SAUK TALK
VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

In this issue: Easter Events, Senior News, Election News, Blood Drive, Library Calendar, Food Resources and more...

Mayor's Corner  Mayor Derrick Burgess

• BASKETBALL PROGRAMS IS ENDING SOON AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER
  o MONDAY – 3RD & 4TH GRADES – 5:30PM – 8:00PM
  o WEDNESDAY – 5TH & 6TH GRADES – 5:30PM – 8:00PM
  o FRIDAY – 7TH & 8TH GRADES – 5:30PM – 8:00PM

• BASEBALL SIGN-UP BEGINNING FEBRUARY 16TH – 5:30PM – 7:00PM
  o CONTACT MR. GEORGE GREEN AT: SAUKVILLAGEATHLETICS@GMAIL.COM
  o HERE IS THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP ONLINE:
Good Day Neighbors! April will provide so many opportunities for community engagement, and the Board, Village and the Clerk’s Office will be bustling. Activities taking place this month includes:

April 4, 2023 – The Community Consolidated Elections- Make certain to exercise your voting rights. Polling Places Serving Sauk Village Polling Places by Precincts
Precinct 7 First Apostolic Church 22709 State Street Steger, IL
Precinct 16, 23, 53 Paesel Center 2700 Kalvelage Drive Sauk Village, IL
Precinct 27 McConathy Public Library 21737 Jeffrey Avenue Sauk Village, IL
Precinct 55 Rickover Junior High School 22151 Torrence Ave. Sauk Village, IL
Precinct 32 Grace UCC 2500 223rd Street Sauk Villa

- April 8, 2023 – The Annual Easter Egg Hunt. The Easter Bunny is hopping into town to conduct the hunt and to provide Easter Baskets to those who find the GOLDEN EGGS. Bring the kids, along with bags to collect their goodies. This event will take place on the Municipal grounds. Look for the flyer for more details
- April 22, 2023, 9 a.m. – noon – The Annual Earth Day/Community Clean Up/Electronics Recycling. Volunteers are needed to help clean up trash in the Village. Community Service hours are provided. Bring your old Electronics for disposal /one T.V. per person. There will also be prescription drugs drop-off, tree planting and an arts/craft activity. Look for the flyer for more details
- April 25, 2023 – Student Governance Day – Students from Rickover Junior High School will lead the regular Board Meeting

- April 27, 5:30 p.m. Community Conversation with Habitat for Humanities – Habitat for Humanity Chicago South Suburbs engages in revitalization to serve families by partnering with IHDA to share data gathered about the current state of the neighborhood and how to move forward as a community. PLEASE JOIN Attend
GIVE YOUR FEEDBACK!

Visit us on Facebook – Sauk Village E-New and sign up to get emails delivered to your inbox
Notice to Sauk Village Residents: In recent months, the Sauk Village Police Department has been in contact with Kia America and the Hyundai Corporation concerning the vulnerability to theft of various Kia and Hyundai models. Both Car Manufacturers have agreed to provide security steering wheel locks free of charge to all Sauk Village residents who own Kia or Hyundai vehicles. The Sauk Village Police Department has these locks available for distribution for Sauk Village residents showing proof of residency, proof of ownership and proof of a current Sauk Village vehicle sticker. These locks will be available between the normal business hours of the Sauk Village Records Department.

CHAT WITH THE CHIEF

Be part of the solution! Meet with the Chief of Police and other guest speakers every 3rd Thursday of the month at 6pm. Together we can make a change!
Sauk Village Municipal Center
21801 Torrence Ave, Sauk Village, IL 60411

The non-emergency number to the Sauk Village Police Department is 708/758-1331 or you can email the Chief of Police directly at mwhite@saukvillage.org
Sauk Village Fire Department

FREE Annual Community Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, April 2, 2023 | 8AM - 1PM
Pancakes FREE on-site only!

