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Mayor's Corner

Mayor David Hanks

Happy New Year



Linda and I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and we hope your year was as blessed as ours.

As we reflect on the last year, let's take a look at Sauk Village. We have come a long way and we continue to make improvements

We have come from an all time low in financial status by making cuts and reducing debt. This has been accomplished because we have tightened our belts as our residents have had to during difficult economic times.

The village is currently 67% through its budget year and the General Fund expenditures are at 65% of its budget which is 2% lower than anticipated for this point into the budget. Our revenues are higher than anticipated while we have only received 40% of the projected property taxes. Financial records are being recorded accurately; grants being used for their intended purpose, spending through state programs that offer municipal discounts have been implemented and utilized by all departments.

This administration has followed up with the audits to make them current so that our financial future can look brighter and we can move toward improved bond ratings. As of December 2014, Sauk Village audits are complete and submitted to the state. Sauk Village is no longer behind on completing or submitting our financial audits.

Our village business meetings, both regular and committee, have become more professionally conducted at reasonable lengths of time due to better planning and attempting to stay on topic to improve our village.

Visual improvements include the removal of the wooden signs along the entrance to our village on State property through cooperation of the businesses in our village. They were removed through appeals to those businesses and the administration working together.

News from the Village Clerk

Debbie Williams

Happy New Year! Every New Year comes with resolutions and plans for change. This year my resolution is to continue to find ways to communicate with the residents. Through the years we have enhanced the website to include agendas, minutes, ordinances and financial information and created the Sauk Village email alert system and Sauk Village Information Facebook page in

order to provide OFFICIAL information to our residents. This year I would like to include a Resident Survey on the last Page 7 of this edition of the Sauk Talk in order to attempt to bridge the "Communication Gap". Realizing that not everyone uses social media and realizing that social media is not always accurate or representative of every event or occasion; I am

seeking resident input on ways to communicate. Please note the information for this year's Village Sticker contest is included on the last page of this edition. The Village Hall will be closed on Monday, January 19th in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Be safe and use precaution during this extreme weather conditions!

Sauk Talk

Mayor's article continued



Beautification committee worked with several local businesses to promote a beautiful and appealing image at several locations in our village by creating the Adopt-A-Spot program, encouraged residents who have made great strides in improving the image of their homes by continuing the Hootsie award program and acknowledging those that take pride in where they live and work.

Housing Commission and Beautification both worked together most of this past year in an effort to improve our image. The Housing Commission spent a great amount of time and effort promoting and implementing the grass mowing and debris removal at many residential homes. Both committees also with the help of the Township summer kids program accomplished much work done at our municipal buildings this summer. Beautification made improvements to some of the signage in our village.



Our local Scout Christopher Witt did a fantastic job improving our park by staining the picnic benches, gazebo and a local resident James Williams created a new sign for the park next to the community center and did a beautiful job.

This last year the Parks and Recreation committee has worked tirelessly to provide programs for children and other events and has a plan for improvements to other park areas within our village which include upgraded ball fields, new soccer field, walking paths for our local residents use and more.

The administration has made improvements in communication by initiating the email alerts for those residents who provide their email addresses. The Public Relations committee is currently working to create a new visually improved and user friendly web site and hopefully will be completed early in 2015 and can be located at www.saukville.org



The administration continues to encourage residents to bring their questions to the village hall so they can be answered or worked on by the appropriate departments. All sub committees continue to encourage residents to join in with ideas and solutions to improve relationships within our community.



This last year we negotiated the contract to improve our water and the loan to make those improvements and later worked with the Governor's office to help put our village in a better financial position. As of today well #3 is up and running thus alleviating any water shortage in the event of a substantial fire emergency. Air strippers were installed to insure safe water and improvements to filtration has improved many water issues. Work continues to improve the water infrastructure and decrease water loss so that we may someday be at an acceptable level for application for Lake Michigan water.

Still much work needs to be done in some areas where a second water line needs to be installed to insure water availability and to improve looping so that some lines do not become stagnant. The administration continues to work with residents to bring their bills for services up to date and to bring current any outstanding penalties for non compliance with ordinances.

In the last two years streets have been repaired as funds became available, street lights and fire hydrants repaired or replaced and recently Sauk Village received a grant to make further improvements to street lighting throughout the entire village. The administration has worked diligently to address the areas that were neglected over the years.



Mayor's Article Continued

Below are the streets repaired in 2013 and 2014 and the streets to be repaired in 2015.

2013		
Street	From	To
223rd Street	Nichols Ave	Murphy Ave.
215th Place	Peterson Ave	Jeffery Ave
Lusilla Ct	221st Street	221st Street
225st Ct	Theisen Ave	Theisen Ave
Merrill Ct	216st Street	216st Street
223rd Place Ct	Yates Ave	Yates Ave
Water Main Repair Restoration	Various	Various

2014		
Street	From	To
Jeffery Ave	Sauk Trail	217th Place
Peterson Ave	215th Place	Constance Ave
Stret Patching	Various	Various

2015		
Street	From	To
216th Street	216th Place	Jeffery Ave
Constance Ave	Peterson Ave	Peterson Ave
225th Street	Yates Ave	Jeffery Ave
223rd Place	Chappel Ave	Clyde Ave
216th Ct	Merrill Ave	Cul-de-sac

Our Police Department is working tirelessly to improve safety concerns within our village and added officer Falco to assist them in their efforts. The department will continue their work as well as taking advantage of events in which they can get to know the law abiding citizens as well as they know the criminals camping in town.

The administration, police and neighborhood watch has worked to insure that inappropriate behavior will not be accepted in Sauk Village and will be reported to the police department when it occurs. We encourage safe and respectful behavior in our community.

The administration encourages the cooperation of all taxing bodies within our village to work together to promote communication and cooperation within our community. Our McConathy Library has been a generous source of donations to the children of Sauk Village and worked often with the administration to insure efforts for the children including the community garden for all to enjoy and take part in.

The School board has worked to improve communication to promote programs for the children of Sauk Village by sharing information on their projects as well as sharing village projects with the families of Sauk Village. All three taxing bodies realize that everyone in Sauk Village does not have a computer and that communication reaching every family will require working together and sharing information.



Yes there is still much work to be done but the current atmosphere of cooperating and an open door policy to share will improve understanding for all. Can everything you desire be provided by our village? No, we are not financially able to provide all that people wish but the door is open and the administration is willing to listen and share ideas and solutions with all those who take the extra effort to step through the door and communicate.

Most importantly to insure forward motion is to put words into action and volunteer. In 2015 Sauk Village needs your help as we work together “Moving Sauk Village Forward”.

Mayor David A. Hanks



Fire Department

Aaron Anderson



THE SNOW AND ICE ARE HERE.

Now that the snow is really starting to come down remember to take caution when driving and walking around, not all ice is visible.

PLEASE HELP AND DIG OUT ANY FIRE HYDRANT BURIED BY SNOW!

The amount of time it could take us to locate a buried hydrant, dig it out and then connect to it could make a difference as to whether we can effectively complete our task. If we have to locate a hydrant because it's buried under snow, we may never find it depending on how tall the snow is. For us to dig out a hydrant takes time and manpower away from the fire.

We would like to welcome Eric Luther to the fire department. We know he will make an excellent addition to the fire department. Eric will be adding to a long line of Luther's to grace the walls of the Sauk Village Fire Department. Starting with Eric's grandfather Retired Asst. Chief Zeke Luther, Eric's uncle David Luther, Eric's father Douglas Luther, and Eric's two brothers Kevin and Cameron.

Continue to check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Make sure to replace the batteries when daylight savings time changes or every six months, they can go bad. Never be afraid to call the fire department because it is better to be safe than sorry.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

The Fire Department will be hosting a chili cook-off sometime in the future so get those recipes together and standby for more details.

For any additional information on any of the above events find us on Facebook at "Sauk Village Fire Department". The page is regularly updated with useful information that can benefit you and your community. If you ever have any questions feel free to message the Facebook page.

The Sauk Village Fire Department is always accepting applications from men and women who want to provide a valuable service to their community while trying to live up to these demanding character traits. Getting started as a new firefighter in Sauk Village can open doors to a rewarding career too. If you are a Sauk Village resident 18 years or older, possess a valid driver's license, and are self-motivated and committed individual, we just might be what you're looking for. Applications are available at the Village Hall or the Fire Station.



Governor Quinn Announces Major Investments for 75 Park Projects Across Illinois

OSLAD Grants Will Support Park and Recreation Projects in 28 Counties

Last Saturday Trustee Poskin and I were present in Oak Park at the Governor's announcement of \$26 million in investments for 75 local projects across Illinois.

Sauk Village was selected for a \$205,000 grant to renovate Arrow Park through the Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Program.

OSLAD is a state-financed grant program that provides funding assistance to local government agencies for acquisition and/or development of land for public parks and open space.

I would like to personally thank all those that helped make this grant possible.

Sauk Talk is Produced by volunteers of the Public Relations Committee of Sauk Village, Rosie Williams Trustee/Composer and Staff Members Nanette Wargo and Debbie Williams. With special appreciation for technical support provided by Colleen Baughman. Suggestions should be directed to the Village Hall at 708-758-3330 or emailed to sauktalk@saukvillage.org.

Winter Weather Preparedness

EMA Director Art Johnson
EMA Training Officer Shannon D'Apice

With the beginning of a new year, it is important to make sure you & your family are prepared for winter weather. Some of the most important things to remember is road, vehicle, & driving safety. If you need to use your car in winter weather, preparation is critical to ensure your safety as driving during these conditions can be hazardous. Before hitting the road, be sure to winterize your vehicle and update the emergency supply kit with the following items:

- Shovel;
- Ice scraper and small broom;
- Blanket; and
- Emergency flares.

Once your car is ready, follow The Three P's of Safe Winter Driving provided by the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety & Health Administration for safe driving in winter storms: *PREPARE* for the trip; *PROTECT* yourself; and *PREVENT* crashes on the road. Here are some tips to remember:

- Familiarize yourself with directions before you go and let others know your route and anticipated arrival time;
- Maintain a full tank of gas to prevent fuel lines from freezing;
- Slow down for winter driving conditions, regardless of the type of vehicle you drive;
- Leave plenty of room between your vehicle and others as it takes more time and distance to stop your vehicle on wet roads; and
- Do not use cruise control.

Remembering these useful & safe tips will ensure safe travels for you & your loved ones this winter season.

Sauk Village Debt Recovery Committee

Over the holiday the "Sauk Village Debt Recovery Committee" was launched.

Thank you to Trustee Myers for volunteering to chair this new committee. The purpose of this new committee is to work with our collections agency and to expedite recovery of debt owed to the village. The committee along with Trustee Myers will consist of individuals from administration, finance, IT, legal and the collection agency.

Blossoms News

If you have a child under five years old, then BLOSSOMS is for you!

School District 168 offers many early childhood programs. BLOSSOMS is a FREE program that is available to families with children ages 0-5 who live in our area. We offer parent/child playgroups, a pre-kindergarten program, parent workshops, family nights, field trips, personal visits, a lending library and more throughout the year. Events and playgroups are held at Wagoner School. Personal visits can be held right in your own home or at school. The program also offers developmental screenings for children from ages birth to five.

We also meet once a month at McConathy Public Library.

Call the Blossoms Family Center at (708) 758-0319 to register or for more information.

Senior News

Rose Langston

Now that the holiday season is over, bank statements, credit card billing statements, and MSN (Medicare Summary Notice) coming in must be checked for accuracy. Seniors known to have resources have been targeted for many frauds and/or scams, don't be a victim. Every year over 16 million people in the U.S. are victim to identity theft. The November 2014 AARP Bulletin had an excellent article on 'War on Medicare Fraud' which stated crooks steal \$60 billion of tax payers money each year. It is imperative that you do not give out any of your personal information, especially your Medicare or Social Security number, when someone makes the call or via e-mail the request. Banks, Social Security and Medicare do not call requesting your personal information, they already have the information. Be sure your MSN agrees with the services provided (check for errors or possible fraud or abuse). Call the Illinois SMP (Senior Medicare Patrol) at Age Option at 800-699-9043 for assistance in reading your MSN or to report a suspected fraud or abuse. The Justice Department's Medicare Fraud Strike Force was formed in 2007 and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have placed a high priorities on health care fraud and Medicare fraud. To report suspected wrongdoing, call the Office of Inspector General, 800-447-8477.

The Bloom Township Community luncheon 'Aloha 2015' is on Wednesday, January 21st with ticket deadline (unless sold-out) Wednesday, January 14th. See posted flyers for details and other township events.

Jones Community Center Golden Agers 2015 annual membership dues of \$5.00 will be accepted at the Wednesday, January 21st meeting. Social hour is at 10:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. Cost for the luncheon is \$5.00, for reservation and/or information call 708-757-5395.

FREE senior citizen monthly movie days co-sponsored with McConathy Public Library at the library. Mondays at 12:30 p.m.: The monthly FREE blood pressure screening on Mondays has been suspended until further notice. The 'Silver Sneaker FLEX' continues to meet every Tuesday from 10:00-11:00 a.m. for a low cost of \$2.00 per class, no charge for Silver Sneaker members. The Village Senior Committee sponsors an Open Senior Social Activity time from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. every 2nd and 4th Fridays.

The three senior organizations have curtailed their meetings due to the inclement weather: resuming Sunday SV Fun Club meeting will announced, Monday Sunshiners will meet only once a month for a few months, and the Wednesday Leisure Timers will resume their meeting in February Other groups meeting in the Senior Center are: the Sauk Village Blue Grass on Sundays from 6:00 until 10:00 p.m.; BMW Crossroads No. 55 every 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.; and the Ceramics Group meet every Wednesday from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.

The Senior Committee meets every second Thursday at 5:00 p.m. in the Senior Center. For concerns and/or questions, call (708) 758-3330 and leave a brief message for a call back as time permits. Committee members are Gary Holcomb, Bob Ketcham, Rose Langston, Floyd Morgan, Delores Randall, Beverly Sterrett, Larry Stewart, and


HAPPY NEW YEAR


Police Department

Tim Holevis

The police department would like to wish everyone a safe and happy new year. Please be cautious when driving this winter season and watch out for the other guy.

As Chief of Police, I would like to personally welcome back Officer Joshua Morris who has returned to full duty after being injured several years ago while pursuing robbery suspects. Welcome back Officer Morris! Officer Morris will be assigned to Field Training prior to his being returned to patrol.

