



Residents' Review

A Quarterly Newsletter for the Families of the Village of Silver Lake - **June 2017**

A Message from Mayor Bernie Hovey

Another summer is here, my favorite time of the year. Swimming, hiking, jogging, walking, biking, tennis, basketball, picnicking -- Silver Lake has it all!

Much is happening in the Village at this time of year. Some of it is routine, like mowing lawns, spreading mulch, washing windows, staining decks, caring for flowers. But one thing is brand new, and that is the excitement building as we plan to celebrate the Village's 100th birthday in 2018. The Centennial Committee is hard at work. You are welcome to join us; we meet every third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in Village Hall. Mrs. Nancy Gray is the chairperson of the Centennial Committee. We just held our first event, the Silver Lake Summer 5K. Seventy-five runners and walkers participated in this event, a great showing for our first attempt at sponsoring such an activity. Congratulations to chairman Wes Perry for all his hard work in organizing the 5K.

Next up is a pancake breakfast (Fred Johnson, Gary Kinsey, chairs) and mum sale (Cynda Zuch, chair) on September 23rd. Mark the date on your calendar, enjoy a pancake breakfast in the morning and then buy your fall mums after you eat. Mums will need to be pre-ordered using a form similar to the form we are presently using for the bricks. The form will be available on the website within a month or so. Another "Save the Date" will be the first Centennial Golf Outing which will be held on Monday, October 2, at Silver Lake Country Club. It will be a four man scramble with a shotgun start. Following the outing, we will be hosting a cocktail party at the Silver Lake Country Club. All are invited to this, whether you participate in the golf outing or not. Ann and Jim Durr are chairs of the Golf Committee, and are doing a great job. Feel free to contact them if you are willing to be a hole-sponsor, or want to donate some sort of prize. Also, organize your 4-person team and be ready to sign up for the outing when details on how to do so are announced. Details on each of the above will be available soon on the Village website. All proceeds from these events will be used to help fund the gazebo brick project, as well as other Centennial events.

Clearly, deer seem to be on the minds of many of us these days. Some people see deer as a hazard in the Village; others see them as an asset. I understand and sympathize with both sides. But, as Mayor, I am responsible for the safety and welfare of this community. I believe that the large number of deer in the Village pose a health hazard and a danger to residents. Council unanimously believes this also. Ticks and deer feces in yards, traffic mishaps, residents threatened by deer, the emergence of coyotes in the Village to prey on deer - all these are unacceptable and must be addressed. How many deer are in the Village? I don't know, but I do know it is too many and definitely more than just a few years ago. I may not have a count, but I do have the ability to observe. How many accidents have deer caused? A few, but several more near-accidents. Even one accident, especially if it is a loved one, is one too many. How many people have felt threatened by deer? Many - enough said. While I respect the views of those opposed to a deer cull,

Calendar of Events

Monday, July 3rd

Village Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 4th

Village Offices closed in observance of Independence Day

Saturday, July 8th

Trash Pickup (delayed one day due to Independence Day)

Saturday, July 15th

Silver Lake Festival

11:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Theme: Land of Make Believe

Monday, July 19th

Village Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Monday, August 7th

Village Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Monday, August 21st

Village Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Monday, September 4th

Labor Day - Village Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 5th

Village Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 9th

Trash Pickup (delayed one day due to Labor Day)

Monday, September 18th

Village Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Monday, October 2nd

Village Council Meeting 7 p.m.

Severe Weather
Early Warning Tests

*Scheduled for 10 a.m. on the first
Thursday of each month.
(July 6, August 3, September 7,
October 5)*

I do not respect some of the claims they make. Specifically, deer will not be hunted in any residential neighborhood. It is not true that deer run for miles and hours or days after being hit by an arrow, not if an experienced hunter is used. And we will only allow experienced hunters who have demonstrated great proficiency in deer hunting to hunt in Silver Lake. It is not true that arrows will be shot near any home or person. In fact, arrows will be shot from an elevated position, in a protected area, from a distance less than several yards from the target. In the event it misses, the arrow will go into the ground. Is bow and arrow hunting cruel? Each of you have your own opinion on that. But it is no crueller than some methods used to raise and harvest cows, pigs, chickens, turkeys, etc. for human consumption.

I love this Village and always act in what I believe to be its best interests. Enjoy the summer!

Upcoming Vacancy on Village Council

District C Council Member Karen Fuller has announced to Council that she will be moving from Silver Lake to Columbus to be closer to her children and grandchildren. The last Council meeting she will attend will be Monday, July 17, 2017.

Village Council would like to fill this vacancy. They are asking that any resident living in District C, who would be interested in serving on Village Council, send a letter and resume to the attention of Council President Gerald Jones by mid-July. Letters and resumes can be dropped off or mailed to Village Hall at 2961 Kent Road in Silver Lake or emailed to jjones@villageofsilverlake.com.

