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NEWS YOU CAN USE

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COMMUNITY



MONARCH CITY



A Proclamation for Monarch City USA was made by Munster Town Council in January to make a commitment to monarchs. We have received great feedback from our residents since the proclamation was approved. In addition, we are proud that our first community Earth Day / Weed Wrangle event in April was a success.

In addition to some youth programs at the Munster Library, we wanted to let you know that this summer there will be additional events and activities to continue our celebration of being a Monarch City. Residents are asked to take pictures of their home gardens for an August/September Library Exhibit through the month of July. Monarch Fest will be held at Heritage Park on Sunday, September 10th.

Finally, if you see common milkweed around town, please leave it be. We need 130 million stems of common milkweed by 2038 to save this magnificent butterfly and its migration. For more information on this or how you can help the Monarch Butterfly at your home - see the FACEBOOK page Munster Monarch City.



Chuck Gardiner, Town Council President



FROM THE CLERK-TREASURER

I love our small town and I enjoy running into people at various restaurants, shops, events, or while out for a walk. After we catch up about the kids and such, the conversation will frequently turn to what is happening in the Town. People will share they didn't know something and ask how they stay current. Below are some various ways to be connected.

NEWS YOU CAN USE - This monthly publication is included with each water bill sent to residents. It is also placed on the Town website, linked in the electronic version of the utility bill sent to those who request paperless utility bills, and emailed (by request) to places where someone other than the residents receive the bill.

The content of News You Can Use is pretty consistent with information from Town leadership, Public Works and Parks Departments, meeting schedules, and contact information for the elected officials.

FACEBOOK - The Town of Munster, as well as various departments, have Facebook pages. I would recommend following them so you can get current information. While there are numerous pages devoted to what's happening in Munster, the most reliable Town pages are the Town of Munster, Indiana, Munster Police Department, Munster Fire Department, Munster Parks and Recreation, Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Munster, and Munster Civic Foundation.

CONTACT US - If you have a question, please contact us via email or phone. The Town contact number is (219)836-6900 and you can reach me at (219)836-6945 or wmis@munster.org. I am happy to forward you to the appropriate people to get your question answered or concerns addressed.

Wendy Mis, Clerk-Treasurer

Celebrate!



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS



MONDAY, JULY 3, 2023
TOWN OF MUNSTER FIREWORKS SHOW
CENTENNIAL PARK
6:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Fireworks Show at dusk

TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2023
INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE
***Parade applications due - June 23rd**
***Band applications due - June 12th**
***Both can be found at the Town of Munster website**
Parade Starts at Fisher St. and Calumet Ave.
2:00 pm

**more information will be available on Town of Munster website www.munster.org, next month newsletter, and Town of Munster Facebook page*



ENTER THE NATIONAL NIGHT OUT BLOCK PARTY CONTEST!

As part of this year's National Night Out Week events, the Munster Police Department invites all residents to participate in the 2023 National Night Out Block Party Contest. The purpose of the contest is to encourage neighborhood unity and to raise awareness about the National Night Out Against Crime Celebration. The block parties will be held on Saturday, July 29th.

For the day of July 29th alone, the Munster Town Council has generously waived any deposits or fees associated with block parties conducted on July 29th in order to encourage participation. Throughout that afternoon and evening, police officers and firefighters will be traveling around town to visit the pre-registered block parties where they will listen to concerns, meet the residents, and select the top block party based on activities, participation, and unity.

The winning block will be notified and representatives will be awarded with the Block Unity Award sign for their neighborhood which will be presented during the National Night Out Against Crime Celebration on August 1st at the Munster Community Pool.

PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER BY JULY 1ST with your area, contact person/e-mail, and the time that you will be holding your party by contacting Officer James Ghrist at (219)836-6639 or jghrist@munster.org. Please encourage your neighbors to be a part of this year's contest on July 29th!



SCHOOL TOWN OF MUNSTER KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

The School Town of Munster is excited to welcome the Class of 2036 to the Munster Family! Kindergarten enrollment information is available on their website. www.munster.us | Parent & Student Resources | Enrollment and Registration

IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER FOR KINDERGARTEN, A CHILD MUST BE FIVE YEARS OLD ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2023.