I have just recently been advised the Sauk Village Fire and Police Commission will be conducting testing for the position of Police Officer. The position will be advertised in local newspapers and also on several online websites from January 5th - January 19th, 2015. Applications will become available January 6th – January 22nd, 2015 between the hours of 9AM and 3PM at **Resource Management Associates, 17037 Oak Park Avenue, Tinley Park, IL. 60477. (708)444-2326.** There is a \$25 non-refundable fee for the application. A tentative date of February 14th has been set for testing. Please contact Resource Management Associates at the above listed number for further details.

A LITTLE POLICE HUMOR

A cop stopped a drunk at about dawn.

The cop asked, "Can you explain why you're out at this hour?"

BRIDGING THE GAP

Please take a moment to complete the following survey and return to the Village Hall in person or by fax 708/758-1634. Thanks in advance. Responses will be included in the March Sauk Talk.

Are you aware of...? (Circle one)

The Sauk Talk

village website-
www.saukvillage .org

Sauk Village Information
Facebook Page

Official Sauk Village
Email Alerts

YES OR NO

YES OR NO

YES OR NO

YES OR NO

How often do you access each of the following...? (Circle One)

Very Often

Often

Occasionally

Seldom

In an emergency

Sauk Talk

5

4

3

2

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Village website

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Official Sauk Village Facebook
Page

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Sauk Village Email Alerts

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What other ways to bridge the gap of communication would you suggest?

What information would you like to see in the Sauk Talk or on the village website, Facebook page or email alerts?

Please provide your responses on a separate piece of paper.

Respectfully,

Village Clerk Debbie Williams

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911	SAUK VILLAGE HALL	758-3330
POLICE & FIRE NON-EMERGENCY	758-1331		
COMMUNITY CENTER	758-4115	SENIOR CENTER	753-5141
BLOOM TOWNSHIP	754-9400	COOK COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	210-4500
RESPOND NOW EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	755-4357	McCONATHY LIBRARY	757-4771
COMMONWEALTH EDISON	1-800-334-7661	NICOR	1-888-642-6748
ALLIED DISPOSAL	754-5460		

**VISIT US ON THE WEB:
WWW.SAUKVILLAGE.ORG**

Sauk Village Public Relations Committee

2015 Village Sticker Design Competition

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: January 30, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.

Rules

Markers are preferred. Crayons may be used if you press hard on the crayons.

Drawing only---NO WORDS

Drawing MUST FIT within the space provided. DO NOT draw outside the lines!

Open to students living in Sauk Village in grades three through seven only. (Ages 8-12)

Prizes will be awarded. The First Prize drawing will appear on the 2015 Village Sticker.

Name: _____

Grade: _____

School: _____ Address: _____

Teacher: _____

Drawing Dimensions should not exceed 6"x 6"

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Mayor's Corner

Mayor David Hanks

Budget Stoplight Statement

“There has been a lot of talk about the budget during this election. Attached is an outlook of the current 2014/2015 FY budget through January 2015 and with only three months left.”





Sauk Village Budget Update as of January 2015

Administration		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of January 2015 Administration expenditures are \$1.8mil vs. a budget of \$1.6mil Reasons for overages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Litigation settlements dating back to the previous administration Contractual Attorneys hired by prior administration Union Negotiations dating back to 2011
Police		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of January 2015 Police expenditures are \$2.6mil vs. a budget of nearly \$3mil Police Department remains within their budget however, some line items are over which can be explained <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased police patrols Criminal Investigations Employee Shortages
Fire		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of January 2015 Fire expenditures are \$571K vs. a budget of \$590K however the anticipated revenues have not been received and the department is currently \$271K short. Fire Department remains within their budget however, some line items are over which can be explained.
ESDA		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ESDA (S.V. Homeland Security) is on budget and as of January 2015 expenditures are \$52K vs. a budget of \$54K
Streets		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of January 2015 Streets expenditures are \$9.6K vs. a budget of \$37K
Water		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of January 2015 Water Department has spent \$4.4mil vs. a budget of \$5.2mil More work was completed and still under budget <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Repair/Replace Fire Hydrants Repair/Replace Street Lights Tree Trimming Clearing Sauk Village Streets During Snow Storms
Sewer		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of January 2015 Sewer expenditures are \$614K vs. a budget of \$721K

Sauk Talk

Mayor's Article Continued

Total Budget (By Fund)

<p>General Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of January 2015 Total General Fund expenditures are \$5.7mil vs. a budget of \$6.7mil • General Fund Cover <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Administration o Elected Officials o Public Grounds & Building o Police Department o Community development o ESDA o Streets o Parks and Playgrounds o Audits o Insurances o Dispatch Center
<p>Fire Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of January 2015 Fire expenditures are \$571K vs. a budget of \$590K
<p>Water Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of January 2015 Water Department has spent \$4.4mil vs. a budget of \$5.2mil
<p>Sewer Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of January 2015 Sewer expenditures are \$614K vs. a budget of \$721K

*News from the Village Clerk**Debbie Williams***ELECTION NEWS-2015****Key Dates for the upcoming April 7th Election.****Please find information on the Village Trustees (3- 4 year terms) and School Board Candidates (3- 4 year terms and 1 - 2 year term to fill an unexpired vacancy) that will appear on the ballot.**

Date	Event
2/26/2015	First day to apply for a mail ballot
3/10/2015	Last day to register to vote
3/11/2015	First day of grace period registration and voting
3/23/2015	First day of early voting
4/2/2015	Last day to request a mail ballot , including military and overseas voters
4/4/2015	Last day of early voting
4/4/2015	Last day of grace period registration and voting
4/7/2015	Election Day

SAUK VILLAGE POLLING PLACES

Precinct 7
First Apostolic Church
22709 State Street
Steger, IL

Precinct 16
Lynwood Municipal Center
21460 Lincoln Highway
Lynwood, IL

Precinct 26 & 55
Rickover Junior High
22151 Torrence Ave.
Sauk Village, IL

Precinct 23 & 53
Paesel Center
2700 Kalvelage Drive
Sauk Village, IL

Precinct 27
McConathy Public Library
21737 Jeffery Ave.
Sauk Village, IL

Precinct 32
St. James Catholic Church
22400 S. Torrence Ave
Sauk Village, IL

Grace Period Registration and Voting: Suburban Cook County**March 11 - April 4, 2015- check out www.cookcountyclerk.com for locations.****April 7, 2015 Consolidated Election**

Grace period registration and voting extends the registration period by allowing voters to register and vote until the Saturday before an election. It is also the only way to vote if you are not registered or if your voter registration is not up to date. However, guidelines limit when and where grace period registrants can vote. During grace period registration, voters must register and vote in person at one of the locations listed below. Individuals wishing to vote during the grace period must bring [two pieces of identification](#) to register. Grace period registrants immediately cast their ballot after registering to vote.

EARLY VOTING- MARCH 23RD THROUGH APRIL 4TH
NEAREST EARLY VOTING LOCATION

Lynwood Senior Center	M-F	Sat	
21490 Lincoln Hwy	March 23-27	March 28	9am-5pm
Lynwood, IL 60411	March 30- April 3	April 4	9am-5pm

Candidate Bios

1. **Derrick N. Burgess – Trustee**

2. Years of residence in Sauk Village: 33 years
3. Family information: Married 40 years, father of 4 children, 14 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild
4. Employment History: Retired after 26 years of employment at the University of Illinois at Chicago as a Boiler Room Engineer
5. Village Involvement: Active involvement in the Village since 1982; Former Vice President of St. James Catholic School; Former Chairman of Finances for St. James Catholic School, former Commissioner on the Zoning Board of Appeals, Founder of Deer Creek Men's Club/Neighborhood Watch, Trustee since 2006, former Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Committee, former Chairman of the Economic Development Committee and founder and Chairman of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee.
6. Number of yrs. for your term and plans: 4 year term; Plan: To ensure the village's policies and plans help move this town into the 21st century and is competitive in soliciting families and professionals to move here. This can only be accomplished if all elected officials are willing to hold the entire board everyone accountable in an open, honest and transparent government. To be an advocate for and a representative of the people of Sauk Village.

John A. Poskin Sauk Village Trustee

Village Resident for 36 Years

I have been Happily Married to Debra (Hoffmann) Poskin for 38 Years. We have three married sons, John (Fawn), Michael (Joyce) and Steven (Jennifer), five grandchildren, Danielle, Hailey, Brady, Bret, Anthony and one on the way.

I worked for the United States Post Office for 37 years as a Letter Carrier, Supervisor and Postmaster. I am currently retired.

Past Village Commitment and Participation:

- Little League Manager
- Director of Player Personnel –Sauk Village Sports Association
- Tournament Director for the SVSA
- Served on the Sauk Village ESDA for 7 Years
- Served on the Economic Development Committee

Current Commitment and Participation:

- Appointed Sauk Village Trustee (2012)
- Vice Chairman of Housing Commission

Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee

As a Trustee and Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Committee, I have started or restarted several programs. My plans for the future are to continue those programs, as well as add more activities for the children of Sauk Village, including Soccer, Volleyball, Baseball, summer programs, bike parade, bike rodeo, arts and crafts, etc...

I will work to help support the community. I plan to work to get more police officers for the department and public works to improve Sauk Village.

Public safety and service to our residents is a major concern. I will continue to support adding additional staff to our Police and Public Works Department.

Candidate Bios

Jeffrey Morden Trustee

Residence of Sauk Village for 15 years

Married to my wife Ann Marie Morden

I've been in the Transportation Industry since 1996

Current sitting Trustee, member of the Ordinance Review Committee, former Chairman of the Beautification Committee, former Zoning Board Commissioner, Parks & Rec's Co-Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Independent Day Parade & Celebration.

I'm running for re-election for a four year term in office. A few key points that I'm focused on in my next 4 years in office are Public Safety, Economic Growth, Transportation, New programs for our youth and Community outreach programs for our residents.

Contact information: jmsaukvillage@yahoo.com , (708) 417-9746 , "LIKE" me on Facebook at Jeffrey Morden Sauk Village Trustee

Gary F. Holcomb, Sr.

Born NY State 12/15/1948

Raised in Florida 1952-1967

Entered US Navy 4/1967 Ret. 10/1990 credited 24 yrs. For combat injures (Spent 2 ½ yrs. in and out of Hosp. due to injuries received in Vietnam. 50% of career spent serving with USMC as Advanced Independent Hospital Combat Corpsman. 1981 attended USMC Sgt.Maj. Academy receiving Ring & Sword and the right to ware USMC dress blues.

1967 attended Hospital Corps School

1967 – 1969 Assigned has corpsman to the President White House Staff, during this period attend George Washington University at Bethesda Naval Hospital for Advanced Independent Hospital Combat Corpsman to LPN level with sides in Mortuary, Hosp. Admin, Controlling, and teaching.

1990 to 2010 Senior Management Security Company Downtown Chicago (High-rise's and Chicago Bears)

2010 Fully retired.

2012 Chairman SV Housing Commission, Vice-President McConathy Public Library SV, and Senior committee.

My name is Kelvin Jones and I am running for the full 4 year term Trustee for Sauk Village Illinois. I will be a great advocate for the residents; ensuring that our tax dollars are spent effectively and efficiently. I will also advocate for an open and transparent form of government. I believe municipal decisions must be made via collaborative effort by all elected officials and village employees with timely communication to residents.

I have been a resident of Sauk Village for nearly five years. I am a husband and father of 3. I have been a truck driver for 18 years with 15 years dedicated to one company. I have also volunteered for Sauk Village Cub Scouts. I am looking forward to serving and working with everyone.

Candidate Bios

Cecial L. Tates Full Term - Village Trustee

2. **Years of residence in Sauk Village**
30+ years
3. **Family**
Divorced
4. **Employment History**
Civil Servant (Retired)
Military (Lieutenant Colonel, Retired)
5. **Village Involvement**
 - a. Sauk Village Cablevision Committee
 - b. Human Relations Committee, Vice Chairman
 - c. Fair Housing Committee, Vice Chairman
 - d. Police & Fire Commission, member
 - e. Sauk Village Parks & Recreation Committee, Vice Chairman
 - f. School District 168-School Board President
 - g. Sauk Village Sports Teams, Coach/Assistant Coach (Baseball, Basketball and Football)
6. **Number of yrs for your term and plans**
4 years.. To build a cohesive relationship with all trustees and the mayor. To represent the residents of Sauk Village and lend a voice to their interests and concerns.
7. **Other**
Military Awards (limited)
 - a. Bronze Star
 - b. Global War on Terrorism
 - c. NATO Medal
 - d. United Nations Medal
 - e. Illinois Military Medal of Valor
 - f. Letters of Appreciation for service in Iraq (David H. Petraeus, Major General, Steven J. Hashem, Brigadier General, John Kern, Brigadier General)

Sene Garrett has been a resident of The Village of Sauk Village since 1986. She has attended Wagoner, Rickover and Bloom Trail. Now she is the Secretary of the Community Consolidated School District 168. She is also a Tax professional at H & R Block. She is a former Secretary of District 168 Parent Teachers Association (PTA). Supervisor for District 168 Preferred Meals Program and Paraprofessional at Rickover Junior High School. She has dedicated her time and service to many community organizations including the Sauk Village Sports Association, Scout Leader for the local Girl Scout organization, coach for both Glenwood Cougars and Lansing Lions cheer squads. Over and the past ten years she has been a coach for a local softball organizations. She is dedicated to strengthen families in her community, and her commitment stands without question. Sene has four children one at each district school. Jade, Jamari, and Jene, and Jazmine who attends Bloom Trail. Sene envisions the future of the consolidated schools district 168 is to focus on building a wider range of athletics and activities to encourage all children in the district to be more health conscious to build better leadership traits and team building skills and to encourage a greater focus on maintaining a higher grade point average. Vote for Sene Garrett 4yr Term.

Candidate Bios

Philip J. Bazile Candidate for School Board of Education Member Community Consolidated District 168
I am a 49 years old. I have been a member of the Sauk Village Community for 18years. I have been married for 20 wonderful years. I have two children. My oldest was educated and graduated from CCSD 168 with honors in 2011.

I was educated in the City of Chicago and graduated salutatorian from Chicago Vocational H.S. in 1984. I was Academic and Football Scholarship recipient from Purdue University at West Lafayette campus. I have a Bachelor degree in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University; Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology, from Chicago State University and awarded to Dean List; Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science from University of Illinois at Chicago; Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction and Masters in Educational Administration from Governors State University.

