

July 

# Calendar of Events

1 RDC 6:30 PM Town Council 7 PM	8 Storm Water Board 6 PM 10 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 PM	23 Farmer's Market 3 PM-8 PM Lassen's Museum Steamboat Rides
2 Plan Commission 6 PM	15 Utility Board 6:30 PM Town Council 7 PM	Youth Snowball Fights 5:30 PM Board of Safety 6 PM
3 Summer Fest Begins 5:00 PM Parks & Recreation Board 5:30 PM Fireworks at 9:30 PM on the Lake	16 Unsafe Building 5:30 PM Plan Commission 7 PM	25 Fall Soccer Registration Deadline Movies in the Park 8:15 PM
4 <b>Happy Independence Day</b> Town Offices Closed	17 Lakeside Artist Guild 6:30 PM 18 Movies in the Park 8:15 PM	27 Lakeside Artist Guild 6:30 PM 28 Senior Bingo 12 PM
5 Fireworks at 9:30 PM on the Lake 7 Senior Gathering 12 PM / Bingo 1 PM	20 American Legion Riders Post #261 Car, Truck, & Bike Show 7 AM-3 PM	30 Farmer's Market 3 PM-8 PM

August 

2 Town Wide Yard Sale 8 AM-4 PM	13 Crown Point K-12 First Day of School	20 Unsafe Building 5:30 PM
4 Senior Summer Picnic 12 PM	Tri-creek K-12 First Day of School	Plan Commission 7 PM
5 RDC 6:30 PM Town Council 7 PM	Farmer's Market 3 PM-8 PM Lassen's Museum Steamboat	27 Farmer's Market 3 PM-8 PM Lassen's Museum Steamboat
6 Plan Commission 6 PM	Rides	Rides
7 Parks & Recreation Board 5:30 PM Lake Side Artist Guild 6:30 PM	Youth Water Balloon Fights 5:30 PM 14 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 PM	Board of Safety 6 PM 30 Aloha Market and Island Festival 2 PM-8 PM on Town Grounds
12 Hanover K-12 First Day of School Blood Drive 12:30 PM, Clubhouse Storm Water Board 6 PM	19 Utility Board 6:30 PM Town Council 7 PM	

September 

1 Labor Day-Town Offices Closed	10 Farmer's Market 3 PM-8 PM	24 Farmer's Market 3 PM-8 PM
2 RDC 6:30 PM Town Council 7 PM	Lassen's Museum Steamboat Rides	Lassen's Museum Steamboat Rides
3 Plan Commission 6 PM Christmas Tree Sales Begin Apply at the Chamber of Commerce	11 Board of Zoning Appeals 6 PM 16 Utility Board 6:30 PM Town Council 7 PM	Youth Nerf Battles 5:30 PM Board of Safety 6 PM
4 Parks & Recreation Board 5:30 PM	17 Unsafe Building 5:30 PM	
9 Storm Water Board 6 PM	Plan Commission 7 PM	

## Friendly Reminders

- **Rave Notices:** Please ensure that you are signed up and your information is up to date on our Rave platform in order to receive Cedar Lake Alerts and Notices. Simply sign up on [Smart911.com](https://www.smart911.com).
- **Trash & Recycle Services:** will be affected on Monday September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please visit <https://www.republicservices.com/schedule> for your trash and recycle schedule.
- **Signage Rules:** Are you hosting a birthday party or having a garage sale? The Town of Cedar Lake does not allow signs to be posted on any utility poles or lamp posts. We do allow temporary signs to be placed on private property. Please refer to Town Code 92.06 for more information on our website [cedarlakein.gov](http://cedarlakein.gov).



Thank you for reading!



# LAKESIDE BULLETIN

Third Quarter Edition- 2025



Bob Carnahan, Ward 1



Julie Rivera, Ward 2



Nick Recupito, Ward 3



Chuck Becker, Ward 4



Greg Parker, Ward 5



Mary Joan Dickson, At-Large



Richard Thiel, At-Large



Jennifer Sandberg, Clerk-Treasurer

## From the Town Manager's Office



Town Manager Benjamin Eldridge

Greetings everybody in Cedar Lake!

Summer is here at last and I am happy to be a part of this great community. As I've gotten to meet and know people here, I've realized Cedar Lake is a great place full of good people. My name is Ben Eldridge and I am enjoying serving you as your Town Manager.

