



March 2015 City Report



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Mayor Pete Buttigieg



Dear Employee,

Daylight Savings Time resumes on March 8, spring officially begins March 21, and baseball won't be far behind—opening day for South Bend Cubs is April 9. With warmer weather on the way and South Bend's 150th anniversary to be celebrated in May, the season arrives with great excitement.

Changing clocks also serves as a reminder to change batteries in your smoke detectors. Smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are two of the most important safety items in your home, and it's extremely important to maintain these devices.

Proper lighting is also a critical element of public safety and where residents asked for more lights. Light Up South Bend grew out of community meetings held by the Council's Residential Neighborhood Committee, chaired by Karen White (D-At Large) and Common Council President Tim Scott (D-1st). In 2014, Light Up South Bend, in conjunction with Indiana Michigan Power, brought more streetlights to the LaSalle Park and Keller Park neighborhoods and to the area bordered by Michigan and Miami Streets to the west and east, and Indiana and Donmoyer Avenues to the north and south.

This spring, in conjunction with the Department of Public Works, the City has announced the expansion of the Light Up South Bend program through the Lamppost Lighting Project. For a \$250 fee, the City will provide installation of a lamppost in a South Bend homeowner's front yard. Residents will incur extra fees if wiring in excess of 50 feet is required, or a nearby power hookup is not available. As part of the Lamppost Lighting Project, residents may choose one of three designs, with black or rustic bronze colors available. Each lamppost has a sensor to turn the light on in the evening and off in the morning. Once installed, residents assume maintenance responsibility for the lamppost, including replacement of light bulbs. There are a limited number of lampposts available and residents will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For additional information, please call 311.

As South Bend's anniversary commemorations continue, the South Bend 150 committee invites any interested organization to become a Celebration Partner. Are you involved in organizing events in your neighborhood, church, or school? Consider becoming a part of the anniversary festivities by weaving the SB150 theme, logo, and mission into your organization and activities. For information, please visit sb150.com/celebration-partners.

It's also time to think about enrolling kids in summer camps and activities sponsored by South Bend Parks and Recreation. Information is available at sbpark.org or by calling 574-299-4765.

I'm grateful for your service to the City. You're an essential part of building a stronger South Bend.

Sincerely,
Mayor Pete

Coming soon—SPRING



Spring forward one hour.

February 15, 2015 marked 311's 2nd Anniversary. They have assisted in covering over 300,000 calls.

Congratulations:
Sandy Parmerlee—January 2015 Anniversary—35 years Building Department



*Change of Pace
January 2015*

Al Greek.....Director of Environmental Services to Director of Utilities
Angelo LoGrande.....Code Clean Up from Job Leader to Superintendent II
Cathleen Sutherland 311 Customer Service Liaison to
..... 311 Customer Service Supervisor

*Welcome
January 2015*

Terence AgnewSolid Waste
Elliot Anderson..... Legal Department
Scott Coats Administration & Finance / Office of Innovation
Jennifer Dover Fire Department
Maynard EwertSolid Waste
Santiago Garces..... Administration & Finance / Office of Innovation
Anthony Hunsberger Wastewater
Daniel JonesEngineering
Jason Jordan..... Parks Department
Cedrick Joseph Pauline Parks Department
Caitlyn Kappel..... Administration & Finance / Human Resources
Ronald Maynard Equipment Services
Marlaina Reign..... Code Enforcement
Diane Vough Police Department
Alex Wahl..... Wastewater

*Retirements
January 2015*

Ronald Brandt Fire Dept. (35 yrs 7 mos dedicated service)
Gary Vargo Safety & Risk (35 yrs 0 mos dedicated service)

*Deaths
January 2015*

Aaron Olmstead Equipment Services (5 years 8 Months)



MARCH		Citywide Anniversaries
40 Years	1975	
John Wilson		Wastewater
35 Years	1980	
David Wesolowski		Street Dept
25 Years	1990	
Michael Damiano		Fire Dept
David Maenhout		Fire Dept
20 Years	1995	
James Sweeney		Police Dept
Allen Hardison		Fire Dept
Mark James		Fire Dept
Tony Nania		Fire Dept
Christian Rose		Fire Dept
David Schackow		Fire Dept

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Citywide Anniversaries—Continued