I have worked in the Private sector for 16 years for financial institutions working on Data migration, integration, warehousing and application development. I am now in the Public sector working in public schools. I have worked for Alternative schools as a teacher and a 4th and 5th grade teacher for 4 years. I am now an Assistant Principal.

My goal is provide the school district with the resources, policies and guidance to allow our children to compete in the ever growing global society and teach them social, ethical and moral responsibility to become the great leaders of tomorrow.

Sharon Archie Davenport is seeking reelection for the Community Consolidated School District 168 School Board Member. Sharon has lived in Sauk Village for ten years. Sharon and her husband Law have three children Lawton, Laela, and Logan. She currently has her own catering business, Real Life Applications "Feeding the Body and Spirit". Her previous job titles include Assistant Director for the Department of Revenue in Dolton, IL, and a Paralegal for Kirkland and Ellis. Sharon has set on several committees in Sauk Village such as The Intergovernmental Committee and Citizens for Informative Dialogue. If reelected for the four year term Sharon plans to help create a learning environment where students can grow and reach their greatest potential in academics, arts and music. Also, she envisions a well-rounded growth environment of learning through various technology and learning outlets.

Tammy N Jones is a candidate for CCSD 168 School Board Member. Tammy has lived in SV for thirteen years with her husband, Mr. Derrick Jones and their two children, Ms. Darian Jones (17) and Mr. Tyler Jones (12). Tammy's work history includes TRC Secretarial Services, Hysan, Arthur Andersen and is currently a housewife. She volunteered eight years to Trails End Girl Scout Association, three years to Boy Scout Pack 152, three years to the Sauk Village Sports

Association, CEDA Head Start and continuous dedication to CCSD 168. Her desire is to be reflected to the four year term. When she is reflected Tammy plans to continue Governing through policy to insure that CCSD 168 is developing a financially stable District that nurtures our students into social, emotional and academically well rounded citizens.

Candidate Bios

My name is Sandra Isom I have been a concerned resident, parent, taxpayer, stakeholder of Sauk Village since the year 2000. I am a proud mother of six outstanding adult children, they are graduates of Rickover Junior High and Bloom Trail High School. My experience as a parent in SD 168 I understand the plight, challenges, and concerns of the children and parents in our community. I can sincerely say my heart beats for the welfare and safety of our children in our schools and in our community. My knowledge and experience will help me provide leadership and build a vision all can share in together. Being on the school board will allow me to work and advocate for all our children in SD 168 and in our community. I bring my years of experience working for School District 152 in Harvey, IL and my experience in the insurance industry as an underwriter understanding the importance of implementing policies, rules, and regulations makes me a prime candidate as a school member of SD 168. My daily passion is serving the needs of my family, friends, children, adults in and around my community through my outreach ministry.

Top Priorities When Elected

- * I will be responsive and receptive to parents, staff, administrators, students and the community at large to create stronger ties between the school board and community to insure all have a voice in educational decision making.
- * I Will work with school board members to create a long-term vision, mapping a course that provides the necessary opportunities for students.
- * My efforts as a board member will center on serving and equipping all of the teachers, principals, parents, administrators and the children in our community improving the quality of education in our School District 168.

LATONYA WEST for Community Consolidated School District 168 - School Board Member

Latonya West and her husband Vernon moved the family to Sauk Village in 2006. They have six children with two former graduates and two currently attending Rickover Jr. High School. Latonya has been an advocate for Sauk Village advancement since 2006. She has actively participated throughout the community on initiatives directly affecting education, growth and the well-being of Sauk Village residents.

Latonya graduated from Governors State University with a Bachelor Degree in Social Work and a Master's Degree in Health Science with emphases in Addiction Studies, Behavioral Health, Child Welfare and Community Program Design. While employed at Kennedy King College she assisted with the advisement of students, providing financial aid counseling and support to students experiencing family, personal or economic crises. Latonya has over ten years of child care experience, financial planning and management, implementing learning and social skill development.

Latonya has been involved in numerous educational and community driven projects including Sauk Village Business Revenue initiative and the petition drive to place the Lake Michigan Water initiative on the ballot. She has also worked on Mayoral, State Representative and federal electoral campaigns.

Latonya West is focused on enhancing student's academic achievement and increasing district 168 yearly student progress specifications for testing to receive full federal educational opportunities. She is working towards raising the academic levels of all students attending District 168, obtaining more funding for after school programs, endorsing a stronger curriculum implementation plan and increasing parental involvement in educational affairs in order to get our students on the academic level needed to meet new state standards.

Latonya West is currently seeking election to the position of School Board Member (2 year Term) for Community Consolidated School District 168 at the Consolidated Election on April 7 2015.

Candidate Bios

Marva Campbell-Pruitt, Candidate for CCSD 168 School Board – Leadership Not Politics - 2 year unexpired Term

Years of Residence in Sauk Village:

Seven Years-Ten Months

Family Information:

I am divorced/widowed; yet, I have a host of family members inclusive of my Mom, four siblings, and a host of nephews, nieces and aunts & uncles, cousins and Ms. Lily, my loving Chihuahua.

Employment History:

Retired Teacher, CPS Administrator, Principal, School/Facility Superintendent, State of Illinois Senior Public Services Administrator. Marva has two Master Degrees and completed a doctoral program in Education.

Village Involvement:

Marva Campbell-Pruitt has demonstrated leadership within the Village, as residents joined in creating a successful Community Garden program, and conducted weekly gardening sessions with a youth summer program. She volunteered with Parks and Recreation activities where she dedicated herself to insuring that the 2013 Summer Work Program was a roaring success as she led a team of youth in cleanup activities throughout the Village. She served on the Fire Departments Pancake Breakfast committee and cooked up delectable eggs, hosted the Village's first and subsequent Movies in the Park activities. Marva served as chairperson of the Illinois Lincoln Highway Mural Project that brought an historical landmark mural to the Village that was later used for the 2012-2013 vehicle stickers (the mural is located on the side of Fairway Foods on Sauk Trail at Torrence. Along with the Beautification Committee, under her leadership, the committee brought back the Hootsie Awards, hosted Annual Clean Green and Preen Weeks, and instituted Community Yard Sales. The Human Relations Commission, under the leadership of one of the Commissioners, started a Youth Leadership Program for students, in partnership with the staff of Rickover Elementary School.

Most recently, Marva serves on the School District's Education Advisory Council and the Intergovernmental Committee. She led her Sorority in its second year celebration of an International World Water Day at Our Daily Bread Food Pantry as we distributed 90 cases of water and information on water and energy conservation. Her church, Grace United Church of Christ, orchestrated the original, "Sharing the Warmth" program whereby we adopted a classroom in each of the three schools in CCSD 168 to donate brand new coats. One school asked that we provide uniforms as well. We met that need. Marva Campbell-Pruitt's public service history is rich with professionalism, acts of volunteerism and proven community service.

Plans:

With heartfelt dedication, Marva promises to utilize her educational expertise, previous experience as a school board member and Illinois State Advisory Council member to:

Set the vision and goals of the school district;

Adopt policies that provide the school district direction to establish priorities and meet its goals;

Assure fiscal integrity;

Encourage and increase the number of educational personnel who seek national teaching certification;

Improve student achievement;

Develop a definitive policy on anti-bullying by developing focused programs on character education;

Collaborate with committees within the Sauk Village Board to increase student involvement in

community events; and Encourage student participation in varying educational and developmental programs, (i.e. Junior Achievement, 4-H Clubs, ACTSO, Special Olympics, etc.)



Fire Department

Aaron Anderson



PLEASE HELP AND DIG OUT ANY FIRE HYDRANT BURIED BY SNOW!

The amount of time it could take us to locate a buried hydrant, dig it out and then connect to it could make a difference as to whether we can effectively complete our task. If we have to locate a hydrant because it's buried under snow, we may never find it depending on how tall the snow is. For us to dig out a hydrant takes time and manpower away from the fire.

We would like to announce our newly hired firefighters. First is Harold Beville. Harold was on the fire department before but left to pursue other opportunities but we welcome him back. Along with returning members, is Cameron Luther, he left but recently returned and joins his brothers and father on the department once more, and Zack Newton another returning member that has plenty of experience and knowledge to offer to the department and its members. Ryan Wolak another new member is a great addition to the department and is well dedicated. Lastly we would like to welcome back Scott Booth. Scott returned to the department a short time ago and is being promoted back to his former rank of Lieutenant. Scott is a great fire officer and will help our probationary firefighters advance in their career. We love to see members return because they know the town, the community and the people.

Continue to check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Make sure to replace the batteries when daylight savings time changes or every six months, they can go bad, and remember to check and service your furnaces. Never be afraid to call the fire department because it is better to be safe than sorry.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be March 29th, bring the whole family down to the fire station to see and get their picture taken with the Easter bunny.

We planned early and this year the Annual Golf Outing will be August 29th. We will be returning to Cardinal Creek Golf Course in Beecher. They proved to be excellent host of the event last year and we hope they will continue to help our event grow.

For any additional information on any of the above events find us on Facebook at "Sauk Village Fire Department". The page is regularly updated with useful information that can benefit you and your community. If you ever have any questions feel free to message the Facebook page.

The Sauk Village Fire Department is always accepting applications from men and women who want to provide a valuable service to their community while trying to live up to these demanding character traits. Getting started as a new firefighter in Sauk Village can open doors to a rewarding career. If you are a Sauk Village resident 18 years or older, possess a valid driver's license, and are self-motivated and committed individual, we just might be what you're looking for. Applications are available at the Village Hall or the Fire Station.



Baseball Registration Information

Sauk Village Youth
Baseball Registration
2015

This year Sauk Village Youth League will bring baseball to Sauk Village. We will show that baseball in Sauk Village will have the interest of the Youth and in the Parents. We will show that the Youth of Sauk Village are just as interested in baseball as any other sport. First of all Sauk Village is in the process of redoing all their baseball fields. They will be in better shape than what they were before. We would like all the parents and their children to come to the baseball fields behind Wagoner Elementary School to see what is being done to the fields. We are holding Registration for baseball to show each player and their families that they would want to be involved and would want to play Baseball.

For more information contact Edward Sullivan (708) 758-8328

Senior News

Rose Langston

SCAM ALERT - Scam phone callers pretending to be with the IRS may demand money or say you have a refund due trying to trick you into sharing private information. The IRS will never: call you without mailing you an official notice; demand you pay taxes without question or appeal; require a specific payment method; ask for credit or debit card over the phone; and make threats to bring in local police or other law-enforcement to have you arrested for not paying. File your tax return early to avoid scammers from filing a fraud return and receiving a refund electronically.

Medicare Fraud cost tax payers \$60 billion each year. Please do not give out any of your personal information, especially your Medicare or Social Security number, when someone calls or via e-mail the request. Banks, Social Security and Medicare do not call requesting your personal information, they already have the information. Be sure your MSN agrees with the services provided (check for errors or possible fraud or abuse). Call the Illinois SMP (Senior Medicare Patrol) at Age Option at 800-699-9043 for assistance in reading your MSN or to report a suspected fraud or abuse. The Justice Department's Medicare Fraud Strike Force was formed in 2007 and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have placed a high priorities on health care fraud and Medicare fraud. To report suspected wrongdoing, call the Office of Inspector General, 800-447-8477.

Check posted/website monthly calendar for dates on Senior Activities: Sundays - SV Fun Club and SV Blue Grass; Mondays - Sunshiners, Blood Pressure Screening and Senior movie day; Tuesdays - Silver Sneaker classes, and BMW Crossroad; Wednesdays - Ceramics and Leisure Timers; Thursday - SV Senior Committee; Fridays - SV Open Senior Activities; and Saturday - SV Senior Committee quarterly event. Seniors fifty plus are welcome to visit and join the various groups.

Senior Committee's 7th Annual Chili Cook-Off is on Saturday, March 14th from 12:00-3:00 p.m., doors open at 11:30 a.m., line dancing at 12:00 p.m. with Flora Haynes, judging at 12:30 p.m., serving starts at 1:00 p.m., and entertainment by The Morgan Family, Larry Long and Rich Alyea. All you can eat for \$3.00 a bowl, door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. Chili chef volunteer needed – monetary prizes. See flyer for details.

The Bloom Township Community luncheon 'It's Your Birthday' is on Tuesday, March 24th with ticket deadline (unless sold-out) Tuesday, March 17th. See posted flyers for details and other township events.

Jones Community Center Golden Agers annual membership dues of \$5.00 will be collected at the Wednesday, March 18th meeting. Social hour is at 10:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. Cost for the luncheon is \$5.00, for reservation and/or information call 708-757-5395.

The Senior Committee meets every second Thursday at 5:00 p.m. in the Senior Center. For concerns and/or questions, call (708) 758-3330 and leave a brief message for a call back as time permits.

Sauk Village Parks and Recreation Committee

Baseball registration- Community Center

Friday, Saturday & Monday 5PM to 7 PM now thru March 13th.

Saturday, March 14th 9 AM to 3 PM Monday, March 16th 5 PM to 7PM

Contact Edward Sullivan (708)758-8328

Basketball registration being held at Community Center Mon-Fri 4 to 8 PM

Craft Show Saturday March 14th 9 AM to 3 PM. Vendors may still join us. \$10.00 per space.

Easter Egg Hunt held by Parks and Recreation and the PLAN- Saturday, April 4th Noon to 2 PM

Contact Trustee John Poskin for additional information 708/753-5125

We are still looking for ideas and volunteers for summer programs.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911	SAUK VILLAGE HALL	758-3330
POLICE & FIRE NON-	758-1331		
COMMUNITY CENTER	758-4115	SENIOR CENTER	753-5141
BLOOM TOWNSHIP	754-9400	COOK COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	210-4500
RESPOND NOW EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	755-4357	McCONATHY LIBRARY	757-4771
COMMONWEALTH EDISON	1-800-334-7661	NICOR	1-888-642-6748
ALLIED DISPOSAL	754-5460		

**VISIT US ON THE WEB:
WWW.SAUKVILLAGE.ORG**

Blossoms News

If you have a child under five years old, then BLOSSOMS is for you!

