

Southwest District Newsletter



From the Desk of: **Commander Bryan Roach**



The Southwest District is preparing for its annual Community Appreciation luncheon. This has caused me to think of each of our community leaders and ask myself why they are successful and what motivates them to continue. I have had the opportunity to be around many different leaders in various capacities. The better leaders had some discernable characteristics in common. They were and are all good people with good character. They believed and believe people in general are good. They have a deep sense of service to others and avoid accolades. They all had and have some belief system that helped them know the direction they were taking is right and good. This same belief

system helps them overcome obstacles lying in the path of their direction and assured them they should keep moving forward. Good leaders know their strengths and weaknesses and surround themselves with people that can make those weaknesses strengths. I see the passion, concern and care our Southwest Community exhibits and see these same qualities and characteristics. Thank you for your leadership.

~Commander Bryan Roach

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Choose your ride.
Drink. Drive. Go to Jail.



For St. Patrick's Day Remember Safety!

Saint Patrick's Day is widely celebrated in America by Irish and non-Irish alike. Many people, regardless of ethnic background, wear green-colored clothing and items.

Traditionally, those who are caught not wearing green are pinched, usually affectionately.

But wearing green is not the only way this holiday is usually celebrated, as St. Patrick's Day festivals are widely held. And these festivals often include what's called "pub crawls," which is the act of one or more people drinking in multiple bars in a single night, normally walking to each one between drinking.

While this can be a fun experience, it can also be dangerous as alcohol severely alters the senses.

If you choose to partake in this timeless tradition, we encourage you to be safe. Choose a designated driver and remember to drink in moderation.

Do you know what the Department of Code Enforcement Does?



Inoperable & Abandoned Vehicles



Civil

Zoning

Violations

such as...

Sign Regulation



To report zoning violations call

327-4MAC (4622)

**FREE
Job Fair!**

Marilyn Pfisterer will be hosting a Job Fair On:

April 12, 2011
Lakeview Church
47 Beachway Drive
Indianapolis, IN 46224

Job applicants can come from 10 AM to 2 PM. Job readiness classes will also be available to all.

This event is FREE.

If you have any questions regarding this please contact Marilyn Pfisterer at 244-7156

2011 Taskforce Meeting Schedule

March No Meeting

April 21	6:30 p.m.
May 19	6:30 p.m.
June	No Meeting
July 21	2:00 p.m.
August 18	2:00 p.m.
September 15	6:30 p.m.
October 20	6:30 p.m.
November 17	2:00 p.m.
December	No Meeting

Happy

St. Patty's Day!

Mark Yer O'Calendar!



"May love and laughter light your days, and warm your heart at home. May good and faithful friends be yours, wherever you may roam. May peace and plenty bless your world with joy that long endures. May all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours! Happy St. Patrick's Day!"



CRIME TIP OF THE MONTH

If you're like most teenagers, you spend a lot of time on a cell phone or instant messenger chatting with friends and uploading photos, videos and music to websites. You may have online friends whom you've never met in person, with who you play games and exchange messages. Teens' lives exist in a variety of places such as school hallways, part-time jobs, and friends' houses. Now many teens also have lives on the Internet. And bullying has followed teens online.

Online bullying, called cyber bullying, happens when teens use the Internet, cell phones or other devices to send or post text or images intended to hurt or embarrass another person. Cyber bullying is a problem that affects almost half of all American teens. Whether you've been a victim of cyber bullying, know someone who has been cyber bullied, or have even cyber bullied yourself, there are steps you and your friends can take to stop cyber bullying and stay cyber safe.

How Are Teens Cyber bullied?

Being a victim of cyber bullying can be a common and painful experience. Some youth who cyber bully:

- Pretend they are other people online to trick others
- Spread lies and rumors about victims
- Post pictures of victims without their consent

When teens were asked why they think others cyber bully, 81% said that cyber bullies think it's funny. Other teens believe that youths who cyber bully:

- Don't think it's a big deal
- Don't think about the consequences
- Are encouraged by friends
- Think everybody cyber bullies
- Think they won't get caught!

What Can I Do To Stay Cyber-Safe?

Remember that the Internet is accessed by millions of people all over the world, not just your friends and family. While many Internet users are friendly some may want to hurt you. Below are some ways to stay cyber-safe.

- Never post or share your personal information online (this includes your full name, address, telephone number, school name, parent's names, credit card number, or Social Security number) or your friends' personal information.
- Never share your Internet passwords with anyone, except your parents.
- Never meet anyone face-to-face whom you only know online.
- Talk to your parents about what you do online!

Pitch In and Lend a Hand

Mayor Greg Ballard and Keep Indianapolis Beautiful invite you to the 2011 Great Indy Cleanup Saturday, April 23

Keep Indianapolis Beautiful's Great Indy Cleanup is a litter program designed to combat heavy litter and debris that has accumulated in public spaces such as streets, alleys, greenspaces and waterways. The 2011 Great Indy Cleanup program runs every Saturday in April. This year, KIB will target four different quadrants of Marion County on separate Saturdays. The quadrants are divided by Mayor Ballard's Neighborhood Liaison regions.

The Great Indy Cleanup program helps neighborhood- and community-based organizations remove litter and debris from areas in and around their community. Groups are also encouraged to include other community-building activities in their Great Indy Cleanup event! This day should be a celebration of your neighborhood - cleanup activities can be combined with other efforts such as beautifications, assisting seniors and others needing help - whatever your group feels will help build community pride!

