



May City Report 2016

Greetings Employee,

I'm proud to report that the City of South Bend's Complete Streets plan was recently recognized as the third best in the nation by Smart Growth America. A Complete Streets approach creates a transportation system that supports safe travel for people of all ages and abilities, including pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, and motorists.

As downtown construction continues this spring and summer on part of that Complete Streets plan, it's gratifying to receive recognition for the hard work of so many City employees who have been involved in the planning and implementation of this policy. The work you see around downtown now, like other Complete Streets projects before it on East Jefferson Boulevard and Lincolnway West, will create a more welcoming environment for all residents, support a better quality of life, and promote economic development.

Access to businesses and residences within the project area will be maintained throughout the construction process, and we have set up a special website—southbendin.gov/smartstreets—to keep residents and business owners up-to-date on progress and changes to traffic patterns.

The city is also pleased to partner with the St. Joseph County 4-H Fair to host the second annual Fourth of July parade. Entries continue to be accepted until June 2 at 574-273-0401. The parade will begin at 9:30 am on Saturday, July 2, starting and ending at Four Winds Field, making its way north along Lafayette Street, west along Colfax Avenue, and south along William Street. The parade will coincide with the annual St. Joseph County 4-H Fair to be held July 1-9 at the fairgrounds at 5117 Ironwood Road on the south side of South Bend.

With great anticipation for a safe and exciting spring and summer, and enthusiasm for the promise of the ongoing Complete Streets work, I look forward to seeing you around the City.

Sincerely,
Pete Buttigieg
Mayor



Announcing First Annual Community-Wide Bike Event

SB City Values!

1. Excellence
2. Accountability
3. Innovation
4. Inclusion
5. Empowerment

Mayor Pete and Mayor Dave Wood (Mishawaka) in conjunction with St. Joseph County Parks Director announces a family friendly bike event on May 22, 2016, beginning 7 am—11 am. The Bike Ride will start at three locations: Red Barn, St. Patrick County Park; Howard Park, South Bend; and Central Park, Mishawaka. The bike ride is free of charge, though a \$10.00 per person is suggested to help ***Bike Coalition***, and encourages bicyclist of all ages.

Sponsored by [Visit South Bend Mishawaka](#) and [Bike Michiana Coalition](#).

Welcome
March 2016

Antonio Aguilar Sewer Department
Christopher DeLee Central Services
Tyler Fletcher Sewer Department
Michael Geissler Parks Department
Joseph Kheran I.T.
Angelina Rose Administration & Finance
Michael Wirt Building Department

Retirements
March 2016

William Kraus Police Department (25 yrs 8 mos dedicated service)
David Newton Police Department (20 yrs 2 mos dedicated service)
Anne Schellinger Police Department (28 yrs 6 mos dedicated service)
Larry Wright Street Department (19 yrs 6 mos dedicated service)
Terry Young Police Department (40 yrs 2 mos dedicated service)

Anniversaries coming soon.





Kyle Miller (Morris Performing Arts) and wife Emily are the proud parents of baby girl, Kennedee, born on Sunday, April 3, at 8:18 a.m. weighing in at 8 lbs.



**"Laughter isn't for everyone.
It's only for those who want to
have fun, enjoy life and feel
alive!"**

-Anne Wilson-Schaefer

Laughter, a universal language, breaks down barriers and promotes positivity, connection, health and happiness. With our daily pressures, stresses and busy schedules, laughter often takes a back seat.

We are pleased to introduce **Jessica Carlyle**, our new Interactive Marketing Manager at the **Morris Performing Arts Center**. She manages websites, mobile device Apps, Text Club, LCD monitor messages, and Facebook, Twitter, and other social media accounts for the Morris Arts Center.