School District 168 offers many early childhood programs. BLOSSOMS is a FREE program that is available to families with children ages 0-5 who live in our area. We offer parent/child playgroups, a pre-kindergarten program, parent workshops, family nights, field trips, personal visits, a lending library and more throughout the year. Events and playgroups are held at Wagoner School. Personal visits can be held right in your own home or at school. The program also offers developmental screenings for children from ages birth to five.

We also meet once a month at McConathy Public Library.

Call the Blossoms Family Center at (708) 758-0319 to register or for more information.

Sign up for Official Sauk Village email alerts now! If you would like to be informed on Sauk Village current events and emergencies, please log in to www.saukvillege.org and enroll now. You will be sent a confirmation email to complete your subscription.

If you have already subscribed please pass this information on. Thank you!

Have a Great Day!

Village Clerk Debbie Williams



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Mayor's Corner

Mayor David Hanks

Sauk Talk

Press Release

May 1, 2015

It was no secret that Sauk Village had been working on cost cutting initiatives given the Village's current finances, along with decreased revenues from the State of Illinois and the potential 50% loss of LGDF that Governor Rauner is proposing.

Earlier this year, the Village began negotiations with the FOP and the Village's dispatch bargaining unit. A full cost analysis of the Village's dispatch center was completed and the yearly costs are as follows:

- Labor-** Wages \$298,000 Overtime \$54,000
- Health insurance-** \$100,00
- Social Security/IMRF-** \$76,000
- Workers compensation coverage-** \$9,244
- Consultant fees-** Attorney fees (negotiations, grievances, litigation) \$7,500
- Uniform allowance-** \$3,150

Total projected yearly costs to run the dispatch center this year would have exceeded \$600,000.00.

This cost Did Not Account For:

- **Overhead/Equipment Upgrade-** \$500,000 (federal mandate). Equipment is near the end of its useful life- replacement is \$1.5 - \$2 million.
- **Future increases-** wages, insurance etc. 2%-7% annually (\$10,500 to \$37,000 annual increase)

Their costs were discussed with the Village board. The Village board requested comparison costs of contracting out the Village's dispatch services. When the board reviewed the costs, the entire board, all agreed contracting out was the direction the Village had to go. By contracting out we eliminate wages, overtime, healthcare, and retirement contributions the Village currently makes. This means an immediate savings of approximately \$300,000 per year.

Because the village was in the midst of negotiations I or the board could not speak publicly about possibly outsourcing our dispatch services. Moreover, we had to give the union and its members an opportunity to meet or beat the savings the Village would see if it privatized its dispatch center. After meeting with the union, the union was unable to meet or beat the savings the Village presented to them.

I want to be clear, on behalf of myself and the board, this move is no way a reflection on the work performed by our dispatchers or them individually. This was purely a financial decision and had nothing to do with our dispatchers' abilities or work performed over the years. In fact, we have advised the FOP we will do whatever we can in finding them work with other dispatch centers.

With the advancement of technology many communities are moving in this direction. No longer do municipalities' need its own dispatch center or have a dispatch center within its municipal boundaries.

Dispatch centers are essentially high tech call centers that can be located anywhere without a reduction in response time to those in need.

Again this is purely a financial decision. This will save the Village approximately \$300,000 a year, over \$1.5 million in 5 years, and \$3 million over ten years.

In closing, Sauk Village had five full time dispatchers whose union contract was not renewed, with a budget

News from the Village Clerk

Debbie Williams

Village Stickers are now on sale. Passenger stickers remain at \$30.00 and trucks remain at \$48.00.

There is one \$20.00 senior discount per household. Your current village sticker expires on June 30th.

You must purchase and display your new village sticker by midnight on June 30th, 2014. The sticker price will double and you could receive a \$100.00 ticket otherwise.

Mayor's Article-continued

We would like to welcome the newly elected Trustees Cecial Tates and Kelvin Jones and the re-elected Trustee Derrick Burgess.

Mayor Hanks carefully made the following appointments based on the desire of the newly elected and re-elected trustees' desire to move the village in a new direction.

Each committee has a chair and a co-chair. We look forward to working as a team to continue to move the village forward.

Sauk Village Mayoral Appointments

Community/Public Relations Committee

Chair Trustee Williams

Vice Chair Trustee Burgess

Public Works/Lake Michigan Water Committee

Chair Trustee Burgess

Vice Chair Trustee Jones

Public Safety/Ordinance Review Committee

Chair Trustee Myers

Vice Chair Trustee Tates

Neighborhood Watch Committee

Chair Trustee Washington

Vice Chair Trustee Myers

Parks and Recreations Committee

Chair Trustee Jones

Vice Chair Trustee Washington

Budget and Finance Committee

TELECOMMUNICATOR QUALIFICATIONS OF KURTZ EMPLOYEES

- Illinois State Police LEADS Law Enforcement Agency Data System Certified
- Illinois Department of Public Health Emergency Medical Dispatch Licensure
- CPR Certified
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Incident Management System Certified
NIMS 100, 200, 300, 700, 800
- FEMA Active Shooter Certified
- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children Certified and recognized
- Operation Lifesaver Metra Railroad trained
- Enbridge Pipeline certification
- Suicide Prevention for Telecommunicators Certified
- APCO certified
- NENA members

Senior News

Rose Langston

The Illinois SMP (Senior Medical Patrol) offer some tips to avoid home health fraud: DO NOT give your Medicare number to someone you do not know; DO NOT accept services from someone who visits you unexpectedly, even if they said your doctor sent them; DO NOT sign up for home health services at a presentation or event; and DO NOT sign time sheets or other forms without reading them or sign blank forms. If you think you Be sure to read your Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or Explanation of Benefits (EOB) for accuracies and/or billing errors.

Medicare Fraud cost tax payers \$60 billion each year. DO NOT give out any of your personal information, especially your Medicare or Social Security number, when someone calls or via e-mail the request. Banks, Social Security and Medicare do not call requesting your personal information, they already have the information. Call the Illinois SMP (Senior Medicare Patrol) at AgeOption at 800-699-9043 for assistance in reading your MSN or to report a suspected fraud or abuse. The Justice Department's Medicare Fraud Strike Force was formed in 2007 and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have placed a high priorities on health care fraud and Medicare fraud. To report suspected wrongdoing, call the Office of Inspector General, 800-447-8477.

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Senior Committee's '7th Annual Chili Cook-Off' was a huge success! We thank our chefs were Gigi Austin, Jessie Boswell, Rose Langston, Jean Long, Les Morgan, Nadine Morgan, Shirley Rowley, George Sokolaski and Chris Turner. Congratulations to the winners Gigi Austin -1st place, Jessie Boswell - 2nd, and Shirley Rowley - 3rd place. Also to our 50/50 winner Chris Turner, who graciously turn over half of the winnings back to the committee. The judges - Mayor David Hanks, Barb Dorman (Southland Voice), Sharon Nowak and Donna Ludek (US Bank) had a very difficult time choosing the winners! Thank you to all the donors (cash, prizes and supplies) - Gary Holcomb, Rose Langston, Floyd and Nadine Morgan, Delores Randall, Ed Shankel, Beverly Sterrett and Chris Turner. Many thanks to our hard working committee members (Bob Ketcham, Rose Langston, Floyd Morgan, Delores Randall and Beverly Sterrett), US Bank employees (Alicia, Dolores, Donna and Tatshia), Nadine Morgan, Ed Shankel and Chris Turner. Our fabulous line dance instructor Flora Haynes and entertainer The Morgan Family (Floyd, Les and Nadine), Larry Long, Kim and Rich Alyea. Thank you to all our participants who made it possible.

Jones Community Center Golden Agers last meeting until fall will be on Wednesday, May 20th. Social hour is at 10:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. There will also be Trivia games and Ice Cream Sundae Social. Cost for the luncheon is \$5.00, for reservation and/or information call 708-757-5395.

Mark your calendar for Bloom Township annual senior picnic on Thursday, August 6th. Tickets will go on sale July 1st.

The Senior Committee meets every second Thursday at 5:00 p.m. in the Senior Center. For concerns and/or questions, call (708) 758-3330 and leave a brief message for a call back as time permits.



**Seniors
on the Go!**

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SAUK VILLAGE???



June 6th- Annual Car Show- Advance Auto Parts 19 Sauk Plaza

5pm-8pm Hosted by "Big Stew" and a special guest D.J.

Sauk Village Mayor David Hanks awards prizes for: Best of Show, Oldest Car and Mayor's Choice

Receive 10% off all purchases between 5 and 8 pm at this location only.

Have a car you love- why not show it off? Contact Tony 708/.675-7129

June 7th- Baskin Robbins \$1.31 Scoop Night- Burn Camp Fundraiser

Sauk Village Dunkin Donuts/ Baskin Robbins 12pm -6pm

Join the Sauk Village Fire Department in the annual fundraiser for Burn Camp.

If you can't join us on June 7th—donations to Burn Camp will gladly be accepted at a later date.

June 13- Annual Yard Sale- Vendors and Shoppers wanted 8am- 3pm- Sauk Trail from Cornell Avenue and Prairie Avenue- Reserve your 10'X10' space today for \$15.00. Rain date Saturday, June 20, 2015. You must provide your own tables for set up. Vendors should arrive at 7am to set up.

Funds raised by this event provide ongoing support to the Beautification Committee of Sauk Village.

Contact Linda Todd at 708/758-3330 or svbeautification@saukvillage.org.

LOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW ON EMAIL ALERTS AND WEBSITE FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY ACTIVITIES.

McConathy Library News

Colleen Baughman

McConathy Public library has two recycling programs started to save up for benches. One we are saving bottle-caps for the ABC Program. There is a variety of bottle-caps, vitamin bottles and certain lids with the recycle # 2, 4, or 5.

The other program we started is for recycling bags. This program is TREX and we need 500 lbs. of plastic bags. There is a good size list of the different plastic that can be saved.

All the information on both programs can be found on the library's facebook page McConathy Library District or you can visit the library for the flyers at the front desk. Please contact the library if you have any questions at 708-757-4771.



WIRELESS 911

When 911 is dialed from a landline phone from a home or business, the caller's location and phone number is sent to that location's Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). This allows the 9-1-1 call taker to dispatch police, fire or EMS to the caller's location, even if the caller cannot communicate with the 9-1-1 call taker.

Making wireless 9-1-1 calls is different from making from a landline 9-1-1 call. When a wireless 9-1-1 call is made from a cell phone, that call is transmitted to the nearest cell tower. The cell tower then sends that call via landline to the PSAP that is designated to receive 9-1-1 calls from that area.

Issues arise when the nearest cell tower is in a different police, fire or EMS jurisdiction or different county than the one that the wireless 9-1-1 caller is calling from. This 9-1-1 call has to be transferred to the correct PSAP. This presents life-threatening problems due to the lost response time if the caller is unable to communicate where they are or where the emergency is.

The wireless 9-1-1 caller must be aware that the PSAP that answers the call may not be the PSAP that services the area that the wireless caller is calling from. Knowing the location is vital to getting the appropriate police, fire or EMS units to respond.

FOR MORE INFORMATION—www.il911info.org

GENERAL TIPS FOR 9-1-1 CALLERS

9-1-1 is for police, fire and medical emergencies

- STAY CALM AND SPEAK CLEARLY
- GIVE THE LOCATION OF YOUR EMERGENCY AND YOUR CALL BACK NUMBER
- TELL WHAT TYPE OF HELP IS NEEDED (POLICE, FIRE, EMS)
- STAY ON THE LINE AND ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
- BE A GOOD WITNESS. REMEMBER ALL OFFENDER AND VEHICLE DESCRIPTIONS
- DO NOT HANG UP UNTIL THE CALL IS COMPLETE
- WHEN YOU CALL 9-1-1 PAY ATTENTION TO THE QUESTIONS THAT YOU ARE BEING ASKED





Fire Department

Aaron Anderson



IT'S GETTING WARM OUTSIDE

With warm weather come children outside playing, please give them a BRAKE.

The Fire Department cannot stress enough that open burning of yard waste i.e. leaves, grass, branches etc. is ILLEGAL. We get numerous calls each and every year of residents burning in their backyard. If you decide you still want to don't be surprised if we come knocking at your door to put it out.

Continue to check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Make sure to replace the batteries when daylight savings time changes or every six month, they can go bad, and remember to check and service your furnaces. Never be afraid to call the fire department because it is better to be safe than sorry.

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

On May 31st, look for the fire department at the Dunkin Donuts Baskin Robbins for another \$1.31 cent scoop night / Illinois Burn Camp Boot Drive. The Illinois Burn Camp offers a special and unforgettable one-week camp experience for children and teenagers who have experienced injuries from burns.

Through the generosity of donors, supporters, and volunteers, the IFSA offers this camping opportunity at no-cost to campers; including lodging, meals, activities, and transportation to and from camp

We planned early and this year the Annual Golf Outing will be August 29th. This year the outing will be held at Tuckaway Golf Club in, Crete. The course we planned on using unfortunately closed the past season, but this course was recommended to us and they are working with us to ensure an excellent outing.

For any additional information on any of the above events find us on Facebook at "Sauk Village Fire Department". The page is regularly updated with useful information that can benefit you and your community. If you ever have any questions feel free to message the Facebook page.

The Sauk Village Fire Department is always accepting applications from men and women who want to provide a valuable service to their community while trying to live up to these demanding character traits. Getting started as a new firefighter in Sauk Village can open doors to a rewarding career. If you are a Sauk Village resident 18 years or older, possess a valid driver's license, and are self-motivated and committed individual, we just might be what you're looking for. Applications are available at the Village Hall or the Fire Station.



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Neighborhood Watch

Trustee Lynda Washington-House

I want to thank all the residents that faithfully volunteer for the Neighborhood Watch Committee. We have made great strides and now we are expanding a new avenue under our Neighborhood Watch Program. I would like to welcome our Jr. Neighborhood Watch Team! We must prepare the next generation so they can lead with confidence and accuracy!. Also, we are looking for block club captains, for every block in Sauk Village.

We are wrapping up our campaign for NO Texting while driving and NO BULLYING. Make sure you submit your pledge to the Village Hall by May 30, 2015. You can pick up pledges at the Village Hall during regular business hours. Every Tuesday night The Mayor and Village Trustees are at the Village Hall to meet and answer questions for residents. Come and bring your neighbors with you. Also, we have a new Village Administrator Mr. J. W. Fairman, make sure you stop by and introduce yourself to him, and welcome him to our Community.

