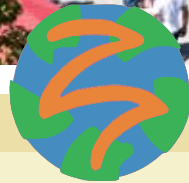




Global Fest

GLOBE TROTTING



**Global Fest | Saturday | September 21
2-10 pm | Northwestern Avenue
South & Columbia Streets**

What's better than celebrating a favorite tradition every year? Adding interesting twists and surprises to it to make it both familiar and new at the same time! Tradition meets innovation at the 24th Annual Global Fest on September 21. The popular street festival has all of your favorite components: international food and music, opportunities to purchase native items from various countries, and the chance to meet people from all around the world who live right here.

What's new this year is the addition of an exciting International Night Market that starts at 6 pm, perfect for the adult crowd. Inspired by those in Asia or Europe, the Night Market will host top entertainment on the main stage, brought in by Purdue Convos, and delicious international food. This year's headliners include *Kardemimmit* from Finland, an all-female band with a Scandinavian and Eastern European flair; *Frontera Bugalu* from the

Texas-Mexico border who fuse border folk and *cumbia* (Columbian style) music; and *Garfunda Collective* from Central America who embody the best of their culture and heritage.

Also new is an open-carry option for beer from People's Brewing Company within the festival grounds. Festival-goers no longer have to drink in a contained "beer zoo." The International Food Bazaar is cooking up delicious food (and plenty of it!) from 30 countries, so you will not go hungry if you have a taste for travel. Children's activities will take place in the West Lafayette Public Library starting at 2 pm. Student groups representing various countries will perform all day on outside stages. You'll experience a new vibe at the larger festival — one that encourages open dialogues between cultures through a mutual love of food and music. Admission is free for the family-friendly fair, co-sponsored by the International Center, Purdue Convos, and the City of West Lafayette. Tickets are available for food purchases. Interested in volunteering for this exciting event? Please call the International Center at 765-743-4353.



ART ON THE WABASH • SEPT. 22 • 10-4 PM

A juried fair at Tapawingo Park in West Lafayette featuring the works of area artists. Park FREE in the Wabash Landing Parking Garage until 5 PM.

Lisa Walsh





MAYOR'S COLUMN

Welcome Home

You may be new to West Lafayette because of a job opportunity or university studies. Or you may be one of the lucky ones, like me, who have lived here for decades and love it here. In either case, welcome and thank you for choosing West Lafayette to be your home.

It's been a privilege to serve as your Mayor for the last 12 years. Having grown up in West Lafayette, I have seen the City grow from a place that had 40 miles of roadway to one that has 40 miles of trails! In 2019, West Lafayette was voted the 6th Best City to Live in Indiana, one of the safest college towns in the country, and one of the most diverse campuses in the Big Ten. By every measurable quality of life and economic indicator list, West Lafayette is top tier. It's exciting to be a part of the growth of this place I call home, and, like Purdue, we've made giant leaps.

Over the last decade or more, we have worked diligently to create a seamless relationship between Purdue and West Lafayette up to and including annexing Purdue into the city limits. West Lafayette is truly the Home of Purdue. In the last four years, we've been building bridges between Lafayette and Purdue to make our City "a sense of place." That is evident through our joint partnerships in projects up and down State Street and the \$1B of current and pledged development in Discovery Park and the Aerospace District. This is unheard of in any city in such a short period of time. We also partner on big events like Riverfest, which spans both cities, and the international festival, Globalfest, co-sponsored by Purdue.



This doesn't happen by accident: our engaged and supportive team raised the bar of excellence in every department. Like a seasoned athletic team, we have a good track record, momentum, and can jump over hurdles with speed and agility to go the distance. Our next giant leap will be in neighborhood revitalization through facilities like the new Wellness Center. Being Mayor has been the greatest experience in my life short of being a father and husband. I hope to continue to serve this great community for one more lap around the track.

HELMET OF SALVATION

Third-grade students at Cumberland Elementary attended a bicycle safety talk by Marcus Smith, assistant city engineer and coordinator of WL's Bike and Pedestrian Program. At the end of the presentation, he and Teresa Williams of IU Health Arnett personally fitted 194 students with new bike helmets. Wearing a helmet tops the list of ways to reduce injuries and fatalities to bicyclists. According to current CDC reports, even though bicycle helmets are highly effective at reducing the risk for head injuries, including severe brain injuries and death, less than half of children and adults always wear bicycle helmets while riding. IU Health and the City of West Lafayette partnered up to try to reverse that trend.

IU Health Arnett is a Level III verified trauma center that provides injury prevention programs. To decrease traumatic brain injury, they started a helmet safety program four years ago with funding through the IU Health Foundation. Even if you fall and hit your head and you don't see any cracks on the helmet, the helmet could be structurally damaged and should be replaced. IU Health has a free replacement helmet program for bicyclists and equestrians.