Prior to living in South Bend, Jessica has resided in Chicago and New York. Her hometown is Fort Wayne, Indiana. Jessica is engaged to Bryan Spoor; they will say "I do" this October. She tells us that she is a big fan of IU basketball and enjoys golfing in the summer. Jessica has one pet – Oscar the cat! Please join us in welcoming Jessica to the City of South Bend.



It's Been Grrreat Since '58'! May 6, 6:00 pm—8:00 pm
It's the farewell party for the Howard Park Ice Rick. This will be part of the DTSB First Friday event. Commemorative key chains will be given out which can be used for discounts at participating businesses.

Family Passport to Play Sunday May 15 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Ferrettie/Baugo Creek County Park
<http://www.facebook.com/PlayPassport>

Sunday Programs
2:00 pm start in the Rum Village Nature Center
May 1- Naturalist's Choice (Inside Program)
May 8 - Hiking with Mom (Hike)
May 15 - Birds Galore! (Hike)
May 22 - Soup Can Bird Feeders (Inside Program)
<http://sbpark.org/files/pages/0264-Spring%20Program%20Schedule%202016.pdf>
Look for our Summer Brochure in May!



SB Parks and Recreation are highlighting employees monthly within the department who have gone above and beyond the expectations of their daily work requirements. The person listed below helped positively promote the City.

Matthew Moyers – Special Project Coordinator

**Employee of the Month
SB Parks and Recreation**

Amy Roush
Matthew Moyer
Brenda Hall



Back the Bend



Saturday April 2, 2016 All Over South Bend

had 137 Community Members and University of Notre Dame Students come out in the snow! Four Cavanaugh Hall residents come out two weeks later to paint the I ❤️ SB Parks Mural at the East Race Waterway.



Gone Fishing Saturday May 7 Pinhook Park 9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Must Pre-register for this Free Event for 7 – 17 year olds
<http://sbpark.org/activities/special-events/gone-fishing-reg/>



Arbor/Earth Day April 23, at Potawatomi Park



AEP donated 153 trees which were given away in less than 30 minutes. It was a beautiful day for the over 400 people who came out to learn how to be more environmentally conscientious and sustainable.



We Build Community through People, Parks and Programs"

South Bend Fire Department

The following retired firefighters were honored on **Saturday, April 23rd, 2016** at the Sbfd Retirement Dinner. Thank you for your commitment, dedication and years of distinguished service to the South Bend Fire Department and the citizens of South Bend. These firefighters represent over 200 years of experience! Congratulations and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement!

Scott Ambrose



Kraig Perkins



Eddie Hernandez



Paul Radecki



Jim Burkus



Jim Lopez



Tom Pennino



Ron Brandt



Congratulations to the following firefighters on their recent promotions:
Battalion Chief Jim Luccki promoted to Assistant Chief of Operations



Captain Bob Means promoted to Battalion Chief



Firefighter Troy Platz permanently promoted to Captain



Firefighters Dan Luther, Nathan Giszewski and Brent VanBruaene promoted to Captain in Special Assignment

We are grateful for their years of service and commitment. Thank you to their families for supporting each of them in handling the demands of the job. Please join us in welcoming each of these individuals to their new roles within the SB Fire Department. Congratulations to all!



Firefighter Lisa McCreary competed in this year's Boston Marathon with a time of 3:46:37, a pace of 8:38 per mile. Marathoners must **qualify** in order to be in the Boston Marathon. Congratulations Lisa on this awesome accomplishment! Lisa is so fast we couldn't catch up to get a photo. :-)



SBPD HONORS OFFICERS, CIVILIANS AT ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

A crowd gathered at the South Bend Police Department on Sunday, April 3 for their 14th annual awards ceremony. At the event, officers were honored for acts ranging from talking a man out of suicide to apprehending an armed robbery suspect. The ceremony also recognized civilian employees and residents who have rendered outstanding service to the department.

“The officers and civilians honored are a credit to the profession, this department, and our community,” Police Chief Scott Ruskowski says. “Last year proved to be a challenging year for law enforcement and I admire our officers’ ability to stay focused, build relationships with residents, carry out care tasks, and remain committed to serving and protecting the community.”

