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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



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.



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, Runoff 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.