15 Years	2000	
Jason Stone		Police Dept
Charles Rothy		Police Dept
Ryan Oneill		Police Dept
Jeffery Ransberger		Police Dept
Bryan Miller		Police Dept
Daniel Lawecki		Police Dept
James Maxey		Police Dept
5 Years	2010	
Darryl Biggs		Central Services
Kevin Smith		Central Services
Antonio Salazar		Police Dept
Daniel Napolitan		Police Dept
Timothy Taylor		Police Dept
Tyler Donlon		Police Dept
Devon Johnson		Police Dept
Eric Mentz		Police Dept
Andrew Hines		Police Dept
Kareemah Fowler		City Clerks office
Steve Adam		Street Dept
Adam Shipley		Street Dept



Rahman Johnson was the February winner of the Department of Administration & Finance's Penguin Award. He has worked for the City since May 5, 1997 and is the Director of City Finance. Rahman is very detail oriented – a necessary qualification for this position! Congratulations, Rahman!



CONGRATULATIONS to Lieutenant Paramedic Steve Gervais for being voted preceptor of the year for EMS students from the Ivy Tech program. Second year in a row! Nice job Steve and thank you for all you do. Pictured are Steve Gervais and Jon Whitmar, Department Chair, Paramedic Science and Homeland Security/Public Safety.



Aaron Olmstead, from the Central Services Division, died unexpectedly on Sunday, February 1, 2015. He was killed in a snowmobile accident. Aaron was 34 years old. He had been with Central Services almost 6 years as a mechanic, he worked in the Fire Garage area. He was such a great employee, he was Master Certified in truck and auto and is really missed everyday here. Last winter we had some kittens living around our garage area and one climbed in Aaron's truck motor and rode all the way home to Buchanan, Michigan in his truck, so he kept that cat as a pet, Puma the cat. Aaron leaves behind his wife, Laurel, his parents and many friends, his doggy Potter and kitty cat Puma.

“IT’S ALL ABOUT YOU TONIGHT SWEETHEART, IT’S ALL ABOUT YOU.”

Dad and his Ice Palace Princess, twirled around the Ballroom floor, for an elegant evening not to be forgotten!”

Blue snowflake balloon columns with an “Ice Palace Ball” theme, from the movie “Frozen,” lined the ballroom at the Century Center creating an elegant back drop for the 15th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance. White Ice Palace centerpieces on white linen table clothes added to the atmosphere. For One and One half hours the 1,732 Daddy/Daughters were making memories, some for the first time and some returning after attending many past dances. Magical moments were created and will be cherished forever. As each young princess entered at check in, a tiara was placed upon her head and a white Ice Palace sash covered in silver snowflakes was draped around her shoulders. Two photo op opportunities were offered as well as, for the first time ever, a Dream Coach Carriage, for a ride or to pose elegantly for the camera. Music Machine, DJ, Paul Chamberlain, played music all through the evening while the couples enjoyed refreshments, of blue punch and decorated frosted cookies. Some Dads were in tuxedos, top hats and canes dressing up like the movie character Olaf. While their date dressed in her Sunday best, an elegant gown, gloves, fur wraps and corsages posing as Anna or Elsa. As they came and went in their limousines or family car each little princess was given a departing gift. Much credit and thanks goes to the Park Staff and Volunteers for making this elegant event flow so easily. Submitted By: Paula Garis



To be successful, one must be willing to learn and apply new concepts and not be afraid of change.



A Howard Park Opportunity! May 4, 2015

Howard Park Recreation and Senior Center is sponsoring a trip to Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park. On May 4, we will leave Howard Park , 604 E Jefferson at 8am and will return at 7pm. The cost for the trip is \$50.00 and includes a lite breakfast, motor coach transportation, admission to the park and tram ride. Call Howard Park Recreation Center for more information and to register 235.9428

MEET THE STUDEBAKERS

The Studebaker National Museum is proud to announce the opening of *Meet the Studebakers*, a new exhibit that will open March 2 and run through May 26, 2015.

Meet the Studebakers looks at the Studebaker family's role in shaping the South Bend community and the family's lasting legacy as South Bend celebrates its 150th birthday. South Bend's YMCA, Memorial Hospital, St. Paul's United Methodist and Howard Park are just a few examples of local institutions and landmarks made possible by the Studebaker family. Guests will also learn which Studebaker attended Notre Dame, who served in the Spanish American War and many other little known facts. The exhibit will also feature artifacts from the Studebaker family.

