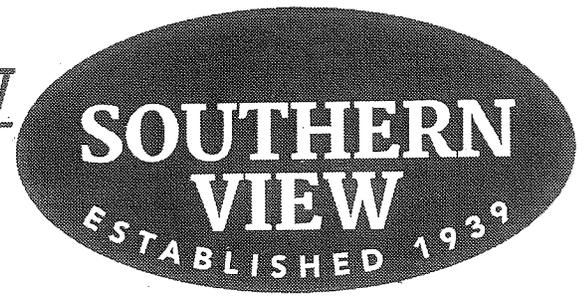


# Village of Southern View

## **SOUTHERN VIEW NEWS**



*Hello fellow Residents,*

The Southern View News will be sent out as needed to inform our Residents about various concerns within the Village. We are striving to send out at least 2 editions a year with postcards being sent out for reminders of special events that will be sponsored by the Village of Southern View. Enclosed in this first edition of the Southern View News we will remind Residents of our rules, event dates and meeting issues. As always, if you have a question or concern we welcome you to call the office at 217-529-3352. The Office is open from 9 am to 3 pm Monday through Friday. The Office is closed during most major holidays.

### **SNOW**

No one likes to talk about SNOW but unfortunately, we could still see some bad weather in our area. This is a reminder that when there is more than 2 inches of snow predicted, we want to remind residents to move their vehicles off the street. It is a hazard for our public works department to clear the street and spread salt on our roadways if there are vehicles they must avoid. If there are 2 inches or more that has fallen and there is a vehicle on the street, it will be towed and you will be responsible for the tow fee. Please be courteous.

### **CENSUS**

The 2020 Census will be mailed out this year. It is imperative that you fill these out with the members of your family that reside in your home and return them. Many of the funding the Village of Southern View receives are based on the population or census and we want to make sure every one is counted. If you mail it in before the deadline, you will beat those knocks on your door by census workers. They are required to go house to house for anyone that hasn't returned their information into the United States Census Bureau.

### **SPRINGFIELD OR SOUTHERN VIEW**

If you live in Southern View you should use Southern View as your city and not Springfield. What's the difference you ask? Well, for instance if you are purchasing items online and you fill out your shipping address and you have your city as Springfield, the City of Springfield will receive the tax that you pay online, which are higher than the Village of Southern View. The sales tax from online purchases would benefit Southern View. In the future, please remember to use Southern View as your City.

### **MUNICIPAL RENTALS**

The Village of Southern View has a large room that is available for rent for your next party or get together. The rental hours are 8 am to 10 pm. Residents receive a discounted rental rate of \$100.00. There is an additional deposit of \$100.00 that is returned once the building is clean, no damage and the key is returned to the Office. If you are planning a party on a major holiday, there is a \$50.00 increase for holiday rentals. The Village does not accept credit cards. Payment must be made by cash or check. Call the Office at 217-529-3352 to book your party today!

### **Important Dates for 2020**

**April 4<sup>th</sup>**

Easter Egg Hunt

**May 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Spring Garage Sales

**June 27<sup>th</sup>**

SV Picnic @ Park

**Aug 4<sup>th</sup>**

Cops & Bobbers  
National Night Out

**Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Fall Garage Sales

**Oct 30<sup>th</sup>**

Trunk or Treat

**Nov 11<sup>th</sup>**

Veterans Day Dinner

**Dec 11<sup>th</sup>**

Cookies with Santa

**Important Numbers**

**Police Non-Emergency**

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## PARK RENTALS

The Village of Southern View has pavilions at the Village Park that are available for rent for your out door get together. If you would like to reserve one of the pavilions for your get together, there will be a small charge for Village Residents. There is a deposit of \$100.00 for any event at the Park and the rental rate for Village Residents depend on the pavilion you are reserving. The Martin Pavilion will rent for \$60.00 for residents and the East and West Pavilions will rent at \$25.00 for residents. If you are renting the pavilion, it will be reserved for you to use the entire day and evening. There is an additional \$50.00 fee for holiday rentals.

