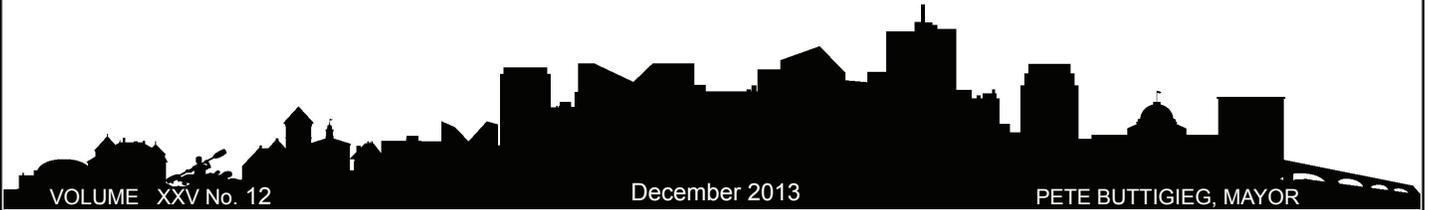


City Reports

CITY OF SOUTH BEND, INDIANA



Letter from the Mayor

Adopt a Pet

Dear Employees:

As 2013 comes to a close, I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your family the very best in the coming year. Our community is stronger today than it was a year ago, and I hope to build on this progress by continuing to improve economic growth, neighborhood quality of life, public safety, and government accountability in our city.

Progress is evident throughout South Bend, including the new shops and restaurants that have opened downtown and new or expanded businesses throughout the city, generating jobs for our community and helping to strengthen our local economy.

We have already experienced some exceptional fall weather, and I am grateful to our city work force for quickly cleaning up the damage from severe storms in late November. As winter sets in and the snow begins to fly, we will continue to rely on the hard work of our excellent employees to keep our city moving in all weather.

It's been a pleasure serving the residents of South Bend this past year, and I look forward to a productive year ahead.

Sincerely,

Mayor Pete

First Friday's Downtown for the Holidays

12/6 Tree Lighting Ceremony – Jon Hunt Plaza, 5:30 pm
Children from the South Bend School Corporation and Starz Academy will perform music and dance. The Holiday Greeting Card artists will be recognized. Free cookies & hot chocolate will be served. This all leads up to the big event: Santa's arrival and the lighting of the giant Christmas Tree.

Santa's House & Workshop Hall of Fame and Gingerbread Village – Santa is opening the doors to his house and workshop from 6:30 – 9 p.m. Bring your camera for free photos with Santa! Visit his workshop for free cookie decorating, activities and Gingerbread Village. Come and cast your vote for your favorite gingerbread creation from 6:30 – 9 p.m.

Sleigh Rides can be picked up in front of the **South Bend Chocolate Café** from 6:45 to 9 p.m. and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Adult rides are \$5 each and children

Zeus

Zeus is a two year old, unneutered Boxer. He is very active, friendly, and well socialized and appears to get along well with dogs and children. He is heartworm negative and is up to date on his bordatella and distemper combo vaccine. He is also up to date on his Rabies vaccine. He will need to be neutered within 30 days of adoption at the Adopter's expense.



Zeus is a special needs dog; he has a hard time walking with his back legs. He was checked out by our veterinarian and she thinks his walking issue is neurological and suspects he was born this way. He prefers a home without cats. House trained

Goober

Domestic short hair, young male.
Goober is a fun loving tabby kitten, around 6 months old. He will need to be neutered within 30 days of adoption at his adopter's expense. House trained.



Pumpkin

Domestic short hair, young female.
Pumpkin is a pretty, 6 month old kitten. She is very playful and gets along great with other cats. She is Feline Luk and FIV negative. She is also up to date on vaccines. She will need to be spayed within 30 days of adoption at the adopter's expense.



(more Downtown for the Holidays)

ride free. Tickets can be purchased at the sleigh stop. Weather permitting. Rides provided by Dream Coach Carriages.

Special activities are happening at: **Chicory Cafe, South Bend Museum of Art, The Pigeon & The Hen Pottery, upStyle Custom Home Boutique, Junk Evolution, Health-Works! Kids' Museum, The Ludus Machine, The State Theater, Idle Hours Bookshop** and enjoy all the downtown restaurants! Check out DTSB's website for all the details!



