



# The Schererville Crossroads



## What's Happening in Town

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### February

- 11 Redevelopment Commission, Waterworks Board, Utility Board, Town Council 7:00 PM
- 12 Board of Safety 7:00 PM
- 16 Plan Commission Study Session 6:00 PM
- 17 Chamber of Commerce Annual Mardi Gras Fashion Show
- 23 Board of Zoning Appeals 6:00 PM, Health and Wellness Fair 3:00-7:00 PM at the Schererville Community Center
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- 25 Town Council Study Session 6:00 PM
- 30 Bunny Story & Craft 4:00-5:15PM
- 31 Deadline for Pet Registration

### March

- 2 Plan Commission 6:00 PM
- 4 Park Board 6:00PM
- 11 Redevelopment Commission, Waterworks Board, Utility Board, Town Council 7:00 PM
- 12 Board of Safety 7:00
- 13 Create a Holiday Wreath 5:00-7:00 PM

### April

- 1 Park Board 6:00 PM
- 2 Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt 7:30-8:30 PM at the Schererville Community Center
- 4 Breakfast with the Bunny 9:00-11:30 AM at the Schererville Community Center
- 6 Plan Commission 6:00 PM
- 8 Redevelopment Commission, Waterworks Board, Utility Board, Town Council 7:00 PM
- 9 Board of Safety 7:00 PM

## CALLING 9-1-1



There have been many questions since the start of the new-year about how the Schererville Dispatch Center will be operating for 911 calls. It is an important question to ask, and a very easy question to answer: Nothing has changed concerning the operation of the Schererville Dispatch Center. As of now, Schererville has not joined the Lake County Dispatch Center and continues to be operated independently by experienced full-time and part-time operators. All residents can rest assured that each of you will receive the utmost professional service from the Schererville Dispatch Center.

## Schererville.org

Many questions residents have are easily answered at [www.schererville.org](http://www.schererville.org). On the site, you can do things such as downloading the recycling calendar, view the winter/spring Parks Department program and events brochure, or get an up-to-date map of our town. If you are looking to find out when a topic of interest was decided or discussed, you can search the archive of Minutes of Town Council meetings.

Other resources include the Town Code, a directory of departments and phone numbers and an opportunity to pay your water bill without ever leaving your house. We are excited to say that, if you missed any issues of our Schererville Crossroads, the first two are on line. Others will be made available in the near future.

Explore the site and enjoy the wealth of information at [www.schererville.org](http://www.schererville.org).



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Jerry Tippy, Councilman Ward 1



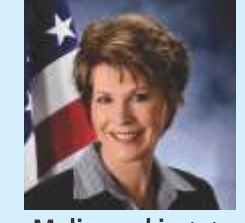
Kevin Connelly, Councilman Ward 2



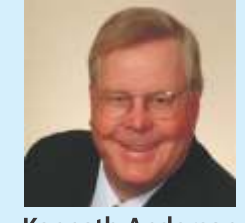
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## PET-FRIENDLY SCHERERVILLE Perry Ferrini Dog Park

Registration for the Perry Ferrini Dog Park for 2015 is now being taken at the Clerk Treasurer's office. For Schererville residents, memberships are \$60 and \$100 for non-residents. Memberships are good for one calendar year, and proof of your pet's current vaccinations is required upon registering. The Perry Ferrini Dog Park is located at the corner of Matthews Street and 91<sup>st</sup>.



Thanks to the Schererville Park Foundation for donating new shelters, benches, and new landscaping, enhancing both the aesthetic beauty of the park and the comfort level for you and your four-legged friends.

The Rules of the Park include a limit of two dogs per adult at any one time. The animals must remain under supervision while in the run area. Outside the run area, the dog must be leashed.

Keep in mind that children 11 and under are not permitted in the park, and children 12-16 must be accompanied by an adult.

There are limits on the four-legged friends, too. Dogs six months and under are not permitted in the park. Dogs under 26 pounds must remain in the small run area, and dogs 26 pounds and over must remain in the large run area. If there is any perpetual barking or aggressive behavior, the dog must be removed from the park to maintain a level of enjoyment and safety for the other dogs and dog owners.

REMINDER: Pet licenses are due by March 31, 2015. Licenses can be obtained at the Clerk Treasurer's Office inside Town Hall. Please bring proof of current rabies shot with you. It costs \$5 for spayed/neutered cats and dogs, and \$20 for non-neutered dogs/\$10 for non-neutered cats. A \$10 late fee will be assessed for any pet not licensed by the 31st of March.



