



1005 Ridge Rd., Munster, IN 46321

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JULY 2016

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JULY 3, 2016 FIREWORKS AT CENTENNIAL PARK

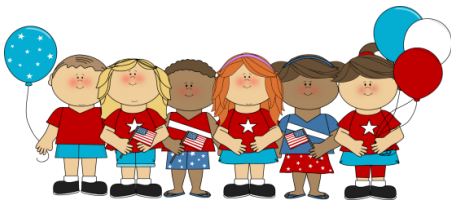
The Town of Munster will once again be hosting its annual fireworks show on July 3, 2016, at Centennial Park. The construction may impede access to the park from the north and will significantly reduce the amount

of greenspace available for viewing the fireworks display. Please check our website for additional viewing locations.

Food and beverage vendors will be available at 6 pm. Musical entertainment by Classical Blast starting at 7:30 until 9:30 pm. Fireworks at 9:30 pm. Classical Blast will return after the fireworks until 11 pm.

Alcohol, Fireworks, and Firearms are NOT permitted, and ALL bags and coolers will be checked.

**FOR MORE DETAILS VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.MUNSTER.ORG**



INDEPENDENCE DAY KIDDIE PARADE

The Independence Day Kiddie Parade will be held on July 4th. The parade will start at Foliage and Oriole 10 am and the line up at 9:45 am. The Kiddie Parade is sponsored by the Munster Fire Department Association.



4th OF JULY PARADE
July 4th at 2 pm
Calumet Ave. & Ridge Rd.
Sponsored by the Munster Lions Club

Town Hall will be closed Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day

MUNSTER'S FIREWORKS ORDINANCE



Munster's Fireworks Ordinance states that consumer fireworks may be discharged within the corporate limits of Munster from June 29th through July 3rd, and from July

5th through July 9th between the hours of 5 pm and two hours after sunset. On July 4th, fireworks can be discharged in between the hours of 10 pm and midnight.

Please note, however, that fireworks must be discharged on your own property (**not in the street or parks**) or on the property of someone who has given you permission. You must also be 18 years of age to possess or discharge fireworks unless accompanied by a supervising adult. Please be safe and respectful of your neighbors (and their properties) when discharging fireworks.

Violators of this ordinance can be fined by the Munster Police Department.

HOLIDAY GARBAGE/RECYCLING PICK UP SCHEDULE

Independence Day, Monday, July 4, 2016
Garbage and recycling will be picked up 1 day later after the holiday.

There's still time to book a birthday party or private event

at Munster Community Pool this summer. Rentals are also

available at over 10 parks, Heritage Park Gazebo, the Community Park Social Center as well as Centennial Park (Clubhouse, Formal Gardens, Shelters, Stage and more). Please check out the website www.munster.org or give us a call at (219) 836-7275.



July Special Events at Munster Community Pool:

July 21 - Christmas in July, 5 - 8 pm St. Nick visit, games, live music featuring David Blixt

July 25 - CSRI Pool Party, 7 - 9 pm \$2 entry for those with special needs and their families

MUNSTER PARKS AND RECREATION

836-PARK (7275)

It's mid-summer and special events abound! We hope to see you and your family at one or several community events!



Keep your little ones engaged this summer with youth programs including: Animal Antics, An Afternoon with Dr. Seuss, Ballet Basics, Creepy Crawlers, Dance Party with Parents, Disney Dance Party, Mini Hip-Hop/Pom or Gymnastics with Tumblebears. On the artistic side, we are offering Summer Art Camps, Mondays-Thursdays in July for all levels. Each week is a different theme such as Safari Animals, Flutter & Fly, Surf & Sea and Farm Animals. For the older student, we offer Algebra I, SAT Prep and Beginner Chess.

Are you looking for outside activities and sports for your children? We have plenty to offer! In July, your choices are:

7/5-8/4	Hit, Run & Score (T/TH)
7/5-8/4	Lil' Mustang Kickers (T/TH)
7/6-8/3	Biddy Baskets (M/W)
7/6-8/3	Stretch, Run & Play (M/W)
7/11-14	Chicago White Sox Camp
7/12-8/4	Girls' Volleyball League (T/TH)
7/18-7/22	All America Basketball Camps
7/25-7/29	Basketball 101
7/25-7/29	Volleyball Skills & Drills
8/1-5	Challenger British Soccer Camps

A wide variety of tennis lessons and camps in July, include:

7/5-8/3	Junior High Tennis (T/W)
7/7-8/4	Junior Team Tennis (M/TH)
7/11-7/14	Smash & Splash Camp (includes visits to Munster Community Pool)
7/18-7/21	2-Hour Tennis Camp

Youth tennis lessons for all ages from 7/5-8/4 T/TH or 7/6-8/3 M/W

Summer is also a great time for adults to enjoy the weather, exercise and try something new. Consider registering for one of the following:

7/5-8/2	Adult Beginner Tennis (T)
7/6-8/3	Adult Drill & Play (M/W)
7/7-8/4	Pickleball (New & Fun - Try it out!)
7/13	Excel In-a-Day
7-18-9/8	Yoga & Breathing (many schedule options)
8/13	Photo Shoot at Centennial Park



The FALL SOCCER deadline is approaching. Sign your child (ages 4-13) up by *Friday, July 20*, to take advantage of the reduced Early Bird fee.

