

Sun River Terrace

OCT/ NOV/ DEC 2025







From the Mayor's Desk

A Message from the Mayor

As we approach the holiday season, on behalf of the trustees, village staff, and myself, I extend warm greetings to all Sun River Terrace Residents. This is a special time of year for reflection, and connection. And I encourage you to set aside moments to visit and fellowship with your friends and loved ones.

In light of the recent government shutdown, many families may be facing uncertainty regarding essential services. Now, more than ever, we have an opportunity to demonstrate the strength of our community spirit. Let us embrace our neighbors with compassion and watch over one another, ensuring that no one is left behind during these challenging times.

Looking back on a memorable year, we fondly recall our annual village festival in September. The event was a wonderful occasion for us all to come together, featuring fantastic music, local vendors, and family fun. It is through these shared experiences that our community thrives.

As part of my commitment to your safety and well-being, I am announcing a new village text messaging program. This initiative is designed to ensure that you are promptly informed of emergencies and critical updates directly from my office. Your safety is my number one priority. To sign-up, please contact the Village Hall Office.

This year has also brought significant progress and growth for our Village. We were awarded a \$1,5 million grant to begin our road improvement projects, with new construction planned for Riverwood Rd and Country Club Blvd. In addition, the Illinois Dept. of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) has provided a \$130,000 grant for infrastructure enhancements, further strengthening our Village's foundation. Our progress also includes new zoning and expansion across the highway, marking a historic year of development.

With new life being breathed into the Bailey Park/Riverwood Park area, the Village of Sun River Terrace is excited to announce the ongoing renovations. We eagerly anticipate the unveiling of the new amenities, which promise to enhance our community's recreational offerings along the beautiful riverfront.

Emergency Public Safety Townhall Meeting!!!

October 27th from 5:30pm-6:00pm

Ralph J. Bailey Community Center

A Message from the Mayor (Cont'd)

These improvements will create a revitalized space for residents and visitors to gather, play, and enjoy the scenic river views. As the work progresses, we look forward to the many new opportunities for recreation and leisure that will soon enrich our Village for years to come.

It fills my heart with joy to witness our continued improvement and growth. I am confident that our momentum will carry into 2026, making it an even better year for the Village of Sun River Terrace.

Continued Blessings,

Mandisa Rucker Mayor, Village of Sun River Terrace

Village Festival 2025

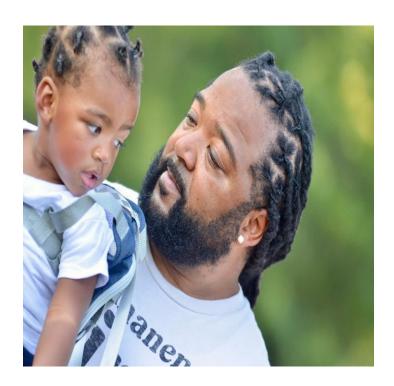


This year's festival was truly memorable, as we also hosted our first-ever all-class reunion. It was great to see so many former classmates join the festivities, many proudly wearing their all-class reunion shirts. The festival was a huge success, with fantastic music, local vendors, car enthusiasts, and family fun for everyone.

The shared experience of our annual festival, combined with the heartfelt reunions of former students, is what makes our community so special and vibrant.



























Additional Items to consider Adding to an Emergency Supply Kit.
Prescription medications and glasses
Infant formula and diapers
Pet food, water and supplies for your pet
Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a portable waterproof container
Cash and change
Emergency reference material such as a first aid book or information from www.ready.gov
Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person. Consider additional bedding if you live in a cold-weather climate.
Complete change of clothing including a long sleeved shirt, long pants and sturdy shoes. Consider additional clothing if you live in a cold-weather climate.
Fire Extinguisher
Matches in a waterproof container
Feminine supplies, personal hygiene items and hand sanitizer
Mess kits, Paper cups, plates and disposable utensils, paper towels
Paper and pencil
Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children





Recommended Items to Include in a **Basic Emergency Supply Kit:** Water and non-perishable food for several days Extra cell phone battery or charger Battery-powered or hand crank radio that can receive NOAA Weather Radio tone alerts and extra batteries Flashlight and extra batteries First aid kit Whistle to signal for help Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation Non-sparking wrench or pliers to turn off utilities Can opener (if kit contains canned food) **Local maps**

FEMA's Ready Campaign

educates and empowers Americans to take some simple steps to prepare for and respond to potential emergencies, including those from natural hazards and man-made disasters. Ready asks individuals to do three key things: get an emergency supply kit, make a family emergency plan, and be informed about the different types of emergencies that could occur and appropriate responses. Everyone should have some basic supplies on hand in order to survive several days if an emergency occurs. This list of emergency supply kit items is only a starting point. It is important that individuals review this list and consider the unique needs of their family, including pets, for items to include. Individuals should also consider having at least two emergency supply kits, one full kit at home and smaller portable kits in their workplace, vehicle or other places they spend time.





