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1005 Ridge Rd., Munster, IN 46321

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Snow Removal Ordinances

Please read and remember the Town of Munster's ordinances for snow removal.

Ordinance:

It is hereby declared and proclaimed that it is necessary to the public health and safety that the streets of the town be cleared of snow, and if the clearing of snow is impeded and delayed by vehicles parked on the streets, such impediment and delay is detrimental to the public health and safety.

Whenever there has been snow of two inches or more, in order not to delay the clearing of such streets, all vehicles parked on all streets of the town, except streets in the area bounded by, but not including, Manor, Hohman, Ridge Road, and the northern town limits, shall be removed by the owner. These are the one-way streets between Manor and Ridge Road in the northwest section of town.

If such vehicles are not removed from the streets after two inches of snowfall occurs, and after ticketing, it shall be the duty of the police department of the town to forthwith employ some reputable person to remove such vehicles from the streets.

Ordinance:

The owner and/or occupant of any dwelling, building or subdivided lot or property shall keep the sidewalks in front thereof clean at all times of the year. Within 24 hours after any fall of snow or formation of ice, such snow or ice shall be removed from the sidewalks.

It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, push or deposit in any manner snow, slush or ice onto any street or sidewalk in such a manner as to impede the safe progress and movement of vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

Persons who violate this subsection are responsible for the costs incurred by the town to remove the impediment to safe progress and movement of vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

If you believe that a residence or business is not following this ordinance please contact either the Munster Police Department by calling 911 or you can report the matter to Community Service Officer Russell Shelton at 219-836-6659 for follow-up. If the situation is an extreme safety concern, always call 911.

Centennial Park Golf Course

Sign up for one of our many Golf Memberships:

2016 Golf Pass

5 day (Monday – Friday)	\$525
7 day	\$575
Couples	\$975
Family	\$1225
Junior	\$250
Senior 5 day (Monday – Friday)	\$415
Senior 7 day	\$465
Senior Couple	\$795
Annual Cart Pass	\$335
Driving Range Membership	\$475



Have fun and meet new people in one of our four in-house golf leagues, they begin in May.

- Monday Evening Ladies League
- Tuesday Morning Men's Senior League
- Wednesday Morning Ladies League
- Thursday Evening Men's 2 Man League

Any questions please contact Matthew Meneghetti, PGA Professional at 219-836-6932.

Continuing Education with Munster Parks

Don't keep putting this off; register now for **2016 Medical Courses** beginning in early March. Courses include: Clinical Medical Assistant Program (Classroom and Externship), Dialysis Technician, EKG Technician with National Certification, Pharmacy Technician (Classroom and Externship) and Phlebotomy Technician. The registration process is easy. A diploma and an GED is all you need to become a student. There are also several online courses available. Please call Barb (219) 836-6923 for further information.

YOU CAN HELP

Residents can help during snow events by shoveling their sidewalks, removing snow around fire hydrants and storm water grates.

MUNSTER PARKS AND RECREATION

836-PARK (7275)



Does your child want to play **Spring Soccer**? Would you like to coach? Spring will come before you know it; the **Early Bird Deadline is Friday, February 19**. Games begin on Saturday, April 2; final deadline: Friday, March

4. In this activity, soccer skills and the fundamentals of league play will be learned and reinforced.

Trips & Travel

2/23	Free Travel Show, Town Hall	1 -2 pm
2/24	3M's Tour – Merchandise Mart, Money & Manny's	8:45 - 3:45
3/7	Free Travel Show, Town Hall	1 -2 pm
3/9	"Bye Bye Birdie" Lunch & Show at Drury Lane	10:30 - 4:30
3/14	Flower & Garden Show	8:45 am -4:45 pm
3/14	Downtown Chicago	8:45 am -4:45 pm
3/14	Shedd Aquarium	8:45 am -4:45 pm
3/22	Trip to Blue Chip	8:30 am -2:30 pm
3/23	Free Travel Show, Town Hall	1 -2 pm
4/7	South Bend Trip	7:45 am -3:45 pm
4/28	Irving Berlin	10:30 am -5:30 pm



Multi-Day trips include: Chicago Cubs vs. Pittsburgh Pirates, Hawaii, New Orleans, San Francisco, UK by Rail, Northern National Parks, Arizona's Historic Trains, The Great Train Race (Ohio), Great Volcanoes

of America's West, Iceland, Pacific Northwest by Rail, Yosemite & Lake Tahoe, and New York's Haunted History Trail. Learn about these trips and more at our **FREE Travel Shows** with Mayflower Tours and Collette Vacations.

