

# **SOUTHERN VIEW BULLETIN**

**TO BETTER INFORM THE  
CITIZENS OF THE  
COMMUNITY**

**APRIL-MAY 2008**

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2008**

**April 26 Safe Family Saturday**  
Sponsored by American Red Cross and Fit Club at Southern View Community Park  
**May 9 & 10 Spring Garage Sales**  
**May 12 Spring Cleanup Begins**  
**July 4 Celebration 9 A.M.**  
at Southern View Community Park  
**September 27, 2008 Southern View Fall Picnic in the Park.**

## **SAFE FAMILY SATURDAY**

The Village of Southern View will again be hosting the 4th Annual Safe Family Saturday event sponsored by the American Red Cross, FitClub, and St. John's Hospital on Saturday, April 26th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Southern View Community Park. Bicycle helmets will be given away to children through age 18. Please plan to participate in this event—come to our park for many fun activities and refreshments. This takes well over two hundred people being involved and is an all volunteer event. If you have any questions contact Janie Stanley at 789-9188.

**IF YOU NEED A POLICE OFFICER CALL 753-6666 (SHERIFF'S DISPATCH) AND ASK FOR THE SV OFFICER.**

## **BRANCH & LIMB PICKUP**

The Public Works Department Limb Pick Up Program runs from April through October. The pick up starts on the first Monday of the month. We ask that you wait until the weekend before to put out limbs. A perpetual pile of limbs in front of your house does nothing for the looks of your property. The limb pick up program does not mean we are available to carry away the logs etc. when you have a tree cut down. When you make arrangements with a tree trimmer you should also make arrangements to get rid of the debris.

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

The village **WILL** collect:

Limbs or branches that have fallen from trees.

Limbs or branches that have been trimmed from trees and bushes as part of tree maintenance only.

Branches are to be no longer than six (6) feet in length; and no wider than four (4) inches in diameter.

Place branches (no twigs or lawn rakings) in a neat and orderly pile adjacent to the road (not in the ditch).

**DO NOT** fill the ditch with branches or any thing else. We have enough problems with drainage without additional materials being placed in the ditches.

The village **WILL NOT** collect:

Limbs, branches, logs, or excessive trimming resulting from tree removal.

Anything longer than six (6) feet.

Stumps, shrubs, flowers, vines, graden waste, and glass clippings are definitely not limbs or branches. You must make arrangement with your waste disposal company to pick up these items.

## SECURITY PATROL

Southern View Police provide vacation security patrol if you wish. Stop at the village office for a form before you leave town.

## SPRING GARAGE SALES MAY 9 AND 10, 2008

Southern View Village Wide Garage Sale dates have been set for May 9 and 10, 2008.

Now is the time to accumulate all those things you no longer need but are still usable. The Village will have an ad in the State Journal Register regarding the sale. The official time of the sale is 8 to 3 but, of course, any individual is free to open or close their sale at their own convenience.

## SPRING CLEANUP BEGINS MAY 12, 2008

The Southern View Village Wide Garage Sale is always closely followed by Spring Cleanup. This is, of course, planned that way so residents can more easily rid themselves of unsold items from their sales.

### RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING THE PICKUP:

1. All items should be placed at the curb for pickup.
2. All appliance doors must be removed.
3. All small items, such as tools, nuts, bolts, etc., should be in stable containers, not in loose piles. We know that scavengers tend to dump these out but it is still the resident who must be sure they are as required.
4. All barrels, should be empty and crushed.
5. Empty cartons should be broken down, bundled together and tied.
6. Objects such as gutter, pipe, etc. cannot exceed 8 to 10 feet.
7. All objects must be reduced to handling size.
8. There will be one pickup per residence, and all collections are final. Please do not call for a special pickup if you are late getting the items to the curb.
9. THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP; GRASS CLIPPINGS,

## LEAVES, TREE LIMBS, SHRUBS AND GARBAGE.

Failure to comply with these rules can result in your items being left behind.

