

2016

Pete Buttigieg, Mayor

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January City Report

Greetings Employees,

Happy New Year. I'm looking forward to an exciting and productive 2016 as I begin my second term as Mayor of South Bend working to build on our momentum from the past four years.

Downtown will see the addition of over 300 new residential units, 300 new hotel rooms, and new commercial space this year. Among the highlights are plans for two of the City's most iconic buildings. The former Chase Tower will become an Aloft hotel and residences, and the former College Football Hall of Fame will become a Courtyard by Marriott.

New development is contributing to an increasingly vibrant atmosphere that just keeps getting better. Among the improvements to come in 2016 will be safer and more accessible roads.

We ask for everyone's patience as crews transform streets in the downtown area. As previous projects on Jefferson Boulevard, Lincoln Way West, and Western Avenue have shown, the results will be well worth it. South Bend's Smart Streets initiative has already been credited with improving safety and traffic flow while helping to draw tens of millions of dollars of private investment.

This year Main and Michigan/St. Joseph streets will be converted from one-way to two-way streets. The plan includes multiple lane and intersection closures from March to September to accommodate work from Chippewa Avenue to Bartlett Street, streetscape improvements, and the construction of three new roundabouts—at Michigan and Bartlett, Michigan and Marion, and Michigan and Chippewa.

Access to businesses and residences within the project area will be maintained throughout. The bulk of the work should be finished by the end of August, in time for the start of the new school year and the first Notre Dame home football game. In order to keep residents and business owners up-to-date on construction progress and traffic patterns, the City will maintain a special website, host live web cams, and hold regular public meetings throughout the year.

With great excitement for the New Year, I wish you a very happy 2016.

Sincerely,

Mayor Pete



For the past two years, Mishawaka has been the reigning champ, but this year South Bend won the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Ring-Off.

Mayor Pete Buttigieg, Police Chief Scott Ruskowski, and Asst. Fire Chief Jim Lopez each collected funds throughout the day on Giving Tuesday, traditionally December 1.

Area residents are the real winners. Together, South Bend and Mishawaka raised nearly \$3,000 to help families in need.



Sustainability Champions of South Bend

The WorkSmart Team has selected the following individuals as South Bend’s Sustainability Champions. These are our coworkers who make it a daily practice to live lightly, live healthy, and to reduce waste. By Through large and small actions, WorkSmart thanks them for inspiring us!

**Do you know of a Sustainability Champion in our midst? Let your WorkSmart representative know so their actions that make our work places and our community a better place can be recognized.*

JANUARY

Kieran Fahey, Engineering - He and his spouse make it a habit to carpool or walk to work. He also walks to all his downtown meetings, even across the river to EmNet!

Martha Randall, Environmental Services - The “Recycling Santa Claus,” who, until pick up services became available at their office, would carry home big bags of goodies to her home recycling bin.

Ben Tomchak, Water Works North Pumping Station - Ben is always observed with his reusable Yeti stainless steel cup. Additionally, he has made several suggestions on conserving energy by using LED security lights and motion sensing light switches.

Friday December 4th

Tree Lighting

The last “First Friday” of 2015 was kicked off with Santa lighting the tree in Jon Hunt Plaza then he opened his house on the Gridiron to take every little boy and girls gift requests. Mrs. Claus gave out 100 cookies at the Howard Park Ice Rink that night as well from 7 – 9 p.m.



Not if but when. The secret to success lies not in luck but in the things you do every day.



Saturday December 5th

Breakfast with Santa

Fiddler’s Hearth hosted Breakfast with Santa, a Balloon for each child and face painting was available. Breakfast was served prepared in the Fiddler’s Hearth

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Tea/Pizza with Santa

Tapestry downtown hosted both the tea and pizza with Santa. Every child sat on Santa’s lap and took a small token home from the event, as well as enjoying delicious food.



Thursday December 10th

Family Passport to Play

Even though there was 50 degree weather, the Parks Maintenance Division made it possible for the 150 people to enjoy ice skating at the Howard Park Ice Rink.



Fun was had by all on December 3, 2015 at the **Employee Holiday Party** in SB Century Center.

The Ugly Sweater Contest



The competition was fierce.

