

**Issue 36
March 2026**



**Village of Sauk Village
21801 Torrence Avenue
Sauk Village, IL. 60411
708-758-3330**

**IN THIS ISSUE- Election Information, Senior News
Library News, and more...**



**Mayor Marva
Campbell- Pruitt**

We extend our sincere appreciation to everyone who participated in our very productive Town Hall Meeting held on February 28. It was truly encouraging to see our community come together to learn, share resources, and support one another.

A special thank you to the outstanding organizations that joined us, including NICOR Gas, ComEd, Respond Now, CEDA, and LIHEAP, for providing valuable information and energy assistance resources to our residents. We also offer a special acknowledgment to the illustrious ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated – Lambda Tau Omega Chapter – for their informative presentation on the upcoming elections and voter education.

We are deeply grateful to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and ComEd for funding this important event, helping us bring meaningful programs directly to our community.

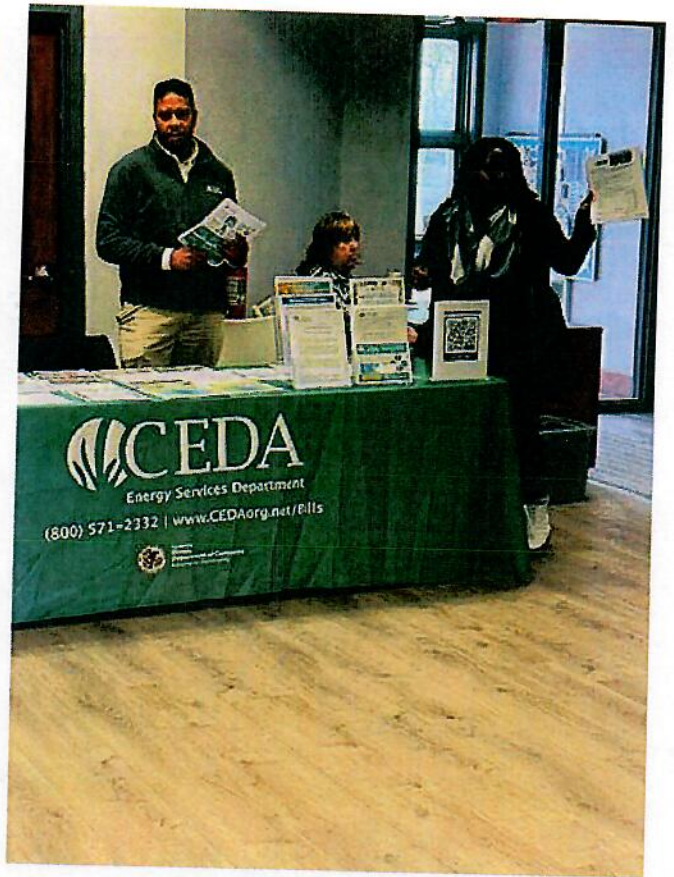
Thank you as well to our dedicated staff members and elected officials whose presence and support helped make the morning a success. Everything came together beautifully, and it was wonderful to witness neighbors learning and growing together.

We missed those who were unable to attend and look forward to seeing you at our next Town Hall Meeting on March 31!

Photos courtesy of Dr. Tonyia Winston (Continued on Page 2)

**Early voting for the 2026 March 17th Primary Election.
Voting information will be shared in this
edition of the Sauk Talk and on the village website www.saukvillage.org.
Please share this information with your neighbors and family.
if I can be of any assistance, please contact
Village Clerk Debbie Williams**





Business After Hours February 2026

This year's Business After Hours event included local businesses interested in introducing their current offerings to Sauk Village. Among our wonderful guests were Dominique Jones and Gale Alston from Combined - A Chubb Group (left) and Jared Diaz and Chynna Orellana from ADP (right). The Sauk Village administration is always looking for new, creative and innovative, as well as cost effective, ways to perform the business of the village.

Building relationships is essential to keeping up with the newest and greatest trends.



Trustee Dr. Tonyia Winston

COMMUNITY NOTICE

We are pleased to share that the Community Support Network (CSN) will be providing ongoing support services for residents of the Village of Sauk Village every 3rd Saturday from 10am to Noon. CSN is designed to connect residents directly with caring professionals who are ready to help navigate everyday needs and life challenges.

