



Mishawaka Communicator



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Mishawaka, Indiana

Jeff Rea, Mayor

April 2010

A Letter from Mayor Jeff Rea

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is going to be a great summer in Mishawaka! Our Parks Department has a spring and summer filled with exciting programs and concerts for the whole family to enjoy! Special events begin on May 1 at 8:00a.m. with the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Awareness Race for the Cure



on the Riverwalk beginning at Beutter Park. For race information you may log on to: www.KomenNorthernIndiana.org . On May 23rd an exciting bike adventure for the whole family **BIKE the BEND** takes places throughout Michiana and on the Mishawaka Riverwalk and ends with a celebration for participants right on our own Kamm Island! For registration information please log on : www.bikethebend.com.

Beutter Park Summer Concerts kick off on June 3 with an extension of music till dark and a special fireworks display to end the evening. Battell Bandshell Concert Series begins on June 7 and the Eberhart Concert Series on the Deck begin on Friday June 4th with Billy Nicks. Our monthly Movies-In-Park at Beutter continues this year with our first movie on June 11th. A full Beutter Park Summer Concert Schedule is on the back of this Communicator.

Our City parks and recreational services continue to flourish thanks to the many volunteers who continue to volunteer in our parks every year. We are immensely grateful to those of you who willingly volunteer your time to help keep Mishawaka beautiful. If you are a current volunteer, volunteered in the past, and or wish to volunteer in the future, please contact the Park Department at 258-1664.

We hope to see you and your family at many of our Park events this summer!

Farmer's Market



Back for its second season, the merchants of downtown Mishawaka will display and sell organic goods in the parking lot of **Beutter Park** on the following dates: April 24, May 8th and 23rd, June 5th and 19th, July 3rd and 17th, August 7th and 21st, September 4th and 11th, October 2nd, 16th and 30th. Farmers Market hours will be **from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. except for the month of June, where it will operate from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**



Pill Drop

There will be a Pill Drop on Saturday May 15th 2010, at Holy Cross College, 54515 SR 933 from 8 am- 3 pm.

Any unused pills or liquid medicine is being accepted and will be disposed of properly.

For questions call Jessica at 245.6604 or Kathy at 258.4863. You can also visit the District web site at www.swmd.org for more information.

Welcome New Eberhart Petro Golf Pro Rick Frye

Mr. Rick Frye comes to Mishawaka from a recent position as Head Golf Pro at Beechwood Golf Course in Laporte. Rick graduated from Colorado State University and has been married to his wife Marsha for 29 years. Rick has four children: Katie and Tanner, graduates from the University of Georgia, Julianne, a sophomore at the University of Kentucky, and Caroline, a 6th grader. Rick was chosen as the Pro for his ambition, dedication and commitment to golf. Rick's demeanor and proven customer service track record prove him to be a great fit in Mishawaka.

Upcoming Events In Mishawaka

Summer Concert Series

Beutter Park –Every Thursday beginning June 3rd-August 26th. 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (June 3rd kickoff will include extended music play until dark to feature a free firework show)

Battell Park-Monday's beginning at 7:00 p.m. June 7th-Mike Trio, June 14th-Michiana Concert Band, June 21st-Gene Van, June 28th-Billy Nicks, July 5th-EP Unplugged, July 12th-Michiana Concert Band, July 19th-Mike Vaszari, July 26th-Da Bears, August 2nd-Ron Wiggins, August 9th-Michiana Concert Band, August 16th-Kellirae and Craig.

Eberhart Deck- Fridays from 8:00-9:30 p.m.; June 4th-Billy Nicks, June 18th-TBA, July 16th-Top Secret, July 30th-EP Unplugged and August 20th-Last Call.

*** All concerts are free to public***

Golf Tournaments

Eberhart Golf-Men's Metro Golf Tournament:
Weekend of July 9, 2010. Sign-ups are ongoing.

Eberhart Golf-Women's Metro Golf Tournament:
Weekend of July 9, 2010. Sign-ups are ongoing.

Eberhart Golf-Kids "Garbage Open" Open for kids of all ages wanting to enjoy and learn the game of golf! This event will take place on Wednesday July 7th. Sign-ups are ongoing

Eberhart Golf-3rd Annual Benny Leonard Open:
Saturday October 9th.



Festivals, Parades and Other Park Events

Memorial Day Parade: May 31st, 9:30 a.m.

Pitch, Hit and Run: Saturday May 1st at Rose Park. Open to boys/girls 7-14 (free to participants)

Punt, Pass, and Kick: Saturday September 18th at Mishawaka High School Steel Stadium. Open to all children ages 8-18. (free to participants)

Movies in the Park: Beutter Park at Dusk on: Friday June 11th, July 23rd, and August 20th (free to public)

Kamm Island Festival: Wednesday, July 21st, 2010 5:00-9:30 p.m. A "Taste of Mishawaka"

Kamm Island Car Show: Saturday, July 17th 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. (free to public)

Plays in the Park: Battell Park Band Shelter, featuring the University of Notre Dame and Main Stage Inc. More info at www.mainstageince.com and www.shakespeare.nd.edu.

WVPE Blues Friday: Buetter Park Friday, August 13th from 5:30-9:00 p.m. Two Blues Musical Concerts.

Oktoberfest: Saturday, October 2, 2010 on Kamm Island from 4:00-10:00 p.m.

Summerfest 27

This year Summerfest will be unlike any Summerfest we have seen in the past 27 years, and yet the same. As we all know, the Mishawaka Avenue Bridge is under construction and according to St. Joseph County, is not expected to be completed until December 2010. Because of the construction it is impossible to have Summerfest at Merrifield Park. So, we are very excited to announce that we have decided to move Summerfest to Kamm Island for Summerfest 27 for a one day event this year on June 26th. Summerfest will be in a different location but we plan to bring you the same great community event that you have enjoyed for the past 27 years!

Summerfest 27 will start off the day with the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast and the 5K Walk/Run. There will be Arts and Crafts, food vendors, free entertainment throughout the day, kids activities and games. The Main Stage Inc. will perform the *Wedding Singer* on stage for two live performances (one on Friday and one on Saturday after-

noon). Summerfest 27 will end the day with its signature free open air concert and free fire works at dusk. The Headliner will be announced in early May.