Families will need to complete the following:

1. Kindergarten Enrollment Form
2. Registration Gateway
3. After completing Registration Gateway, please contact your child's school for instructions on how to complete the registration process.

At the time of the scheduled enrollment with your child's school, parents must provide **ALL** of the following:

Enrollment Documents

- certified/original birth certificate of the child, updated immunization records, a valid driver's license with current Munster address (baptismal and hospital records are not acceptable as proof of birth)
- Updated immunization records
- A valid driver's license with current Munster address

Residency Documents:

- If homeowner, a mortgage statement, settlement statement or property tax receipt containing the names of the homeowners OR two additional items from the list below: if renter, a lease (MUST be current) indicating the term of the lease, address of the property, name and phone number of the lessor, name of the lessee and a listing of tenants
- Two additional items from list– Town of Munster Water Bill, NIPSCO Bill, Auto Insurance Bill, Bank Statements, Telephone Bill, Pay Stub with Current Address



ELECTRONIC RECYCLING SHED

The Electronic Recycling shed has been moved inside the Public Works Facility fence at 508 Fisher Street. Access to the Electronic Recycling Shed is Monday through Friday from 7:00 am - 3:00 pm during the operating hours of Public Works. There is not an attendant to assist with unloading. Electronic Recycling is available to Lake County, Indiana residents. It is not available for businesses or non-profit organizations.

BRANCH COLLECTION

Branches should be no longer than 7' long and 5" in diameter. Twigs and yard waste should be put into your garbage cans or bagged. Small branches should be bundled and tied; these will be picked up with your garbage. If you have any questions, you can contact the Public Works Department at (219)836-6971.

****Next Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be on Saturday, June 3, 2023 at Hudson Campbell Center (455 Massachusetts St., Gary, IN) from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm***



Tune into WJOB 1230 AM Radio and listen to Community Programming Initiative, in which members of the Munster Town Council and their guests discuss issues in town. The program runs the first and third Tuesday of each month at 8:30 am.



KID'S FEST

Sunday, June 11th
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Centennial Park

Enjoy bounce houses, wet inflatable course, pony rides, stage entertainment, tattoo station, vendors, face painting, games, balloonist and more. Be sure to stay for our Foam Dance Party at 3:00 p.m.



CULTURE FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 24th
12:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Centennial Park

Join us for a celebration of multi-cultural and diverse communities through song, art, performance and dress. Interested in representing a country? Contact Mara at mdicarlo@munster.org or call (219)836-6922.



MOVIE IN THE PARK

Tuesday, June 20th
Beginning at dusk
Centennial Park

First movie of the year will feature Puss in Boots. Prior to the movie, enjoy a dinner or late night treat from one of our food vendors.

June:

- 6/1 Cardio Drumming
- 6/2 Premier Travel Show
- 6/4 Adult Swim w/Munster Pool Season Pass
11:45 am - 12:45 pm
- 6/5 Youth, Preschool and Parent/Tot Swim Lessons
- 6/5 Summer Camp Begins
- 6/5 Youth Tennis Lessons (Ages: 4-5,6-9,10-13)
- 6/5 Baller Basics
- 6/5 Dribble, Kick and Goal
- 6/5 A look into the Spanish Language
- 6/5 CSRI Pool Party - 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
- 6/5 Adult Drill & Play
- 6/5 CIVIC Monday Concert: Fortunate Sons
- 6/5 CPR Certification
- 6/6 Lake County Corndog Baseball
- 6/6 Dribble, Kick and Goal
- 6/6 Skateboarding: Leveling Up

