



# THE VILLAGE VOICE

The Village in Burns Harbor  
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Drive-In Movie Night Cardboard Box Lineup 2023

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*Good day, neighbors,*

From Loretta Bernahl:

The event committee thanks everyone who participated in the in Drive-In Movie Cardboard Box Car Contest, from Friday's decorating event to the movie on Sunday (moved due to the rain on Saturday).

We had 9 awesome entries. Great job children!

Our judges Mary, Justin, and Tracy had the pleasure of scoring these amazing creations. Thank you for giving us your time.

Our winners are as follows:

- 1st Place: Kaitlyn \$25
- 2nd Place: Ethan \$20
- 3rd Place: Vincent \$15

Each entry received a \$10 gift certificate from Chesterton Toy.

Bravo to the children for making sure the park was cleared of garbage before they went home. It looked fantastic!

A special thank you to the Bernahl III family for hosting and Sadrish Panthi for helping with the movie screen. The children really liked the movie. I've never witnessed them so quiet. It's always nice to spend the evening with our neighbors.

### **Village Events and Planning Committee (VEPC) Updates**

**Reminder:** While there are adults tending to the event set up and operation, VEPC is not responsible for your child's welfare. Parent or adult supervision from each child's household is required for all VEPC events.





2023 Cardboard Box Car Decorating Contest Winners





1st Place: Kaitlyn





2nd Place: Ethan





3rd Place: Vincent





Cardboard Box Car Painting





### Adding the Finishing Touches

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- September 22: Burns Harbor Fire Department Inaugural Golf Outing

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## NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 10 @ 7 P.M.

### POA MEETING



Our August POA Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 10 at 7 p.m. at Triangle Park. Be sure to bring your own chairs. If the weather's unfavorable, we'll meet at the Portage Public Library, located at [2665 Irving Street, Portage, IN 46368](#). The meeting will review updates of everything we discussed at the last meeting, including the expansion of the board, upcoming events, our continued talks with Traditions, and so on.





## WORKSHOPS: NEED PINEWOOD DERBY CAR HELP?

Meet at the Childress' garage at 1152 Burns Blvd. for a Derby Car Workshop on Sunday, August 13 at 11 a.m. and on Friday, August 18 at 5 p.m. For more derby car details or to get your free derby car kit, please contact Erin at 765.430.3065.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 @ 5 P.M.

## WHITTLE YOUR ENGINES FOR THE 2023 PINEWOOD DERBY CAR RACE, ICE CREAM SOCIAL, & MOVIE NIGHT

Create a new derby car or use a derby car you already have. (If you are using a car that's not from the provided kits, the car may not fit on the track and a test run is recommended.) Google "Pinewood Derby Car" for building tips.

Prizes will be awarded for Fastest Car & Best of Show. There are two categories: Kids & Adults. All ages may enter.

Race Night:

- Weigh-in & practice starts at 5:30 p.m.



- People's Choice voting starts at 6:00 p.m. w/ races immediately following.
- Sloppy joes and chips will be provided along with various beverages. There will also be an ice cream truck in attendance.
- Myra and Ray will be hosting the movie to follow at dusk.

Everyone is welcome!

Village Derby Rules:

- The axles, wheels, and body shall be from the kit only.
- The total car width is not to exceed 3 inches.
- The axle width cannot be modified.
- The diameter of the wheels may not be changed.
- The weight is not to exceed 8 oz.
- There shall be no loose parts.
- The axles may be lubricated with silicone or graphite.



SATURDAY, SEPT. 16 @ 3 P.M.

## BOUNCE & BBQ

Join us in September for our Bounce & BBQ event. There will be a bounce house for young children and bounce obstacle house for older children. As for the BBQ portion, we'll have pulled pork sandwiches along with various sides and beverages will be



provided. There will be more information to come later. **Please note:** No one will be able to enter without a signed contract, which will be provided that day.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5 @ 7 A.M.

## PORTER VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS' 9TH ANNUAL STOP, DROP, AND RUN 5K



Come out and support your local firefighters! You're taught from a young age to stop, drop, and roll if your clothes catch fire. In the spirit of that practice, let's substitute run in the mix! The Stop, Drop, and Run 5K Run/Walk is just the way to do it! You can also run with a firefighter! Come join some of Porter Fire Department's finest who will be running in their gear and challenge them and yourself!

For more details and to register, go to the [race sign-up page](#).

Race Location: Hawthorne Park,  
500 Ackerman Dr., Porter, IN 46304



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9 @ 7 P.M.

## TOWN COUNCIL

The August Town Council meeting for Burns Harbor will be held in person on Wednesday, August 9 at 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 @ 10 P.M.

## BURNS HARBOR FIRE DEPARTMENT INAUGURAL GOLF OUTING

The Burns Harbor Fire Department is announcing its Inaugural Golf Outing on Friday, September 22, 2023. Grab some friends and come join us for a great day of golf and fun. Register your team today. Spots will fill fast. This event will be held at River Pointe Country Club in Hobart, Indiana. There's a 10 a.m. shotgun start. There will be hotdogs, prizes, a raffle, and dinner.

Sponsorships are also needed. For more information about sponsorships or registration, please contact Zach Minseal at [minsealbhfd102@gmail.com](mailto:minsealbhfd102@gmail.com) or 262.388.2133 or Russell Wooten at



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## QUESTIONS? CONCERNS?

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