Citywide Anniversaries

December 2013

40 Years—1973

Michael Grant Police Dept

15 Years—1998

Matthew Bussell Wastewater

James Taylor Police Dept

10 Years—2003

Timothy Cichowicz Police Dept

Christopher Slager Police Dept

Gery Mullins Police Dept

Anthony Pearson Police Dept

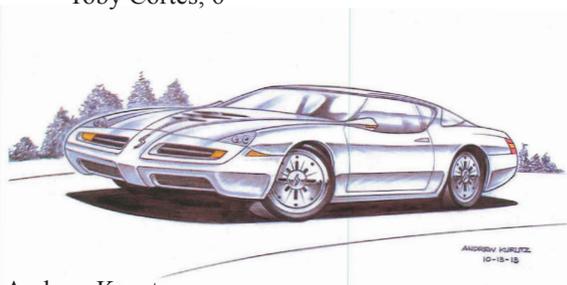
5 Years—2008

Aaron Knepper Police Dept

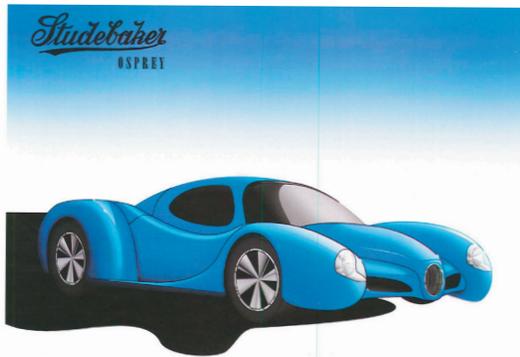
Jason Sass Equipment Services



Toby Cortes, 6



Andrew Kurutz



Brian Donlin

'Design a New Studebaker' Winners Announced

The Studebaker National Museum is pleased to announce the winners of this year's 'Design a New Studebaker' contest. Designs and essays were judged on: purposeful design, originality of concept, quality of representation, realistic proportion, and brand heritage. Judging panel included Paul Down of the University of Notre Dame's Industrial Design Department. Contest Chairman is retired Studebaker designer, Virgil Exner, Jr.

WINNERS:

Ages 21 and up: Thomas Wilson, Indianapolis, Indiana

Ages 17-20: Kyle Reimer, Lafayette, New Jersey

Ages 12-16: Austin Witchie, Granger, Indiana

Ages 11 & under: Toby Cortes, South Bend, Indiana

RUNNER-UP/HONORABLE MENTIONS:

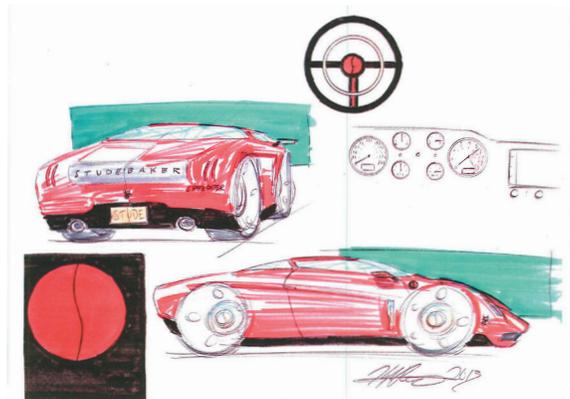
21 & Over: Andrew Kurutz, Chicago, Illinois

Age 17-17: Brian Donlin, Holliston, Massachusetts

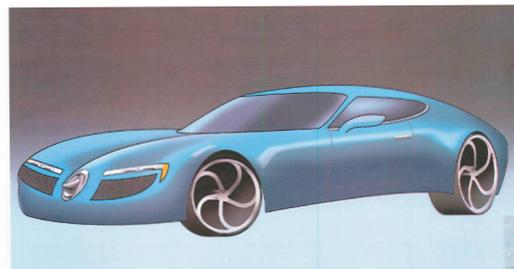
Kenan Mitchell, Kennesaw, Georgia



Thomas Wilson



Kyle Reimer



Austin Witchie

Employees' Corner

Administration & Finance

Congratulations to **Sue Gerlach** on the birth of her beautiful granddaughter, Audrey Marie Gerlach! Audrey was born November 25 and weighed 8 lbs., 5 oz. Her parents are Donovan Gerlach and Bonnie Clough of LaPorte.