Last year, IU Health provided helmet safety presentations at community events such as Riverfest and the Tippecanoe County Fair. The City & IU Health representatives will pass out free helmets to the public at the West Lafayette Farmers Market on Wednesday, September 11. Are you bike safety savvy? Check out the Bike and Pedestrian Program webpage on the City website under Engineering to refresh essential safety tips for both bicyclists and drivers. It could save a life – maybe yours.



Marcus Smith engages Cumberland students about the importance of wearing helmets while biking.



BIKE SAFETY POSTER CONTEST

The incentive of winning a bicycle helped WL third-graders think about all of the components of bike safety and express them in creative posters. Winners of the contest, students Leo Minton and Sema Keskin, received new bicycles and helmets, thanks to sponsors Twin City Dodge and Virtuous Cycle. DARE Officer Jeff Kirby officiated the event in May.



NOTICEABLE IMPROVEMENTS

Just in time for the first home Purdue football game, Cherry Lane extension will be open, connecting US 231 to Northwestern Avenue. This much-needed two-lane corridor will help alleviate traffic congestion to and from the game and give residents an alternate route to get in and out of campus during the week.

If you are a returning student, you may notice that curb and gutter work and sidewalk repair and resurfacing on the south end of campus were done while you were away for the summer.

Other summer construction included putting in a new entrance to Happy Hollow Park with a separate bike trail. See it for yourself and bring a child to play on the brand-new playground equipment, complete with a musical element for all ages.

WELLNESS CENTER

More than just a recreation and indoor aquatic facility, the new building embodies a holistic approach to wellness — one that includes opportunities to grow in mind, spirit, and body. Ground-breaking for the Wellness Center in Cumberland Park commences in August with plans to open in January of 2021. It will be worth the wait.

The 73,000 SF building will include three gyms: two regulation wooden floor basketball-sized gyms and one MAC multipurpose gym. Surrounding the three gyms is a four-lane walking/jogging track. The new hybrid pool in the back of the building will have four lanes for lap swimming and room for swimming lessons and group exercise classes. There will be three different ways for people to enter the water to accommodate people of all abilities (zero depth, stairs, and wheelchair lift). “Swimming is a lifelong exercise and something you can do well into your 80s or 90s and not hurt yourself,” said Parks Superintendent Kathy Lozano. It will also be a great place to escape cold Indiana winters.

But it’s way beyond gyms and pools. Imagine community rooms, art and dance class spaces, an indoor playground for daycare drop-off while you exercise, and state-of-the-art fitness equipment. Imagine taking an exercise class in an upstairs open-air terrace that overlooks the park, a party room for rent, and private bathroom and locker room spaces. Imagine no more. All of those components will be there plus more. Beautifully situated in nature, the facility will encourage indoor and outdoor activities to spark energy and wellness, reduce stress, and give residents a place to connect with neighbors the old fashioned way — in person.



Exercising would be so much more rewarding if calories screamed while you burned them. Unattributed



ON THE HORIZON

Buildings continue to be on the rise near campus, poised to open this fall to accommodate the growing need for student apartment space. As always, be aware as you drive, bike, scooter, or walk near construction zones. Here is what's on the horizon:

RISE

100 S. Chauncey Ave. | 289 Units | 675 Beds
21,000 SF retail for three tenants

ASPIRE

1225-1245-1255 W. State St. | 375 Units | 835 Beds
10,500 SF retail in Building A

HUB STATE

111 S. Salisbury St. | 233 Units | 608 Beds | 13,319 SF retail

202 S. CHAUNCEY AVE.

56 Units | 104 beds | no retail

HI-VINE

302 Vine St. | 73 Units | 115 Beds | 12,056 SF retail

SSC

300 W. State St. | 36 Units | 96 Beds | 11,630 SF retail (Target)

CONVERGENCE

101 Foundry Dr. | 116,000 SF office | 6,600 SF retail | 20,772 SF common area

TRANSPARENT RENTALS

West Lafayette is the most densely populated city in Indiana, thanks to Purdue University and the local commerce it attracts. That means we need a good supply of rental housing to keep up with the growing demand. It is important for rental housing to be up-to-code, safe, functional, and sanitary for students and residents who choose to rent. Currently, West Lafayette has 11,006 rental units in 1,448 properties with 23,053 beds.

The City has guidelines and checklists to keep the business of rental housing fair and equitable for all, whether it's a high-rise building, Airbnb, or house. Visit the Rental Housing page at wl.in.gov to access certification forms and inspection checklists.



SCOOT ON OVER

The City has approved permit applications from Spin and Gotcha companies who deployed 150 scooters in West Lafayette. Drivers need to be aware of this alternative mode of transportation on the road and give them extra room. Scooters can be an enjoyable and inexpensive way to get around, but users must abide by the rules of the road for everyone's safety. Any questions for the City? Call Julia Zuchkov at alternativetransportation@westlafayette.in.gov or 765-775-5164.

