ppetite because there'll be food and beverages for all ages! Those 21 and lder can also enjoy refreshments at the Beer Garden operated by

Firefighters Local 4279 from 5-11 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; from 5-11:30 p.m. on Friday; from 4-11:30 p.m. Saturday and from 4-10 p.m. on Sunday.

Enjoy the line-up of bands appearing on stage:

- * Wednesday, June 8 Gypsy 5-7 p.m./Sushi Roll 8-11p.m.
- * Thursday, June 9 Smolen & Friends 5-7 p.m. / Dick Diamond & the Dusters 8-11p.m.
- * Friday, June 10 Bad Alley Shadows 5-7:30 p.m. / Mr. Funnyman 8:30 11:30 p.m.
- * Saturday, June 11 -Jessi & the Fizz Band 4:30-7:30p.m. / Echoes of Pompeii 8:30-11:30 p.m.
- * Sunday, June 12 Apollo Selene 4-6 p.m. / Jonny James 7-10 p.m.
- ** Interested vendors can email us at events@schererville.org **

SCHERERVILLE'S "SOUNDS OF SCHERERVILLE" PARADE

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 5 P.M.

Roman Road & Joliet Street

It's time to "Get Down" and "Get Groovin'!" The Celebrate Schererville Parade returns for it's the 29th year with a twist. Everybody "drums to a different beat" so the Schererville Parks Department and the Town of Schererville invite you to strut those moves to your favorite musical genre/band. All businesses, schools, churches, groups and organizations are invited to join us in this time-honored event. The parade steps off at 5 p.m. at Roman Road and Joliet Street and ends at Redar Park. If you would like a spot in the parade, please email the Parks Department at events@schererville.org.

SCHERERVILLE PARKS KIDS KORNER 2022

FRIDAYS, JUNE 24, JULY 22, AUGUST 12, AUGUST 19 5-9 P.M. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 11 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

PETER G. REDAR PARK

FRIDAY, JULY 1 5-9 P.M. AT ROHRMAN PARK, 6750 ROHRMAN ROAD

Kids Korner is NEW this Summer! Kids ages 4-13 can enjoy hours of fun including

- · Unlimited Nerf Wars!!
- Unlimited Laser Tag!!
- Unlimited Play at the 55-foot Game Truck (All game consoles)!!
- Unlimited Play at "The Beast" the 130-foot Giant Blow Up Obstacle Course!!

Single day Pre-Sale Kids Korner wristbands cost \$20 per participant and \$25 at the event. Wristbands can be picked up at the Schererville Parks tent at each event. The account holder must be present with a photo ID.

Wristbands are NOT transferrable. All sales are final – no refunds.

Kids Korner is NOT a drop-off event. Parents are responsible for their children.

Register at www.schererville.org/catalog.

DINO DAY PARTY IN THE PARK

(FREE MOVIE NIGHT) FRIDAY, JUNE 24 5-10:30 P.M. PETER G. REDAR PARK

RRROOOAAARRR!! Dinosaurs have returned to Schererville and have made Redar Park their official stomping ground!! Schererville Parks brings back Dino Day



Party in the Park to celebrate every size, shape and color of our prehistoric friends! So grab every dino-fanatic and join us for an evening that's truly the size of T-Rex!!

The party kicks off at 5 p.m. and includes the following

- · Food trucks
- PNP Pop-Ups (Crafters and Vendors)
- Kids Korner (unlimited Nerf War, Laser Tag, 55-foot Game Truck and 130-foot Giant Obstacle Course [The Beast])
- Frankie the Dinosaur (Giant Animatronic Dino) (FREE)
- Dino-Craft (FREE)
- Musical Entertainment (FREE)
- Giant Bubble Making (FREE)
- Dino ROAR Contest with prizes! (FREE)
- Dino Dance Party starting at 8:45 p.m. (FREE)
- Jurassic World 2 at 9 p.m. (FREE)
- ** Interested vendors can email us at events@schererville.org. **



SCHERERVILLE FIREWORKS 2022

FRIDAY, JULY 1 5-10:30 P.M.

ROHRMAN PARK, 6750 ROHRMAN ROAD

Schererville's fireworks celebration will light up the sky once again as we some together with family, friends and loved ones on July 1. This town avorite returns with live entertainment, a beer garden, food trucks, rafters and vendors, and more!! Don't forget your chairs and blankets! The rain date is Friday, July 2.