Movie in the Park, July 25 at dusk. Dance performance by sponsor Susan's School of Dance before movie. Concessions & bounce house other sponsors: NIPSCO, Franklin Pest Solutions & Backyard Bouncers

Keen-agers

7/13	Pinocle Ice Cream Party
7/14	Ice Cream BINGO Party
7/28	"The Sum Total of our Memory" FREE

"Blues & Brews" at Centennial Park on *July 15*, from 6:30-11:00 pm, featuring Lil' Ed & the Blues Imperials with special guests Lazer Lloyd and Maggie "Chick" Aliotta with Ted Aliotta, sponsored by South Shore Arts, Indiana Arts Commission and Franklin Pest Solutions.



The Grape Escape takes place on *Saturday, July 16*, from 1 - 8 pm. Come early and visit the arts & crafts, market and business vendor booths! There will be wine sampling, food vendors and live music by Natalie Gelman, Heather Styka and \$7 entry fee for those 21 and older to tasting/stage area. \$5 commemorative glass. Become a sponsor by calling Donna at (219) 836-6920.

July 10 "Swing Forward" and *July 24* "Bagshot Row" at Heritage Park Gazebo, corner of Ridge & Columbia, from 6:30 -8:00 pm, sponsored by First Merchants Bank and First Merchants Wealth Management.



Trips:

7/8	Historic Cedarburg
7/21	Terracotta Warriors - Blockbuster Exhibition & Chinatown
7/26	Four Winds Casino
7/27	FREE Travel Show with Collette Vacations
8/11	Not Your Father's Bridgeport/Southside Renaissance
8/23	The New Navy Pier Ferris Wheel & Museum of Broadcast Communications
8/31	Des Plaines River Valley Tour

Multi-Day Trips:

9/3-11	Pride of Poland
9/8-15	Washington's Waterways
9/12-19	Yosemite, Lake Tahoe & Wine Country
9/18-25	Gettysburg River & Rails
9/26-29	Branson Blast
9/30-10/5	Albuquerque
10/9-16	Jekyll Island
10/23-27	Blue Ridge Mountains Oktoberfest
10/24-28	Spotlight on New Orleans
11/5-14	UK by Rail
12/3-9	Magical Christmas Markets (Austria/Germany)
12/5-9	A Blue Christmas with Elvis



Golf at Centennial Park - Driving Range, Golf Memberships, 10-Round Passes and more!

Golf Lessons available for Youth and Adults starting mid-June. Don't hesitate to register; these lessons fill quickly!

Munster Community Pool

Open Daily	11:00 - 8:00 pm
Saturdays	11:00 - 6:00 pm
Sundays	1:00 - 6:00 pm



Many customers are using online registration. Simply go to www.munster.org and click on the soccer ball (far right) to be directed to the site. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call **219-836-7275**.

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HOW TO DISPOSE OF

- **Computers and Electronics** – The Munster Public Works Department has a recycling shed for electronics at the Public Works Garage, 508 Fisher Street, in the recycling area to the right of their driveway. The shed is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. There is no attendant on sight to help unload the computers and electronics.
- **Latex Paint** – latex paint can be put into your regular garbage IF IT IS COMPLETELY DRY. You will need to take the top off and put either kitty litter or sand into the paint and let it sit out for a couple of days to dry up. Once it is dried out, you can place it in the garbage. If it is not dry, once the hopper compresses on the garbage truck, you will have paint down your street. PLEASE MAKE SURE IT IS COMPLETELY DRY.
- You can also take latex paint for recycling to the City of Hobart Yard, 340 S. Shelby Street, Hobart. Drop off days will be Monday – Friday 7 am to 2:45 pm, Saturdays 8 am to 11:45 am. **No oil based paint will be accepted.** Any questions please call Hobart City Yard at 219-942-6121.
- **Oil Based Paint and Solvents** – you will need to take these items to a household hazardous waste pick up. Munster's Household Hazardous Waste pick up will be **Saturday, September 19th**, 9 am to 2 pm at the Public Works Garage, 508 Fisher Street.
- **Carpet** – Waste Management will pick up carpet that is cut into 5 foot lengths, rolled and bound. It can be bound with electrical tape or string and put out on your normal pick up day. If the carpet is not bound, it will not be picked up.
- **Large Items (Sofas, Household Furniture, Carpeting, Bicycles, Mattresses, Etc.)** – Waste Management will pick up ONE large item a week with your normal garbage, you do not need to call in for the pick up.

If you have any questions, you can contact the Public Works Department at 836-6971 or Waste Management at 1-800-796-9696.

