



News from the Service Department

Mark W. Lipan, Director of Public Service



Coming Soon:

**Fall Leaf and Limb Pick-up
Monday October 28th through
Sunday December 1st**



Please keep leaves and limbs in separate piles. Do not put them in the street as this is a hazard to motorists and could clog the storm drains and create flooding for you and your neighbors. Limbs must be under 10 ft and no larger than 4 inches in diameter. Complete tree removal and items with root systems will **NOT** be collected as these will damage our equipment.

What to do with Storm Debris

Storm 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.

News from Mayor Dunphy

As mayor, one of my most important functions is to serve as Director of Public Safety. It is a responsibility I take quite seriously. It is also an area where I receive frequent feedback from residents, many of whom are concerned about vehicle speeds. Whether on north/south through streets such as Vincent Road, Silver Lake Boulevard, Harriett Road, and Englewood Road; boundary streets such as Graham Road and Kent Road; or neighborhood entry points such as Dover Road and Thomas Drive, residents want to feel safe as they ride bikes, walk their dogs, let their children play in the front yard, or even pull in and out of their driveways.

In response to these concerns, the Silver Lake Police Department conducted a multiple-day speed survey in late June and early July. They used both marked and unmarked cars to power our aged speed sign and manually recorded the volume of traffic and top speeds seen on various streets throughout the Village. Thanks to Lieutenant Justice and Officers Sickels and Krinock for spearheading the project.

I presented the findings of this speed survey to Village Council, and we discussed the use of more modern digital speed signs to raise awareness of driver speeds. Chief Norris researched various options and talked to other communities about their speed signs before making a recommendation to me. In August, the Village purchased three such speed signs. The signs were attractive for numerous reasons:

- They are lightweight and can be easily moved from one location to another.
- They gather traffic volume and speeds and offer software reporting options.
- They are battery powered, rechargeable, and - unlike solar signs - work in harmony with the tree canopy along many of our streets.
- They received strong reviews from another local law enforcement agency.

The signs should arrive this month and will be quickly deployed around the Village. As we gather data for an area, they will be relocated regularly. It is my sincere hope that it raises awareness of vehicle speeds and encourages compliance with speed limits. Enjoying a stroll throughout our lovely Village is one of the perks to living in Silver Lake, and all should be able to do so safely.

Silver Lake Garden Club



Please join us at the Garden Club luncheon on Monday, Sept 16th at 12:30 pm at Village Hall when Megan Shaeffer of the Summit Metro Parks will share the history of F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm. Perhaps you'll want to use this as a kick-off for the Park's annual hiking spree!

Garden Club Thank You

Thank you to Village residents, club members, fest workers, Village employees, our Mayor, Service Director, Police Chief, festival director, and especially all those who attended one of the most successful Garden Club festivals.

The weather smiled on our Village and gave us a perfect day to enjoy the beauty of the park, the Lake, a kick-off parade, games and prizes, luscious foods, a cake walk, music of the Silver Lake Singers, with piano and trumpet accompaniments, live swing band tunes, games for future Olympic hopefuls with medals, art work by local artists, offerings for sale from the Village store, boat rides and races on the lake, and of course our very own M/C and announcer to keep us informed.

A day like this does not just happen. It takes lots of visionary planning, organization, food preparation, set-up/take-down of booths, games, cooking equipment, tents, and electronics.

But most of all it takes a grand turnout to make the day a success. Thank you, Silver Lake, for supporting your Garden Club in its work. Proceeds made are used right here to beautify our Village throughout the year.

Lynn Capes - President of Garden Club

Trick or Treat

Saturday October 26th

6:00-8:00 pm

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Meeting Times

Council 1st and 3rd Monday of the month @ 7 pm

Planning Commission 2nd and 4th Monday of the month @ 6 pm

Park Board 2nd 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 Monday September 16th @ 12:30 pm

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 20th 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.

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

News from the Police Department

Jamie Norris, Chief of Police

Citizens Academy

Come participate in this multi-agency class that provides local residents with an opportunity to see and experience how their local departments operate. This is an 8-week program with 1 class per week that lasts 2 hours each. Classes are set to begin the week of September 25th. Classes will be at different locations weekly. Here are the participating agencies: Munroe Falls, Cuyahoga Falls, Tallmadge Stow, Hudson and Silver Lake.

Please see our website villageofsilverlake.com for more information on how to sign up.

Reminder About Disposal of Construction/Home Project Materials

Residential construction is in full swing in many parts of the Village. As contractors are at work on your property, please make sure they plan to properly dispose of leftover materials. In recent weeks, paint and concrete wash out have been found in Village sewer drains. When improving your property, ask contractors to dispose of these materials responsibly. And, if you see a contractor disposing of materials improperly, call the illicit discharge detection and elimination hotline at 330-929-8771. Please help protect the Village infrastructure and your tax dollars.

Silver Lake Watershed Committee

Drain pools and spas the right way!

To protect the quality of water entering nearby lakes, river and streams, do NOT discharge pool or spa water into our storm sewer system! Chlorine and other chemicals in pool and spa water can be hazardous to freshwater aquatic life in our lake. Follow these tips when it's time to empty or lower your pool or spa:

- Don't drain pool and spa water into street, gutter, intakes, storm drains or water ways.
Draining pool and spa water to a storm sewer system or water ways may be considered an illicit discharge and subject to penalties in our ordinances. (947.07)
Pool and spa water can be discharged to the sanitary sewer system. If unable to drain to the sanitary sewer, let the water sit for at least seven days without adding salt, chlorine or other chemicals before draining a pool or spa.
If water is drained on the ground, chlorine levels need to be below 0.1 mg/L and the pH is to be between 6.5 and 8.5 before draining.
If water is drained on the ground, drain across at least 15 feet of grass (not concrete) to allow any remaining chemicals to dissipate before reaching the storm drain.
Keep the water flow low, about 12 gallons per minute to prevent erosion of soil and landscaping.