These services will be facilitated by Trustee Dr. Tonyia Winston, as part of a continued commitment to ensuring Sauk Village residents have access to meaningful resources and trusted support.

TRUSTEE

DR. WINSTON

Community Support Network (CSN)

ABOUT US

Established a local resource hub dedicated to connecting Sauk Village residents with essential services and support systems.

Under Trustee Winston's leadership, CSN offers residents direct access to professionals who can assist with social service applications, healthcare resources, financial education, employment support, and comprehensive community empowerment.

OUR SERVICES

Location: McConathy Public Library
21737 Jeffrey Ave, Sauk Village, IL

When: Every 3rd Saturday

Time: 10am to Noon

Bringing Resources, Support, and Solutions to Residents

Community Support Network (CSN)

offers residents direct access to professionals who can assist with:

- Social service applications
- Healthcare resources
- Financial education
- Educational enrollment
- Veteran services
- Employment guidance
- Comprehensive community empowerment

Stop searching—the support you need is right here!

Call (773) 848-0959



Learn more at Trustee DrTonyia Winston

CSN – Empowering Sauk Village, One Connection at a Time



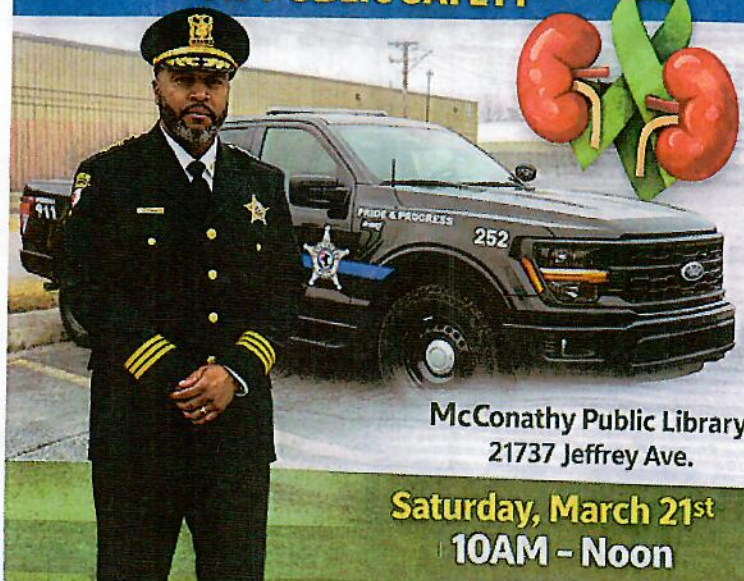
PRESENTS:

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— MEET & TALK WITH OUR —

SAUK VILLAGE POLICE CHIEF

ON PUBLIC SAFETY



McConathy Public Library
21737 Jeffrey Ave.

