

SOUTHERN VIEW BULLETIN

TO BETTER INFORM THE
CITIZENS OF THE COMMUNITY

September, October, November,
2010

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Special Events:

Fall Garage Sales	Oct. 1 & 2, 2010
Fall Cleanup	Oct. 4, 2010
Village Weiner Roast	Oct. 9, 2010
Halloween	Oct. 31, 2010

Meetings:

Board Meetings
At Village Hall

September 14, 2010	6 p.m.
September 28, 2010	6 p.m.
October 12, 2010	6 p.m.
October 26, 2010	6 p.m.
November 9, 2010	6 p.m.
November 23, 2010	6 p.m.

Neighborhood Watch Meetings

October 9, 2010	East Pavilion	6:30 p.m.
November 16, 2010	Village Hall	6:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

THE VILLAGE HALL AND GARAGE WILL
BE CLOSED 2010:

September 6, 2010	Labor Day
November 11, 2010	Veteran's Day
November 25 & 26, 2010	Thanksgiving

BUCKLE UP!!!
THE LIFE YOU SAVE
MAY BE YOUR OWN!

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME END 11-7-2010

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME CHILIFEST OCTOBER 24, 2010

St. Joseph's Home invites everyone to its annual ChiliFest, Sunday, October 24, 2010 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the home's main dining room and round building. Chili, vegetable soup, hot dogs, and desserts will be served. A 50/50 drawing will be held. Sr. Marion's Pumpkin Patch will feature Halloween and Christmas gifts and crafts.

Carry-out chili and soup will be sold, frozen or ready-to-eat. For information or to request 50/50 chances, call 529-5596 ext. 123.

FALL LEAF VACUUMING PROGRAM

Annual Fall Leaf Vacuuming program will begin sometime around the last of October or early November, according to when leaves begin to fall. This service lasts about six weeks, weather permitting.

Please comply with these guidelines—Failure to do so will result in the leaves being left for you to dispose of:

No grass, branches, twigs, pumpkins or cornstalks.

Do not put mulched grass with the leaves.

Do not place piles of leaves on street corners, around sign posts, trees or light poles.

Do not park cars or place other obstacles in front of piles.

Rake leaves to the edge of the road.

Do not block roadways, drainage outlets or ditches.

DO NOT PLACE ANY WOOD BLOCKS OR OTHER OBSTACLES THAT WILL DAMAGE THE VACUUM.

NEED SPACE FOR A PARTY?

The large room in the new community building can be rented for such affairs. The hall can be rented from either 8 am to 4 pm or 5 pm to Midnight, all day if you prefer.

Cost of rental is:

For Southern View Residents: \$50.00 per session

For Non Residents: \$100.00 per session

In addition a \$50.00 refundable fee is charged to guarantee cleanup and damage control .

A DUCK'S BEST FRIEND

Since the beginning of Southern View Community Park the ducks (and geese) have always had at least one special friend.

This does not discount the many park visitors who give the ducks and geese an occasional treat. However, there have been several people who were true friends in the last ten or more years.

First was Charlie Brown, while he was a Trustee and afterward. Charlie daily made a run out to the pond to feed the ducks.

After he could no longer do this Ernie Kurtz counted feeding the ducks a daily part of his routine (as was cleaning up the droppings on the walkway). The ducks soon realized where his headquarters was in the garage and if he didn't get their food to them quite as soon as they expected him to, they would actually come into the garage looking for him. Ernie left in 2009.

The ducks are still taken care of and have new friends to look for. Stan and Jackie Sucharski are in the park each morning around 6:30 feeding their flock. The ducks know to depend on them and are there waiting at the usual spot.

It is citizens like these, doing the unrequired little niceties, that make Southern View such a nice place to live.

BULLETIN

The Southern View Bulletin is now being printed on a three month basis rather than every other month.

The next issue will be sent out in December.

**COME JOIN US AT THE
VILLAGE WEINER ROAST
OCTOBER 9, 2010
BEGINNING AT 4 O'CLOCK**

LIMB PICKUP ENDS IN OCTOBER

The monthly limb pickup ends with the October pickup. The same trucks that are used for this service are also used for winter services and so the salt spreader, etc. must take the place of the limbs. Monthly limb pickup will resume around April of next year.

FLU SHOTS

Sangamon County Health Department has set the date for Flu Shots which will be on October 19, 2010, at Unity Church. Shots will be given between 11 am and 12:30.

