

July 2024

# **Village of Silver Lake**



## News from the Service Department

Mark W. Lipan, Director of Public Service

Mower Blade Maintenance



By mid-summer mower blades have dulled. This can cause stress to the lawn. Sharp Mower Blades = Happy Grass Blades.

# Trade Non-Native Plants for Native Ones

Native plants work above and below the ground to benefit our environment. Above, they provide habitat for important pollinators and other wildlife. Below, their long root systems help to soak in stormwater and filter out pollutants. They are adapted to our local climate and are low maintenance so you can enjoy your garden more while it works for all of us.

#### Summer Lawn Maintenance

Brown-yellow dormant grass is normal during summer's heat. If you require a green lawn during this time: water deeply, 1 inch of water 2 times a week.



# ReWorks Household Hazardous Waste Collections 2024

When: June 6 through September 26 (no collection July 4) From 2 pm to 7pm Where: 1201 Graham Road in Stow

Summit County Residents Only
No latex paint (water based)

For a list of accepted items go to summitreworks.com/hhw or call 330-374-0383

### **News from Mayor Dunphy**

Summer in the Village is off to a busy, but productive start.

In June, Rep. Emilia Sykes visited Village Hall to present a ceremonial check for a \$904,000 Congressional District Grant. Approved by the U.S. Congress, these funds will be used to separate an over/under stormwater and sanitary sewer line. The grant will improve our water infrastructure, lead to cleaner outflows to Silver Lake and the Cuyahoga River, and minimize the financial burden on residents. The Village administration appreciates Rep. Sykes' leadership on water and infrastructure issues and her advocacy for communities within her district.

The Village's Summer Concert Series kicked off on June 23 with a performance by The FM Project. The two remaining concerts include Up til 4 on Sunday, Aug. 18, and

Time Machine perform on Sunday, Sept. 8. Both events will run from 5-7 pm at the Gazebo. Thanks to Mary Alice and Bob Tedquist for chairing this year's concert series.

July's highlight will be the Annual Garden Club Festival on July 20. Since my kids were little, this has been a family favorite event. It's a great chance to spend time with family and neighbors while enjoying good food, fun activities, and supporting the beautification of the Village. I hope to see you there!



Visit our website: villageofsilverlake.com

#### **Sign Regulation Reminders**

Commercial advertising signs are prohibited in the Village. (1155.03 Signs Prohibited)

Open house signs will be allowed for directional purposes, and only for the period of the open house. Realtors shall also observe these regulations. (1155.09 Temporary Signs)

Garage sale signs shall be erected no earlier than 8:00 am on the first day of the sale and such sign shall be removed no later than the close of the final day of the sale. (1155.09 Temporary Signs)

Political signs shall not exceed twenty-four square feet in area or six feet in height. Political signs shall be removed or replaced within sixty-five (65) days, and if related to a specific event, shall be removed within five (5) days after the event. (1155.09 Temporary Signs)

# FYI: Trash Delays for the Remainder of the Year

Week of Independence Day

• Delayed until Saturday, July 6, 2024

Week of Labor Day

• Delayed until Saturday, September 7, 2024

Week of Thanksgiving

 Delayed until Saturday, November 30, 2024

Week of Christmas

• Delayed until Saturday, December 28, 2024

Information on the Village of Silver Lake's Open Burning Regulations (Chapter 1511) can be found on our website.



Villageofsilverlake.com/Resident Info/Helpful Documents & Links



#### **Rain Barrel Raffle – July 20**

At the Silver Lake Festival, the Watershed Committee will once again be raffling off a free rain barrel. Stop at the Village's pop-up tent and sign up for your chance to win it!



#### **Meeting Times**

Council 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month @7 pm Planning Commission 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month @ 6 pm Park Board 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 6 pm Shade Tree Commission 1st Thursday of the month @ 4 pm Water Shed Committee Wednesday October 9 @ 6 pm Board of Zoning Appeals As needed.

Silver Lake Garden Club Silver Lake Festival Saturday July 20

Silver Lake Utility Bill Direct Payment Program (ACH) ~ No check writing ~ No postage ~ No late fees ~ No hassles

- Your water/sewer utility bill will be automatically deducted directly from your bank account in cooperation with your bank.
- Automated Clearing House (ACH) is a safe, reliable, and no cost way to pay your bill.
- The utility bill amount is withdrawn from your account on the  $20^{\text{th}}$  of each month or the next business day if it falls on a weekend/holiday.
- Utility customers will continue to receive a copy of their utility bill each month.

• You may stop ACH at any time by submitting written notice to the Silver Lake Utility Department.

If you are interested in the direct payment plan for your Silver Lake water and sewer bill, the application can be obtained online at villageofsilverlake.com and then returned to Village Hall.

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If you are already enrolled in ACH, you do NOT need to fill this application out again.

### Silver Lake Garden Club

Join in the fun on July 20 at the Annual Silver Lake Garden Club Festival held at Silver Lake Park and OPEN to ALL residents of the Village! This year's theme is "Silver Lake Goes to the Olympics". Please see the full schedule of activities for the day on the Village website at https://villageofsilverlake.com/residentinfo/gardenclub/. There will be a parade, games, prizes, musical entertainment, cake walk, lots of food, pontoon boat rides on the lake, unique Village items for purchase, and more! Bring your friends and family to make memories for a lifetime. All net proceeds support Village beautification; thank you for participating in this event!



## Silver Lake Watershed Committee

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Composting



Composting is nature's recycling system, turning kitchen scraps into nutrient-rich soil. By composting, you can reduce landfill waste and create a natural fertilizer for your garden. Simply gather organic materials such as fruit and vegetable scraps, coffee grounds, and yard clippings in a compost bin or pile. Mix them regularly to aerate and speed up decomposition. In a few months, you'll have black gold-compost ready to nourish plants and help the environment. Composting is easy, eco-friendly and benefits both you and the planet.

For more information, you can visit the following websites:

Https:www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home

Https:www.alamanac.com/how-compost-guidecomposting-home

Https:www.greenlivinganswers.com/composting