

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

"A New Year...is like a new sunrise...of Hope, of Prosperity, of Happiness. It's like a new beginning...of Thoughts, of Words, of Actions; It's like a new day...of Energy, of Strength, of Ideas; It's like a bunch of whole new things...of Prayers, of Friends, of Love!!" ~ Anonymous.

This year starts with a change to our village board and a re-vamping of our website. Our website has undergone many changes that I find will be helpful to our village residents and visitors. Please visit sunriverterrace.com to see the many changes made and the more changes to come. Ms. Joyce Shoemaker has wonderfully served our village, but due to relocation she has had to step down as our Trustee and Ordinance Chairwoman. Although, she will be missed we must go on. The village board voted in December 2019 to replace Ms. Shoemaker with Ms. April Minniefield. We are so excited to have a woman with her character joining us. She has much to offer our village and this helps us start 2020 off in a positive way. Let us all welcome her as our new Trustee and Ordinance Chairwoman.

Mark this as a new start, a new journey! On behalf of the village board and staff family, we wish you and your family the most enjoyable adventure! Happy New Year!!!

Mayor Bonds

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2020

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VILLAGE OF SUN RIVER TERRACE



Black History Month usually focuses on civil rights leaders like Martin Luther King Jr., Medgar Evers, and Malcolm X. But young black activists are making a difference today. A few are highlighted here:

Amariyanna "Mari" Copeny (born 2007), also known as Little Miss Flint, is a youth activist from Flint, Michigan. She is best known for raising awareness about Flint's ongoing water crisis and fundraising to support underprivileged children in her community and across the country. Since penning a letter to former president Barack Obama to draw his attention to the Flint water crisis, she has continued to use her voice to bring awareness to the families in her community who have been affected.



Marvelyn Brown, at the age of 19, contracted HIV/AIDS. She remained upbeat while battling her illness and traveled around the world to share her story. In 2008, she published her autobiography, *Naked Truth: Young, Beautiful, and (HIV) Positive*. Since then, Brown has become the CEO and Independent HIV Consultant for *Marvelous Connections* and an ambassador for the *Greater Than AIDS Campaign*.

PAY YOUR GARBAGE BILL TODAY

GOOD NEWS!!!
You can now pay your garbage bill online!!

Sign up for PayPal and use your debit or credit card to pay your bill today.

Any late fees will still need to be paid in person at the Village Hall during regular business hours.

There is a \$2 online handling fee.

When our hearts turn to our ancestors, something changes inside us. We feel part of something greater than ourselves. -Russell M. Nelson



THIS EDITION INCLUDES:

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- ✚ R. J. Bailey Com. Ctr. News

SRT TRUSTEE NEWS

FINANCE SAYS...

SRT residents, we appreciate **your** paying your garbage bills in a timely manner. It is important to us as a Village to be able to pay **our** bills on time! **THANK YOU!**



ACCORDING TO SUN RIVER TERRACE ORDINANCE, GARBAGE RECEPTACLES MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE STREET WITHIN 24 HOURS; *THIS PREVENTS INTERFERENCE WITH MAIL DELIVERY AND RECEPTACLES FROM ROLLING IN THE STREET.*

PUBLIC SAFETY SAYS...

Hoping all had a great holiday season!

There has been no public safety issues since our last newsletter; with all that is going on in the world today that's a blessing.

If you have any incidents concerning public safety you can now go to our village website: www.sunriverterrace.com Click on resident, scroll down to Public Safety and fill out an Incident Report and send. The Mayor and I will receive it. You can also phone the Village Hall and leave a message. If you have a concern that doesn't require an Incident report you can email me at dorothy.riley@sunriverterrace.com and I will address your concern.

Let's continue to be mindful of the safety of our Village.

PLEASE OBSERVE THE VILLAGE SPEED LIMIT!

Here's wishing all a Blessed, Safe and Prosperous 2020

Dorothy L Riley, Chairperson

PUBLIC PROPERTY SAYS...

Happy New Year!

Now that 2019 is behind us, I hope 2020 finds you well, I'm asking that all residents be mindful of the trash that is littered throughout the community especially on our roadsides. Please put all trash in a garbage container or trash bag from your car and not on the ground. Residents who have trash containers, please put your overage in another container tied down so the animals or wind spread trash on the ground.