The Studebaker National Museum is located at 201 S. Chapin Street in downtown South Bend. It is open Monday-Saturday, 10am-5pm, and Sunday noon-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 website at www.studebakermuseum.org

Congratulations to John Wiltrout, SB Water Works!

On February 10 at the IN Section AWWA Annual Meeting, John P. Wiltrout was selected as the Kenneth J Miller awardee. This is the highest honor an AWWA Section can bestow upon a member who is a dedicated supporter of Water for People.

John has admirably served as co-chair of the "Wine to Water" event held each year in South Bend since 2009. This significant fundraiser has provided major support for Water for People helping provide safe water and sanitation to developing countries throughout the world. John will attend the National Award Ceremony in Anaheim on June 8, 2015 to receive this

impressive award.

Again Congratulations John!!



water for people

Wine to Water

2015 Wine to Water event in South Bend, May 21st will be held at the Palais Royale in downtown South Bend.

The Water for People, Wine to Water event has taken place in South Bend for six years. The idea is to have Wine and Craft Beers coupled with heavy Hour oeuvres and introduce or remind our attendees, friends and partners the purpose of Water for People.

Water For People exists for one purpose, and it's as simple as the name: we want all people to have safe, continuous water, and when they do, our job will be done. We want water for everyone, forever.

The current story is one of millions of people without clean water or adequate sanitation facilities. We're looking beyond toilets and wells and water pumps, and into the future. We're talking to people to find out how they live and what they need to feel healthy, safe, empowered, and successful. We're designing solutions based on long-term needs — and long lives. We don't want to be around forever, but we want water to be.

This fund raiser is close to my heart, because I see millions of gallons of safe drinking water pumped every day. Many people all over the world do not have the advantage of going the kitchen faucet and enjoying such a privilege.

Water for People (www.WaterforPeople.org) brings together local entrepreneurs, civil society, governments, and communities to establish creative, collaborative solutions that allow people to build and maintain their own reliable safe water systems. Empowering everyone transforms people's lives by improving health and economic productivity to end the cycle of poverty.

We raise money to make sure people all over the world can enjoy safe drinking water. When one person or one family has clean, accessible water, their lives are changed. But when entire regions and countries have water, the world is changed.

Submitted By:
John Wiltrout



South Bend Parks & Recreation Department Honored with Awards of Excellence

South Bend Parks and Recreation received two 2014 Awards of Excellence for its initiatives “CityVoice for Parks” and “Senior Fit” from the Indiana Parks and Recreation Association at the State Conference January 15, in Michigan City.

CityVoice, a tool developed by South Bend’s Code for America team, is a call-in system for collecting community feedback. The application was used to gather input from residents during a four-month process to develop a five-year master plan for the City’s parks. Residents could call toll-free and complete a brief survey over the phone and also hear input from others about desired improvements for South Bend parks. Adopted in September, the master plan identifies more than \$25 million in needed improvements across the City park system

Senior Fit is a program in partnership with St. Joseph Regional Medical Center that provides fitness classes to

Mark Rzepnicki, Safety Specialist and Chemist, at the Wastewater Treatment Plant conducted a safety class on SCBA.



A ‘Contractor’s Workshop’ was held on February 6, 2015. The meeting was conducted by several speakers; Eric Horvath, Kara Boyles, Mike Schmidt, Mike Kerry, Corbit Kerr, Scott Ford and Jacob Klosinski, to name a few. The topics covered were; Contracts, Projects, LTCP (Long Term Control Plan), Wastewater Capital Projects, Development, and focused Corridors of our SBCity. A very successful 4 hours.

Coming soon to ACC “Felines and Fiction”
A reading program for kids.



Brioche/Young Male/Medium Cat



Mia/Adult Female/Large Dog

Mustapha/Adult Male/Large Cat



Animal Care and Control
574-235-9303



Pilar/Adult Female/Large Dog



Brulee/Baby Female/Medium Cat

Houdini/Young Female Medium Cat



Rita/Adult Female/Large Dog



You must admit you have self-control before you can use it.

It's time for another **Citizens Police Academy** session. Our next dates will be from March 3 to April 28, 6-8:30pm on Tuesday evenings. Apply early as spots fill up fast. We hope to see you at our next Academy!

CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY Spring 2015

Have you ever wondered.....