Senior citizens should bring their Social Security information.

TRICK OR TREAT

Hours for Trick or Treat in the Village are from 4:30 to 8 p.m., Sunday, October 31, 2010. Turn your porch light on if you are willing to receive a visit. Southern View Police will provide slow patrol. Take special care to ensure the children's safety.

- Be sure the children won't trip over loose or dragging costumes.
- If your child wears a mask, be sure they can see out of it.
- Encourage the child to use the sidewalk when possible.
- Carry a flashlight.

Examine the treats before consuming them.

**FALL GARAGE SALES
OCTOBER 1 AND 2, 2010**

Southern View Fall Village Garage Sales dates have been set for Friday and Saturday, October 1 and 2, 2010. An ad will be placed in the State Journal-Register advertising the event. The time in the ad will be beginning at 8 a.m. but individual residents can set their own times for their sale. Now is the time to clean out those unwanted items.

**FALL CLEAN UP
BEGINS OCTOBER 4, 2010**

The Fall Garage Sales will be followed by the usual Fall Cleanup. Free pickup of discarded items begins on October 4, 2010.

Please read and heed the rules regarding pickup. Failure to comply with these rules will probably result in your items not being picked up.

PICKUP RULES AND REGULATIONS

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. must be in stable containers, definitely NOT in loose piles. We realize that scavengers tend to dump these items but it is still the resident who must be sure they are as required.
4. All barrels, must 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. All objects must be reduced to handling size.
7. There will be one pickup per resident and no returns, if you are late getting items to the curb.
8. **THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP: GRASS CLIPPINGS, LEAVES, TREE LIMBS, SHRUBS AND GARBAGE.**

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

BUILDING PERMITS

301 E. Kimble	Front Patio
3317 S. 3 rd St.	Privacy Fence & Garage Ext.
2929 S. 4 th St.	Deck & Privacy Fence
3309 Carman Av.	Asphalt Driveway
3217 S. 3 rd St.	Privacy Fence/Cyclone Fence
3217 Carman Av.	6 Inch overhang on Roof

THE TEA PARTY

I had a little tea party
This afternoon at three.
'Twas very small –
Three guests in all

Just I, Myself, and Me.
Myself ate all the sandwiches,
While I drank up the tea.
'Twas also I who ate the pie
And passed the cake to me.
-Author Unknown

ELECTIONS 2011

The consolidated Primary Election will be February 21, 2011

Consolidated Election will be April 5, 2011

IMPORTANT DATES

First date to circulate petitions- August 24, 2010
Filing Period for Nonpartisan Municipal
Candidates: November 15-22-2010

To be elected at the April 5, 2011 election:
President 4 year term
Three Trustees 4 year term

Candidate packets are available at the village office. If you have questions, please call 529-3352.

with. My internship could not have been such a lasting and insightful experience without having experienced and knowledgeable people willing to help me at every step. The officers of the SVPD took every opportunity to teach me all applicable aspects of policing, and did so purely for my benefit. I really felt as though the officers of the SVPD took a stake in my future, ensuring that I would have everything necessary to move on to the next step. Throughout my college career I have dealt with many people in the field of criminal justice and law enforcement, none of which has ever taken the time and effort to actually help me like the SVPD. If every department had dedicated and albeit simply great people like the officers of the SVPD, crime would not be an issue in modern society. I just hope that some day I will be able to serve on a police department, and that when I do, I can measure up to half of the officers of the SVPD. Thank you again, and I hope to be keeping in touch with the village of Southern View and the Southern View Police Department

--Jason Brunner

KOPS KORNER
AUGUST 2010

Hi Neighbor,

The Wall Street Journal Front Page Headline story by Nicholas Casey for Thursday August 19, 2010 reads "Mexico Under Siege"; "Business Heads Plead as Drug Gangs Terrorize Wealthy City". The piece tells the story of Monterey, Mexico, a very wealthy industrial city, being besieged by narco-terrorist gangs fighting it out for control of what our U.S. State Department estimates to be a 30 billion dollar per year enterprise from sales of illegal drugs north of their border into the 'good ole USA'.

According to the WSJ journalist, 28,000 Mexican citizens have lost their lives since 2006 in this increasingly violent life or death struggle for the control over the drug trafficking routes into the U.S. as well as the battle with Mexican authorities to be able to function without restraint in their pursuit of illegal drug money.

