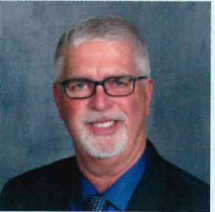




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DAV Walk in Schererville deemed 'most successful to date'



Dozens of people of all ages gathered on Saturday, August 23 to participate in the 4th Annual St. John Township Walk for Disabled Veterans co-hosted by the Town of Schererville, Hammond-based DAV Chapter #17 and St. John Township Trustee Cathy J. Lareau.

"The event honors U.S. Military veterans who suffered disabilities while actively serving our country," Lareau said about the DAV Walk that began with opening ceremonies at the St. John Township Veterans Memorial located in front of the Schererville Police Department then proceeded to the nearby 9/11 Memorial where the walk stepped off.

"DAV is dedicated to a single purpose -- empowering the USA military service veterans to lead high quality lives with respect and dignity," she said.

"It was a wonderful event and the most successful walk to date," said Lareau. "There was so much support from our community, from those who sponsored, participated, donated and those who volunteered."

Lareau added, "This walk had the highest amount of money raised and the highest number of participants. I am so thankful and honored to be able to partner with both the Town of Schererville and DAV Chapter #17 to provide this walk for our veterans. There was a Special Recognition of Military in attendance who had served or are currently serving. We expressed our deep gratitude to all of them for not only serving our Country but for serving all of us there that day."

The opening ceremony included a moment of silence honoring Aaron Amptmeyer who had recently passed away from a medical emergency. He was both a Detective of St. John Police Department and Commander of Northwest Regional SWAT Team.



The moment of silence was led by Schererville Police Chief Sormaz.



The ceremony concluded with TAPS by Carlos Lara and Alex Ehlebracht, a Lake Central High School band member.

Lunch was served by veteran-owned The Cheesy Truck. Adventure Club provided carnival games for children, and music was provided by Joe Cantafio.

"The funds raised by the DAV Walk go directly to help disabled veterans in our area," Lareau said. "The DAV will help disabled veterans monetarily with bills. They will also connect veterans with a service officer to help file for benefits through the Veterans Administration."

She added, "Every year someone reaches out who didn't realize they could receive benefits from the VA."

Enjoy fall programs at the library!

Fall is the perfect time to enjoy a variety of programs at the Lake County Public Library.

"There's something to delight our library visitors!" said Beth Alyea, Branch Manager of the Dyer-Schererville Public Library Branch, located at 1001 W. Lincoln Hwy in Schererville.

- Tuesday, October 7 at 5 p.m. **Teen Book Bingo & Genre Swap -- Horror Books (For ages 12 to 18)**
Interested in horror movies? Like being scared? Want to share your favorite books and games that make you terrified? Then come by to learn more about the horror genre and get some recs! Plus book bingo! YA books will be available to swap and to check out with a valid library card.
- Tuesday, October 14 at 6 p.m. **All Ability Fall Glue Resist Art (For ages 18 and older)**
Create art using the glue resist method and your imagination. Some pre-glued projects will be available. Registration is required. All Ability programs are geared towards adults with special needs
- Wednesday, October 15 at 1 p.m. **Movie Matinees are back!**
Watch a murder mystery set in eerie, post-World War II Venice on All Hallows' Eve! When one of the guests is murdered, the detective is thrust into a sinister world of shadows and secrets. Rated: PG-13. Runtime: 104 minutes.

- Thursday, October 23 at 6 p.m. **Family Pumpkin Decorating**
Families are invited to bring their own cleaned pumpkin to decorate at the library! We will provide carving tools, as well as paint, brushes, and other decorative supplies.
- Saturday, November 1 at 2 p.m. **Movie + Craft Event (For those ages 16 and older)**
We will design/decorate canvas totes as we watch a musical about the 1899 strike of New York newsboys.
- Thursday, November 6 at 5:30 p.m. **Teens Try Out Their Culinary Skills (For ages 12 to 18)**
Teens can celebrate fall by learning how to make mini pumpkin pies! Participants will learn the basics of making pie dough, mixing pie filling and checking to see if a pie is done. Registration is required. *Pies will contain wheat and milk products.*
Please be aware of your allergies and dietary considerations before signing up!
- Saturday, November 8 at 2 p.m. **Indiana author Melissa Fraterrigo presents *Ts, Timelines and Other Tricks Towards Your First Memoir***
We are excited to host Indiana author Melissa Fraterrigo, who will lead a workshop where you will discover your own creative



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Calling all
little ghosts, goblins,
witches, & werewolves!