Keen-Ager Members (50+)

2/11	Valentine's Day Bingo	11 am -3 pm
2/19	Jackie Kennedy	11 am -1 pm



It's 1964 and the former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy is besieged by sightseers around her house in Georgetown. As she deliberates what to do next, he shares the story of her life in the White House, including her struggle to retain her family's privacy in the face of media onslaughts, her restoration work and her attempts to showcase the arts. In a climactic revelation, she recounts her husband's death and come to a heartfelt decision about how to begin a new life for herself and her children. Join Leslie Goddard as she make history come alive. Fees include show and boxed lunch of your choice.

3/3 **Bingo! Bingo!** 10 -11 am

Learn about Oak Street Health at this **FREE program** which includes a sandwich and drink. Afterwards, stay around and play Bingo with our Keen-Agers. Call (219) 836-7275 to register.

Special Events

Leave you house this winter and enjoy one or more of Munster Parks and Recreation's special events!

Daddy Daughter Date Night
Wilbur Wright Middle School
Saturday, February 6
6 - 9 pm



The evening is filled with memories, food, flowers, dancing, karaoke, a photo booth and a special favor. A professional photographer will also be on site. You won't want to miss this special event!

\$28/person for Munster Residents/Non-residents \$33/person.

Winter Arts & Crafts AND Business & Consumer Fairs
Munster High School
Saturday, February 13, 9 am - 4 pm

Two Great Fairs; One Day Only! Find a special Valentine's gift or browse for something unique for yourself or home at Munster Parks' Winter Arts & Crafts Fair. There will be many one-of-a-kind treasures from which to choose. In addition, learn about the new business in town by strolling among our Business Vendors. All businesses welcome, including: home-based, fund-raising, legal, insurance, financial, universities, food products and more. For more vendor information, please call Barb at (219) 836-6923. **FREE Admission & Parking**



Winter Bridal Fair
Centennial Park Clubhouse
Wednesday, February 24
6 - 9 pm

Visit our bridal fair and let our vendors help you plan and finalize all the details for your big day. Grab samples, win prizes and enjoy the cash bar. The first 100 brides will receive a gift bag. For more information or to become a vendor, please call (219) 836-725. **FREE admissions & parking.**

Have you registered for a class online? It's quick and easy at www.munster.org. If you have any problems, please contact the front desk (219) 836-7275 and speak with Donna or Janice.

See you in the Parks!

Munster Parks and Recreation offer a variety of events and classes all year long. For more information visit our website:

WW.MUNSTER.ORG/PARKS
OR

Stop by our office in Town Hall
(219) 836-7275

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Active Adult

2/8-3/2	Body Blast	6-6:45 pm
2/9-4/26	Adult Open B-Ball	8-10 pm
2/11-2/25	Excel 101	10 am-12 pm
2/22-4/2	Yoga and Breathing	9-10 pm and/or 6-7 pm
3/1	Optimal Wellness	
	5 Keys to Health — FREE	6-7 pm
3/9-5/11	3-part Garden Series	6:30-7:45 pm



Youth Education

2/1-3/21	Guitar Lessons	6:30 - 7:30 pm
2/2-3/5	Ukulele 101	5:00 - 6:00 pm
2/9-3/1	Mommy & Me	9:30 - 10:30 am
2/7-3/13	Swimming Lessons	12-12:45 pm or 1-1:55 pm
2/10	Robotics for Kids	5:30 - 7:30 pm
2/13	Robotics for Kids(Sat.)	9:30 - 11:30 am
2/17	Engineering for Kids	5:30 - 7:30 pm
2/20	Engineering for Kids(Sat.)	9:30 - 11:30 am
2/23-3/29	Tot Gymnastics	9:25 - 10:00 am
2/23-3/29	Preschool Gymnastics	9:25 - 10:00 am

Youth Sports

2/4-3/17	Art of Shooting B-Ball	6:15 - 7:15 pm
2/4-3/17	Basketball 101	5:15 - 6:15 pm
2/4-3/17	Volleyball Skills/Drills	7:15 - 8:15 pm
2/6-2/27	Intro to Sports (Sat.)	9:00 - 10:00 am
26-2/27	Tot Athletics (Sat.)	10:15 - 11:15 am
2/22-3/14	Basketball Basics	5:15 - 6:15 pm
2/23-3/15	T-Ball 101	5:15 - 6:15 pm
2/24-3/16	Dribble, Kick & Goal!	5:15 - 6:15 pm
2/25-4/7	Wado-Ki Karate	7:15 - 8:00 pm
3/2-5/18	Special Needs B-Ball	6:15 - 7:15 pm



Munster Students Encouraged to Join in the Doc 200 Program

In recognition of the 200th anniversary of Indiana's statehood, the Munster Junior Historical Society has developed the "DOC 200" Program for students from kindergarten through college. The MJHS believes that an outstanding citizen demonstrates life skills in the areas of **Integrity, Acceptance, Service, and Patriotism**. Students participating in this program will be asked to perform and practice these skills a total of 200 times during 2016. Students who complete the DOC 200 program will be honored during a reception on December 11, 2016. In addition, the MJHS will be submitting this program to the State of Indiana for possible state-wide participation this year.