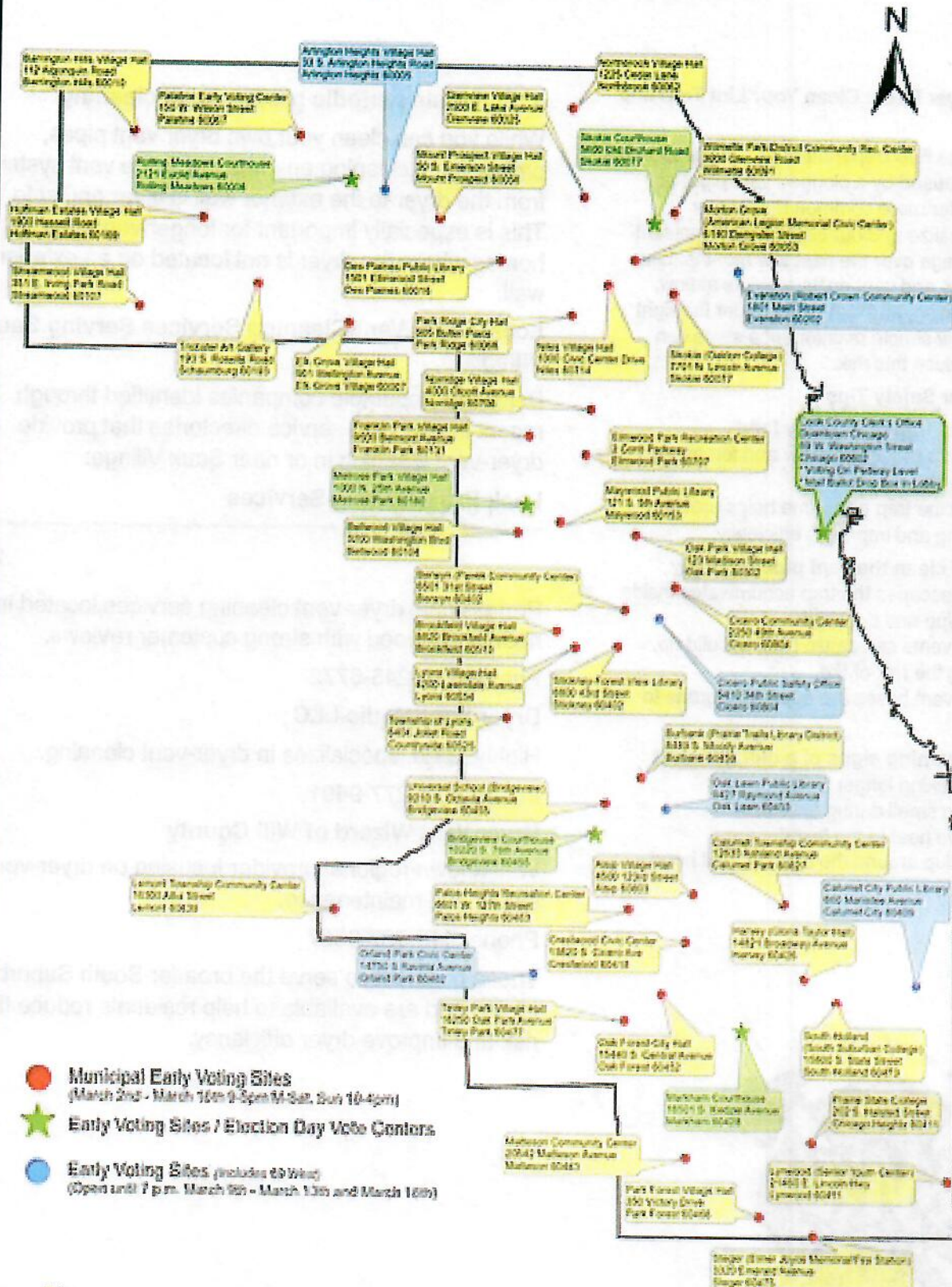
Saturday, March 21st
10AM – Noon

• HEALTH AWARENESS • CRIME PREVENTION • COMMUNITY SAFETY

Early Voting Sites - Suburban Cook County

March 17, 2026 Gubernatorial Primary Election

(Early Voting March 2nd - March 16th)



Cook County Clerk's Office
 Clerk Monica Gordon
 cookcountyclerk.org



Election- Paper Ballots

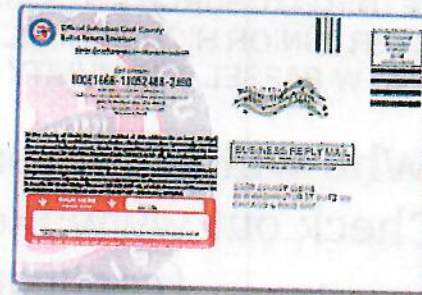
Vote by Mail

March 17, 2026 Primary Election



IMPORTANT Postmark Changes

Returning Your Mail Ballot?
USPS Postmark Rules have
Changed!



What you
need to know.



➤ **PREVIOUSLY:**

Mail was postmarked the day you dropped it in the mailbox.

➤ **NOT ANY MORE!**

Mail is now postmarked the day it is processed at the post office, sometimes days later.

**MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!
DON'T RISK A LATE POSTMARK!**

Easy Options To
Cast Your Mail
Ballot



★ **Go to the post office counter** and request a hand-stamped postmark -
cookcountyclerk.com/USPS-Locations

★ **Starting March 2:**

You may drop off your mail ballot at any of the 55 secure drop box locations throughout suburban Cook County -
cookcountyclerk.com/MBdropbox

SAUK VILLAGE POLLING PLACES MARCH 17, 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION


The Cook County Clerk's Office will send a postcard notifying you of the precinct and location of your polling place.

There is no longer a Precinct 55. It is now 48.