**HAPPY
HALLOWEEN**

Halloween Trick-or-Treat hours
in Schererville are from
5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
on Friday, October 31!

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COVERED BRIDGE FESTIVAL TRIP

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 7 A.M. TO 7 P.M.

Enjoy all of the fall colors, crafts, antiques, flea markets, food and more as you spend the day at the Covered Bridge Festival in Rockville and Bridgeton, Indiana. **Please note that this trip requires lots of walking.**

We will depart from Redar Park, 217 Gregory St., about 7 a.m. and return to Redar Park about 7 p.m. Please park in the lot on Park Street. **PLEASE ARRIVE 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE TRIP IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART TO CHECK IN AND ENSURE WE LEAVE ON TIME!**

Round-trip bus transportation is included in the fee of \$55 for residents/\$66 for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

CSRI PAINTING SERIES BRUSHES & BITES -- SESSION #6

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13 4:30-5:30 P.M.
(FOR ALL AGES)

We invite participants of the Cooperative Special Recreation Initiative to decorate cookies or create watercolor paintings with Schererville Parks and Recreation! These classes are for participants with special needs.

There is a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 10 participants. **The fee is \$10.** Register at www.schererville.org.

KIDS NIGHT OUT -- GHOSTBUSTERS TRAINING CAMP

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24 5:30-10 P.M.
(FOR AGES 4-12)

TKIKNO -- THANK GOODNESS IT'S KIDS NIGHT OUT! Join Schererville Parks for a fun-filled night of laughter, adventures, games and excitement while you leave your parents at home!! Each Kids Night Out is themed for an experience as youngsters dive into interactive activities, creative crafts, thrilling games and, of course, delicious pizza! And there's also a movie!

Parents do not stay. Please have your children bring a pillow and blanket. **The fee is \$30 for residents/\$36 for non-residents.** Register at www.schererville.org.

LET'S GET MESSY -- SESSION #3

MONDAYS, NOV. 3 - NOV. 24 9:30-10:30 A.M.
(FOR AGES 18 MONTHS TO 3 YEARS)

Join us for a fun and creative time where your toddler can explore, create, and get messy without the worry of cleaning up at home! Your little ones can enjoy hands-on activities that spark creativity and fun. Make memories together while we handle the mess! **GUARDIAN PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED!**

The fee is \$50 for residents/\$60 for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

MONDAY YOGA -- SESSION #5

MONDAYS, NOV. 3-DEC. 15 6-7 P.M.
(NO CLASS ON NOVEMBER 24)

This class with instructor Lynn Bluethmann is suitable for both beginners and those with some experience. It will include basic breathing exercises, foundational poses, and sun salutations. Each class will end with a quiet relaxation. Please bring a mat. The class will be held in the Cardio Room at the Schererville Community Center.

There is a minimum of 6 participants and a maximum of 20 participants. **The fee is \$43 for residents/\$51.60 for non-residents.** Register at www.schererville.org.

TUESDAY YOGA -- SESSION #5

TUESDAYS, NOV. 4-DEC. 16 6-7 P.M.
(NO CLASS ON NOVEMBER 11)

Beginners and those with some experience in yoga will enjoy this class with Lynn Bluethmann that will be held in the Cardio Room at the Schererville Community Center. You'll learn basic breathing exercises, foundational poses, and sun salutations. Each class ends with a quiet relaxation. This is your chance to discover the transformative power of yoga: vitality, balance, peace, and a sense of well-being! Please bring a mat.

There is a minimum of 10 participants and a maximum of 25 participants. **The fee is \$43 for residents/\$51.60 for non-residents.** Register at www.schererville.org.

BUDDY & ME

WEDNESDAYS, NOV. 5-NOV. 26 9:30-10:30 A.M.
(FOR AGES 18 MONTHS TO 3 YEARS)

Learn, play, make new friends and have FUN with your little one! **PARENT/GUARDIAN SUPERVISION AND PARTICIPATION ARE REQUIRED.**

The fee is \$50 for residents/\$60 for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

FRANKENMUTH BUS TRIP

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14 7 A.M.-7 P.M.