Location: Fire Department
1804 E. 222nd Street

Games, Activities, Raffles for the Whole Family

In Sponsorship With
McCreadyLaw
To Our Good Friends,
On behalf of the Sauk Village Firefighters Association, we invite you to support our golf outing held on Saturday, June 17th, 2023. This event is an important fundraiser for our fire department and is the perfect opportunity for local businesses to show their support and advertise.
This year, we are asking for donations of items, money, or gift certificates that we can raffle off at the outing or add to our funds. Your donation will go a long way in helping us reach our goal of providing our firefighters with the most up-to-date training and safest equipment needed to keep our community safe. Last year's contributions allowed four of our probationary firefighters to attend fire college at the Illinois Fire Service Institute.
We understand that many businesses are facing uncertain times, so any contribution you can make, no matter the size, will be greatly appreciated and will make a difference in our community.
If you would like to support our cause, please reply to this letter and we will be in touch to arrange the details. We offer the following sponsorship opportunities:

**CART SPONSOR $75**
A sign displayed on one golf cart.

**DINNER SPONSOR $500**
A sign displayed during dinner.

**HOLE SPONSOR $100**
A sign displayed on the course.

**OUTING SPONSOR $1000**
Will receive golf and dinner for four.

**LUNCH SPONSOR $250**
A sign displayed during lunch.

**PRIZ & RAFFLE SPONSOR**
Donate a gift certificate or item.

**COCKTAIL SPONSOR $250**
A sign displayed during open bar.

**PLAYER PACK SPONSOR**
Donate 125 items to be given away.

Thank you in advance for your support and consideration! All donations are due by May 1st, 2023.

Sincerely,

Fire Chief Stephen Barrett
Public Works Department 2023 Village Schedule

Street Sweeping

The street sweeping schedule for the 2023 season will be as follows:

The week beginning- April 10, May 8, June 12, July 9, August 14, September 11, and October 19.

Sweeping in the month of November will follow our leaf pickup program. All sweep dates can change due to manpower and emergencies.

If additional sweepings are necessary, notification will be posted on the Marquee located on Sauk Trail at the corner of Cornell Ave and the village website.

The ordinance prohibits parking on the streets between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. during the day of your garbage pickup.

Hydrant Flushing

Hydrants will be flushed in the following sections of town on the specified dates.

April 13, 14 - South Side of town; south of Sauk Trail & west of Torrence extending to Deer Creek.

May 4, 5 - North Side of town; north of Sauk Trail extending to Carlisle Estates

June 1, 2 - Eastern section of town; located east of Torrence & south of Sauk Trail

July 6, 7 - South Side of town; south of Sauk Trail & west of Torrence extending to Deer Creek

August 3, 4 - North Side of town; north of Sauk Trail extending to Carlisle Estates

September 7, 8 - Eastern Section of town; located east of Torrence & south of Sauk Trail

October 5, 6 - South Side of town; south of Sauk Trail & west of Torrence extending to Deer Creek

Actual flushing will begin at 8 A.M. and continuing through the day, all unflushed hydrants will be completed the next day.

Residents should refrain from washing whites during flushing and for at least 24 to 48 hours after flushing. If you experience discolored water, run the cold water in the bathtub until clear. All flush dates can change due to manpower and emergencies.
Tree Limb Pickup

The first pickup for the 2023 season will be the 1st week (Monday- Friday) of the following months, May-October begins Monday, May 1, and end on Friday, October 6th.

Residents are asked to have limbs out no later than Sunday before the 1st Monday of the month.

The final pickup for the 2023 season will begin Monday, October 2 and end Friday, October 6th at 2 PM.

Residents are asked to have limbs out no later than Sunday the day before the 1st Monday of May-October.

Remember to bundle small branches and to stack branches neatly in the same direction as this speeds the tree limb pickup. There will be no branches picked up after these dates no exceptions

Any questions concerning the pickup dates please call Village Hall (758-3330) Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. If there is a special pickup it will be posted on the village Marquee and website.

Leaf Sweep Program

The leaf pickup program will begin November 6th until November 22. Our final pickup will begin November 21; crews will be out to pick up each section on garbage day,

THEY WILL NOT COME BACK AFTER THIS PASS.

All dates are subject to change contingent on the leaf drop each year. Village Ordinance prohibits parking on the streets between the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. during the day of your garbage pickup. Thanks for your participation.