A little bit about myself- I'm a lifelong resident of Goshen, Indiana, where I attended Goshen High School. I played defensive tackle on the State Championship football team and participated on the varsity wrestling team. I have two children: Zack is a Firefighter/ EMT for the City of Elkhart and Abbi is a school administrator in Indianapolis. I have one grandson, Sol, who I enjoy spending time with and spoiling.

I'm enjoying being here in Cedar Lake, and I've recently had the opportunity to attend my first Cedar Lake Farmers Market. What a great event! Cedar Lake is a great place full of potential, and I look forward to working with everyone in addressing the opportunities and challenges that we all face in our everyday lives.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be a part of your community, and I hope to meet more of you and continuing to help Cedar Lake be a great place to live.

Ben Eldridge

7408 Constitution Avenue  
Cedar Lake, IN 46303

For up to date information, check the Cedar Lake Website or Facebook page.



## Important Phone Numbers

To Report Non-Emergencies AND Emergencies CALL 911

Police Department 219-374-5416

Fire Department 219-374-5961

Southcom Dispatch 219.322-2121

Public Works 219-374-7478

Building Department 219-374-7400

Republic Garbage 219-662-8600

NIPSCO 1-800-464-7726

# Building Department

## Swimming Pool Ordinance

As the summer months are well underway, pool safety is a hazard we can address by taking a proactive approach. Cedar Lake's Town Code defines a swimming pool as: "An outdoor structure having a depth at any point of more than two (2) feet, whether such structure is built "in-ground", "above-ground". The Town Code also requires all such swimming pools to be completely enclosed by a fence. The structural sides of an above ground swimming pool may be used in satisfying a portion of the fence height requirement. In all cases, a minimum height of five (5) feet shall be used to enclose the swimming pool itself or a continuous barrier to the portion of the yard where the swimming pool is located. Pools also have specific electrical requirements and are not allowed within ten (10) feet of any side or rear lot line. Always obtain a building permit before constructing any type of pool or fence. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Building Department at (219) 374-7400.

# Chief's Corner

## Police Department



Chief John Gruszka



There have been a lot of calls and questions concerning "golf cart" registration and use in Cedar Lake. Most questions revolved around what is a "golf cart", and on what roads can it be driven once registration from the Town of Cedar Lake is obtained at the Police Department. See below some information from Ordinance 76.40 on "golf carts."



Golf Cart

- The definition of a "golf cart" is defined in Ordinance 76.41 and by State Law 9-21-9-1.
- After being registered can only be operated on roadways with a posted speed limit not to exceed 25 MPH.
- When you purchase your registration at the Police Department, you are agreeing to the Town Ordinance and State Laws, you are also making the statement your vehicle is a "golf cart."

Not A Golf Cart



- ATV's and any "off-road vehicle" defined by separate laws are NOT "golf carts."
- If you obtain registration for an "off-road vehicle" by providing false information and believe that makes it legal, you are mistaken.
- Off-Road vehicle registration is not done locally, it's obtained at a State level at the BMV and still does not allow the off-road vehicle to be driven on any roadway.

Welcome to the third quarter newsletter for 2025 and the first newsletter from your Fire Chief Nick Mager. I started my role as Fire Chief on March 27, 2025 and it continues to be a busy time for your Cedar Lake Fire Department. With Summer in full swing and as you are reading this, many safety concerns come with this beautiful time of the year.

Make sure you and your family are cautious and have a safety plan while swimming, grilling, enjoying fireworks (Town Ordinance 102.03), or enjoying an evening around a campfire ([www.idem.IN.gov/openburning](http://www.idem.IN.gov/openburning)). If you are enjoying boating season, please wear your personal flotation device, attend an approved boater education course and follow the Indiana boating laws and responsibilities.

Finally, keep an eye on family and friends as these months have many health hazards related to the heat, stay hydrated! Have a good time this summer while staying safe!

# Public Works



As we move into warmer months, our crews will be out performing seasonal maintenance around Town.

- **Branch Pickup:** Branch collection begins the first week of each month and crews make one full pass through Town each month.
- **Storm Catch Basins:** Crews will begin cleaning storm catch basins, starting in subdivisions. Please avoid parking over or near catch basins to allow access.
- **Mosquito Spraying:** Spraying is scheduled to begin in mid-June. Spraying will take place after dark, Monday through Thursday, with Fridays reserved as a weather-related make-up day.