The resident appointed by Council to fill the vacancy left by Mrs. Fuller would serve the remainder of her term which expires on December 31, 2017. In total, four district positions are up for election in November of this year. Those positions are in districts A, B, C and D. District maps are available on our website under resident info/helpful documents and links. The deadline to file petitions to run for those Council positions in November is August 9, 2017. Petitions can be filed with the Summit County Board of Elections.

2017 SILVER LAKE GARDEN CLUB FESTIVAL

Saturday, July 15, 2017 – “Land of Make Believe”

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| 8:45 a.m. – Fun Run Registration | 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Metro Park Band |
| 9:00 a.m. – Children’s Fun Run | 2:00 p.m. – Sidewalk Chalk Art |
| 11:00 a.m. – Begin Ticket Sales | 2:00 p.m. Sailboat Race Registration |
| 11:15 a.m. – Parade Registration | 3:30 p.m. – Swim Races |
| 11:45 a.m. – Parade | 4:00 p.m. – Cake Walk |
| 12:00 p.m. – Opening Ceremony | 4:30 p.m. – Tug of War |
| 12:15 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. – Games | 5:00 p.m. – Music |
| 12:30 p.m. - Silver Lake Singers | |
| 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. – Redemption Center | |
| 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. – Pontoon Boat Rides | |



THE VILLAGE OF SILVER LAKE

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Banners

The Silver Lake Centennial Committee is offering sponsorships for banners that will adorn 81 street signs and lampposts throughout the Village for the duration of the Centennial year. There are four different price ranges - \$250, \$350, \$450 & \$550. Sponsor's names will be imprinted on the banner if the sponsor so desires. We are offering sponsorships exclusively to residents until June 30th. Proceeds will be used for Centennial activities. For more information, along with a map of the banner locations, please visit our website at www.villageofsilverlake.com and look under the Silver Lake Centennial tab.



Bricks

Centennial bricks are still for sale. The price is \$50 per brick. To download a form, please visit our website at www.villageofsilverlake.com and look under the Silver Lake Centennial tab.

Save the Dates!

Pancake Breakfast and Mum Sale



The Silver Lake Centennial Committee will be hosting a pancake breakfast and mum sale on Saturday, September 23, 2017. Order forms for the mum sale will be available soon. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Silver Lake Centennial Festivities to be held in 2018.



Golf Outing at Silver Lake Country Club



The Silver Lake Centennial Committee will be hosting a golf outing at Silver Lake Country Club on Monday, October 2, 2017. Tee off time is 1:00 p.m. There will be a cocktail party starting at 5:00 p.m. for both golfers and non-golfers. Details about signups will be available soon. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Silver Lake Centennial Festivities to be held in 2018.



Notes from the Service Department

By Mark Lipan, Service Director



Please observe road safety signs

Service Department employees are out in full force working on various projects and work orders throughout the Village. Please observe the signs the Service Department posts on the roads as they are working. Do not attempt to go through a “Road Closed” sign for your safety as well as for the safety of our employees.

Storm damage

Debris is not picked up by Silver Lake after a storm. If you experience downed trees and limbs on your property, please contact a private tree service or call your trash hauler for options, do not place these items on the tree lawn.

Where water shouldn't be

These are a few examples which may mean the Village has a leak in a residential service, fire hydrant, or water main:

- A wet spot in your yard or tree lawn
- Running water in a manhole or catch basin
- Running water down the curb during dry weather

Please call Village Hall right away at 330.923.5233 if you notice anything out of the ordinary. Lost water affects the water rates for all of us.

Catch Basins

At the beginning of each month, the Village has our streets swept by Buckeye Street Sweeping. Between sweepings, the catch basins may become clogged by grass clippings and other debris. If you notice this in front of your house, please do your part by clearing it. If you are not able to do this, please call the Service Department so we can clear it.

Water conservation

Did you know that the average U.S. household uses approximately 400 gallons of water per day or 100 gallons per person per day? Luckily, there are many low-cost and no-cost ways to conserve water. Small changes can make a big difference - try one today and soon it will become second nature.

- A five minute shower uses four to five gallons of water compared to up to 50 gallons for a bath.
- Shut off water while brushing your teeth, washing your hair and shaving and save up to 500 gallons a month.
- Water-efficient showerheads are inexpensive, easy to install, and can save you up to 750 gallons a month.
- Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Water plants only when necessary.
- Fix leaky toilets and faucets. Faucet washers are inexpensive and take only a few minutes to replace. To check your toilet for a leak, place a few drops of food coloring in the tank and wait. If it seeps into the toilet bowl without flushing, you have a leak. Fixing it or replacing it with a new, more efficient model, can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered. Apply water only as fast as the soil can absorb it and during the cooler parts of the day to reduce evaporation.
- Teach your kids about water conservation to ensure a future generation that uses water wisely. Make it a family effort to reduce next month's water bill!
- Visit www.epa.gov/watersense for more information.