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Polling Place Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City</u>
7100007	FIRST APOSTOLIC CHURCH	22709 STATE ST	STEGER
7100016	LYNWOOD (SENIOR YOUTH CENTER)	21460 E LINCOLN HWY	LYNWOOD
7100023	EDWARD W PAESEL COMMUNITY CENTER	2700 KALVELAGE DR	SAUK VILLAGE
7100027	NANCY L MCCONATHY PUBLIC LIBRARY	21737 JEFFERY AVE	SAUK VILLAGE
7100032	GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	2500 223RD ST	SAUK VILLAGE
7100048	RICKOVER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL	22151 TORRENCE AVE	SAUK VILLAGE
7100053	EDWARD W PAESEL COMMUNITY CENTER	2700 KALVELAGE DR	SAUK VILLAGE

Who will be on your ballot for the Primary?
Check out www.Elections/Cook County Clerk
(cookcountyclerkil.gov)

for a sample ballot with the candidates listed
Information will also be added to the village website
www.saukvillage.org



**COOK COUNTY
CLERK'S OFFICE**

BECOME AN ELECTION JUDGE TODAY!

Do your part for local Democracy
and earn some cash in the process!

BILINGUAL JUDGES ALWAYS NEEDED!

**POLL WORKERS NEEDED IN SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY
FOR MARCH 17, 2026, CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION**



**ELECTION JUDGE
\$250**

Greets voters, signs them in, and ensures smooth polling place operations.



**POLLING PLACE TECHNICIAN
\$400**

Assists with election supplies, equipment setup, and maintenance, in addition to Election Judge duties.

HOW TO APPLY:

- Interested individuals should apply as soon as possible to complete the required training.
- Apply online today at:
- cookcountyclerk.com/work



2026 Mid-Term Election

Early Voting Suburbs 3/2/26

2026 Primary Election 3/17/26

General Election 11/3/26

Let's VOTE

Trustee Statement - Midterm Elections

"Hello, Sauk Village!"

I want to talk about something that truly impacts all of us – the upcoming midterm elections.

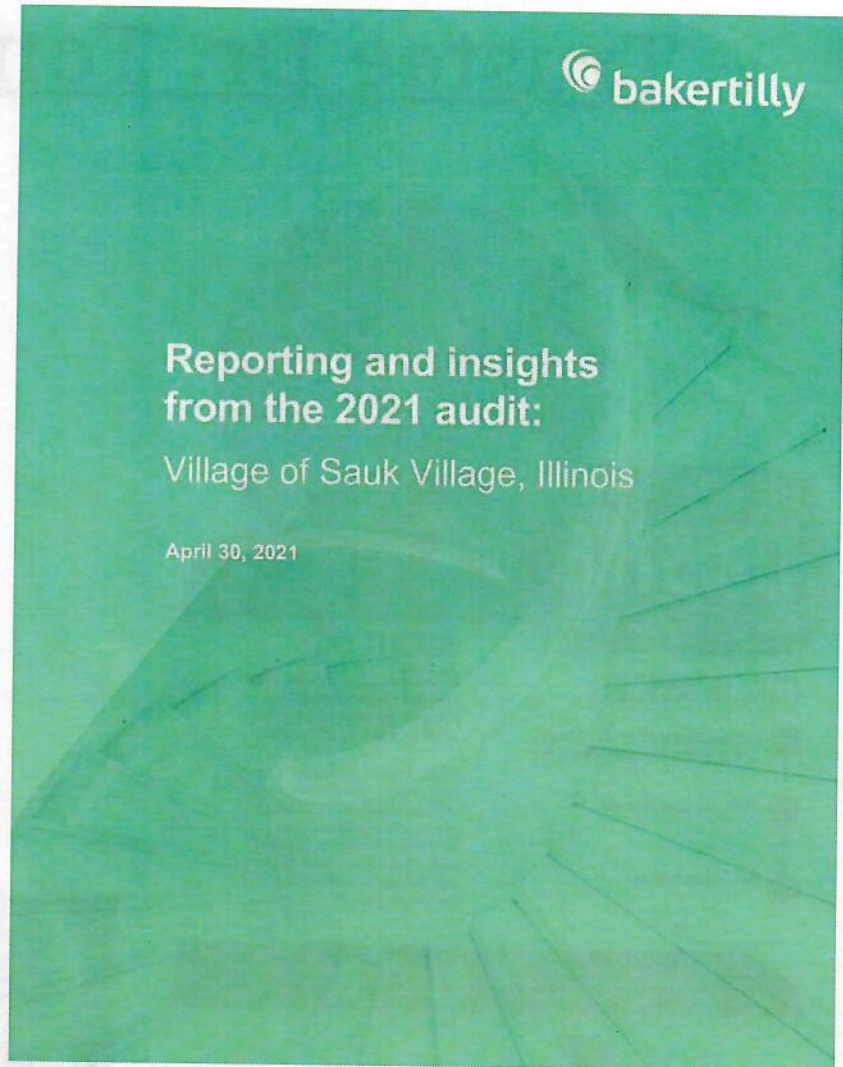
These elections are not just about politics; they are about our everyday lives. During midterms elections, we vote for leaders like U.S. Senators, Representatives, judges, commissioners, and key Cook County officials. These are the individuals making decisions on things that directly affect our families – from SNAP benefits and housing assistance to utility support, childcare, education funding like FAFSA and Pell Grants, and even our roads and infrastructure.