For more information about the Great Indy Cleanup or to organize a cleanup in your area, please visit www.greatindycleanup.com.

This is scheduled for April 29 in Perry Twp.



Wayne Branch March 2011 Calendar						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Wayne Branch Hours: Monday & Wednesday 12:00-8:00 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday-Closed Saturday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Sunday-12:00-5:00 pm	Please note change in hours Wayne Library is open	Stories Galore 10:30 *Wii Love Gaming 4:30-5:30	Job Search Workshop 11:00	Baby Steps Storytime 10:30	Closed	Super Scarves Knitting Class for Beginners 2-4 p.m. *Registration Required
	First Monday Book Club at 6:30 <i>Her Fearful Symmetry</i> by Audrey Niffenegger Family Story Celebrations 6:30	Stories Galore 10:30 *Wii Love Gaming 4:30-5:30	Job Search Workshop 11:00		 Closed	Drop-In Craft 10:00 to 1:00 PAWS To Read 11:00 *Registration Required
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	Kite Making 6:00 *Registration Required	Stories Galore 10:30 *Wii Love Gaming 4:30-5:30	Job Search Workshop 11:00		Wayne Branch Library 198 South Girls School Rd Indianapolis, IN 46231 Phone: (317) 275-4530	

Programs at Wayne Branch Library

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Please note change in the hours Wayne Library is open

Stories Galore every Tuesdays at 10:30 Preschoolers ages 2-5 and their adult will have fun listening to stories, singing songs and creating crafts.

Wii Love Gaming every Tuesday 4:30-5:30 Teens, ages 12-17 are invited for an hour of fun. Games available are Rock Band, Mario Cart, Super Smash Bros. Brawl, Punch Out, Super Mario Brothers, Tatsunoko vs. Capcom: Ultimate All-Stars and Dance Dance Revolution. Programs Sponsored by CSX.

Job Search Workshop every Wednesday at 11:00 Adults can learn to open an e-mail account, build a résumé, write a cover letter, register with job sites, & research companies. Please ring bell at the south door for admittance.

Baby Steps Storytime Thursday, March 3rd & 17th at 10:30 Babies up to 23 months & an adult are invited for stories, songs & activities.

Super Scarves:Knitting for Beginners. Saturday, March 5th 2:00-4:00 Novice knitters are invited to learn knitting basics in support of the 2012 Super Bowl in Indianapolis. You can help outfit 8,000 volunteers during the 2012 Super Bowl week with hand-knitted scarves. Please bring Colts blue and white yarn and a pair of size 8 knitting needles to the class. Afterwards, participants may finish their work at home. Knitting materials may be purchased at local retail outlets. ***Registration required**

Family Story Celebrations. Monday, March 7th & 21st at 6:30 Families with children ages 1-10 are invited for an evening of stories, songs & activities. Family Story Celebrations meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month.

First Monday Book Club. Monday, March 7th at 6:30 Adults are invited to discuss *Her Fearful Symmetry* by Audrey Niffenegger. This program will be led by a club member. New people are always welcome.

Drop-in Craft, Saturday March 12th 10:00 to 1:00 Come to the children's section and make a fun craft.

PAWS to Read at Wayne Library, Saturday March 12th at 11:00 School-age, reluctant reader children are invited to read to Dandy & Gracie, Golden Doodles. ***Registration required**

Kite Making, Monday, March 28th at 6:00 Kids 6-13 can learn about kites and make a kite in this program by the Hoosier Kitefliers Society. Class size limited to 25 children and each child will make a kite to take home. ***Registration required**



Good Neighbors Make Great Neighborhoods!

Indianapolis Metropolitan
Police Department

551 N. King Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46222

Phone: 327-6400
FAX: 327-6490

**We are on the Web
at: www.Indy.gov**

*Indianapolis
Metropolitan
Police Department,
Serving you,
The Southwest District*

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

**Check Police Reports in your
neighborhood:**

<http://imaps.indygov.org/cvc>

IMPD Unsolved Crime:

www.youtube.com/user/IndyUnsolved

Indianapolis Crimewatch:

www.indycrimewatch.com



IMPD Southwest Community Calendar

Anyone can post their community event on this calendar. Anyone with a computer will be able to access the calendar and stay informed of community events on Southwest District.

Here is how to view the calendar:

Go to www.Indy.gov

You will see along the right hand side a line that says All Calendars. Once you click on All Calendars, tab down to IMPD Southwest Calendar. This will bring the calendar up so that you can view it.

Here is how to add an event:

Go to www.Indy.gov

You will see along the right hand side a line that says All Calendars you will want to click on that, tab down to IMPD Southwest Calendar and click on that, in the right hand corner of the calendar you will see a yellow tab that says submit event, click on that, type in your information and his submit.

Your event will appear on the calendar when it is approved.

IMPD Southwest District Important Phone Numbers

911-Emergency

327-3811 Non-Emergency

**327-6448 Southwest District Narcotics
Hot Line. You will remain
anonymous, so please leave
as much information as
possible.**

**327-6400 Southwest District
327-6436 Community Relations
327-6465 CrimeWatch Specialist
327-4622 Mayors Action Center**

***Please note the Narcotics Hot Line has changed.**