* Interested crafters and vendors can reach out to us at vents@schererville.org for more information **

SHIPSHEWANA BUS TRIP

VEDNESDAY, JULY 6 7 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

antiques, crafts, buggy rides, food & fun! It all awaits when you join the Schererville Parks & Recreation Department on our day trip to "Amish Country" on July 6. Take your time strolling through the many craft and pecialty shops or eat lunch in one of the Amish restaurants. Bargain unters will enjoy the enormous flea market. We will depart from the Schererville Community Center, 500 E. Joliet St. at 7 a.m. and return at 5 m. There is a minimum limit of 32 and a maximum limit of 55. The fee is 42 for Schererville residents/+20% for non-residents. The cost ncludes coach bus transportation.

Register @ www.schererville.org/catalog.

ENCANTO FOREVER PAINTING CLASS (ALL AGES)

SATURDAY, JULY 16 11 A.M. – 1 P.M.

SCHERERVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER, 500 E. JOLIET ST.

We know not to talk about BRUNO! But we can't help spreading the word about our ENCANTO PAINTING CLASS!! This class brings all the excitement, fun and sounds of Encanto ALIVE on canvas.

Join the Schererville Parks for this EXTREMELY POPULAR class Encanto Forever led by instructor Christine Hnatusko! All ages are welcome and all supplies will be provided.

The fee is \$30 for residents/+20% for non-residents. Masks are optional.

Register @ www.schererville.org/catalog.

HOCUS POCUS PARTY IN THE PARK 2022

FRIDAY, JULY 22 5-10:30 P.M.

PETER G. REDAR PARK, 217 Gregory Street

Oh, look, another glorious Party in the Park! The time has come to run AMUCK in the 5th installment of Hocus Pocus Party in the Park! Join Schererville Parks as we celebrate Halloween and bring Hocus Pocus to life on the BIG SCREEN and more!

The magic begins at 5 p.m. and includes the following:

- Food trucks
- · Crafters & Vendors
- · Live Magic Show (FREE)
- Live Entertainment (FREE)
- Helicopter Candy Drop (FREE)
- Kids Korner (unlimited Nerf War, Laser Tag, 55-foot Game Truck and 130-foot Giant Obstacle Course)
- · Air Brush Tattoo Artist
- Halloween Costume Contest Raffle with prizes! (FREE)
- · Character Meet & Greets (FREE)
- · Giant Yard Games & Giant Bubble Making (FREE)
- · Fun Photo Booth (FREE)
- · Hocus Pocus Movie at 9 p.m. (FREE)
- Hocus Pocus Craft (FREE)
- ** Interested Crafters, Vendors and Food Trucks can email us at events@schererville.org. **

NWI SYMPHONY IN THE PARK CONCERT

SATURDAY, JULY 23 7:30-9 P.M.

PETER G. REDAR PARK, 217 Gregory Street

The Town of Schererville is proud to present a summer concert with the Northwest Indiana Symphony! Join us at Redar Park for a great evening of music. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and picnic baskets for this unforgettable evening! Beer and wine ARE permitted at this event, and we will have food trucks available.

In case of inclement weather, the Symphony will be moved to Lake Central High School, 8410 Wicker Ave. in St. John. Attendees are asked to use Entrance B at the school.

CRAFTS AT THE CROSSROADS HANDMADE CRAFT SHOW

SATURDAY, JULY 30 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

SCHERERVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER, 500 E. JOLIET ST.

This show is perfect for craft lovers of all kinds! Every item at this show is ALL CRAFTED! No vendors, no direct sellers – just pure handmade items from crafters all throughout the Crossroads region!

We'll have more 150+ crafters inside and outside the Schererville Community Center. And bring your appetites because we'll have food trucks with goodies for you to nibble and nosh. There are also 100+ FREE RAFFLES! Admission and parking are free!

Interested Crafters can email us at events@schererville.org. Emails must have Crafts at the Crossroads in subject line. Photos are required before receiving an application.



Batteries supply power to everything from TV remotes to vehicles. Knowing how to properly recycle the many types of batteries is vital because batteries contain harmful materials that are hazardous to people and the environment.

Republic Services provides garbage and recycling pickup for the Town of Schererville and offers information about battery recycling programs on the company's website https://www.republicservices.com/residents/recycling/battery.

"Batteries contain harmful materials that are hazardous and they should not be included with your trash or curbside recycling. We offer environmentally responsible solutions that protect our planet and help keep you safe," the Republic Service website notes. One of those solutions is a "battery mail back" program with details outlined on the website.

The following list contains information about the types of batteries and how to recycle them.

