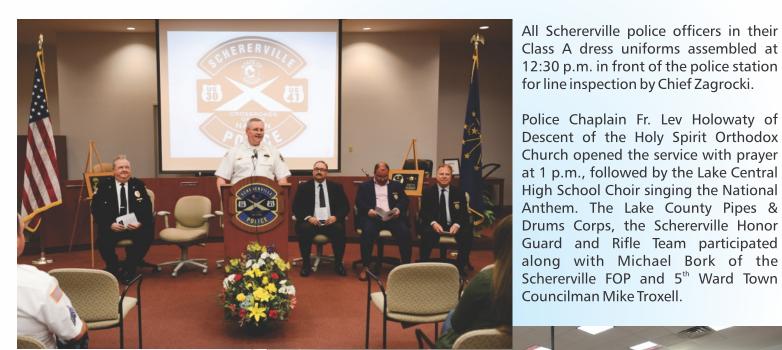


POLICE MEMORIAL HONORS FALLEN OFFICERS



On Friday, May 17, solemn ceremonies including music, prayers and speeches marked the annual Schererville Police Memorial honoring the town's two law enforcement officers who lost their lives in the line of duty.

In 1964, Chief of Police Peter Redar succumbed to injuries he suffered two weeks earlier when his patrol car was struck by a semi-trailer. Redar, 68, was returning from photographing a death scene and was waiting to make a left turn in the southbound lane of U.S. 41 when the truck jack-knifed and struck his car. Redar Park is named in his honor.

Officer James Wittchen, 31, died on Feb. 24, 1973, after being shot while investigating a possible burglary in

Held during National Police Week, the annual memorial service also provides an opportunity to salute current law enforcement officers, said Police Chief Dennis Zagrocki.

"This ceremony gives us a chance to honor Peter Redar and James Wittchen for their service of duty and the loss of their lives in performance of those duties," Zagrocki said, adding that their names are engraved in the Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C.

"It's really important," the chief said.











What's Happening in Town

- 12 Celebrate Schererville Festival, Redar Park, 5-11 pm
- 12 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 7 pm
- 13 Celebrate Schererville Festival, Redar Park, 5-11 pm
- 14 Celebrate Schererville Festival, Redar Park, 5-11 pm
- 15 Mindful Storytime, Dyer-Schererville Branch Lake Co. Public Library, 10:30-11 am
- 15 Celebrate Schererville Festival, Redar Park, 2-11:30 pm
- 15 Celebrate Schererville Parade ending at Redar Park, 5-7
- 16 Celebrate Schererville Festival, Redar Park, 2-10 pm
- 17 Plan Commission Study Session 6 pm
- 21 Party in the Park: Dino Day, Redar Park, 5-10:30 pm
- 24 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting 6 pm
- 28 Party in the Park: This is Me, Redar Park, 5-10:30 pm

- Plan Commission meeting 6 pm
- Park Board meeting 6 pm
- 4th of July Fireworks Show, Rohrman Park, 5-10 pm
- 4 Independence Day, Town Hall closed
- 10 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 7 pm

- 11 Board of Safety Study Session at Police Department 5:30 pm; Board of Safety meeting at Police Department 7 pm,
- 12 Party in the Park: Hocus Pocus Movie Night, Redar Park
- 20 Mindful Storytime, Dyer-Schererville Branch Lake Co. Public Library, 10:30-11 am
- 22 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting 6 pm
- 26 56th Schererville Chamber of Commerce Corn Roast,
- 5 Plan Commission meeting 6 pm
- 8 Board of Safety Study Session at Police Department 5:30 pm; Board of Safety meeting at Police Department 7 pm
- 14 Waterworks Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 7 pm
- 17 Touch-A-Truck, Redar Park, 11 am 2 pm
- 7-9:30 pm

subject to change

- 5-10:30 pm
- 15 Plan Commission Study Session 6 pm

- 27 Crafts at the Crossroads Homemade Craft Show, Schererville Community Center, 9 am - 3 pm

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- 19 Plan Commission Study Session 6 pm
- 26 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting 6 pm

- Redar Park, 4-11 pm

- Park Board meeting 6 pm
- 10 NWI Symphony concert, Redar Park, 7:30 9 pm

- 23 Evening Under the Stars, Schererville Community Center

NDOT work on U.S. 41 continues

An Indiana Department of Transportation project to install curbs and sidewalks continues on U.S. 41, from Ramblewood Drive in Highland to 97th Street in St. John. Crews have been working on a continuous 24-hour-a-day basis with one lane closed in each direction, said Adam Parkhouse, spokesperson for INDOT's LaPorte District. That work is soon expected to be done only during the daytime hours with the lanes opening back up at night, Parkhouse said.



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This 3.35-mile trail extension is made possible by \$4.85 million in federal transportation grants awarded to the town. With Schererville's grant match, that amount available is more than \$5 million. said John Novacich, Superintendent of Parks.