Your vote determines who sits at those tables making those decisions. So, I encourage every resident of Sauk Village – stay informed, stay engaged, and most importantly, VOTE.

Your vote matters. Your vote matters. Let's together, shape the future of our community.

"Vote, vote, vote."

Trustee Michelle Sterling



www.saukville.org.
Updated minutes,
agendas, and financial
reports, etc... including
the most recent audit
FY2021

Fire Chief Keith Damm

Preventing Dryer Fires: Clean Your Lint Trap and Vent Pipes

The Sauk Village Fire Department recently responded to a dryer fire caused by a clogged vent pipe, an incident that is far more common than many homeowners realize and our second such incident within Sauk Village over the past few months. Lint buildup in dryers and vent ducts restricts airflow, causes overheating, and can ignite under the right conditions. A few simple maintenance steps can dramatically reduce this risk.

Essential Dryer Safety Tips

- 1. Clean the lint trap after every load**
 - Lint buildup reduces airflow and forces the dryer to work harder.
 - Cleaning the trap each time helps prevent overheating and improves efficiency.
- 2. Inspect and clean the vent pipe regularly**
 - Lint that escapes the trap accumulates inside the vent pipe and ductwork.
 - Blocked vents can cause heat to build up, increasing the risk of fire.
 - Flexible vent hoses are especially prone to clogging.
- 3. Watch for warning signs of a clogged vent**
 - Clothes taking longer to dry
 - A burning smell during operation
 - Excessive heat in the laundry area
 - Lint buildup around the exterior vent hood

4. Schedule periodic professional cleaning

While you can clean your own dryer vent pipes, professional cleaning ensures the entire vent system from the dryer to the exterior wall is clear and safe. This is especially important for longer vent runs or homes where the dryer is not located on an exterior wall.

Local Dryer Vent Cleaning Services Serving Sauk Village

Below are reputable companies identified through recent listings and service directories that provide dryer-vent cleaning in or near Sauk Village:

Lock Pro Cleaning Services

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Professional dryer-vent cleaning services located in nearby Lynwood with strong customer reviews.

Phone: 219-245-6772

Dryer Vent Medic LLC

Highly rated, specializes in dryer-vent cleaning.

Phone: 815-277-9491

Dryer Vent Wizard of Will County

Well-known regional provider focusing on dryer-vent safety and maintenance.

Phone: 815-507-8567

These businesses serve the broader South Suburban region and are available to help residents reduce fire risk and improve dryer efficiency.



Senior Events and Recycling Calendar

SAUK VILLAGE SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESENTS:
SAUK VILLAGE SENIOR CENTER 21801 S. TORRENCE AVE SAUK VILLAGE, IL

CHECK OUT OUR CURRENT
CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Seniors 50 and Over

SENIOR FIT CLASS
Every Tues. & Thurs.
10:30 -11:30 am



Stress Relief & General Fitness



BREAKFAST BINGO
Every 1st and 3rd Friday
Enjoy Breakfast and Bingo
Sponsored by Jen Care Senior Medical Center

GAME NIGHT
Every 2nd & 4th Friday 4-8 PM
Dominoes, Whiz, Spades and more!