## BOARD MEETINGS

The Village Board would like to welcome you to the bi-monthly board meetings. The Village of Southern View meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm. We are here for your questions, concerns and ideas. Most meetings are done within the hour and are of an open dialogue. If you have an issue please attend any of the meetings to address the Board and see what can be done to resolve the issue.



## PETS

Remember, there is a Village Ordinance that requires you to put your pets on a leash when walking your pets off of your premises. Whether you are walking down the street or walking your pet in the Village Park it is imperative that you have control of your animal. There are people that walk in our parks that are afraid of animals. Please be respectful and courteous to others.

**ALSO:** DO NOT let your dog out unattended to relieve themselves in your neighbors yard. Pick up your dogs droppings. ***This is your responsibility!!*** If not picked up you could be faced with a fine by our Village of Southern View Police Department.

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***Friendly reminder: "LOCK YOUR CARS" Don't become a victim!***  
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## BURNING RULES

Burning is allowed on Wednesday and Thursday of each week and the first and third Saturday of each month between the hours of 7 am and 7 pm or dusk whichever is first. The fire must be constantly attended until it is extinguished and have a garden hose readily available. Burning is not allowed if wind speed is 20 mph or more. Burning barrels are prohibited. No person shall burn trash, rubbish, papers, garbage, general household waste, commercial waste, construction or demolition debris. No burning on the following holidays: New Years Day, July 4th, Veteran's Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.



## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Are you interested in the Neighborhood Watch? Need more information? The Village of Southern View is also revamping the Neighborhood Watch. Please send an email to office@southernview.us or call the Office at 217-529-3352 to make sure you are contacted for the next meeting. Chief Wiese is excited to contribute to help our Residents become more aware of what to look for and when to contact the Police Department. YOU are never a bother to the Police Department. If there is an issue even if you feel it is minor, contact the Police Department and they will check it out. That is their job and they strive to keep all of us safe in the Village.

## DITCHES

Spring will be fast approaching. The Public Works crew needs your help in ensuring our ditches continue to drain. Please make sure you are not burning in the ditch. DO NOT burn, pile leaves, pile sticks or limbs, or garbage in the ditch. Culverts will get clogged and cause more problems for the Village drainage. We are aware there is significant drainage issues and we are in process of trying to find the best solution to our many drainage problems.

## **GARBAGE**

Reminder: It is your responsibility to return your trash can back to the rear of your home or other building as soon as possible after pick up. With the strong winds that we have been experiencing it is very important to put your cans up so they do not blow all over the neighborhood. Not to mention it is in our Village Ordinance that your trash cans are to be put back in the rear of your home or other building as soon as possible. Doing this simple thing, helps our neighborhood look its best!

## **LIMB PICK UP**

Limb Pick up begins the first Monday of every month starting in April and goes to October. We ask that you DO NOT put limbs out at the curb until the weekend before pickup. The Village Public Works Crew will pick up the following:

- Limbs or branches that have fallen from trees and bushes
- Only limbs or branches that have been trimmed from trees and or bushes as it pertains to normal tree maintenance.
- Limbs or branches must be less than 6 ft. long and 4 in. in diameter.
- Restriction on the actual pile size is 6' x 4' x 4'

***WE WILL NOT PICK UP WHOLE TREES THAT HAVE BEEN CUT DOWN***

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***Are you a Veteran? We would like to celebrate you! Let us know who you are and what branch you served. We will highlight your service on Southern View's Wall of Fame!***

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## **GARAGE SALES & PICK UP**

The Spring Garage Sales are scheduled for May 1st and May 2nd, 2020. The Village will place an ad in the State Journal Register for the Village Wide event. Gather up all your treasures and have a sale! What you do not sell and want to "junk" the Village Public Works crew will come out starting on Monday May 4th to pickup your leftovers. Please remember we can not pick up any TV's or electronics, appliances, paint, tires, light bulbs, batteries, or any garbage. If those items are in your pile when our crews arrive, they will be left and you will have to dispose of them yourself. The Village does pick up mattresses and box springs but only if you have purchased a bag from the Village and put that mattress into the bag. The bag must be sealed and set out for pickup. One bag per mattress or box springs. Bags can be purchased at the Village Office or \$10.00 each. The crew will only pick up mattresses and or box springs that are on the list of purchasing the bags. No exceptions.