Dyer Construction was awarded the bid for this project. "The majority of the work is anticipated to be done this year," Novacich said. "The deadline for completion is next

Phase 2 will run from Main Street to 213th Street and Eagle Ridge Drive behind Briar Ridge. Phase 3 will continue with a separate pedestrian crossing over the CN railroad tracks, and connect to the existing trail at Wilhelm Street, Novacich



ANOTHER GRANT TO HELP COMPLETE Phase 4 of Pennsy Greenway Trail

The final phase of the Pennsy Greenway Northwest Trail through Schererville recently received funding through the state's Next Level Trails Program grant of \$2.91 million. "This 2.26-mile part of the trail will start from Rohrman Park going southeast to the town limit at Clark Road, south of 93rd Street across from where White Hawk Golf Course is located," said John Novacich, Superintendent of Parks.

In the 1990s, the Pennsy Greenway Trail

was just a line on a map. On Saturday, May

18, a ground-breaking ceremony at

Schererville's Plum Creek Park signaled the

beginning of Phases 2 & 3 that will link up

this popular trail from Main Street in

Munster all the way to the 9/11 Memorial

located at the Schererville Police

Department parking lot at 25 E. Joliet.

PENNSY TRAIL

GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY

SIGNALS START OF PHASES 2 & 3

Because part of the trail goes through unincorporated Lake County, the Town will partner with Lake County Parks to complete this section of the larger,

regional Pennsy trail system, Novacich said. It will ultimately connect Crown Point, Schererville, Munster and Lansing. The current project plans to include a new trailhead with parking along Clark Road.

"It's exciting that we received the Next Level Trails funding. For our residents, completion of the trail throughout Schererville will be a great resource. From a regional transportation standpoint, we will be linking a 13-mile stretch of bi-state trail that is part of the 3,700-mile Great American Rails to Trails system in 17 states," Novacich said.

COMMUNITY CROSSING GRANT ENABLES PAVING. OTHER ROAD WORK

Thanks to a Community Crossing Matching Grant obtained by the Town, multiple roadways throughout Schererville are being worked on during the next 60 to 90 days, according to Jeff Huet, Public Works Director, The Town matched the \$1 million grant for a total of \$2 million for road projects. Walsh & Kelly of Griffith was awarded the bid for the work which includes paving, concrete work and cross-walk construction.

Bridge deck replacement work began on May 6, with curb-tocurb resurfacing of 77th Avenue from U.S. 41 to the Dyer border scheduled to follow. The roadway is expected to reopen in about four-to-six weeks from the start date of the resurfacing, Huet said. During this time, motorists are encouraged to plan ahead and use alternate roadways to avoid this area.



Schererville police officers were out in force the morning of May 17 at the Dunkin Donuts, 1695 U.S. 41, to raise funds for the Indiana Special Olympics. Some were posted on the roof, while others greeted customers at the drive-through lanes. Inflatable donuts and cops eating donuts were all part of the fun atmosphere.

"This is our second annual. Last year we raised a little over \$2,000 and came in second in the state of Indiana," said Schererville Patrolman Chris Lopez of the collaborative event. "Illinois is number one in the nation in this effort. We want to compete with the best in the nation.'



Whatever the result, "the Special Olympics athletes win. This provides money to keep the athletes competing," Lopez said.







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SCHERER-DAYS SUMMER CAMPS

(AGES 3-6: 7-9 & 10-13) MONDAYS - THURSDAYS, JUNE 10-AUGUST 1, 9 a.m. - Noon SCHERERVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER, 500 E. Joliet Street

Schools out - are you ready for summer break??! Schererville Parks has you covered with Scherer-Days, a summer camp that brings out all the stops - science, DIY crafts, physical education and more!

Each Scherer-Days week has a theme and packed with fun. Kids are split into three different age groups. There will be several stations based on the theme of the week that each age group participates in Monday through Wednesday. Then on Thursday, we finish off with a bang! Maximum – 100 kids per week. Fee: \$60 per child per week for residents/ + 10% for non-residents.

June 10-13 - Dino Week, All participants will get to walk in Schererville's Prehistoric Parade

June 17-20 - Heroes & Villains with live superhero character party on Thursday

June 24-27 - Circus Week with a live circus magician, balloon artist & face painter

July 8-11 - Zombie Week. Each day has a new survival mode and on Thursday, Zombie Apocalypse

July 15-18 - Giant Gaming Week with a field trip to Stardust Bowl in Dyer on Thursday

July 22-25 - Shipwrecked (Pirates). Learn the life of a scaly-wag; giant outdoor treasure/scavenger hunt Thursday

July 29 - August 1 - Everything Water featuring undersea adventures and an underwater celebration Thursday.

CELEBRATE SCHERERVILLE FEST

JUNE 12-16

REDAR PARK, Austin Avenue & Gregory Street

Join the fun at the 29th annual Celebrate Schererville Fest coming to Redar Park for five days! You'll find a wide range of fun activities and a chance to relax, refresh and recharge your batteries. Enjoy rides and carnival games provided by North American Midway Entertainment. (Pre-sale Unlimited Ride Wristbands are available at www.schererville.org.) There'll be food and beverages for all ages as well as a Beer Garden for those 21 and older. Try your luck at BINGO and enjoy the line-up of bands appearing on stage.