JOIN THE SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL

2026 Recycling Calendar

January 2026							February 2026							March 2026						
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July 2026							August 2026							September 2026						
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October 2026							November 2026							December 2026						
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Observed Holidays
Service will be delayed one day

- January 01 New Year's Day
- May 25 Memorial Day
- July 04 Reg. Schedule Day Off (Sat)
- September 07 Labor Day
- November 28 Thanksgiving
- December 25 Christmas

Please call Republic Services at 708.755.6232 or visit RepublicServices.com for more information.

SAUK VILLAGE SENIOR ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESENTS

BUS TRIP TO FOUR WINDS CASINO

NEW BUFFALO, MI

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026

\$45 CASH (NON REFUNDABLE) PER PERSON
DUE BY APRIL 8, 2026

(INCLUDES BUS RIDE, FOOD VOUCHER, & SLOT CREDIT)

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST ~ 9 A.M.
BUS ARRIVES ~ 9:30 A.M.
BOARDING BEGINS ~ 9:45 A.M.
BUS RETURNS ~ 4:30 P.M.

SAUK VILLAGE SENIOR CENTER
21801 S. TORRENCE AVE., SAUK VILLAGE, IL

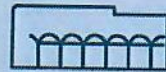
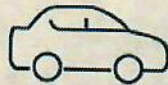
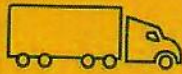
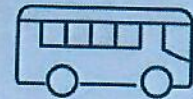
CONTACT: C. COLEMAN AT 773-426-0176 OR D. CONEY 710-4564

Community Events

Join us!

**sauk trail + torrence avenue
corridor study**

Community Open House



When?

**Saturday, March 7th
Between 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Where?

**Sauk Village
Community Center
2700 Kalvelage Dr
Sauk Village, Illinois 60411**



**First 100
participants
will receive a \$25
Visa gift card**



**Light refreshments
provided**



**Bring the whole
family! Family
friendly activities
available**



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DEPARTMENT OF
Transportation
and Highways

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McConathy Public Library News

Leprechaun Hunt 2026

Nancy L. McConathy Public Library
21737 Jeffery Avenue Sauk Village, IL 60411

Saturday, March 21st 12:00 pm

SPACE IS LIMITED!!!

To reserve your spot, please
call the Library at 708-757-4771
by March 12th 3:00 pm



McConathy Public Library News



20 Days to 20 Years
Join us as our building turns 20! To celebrate we announce 20 days of events and activities!

Free Computer Day (1hour limit) 3/6/26	Fine Free Day (erase fine \$50.00) 4/20/26
Free Popcorn Day 3/9/26	Free Lost Library Card Day 4/21/26
Free Fax Day (3.00 dollar limit) 3/13/26	Free Prints Day (\$3.00 Limit) 4/22/26
Afternoon Senior Bingo 3/20/26	Free FOL Books Day (\$5.00limit) 4/23/26
Kids Paint & Sip \$5.00 3/31/26	Family Movie Night 4/24/26
Kids Video Game Tournament 4/1/26	Cupcake and Coffee Day 4/28/26
Family Bunco Night 4/2/26	Family Board Game Night 5/1/26
Adult Paint Night \$25.00 4/17/26	Free Garden Starter Day 5/4/26
Chili with the Chiefs 4/16/26	Animal Adoption Event TBD
Resource Fair 4/18/26	Free Zumba Classes TBD



We Invite You To Attend
A NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY
Join us to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of this location for the Nancy L. McConathy Public Library District

Join us for dinner, entertainment, silent auction and a door prize raffle.

Friday, May 8th 2026
cost: \$50.00
Doors open at 6:30 pm
Dinner at 7:00 pm
Auction and Raffle at 8:00 pm

Call to reserve your spot today!
21737 Jeffery Avenue Sauk Village, IL. 60411
708-757-4771
Sponsored by the Friends of the Library



MCCONATHY PUBLIC LIBRARY
PRESENTS
family
FUN DAY
SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2026
11:00AM - 1:00PM

Bring the whole family for a day filled with laughter, excitement, and unforgettable memories

Event Highlights
EXCITING GAMES & ACTIVITIES
FOOD & REFRESHMENTS

Join Us for a Spectacular Family Fun Day!

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. New information is shared throughout the week.

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, financial reports, ordinances, helpful community links, etc...

We are pleased to announce the Sauk Talk is available on the website and in print at the Municipal Center and McConathy Public Library.

The website is currently bilingual

Is your church, business or organization planning an upcoming event? Please send the information to:

dwilliams@saukvillage.org



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