Get into the holiday spirit as we take a FULL DAY trip to Frankenmuth, Michigan -- the Christmas Capital of the U.S. Known for its charming Bavarian-style architecture, festive atmosphere and unique shops, Frankenmuth offers twinkling lights, delicious treats and so much more! **Please note that this trip may require lots of walking so wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather.**

We will depart from Redar Park, 217 Gregory St., about 7 a.m. and return to Redar Park about 7 p.m. Please park in the lot on Park Street. **PLEASE ARRIVE 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE TRIP IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART TO CHECK IN AND ENSURE WE LEAVE ON TIME!**

Round-trip bus transportation is included in the

fee of \$80 for residents/\$88 for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

LET'S GET MESSY -- SESSION #4

MONDAYS, DEC. 1 - DEC. 22 9:30 -10:30 A.M.
(FOR AGES 18 MONTHS TO 3 YEARS)

Join us for a fun and creative time where your toddler can explore, create, and get messy without the worry of cleaning up at home! Your little ones can enjoy hands-on activities that spark creativity and fun. Make memories together while we handle the mess! **GUARDIAN PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED!**

The fee is \$50 for residents/\$60 for non-residents. Register at www.schererville.org.

CARMEL CHRISTKINDLMARKT BUS TRIP

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5 9 A.M.-6 P.M.

The Carmel Christkindlmarkt is the premier holiday attraction in Carmel, Indiana where the sights, smells and vendors transport visitors to the world of an authentic Christmas market in Germany. Enjoy authentic German treats, sip warm wine or beer, ice skate on an outdoor rink, and more!

We will depart from Redar Park, 217 Gregory St., about 9 a.m. and return to Redar Park about 6 p.m. Please park in the lot on Park Street. **PLEASE ARRIVE 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE TRIP IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART TO CHECK IN AND ENSURE WE LEAVE ON TIME!**

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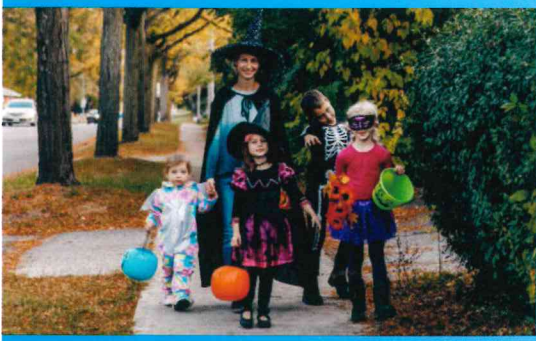
CSRI PAINTING SERIES BRUSHES & BITES -- SESSION #7

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8 4:30-5:30 P.M.
(FOR ALL AGES)

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What's Happening in Town



OCTOBER

- 6 Plan Commission/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 8 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 20 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 27 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m.
- 31 Halloween Trick or Treat 5-7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 3 Plan Commission/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 5 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 6 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.; Fire Department Merit Board, 6 p.m.
- 11 Veterans Day -- Town Hall closed
- 12 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.

- 17 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 24 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 p.m.
- 27-28 Thanksgiving Holiday -- Town Hall closed

DECEMBER

- 1 Plan Commission/Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 3 Park Board Meeting 6 p.m.
- 4 Board of Safety Study Session, 5 p.m.; Board of Safety, 5:30 p.m.; Fire Department Merit Board, 6 p.m.
- 10 Waterworks Board, Stormwater Board, Redevelopment Commission, Utility Board, Town Council 6:30 p.m.
- 15 Plan Commission Study Session 6 p.m.
- 24-25 Christmas Holiday -- Town Hall closed
- 31 New Year's Eve -- Town Hall closed

Fall Library Programs, continued from inside

process, learn tricks to get you to your first draft and leave with a sketch of a memoir and renewed enthusiasm! Please register. This program will run 1 hour with time for questions at the end.

- Monday, November 10 at 5:30 p.m. **Creative Writing Workshop for Teens (For ages 12-18)**
Teens are you working on a story? Want to share your poem? Or just want to be with other writers? Participants will work together on writing games to get inspired and then have time for writing sprints and sharing! If you're working on a story, bring it! If not, no worries - we'll have prompts and ideas to get you started. Snacks will be provided.
- Saturday, November 15 from 2-3 p.m. **Collect 'Em All (For all ages)**
Bring your tradable card games such as Pokémon, Magic the Gathering and Lorcan to trade with other players. Space will also be available for gameplay, but game instructors **will not** be on hand.

- Monday, November 24 at 4 p.m. **Tween & Teen: Stranger Things Release Celebration (For ages 10 and older)**
Stop by the library for different themed activities to get you in the spirit for the final season of Stranger Things! We'll make themed snacks, have photos, and make crafts inspired by the show.
- Friday, November 28 from 2-3 p.m. **Season's Greetings Holiday Photo Shoot**
Participants may stop in anytime between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to take festive photos in front of our green screen to share with family and friends. **Please note: Green clothing will NOT appear on the green screen!**