Officer of the Year John Comeau and Joe Mitchell

The Officer of the Year award recognizes outstanding achievement and exceptional professional skill among officers.

John Comeau has served on the force for four years and is known for going above and beyond the call of duty. “It seems the Department receives a call every week with accolades for John,” Chief Ruskowski says. “Colleagues admire him for his willingness to take the extra step, no matter the cause.”

Joe Mitchell, a six-year veteran, was honored for his leadership and diligence. In 2015, Mitchell investigated over 100 criminal incidents, mostly felony crimes. “Joe’s patience and ability to communicate with victims, witnesses, and suspects often bring cases quickly to a close,” Chief Ruskowski says. “Joe is widely admired for his ability to provide comfort and assurance to victims and their families.” **Chief’s Award of Valor** Aaron Brick, Sam Chaput, Neil Graber and Jeremy Siade

Chief’s Award of Merit Darryl Boykins

Department Commendation Joe Cole, John Comeau, Paul Daley, Kathy Fulnecky, Devon Gilbert, Dave Herron, Travis Kukla, Tim Lancaster, Joe Leszczynski, Antonio Pacheco, Anthony Ross, Michael Tutino, Chris Voros and Terry Young

Community Problem Solving John Comeau

Unit Meritorious Performance Award, Street Crimes

Steve Berger, Neil Graber, Dave Johnson, Dan Lawecki, James Maxey, Dan Skibins, and David Young

Unit Meritorious Performance Award, Major Crimes

Blair Fleming, Chris Houser, Joe Mitchell, Gery Mullins, and Tim Wiley

Lifesaving Award Anthony Dertz, Dominic Hall, Steve Jaworski, Travis Teague, Mark Walsh, and resident Steve Jaworski

Patti Derue Nemeth Humanitarian Award Ron Glon

Officers of the Month

Joseph Leszczynski and Mike Tutino, February

Joe Cole, March

Josh Morgan, April

Joe Cole, May

Fred Eyster, June

Ron Kaszas, July

Travis Teague, August

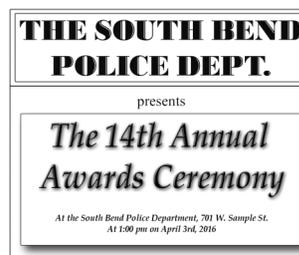
Neil Graber, October

Reid Spitaels, November

Community Oriented Policing Special Partnership Award, presented to a civilian or organization

Youth Services Bureau

Keith Walatka and The Beacon





Studebaker National Museum Announces the 2016 "Champion"

The Studebaker National Museum proudly announces its 2016 "Champion" -- **Rebecca J. Bonham**. Mrs. Bonham will be honored at the Museum's Fifteenth Annual Hall of Champions Dinner, on Thursday, April 21, 2016, at the Museum.

The purpose of the Hall of Champions Dinner is to honor an outstanding individual and/or company that has contributed to the success of the Studebaker Corporation, the Studebaker National Museum, the transportation industry or the auto collector hobby in an extraordinary way. The Award may also honor a South Bend area pioneering business which exemplifies the entrepreneurial spirit of the Studebaker family.

Under Becky's leadership, the Museum secured funding to design and construct its new Chapin Street facility; she also successfully guided the Museum to become only the third automotive museum to achieve accreditation from the prestigious American Alliance of Museums. During her tenure, the Studebaker National Museum also secured a Save America's Treasures grant from the National Parks Service to conserve its eight "National Treasures" which includes four Presidential carriages. In 2008, Becky worked with the Indiana Department of Transportation and the City of South Bend to convert the former "Jelly's Bar" into the new Studebaker National Museum Archives building.