Each working together can help keep our community looking nice.

Thank you and have a blessed and wonderful 2020

Eloise Edwards, Chairperson

All Cars must be parked off street during the winter months.

The snowplow will need to access the entire street for proper plowing.

The Sun River Terrace Village Memorial Committee

The Memorial Committee is offering all who are interested in purchasing *Gift Bricks* for deceased residents (past and present) of Sun River Terrace. Contact Mrs. Sally Nichols-Sykes (please write checks to **Ganeer II Complex**). Bricks are \$25 with up to 14 characters. We must have a minimum of 100 bricks for shipping.



OFFICE NUMBERS

Clerk: 815.937.1200
Treasurer: 815.401.5270
Garbage: 815.523.7452
Bldg. Inspector: 815.937.9121
RJB CC: 815.304.4498



Marie Van Brittan Brown
October 30, 1922 – February 2, 1999

Inventor of the home security system (patent number 3,482,037) in 1966, along with her husband The patent was granted in 1969. The system had a set of 4 peep holes and a camera that could slide up and down to look at each one. Anything and everything the camera picked up would appear on a monitor. Also, a resident could unlatch the door by remote control. Her invention was the first in a long string of home-security inventions that continue to flood the market today. She was given an Award from the National Scientists Committee (NSC). Brown was born in Queens, New York; she died there at age 76.

SUN RIVER TERRACE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

DIRECTOR: DOROTHY TIMMS

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN: JONANA REDMOND

OFFICE PHONE # 815.351.9962 – EMAIL: librarysrt@gmail.com

LIBRARY HOURS: MON.-TUES.-THURS. 3:00-6:00 pm; WED. & FRI. CLOSED**



The Struggle to End Segregation was Often Fought by Young People

Most people think of Rosa Parks as the first person to refuse to give up their seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama. There were several women who came before her; one of whom was Claudette Colvin.

It was March 2, 1955, when the fifteen-year-old schoolgirl refused to move to the back of the bus, nine months *before* Rosa Parks' stand that launched the Montgomery bus boycott. Claudette had been studying Black leaders like Harriet Tubman in her segregated school, those conversations had led to discussions around the current day Jim Crow laws they were all experiencing. When the bus driver ordered Claudette to get up, she refused, "It felt like Sojourner Truth was on one side pushing me down, and Harriet Tubman was on the other side of me pushing me down. I couldn't get up."

Claudette Colvin's stand didn't stop there. Arrested and thrown in jail, she was one of four women who challenged the segregation law in court. If *Browder v. Gayle* became the court case that successfully overturned bus segregation laws in both Montgomery and Alabama, why has Claudette's story been largely forgotten? At the time, the NAACP and other Black organizations felt Rosa Parks made a better icon for the movement than a teenager. As an adult with the right look, Rosa Parks was also the secretary of the NAACP, and was both well-known and respected – people would associate her with the middle class and that would attract support for the cause. But the struggle to end segregation was often fought by young people, more than half of which were women.

LOOK FOR MAILINGS AND FLIERS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS!!

**STOP
IN AND
CHECK US
OUT!**

Katherine Johnson

(born 1918)

Mathematician

Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson was a NASA mathematician for the Mercury program, the Apollo 11 mission, up through the Space Shuttle program. She famously was asked by astronaut John Glenn to double-check the calculations for his first orbit around the Earth which had been previously calculated by a computer for the first time in history. She is a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom.



Pre-arranged library times for on-line classes, job applications and special projects.

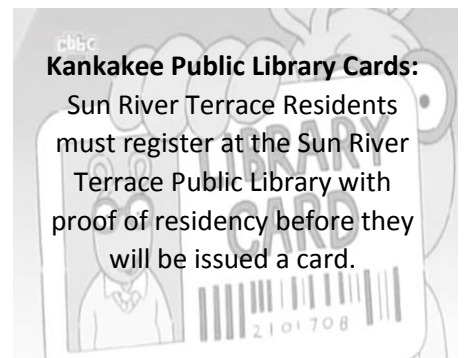
Call the library @815-351-9962 or e-mail

librarysrt@gmail.com

to set up a time.