DO YOU RIDE A SCOOTER?

If you are going to ride a scooter, make sure you know the rules of the road.

- Sidewalk riding is prohibited. If you ride on sidewalks, you will be subject to fines.
- Yield to pedestrians.
- Riding scooters while intoxicated is equal to driving while intoxicated.
- Park with care (Do not block the sidewalk, bike lane, or vehicle lanes. Never park on private property.)

ALL IN THE FAMILY

When you think of a family business, you often think of it as being a privately-owned enterprise passed down from generation to generation, not one run by a city government. But that's what the West Lafayette Street and Sanitation Department has become — a family business. Street Commissioner Ben Anderson treats his employees like family. Their loyalty and hard work are evident in every street they maintain or plow, every storm drain or sewer line they clean, or trash or recycling toter they empty. One employee remarked that when you have a good boss like him, you stay around. The department cares about a job well-done like their name is on the building.

In a special dedication and retirement party in July, Mayor John Dennis christened the new 9600 square foot building at the facility as "Jr. and Bubby's Garage" in honor of two such men on the street, father and son Elisha



James "Bubby" Hedden (in yellow) and family at his retirement party and dedication of the new garage.

"Jr." and James "Bubby" Hedden. They served a combined 67 years for the City of West Lafayette. Elisha worked from 1966-1990, and James just retired from a nearly 43-year career. James worked alongside his father for 14 of those years, served under four administrations, and saw West Lafayette swell from 40 miles to over 200 roadway miles. Over the years, equipment has improved, and buildings and services have been added to address the needs of the growing community.

Jr. and Bubby's Garage houses a brine room to make anti-ice solution and a wash bay to keep the equipment clean and functional. It can hold 12 snowplows and protect them from the elements, so they can start quicker and last longer than vehicles kept outside. It's a fine and productive building dedicated to two fine and productive men who served our City well.

Family. We may not have it all together, but together we have it all.

Unattributed

HIDDEN GEMS HOUSE TOUR

Take a walk through history and experience the charm of the Hills and Dales and New Chauncey neighborhoods. Join us for a look inside these Hidden Gems.



Sunday, October 20 • 1-4 pm

Go to wl.in.gov or Hidden Gems facebook page for tour map.

HIDDEN GEMS
HOME TOUR



CITY NEWS

NEW HIRES

Carol Houston
Administrative Assistant
Mayor's Office

Alana Hufford
Dispatcher
West Lafayette Police

Doug Roark
Maintenance Tech II
Parks and Recreation

James Smith
Maintenance Tech II
Parks and Recreation

Jennifer Spencer
Part-time Assistant
Human Resources

RETIREMENTS

James Hedden
Equipment Operator
Street and Sanitation

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Maintenance Technician I
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Michael Max
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Starry Night Festival

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LET'S GO EVENT CALENDAR

RX/OTC Take-Back

2nd Thursday / 11:30 am–1:30 pm
September 12 / October 10 / November 14
West Lafayette Police Station

City Offices CLOSED

Monday, September 2 / Labor Day
Monday, October 14 / Columbus Day
Monday, November 11 / Veterans' Day
Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29 / Thanksgiving



West Lafayette Farmers Market

Wednesdays through October
3:30–7 pm / Cumberland Park
wlfarmersmarket.com

Wednesdays in the Wild

Wednesdays / 1–3 pm
Lilly Nature Center
wl.in.gov/parks / 765-775-5172

Neighborhood Meet & Greet

Tuesday, August 20 / 5:30 pm
New Chauncey & Northwestern Heights neighborhoods



Beers Across the Wabash

Saturday, August 24 / 3–6 pm
John T. Myers Pedestrian Bridge

Family Fun Day

Sunday, August 25 / noon–5 pm
West Lafayette Public Library

St. Boniface GermanFest

Saturday, September 7 / 4:30–11 pm
9th and Ferry Streets, Lafayette

Exploration Acres Corn Maze

September 13–October 27
explorationacres.com

Starry Night Festival

Saturday, September 14
7 pm–midnight
South Street & Northwestern Avenue



Naturalization Ceremony

Friday, September 20 / 3 pm
White Horse Christian Center

Global Fest

Saturday, September 21 / 2 – 10 pm
Northwestern / South & Columbia Streets

Art on the Wabash

Sunday, September 22 / 10 am–4 pm
Tapawingo Park

Feast of the Hunter's Moon

Saturday, October 5 / 9 am–5 pm
Sunday, October 6 / 9 am–4 pm
Fort Ouiatenon



Purdue Boilermaker Half Marathon and 5K

Saturday, October 19 / 8 am–noon
Ross-Ade Stadium
purduehalf.com

Hidden Gems House Tour

Sunday, October 20 / 1–4 pm
wl.in.gov or Hidden Gems FB page
for tour map