Winner and Losers

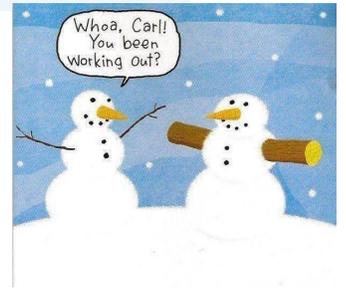
Winner Jennifer Paul
South Bend Parks and Rec.



Marcia Qualls, City Engineering Events Planner, won an award, the SOBE Award presented to her by Mayor Pete and Aaron Perri.

SOBE is a biannual celebration of the people, places and organizations that make downtown South Bend special.

Reindog Prance December 5 A fun filled day for the four-legged Family.



2015 First Annual Holiday/Christmas Luncheon at Pinhook Park Pavilion 12.22.2015

Before

Wastewater Treatment Plant, Water Works and Organic Resources



Close to 100 employees (out of 120 total) brought a dish to share. :-)
While loading up our plates up with delicious food, lots of laughter and chatter filled the room. Many expressed gratitude for this event, as we are very grateful to Parks for the use of the facility.

During



After

By 2pm the Pavilion was spotless.





With great heartfelt sympathy we are sad to announce the passing of Warren O'Neal on December 23, at 48 years old. Warren worked for the Solid Waste Department for 27 years. He "could thread a needle" with the claw truck, picking up everything from a mattress and couches, to boats and campers. He was promoted to Superintendent V in 2014. Warren gave his all to Solid Waste. His dedication and devotion to the department was unsurmountable. He truly cared about the people he worked with and the job he did. He came in every day with a smile and a "Morning, good people". Warren was loved and will be deeply missed.



KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY 2015 - THANK YOU LOCAL 362 FOR A WONDERFUL KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4TH AT THE UNION HALL. FUN WAS HAD BY ALL!

Help South Bend Firefighters in the fight against cancer! \$10 each, all proceeds go to Relay for Life, see locations to buy below.



Locations:

South Bend Fire EMS Billing Office
1222 S Michigan St

South Bend Firefighters Credit Union
1122 S Main St

South Bend Firefighters Association Union Hall (Closed on Mondays)
4025 Lincoln Way West



CENTURY CENTER OPEN TO THE PUBLIC EVENTS

JANUARY



1	DTSB First Friday
10	The Bridal Spectacular
3,10,17, 24,31	New Life Deliverance Center - Church Service
15, 16, 17	The Valley RV & Camping Show
18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Breakfast & Celebration
23	4th Annual South Bend Brewfest
29-31	Michiana Boat & Sports Show

Daddy /Daughter Dance
Tuesday February 9, 2016
3 year -12 year old Daughters
Tickets are on sale and going fast!
SB Parks and Rec. 299-4765

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CENTURY CENTER EVENTS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.CENTURYCENTER.ORG OR CALL US 574-235-9711



1/15/16	Friday	The Buddy Holly Story	Broadway
1/16/16	Saturday	The Buddy Holly Story	Broadway
1/16/16	Saturday	The Buddy Holly Story	Broadway
1/18/16	Monday	South Bend Symphony Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration	Symphony
1/21/16	Thursday	State Ballet "Romeo & Juliet"	Ballet
2/6/16	Saturday	South Bend Symphony Pines of Rome	Symphony
2/13/16	Saturday	South Bend Symphony "Wicked Divas"	Symphony
3/4/16	Friday	42nd Street	Broadway
3/5/16	Saturday	42nd Street	Broadway
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3/15/16	Tuesday	South Bend Symphony Star Trek Live (Ultimate Voyage)	Symphony
3/19/16	Saturday	South Bend Symphony Pet Sounds Live a Beach Boys Celebration	Symphony
4/16/16	Saturday	South Bend Symphony Shakespeare at Notre Dame Romeo & Juliet	Symphony
4/26/16	Tuesday	The Book of Mormon	Broadway
4/27/16	Wednesday	The Book of Mormon	Broadway
4/28/16	Thursday	The Book of Mormon	Broadway
4/29/16	Friday	The Book of Mormon	Broadway
4/30/16	Saturday	The Book of Mormon	Broadway
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For more information, please contact Morris Performing Arts Center Box Office at 574.235.9190