It is very important that you get involved and plugged in your community. We meet the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. I want to personally invite you to attend as my special guest. We need your input and support. Get out and talk to your block and encourage your neighbors to come to our monthly meetings as well. together we stand divided we fall. Remember my motto: Team work makes the dream work!

See You there!!!!

Trustee Lynda Washington-House



Internet Essentials

Broadband Internet service at home can help students succeed in school and families success economically. Internet Essentials, which provides eligible low-income families Internet service at home for about \$10 per month, is the nation's largest and most comprehensive broadband adoption program. In addition to providing Internet service at home, participating families also have the option to purchase an Internet-ready computer through the program for under \$150 and gain access to free digital literacy training in print, online and in-person. To participate in the program, at least one child in the household has to be eligible for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). In addition, the household has to be in a place where Comcast provides Internet service.

More than 60,000 Illinois families – or 240,000 individuals – benefit from Internet Essentials. National-ly, Internet Essentials has connected more than 450,000 low-income families, or more than 1.8 million people in just three and a half years. To put that in perspective, 1.8 million equals two-thirds of the population of the entire city of Chicago.

Parents looking to enroll in the program can call 1-855-846-8376 or for Spanish 1-855-765-6995. Information about Internet Essentials is also available at www.InternetEssentials.com and www.InternetBasico.com for Spanish.

Beautification Committee

Linda Todd



Beautification Committee of Sauk Village Annual Community Yard Sale June 13, 2015 8AM-3PM

Wanted: Vendors and Shoppers

The Beautification Committee of Sauk Village is hosting its annual community yard sale. This is an opportunity to find some really good bargains or turn your trash to treasure.

Reserve your 10' x 10' space today for \$15.00

(Checks are to be made payable to the Village of Sauk Village)

Where: Sauk Trail (from Cornell Ave. to Prairie Ave.), across from Do It Best Hardware

Vendors should arrive at 7AM to set up

Rain day: Saturday, June 20, 2015

You must provide your own tables for set up

For more information, questions or to register for this event, please contact Committee Chairman Linda Todd (708) 758-3330 svbeautification@saukville.org

Funds raised by this event provide ongoing support to the Beautification Committee of Sauk Village.

The Hootsie award judging will be held in July. The beautification committee meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 7pm at Village Hall. We are looking for volunteer and committee new members

Police Department

Deputy Chief Rebecca Sailsbery



Officer Morris is a full-time, active duty patrol officer with the Sauk Village Police Department, with over five years of service. Officer Morris is also a counselor who enjoys providing career, marriage, and family counseling to children, teenagers, and adults alike. Officer Morris speaks and counsels on a variety of topics including: bullying, work ethics, honor/respect, authority, discipline, and justice. Officer Morris is an advocate for justice, community policing, and education.

Officer Morris holds a master's degree in counseling and a juvenile specialist certification with the State of Illinois. Officer Morris is the recipient of two awards for his mentoring work with youth in the community. Officer Morris has co-authored a book chapter on interventions for working with African-American adolescent males coping with father loss. Officer Morris is a member of the Counseling Academic & Professional Honor Society International, and a member of the Veterans National Honor Society

JW Fairman Bio

As your new Village Administrator/Director of Public Safety, I want the residents of Sauk Village to know that I will work extremely hard to resolve issues that we face; including listening to your concerns, assisting Mayor Hanks, Trustees and village staff to improve services provided to residents and building community confidence and trust in the roles that we hold in this government.

Allow me to tell you a few personal things about myself. I am married and we have three adult children. I am a native of Mississippi and have lived in Illinois on and off since 1971.

I spent two years in Iraq as a civilian criminal justice chief for the Federal Government, tasked with helping to re-establish a secure environment in the areas of the prison system and police for the Iraqi people. Unfortunately, a targeted IED end my tour of duty.

I have worked in various high level capacities within state and federal governments. Provided valuable direct or consulting services to improve various governments' operations. Leading strategic and innovative initiatives in large-scale operations. Provided pioneered corrective (penal) system solutions for staffing, expense controls, and service provisions - which are now espoused by industry leaders throughout the U.S. Developed a model of operation (implemented in one of 33 sites of California Dept. of Corrections) and delivered multimillion-dollar budget surpluses as a result of entrepreneurial management style. I have a strong history of leadership in strategic planning, change management, finance and accounting, technology implementation, HR programs and operational improvements and efficiency. I received my Bachelor's degree from Hardin-Simmons University, Texas, Master's degree from Chicago State University, IL, and Executive training in Business and Communication from Harvard University.

Respectfully,
JW Fairman

Housing Commission

Gary Holcomb Sr.

I have been receiving calls about high grass and weeds that are taking over vacant properties throughout the village. Sadly, the program the Housing Commission ran last year through an IHDA Grant for \$75K cutting vacant properties has basically dried up. Last year, in the middle of the program, the payment portion of the agreement was changed and the rule requiring the village to pay first and get reimbursed after the payments was enforced. The village loaned the commission the money and the commission was able to proceed with the program. Subsequently, future grant funding has been removed from any future programs. The original program had no restrictions on the number of properties that could be mowed. Because IHDA thought towns would use the money to tear down vacant homes, IHDA felt it would involve up to three properties. Most of the towns and villages throughout the state felt as our Housing Commission did. Three teardowns would make a big difference but if that money was directed to cutting grass (which was an option within the grant) it would better reduce the blight from the more than 300 vacant properties throughout the village. The program was reduced to no more than 100 properties. Last year's program ran in excess of \$32K or just under 45% of the grant. Due to Sauk Village's financial situation, the Housing Commission is unable to repeat last year's lawn mowing program. This is due to the requirement that the village pay the workers first and be reimbursed at a later date which can take several months.

The residents will have to step up to the plate and volunteer to cut the grass in their neighborhood without reimbursement. If this is not done, the problem of raccoons and other varmints will be on the increase. There is **no funding available** in the state or the village to maintain vacant properties now or in the near future. Doing the neighborly "thing" and maintaining the vacant homes "on your block" is one way to show that **YOU CARE about YOUR COMMUNITY.**

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911	SAUK VILLAGE HALL	758-3330
POLICE & FIRE NON-	758-1331		
COMMUNITY CENTER	758-4115	SENIOR CENTER	753-5141
BLOOM TOWNSHIP	754-9400	COOK COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.	210-4500
RESPOND NOW EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	755-4357	McCONATHY LIBRARY	757-4771
COMMONWEALTH EDISON	1-800-334-7661	NICOR	1-888-642-6748
ALLIED DISPOSAL	754-5460		

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Mayor's Corner

Mayor David Hanks

NEWS RELEASE

SAUK VILLAGE FIRE HYDRANT REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

The Village of Sauk Village is dedicated to providing effective and efficient fire protection. The Village's hydrant system is maintained by the Village's eleven man Public Works Department. The Department's Director, Kevin Weller, oversees the Village's ongoing hydrant repair and replacement program which consists of an estimated 512 hydrants.

In September of 2014, the Village received a \$50,000 grant from the IL. Dept. of Commence & Economic Opportunities for hydrant repair and replacement, of which the Village spent \$30,000. The remainder the grant was cut by Governor Rauner as of June 30, 2015 due to the State's current fiscal crises. The Village does have approximately \$20,000 in emergency funds that will be allocated to the hydrant program.

Currently 56 residential hydrants are out of service as of January 2015, however 7 new hydrants have been replaced and 11 hydrants repaired. The cost of hydrant replacement is estimated at \$3,800 per hydrant. The cost to bring the Village's program to 100% of serviceable hydrants is approximately \$250,000.

The Village currently has 10 new hydrants on hand and our goal is to have them in service by November 2015. New hydrants will be installed in areas of greatest need; schools, special need zones, etc.

Going forward the Village intends to dedicate resources and manpower to this program until its completion and until a viable maintenance schedule can be established.

News from the Village Clerk

Debbie Williams

Please join us for the Annual National Night Out Event on Tuesday, August 4th behind the Village Hall from 5pm-9pm. Lots of activities are planned. (Rain date 8-5-15)

National Night Out is designed to:
(1) Heighten crime and drug prevention and awareness;
(2) Generate support for, and

participation in, local anti-crime efforts; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Bring out the family, lawn chairs, picnic basket, etc... Meet your local public safety providers, elected officials and community business owners. Learn how you can be more

informed ,and get involved in your community. Refreshments will be available for sale. Scheduled activities include Police and Fire Department equipment, CPR, kitchen fire , K-9 Demonstrations, vendors providing information on a variety of services , etc... Please contact Village Clerk Debbie Williams for additional information 708/753-5121.

Sauk Talk

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SAUK VILLAGE???

By Debbie Williams



July 24th- Diversity Dinner-Hosted by the Sauk Village Human Relations Committee
6:30- 9:30 pm in the Senior Center

Potluck Dinner- Interesting Conversation- All are Welcome! Register now- 708/753-5121

August 4th- National Night Out- Behind the Village Hall- 5pm-9pm

Community night- Meet your neighbors. Learn about safety and businesses in your community. Activities and vendors will be on hand.

August 17th- Back to School Safety Rally and Book Bag Giveaway- Sponsored by the Neighborhood Watch 6pm Sharp- While supply lasts!

(Donations are now gladly being accepted – monetary donations or school supplies can be dropped off at the Village Hall Mon- Fri 8am -5pm)

August 29th- Annual Shine Gospel Fest- Corner of Sauk Trail and Prairie Avenue Noon- 6pm
All are Welcome! Free food, music and fellowship!

***Enroll Now for **Sauk Village Email Alerts** at www.saukvillage.org

Contact Village Clerk Debbie Williams for additional information. 708/753-5121

THE METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO AND THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE WILL SOON BE OFFERING **FREE 55 GALLON RAIN BARRELS** TO SAUK VILLAGE RESIDENTS.

SIGN UP NOW TO RESERVE UP TO **FOUR FREE** RAIN BARRELS.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

COLORS AVAILABLE: Indicate the **amount** requested **in each color.**

_____ Terra Cotta

_____ Blue

_____ Black

_____ Gray

After the Intergovernmental Agreement is finalized between the MWRD and the Village Board, your order will be placed, and you may expect delivery of your free rain barrel(s) in up to six weeks.

REVISED 7-13-15

Senior News

Rose Langston

Medicare fraud on the rise! Several health providers have been prosecuted recently. The Illinois SMP (Senior Medical Patrol) offer some tips to avoid home health fraud: DO NOT give your Medicare number to someone you do not know; DO NOT accept services from someone who visits you unexpectedly, even if they said your doctor sent them; DO NOT sign up for home health services at a presentation or event; and DO NOT sign time sheets or other forms without reading them or sign blank forms. If you think you Be sure to read your Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or Explanation of Benefits (EOB) for accuracies and/or billing errors.

DO NOT give out any of your personal information, especially your Medicare or Social Security number, when someone calls or via e-mail the request. Banks, Social Security and Medicare do not call requesting your personal information, they already have the information. Call the Illinois SMP (Senior Medicare Patrol) at AgeOption at 800-699-9043 for assistance in reading your MSN or to report a suspected fraud or abuse. The Justice Department's Medicare Fraud Strike Force was formed in 2007 and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have placed a high priorities on health care fraud and Medicare fraud. To report suspected wrongdoing, call the Office of Inspector General, 800-447-8477.

Check posted/website monthly calendar for dates and changes on Senior Activities: Sundays - SV Fun Club and SV Blue Grass; Mondays - Sunshiners, Blood Pressure Screening and senior movie day; Tuesdays - Silver Sneaker classes, and BMW Crossroad; Wednesdays - Ceramics and Leisure Timers; Thursday - SV Senior Committee; Fridays - SV Open Senior Activities; and Saturday - SV Senior Committee quarterly event. Seniors fifty plus are welcome to visit and join the various groups.

Senior Committee's '12th Annual Senior Spaghetti Dinner' is scheduled for Saturday, October 10, 2015. Cost for this event is still \$5.00 in advance and \$6.00 at the door.

Jones Community Center Golden Agers next meeting will be in September.

The Bloom Township annual senior picnic on Thursday, August 6th advanced tickets are on sale for \$3.00, cost at the picnic \$4.00.

The Senior Committee is accepting letters of interest from Sauk Village Seniors for volunteers to fill vacancies. Since the village does not provide a budget for the senior committee, we are a working committee, not a social club. Date of the next committee meeting will be announced. Please address your letter to committee chair Rose Langston. For concerns and/or questions, call (708) 758-3330 and leave a brief message for a call back as time permits.

SAVE THE DATE

National Night Out– All are Welcome

Tuesday, August 4, 2015 5pm -9pm (Rain Date 8-5-15)

Behind the Municipal Center



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Neighborhood Watch

Trustee Lynda Washington-House



Back to School Neighborhood Watch Program Safety Rally

The Neighborhood Watch Program of Sauk Village, IL is hosting a Back To School Safety Rally at our Sauk Village Municipal Building, located at 21801 Torrence, Sauk Village, IL 60411. This Safety Rally will be held on Monday **August 17, 2015 at 6:00pm sharp!** We are asking for public or private donations to purchase approximately **200 book bags** for distribution. If you or your business have supplies i.e pens, pencils, notebook paper, folders, crayons, highlighters, scissors, glue, book bags, etc. We will accept items with the company name.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make all checks payable to: Sauk Village (in the memo section: **Neighborhood Watch** back to school). We are asking businesses, churches, stores, organizations and individuals to help us with this much needed endeavor for our students. We will also be hosting 2 tag days (Friday July 24, 2015 and Tuesday August 4th from 7:00am to 11:00 am and 4:00pm to 7:00pm both days) before the event to help with the expenses. We are looking for volunteers asap!

We have experienced much success with **The Neighborhood Watch Program** in Sauk Village, IL from posting over 40 signs to displaying over 2,500 decals throughout the Village! You can visit our facebook page: Sauk Village Neighborhood Watch for more photos and information. We also shot a video off the song "HAPPY" by Pharrel to show our version of unity and community involvement.

Our committee has worked diligently with our residents, and we have great momentum right now. We have over 40 committed Block Club Captains. Please know that your cooperation is needed and most sincerely appreciated. For more information contact me directly (708) 753-5130.



McConathy Library News

Colleen Baughman

McConathy Public library now has kindles ready to checkout for our patrons. We are one of the many libraries that are participating in the e-read Illinois program. There are thousands of titles to choose from. You must be an adult McConathy Library card holder in order to checkout one of the four kindles. Your card must also be up to date with no fines.