Festival hours are 5 to 11 p.m. Wednesday, June 12 through Friday, June 14; 2 to 11:30 p.m. Saturday, June 15 and 2 to 10 p.m. on Sunday, June 16.

CELEBRATE SCHERERVILLE PARADE

SATURDAY, JUNE 15, 5 p.m. Roman Road & Joliet Street

Celebrate Schererville Parade will travel back in time to when Dinosaurs ruled the earth! Sharpen your claws, whiten those teeth and work on your ROAR as we party like it's the Jurassic era!

The Prehistoric Parade starts on Roman Road & Joliet Street and ends at Redar Park. If you would like to apply for a spot in the parade, please contact the Parks Department at (219) 865-5530, ext. 6103.

DINO DAY PARTY IN THE PARK

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 5-10:30 p.m. REDAR PARK

Dinosaurs have left Isla Nublar and have taken over Schererville! Join us for our Dino Day Party in the Park as we welcome our prehistoric friends with a "Jurassic" party! This Party in the Park is for all ages and is sure to feed your inner Dino craving!

Festivities include a DJ; the beer, wine & margarita garden hosted by Region Ale; free visits with Frankie the Dino, a live animatronic dinosaur; food trucks; PNP Pop Ups with handmade crafters and vendors; free giant bubble-making; free giant board games; visits with Superhero Characters; a free fun photo booth; a dino balloon artist; dino face painter, bounce houses and a FREE showing of Jurassic World 2—Fallen Kingdom at dusk.

THIS IS ME PARTY IN THE PARK FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 5-10:30 p.m.

Help Schererville celebrate the freedom and power to be different at our This Is Me Party in the Park! There'll be a live talent show for all ages, so practice your moves, prepare your voice and grab the whole family for a memorable night!

In addition to the talent showcase, enjoy music provided by a DJ; the beer, wine & margarita garden hosted by Region Ale; food trucks; PNP Pop Ups with handmade crafters and vendors; free giant bubble-making; free giant board games; visits with PJ Masks characters; a free fun photo booth; a balloon artist; a face painter, bounce houses and a FREE showing of The Greatest Showman at 9 p.m./dusk.

Talent show applications can be found at www.schererville.org.

FIREWORKS

RFDAR PARK

TUESDAY, JULY 3, 5 p.m. ROHRMAN PARK, 6750 Rohrman Road

Celebrate America's 243rd birthday with family and friends, enjoying fireworks and so much more at Rohrman Park! This town favorite will feature live entertainment by Dick Diamond & the Dusters, food trucks, crafters & vendors, a balloon artist, face painter, bounce houses and more! Don't forget your chairs and blankets. Parking opens at 3 p.m. at Illiana Speedway 7211 Lincoln Hwy. The rain date is July 5 beginning at dusk.

HOCUS POCUS PARTY IN THE PARK

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 5-10:30 p.m.

The Sanderson sisters have returned to Schererville and are eager to wreak havoc! Put on your favorite Halloween costume and join us for the festivities including a visit with Svengoolie from 7 to 9 p.m.; music provided by a DJ; the beer, wine & margarita garden hosted by Region Ale; a free Helicopter Candy Drop; costume contests; food trucks; PNP Pop Ups with handmade crafters and vendors; a free giant bubble-making machine; free giant board games; a free fun photo booth; a balloon artist; a face painter, bounce houses and a FREE showing of *Hocus* Pocus at 9 p.m./dusk. There will also be an opportunity to donate blood during a blood drive.

Uni mobile library to pop up at Redar Park

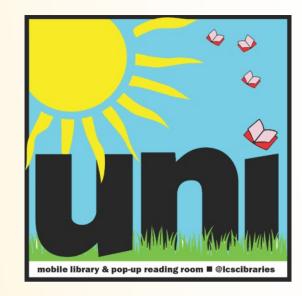
Lake Central School Corporation's Uni mobile library will be visiting Schererville's Redar Park, 217 Gregory St., on select Thursdays this summer!



Look for the Uni to pop up near Redar's pavilion from 9 a.m. until noon on June 27, July 18 and

August 1. The mobile library will be staffed by two Lake Central librarians, and kids of all ages can enjoy books and reading, as well as read-alouds and other special programming.

Lake Central students will be able to check out books to take home, and there will also be free books available to take and trade.



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Youngsters have lots of energy. Focusing that energy on thoughtful movement and mindfulness – awareness of what is happening around us – is the goal of *Mindful* Storytime, a free program designed for children ages 5 to include The Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson and 11 at the Dyer-Schererville branch of the Lake County Public Library, 1001 W Lincoln Hwy (U.S. 30) in Schererville.

"We talk about what mindfulness is and how it can help us have a better day by calming our emotions and practicing kindness and patience toward others," said

Babs Lancaster, Children's Services coordinator at the library. "All the stories revolve around love, kindness and friendship." The books explored during storytime Be Kind by Pat Zietlow Miller.

Sessions are held from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the following upcoming Saturdays – June 15, July 20 and September 21. Visit www.lcplin.org/events or call (219) 322-4731 to register.