# Parks & Recreation



Superintendent Mindi Ray



The Cedar Lake Parks Department offers a variety of programs and events for all ages. For a complete list of park offerings, please visit our website at [cedarlakein.gov/parks](http://cedarlakein.gov/parks). We also encourage you to follow us on Facebook- Town of Cedar Lake Parks and Recreation for program and event announcements!

Cedar Lake Parks Department  
7408 Constitution Ave  
Cedar Lake, IN 46303  
(219) 374-7000 Ext. 7 [parks@cedarlakein.gov](mailto:parks@cedarlakein.gov)  
Register in person or online:  
[cedarlake.recdesk.com](http://cedarlake.recdesk.com)

## Clubhouse Events

9800 W 129th Ave.  
**Senior Gatherings:**  
July 7<sup>th</sup>- 12:00 PM RSVP by June 30<sup>th</sup>  
**Senior Bingo:**  
July 7<sup>th</sup>- 1:00 PM RSVP by June 30<sup>th</sup>  
July 28<sup>th</sup>- 12:00 PM RSVP by July 21<sup>st</sup>  
**American Red Cross Blood Drive:**  
August 12<sup>th</sup> 12:30-5:30 PM  
Book your appointment: [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)  
or call 1800-RED-CROSS

## Town Grounds Events

7408 Constitution Ave.  
**Fall Soccer Registration:**  
Registration opens July 14<sup>th</sup>  
Deadline: July 25<sup>th</sup>  
Coaches Needed: Interested in coaching? Contact the park office by June 30<sup>th</sup>  
**Youth Events at Farmer's Market:** (Free to attend)  
Snowball Fights- July 23<sup>rd</sup> 5:30 PM  
Water Balloon Fights-August 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM  
Nerf Battles- September 24<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM  
**Movies in the Park:**  
July 18<sup>th</sup> 8:15 PM- Monsters, Inc.  
July 25<sup>th</sup> 8:15 PM- Inside Out 2  
\*Don't forget your blankets and snacks  
**Senior Summer Picnic**  
August 4<sup>th</sup> @ 12pm at Lion's Den  
RSPV by July 29<sup>th</sup>



Cedar Lake Heart & Soul

is a resident-driven process to engage those who live, work, and play in Cedar Lake to identify what they love most about the community, the future they want for it, and how to achieve it. Find us at our Farmer's Market booth or other local events to share your story!

Learn more at: <https://lassensresort.org/heart/>

# Summerfest Corner

Summerfest supports local shelters and we need your help to give back to our community! Make sure to visit our website, <https://www.cedarlakesummerfest.com/> for more info.

Your contributions can make a big impact.

Here is what is needed:

- Gift Cards
- Children's Diapers Sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6
- Personal Hygiene Products
- Household Needs



## Thursday: July 3rd

2 PM- Senior Games in the Bingo Tent  
Scavenger Hunts, One hour of FREE Bingo for prizes  
Midway Opens at 5 PM  
5 PM Flag Raising  
5:30 PM "PAWZ"  
8 PM "Dick Diamond and the Dusters"  
Fireworks at 9:30 PM on the Lake

## Friday: July 4th

Midway Opens at NOON  
12 PM Flag Raising  
Wristband 4 PM to 8 PM \$25.00  
Teen Scavenger Hunt- Prizes & \$\$  
5:30 PM "Jessi & Fizz"  
8 PM "RCP"

## Saturday: July 5th

10 AM Land Parade HCHS to the Town Complex  
Midway Opens at NOON  
12 PM Flag Raising  
1 PM Cardboard Boat Race  
1 PM Cornhole Tourney ages 21 and up  
5:30 PM "Totally Taylor"  
8 PM "The Boy Band Night"  
Fireworks at 9:30 PM on the Lake

## Sunday: July 6th

Midway Opens at NOON  
10 AM Church Service  
10 AM Horseshoe Contest  
11 AM Car Show  
12 PM Flag Raising  
1 PM Talent Show  
2 PM Boat Parade  
3:15 PM Teen & Citizen of the Year  
5:30 PM "Latin Satin Soul"

# Fire Department



Fire Chief Nick Mager