Single Use Batteries:

- Alkaline & Zinc-Carbon: Everyday batteries. For example AA, AAA, C, D, 9 Volt.
 - o The Clerk-Treasurer's Office at Schererville Town Hall does accept these batteries to be dropped off for recycling.
- Button-Cell/Coin & Lithium Single Use:
 - o <u>DO NOT</u> dispose in trash or recycling receptacles. Lithium batteries ARE a fire hazard.
 - Seek out battery recyclers, retailers, or other local household hazardous waste collection programs to dispose of properly.

Rechargeable Batteries:

- Nickel Cadmium, Lithium-Ion, Nickel Metal Hydride, Nickel-inc, Small-Sealed Lead Acid
 - o These can be found in a variety of items and are differentiated from single use batteries because they are rechargeable.
 - If the battery is removable, bring to a battery recycler, participating retailer that has battery take-back services, or

look for a local household hazardous waste collection program.

- o If the battery is non-removable, look for an electronics recycler, a participating retailer that provides electronics take-back services, or a local electronics or household hazardous waste collection program that collects these items.
- o Take particular care with lithium-ion batteries as they can be a fire hazard. <u>DO NOT</u> place in trash or recycling receptacles.

Automotive Batteries:

- Lead-Acid: Example Automobiles, boats, snowmobiles, etc.
 - o Used as either an engine starting battery or automotive power battery that moves the vehicle.
 - o Lake County Household Hazardous Waste DOES NOT accept these kinds of batteries at waste events.
 - EPA and Lake County Solid Waste District recommend finding participating retailers that will take these sorts of batteries. Examples include auto parts retailers such as O'Reillys or Auto Zone.
 - o <u>DO NOT</u> place these in trash or recycling receptacles.
- Medium & Large Scale Li-Ion Used by plug-in & hybrid electric vehicles or energy storage systems
 - Consumers may not be able to easily remove these due to size/complexity of the battery.
 - o Contact automobile or energy storage facilities that battery was purchased at to determine how to dispose of it.
 - o <u>DO NOT</u> place these in trash or recycling receptacles.

The following is a list or resources consumers can use to determine where to bring their batteries to be recycled:

- Lake County Solid Waste Management District Battery Recycling: https://www.lcswmd.com/services/batteries/
- EPA Electronics Donation and Recycling: https://www.epa.gov/recycle/electronics-donation-and-recycling
- https://search.earth911.com/
- https://www.call2recycle.org/









What's Happening in Town



JUNE

- 8- Celebrate Schererville Fest, Redar Park, 5-11 p.m. Wednesday
- 12 & Thursday; 5-11:30 p.m. Friday; 2-11 p.m. Saturday and 2-10 p.m. Sunday
- 11 "Sounds of Schererville" Parade, Roman Road & Joliet Street, 5 p.m.
- 15 Schererville Market 2022, Scherwood Park, 3-8 p.m.
- 20 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 24 Dino Day Party in the Park, Redar Park, 5-10:30 p.m.
- 27 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m.

JULY

- 1 Schererville Fireworks, Rohrman Park, 5-10:30 p.m.
- 4-5 Independence Day Town Hall closed
- Schererville Market 2022, Scherwood Park, 3-8 p.m.
- 6 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- Board of Safety Study Session, 5:30 p.m.; Board of Safety, 6:30 p.m.
- 13 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 7 p.m.
- 16 Encanto Forever Painting Class, Schererville Community Center, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 18 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 20 Schererville Market 2022, Scherwood Park, 3-8 p.m.
- 22 Hocus Pocus Party in the Park, Redar Park, 5-10:30 p.m.

- 23 NWI Symphony in the Park Concert, Redar Park, 7:30-9 p.m.
- Crafts at the Crossroads Handmade Craft Show, Schererville Community Center, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

AUGUST

- 1 Plan Commission Meeting 6 p.m.
- 3 Schererville Market 2022, Scherwood Park, 3-8 p.m.
- 3 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 4 Board of Safety Study Session, 5:30 p.m.; Board of Safety, 6:30 p.m.
- 10 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 7 p.m.
- 15 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 17 Schererville Market 2022, Scherwood Park, 3-8 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- Board of Safety Study Session, 5:30 p.m.; Board of Safety, 6:30 p.m.
- 5 Labor Day Town Hall closed
- 7 Schererville Market 2022, Scherwood Park, 3-7 p.m.
- 7 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 14 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 7 p.m.
- 19 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 21 Schererville Market 2022, Scherwood Park, 3-7 p.m.