IT IS AGAINST VILLAGE ORDINANCE TO BRING ANYTHING INTO THE VILLAGE TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PICKUP. THIS CAN RESULT IN A HEFTY FINE.

## PICNIC IN THE PARK CHURCH SERVICE JUNE 15, 2008

The Springfield Church of Christ would like to invite you, our friends and neighbors in the Southern View community, to a special church service we are having at the Southern View Community Park on Sunday, June 15th, at 10:30 a.m.

We are a non-denominational Christian church and at this special service, we will be joined by our fellow congregations from Bloomington and Champaign. It promises to be a wonderful time of worship and fellowship. After service we will have lots of fun and games. The service will be near the main pavilion under the big tent.

We will have plenty of food to share, but you are welcome to bring some picnic items as well. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 585-8539. We hope to see you there!

## JULY 4TH

## CELEBRATION

The Village will be sponsoring their 4th annual July 4th Celebration on Friday, July 4, at 9:00 a.m. around the flag pole in our community park. Please mark your calendar and join us for this event. Residents, friends and family are welcome to attend rain or shine. Contact Trustee Janie Stanley if you have any questions at 789-9188 or by email at [jstanley@southernview.us](mailto:jstanley@southernview.us).

## ICE

### In Case of Emergency (ICE)

In Case of Emergency (ICE) is a program that enables first responders, such as paramedics, firefighters, and police officers, to identify victims and contact their next of kin to obtain important medical information. The program was conceived in the mid-2000s and promoted by British paramedic Bob Brotchie in May 2005. It encourages people to enter emergency contacts in their cell phone address book under the name "ICE". Alternately, a person can list multiple emergency contacts as "ICE1", "ICE2", etc. The popularity of the program has spread across Europe, and has started to grow into North America.

### ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZEN

If you are 65 and older, you are eligible for a Senior Citizen Homestead Exemption on your property tax assessment on your residence. This amounts to an additional reduction of the taxable assessment, (in addition to the General Homestead Exemption).

In the alternative, you may want to consider the Senior Citizen Assessment Freeze Homestead Exemption. The assessed value of your property for the year prior to the year you first apply can be "Frozen" and become known as your "Base Year".

Applications for both exemptions are available at the County Building, 200 South Ninth Street, Room 210.

If you have questions, please call Woodside Township Office at 522-3718.

## DOG

### VICIOUS DOGS

Do you know where your dog is????? Southern View has ordinances prohibiting dogs running loose. Recently Chief Taraba was attacked by a loose pit bull. Had it not have been for quick aid from officer Daily he might have sustained heavy injuries.

If you see dogs running loose, please contact the police department so they can be apprehended before someone is bitten or injured.

## GARBAGE ACCUMULATION

It seems that the garbage problems in the village increase exponentially. The village ordinance requires that garbage be kept in containers with lids! If you have too much garbage for one container, use two. Plastic and/or paper bags are not acceptable. Further—garbage cans are to be stored at the back of the property, not the front yard.

### POLICE REPORT FOR FEB. 2008

Criminal Arrests 4  
Possession of Cannabis Arrests 1  
Calls for Service in Village:  
Public Utility Problems 3  
Loud Music Complaints 3  
Check on Welfare 2  
Medical Aid Requests 2  
Illegal Parking 1  
Civil Disturbance 1  
Domestic Disturbance 1  
Rendering Aid to Motorist 11  
Remove Property Requests 1  
Disturbance Calls 6  
Deceased Resident Call 1  
Phone Harassment 2  
Assault/Battery Report 2  
Solicitor Complaints 1  
Burglar Alarms 1  
Suspicious Person 2  
Dog Complaints 3  
Suspicious Vehicle 5  
Child Custody Exchange 1

THE VILLAGE OFFICE AND GARAGE  
WILL BE CLOSED MAY 26, 2008, IN  
CELEBRATION OF MEMORIAL DAY

THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF  
TRUSTEES MEET THE SECOND  
MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE  
ROUTE 66 MOTEL AND CONFERENCE  
CENTER