- 6/6 Adult Beginner Tennis
- 6/9 Mayflower Travel Show
- 6/10 Youth, Preschool and Parent/Tot Swim Lessons
- 6/10 Home Alone Training
- 6/11 Adult Swim w/Munster Pool Season Pass
11:00 45 am - 12:45 pm
- 6/11 Kid's Fest
- 6/11 Summer Concert Series: High Noon
- 6/12 Ladies Golf Lessons
- 6/12 Men's Golf Lessons
- 6/12 CIVIC Monday Concert: The Hoyle Brothers
- 6/12 Youth Golf Lessons
- 6/13 Drawing Basics
- 6/13 Multimedia Painting
- 6/13 Koolaid and Kanvas
- 6/14 Acro Basics
- 6/14 Ballet/Tap/Tumble
- 6/14 Bowling at Plaza Lanes (Keen-Ager)
- 6/14 Flashlight Flag Hunt
- 6/15 No Tackle Touchdown
- 6/15 Smart Phone Photography
- 6/17 Survival Skills
- 6/17 Ceramics for Kids
- 6/18 Adult Swim w/ Munster Pool Season Pass
11:45am-12:45pm
- 6/18 Father's Day at Munster Pool - Dad's get in FREE
w/ child admission.
- 6/19 Youth, Preschool and Parent/Tot Swim Lessons
- 6/19 2-Hour Tennis Camp
- 6/19 Tai Chi Gong
- 6/19 CIVIC Monday Concert: Guitar Azul
- 6/20 Bitty Hip Hop
- 6/20 Intro to Ballet
- 6/20 Carol Channing: "Hello Dolly & More" Lunch/
Show
- 6/20 Movie in the Park: Puss in Boots
- 6/21 Babysitting Lessons & Safety Training
DEADLINE
- 6/21 Mara Makes Popcorn
- 6/22 Cupcakes and Competition
- 6/22 Pool Season Pass Holder Appreciation Party
6:30 pm - 8pm
- 6/23 Lake Geneva Cruise DEADLINE
- 6/24 Culture Festival
- 6/25 Adult Swim w/ Munster Pool Season Pass
11:45am - 12:45pm
- 6/25 Summer Concert Series: Midwest Dueling Pianos
- 6/26 Challenger British Soccer Camp
- 6/26 CIVIC Monday Concert: Big Dog Mercer
- 6/27 Wet 'N Wild Camp

Swimming

Swim Lessons

Begin June 5, 10, and 19

Youth, preschool and parent/tot class available
Contact Parks & Recreation
219-836-PARK



CIVIC CONCERTS

Centennial Park

Mondays: June 5th, June 12th, June 19th and June 26th

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

June 5th - Fortunate Sons

June 12th - The Hoyle Brothers

June 19th - Guitar Azul

June 26th - Big Dog Mercer

All bands will be blasting their hits for all to join. A food vendor will be on site.

Concerts sponsored by Munster Civic Foundation



SUMMER CONCERTS

Munster Town Hall Parking Lot

Sundays: June 11th and June 25th

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

June 11th - High Noon (Country) will play their hits and have you dancing all night long.

June 25th - Midwest Dueling Pianos (Interactive, musical experience), will keep you entertained all night w/all genres of music.

Concerts Sponsored by People's Bank/Concessions sponsored by Munster Historical Society



Now accepting Private Party Rentals, Birthday Party Rentals and Group Rentals for Munster Pool. For availability, call us at (219)836-7275. Private parties and group rentals must submit a questionnaire before reservations are taken.



MUNSTER POOL JUNE EVENTS

CSRI Special Needs Party - June 6th from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Father's Day (Dad's get in FREE w/paid child admission) June 18th from 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Season Pass Holder Appreciation Night - June 22nd from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm



TOWN COUNCIL, BOARD, AND COMMISSION REGULAR MEETINGS FOR JUNE 2023

Notes: The schedule below is subject to change. Please contact Munster Town Hall at (219)836-6900 to confirm meetings. Public meetings are also available utilizing Zoom technology. Visit the Town of Munster website: <https://www.munster.org> (Select Agendas and Meetings) or contact the appropriate department to access the meeting ID and passcode. Also a schedule of these meetings and others are maintained on the Community Calendar at the Town of Munster website.

Site Plan Review	June 1, 2023	1:30 pm	Main Meeting Room
Town Council/Redevelopment	June 5, 2023	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room
Board of Zoning Appeals	June 13, 2023	6:45 pm	Main Meeting Room
Plan Commission	June 13, 2023	7:30 pm	Main Meeting Room
Board of Safety	June 15, 2023	7:00 am	Main Meeting Room
Site Plan Review	June 15, 2023	1:30 pm	Main Meeting Room
Town Council/Redevelopment	June 19, 2023	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room
Park Board	June 20, 2023	5:00 pm	Main Meeting Room



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