10 THINGS YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT STORMWATER RUNOFF POLLUTION

By Kim Pigman, Storm Water Coordinator

- ✓ Use fertilizers sparingly
- ✓ Sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and roads
- ✓ Never dump anything down storm drains
- ✓ Vegetate bare spots in your yard
- ✓ Compost your yard waste
- ✓ Avoid pesticides
- ✓ Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces and neighbors
- ✓ Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway
- ✓ Check car for leaks, and recycle motor oil
- ✓ Pick up after your pet



Never sweep grass clippings into the street. Not only is it against Village Ordinances but the grass clippings can clog storm drains which would cause flooding.

SILVER LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT

On July 1st of this year, the Silver Lake Police Department will celebrate a hallmark. On this date, Officer Bob Simone will have served as a part time officer for 35 years. With over a third of a century of service to the community, Bob's dedication to the residents of the Village of Silver Lake is outstanding. When you see Officer Simone patrolling the neighborhood, please stop and thank him for his years of service.

The Police Department would also like to congratulate Lieutenant Steve Justice and Officer Dave Childers for their service. Lieutenant Justice's 10 year anniversary was in May and Officer Childers' five year anniversary was in April. In addition to their full time appointments, both Lieutenant Justice and Officer Childers worked over three years as part time officers for the Village of Silver Lake.

Pedestrian Safety (*Center for Disease Control and Prevention at www.cdc.gov/features/pedestriansafety*)

Whenever you're walking, keep these tips in mind:

- Whenever possible, cross the street at a designated crosswalk or intersection.
- Increase your visibility at night by carrying a flashlight and wearing retro-reflective clothing.
- It's safest to walk on a sidewalk, but if one is not available, walk on the shoulder and face traffic.
- Avoid distractions such as electronic devices that take your attention off the road.

Recreational Fires

A permit is not required for a recreational fire but such fires are subject to the following regulations: the fire must be at least 25 feet away from any structure or combustible material and in no case shall have a total fuel area greater than three feet in diameter and two feet in height.

Provisions shall be made to prevent the spread of fire to any structure or combustible material.

Fires in approved containers are permitted to be no less than 15 feet from a structure. Approved containers may be used on wood decks or other similar structures provided their use is specifically approved by the fire official.

Approved containers are limited to metal fire rings, commercially manufactured units for open flame type burning, fire pits at least 18 inches deep with stones or fire brick lining the perimeter and other similar configurations conforming to the intent of containing the fire safely.

The fire shall not be fueled by leaves or other than wood vegetation and shall not generate objectionable smoke or odors.

Before you do any open burning, please be kind to your neighbors and advise them of your intentions. There may be health issues that need to be addressed. Please give them a chance to shut their windows and doors.

For more on open burning regulations, visit our website at www.villageofsilverlake.com.



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EMERGENCY, POLICE, FIRE AND EMS..... 9 - 1 - 1
Non-Life Threatening Emergency Numbers

Silver Lake Dispatch/Fire/EMS (Voice/TTY)..... 330.929.8771
Silver Lake Police Department (Non-Emergency)
Administrative Number..... 330.928.SLPD (7573)
Village Hall, 2961 Kent Road..... 330.923.5233
Village Hall (fax)..... 330.923.6965

Website: www.villageofsilverlake.com
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FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Constellation Energy Services..... 1.800.718.1493
Cuyahoga Falls School Administration..... 330.926.3800
Income Tax School District #7705
Household Hazardous Waste Center..... 330.374-0383
Kimble Company (Dover)..... 1.800.201.0005
Kimble Company (Twinsburg)..... 1.330.963.5493
License Bureau, 650 Graham Road, Cuy. Falls..... 330.929.6469
Auto Licensing Taxing District Code: 7716
RITA..... 1.800.860.RITA (7482)
Roberts Middle School..... 330.926.3809
Silver Lake Elementary School..... 330.926.3811
Summit County Board of Elections..... 330.643.5200

Comments and Suggestions

Our goal is to provide community information about Village services and events. Your input is welcome.

CONTACT NUMBERS FOR LOCAL UTILITIES

AT&T..... 1.800.727.2273
Dominion East Ohio (gas)..... 1.800.362.7557
First Energy (electric)
To report a power outage..... 1.800.633.4766
Automated Reporting Line..... 1.888.LIGHTSS (544.4877)
Time Warner Cable..... 1.877.772.2253

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