The library is still collecting plastic bottle-caps and plastic bags. Contact the library at 708-757-4771 for details or look on the library facebook page at McConathy Library District.

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SAUK VILLAGE WATERWORKS WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR 2014

Sauk Villages WaterWorks vigilantly safeguards its well water supply. This brochure is a summary of the water quality provided to its customers last year. It is a record of the hard work, by our Certified Operator's and field personnel, to bring you water that is safe.

Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to the standards set by the regulatory agencies. Sauk Village WaterWorks is committed to providing you with information about your water supply, because customers who are informed are our best allies in supporting improvements necessary to maintain the highest drinking water standards.

On tap at the Sauk Village WaterWorks Distribution and Water Treatment improvements in 2014

We have two Class "A" and one Class "C" Certified Operators who continue their education to keep them up to date with the ever changing rules and technology in the water industry, to provide the public with safe water.

Our rehabilitation project of both Sauk Village water treatment facilities, which includes permanent air stripping systems and iron removal filter systems is nearly complete. Both sites are operational and pumping treated finished water to our system that tests ND, not detected, for Vinyl Chloride.

With the addition of the air stripping and filter systems our water quality has improved and greatly reduced our customer complaints for rusty water and taste and odor issues.

We continue to upgrade of our distribution system infrastructure with the replacement of fire hydrants, water main valves, and sections of water main that are deteriorating beyond repair.

Replacement and repair of residential shut off valves continued throughout 2014.

In addition to weekly flushing of key areas we also continue the flushing and maintenance of our fire hydrants to provide a reliable system for the Fire Department in the event of an emergency.

Sources of Sauk Village's Drinking Water comes from three groundwater wells, two wells located at 2217 220th St. and one at 2050 Evergreen. They are drilled approximately 500' deep into the sandstone layer of the earth. This is water that is trapped within the sandstone and forms the water table. Groundwa-

2014 Water Quality Data

The tables listed below show the contaminant, Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL), Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG), and sources of contaminants. Some of the following abbreviations are used throughout this report and are defined as follows:

MCLG = Maximum Contaminant Level Goal, or the level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

MCL = Maximum Contaminant Level or the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

AL = Action Level, or the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

ND = not detectable at testing limits, **NA** = not applicable, **mg/l** = milligrams per liter, or **parts per million** (or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water), **ug/l** = micrograms per liter, or **parts per billion** (or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water), **pCi/l** = picocuries per liter, used to measure radioactivity

The "**Level Found**" column represents an average of sample result data collected.

The "**Range of Detections**" column represents a range of individual sample results.

The "**Date of Sample**" column. If a date appears in this column, the Illinois EPA requires monitoring for this contaminant less than once per year because the concentrations do not frequently change.

Volatile Organic Contaminants	MCLG	MCL	Level	Range of	Violations	Date of	Sources of Contaminant
Dichloromethane (ug/l)	0	5	0.1	0 -1.09	N	2014	Discharge from pharmaceutical and chemical factories.
Vinyl Chloride (ug/l)	0	2	2	0 -8.69	N	2014	Leaching from PVC piping; Discharge from factories
Cis-1,2 Dichloroethylene (ug/l)	70	70	2.26	0 – 2.26	N	2014	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
Inorganic Contaminates	MCLG	MCL	Level Found	Range of Detection	Violation	Date of Sample	Sources of Contaminant
Arsenic (ug/l)	0	10	0.675	0.675-0.675	N	2014	Erosion of natural deposits, Runoff from orchards, Run-off from glass and electronics
Barium	2	2	0.0529	0.0529 - 0.0529	N	2014	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.
Copper (mg/l)	1.3	* AL=1.3	90 th percentile 0.561	0 exceeding AL	N	2014	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
Lead (ug/l)	0	* AL=15	90 th percentile 0	1 exceeding AL	N	2014	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride (mg/l)	4.0	4.0	1.13	1.13 – 1.13	N	2014	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive that promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Haloacetic Acids	No goal for total						By-product of drinking water disinfection
Nitrate (as N) (mg/l)	10	10	.0695	.0524-.0695	N	2014	Erosion of natural deposits; run-off from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage.
Nitrite (as N) (mg/l)	10	10	.0171	.017-.0171	N	2014	
Radioactive							
Alpha Emitters (pCi/l)	0	15	6.2	6.2 – 6.2	N	2014	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium (pCi/l)	0	5	3.4	3.4 – 3.4	N	2014	Erosion of natural deposits

<i>State Regulated Contaminants</i>	<i>MCLG</i>	<i>MCL</i>	<i>Level Found</i>	<i>Range of Detections</i>	<i>Violations</i>	<i>Date of Sample</i>	<i>Sources of Contaminants</i>
Iron (mg/l)	NA	1.0	0.734	0.734 - 0.734	N	2014	<i>Erosion from Naturally occurring deposits.</i>
Manganese (ug/l)	150	150	27.3	27.3 - 27.3	N	2014	<i>Erosion of Naturally occurring deposits.</i>
Sodium (mg/l)	NA	NA	130	130 -130	N	2014	<i>Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; used as water softener.</i>
Chlorine (mg/l)	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	1.4	1.08 – 1.6	N	12/31/2014	<i>Water additive used to control microbes</i>

Microbial Contaminants	MCLG	MCL	Highest No. Of Positive	Violation	Source of Contamination
Total Coliform	0	1	1	No	Naturally present in the environment
Fecal Coliform and E-Coli	0	0	0	No	

Violation Summary Table

Violation Types

- MNR** Monitoring Violation (failure to Monitor)
- MCL** Maximum Contaminant Level (level found exceeded regulated standard)
- TTV** Treatment Technique Violation (failure to meet treatment process)
- RPV** Reporting Violation (failure to submit results/required report by deadline)

Violations for Sauk Village Public Water Supply IL0312790

Violations Table: We had NO drinking water violations in 2014.

We are currently in compliance with the drinking water standard set by the IEPA.

We are still participating in an accelerated monitoring schedule with the IEPA. We test monthly, all raw and finished water Produced. We are diligently working with the IEPA to ensure we meet all drinking water standards.

Water Quality Data Table Footnotes

Unregulated

Contaminants: A maximum contaminant level (MCL) for this contaminant has not been established by either state or federal regulations, nor has mandatory health effects language. The purpose for monitoring this contaminant is to assist the USEPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water, and whether future regulation is warranted.

Iron: This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state has set a MCL for this contaminant for supplies serving a population of 1000 or more.

Manganese: This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state has set a MCL for this contaminant for supplies serving a population of 1000 or more.

Sodium: There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult your physician about this level of sodium in the water.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewerage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife;

Inorganic contaminant, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or the result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming;

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff and residential uses;

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm-water runoff and septic systems;

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by the public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hot Line (1-800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The Source Water Assessment for Sauk Village (facility # 0312790)

The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA.

To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of

Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>.

Based on information obtained in a Well Site Survey, published in 1992 by the Illinois EPA, two possible problem sites were identified within the survey area of well #3. Furthermore, information provided by the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Section of the Illinois EPA indicated several additional sites with ongoing remediation's which may be of concern. With that, the Illinois EPA has determined that the Sauk community Water Supply's source water has a high susceptibility to contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including: monitoring conducted at the wells; monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system; and the available hydro geologic data on the wells. It should be noted that while the above determination was made based on proximity and certain geologic conditions, the possibility still exists that Sauk's supply source could be impacted. Based on guidelines outlined in the U.S. EPA's Ground Water Rule, the Illinois EPA has determined that the Sauk Community Water Supply has a low susceptibility to viral contamination. This determination is based upon the completed evaluation of the following criteria during the Vulnerability Waiver Process: the village's wells are properly constructed with sound integrity and proper site conditions; a hydro geologic barrier exists which prevents pathogen movement; all potential routes and sanitary defects have been mitigated such that the source water is adequately protected; monitoring data did not indicate a history of disease outbreak; and the sanitary survey of the water supply did not indicate a viral contamination threat. Because the village's wells are constructed in a confined aquifer, which should prevent the movement of pathogens into the wells, well hydraulics were not considered to be a significant factor in the susceptibility determination.

Customer Views Welcome

All Village residents are encouraged to participate in the decision making process concerning our drinking water by attending Village Board Meetings. Please contact the Village Hall for dates and times of meetings.

If you are interested in learning more about the Treatment and Distribution of the water system, or have any questions or concerns about this report, contact the Village Hall at 708.758.3330.

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Mayor's Corner





Mayor David Hanks

In this issue, I would like to provide residents with an update on first quarter financials and Police Taser weapons liability.

First Quarter Financials

The chart below provides a summary for each Fund and expenditures during the first quarter. All funds received a GREEN light except the Water Fund which received a YELLOW light for spending 36.9% of its budget within the first quarter. As Mayor, I will continue to monitor the Water Fund with the Village Administrator, Financial Director and Public Works Director.

Total Budget

<p>General Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Fund expenditures were \$1.1 mil vs. a budget of \$6.4 mil • 17.1% of budget in the FY-Q1 • General Fund Cover <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Administration o Elected Officials o Public Grounds & Building o Police Department o Community development o ESDA o Streets o Parks and Playgrounds
<p>Fire Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Fund expenditures were \$117,516.00 vs. a budget of \$562,000.00 • 20.9% of budget in the FY-Q1
<p>Water Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Fund expenditures were \$780,440.00 vs. a budget of \$2.1 mil • 36.9% of budget in the FY-Q1
<p>Sewer Fund</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sewer Fund expenditures were \$137,245.00 vs. a budget of \$732,058.00 • 18.7% of budget in the FY-Q1

Sauk Talk



Mayor's Article Continued

POLICE - TASER WEAPONS & LIABILITY

In October of 2014, the former Police Chief made an “on-line” purchase of 25 Taser Weapons for the Sauk Village Police Department. In July of 2015, an Officer used one of those weapons to Taser an offender. Several weeks later the Village received a pending lawsuit request from an Attorney representing the offender.

In August of 2015, our Village Administrator learned that neither the former Chief nor his Deputy Chief had developed policies authorizing the use of Taser weapons for our Officers. After conferring with the Village's Risk Insurance Company, they recommended the Village discontinue the use of Taser Weapons until a policy could be created. They added that policies protect not only the Village but our Officers as well.

Due to the findings, I regretfully ordered the Taser Weapons removed from use. I also instructed our attorneys to immediately have a Taser policy put in place; five days later on August 25th that happened. However, the Village is not out of the woods yet. Almost all of the Police Departments General Orders have not been updated since 2005.

It is clear that the former Police Chief and the former Deputy Police Chief have been remiss in their responsibilities to the Village and our Officers. I take this personally because of the job our Officers must face on a daily basis. We live in difficult times and everyone, not just our front line people, must do their part.

A comprehensive study of the Police Department's policies is under review and Sauk Village has hired a new Police Chief, Robert Kowalski. Chief Kowalski, who retired from the FBI as Supervising Special Agent, will be tasked with reviewing and updating police department policies and training and insuring that effective community relations co-exist between our residents and our Officers.

I support our Police Officers and the difficult job they do - as I support all of our employees; however I will never support any person who through their negligence places our Village and employees at risk.

Mayor David A. Hanks

Mark your calendars **“Meet the Mayor”**

When: Second Saturday of each month

Time: 9-11am at Village Hall

Senior News

Rose Langston

New members were appointed based on the history of their dedicated senior committee and village volunteerism. On August 13, 2015 the new Senior Committee began restructuring the committee with the election of officers: Rose Ketcham, vice chair (the mayor previously appointed Rose Langston, chair); Barbara Stearns, secretary; Floyd Morgan, treasurer; and Steve Shymkus, sergeant at arms. Appointed to coordinate the 2nd and 4th Friday SV Open Senior Activity were Frank Williams and Steve Shymkus. The following day, Lester Meeks was appointed to coordinate the Paperback Book Program. In the coming months, the policy and rental agreements will be reviewed and updated to reflect the restructured committee.

The new Senior Committee is preparing for our 12th Annual Senior Citizens Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Dinner includes Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, Bread & Butter, Dessert and Coffee (bottled water and pop available for purchase). All you can eat spaghetti. Music by The Morgan Family and Larry Long with Line Dance Instructor by Flora Haynes. There will be Door Prizes and a 50/50 Raffle drawing. Advanced ticket donations \$5.00 (\$6.00 at the door) are available from committee members and at Village Hall.

Many thanks to the other applicants, who were not appointed to serve on the committee, may your talents be utilized on other village committees. To our former committee members – Gary Holcomb, Bob Ketcham, Delores Randall, Beverly Sterrett and Larry Stewart – Thanks for the Difference You've Made. Although Gary, Bob, Delores, Larry and Beverly are no longer on the committee – your continuing support of the committee's events and programs are greatly appreciated.

‘When you volunteer it means you give of yourself without any regression, without condition, but with full devotion’ (author unknown).

Welcome

Village Administrator/ Public Safety Director JW Fairman, Jr.

Mr. Fairman has more than thirty years of hands-on Public Safety experience as a Bureau Chief responsible for managing budgets of more than \$150 million under the auspices of the President of Cook County Board of Commissioners. His experience includes- Executive Director of the Cook County Department of Corrections (Adult Detention) for Cook County Sheriff. He has also served as a corrections executive in Illinois, California and Iraq. Mr. Fairman has conducted numerous audits of governmental facilities and in addition provided oversight to those facilities.

During his tenure at Cook County Department of Corrections, he opened new facilities, developed an Audit and Compliance Unit, Legal Office with 4 attorneys which were charged with ensuring that each facility was in compliance with departmental and sheriff's general orders as well as state, county and federal laws.

Mr. Fairman has served as an Auditor for the American Correctional Association and was selected to serve as Vice Chair of the Health Services Committee because of his vast experience in correctional health care in prisons and jails. He was selected by the University of California at San Diego's Medical School Psychiatric Department to be the Vice Chair of the "Forensic Addiction Certification Board".

For 2 years, Mr. Fairman monitored an Immigration Detention Facility for its compliance with the US Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Custom Enforcement Division rules and regulations. In Iraq, he advised, trained and mentored an Iraqi General on ways to develop, build and manage that country's Prison System.