To get started with the DOC 200 program, www.munsterhistory.org and click on "Jr. Soc." To find the necessary DOC materials (including your pledge) to complete this project. If you have any questions, please contact the MJHS Education Director, Dr. Louise Chickie-Wolfe, at Drchickie-wolfe@munsterhistory.org or at 219-838-2120.

Be Prepared

At home and at work.....

Primary concerns are the potential loss of heat, power, telephone service and a shortage of supplies if storm conditions continue for more than a day.

Have available:

- Flashlight and extra batteries.
- Batter-powered NOAA Weather Radio and portable radio to receive emergency information. These may be your only links to the outside.
- Extra food and water. High energy food, such as dried fruit or candy, and food requiring no cooking or refrigeration is best.
- Extra medicine and baby items.
- First-aid supplies.
- Emergency heating source, such as a fireplace, wood stove, etc.
 - * Learn to use properly to prevent a fire.
 - * Have proper ventilation.
- Fire extinguisher and smoke and CO detector.
- Test units regularly to ensure they are working properly.
- Back up generator for your home or business.

In cars and trucks...

- Plan your travel and check the latest weather reports to avoid the storm!
- Fully check and winterize your vehicle before the winter season begins.
- Carry a WINTER STORM SURVIVAL KIT:
 - * blankets/sleeping bags;
 - * flashlight with extra batteries;
 - * first-aid kit;
 - * knife;
 - * high-calorie, non-perishable food;
 - * extra clothing to keep dry;
 - * a large empty can and plastic cover with tissues and paper towels for sanitary purposes;
 - * a smaller can and water-proof matches to melt snow for drinking water;
 - * sack of sand (or cat litter);
 - * shovel;
 - * windshield scraper and brush;
 - * tool kit;
 - * tow rope;
 - * booster cables;
 - * water container;
 - * compass and road maps.
- * Keep your gas tank near full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- * Try not to travel alone.
- * Let someone know your timetable and primary and alternate routes.

Hoosier Hoopla!

Indiana Bicentennial Dinner

Friday, February 12, 2016, 6 to 9:30 pm

Centennial Park Ballroom

1005 S. Centennial Drive, Munster



Hosted by Munster Historical Society

Tickets Now On Sale Online at www.munsterhistory.org

Click on the General Store Ticket Station or call

219 836-6530.

\$40 Ticket Includes Dinner, Music, & Historic Entertainment

"Indiana Medley" performed by Munster HS String

Ensemble President Benjamin Harrison performed by Terry Lynch, HFK Presents.

Hoosier-Style sit-down dinner features roast pork loin with apple dressing, baked fish fillets, red potatoes, green beans, noodle casserole, birthday cake and ice cream. Cash bar.

For more information, visit www.munsterhistory.org
Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate Indiana's 200th birthday!

Kindergarten and New Student Registration for 2016-17

Parents of Kindergarten students and new students for the 2016-17 school year are asked to visit their home school at their convenience during the week of March 7-11 from 10 am to 3 pm to begin the registration process.

Eads Elementary School – 8000 Jackson Ave. 836-8635

Elliott Elementary School – 8718 White Oak Ave. 838-5250

Frank Hammond Elementary School – 1301 Fran-Lin Parkway 838-2060

In order to be eligible to register for Kindergarten a child must be five years old on or before August 1, 2016. To register for first grade a child must be six years old on or before August 1, 2016.

At the time of registration, parents must present a **certified/ original birth certificate** of the child, and a valid driver's license with the current address. (Baptismal and hospital records are not acceptable as proof of birth). At registration parents will be asked to complete a student information sheet for their child. Parents will receive information on how to complete registration and residency. Parents will also sign up for an appointment to complete the residency process.

TOWN COUNCIL, BOARD, AND COMMISSION REGULAR MEETINGS FOR FEBRUARY 2016

Park Board Meeting	February 2	12:00 pm	Centennial Park
Town Council Mtg/Redevelopment Com.	February 8	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room
Board of Zoning Appeals	February 9	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room
Plan Commission	February 9	7:30 pm	Main Meeting Room
Park Board Meeting	February 16	7:00 pm	Conference Room "A"
Board of Safety	February 18	7:00 am	Conference Room "C"
Town Council Mtg/Redevelopment Com.	February 22	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room

Notes: The above schedule is subject to change. Please telephone Town Hall at 836-6900 to confirm meetings. A schedule of these meetings and others is maintained on the Community Calendar at the Town of Munster website: <http://www.munster.org>.

Tune into WJOB 1230 AM Radio and listen to "Community Programming Initiative" which members of the Munster Town Council discuss issues in town, the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 8:30 a.m.

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