The absolute brutality of this Drug Cartel turf war has claimed the lives not only of the drug cartel thugs but also many innocent Mexican

LETTER TO OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT

To Chief Kurt Taraba and the Southern View Police Department:

I wanted to extend my gratitude to you for allowing me to complete my internship experience with the Southern View Police Department (SVPD). What I learned while working with the officers of the SVPD are lessons and experiences that will stay with me forever. This internship was a crucial part of my education and the pursuit of a career in law enforcement. The time I spent with the SVPD has provided me with a sound foundation of knowledge in law enforcement to build upon in the future years. This internship proved paramount in teaching me both the basics of law enforcement as well as the intricacies that most people are not privy to. I, myself, was not aware of all of the hard work and dedication that goes into effectively policing an area prior to my internship. In a field as competitive as law enforcement, where miniscule advantages can be the deciding difference between getting a job and being rejected, I think that experiences like those that I had while working with the officers of the SVPD will give me a distinct advantage. For that, I cannot thank the SVPD enough.

I also wanted to take the time to tell both the SVPD and the village of Southern View how truly lucky they are to have some of the best officers I have ever had the privilege of working

citizens, soldiers, police, journalists, students, and government leaders. The most recent victim was the 38 year old respected Mayor of Santiago, Edelmiro Cavazos. Santiago is a suburb of Monterey. He was 'set up' by members of his own police guard detail who had been co-opted by a drug cartel network, and his murder prompted an outcry from local business leaders as well as Mexican President, Felipe Caleron to fight these narco-terrorists gangs and prevent them from setting up a narco-terrorist state of their own.

Why in the world, you say, is this important to Southern View? Well, folks, it's really very simple. Here are some facts to ponder. 1) The unspeakable violence going on in Mexico today (7000 plus murders already this year in Ciudad, Juarez across the border from El Paso, Texas) is drug related. 2) The placement of a \$1,000,000 bounty for the head of the Sheriff of Maricopa County, AZ by the drug cartels of Mexico is drug related. 3) The Threat to kill police officers in the Arizona City of Nogales who interfere/intercept drug shipments into the U.S. is drug related. 4) The domination by Mexican Drug Cartels of criminal drug and human trafficking enterprises right here in Illinois, most notable the City of Chicago are drug related. 5) The fact that the majority of crimes being committed right here in Illinois and around the United States are drug related. 6) The unbelievable cost of drug abuse in the United States, estimated to be around \$484 Billion per year is all drug related. All of this can be directly attributed, ladies and gentlemen, to the unbelievably voracious American appetite for 'dope'. I guess one could say 'We have found the enemy, and the enemy is us'.

The Mexican drug cartels would not be if it were not for the huge market for illegal drugs right here in Springfield and all around the 'good old USA'.

I could dazzle you all with statistics to prove the case, but you can look up all this information on-line yourself. It is too easy to get lost in the minutiae and lose sight of the real problem. The

problem is that something is seriously wrong with a society that seeks these addictive avenues of escape in spite of the fact that these selfish indulgences cause so much harm not only in Mexico, Central and South America, the Middle East, Southeast Asia, but also right here at home.

Major Terrorist organizations like the Taliban in Afghanistan draw a large part of their funding from the sale of opium, which is turned into Heroin, and sold 'on the street' to drug addicts right here in the 'good ole USA'. Imagine someone handing money to a terrorist so the terrorist can buy weapons to kill the soldiers from that same person's own country. Is that not absolutely insane?

In essence, native born Americans are financially underwriting the death and mayhem, not only in places like Mexico and Columbia, but also the killing of our own Service Members in Iraq and Afghanistan. Whether it be the two-bit nickel and dime bag 'potheads' or the cocaine, heroin, and methamphetamine addicts, all together, as an aggregate, they are funding this horror in and outside of the borders of this country. That is not a pretty picture.

If this picture is upsetting to you, join with us at the Southern View Police Department as we do our part to inderdict the flow of dope as it rears its ugly head within our jurisdiction, and attempt to educate our citizens, especially the young, to the dangers of illegal drug use and the cost not only in real dollars but more importantly in the human carnage both here and abroad.

I intend to get more involved in this 'War Against Drugs' by actively working with the Project for a Drug Free America and bringing their resources to the finger tips of young and old alike in the Village of Southern View.

If you want to get involved, give us a call. We can work together to make a difference in the lives of others.

Sincerely,
Kurt A. Taraba