## **CHILDREN AT PLAY**

As spring approaches, please remember that children have been cooped up all winter long and when the weather starts to get warmer, children will be out to play. Please be mindful and slow down while driving.

## **MOSQUITOES**

The Southern View Public Works Dept would like to remind residents that you can help prevent the spread of mosquitos by a few simple preventive measures at home. The list below will help you determine what to look for on your property to stop the spread of these pesky insects.

- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well trimmed around the house
- Fill in any low places in the yard that puddles accumulate
- Dispose of any tires
- Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers and garbage containers
- Clear roof gutters of debris
- Clean pet water dishes regularly
- Empty out children's toys that have water accumulated
- Repair leaky outdoor faucets
- Change the water in bird baths at least once a week
- Canoes and boats should be turned over
- Avoid water collecting on pool covers
- Empty water collected in tarps around the yard or on woodpiles
- Plug tree holes
- Don't allow water to collect in any containers. They can breed hundreds to thousands of mosquitoes (bottles, barrels, buckets, overturned garbage can lids etc.)

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

<b>Easter Egg Hunt</b>	April 4th, 2020 at 2:00pm at the Martin Pavilion
<b>Spring Yard Sales</b>	May 1st and May 2nd, 2020
<b>Southern View Picnic</b>	June 27, 2020 from 1:00pm - 4:00pm at the Martin Pavilion. Bring a covered dish or dessert. Southern View is providing the Sloppy Joes, chips, and water
<b>Cops and Bobbers</b>	August 4, 2020 at 4:00pm - 6:00pm at the Village Pond
<b>National Night Out</b>	August 4, 2020 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm at the Martin Pavilion, pizza and games
<b>Fall Garage Sales</b>	October 2nd and 3rd, 2020
<b>Trunk or Treat</b>	October 30, 2020 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Southern View Park
<b>Veterans Day Dinner</b>	November 11, 2020 from 4:00pm - 7:00pm at the Municipal Building. RSVP Needed.
<b>Cookies with Santa</b>	December 11, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Municipal Building

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! IF YOU'D LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, CALL THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE.**

## SOCIAL MEDIA

We want to keep residents informed in the Village and one way to do this is through social media. The Village of Southern View has a website, Facebook page, and we use the Nextdoor app to get word out as quick as we can. If you haven't done so already, please sign up for the Nextdoor app. Nextdoor is an app similar to Facebook but you do not need to be friends with anyone to see what is posted in your neighborhood. It is a great tool that we have used to send news out to the residents of the Village. You can download this app through your Google Play store and it creates an icon on your mobile device.

### Locate our social media presence at

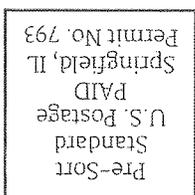
[www.southernview.us](http://www.southernview.us) | [Facebook.com/villageofsouthernview](https://www.facebook.com/villageofsouthernview) | Nextdoor app

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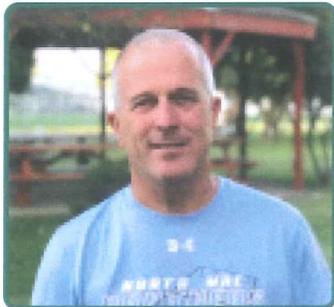
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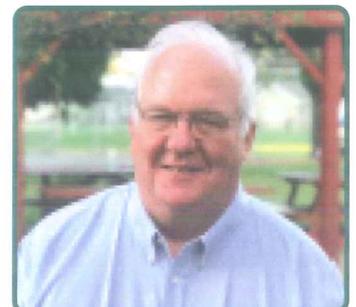
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