Becky has represented the Museum through several professional industry organizations, including the American Alliance of Museums, the Museum Store Association, the Society of Automotive Historians, as well as the National Association of Automobile Museums. She serves as a professional peer reviewer with the American Alliance of Museum's accreditation program. She received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Service, was the recipient of the St. Joseph County Chamber of Commerce's prestigious Athena Award, The Studebaker National Museum is honored to induct Mrs. Rebecca J. Bonham into the 2016 Hall of Champions.

The Studebaker National Museum will honor Evie Kirkwood, with the Spirit of Studebaker Award. The Spirit of Studebaker recognizes individuals who have given freely of their time, talent, and resources for the Studebaker National Museum, and have played a key role in maintaining the Studebaker legacy.

Honorary Chairs of the Hall of Champions dinner are Art Decio and Dorene & Jerry Hammes. General Chairs of the Hall of Champions dinner are Mike & Colleen Kendzicky and Mark & Nancy McDonnell. Event is Thursday, April 21st at the Museum: cocktails at 5:30, dinner at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$200 each (sponsorships are also available). For more information, contact Jo McCoy at (574) 235-9006.

The Studebaker National Museum is located at 201 S. Chapin Street in downtown South Bend. It is open Mon. through Sat, 10am to 5pm, and Sun. Noon to 5pm. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6.50 for seniors over 60, and \$5 for youth ages 6-18. For more information call the Museum at (574) 235-9714 or toll free at (888) 391-5600 or visit our web site at www.studebakermuseum.org.

Studebaker National Museum Announces Junior Judging Program

The Studebaker National Museum is looking for young, enthusiastic (ages 8-14) children to participate in the Museum's Junior Judging program taking place at the Studebaker Drivers Club's Crossroads Zone Meet on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at 12:30pm, at the St. Joseph County Fairgrounds. This program has been made possible by Hagerty Insurance's 'Operation Ignite' Youth Judging Program.

The participants will receive training on how to judge a vintage automobile based on a set of standard criteria. They will also receive a free hat and tee shirt for participating. Participants and their parents will also receive free admission to the show.

There is no cost to participate in this program, however there are a limited number of spaces available – first come, first served. To register your child or for more information, please contact Abbey Huff at (574) 235-9714.

The Studebaker National Museum is located at 201 S. Chapin Street just west of downtown South Bend. It is open Mon. through Sat., 10am through 5pm, and Sunday, Noon through 5pm. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6.50 for seniors over 60, and \$5 for youth ages 6-18. For more information call the Museum at (574) 235-9714 or toll-free at (888) 391-5600 or visit our web site at www.studebakermuseum.org. For an additional cost, visitors can tour the exhibits and Oliver Mansion at The History Museum, which adjoins the Studebaker National Museum.



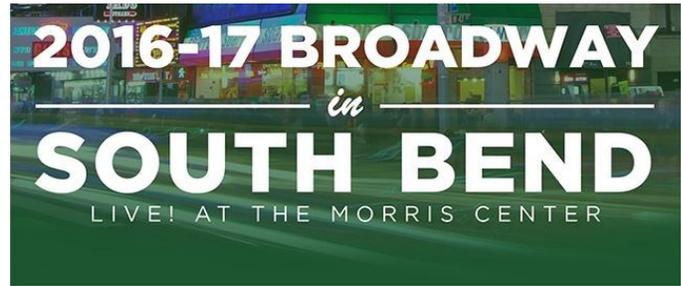
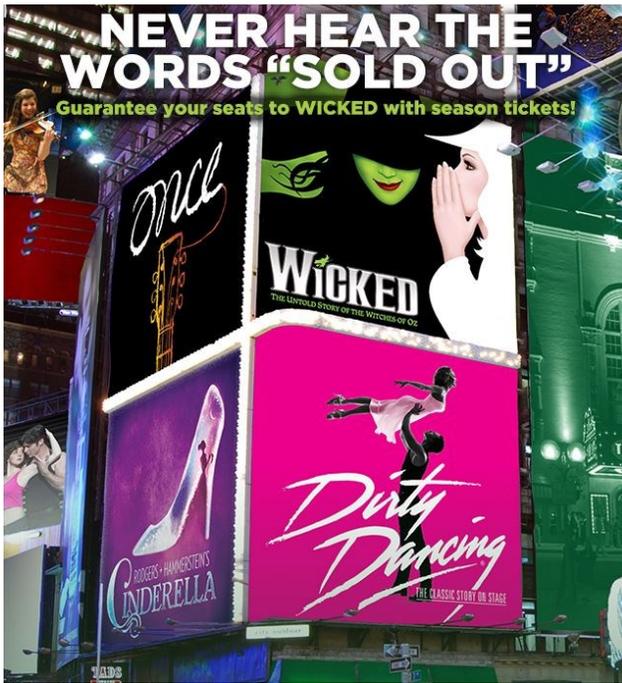
Century Center Awarded for Facility Improvements which Reduce Greenhouse Emissions