LAKE COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT HOUSEHOLD WASTE SCHEDULE



These collections are for household residents of Lake County, IN and are not open to businesses, schools, churches, organizations or residents of another county.

JULY

Saturday July 23, 9 am - 2 pm

Hammond Public Works, 601 Conkey Street, Hammond

AUGUST

Saturday, August 27, 9 am - 2 pm

Highland Public Works, 8001 Kennedy Avenue, Highland

For further information contact (219) 769-3820.

AUTOMATIC PAYMENT FOR YOUR WATER BILL

OOPS! Forgetting to pay your water bill can happen to anyone. But, did you know you never have to worry about forgetting again? Just sign up for Automated Clearing House or ACH. Your water bill will be AUTOMATICALLY paid through your checking or savings account. It's a safe and convenient way to pay your water bill. You will still receive your statement in the mail every month. The remittance stub will say DO NOT PAY – ACH PULL (DUE DATE). You can see the exact amount and date that amount will be debited from your account. Nothing to mail, nothing to submit and no worries. We have included the form for you to complete in this issue of the News You Can Use. Be sure to fill it out legibly. Either attach a voided check or completely fill out the top section of the form. Then complete the highlighted fields and send it to us. You can mail it or drop it in the blue drop box in the Town Hall parking lot. You should still pay one more bill manually to allow time for the banks to verify the account numbers.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have cancelled your land line, please be sure we have your cell phone numbers on file. Occasionally we may need to contact our customers for various reasons. The most common reason is that we notice your usage is up and we would like to discuss that with you. Please let us know the best number to reach you should there be an issue to discuss with you. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the water billing office at 219/836-6948 or 836-6949.

MOVING?

If you are planning a move, please be sure to call the Water Billing office at least one business day before closing to schedule a final reading so we can prepare a final bill for you. Your regular monthly bills are for the previous month's usage and the final bill brings your account to the current date and reading.

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Let your children relax with playtime over the summer months before gearing up for school in the fall. There are plenty of weeks left for Summer Camps (Kids Camp Original, Sports Camp and CIT Camp) as well as Swim Lessons.

MUNSTER CRIME WATCH MEETING

The Munster Police Department will be holding their next quarterly Munster Crime Watch Meeting on Thursday, July 28th at 7 pm at the Munster Town Hall, located at 1005 Ridge Road. All residents are invited and encouraged to attend this important safety meeting, which will provide information about recent crime statistics and incidents as well as a presentation about summer safety tips and child restraints. Participants will also be able to ask questions or raise concerns to police officials during or after the meeting, and crime prevention materials will be available. For more information, please contact Officer James Ghrist at 219-836-6639 or jghrist@munster.org.

CHOICE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

The CHOICE Community Council of Munster, which is an open forum for any Munster resident wishing to help plan or provide suggestions for programs aimed at drug, gang or violence prevention in Munster, will be holding their next meeting on Thursday, July 14th at 6 pm at the Munster Town Hall (1005 Ridge Road) in conference room A. During this meeting, we will be finalizing plans for this year's National Night Out event and discussing program ideas for the fall months. Please note that this is NOT a Munster Crime Watch Meeting. For more information please contact Officer James Ghrist at 219-836-6639 or jghrist@munster.org.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

The Munster Police Department and CHOICE Community Council invite and encourage all residents to attend Munster's 21st Annual National Night Out Against Crime Celebration, which will be held on Tuesday, August 2nd from 5 pm to 9 pm at the Munster Community Pool (located at 8837 Calumet Avenue). This fun and exciting event is held annually to promote and encourage police and community partnerships through activities such as free swimming for Munster residents, door prizes, kids games and bounce houses, up close looks at emergency vehicles, a police helicopter landing, a SWAT exhibit, music, K-9 demonstrations. For more information, please contact Officer James Ghrist at 219-836-6639 or jghrist@munster.org.

A blood drive will also be held on-site. Walk-ups are welcome, however, residents can pre-register their blood donation time by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS or by visiting redcrossblood.org and entering the sponsor code "mcpool."

The police department is currently seeking donations towards this annual event. If you would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to the Town of Munster (memo: NNO) and mail them to the Munster Police Department, c/o Officer James Ghrist, 1001 Ridge Road, Munster, IN 46321.

Please be sure to turn on your porch light on the evening of August 2nd to show your support of this year's event.

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

Town Council Mtg/Redevelopment Com.	July 5	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room
Park Board Meeting	July 5	12:00 pm	Centennial Park
Board of Zoning Appeals	July 12	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room
Plan Commission	July 12	7:30 pm	Main Meeting Room
Town Council Mtg/Redevelopment Com.	July 18	7:00 pm	Main Meeting Room
Park Board Meeting	July 19	7:00 pm	Conference Room "A"
Board of Safety	July 21	7:00 am	Conference Room "C"

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.

TOWN COUNCIL & CLERK-TREASURER TELEPHONE AND E-MAIL LIST

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