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

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NEWSLETTER
Happy New Year!! Welcome 2020!!

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

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2020

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.

THIS EDITION INCLUDES:
- From the Mayor’s Desk
- SRT Trustee News
- Library News
- 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

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 Ganee II Complex). Bricks are $25 with up to 14 characters. We must have a minimum of 100 bricks for shipping.

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

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

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.
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.
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

* 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

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!

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.

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.

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 music is your pace, and we like to make it exciting. You can choose among numerous activities here 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 with all else, 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 bring about:
- Adult Buffet/Brunch - With)
- Soup/Salad/Primary - With)
- Sandwich/Breakfast - With)
- Soup/Bread - With)
- Salad/Bread - With)
- Meal by donation.
- Homebound? Can’t come if we can arrange for lunch to be delivered weekly/days 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 in collaboration with Kankakee County Community Services, Inc. [KCCS, 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.]