Federal Emergency Management Agency Washington, DC 20472

Sun River Terrace Public Library



EVENTS 2025

ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES
WEDNESDAY'S AT 2PM
EMAIL US FOR ADDITIONAL TIMES AND DAYS

OCTOBER 25

TRUNK OR TREAT AT MT. CALVARY CHURCH 2PM-6PM

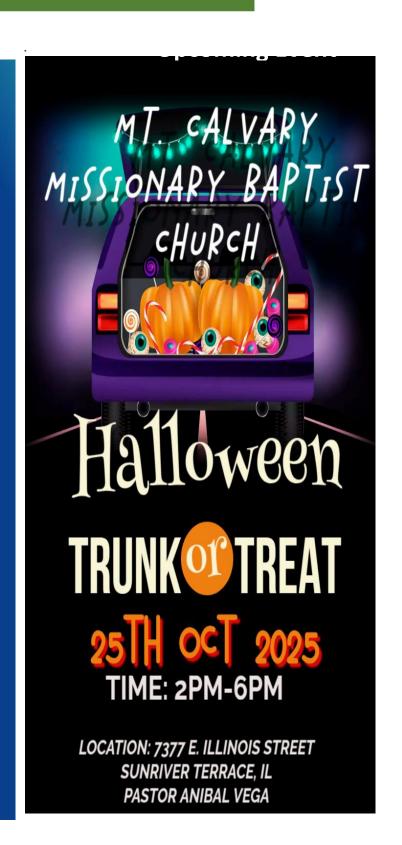
DECEMBER 7

HOLIDAY FUN & GAMES AT THE LIBRARY FOR ADULTS-3PM-6PM

DECEMBER 10

CHRISTMAS AT THE LIBRARY WITH MS. CLAUSE 5PM-7PM

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION: 815-352-6877 OR 815-919-4026 EMAIL US: SRTPUBLICLIBRARY@GMAIL.COM



Upcoming Events





YOU ARE *PERSONALLY* INVITED TO CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER AT The Ralph J. Bailey J. BAILEY COMMUNITY CENTER

Sun River Terrace began hosting a free Christmas Day Dinner in 2014 alongside other communities, and it has continued as an annual event. Christmas Day, Inc. provides a full holiday meal for attendees.

You are invited to attend a dinner with friends, neighbors and family on Thursday, December 25, 2025 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the RJ Bailey Community Center. The Bennett-Curtis House in Manteno will provide catering. Enjoy a holiday meal, toys for children, and raffle prizes for adults.

We hope to see you there. RSVP by noon on December 22, 2025, either in person or by calling RJ Bailey Community Center (815.304.4498), SRT Public Library (815.919.4026), or SRT Village Hall (815.937.1200). Provide your name, number of attendees, and phone number for food planning.

Don't spend Christmas alone, take this opportunity to spend time with your friends, and neighbors, old and new!





Public Announcement



ENERGY COSTS ARE ON THE RISE. LET'S LOOK AT WAYS TO MANAGE THEM.

Electric bills in the ComEd service territory are up about 10%. That's because the price of electricity on the wholesale market has gone up. ComEd buys that electricity and passes the cost on to you without any markup. While we can't control market prices, we're here to support you in any way that we can.

One way we're helping is through the newly launched \$10M ComEd Customer Relief Fund, which offers one-time financial assistance to customers struggling with rising energy costs. While funds last, eligible residential customers can receive grants of up to \$500, while eligible nonprofit organizations can receive grants of up to \$1000 to apply to past due bills. To learn more, visit ComEd.com/Relief.

You may also find recommendations through the ComEd Smart Assistance Manager (SAM). Use this free online tool to get personalized tips to help you manage your monthly bills. From bill assistance and billing options to ways to help you reduce your energy use and save, SAM offers customized support that puts you in control.



- · Assistance Options include Payment Arrangements, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Fresh Start Services, and more programs to help reduce your monthly bills.
- · Billing Options include Budget Billing, Due Date Extensions, Deposit and Late Payment Charge Waivers, and other programs that help you manage bills each month.
- · Managing Your Energy Use through the award-winning ComEd® Energy Efficiency Program helps you control how you use energy. Schedule a free energy assessment, sign up to receive High Usage Alerts, enroll in Peak Time Savings or Hourly Pricing, and more, all designed to help you reduce energy use and save.

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There are a variety of programs, resources, tips and offerings available to all of our customers. See which ones are right for you.

Find the help you need! ComEd.com/BillSupport



The real flex? A lower bill!

If you're flexible about how and when you use energy, you can save on your monthly bills and potentially reduce your carbon footprint, too. These two options make it easy!