Bulk Item Pick-Up

Residents are allowed one bulk item per week.
Sauk Village Senior Advisory Council's Chairman Emmett Farmer invites all Seniors 50 and older to join us for our coming events here at the Sauk Village Senior Center. Also coming are Casino Trips, Dinner Dances, Plays, Movie Nights and more. For contact information, please call Chairman Emmett Farmer, at 773-908-9425 for more information on events and to RSVP for our events. Thank you.
The Consolidated Election will be held April 4, 2023. Polls will be open from 6:00 am - 7:00 pm
Community Events

LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES SERVING SAUK VILLAGE RESIDENTS

BLOOM TOWNSHIP CENTER 425 S. Halsted St  Chicago Heights, IL 708/754-9400
Mondays 3-7 pm  Wednesdays 10am-2pm
Food Pantry Application Assistance  Contact: Susana Mendez  708/543-2555
Tuesdays / Thursdays  9:30am- 3:30 pm  Fridays 9:30am –Noon

CROSSROADS CHURCH  23001 S. Torrence Ave.  Sauk Village, IL 708/300-2281
Thursdays- Generally about 11am- Depends on delivery availability and weather conditions.  No ID needed.
Generously sponsored by Illinois Partners in Hope
and Southland Voice Newspaper

EMMANUEL CRC  22515 S. Torrence Ave.  Sauk Village, IL  708/758-3343
Serving Sauk Village and Lynwood residents  Saturdays  10am-12pm
Photo ID with proof of residency must be presented at every visit

GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 2500 223RD St  Sauk Village, IL  708/758-6700
Food Pantry Saturdays 10am- Noon
No food pantry April 8, 2023

LITTLE BIRDIES OF THE FIELD 22132 Torrence Ave  Sauk Village, IL 708/825-7026
Wednesday 12pm-2pm or until supplies last

RESPOND NOW 1439 Emerald Ave Chicago Heights 708/755-4357
Food Pantry M,W,F 10am- 5pm  T, Th 1pm-5pm  Photo ID is required
Respond Now strives to keep families happy and healthy in their local homes through mortgage, rental and utility assistance. Temporary lodging is also available to qualifying families and individuals who may be facing homelessness due to fire, eviction, or other crisis. Foreclosure Prevention Specialists advise those families who are having difficulty paying their mortgages. Ongoing housing support for the chronically homeless or otherwise in need and monthly pre-purchase counseling and home buying workshops are also offered.

HOMEOWNERSHIP/ HOME REPAIR PROGRAMS  Check for current available programs
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Contact: Judy Bilitzki  630/757-7518
THE JOURNEY FORWARD 312/429-5945
HUD Certified Housing Counselors https://bit.ly/3GIP8k
Community Events Continued...

Community Egg Hunts

MCCONNATHY PUBLIC LIBRARY
ANNUAL EGG HUNT
21737 JEFFERY AVENUE, SAUK VILLAGE, IL 60411
SATURDAY APRIL 8, 2023
DOORS OPEN AT 10:30 AM
AGE 0-2 YRS. 11:00 AM
AGE 3-5 YRS. 11:15 AM
AGE 6-9 YRS. 11:30 AM
AGE 10-14 11:45 AM

2 Bikes & 4 Baskets given away per age group!

BUNNY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICTURES FROM
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM.

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APRIL 8TH 1PM
BEHIND VILLAGE HALL
21801 TORRENCE AVE
GROUPS:
0-3 YRS
4-6 YRS
7-9 YRS
10-12 YRS

QUESTIONS CALL: 708 753 5119
**COOK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK RECYCLING & SHREDDING PROGRAM**

Saturday, April 22, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sauk Village Community Partners
21801 Torrence Avenue
Sauk Village, IL

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### Prescription Drug Take Back

The Cook County Sheriff's Prescription Drug Take Back Program provides a free service for collecting unwanted medicine from Cook County residents.

- Collection is anonymous.
- Pills only: unwanted/expired human and pet medications.
- Pills may be brought in prescription bottles, which will be shredded to destroy identity or in unmarked plastic bags.
- Liquid medication and sharps will not be accepted.

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### Electronic Recycling

The Sheriff's Recycling Program disposes of unwanted electronics to protect the environment & keep communities safe.

**Electronic Items Accepted:**
- Cables – all types
- Cell Phones/Telephone Devices
- Computers/Laptops
- Hardware/Motherboards
- Holiday Lights
- Monitors/Calculators
- Printers /Fax Machines
- Game Systems/Stereos
- Televisions - Limit 1 Per Household
- Toasters/Blenders
- Toner Cartridges
- UPS Batteries/Car Batteries

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**Paper Recycling:** All unwanted paperwork

Remove all paper clips, binder clips, and rubber bands.
2023 Community Clean Up Earth Day Event

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023
Time: 9am-12pm
Location: VILLAGE HALL (21801 Torrence Ave)

Trash pick up - Youth welcome - T-shirts
Recycling - Shredding - Tree planting
Prescription drug recycling - Birdhouse - FUN!
Sauk Village
Community Conversation
Please join us (in person or on Zoom) for a neighborhood discussion. Light refreshments offered and children are welcome!

