

# WE'RE SAILING AHEAD

*Cedar Lake  
Chamber of Commerce*

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## GALA TICKETS SOLD OUT

Thanks to the wonderful support from the new Lighthouse Restaurant and the support of our members, our gala tickets are all gone.

Reservations started arriving after our last newsletter and we are so happy to report there is a great deal of excitement about this very first Town Gala.

Phil Holub, the restaurant's General Manager and Dana Shane the Banquet Manager have been very supportive as we made plans for what we hope will be an exciting evening and the first of many gala's of this kind.

In addition to a wonderful dinner, and a open bar, guests will enjoy the music of the Scott Pazera Quartet.

We are excited to tell you that our very own Wahlberg Photography will take pictures of the guests.

As a special surprise, Lake Shore Public Television will preview their new documentary of Cedar Lake at the Gala. This documentary was developed by Paul Nelson of Lake Shore and made possible through the support of WPM Construction LLC. It will include historical memories from Cedar Lake residents who have lived here most of their lives.

We hope to have these documentaries available at the chamber office during the summer months.

Pictures should be in our next months newsletter.

## HANOVER WRESTLER A CHAMP

We want to extend a big congratulations to Andrew Howe, son of Mike and Debbie Howe of Allstate Insurance on his second place finish in the NCAA Wrestling Championships held in St Louis, MO on Sat. March 21. This super

athlete is a freshman at the University of Wisconsin, the home of the Badgers. He is the first freshman Badger to reach the NCAA finals since 1998. Quite a feat and we are all very proud of him. While at Hanover Central High

School, Andrew who was coached by former Chamber President Nick Petrov and former Hanover wrestler John Willems took state wrestling championships while still remaining a great student

Andrew will take a week off and then begin training for summer competition which could find him in Las Vegas in a few months.

Best of Luck, Andrew!

## ANNUAL BEST OF NORTHWEST INDIANA - MAY 22

The “Best of the Northwest Regional Expo” an event that will showcase area businesses, promises to be bigger and better than ever before in 2009.

The event will be held at **Westfield** Southlake Mall on Friday, May 22 from 10a.m. to 8:30p.m. Booth space will be des-

ignated in 3 sections at the Mall; Sears’ Lower Level, Penney’s Lower Level and Center Lower Level.

Businesses throughout Lake, Porter and LaPorte Counties are urged to participate and showcase their products and services to the thousands of people who will at-

tend this year. In choosing a new location, the Northwest Indiana Chamber Executives’ Association expect even more people than in past years. We have included their brochure in the newsletter if anyone is interested in displaying a product or their business for the event.

## Volatile Weather Conditions

That high pitched siren noise that you began hearing April 3 and will hear every Friday morning at 10:00a.m. in Cedar Lake through June 19 will be a tornado testing alert. The Cedar Lake Police Department will be conducting a test of their Tornado Warning System , a

steady high pitched siren which runs for 3 minutes. It will be followed by the All Clear Siren which will be a high /low wail siren which will run for 3 minutes.

In the case of an actual tornado or a tornado warning in the Cedar Lake area, the warning siren will be

activated, indicating a tornado has been spotted or that a tornado warning has been issued by the National Weather Service. The All Clear Siren will not be activated until the threat of a tornado has passed or the tornado warning has been canceled according to Police Chief Roger Patz.

## USE OUR LCD MONITOR TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESSES

The recent acquisition of a LCD monitor has created a new tool to advertise our businesses either here in the office or at outside events . The LCD monitor allows us to showcase pictures of our businesses as well as pictures

of the community. Any chamber member can be a part of this venture. The pictures can include a street view, interior view, owner/ staff, logo, ad, map or a combination of the above. The pictures can be taken by Director Jim

Wozniewski or if you have a picture or more that you would like us to use we can do that, too. The cost to put a picture on the monitor is \$15.00 for one, \$35.00 for 2 or \$60.00 for 3. Stop by the office to see the monitor at work.

## NEW RESTAURANT IS OPEN

We want to congratulate the new Lighthouse Restaurant on their opening Monday, April 6. General Manager Phil Holub and his well trained staff are ready and waiting for their guests. The restaurant will be open Monday thru Thursday 4p.m. to 10p.m. On Friday and Saturday hours are 4p.m. to 11p.m. and on Sunday 3p.m. to 8p.m.

To make reservations call 374-9283

## GEORGE'S COFFEE CAFÉ WILL OPEN SOON

We were a little premature in telling you last month that George's Coffee Cafe would open on April Fool's Day. It wasn't an April Fool's joke, just a little delay in finalizing some things in the restaurant.

We hope you will all watch for the grand opening sign in his window. George will be located next to Jack's on the Dock.

## BOAT SHOW IN THE PLANNING STAGES

Look for a "In Water Boat Show" to be held mid July at the Lighthouse Restaurant.

While the project is in the planning stages, Pinecrest Marina Owner Bob Gross said the show will feature pontoons, ski boats and runabouts. Guests will be able to take the water craft out for a spin with one of his staff.

Watch the newsletter for more information.

## TOWN WIDE CLEAN-UP SCHEDULED

The town's annual Town-Wide Cleanup has been scheduled for Wednesday thru Saturday, April 29 thru May 2 at the town's Public Works Department. Hours are 7a.m. to 4:45p.m. on Wed. Thurs. and Fri. and 9a.m. to 3:15p.m. on Sat.

Residents and businesses can bring in such items as appliances, scrap metal, tires and wood. Not included on the list will be roofing materials, concrete and electronics. Call 374-7478 for info.

## CENTER TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR WILL SPEAK AT LUNCH

Center Township Assessor Kristi Dressel will speak at a luncheon meeting at noon on Tuesday May 5 at Zuni's Restaurant. Dressel and her staff will discuss what has become a buzz term

"trending", the way of assessing the value of real estate. They will also review how a property owner can appeal their tax bill.

Contact the chamber office to make a reservation, we think this

will be a learning experience for all of us. Also, mark your calendar, Librarian Linda Johnsen will be our guest speaker at a lunch on June 10 at noon at the Cedar Lake Bible Conference Center.



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## FYI FOR YOU

### **Documentary on Cedar Lake**

“Greetings from Cedar Lake”, the new historical documentary produced by Lakeshore Public Television and made possible in part by WPM Construction, LLC will be available to the public on April 27 at 8:30p.m. and encore on May 1 at 8p.m.. It can be viewed over the air and on satellite through DirecTV and Dish Network on Channel 56, on Channel 17 in Northwest Indiana and on Channel 17 and 21 in Chicago and Illinois suburbs. Visit their web site at [www.lakeshoreptv.com](http://www.lakeshoreptv.com).

### **Garage and Bake Sale**

Holy Name Catholic Church will be hosting a Garage and Bake Sale at Holy Name on May 22-24 from 8a.m. to 3p.m. This is an event associated with the church’s 150th Anniversary . Chairmen are Pat & Ron Gracz. You can reach them at 374-6343 for info.

### **Lunch at South Shore**

South Shore Country Club will be open for lunch everyday when golf season starts. Now they recommend you call first. Their number is 374-6070

### **Recycling Center Open**

Midwest PGM, Automotive and Scrap Purchasers. the towns first recycling buy back center has opened its doors. Owners Rich Theil and Jorge Rangel are ready for customers. Their hours will be 7a.m. to 2p.m. Mondays thru Fridays and Saturdays from 8a.m. to 3p.m.

They will pay for aluminum, copper and brass in addition to automotive cores, brake drums, rotors and steel wheels. They will not accept any other steel at this time.