- ...Can police really do the cool stuff I see on T.V.?**
- ...Why do the police do what they do?**
- ...How do you dust for finger prints, and how are they examined?**



If you would like answers to these questions or others like them, then the Citizen's Police Academy may be for you!

The Citizen's Police Academy was established to promote an understanding of the South Bend Police Department and its policies and procedures. In addition, the academy provides training in all aspects of law enforcement and the issues that face police officers on a daily basis. Our Academy goal is to foster a spirit of cooperation between the city, its citizens and their Police Department. It is hoped that graduates will get to know more about the men and women who are protecting their community and why they make the decisions they do while performing their duty.

The Citizen's Police Academy is a 9 week program held March 3rd, 2015 till April 28th, 2015. The classes are held on Tuesday nights from 6:00 pm -8:30 pm. Class size is limited to 40 participants, and is free of charge. Some of the general topics discussed are:

- Demonstrations from K-9
- Crime Scene Processing
- Shoot, Don't Shoot simulator (F.A.T.S. simulator)
- Narcotics Enforcement
- Patrol Operations
- Communications
- And more.....!



Potential candidates for the Citizens Police Academy must meet the following criteria:

- Minimum age of 18 years old
- No prior felony convictions (Certain Misd. offenses may disqualify you also)
- Subject to criminal history check

You may obtain an application in the lobby of the Police Department, or download an application by visiting the South Bend Police Department web page at www.southbendpolice.com For further information please contact the Academy coordinators,

Lt. Pat Hechlinski (574) 235-7527 or Ptl. James Burns (574)235-9401.



Mom/Son Dance March 18, 6-8:30PM

The annual Mom-Son Dance is a special night of fun for mom and son. Enjoy dancing, cookies and punch. This special night will be memory making, forever. This years theme is Western Rodeo. So get your Cowgirl boots on, Sonny is awaiting with his 10 gallon hat and holster.



Preregistration required
574-299-3482 or Online



March

- Friday, Mar. 20th Memphis, the Musical ~ 8:00 pm
- Saturday, Mar. 21st Memphis, the Musical ~ 2:00 pm
- Saturday, Mar. 21st Memphis, the Musical ~ 8:00 pm
- Saturday, Mar. 28th South Bend Symphony Orchestra ~ Tribute to Brubeck ~ 8:00 pm

April & May

- Saturday, Apr. 25th South Bend Symphony Orchestra ~ Beethoven's Ninth ~ 8:00 pm
- Wednesday, Apr. 29th Disney's Beauty and the Beast ~ 7:00 pm
- Thursday, Apr. 30th Disney's Beauty and the Beast ~ 7:00 pm
- Saturday, May 9th South Bend Symphony Orchestra ~ Sounds of Spring ~ 8:00 pm

"Thinking"

If you think you are beaten, you are.
If you think you dare not, you don't.
If you'd like to win, but you think you can't,
it's almost a cinch you won't.
If you think you'll lose, your lost.
For out in the world we find,
Success begins with a fellow's will....
It's all in the state of mind.
If you think you are outclassed you are
You've got to think high to rise.
You've got to be sure of yourself before you can ever win a prize.
Life's battles don't always go to the stronger or faster man,
But sooner or later the man who wins, is the one who THINKS he can.

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Any input or comments please contact your reporter (above), Marcia Qualls (Engineering), Martha Randall (Environmental Services) or fax to 235-9171.
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SB City Events

- March 6- First Friday March Madness 5 to 9pm**
- March 6-7-Women's Expo Century Center**
- March 13- St. Paddy's Tent Party 5pm to 11pm**
- March 13-15 Michiana Home Show Century Center**
- March 14- St. Patrick's Day Parade**
- March 16-Mamo Mobile**
(No Parking in front of County City Building)
- March 21-22 Cavalcade of Wheels Century Center**
- March 28- Egg Stravaganza 11:00am**
- March 30- Mamo Mobile**
(No Parking in front of County City Building)

- April 3- First Friday Under the Big Top 5 to 9pm**
- April 9- Fireworks @ Cove**
- April 10-Fireworks @ Cove**
- April 10- Mamo Mobile**
(No Parking in front of County City Building)



For more information on events contact:

- Century Center.....9711
- SB Regional Museum of Art.....9102
- Morris Performing Arts Center.....9190
- Parks/Recreation Department.....299-4765
- Notre Dame.....631-5031
- St. Patrick's Park.....288-3472
- No. Indiana Center for History.....235-9664