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Round 2 Leaf Pick Up Dec 3-7

Our beautiful neighborhood is enhanced with many trees, and leaves from individual properties as well as the Esplanade may find their way onto your property.

Round 1 went pretty well, but there are still A LOT of leaves throughout Lafayette Place. So let's all get ready for Round 2.

- Rake leaves to the median strip by 7am on the first day of our scheduled week
- DO NOT put leaves in the street
- DO NOT put leaves in the garbage or recycle cart
- DO NOT burn leaves
- DO NOT place leaves in storm drains

If you use Biodegradable paper bags you can call 311 for pick up anytime during the pick up season. The bags will be picked up within 2 business days after your call.

Weather conditions or the volume of leaves may cause changes to the schedule. If you have questions, visit www.cityoffortwayne.org/leaves or call the Leaf Hotline at 260-427-2302 or the Citizens Services Center at 311.

Burning leaves within the City limits is a violation of City Code 74.70.

The fine is \$50 & increases to \$75 if not paid within 30 days.

Holiday Crime Prevention Tips

The Holiday Season is upon us! I'll guess that many of you are making Holiday plans and getting your house ready for visits, decorations, and gifts.

Preparing your home and starting your Holiday shopping can be fun, but please remember to take precautions. Unfortunately, the holiday season may attract criminals to our homes or to us personally while shopping, so here are some crime prevention tips to keep you safe:

At Home:

- * Keep all doors & windows locked when leaving your house.
- * If leaving for an extended period of time over the holidays, leave on some lights and TV or radio to give the impression that someone is home.
- * Hide large gifts that can be seen through windows.
- * Don't leave a key outdoors.
- * Do not leave your garage door open.

While Shopping:

- * If possible, go shopping with a friend. Criminals are less likely to approach you if you're not alone.
- * Lock **all** valuables & purchases in your trunk **before** reaching your destination.
- * Never leave valuables in plain sight in your vehicle
- * Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- * Make sure cashiers return your credit card.
- * Purses should be held close to the body.

Save your Drain

Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and Christmas isn't too far behind! Recipes for many holiday foods contain gravy, butter, cream, shortening, and other kind of fats. Besides adding to our waist size, these ingredients can clog your drains and sewer pipes.

Never pour grease down your drain or flush in the toilet. Using hot water and soap to wash grease down the drain is not a solution. It can still harden in your pipes or sewer line.

You can dispose of oil and grease by placing it in an empty milk carton, vegetable can, plastic butter container, or "zip lock" bag.

Dispose of oil and grease properly and your drainpipes and wallet will thank you!

So Much To Do!

If you haven't already read about all events going on in Fort Wayne over the Holidays, here's a **partial** list of some free events you might want to attend!

These events are ALL happening on Wed, Nov 21

Santa & Mrs. Claus

1st Source Bank – 400 E. Main
4pm – 6:30pm

Santa at the Train Station With a Live Reindeer

221 W. Baker Street
4pm – 8:30pm

Santa's Workshop at the Community Center

233 W. Main Street
4:30pm – 7:30pm

Night of Lights Lighting Schedule:

5:45pm – History Center Turret Lighting

5:35pm – Christ Child Nativity Lighting
(Ross Building on Main St)

6:00pm – Aunt Millie's Northern Lights (Pearl St)

6:20pm – Santa & Reindeer display at PNC Bank
(Main & Calhoun)

7:00pm – Wells Fargo display & I&M Wreath
I&M Plaza, Calhoun & Wayne)

8:00pm – Parkview Field Holiday Fireworks
North gate closes at 7:45pm)

Holiday Recycling Information

This information is being provided in this Newsletter as there WLL NOT be a separate December Newsletter.

You CAN Put These Items in Your Recycle Cart:

- non-metallic wrapping paper and gift bags (handles removed)
- tissue paper
- cardboard
- gift boxes and shoe boxes
- aluminum foil and food trays (rinsed to remove food)
- greeting cards, envelopes, gift cards, and tags
- old calendars (remove metal or plastic coils; staples OK)

DO NOT Put These Items in Your Recycle Cart:

- No foil or metal-looking wrapping paper or gift bags
- No ribbons, bows, beads, string, garland, or tinsel
- No holiday decorations (lights, bells, ornaments, etc.)
- No bubble wrap
- No plastics toys
- No batteries, electronics, or Christmas trees

Christmas Tree Recycling

Drop-off locations for cut, real Christmas trees will be announced in January. Ornaments, tinsel, lights, stands, and plastic bags **must be removed from the tree before it is dropped off**. For details, visit www.acwastewatcher.org.

Wreaths are not accepted at the Christmas tree recycling locations. Wreaths may be placed in your garbage cart.

Seasons Greetings

**The LPIA Board of Directors
wish you and your family
safe and joyful
Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays**

**This Newsletter covers information for November & December.
Christmas tree drop-off sites will be listed in the January Newsletter.
PLEASE DO NOT PUT YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE ESPLANADE**

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