The South Bend Century Center has been selected to receive an award from the Michiana Area Council of Governments (MACOG) through the Partners for Clean Air Program. MACOG is a regional intergovernmental agency that serves as a planning forum for organizations and agencies within the Michiana region. As part of the work program MACOG administers the Partner's for Clean Air Program, which is an education and outreach initiative on air quality. **The Century Center was selected to receive this award for the LED lighting project that reduced electrical usage significantly and thus reduced greenhouse gas emissions in the region.**

The conversion to LED lighting at the Century Center was part of a guaranteed energy savings upgrades saving over at least \$1,530,000 over 15 years. The Century Center is one of three recipients to receive the award this year at the 2016 Annual Partners for Clean Air Awards Luncheon which is designed to celebrate and acknowledge efforts to improve the air quality in the region. Every year, MACOG, in partnership with NIPSCO, hosts the Partners for Clean Air Award Luncheon to recognize local public and private organizations making special efforts to promote clean air practices. The luncheon will take place on April 26th.

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Remember this begins and ends with "E." :-)
In the middle 2 "I" and an "A." You may be asked.



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- Sunday 5/1/16 The Book of Mormon Broadway
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- Saturday 5/7/16 Carmina Burana Symphony
- Thursday 5/12/16 Johnny Mathis Pop, Jazz
- Tuesday 5/17/16 Joe Bonamassa Blues, Rock
- Tuesday 5/31/16 Blue Man Group Broadway
- Thursday 6/16/16 Tedeschi Trucks Band Blues, Rock, Soul
- call Box Office 16 perf. WICKED Broadway
- Tuesday 10/1/16 Peppa Pig "Big Splash Tour" Children's show
- Saturday 10/8/16 Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto & Dvorak: Symphony No. 9 Symphony
- Wednesday 11/2/16 The Moody Blues Classic Rock
- Saturday 11/5/16 The Music of John Williams Symphony
- Saturday 11/12/16 The Price is Right Game Show
- Saturday 11/26/16 Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer Broadway
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- Saturday 12/3/16 Prokofiev: Piano Concerto No. 3 & Brahms: Symphony No. 2 Symphony
- Saturday 12/17/16 Symphony Holiday Show Symphony



CENTURY CENTER OPEN TO THE PUBLIC EVENTS MAY

- 1,8,15,22,29 New Life Deliverance Center – Church Service 10:00 a.m.
- 5 Community Prayer Breakfast/United Religious Community
- 6 DTSB First Friday
- 6 River Lights Music Festival – Island Park
- 12 Michiana Facilities Maintenance & Building Expo
- 19-20 Main Stage Presents Disney’s Peter Pan, Jr.
- 20 Lead Michiana 2016 - Leader Legacy Series
- 21 Starlite Ball/Dancesport on the Plaza

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CENTURY CENTER EVENTS,
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OR CALL US 574-235-9711**



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