Date: Thursday, April 27th
Time: 5:30pm
Location: Sauk Village Municipal Center (21801 Torrence Ave)

For any questions, contact Holly at 708.231.0758 or email hpope@gohabitat.org.

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Veteran Home Repair Program

Phone Number
(312) 818-1196

Email
apply@rebuildingtogether-chi.com

ABOUT THE VETERAN HOME REPAIR PROGRAM

Applications are open!

In partnership with Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago, Cook County has allocated $1.25 million to complete free indoor and outdoor repairs to at least 15 veteran-owned homes each year for the next two years.

The veteran home repair program focuses on warm, safe and dry priorities or the need for home modification improvements. Low-income veteran homeowners will be prioritized.

Eligibility

This free program is available to Cook County veteran homeowners, dependent spouses or caretakers who provide housing for a veteran.

Questions

If you need assistance filling out the online application or if you have any questions, please contact Rebuilding Together Metro Chicago by calling (312) 818-1196 or email apply@rebuildingtogether-chi.com.

How to Apply

1. Complete the online application by clicking the blue button at the bottom of this page.
2. Once submitted, Rebuilding Together will review applications and schedule a house visit if you’ve been selected.
   Documentation to verify household income and home ownership will be required at that time.

Applications close Monday, May 1, 2023.
ARE YOU 16-24 YEARS OLD AND LOOKING FOR PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL GROWTH?

GROWING YOUNG LEADERS

- Training in sustainable farming practices
- Building work ethic and job skills
- Leadership development opportunities
- Exploring future career and educational options

IT TAKES A VILLAGE COMMUNITY FARM
2500 223RD ST., SAUK VILLAGE, IL
JUNE - AUGUST, 2 DAYS/WEEK
SEASONAL STIPEND

INFO SESSIONS
MARCH 29TH | 5PM | ZOOM
APRIL 20TH | 5PM | ZOOM

APPLY OR LEARN MORE BY EMAILING CELIE AT CELIE@JUSTROOTSCHICAGO.ORG
Join us for our weekly events:

- **Movie Monday** 1:00 pm
- **Kids Craft** Tuesday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- **Kids Cooking Class** Wednesday 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- **Computer Classes** Thursday 10:00 am
- **Various Adult Events** Every Friday
- **Various Kids Events** Every Saturday
Website Information

www.saukvillage.org

Please bear with us as we continue to update the website and search for ways to improve communications with our residents.

The Sauk Village website is an important resource for information such as meeting times and agendas, employment opportunities, online bill payment, village services, Sauk Village Codebook and ordinances, helpful community links, etc...

We are pleased to announce the Sauk Talk will be available on the website and in print at the Municipal Center and McConathy Public Library. To receive the Sauk Talk by email please register at www.saukvillage.org.

Is your church, business or organization planning an upcoming event? Please send the information to: dwilliams@saukvillage.org
SAUK VILLAGE COMMUNITY
BLOOD DRIVE, Sauk Village Senior Center

21801 Torrence Ave, Sauk Village, IL 60411
Appointments preferred: Call 1-800-7TO-GIVE, visit https://tinyurl.com/yckzt9zsor scan the QR code

Sign up & help us reach our goal of 23 donors to provide blood for patients at 87 local hospitals.

Donate and splash away! All attempting donors will be entered for a chance to win $1000 in Gift Cards to a waterpark resort!*  

*NO PURCH. NEC. MI, OH, IL, IN, and WI residents only; 18+. Ends 5/24/23. One drawing; four (4) winners. Enter by blood donation or online. See Official Rules and online entry form at versiti.org/splash. Sponsor: Versiti, Inc., 638 N. 18th St., Milwaukee, WI 53233.
IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY NUMBER 911
MUNICIPAL CENTER 708/758-3330 M-F 8am-5p
POLICE NON-EMERGENCY  708/758-1331
FIRE NON-EMERGENCY  708/758-2225
MCCONATHY PUBLIC LIBRARY 708/757-4771
DIST. 168 ADMINISTRATION 708/758-1610
BLOOM TOWNSHIP 708/754-9400
COOK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT 708/210-4500
RESPOND NOW EMERGENCY SERVICES 708/755-4357
COMMON WEALTH EDISON  1-800-334-7662
REPUBLIC DISPOSAL SERVICES  708/385-8252
NICOR  888/642-6748
CEDA  800-571-2332