Jim Schrader won the Department's Penguin Award for October. Since Jim has started in the IT Department in May he has been involved with our computer replacement projects. Phase 1 of that project was refreshing approximately 110 computers which was completed in late June. He has been working on Phase 2, upgrading most of the rest of the City's computers to Windows 7 since early July. Jim has been responsible for creating images, pulling data off computers, installation of the proper image, and post-image processing. He has completed this process on nearly 500 computers throughout every department in the city. Throughout the entire project Jim displayed professionalism, diligence and a remarkably positive attitude. Congratulations, Jim!!!!



Congratulations also go to **Kandee Block-Tinkel**, who received the Department's Penguin Award in November. Kandee always has a smile and a kind word. She is extremely efficient and is always willing to step up to help wherever and whenever needed. Kandee works on Accounts Payable with Shannon Fredline; she completes budget transfers promptly. Kandee is a team player with a great attitude. Way to go, Kandee!!!



Community Investment

Congratulations to Susan and **Scott Ford** on the birth of their daughter, Clara Eloise, who arrived on the scene at 9:02 am, November 16, weighing 9 lbs 03 oz and was 22 inches long. Scott says she'll be beating him in basketball in no time.



City Clerk

The staff of the Clerk's office never fails to come up with quite the outfits for Halloween, and here they are, rightly dressed as Smarty Pants!



Fire Chiefs support Food Bank

The Chiefs of the South Bend Fire Department were featured at this year's Wheelchair Basketball Game versus the River City Rollers benefitting the Food Bank of Northern Indiana. On Saturday, October 5, at Bethel College's Weikamp Gates Gymnasium, South Bend Fire Department's finest went up against the River City Rollers, a team of disabled wheelchair basketball players. Very soon into the game, SBF realized the River City Rollers were not going to take it easy on them. It wasn't about winning or losing though, fun was had by all while supporting the Northern Indiana Student Hunger Drive and bringing awareness to the handicapped community. Big thanks to Chief **Steve Cox**, A/C **Jim Lopez**, A/C **Federico Rodriguez**, A/C **Andy Myer**, A/C **John Corthier**, B/C **Dave Maenhout** and B/C **Mark Catanzarite**.



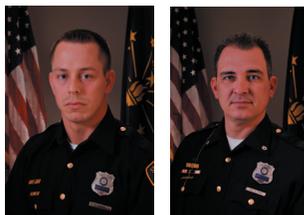
Police Department

We had 2 officers promoted to Division Chiefs this past month - Uniform Division Chief **Scott A. Ruszkowski**, and Investigative Division Chief **Stephen A. Smith**.



Chiefs Ruszkowski & Smith

The October Employee of the Month was a tie, chosen by the Captains and Chiefs. Patrolman **Kenneth Ryan** has been on the force since 1992 and Patrolman **Greg Howard** has been on the force since 2010.



Patrolmen Ryan & Howard

The South Bend Police Department wants to wish everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!



Around Town for the Holidays

12/7 Breakfast With Santa, 8:00 am, \$7.00 per person

A plated breakfast will be served, then visit with Santa and enjoy face painting, balloon art and Irish Christmas traditions. Remember to bring your camera to get a photo of your child with Santa! Fiddler's Hearth, 127 N. Main St. Pre-registration required: Register at O'Brien Recreation Center, 321 E Walter St. until full. Register On-line at www.sbpark.org. Credit card payments accepted by phone at 299-4765 daytime or 299-3482 evenings.

12/7 Tea With Santa 11:00am only \$7.00 per person

Enjoy a light lunch with Santa in the beautiful setting of Erskine Park Clubhouse, 4200 Miami Street. Remember to bring your camera to get a photo of your child with Santa. Pre-registration required: Register at O'Brien Recreation Center, 321 Walter St. until full. Credit card payments accepted by phone at (574) 299-4765 daytime or (574) 299-3482 evenings. Event is co-sponsored by Fiddler's Hearth.

12/7 Pizza With Santa 12:30pm \$7.00 per person

Have a slice of pizza with Santa in the beautiful setting of Erskine Park Clubhouse, 4200 Miami Street, South Bend. There will be Balloon Art and Face Painting! Only one seating is available: 12:30 p.m. Remember to bring your camera to get a photo of your child with Santa.