Kankakee Public Library Cards:

Sun River Terrace Residents must register at the Sun River Terrace Public Library with proof of residency before they will be issued a card.



RALPH J. BAILEY COMMUNITY CENTER

DIRECTOR: KENNETH SHAW

OFFICE PHONE # 815.304.4498

7219 East Chicago Street



MONDAY

- Early Morning Walk
7:30-9:30 am
- Open Gym
3:00-5:45 pm
- Line Dancing w/Rod
6-8 pm

TUESDAY*

- Early Morning Walk
7:30-9:30 am
- Youth Lounge
3-4:30 pm
- Open Gym
6:30-7:30 pm

WEDNESDAY*

- Early Morning Walk
7:30-9:30 am
- CLUB BOOMERS
Senior Luncheon
11:30 am-1:30 pm
- Youth Lounge
3-4:30 pm
- Open Gym
3-7 pm

THURSDAY*

- Early Morning Walk
7:30-9:30 am
- Youth Lounge
3-4:30 pm
- Open Gym
6:30-7:30 pm

FRIDAY*

- Early Morning Walk
7:30-9:30 am
- Open Gym
3-4:30 pm

SATURDAY*

- Open Gym
12-4 pm

SUNDAY*

- ROOM RENTAL
ONLY

SEASON'S GREETINGS

from the Ralph J. Bailey Community Center!

2019 has been a very busy year for us at the Community Center! We are grateful and, we would like to say, "Thanks for all your support!" We are happy to be here and of service to the community.

Next year, we are planning some new and wonderful things to present to the community, you will be hearing about them soon!

Thank you for your support and Happy Holidays!



From Home to Home and Heart to Heart a recipe is a great place to start. *Good Food, Good Times*, and *Good Recipes* is a Good Way to beat the Winter Blues.

SHARING MEALS does more than feed each person physically; it also feeds them emotionally and draws them together.

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM (SFSP) WORKERS NEEDED!!!

June 4 – July 30, 2020

Cook & Asst. Cook - 3 days a week, Mon, Tues, & Thu

Individuals interested in part-time summer work can pick up applications at the Sun River Terrace Office during regular hours:

- ✓ Volunteers
- ✓ Cook position (9 AM – 3 PM)
- ✓ Asst. Cook position (10 AM – 3 PM)
- ✓ Program Administrator

Prepare and serve breakfast & lunch.
Current Food Sanitation & Safety
Certificate Required

Background checks are required for all positions when working with children.



Morning Exercise Class

Monday – Friday

7:30 am – 9:30 am

Walk, Skip, Run, Dance, Exercise, Relax

*TBA

Hours & days may change due to room rentals/scheduled events/holidays & weather, please call the Center to check the schedule @815-304-4498 or email us at:

sunriverterracecommunitycenter@comcast.net

LINE DANCING WITH ROD



Every Monday from 6 – 8 pm. JOIN THEM!

"The beat goes on..."

This is your time. The kids are gone. Your work is done. It's time for you!

Activities Our space is your space, and we like to make it inviting. You can choose among numerous activities (see inside). To add more, please let us know what you would like.

Trips We match our trips to your interests and your pace. Why not share a few ideas? Upcoming trips are posted. Sign up now and mark your calendars!

Speakers If you have an interest, we have the speaker. As we're all ears, don't be shy about letting us know more about what you are interested in!

Come hungry. Linger.
Bring a friend next time.

Cooked on site or catered, we dish up a meal to brag about:
Meat - Vegetables -
Bread - Milk
Tasty! Bring a friend or two.

Meals by donation.

Homebound? Let's see if we can arrange for lunch to be delivered weekdays through Meals on Wheels.

Farmers' Market

Make the most of our great farmers' markets with coupons for discounts on items. Must be an eligible senior, age 60+.



CLUB Boomers
Friendship. Fun. Food.

CLUB BOOMERS in collaboration with Kankakee County Community Services, Inc. [KCCSI, INC.]

For Senior Citizens 60 years of age and older. Lunch will be provided with games immediately following! [Games: Bingo, Bid Whist, Dominos, Checkers, etc.]