Mr. Fairman's education includes receiving a Bachelor of Science degree from Hardin Simmons University, Master of Science degree from Chicago State University and completion of a program for "State and Local Governmental Managers" from John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

Chief of Police Robert Kowalski

My name is Robert J. Kowalski. I am 58 years old and was born and raised in a single-parent household in Chicago, IL. I have been married for 28 years to Leisa Kowalski and we have raised two sons, Adam and Matthew. Leisa has been a Neonatal Intensive Care RN for approximately 20 years and currently works at Mercy Hospital in Chicago, IL. Our oldest son, Adam, is a 1st Lieutenant with the Illinois Army National Guard and is completing his helicopter pilot training. Our youngest son, Matt, is a junior at Downers Grove South High School and is active on the Varsity football team. We have lived in Darien, IL for 17 years.

I graduated from Quigley North Preparatory High School and received my Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Niles College of Loyola University. I obtained my Master's Degree in Criminal Social Justice from Lewis University and am also a graduate of the FBI Training Academy in Quantico, VA.

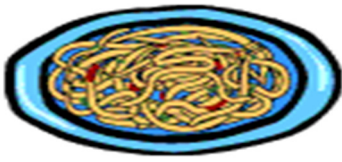
I have been involved in Law Enforcement for 35 years. I started my career as a Patrolman with the Village of Forest Park, IL and worked there for 9 ½ years. I resigned from Forest Park Police Department after being selected as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. After completing my FBI training in Quantico, VA, I was assigned to various FBI offices in Indiana and Illinois. I retired from the FBI in 2010, after 30 years in law enforcement. At this time I took a position in the private sector as the National Director of Security for Career Education Corporation for 3 ½ years. My desire to return to a career in law enforcement led me to a brief position as Chief of Security with the Department of Homeland Security in Dupage County. In 2014, I accepted a position as Director of Public Safety and Security for the Cook County Health and Hospital System. Most recently, I have accepted the position as Chief of Police in Sauk Village, IL. My official start of duty date is September 14, 2015.

I am looking forward to serving the community of Sauk Village, Illinois and being proactive in leading the men and women of the Sauk Village Police Department. I am very proud of my career in law enforcement and honored to have been chosen as your Chief of Police. I believe, through a cooperative effort, we can make a difference leading to a brighter future for all.

Sauk Talk is Produced by volunteers of the Public Relations Committee of Sauk Village, Rosie Williams Trustee/Composer and Staff Members Nanette Wargo and Debbie Williams. With special appreciation for technical support provided by Colleen Baughman. Suggestions should be directed to the Village Hall at 708-758-3330 or emailed to sauktalk@saukville.org.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SAUK VILLAGE???

By Debbie Williams



October 3rd- Sauk Village Fire Association- Mostaccioli Dinner 4pm-8pm at the Fire Station located at 1804 222nd Street. Cost \$6.00 adults/ \$4.00 per child.

October 10th-Senior Spaghetti Dinner- 1pm-4pm in the Senior Center. Cost \$5.00 in advance/ \$6.00 at the door.

November 5th- 3rd Annual Sauk Village Resource Fair- 3pm-8pm at the Village Hall. Many valuable resources to share with residents. More information to follow closer to the event. Meet local officials, village staff and learn about our new 911 dispatch center.

Registration ongoing for:

Free Rain Barrels (up to 4)- Courtesy of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District. Available in Terra Cotta, Blue, Gray and Black.

Memorial Bricks to be placed in the Veteran's Memorial walkway. Memorialize that special veteran. Cost \$40.00 per brick.

NEW- Register Now

Free Smoke Detectors installed by the American Red Cross in partnership with the Sauk Village Fire Department. To be installed September 26, 2015.

Free Emergency Sticker Identification Program-Allows Sauk Village Emergency Responders and our 911 Center to share the information that will assist authorized personnel to aid and assist residents in an emergency. (Shut ins, elderly, handicapped, etc...)- To begin October 1, 2015.

Yard Waste Stickers- Available for purchase at the Village Hall. Cost-\$2.25 each

Recycling- Blue bags- Available for purchase at the Village Hall. Cost \$1.50 /bundle

Register for Free Sauk Village Email Alerts and for more information log in to www.saukvillage.org or contact Village Clerk Debbie Williams. 708/753-5121

Sauk Village Joins CalComm 911 to Provide Better Services for Residents

For years Sauk Village has sought to overhaul its current 9-1-1 system however, due to the financial state of the village, upgrades to software were not purchased and employees were performing their duties on outdated computers and laptops that were at least 8 years old. Our current software is outdated and costs to bring it up to date forced us to examine alternative solutions. CalComm offered several incentives to aid in our transition to their PSAP. And due to recent changes to Illinois State law, Sauk Village would have been required to consolidate within the next 5 years to a PSAP supporting more than 25000 people, so the licensing and upgrades to our existing system were deemed too costly, if we would have to pay for another software system upon joining another PSAP.



The decision to move forward with joint dispatching was necessary as a cost savings that over the next 10 years will save the taxpayers approximately \$5 million dollars and was not a reflection on the service provided by our employees. The dispatcher's bargaining unit was given the opportunity to meet or beat the cost of outsourcing, which they were unable to do. Dispatchers were provided with an outgoing severance package and offered jobs with the new dispatch center. We thank all of our former dispatchers for the years of service they provided to our residents



As of Tuesday, September 15, 2015, all 9-1-1 Emergency Calls for Sauk Village will transfer to the new state-of-the-art CalComm 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Center located at 12419 S. Ashland Avenue in Calumet Park.

Sauk Village will now have the latest technology that can handle large call volumes. CalComm is committed to responding quickly and efficiently to Sauk Village residents.

The state-of-the-art technology will allow CalComm to fulfill that obligation faster and better. CalComm will operate as a Regional 9-1-1 Call Center for surrounding suburbs on a 24/7 basis. The technology is "first in class" and capable of providing "text to 9-1-1" in a growing, wireless society. New technology means a more seamless link between 9-1-1 dispatchers and public safety responders for improved response times.

In addition, CalComm will be providing the Emergency Identification Sticker Program—Sauk Village has implemented a program to allow Emergency Personnel and Emergency Dispatchers (911) access to information pertaining to anyone having a medical disability or special need. The information is based upon address and is cross-referenced by name. Information you provide may be useful to public safety personnel responding to a request for service within the village response a r e a . This sticker number will contain information regarding a person's name, address, phone number, medical conditions, and medications, allergies to medications, special needs, and persons to contact in the event of an emergency. The sticker is available free of charge to any persons who reside in the village having a medical disability or special need. In the event of an emergency public safety personnel will contact the CalComm 911 center and provide the identification number contained on the sticker. In doing so, Police, Fire, or EMS will be notified of any listed medical conditions/special needs or contact information.



Shared Services Survey Report Courtesy of Metropolitan Mayors Caucus (July 2015)

(The entire report is available online at www.saukville.org)

Benefits of Joint Dispatching

- Fewer personnel hassles, employee issues, and ULP and collective bargaining complications
- Highly significant cost savings
- Greater overall operational efficiency and higher level of professional service
- Better, up-to-date technology
- Single point of duty for off-duty service calls
- Quicker aid response
- A large amount of administrative work saved directly related to recruiting, personnel management, record keeping, and supervising technical employees
- Avoid delays in calling for assistance with incidents too large to handle locally

Cost Savings

Joint dispatching, instead of in-house dispatching centers, is one of the most cost-saving shared services out of all of those conducted; savings generally amount to hundreds of thousands per year

- Crete has saved approximately \$250,000 per year over the last 16 years by joint dispatching
- Westchester saved \$2.5 million in the first 5 years
- Grayslake saves an estimated \$400,000 per year
- Countryside saved \$900,000 over 5 years
- Wilmington saves approximately \$400,000 per year
- Park Ridge saves over \$650,000 per year
- Woodridge saves approximately \$1.2 million per year

Participating Municipalities

Addison, Bensenville, Bloomingdale, & DuPage Forest Preserve. /Addison, Bensenville, Itasca & Wood Dale

Aurora, Batavia, Geneva, North Aurora & St Charles /Bannockburn, Deerfield & Riverwoods

Beecher, Crete, Monee, Peotone, South Chicago Heights, Steger, & University Park

Bolingbrook, Braidwood, Channahon, Elwood, Plainfield & Wilmington

Calumet Park & Sauk Village

Des Plaines & Wheeling

East Hazel Crest, Lynwood & Thornton /Fox Lake Police, Lake Villa Fire Protection, Lake Villa Police & Lindenhurst

Glenview, Grayslake, Hainseville, Highwood, Highland Park, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Morton Grove, & Niles

Golf & Cook County / Hawthorn Woods, Island Lake, Kildeer & Lake Zurich

La Grange, La Grange Park, & Western Springs /Libertyville, Lincolnshire & Vernon Hills

Matteson, Olympia Fields, Park Forest & Richton Park

East Joliet Fire Protection District, Frankfort FPD, Mokena FPD & New Lenox FPD

Orland Hills Fire Protection District & Orland Park

Oswego & Kendall County /Prairie Grove & McHenry County /Spring Grove & McHenry County

Joint Dispatching Centers*

CenCom E9-1-1: (11 localities)

DU-COMM: DuPage Public Safety Communications (41 localities)

EASTCOM: Eastern Will County Communications Center (11 localities)

ECOM 9-1-1: (6 localities)

Tri-Com Central Dispatch: (11 localities)

NWCD: Northwest Central Dispatch (12 localities)

QuadCom: (9 localities)

Red Center: MABAS Division 3 (14 localities)

SEECOM: Southeast Emergency Communication Center (14 localities)

SWCD: Southwest Central Dispatch (16 localities)



Fire Department

Aaron Anderson

Upcoming Events for the Sauk Village Fire Department

Fire Prevention week starts the week of October 5, 2015 and ends October 9th

We will be at the schools starting that Monday October 5th and climax on Friday October the 9th. Our Fire prevention week will start with an Open House Mostaccioli Dinner that will be on Saturday October 3rd from 4pm until 8pm at the station starting at 4pm

A save the Date flyer is also attached to this as well.

The Sauk Village Fire Association will also like to thank all that made our 8th Annual Golf Outing a success. Whether you were a sponsor or a golfer you are very much so appreciated. We thank you for your support and hope to see you all again next year.

Also the Fire Association along with the Police Association is selling raffle tickets again that will start and go through the whole month of November. See any member of both Departments for tickets. A donation of \$5 is asked.



Neighborhood Watch

Trustee Lynda Washington-House



Greetings Citizens of Sauk Village!

I am proud to announce the Back to School Safety Rally & Free Book Bags Give Away was a tremendous success! I want to thank The Neighborhood Watch Committee, Residents for participating with our Tag Days, private and public donations. A special thank you to all the sponsors that donated school supplies. Finally, I salute our outstanding panel this year, Dr. Navarre, Superintendent of School District 206, Dr. Graham Principal of Bloom Trail High School, Sgt. Morris with the Sauk Village Police Dept, Mr. Jeremiah Johnson and Mrs. Patterson School District 168 in Dr. Leak's absence.

All the students that received the 250 FREE Book Bags were so excited to start school with a fresh start of having a new book bag and school supplies. We are looking for Block Club Captains on every block in Sauk Village. Our committee meets every 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station located at 1802 222nd Street across the street from Marathon Gas Station. You will receive an I. D. Badge and an opportunity to work with a dedicated group of residents committed to informing our neighbors of our Light Up The Neighborhood Campaign! We are entering into our Winter Program including our Jr. Neighborhood Watch Program. Encourage your Jr. and High School neighbors to get involved.

Keeping our residents informed of current stats with the crime in Sauk Village is one of our many reports. Your ideals to promote safety is welcomed at our meetings. Consider this a special invitation to talk to your neighbors and come to our next scheduled meeting. Working together means winning together! See YOU there!





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COMMUNITY CENTER	758-4115	BLOOM TOWNSHIP	754-9400
COOK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	210-4500	RESPOND NOW EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	755-4357
COMMONWEALTH EDISON	1-800-334-7661	NICOR	1-888-642-6748
REPUBLIC SERVICES DISPOSAL	708-385-8252	MCCONATHY PUBLIC LIBRARY	757-4771

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Sauk Talk

Mayor's Corner

Mayor David Hanks

The Elephant in the Room – BLIGHT

What cancer is to a body, "blight" is to a community: No surprise that blight has spread and is having a disastrous effect on all parts of Sauk Village. Its core cause "housing flight" started years ago:

Today we see its havoc; housing vacancies, property de-valuation, loss of revenue, increases in crime, pull-back of business, and discord among community leaders. And yet we fight this disease in disarray, hoping its symptoms will somehow go into remission.

Fighting the future of Sauk Village independently will not breathe life back into it. We must attack BLIGHT as a community.

Our Administrator J.W. Fairman has laid out a blueprint to attack blight, a plan that includes all of us. Results will not happen overnight and will certainly depend on the amount of support Sauk Village is willing to show him. He has already rallied the support of key staff. He is in the process of producing a master Vacancy list, and correlating it to criminal activity in the Village.

This will enable Police Chief Kowalski to identify the areas of greatest concern. Reduction in crime is the first step in the property valuation and increased revenues. Our Housing Commission, also a "blueprint" partner, is moving forward with the demolition of blighted homes. The Village Board's Public Works Committee has authored a key piece of legislation placing the accountability for delinquent water bills on the owners of property.

Mr. Fairman wants you to be our eyes and ears. When someone tampers with water meters or turns on water that the Village has turned off for non-payment – report it. These people are not your friends, free water to them cost you more. When you see or hear something in your neighborhood that you know isn't right – report it.

"People who commit crime value themselves over everyone else."

As the months go on I will report (good or bad) the results of our (yours and mine) efforts to turn Sauk Village around.

"Community" is the cure for BLIGHT.

*Merry Christmas & Happy New Year
from the Hank's Family!!!*



News from the Village Clerk

Debbie Williams

The Sauk Village Municipal Center will be closed on the following days in observance of the upcoming holidays-November 26th and 27th, December 24th and 25th and January 1st and 18th. Sauk Village Committee of the Whole meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday at 7pm. Sauk Village Regular Board meetings are held on the second

and fourth Tuesday of the month. There are no board meetings held on the fifth Tuesday of the month. All meetings are held at the Sauk Village Municipal Center. Exceptions such as Special Called meetings or change of location will always be duly noted on the Sauk Village website and posted at the Municipal Center. ALL Sauk Village board meeting notices and

agendas are posted no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting. There are no village board meetings scheduled for November 24th and December 15th and 22nd and 29th unless a Special Meeting is called.