Pre-registration required: Register at O'Brien Recreation Center, 321 Walter St. until full. Credit card payments accepted by phone at (574) 299-4765 daytime or 299-3482 evenings.

Howard Park Ice Rink – Friday Hours will be 3–5:30 pm and 7–10 pm. Admission is \$6 for Adults, \$5 for Children, and free for Children ages 5 and under. Skate rentals available at a rate of \$3 per pair/per session.

Welcome October 2013

Jennifer Boonstra..... Park Dept. / Potawatomi Zoo
Hannah Diss..... Park Department
Cindy Szuba..... Police Department

Resignations October 2013

Robert Burch Code Enforcement / Animal Control (9 mos)
Jennifer Corle..... Engineering (9 yrs 6 mos)
Zachary Davis..... Police Communicatins (3 yrs 6 mos)
Paul Moring..... Police Department (14 yrs 9 mo)

12/7 Eddy Street Commons Holiday Parade, 4:00pm sharp

Our holiday parade starts at 4:00pm sharp – don't miss the bagpipers, band, and of course our honored guests – Mr. and Mrs. Claus. Be sure to bring your canned food to the parade. Our Boy Scouts will be collecting food to support the Food Bank of Northern Indiana during our parade.

12/7 **Saint Nick Six 6K Run & 3K Walk, 9:00am** will be held at Saint Joseph Catholic Church. Proceeds from the race benefit Saint Joseph Catholic Grade School, the educational ministry of Saint Joseph Parish. This year's Saint Nick Six will once again feature the popular "Run, Run, Rudolph .06K" for little reindeer in 1st grade and younger. Runners and walkers will receive a race tote filled with coupons, goodies, and a tech shirt. Register online at <https://www.signmeup.com/site/online-event-registration/94715>

Change of Pace October 2013

Anna Pelc Potawatomi Zoo from Keeper I to Keeper II
Scott Ruszkowski Police from Captain to Division Chief (Uniform)
Stephan Smith Police from Lieutenant to Division Chief (Investigation Bureau)
Caitlin Webber Police from Communications Specialist II to Communications Specialist III

Retirements October 2013

Diana Gish Police Records (24 yrs 3 mos dedicated service)



For more information on the following events contact:

CENTURY CENTER	9711
S.B. REGIONAL MUSEUM OF ART	9102
MORRIS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER.....	9190
PARKS/RECREATION DEPARTMENT.....	299-4765
NOTRE DAME	631-5031
ST. PATRICK'S COUNTY PARK	288-3472
NO. INDIANA CENTER FOR HISTORY	235-9664
ST. JOE COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS	291-4870

Century Center

- 12/ 5 Center for the Homeless- Holiday Luncheon
- 12/6-8 DTSB Santa's Workshop/Playgroup- Gridiron Plaza
- 12/7 Junior League of South Bend- Holiday Ball
- 12/13-15 DTSB Santa's Workshop/Playgroup- Gridiron Plaza
- 12/17 Payroll Law-National Seminars Group
- 12/20-24 DTSB Santa's Workshop/Playgroup- Gridiron Plaza
- 12/21 Hope for Tomorrow- Winter Bazaar

The Morris Performing Arts Center

- 12/1-8 Broadway Theater League Presents "Jersey Boys"
Tues 7:30, Weds 7:30, Thurs 7:30, Fri 8pm, Sat 2pm & 8pm, Sun 2pm & 7:30pm
- 12/14-15 Southold Dance Theater presents The Nutcracker Ballet (3 performances)
- 12/19 Straight No Chaser, 7:30pm
- 12/21-22 South Bend Symphony Holiday Pops (Saturday at 8pm and Sunday at 3pm)
- 12/31 New Year's Eve Dinner/Dance Party at the Palais Royale, 7:30pm



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Century Center	Priscilla Phillips	9081
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Communications	Kara Kelly	5853
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Human Rights	Nancy O'Brien.....	9425
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Mayor's Office.....	Shay Davis	5850
Morris Perf. Arts Center.....	Karen King.....	5584
Park Department	Paula Garis	299-4778
Police Department.....	Cindy Szuba	7509
Potawatomi Zoo	Pat Fenters.....	9800
Street Department	Ashley Rzepka	7563
Studebaker Nat'l Museum		9714
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Water Works.....	Jodie Spradlin.....	5663

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