# STAY HEALTHY, WEALTHY AND WISE

Have you ever heard someone say, "At least you have your health?" It's a common phrase most often used to shed light on the bigger picture. The bigger picture being: there is nothing more important than one's health, and knowledge and understanding are two major components in maintaining a healthy life.

To help our residents keep their bigger picture bright and healthy, there is a Health and Wellness Fair scheduled at the Schererville Community Center on February 23 from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. February is American Heart Month and therefore seems like a perfect time to have an event promoting health and wellness. There will be demonstrations, resource booths, screenings, lectures, massages, stress relief techniques, healthy cooking demos and, of course, heart healthy refreshments.

This is a FREE EVENT, so it is good for the heart, the body, the mind, and the pocketbook.

Any vendor still interested in participating is welcome to visit [www.schererville.org](http://www.schererville.org) for an application or contact the Park Office at (219) 865-5530.



## SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY FIRST

### [carseatcheck@scherville.org](mailto:carseatcheck@scherville.org)

There is nothing more important to a parent than their children's safety. That is never more evident than while driving a vehicle. So many people lose their lives or are seriously injured in accidents each year. In the case of children, these injuries are often the result of improper restraints, from seatbelts to car seats. Many deaths and injuries can be avoided by having the child properly and securely fastened in safety seats.

The proper use of a car seat is paramount for a child's safety. The most efficient car seat is the one that fits the child and the vehicle, and can be installed and used correctly every time. To help parents assess their level of protection, you can install the following free app on a mobile device - Car Seat Helper.

Additionally, the Schererville Police Department is committed to keeping the children of our community safe. The department offers car seat inspections by appointment on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. except on holidays. To schedule an appointment, call (219) 322-5000 extension 2321.



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## Easter is Coming

As Easter approaches the Schererville Parks Department has several holiday-themed events planned for the Town's younger residents.

You look for Easter Eggs during the day. You hunt for Easter Eggs at night, beneath the pale glow from that strange spotlight in the sky. On April 2, from 7:30-8:30, kids ages 8-13 are invited to participate in a Flash Light Easter Egg Hunt at the Schererville Community Center. After the moonlit hunt has concluded, there will be a pizza party and bingo inside. The only supplies you need to bring to the hunt are a flashlight for seeing, and a bag for collecting. Fee: \$9 for residents/\$11 for non-residents.

In addition to the hunt, you can beautify your home by crafting a tulle tutu wreath perfect for the front door, hear a holiday story about that wonderfully enigmatic bunny, and have breakfast with the big-eared-gent himself.

For ages 7 to 12, the Create a Holiday Wreath workshop is set for Friday, March 13, 5:00-7:30 p.m. at the Schererville Community Center. Fee: \$16 for residents/\$18 for non-residents.

On Monday, March 30 from 4:00 to 5:15 PM, children aged 3 to 6 are invited to a Bunny Story and Craft time at the Schererville Community Center. Fee: \$9 for residents/\$11 for non-residents.

The all-time favorite, Breakfast with the Bunny is scheduled for Saturday April 4, 9:00 11:30 a.m. at the Schererville Community Center. Fee for ages 11 and under \$8 for residents/\$10 for non-residents. Fee for ages 12 and up \$12 for residents/ \$14 for non-residents. There is a March 31 deadline for ticket sales, but hurry as they go fast and might fill up before then. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

For more information about these or any other Parks Events, please refer to the Schererville Parks and Rec. Winter/Spring Catalog, or visit [www.schererville.org](http://www.schererville.org).

## Mardi Gras Fashions



The Schererville Chamber of Commerce will be holding its annual Mardi Gras Fashion Show on Tuesday, February 17. Tickets are \$35 and location is Halls of St. George on Joliet Street in Schererville. Contact the Chamber at 219-322-5412 for tickets or additional information. Profits from the event go towards the Parent Teacher Organizations of Homan, Peifer, Grimmer and Watson Schools.

The Schererville Chamber of Commerce is a Business Organization aimed at the promotion of business and economic development and enhancement of the leadership and future of our community. New members are always welcome. Mark the date in your calendar and come out and enjoy the show on February 17. It's for a good cause.

## ROOF-RAISING CAMPAIGN



The Schererville Chamber of Commerce and the Schererville Lions Club are planning to work with Schererville's American Legion Post 485 in order to raise funds for a desperately needed new roof. Water continues to drip through the ceiling into the offices and hall at the Legion, which has caused the building to slowly deteriorate over time.

Members of the American Legion have done so much for our community, so it seems the least we can do is help them raise a new roof. There are events and fundraisers in the planning stages but, for anyone who would like to help now, you can also do so by sending donations to: First Financial Bank, Att. Diana Bravo/American Legion Roof Fund, 450 W. Lincoln Highway, Schererville IN, 46375