Hourly Pricing is a supply rate that lets you pay for electricity at the hourly market price. Simply shift some of your energy use to lower-priced hours, like doing laundry and running the dishwasher at night. Enroll at ComEd.com/HourlyPricing.

High Usage Alerts notify you when your energy use is trending higher than normal so you can make changes to help you save. Choose text, call or email notifications.

Log in to My Account to enroll!

RALPH J. BAILEY COMMUNITY CENTER

DIRECTOR: KENNETH SHAW

OFFICE PHONE # 815.304.4498 — EMAIL <u>communitycenter@sunriverterrace.com</u>
7219 East Chicago Street



THE GOLDEN GEMS & GENTS

Senior Nutrition Program

When: Every Wednesday Program Time: 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Lunch will be provided between 11:30 am & 12:00 pm, with games immediately following! [Games include Bingo, Bid Whist, Dominoes, Checkers, etc.]

- ❖ AGE 60+
- SPOUSES OF ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS, REGARDLESS OF AGE
- ❖ INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES RESIDING WITH AN ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL

With Rod Sessions – Mondays from 6-8 pm



NEED HELP PAYING GAS, PROPANE, AND/OR ELECTRIC

APPLY THROUGH OUR LIHEAP ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
OCTOBER 1, 2025 - AUGUST 15, 2026

(while funds are available)



60 YEARS & OVER

YES! Eliglible to APPLY

OCTOBER 1, 2025



RECEIVE SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INCOME

YES! Eliglible to APPLY

OCTOBER 1, 2025



CHILDREN AGE ! YEARS & UNDER

YES! Eliglible to APPLY

OCTOBER 1, 202

DISCONNECTED

YES!
Eligible to
APPLY
OCTOBER 1, 2025



NO TO ALL QUESTIONS FOLLOW HERE





GENERAL PUBLIC

IF NOT ELIGIBLE IN
OCTOBER

Eligible to APPLY

NOVEMBER 1, 2025

657 E. Court St. Suite 100 Kankakee, IL 60901 (815) 933-7883

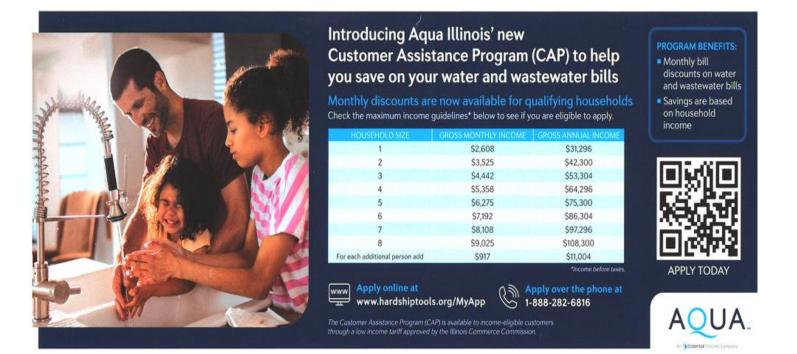
Hours of Operation: Mon - Thursday; 8am-5pm, Friday 8am-12:30pm



Prepare for a night of delightful scares and community celebration this Halloween, October 31st!

- Trick-or-Treating: Ghouls and goblins are welcome to roam the village in search of treats until 8 p.m. To indicate that your home is participating, please illuminate your porch light.
- A Spook-tacular Party: For more festive fun, join us at the Community Center for a special Halloween party from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

We hope everyone has a safe and fun Halloween!



NEW Village of Sun River Terrace Announces New Text Messaging System

To ensure our residents are safe and well-informed, the Village of Sun River Terrace is launching a new text messaging system. We encourage all residents to sign up today to receive direct and timely alerts straight to your phone.

Your safety is our top priority. By opting in, you will stay informed with important updates, especially during emergencies. This new service will provide immediate information on:

- Village Emergency Alerts: Crucial notifications during storms, power outages, or other incidents.
- **Garbage Billing Reminders:** Never miss a payment deadline with convenient text reminders.
- Links to our Village Newsletter and Official Website: Easily access the latest news and information from the village.

How to Sign Up:

To register for this free service, please call the Village Hall at 815-937-1200.

Messages will come from the dedicated number **737-379-7339**, so you can easily identify them as official village communications.

Sign Up Today to Stay Safe and Informed!

This will be our last mass mailing of the Village of Sun River Terrace Newsletter. We will still publish our newsletter quarterly, but we will no longer mail printed copies to our residents due to skyrocketing postage costs. Limited printed copies of the newsletter will be available at the Village Hall, Ralph J. Bailey Community Center, the Library, and the Senior building. The newsletter will become part of our text messaging program and will be available on our website: sunriverterrace.com.