May you and yours enjoy a safe, blessed holiday season!



Holiday Food Basket Collection



Holiday Food Basket Collection

Village Clerk Debbie Williams and the Community Outreach Partnership Committee are hoping to brighten the lives of 50 Sauk Village Families this Holiday season. It is our goal that each basket will contain:

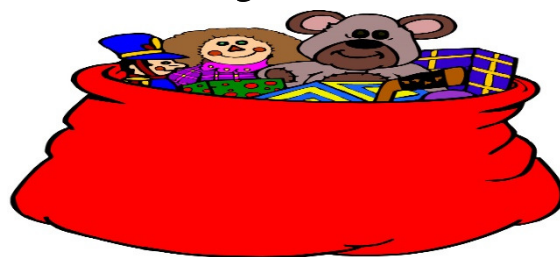
- 2 Cans of Corn
- 1 box of Brownie Mix
- 2 Cans of Green Beans
- 1 Box of Instant Potatoes
- 2 Boxes of Corn Bread Mix
- 1 large can of Sweet Potatoes
- 1 box of Stove Top Instant Stuffing

If you are able to donate, please drop off any amount of these items at the Village Hall 21801 Torrence Ave between 8 am and 5 pm Monday through Friday. Monetary donations will also gladly be accepted.

All donations are due by December 11th.

We will also be collecting new/unwrapped toys for 0-12 year old boys and girls. Holiday food baskets and toys will be distributed during the Carols, Cocoa and More event on Thursday, December 17th on a first come, first served basis.

Toy Drive



Parks & Recreation

Trustee Kelvin Jones



*Santa Claus
is coming to town*

*Santa Claus is coming to town
Saturday, December 5th, 2015*

*Santa will be parading around town,
beginning at 10AM, with a short break at
the fire station, and arriving at the
Community Center around 5pm.*

*Everyone is welcome to attend and take a
picture with Santa! Santa will have
magical treats for everyone!*



Neighborhood Watch

Trustee Lynda Washington-House



Greetings Residents of Sauk Village! We are currently looking for Block Club Captains! If you are interested please meet us on the 2nd Monday, monthly at The Fire Station 1822 222nd Street. We are closing out our year end session with a great agenda and Christmas celebration. Our meetings are at 7:00 p.m. sharp and you are invited to come and encourage your neighbors to attend as well. Come and experience open dialogue and friendly environment

It takes the entire community to come together and provide safety tips and measures for our block to be successful with security. Know your surroundings when you are entering and leaving your home and cars. Always look around and call the Police Department to report any and all suspicious activity anywhere in the Village. Be friendly, courteous and respectful towards your neighbors. Know and monitor your children whereabouts daily, so they are accounted for during the day and be mindful to observe the curfew days and times.

If we ALL come together we can have a safer Village for our youth, seniors and residents to enjoy. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at (708) 753-5130. Also, visit and LIKE our face book page, Sauk Village Neighborhood Watch! I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting. I am always available to talk with residents on Board Meetings Nights every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall except the 5th Tuesday of the month. I'm encouraging you to get involved with The Neighborhood Watch Program and help make an impact on Sauk Village. See YOU there!

Finally, We are so excited! In an effort to promote Community Involvement and Public Safety, The Neighborhood Watch will be performing a LIVE play April 25, 2016! We are looking for residents that want to have a little community fun! We will be holding auditions for actors, actress, singers, prop directors and make up/custom/wardrobe artist. Contact me directly at (708) 753-5130.



Mayor Hanks: Pancakes With Santa



Pancakes With Santa and Donation for Toys for Tots! - December 6, 2015

This year the Sauk Village Fire Department is partnering up with Toys-for-Tots. So during the annual pancakes with Santa they are asking for everyone to please bring unwrapped toys for girls or boys of all ages.

This is the season for giving so let's all play apart in putting a smile on over 7 million children faces.

For More Information:
Please call the Sauk Village Fire Station at (708)758-2225

*****Mark Your Calendars Now*****

**Location: Sauk Village Fire Department
1804 222nd St. Sauk Village, Illinois**

Date: December 6, 2015

Time:

8am until Noon

Cost: \$5 for adults /

\$4 for children/Seniors

Senior News

Rose Langston

Village seniors age 50 plus are welcome to attend the: SV Blue Grass every Sunday evening from 6:00-10:00 p.m.; SV Fun Club on the 2nd and 4th Sunday at 3:00 p.m.; FREE (open to all village residents and employees) blood pressure screening on the 1st Monday from 1:00-2:00 p.m.; senior movie (co-sponsored with McConathy Library) at the library on the 2nd Monday at 12:30p.m.; Senior Citizens of SV aka Sunshiners on the 1st and 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m.; Silver Sneaker (fitness classes) every Tuesday at 10:00 and 11:15 a.m.; BMW Crossroad (motorcycle group) on the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.; Ceramics Group every Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m.; Leisure Timers every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.; SV Senior Committee on the 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m.; and SV Committee Open Senior Activity on the 1st and 3rd Friday (during November and December) from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Beginning in January 2016, the SV Committee will hold the Open Senior Activity every Friday from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

The Jones Memorial Community Center Golden Agers meets on the third Wednesday monthly. Social hour at 10:00 a.m., meeting at 10:30 a.m. and lunch (\$5.00) is served at 11:30 a.m. Annual dues (\$5.00) for the year 2016 are being accepted now. For additional information and/or reservation, call 708-757-5395.

The Committee's 12th Annual Senior Citizens Spaghetti Dinner was a huge success, thanks to all the participants, volunteers and committee members. As always, The Morgan Family provide excellent music and Line Dance Instructor Flora Haynes led the dancers. Congratulations to the many Door Prize, 50/50 Raffle (Mary Cunnane), and BBQ set (Richard Mosely) winners. We were very fortunate for a terrific job volunteering job by former committee members - Gary Holcomb, Bob Ketcham and Beverly Sterrett. Other volunteers include Chris Johnson, Nadine Morgan, Heidi Parker, John Poskin, and Chris Turner. Many thanks for the ads to Southland Voice, Steger Memorial Chapel for printing the tickets, and prize donors (Rose Langston, Nadine Morgan and Steve Shympkus {BBQ set}). Frank Williams and Steve Shympkus are co-ordinators for the committee's Friday SV Open Senior Activity. We have various games available and seniors may bring their own if desired. The 'Rummykub' game is creating quite a challenge for the participants. Beverly Sterrett continues the Silver Sneakers fitness classes (10:00 & 11:15 a.m.) every Tuesday. Our paperback book program is thriving with many thanks to recent donors Nancy Baker, Nadine Morgan and Kriste Peckham.

Bloom Township Community Lunch Program monthly through April is held at Glenwoodie Golf Club, 19301 State St., Glenwood. See posted flyers for details and other events, cost for township seniors is \$4.00 and out of Bloom Township seniors is \$8.00. Open enrollment/re-enrollment period for Medicare Part D Medicare ends December 7th. Counseling is available Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on first come basis. Affordable transportation within the township and some special medical location are available, call 708-754-8200. For additional information call Bloom Township Senior Department 708-754-9400 ext. 7270.

The Senior Center Policy revision for the restructured Sauk Village Senior Committee was recently completed and approved by the committee. Thank Mayor Hanks, Administrator JW Fairman and Village Clerk Debbie Williams for your assistance on the policy. Sauk Village Senior Committee meets on the second Thursday (except in December) at 7:00 p.m. For additional information and/or question, please leave a brief message at (708) 758-3330 for a call back as time permits.

**The Senior Committee would like to wish everyone
a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!**



Carols Cocoa and More



CAROLS, COCOA AND MORE



JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AS WE BRING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER

TO CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS.

FOOD BASKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE FIRST 50 SAUK VILLAGE

FAMILIES THAT PROVIDE PROOF OF RESIDENCY.

WHERE: SAUK VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CENTER

21801 S. TORRENCE AVENUE

SAUK VILLAGE, ILLINOIS

WHEN: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

PRESENTED BY: THE SAUK VILLAGE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE,

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

AND VILLAGE CLERK DEBBIE WILLIAMS

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Energy Assistance is Available – Need Help Paying Heating Bills

Cook County Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy is hosting an Energy & Information Fair **Tuesday, December 15th - 9:30 a.m. to 3p.m. at the ELKS CLUB in Crestwood.** Located at 4428 Midlothian Turnpike. Applications for LIHEAP (low income home energy assistance program) will be processed at the Energy Fair.

Federal funds are available to families that qualify. One time payments are made directly to Nicor and ComEd to provide financial support to households. The winter season is just around the corner and along with the cold comes higher energy bills. The application is fast and easy.

When applying you **MUST** bring: proof of gross income for the last 30 days. Original Social Security cards for all household members. Current Nicor and ComEd utility bills.

INCOME GUIDE LINES – Gross Income for 30 days prior to application Date

Family Size	for LIHEAP	Share the Warmth
1,471	1,962	
1,991	2,655	
2,511	3,348	
3,031	4,042	
3,551	4,735	
4,071	5,248	

Meet local representatives from The Link & Option Center, Nicor, and ComEd to discuss other payment options to avoid disconnection. Useful information will be provided from area Social Service Organizations. Come find out what programs are available to help meet the needs of your family.

Don't miss Commissioner Murphy's Energy Fair on Tuesday, December 15th from 9:30a.m. to 3p.m. The event will be held at the ELKS CLUB located at 4428 Midlothian Turnpike in Crestwood.

LIHEAP Questions and more available dates:

Call - The Link and Option Center at 708.331.4880

Event information call Commissioner Murphy's Office at 708-389.2125.

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Police Department

Police Chief Robert Kowalski

This Christmas season, don't let the holiday spirit lull you into giving burglars, muggers and pickpockets a better chance to do their dirty work. Bad guys love the holidays as much as everyone else, especially because it's a convenient time for crime.

Your home will be packed with shiny new gifts and the stores, malls and downtown streets are crowded with unsuspecting shoppers. Everyone is rushing around carelessly looking for last-minute gifts, trying to get everything done. It's enough to make a thief happy with holiday joy.

Here are some tips on how to celebrate safely this holiday season:

If You Are Traveling

Get an automatic timer for your lights.

Contact the Sauk Village Police to do an extra watch on your property and/or

Ask a neighbor to watch your home, shovel snow, and park in your driveway from time to time.

Don't forget to cancel your mail and newspaper delivery because if it piles up, it's a sure sign you're gone.

If You Are Out for the Evening

Turn on lights, a radio or TV so it looks like someone's home.

Be extra diligent about locking doors and windows when you leave, even if it's just for a few minutes.

Don't display your presents where they can be seen from outside.

If You Are Shopping

Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you.

Park in a well-lighted space, and be sure to lock the car, close the windows, and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk or cover them to be inconspicuous.

Avoid carrying or flashing large amounts of cash; pay with a check or credit card whenever possible but only carry one card in your wallet or purse.

Discourage pickpockets and purse-snatchers and don't overburden yourself with packages. Be extra careful with your purse and/or wallet. Carry a purse close to your body, not dangling by the straps. Put a wallet in an inside coat or front pants pocket.

Shopping with your children? Have a plan, teach them to go to a store clerk or security guard if you get separated.

Protect Your Vehicle

Loading up on all those gifts is a sign of progress in the holiday shopping. But if those packages are left out in the open after they're in the car, your car has become a likely target for thieves. Remember "Out of sight, out of mind?" the same idea applies to items in your car.

Always lock your vehicle and store all items out of sight. Breaking into an empty car isn't worth a thief's time and they will find one that's full. Anything left in plain view, from your holiday gifts to spare change, sunglasses, CDs, cell phones or briefcases, may tempt a thief.

Help prevent your vehicle from being stolen by always locking your car and using anti-theft devices if you can. And although it's cold, never leave your vehicle running while you run inside your home or a store, even if for only a minute or two because you don't know whose watching.

If a Stranger Comes to the Door

Criminals sometimes pose as couriers delivering gifts, so be cautious when accepting a package.

It's not uncommon for people to try to take advantage of others' generosity during the holidays by going door-to-door for charitable donations when there's no charity involved. Ask for identification, and find out how the funds will be used or call the police to see if they are registered to be soliciting in the neighborhood.

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After you've opened the Gifts

The burglars know that many you have new, and many times expensive, items in your homes following the Christmas holidays—especially items like new computers and other electronic equipment. In many cases, we make it easy for burglars to figure out which homes to target by putting boxes that identify your new gifts in plain view with their other garbage. Avoid becoming an easy target for post-holiday burglars by not leaving boxes for new electronics and other items in the alley or other garbage pick-up locations for several days at a time. Instead, break down any boxes you are throwing out, put them in garbage bags and place them inside a trash can. Remember if you see someone suspicious casing your alley or if you see a burglary in progress, call the Sauk Village Police Department on [911](tel:911).

Take a Holiday Inventory

The holidays are a good time to update—or create—your home inventory. Take photos or make videos of items, and list descriptions and serial numbers. If your home is burglarized, having a detailed inventory can help identify stolen items and make insurance claims easier to file.

Make sure things like TVs, VCRs, stereo equipment, cameras, camcorders, sports equipment, jewelry, silver, computers, home office equipment and power tools are on the list. Remember to check it twice!

Celebrate Responsibly

The holiday season is a time of celebration and revelry. Drinking and driving is a danger to everyone on the road. Illinois law says that anyone with a blood alcohol count of .08 or higher is in violation of the Illinois Vehicle Code and may go to jail. Remember that the risk isn't worth it—if you choose to drink alcohol at a party, don't drive. Take a cab, use public transportation or a designated driver. Have fun, but remember to celebrate responsibly.

Enjoy the Season!

Last but not least, don't let holiday stress get the best of your holiday spirit. Be sure to make time to get together with family, friends, and neighbors. Please think about the less fortunate in the spirit of the season and help someone who's less fortunate or lonely. We here at the Sauk Village Police Department wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY	911	SAUK VILLAGE HALL	758-3330
POLICE AND FIRE NON EMERGENCY	758-1331	SENIOR CENTER	753-5141
COMMUNITY CENTER	758-4115	BLOOM TOWNSHIP	754-9400
COOK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	210-4500	RESPOND NOW EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	755-4357
COMMONWEALTH EDISON	1-800-3347661	NICOR	1-888-642-6748
REPUBLIC SERVICES DISPOSAL	708-385-8252	MCCONATHY PUBLIC LIBRARY	757-4771

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