

"KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THE RESIDENTS AS WELL AS KEEPING THEM INFORMED."

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NEWS



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH FORMING

Ashley Carpenter has met with the Board and Chief of Police for several months to form a Neighborhood Watch in our Village. On January 23, 2012 at 5:30 pm at the Grandview Municipal Building we will have an informational meeting. We will be providing chili, hot dogs, drinks and desserts. Please feel free to come and have a bite to eat and learn how you may help your fellow neighbors. Block captains are now needed. The Village Board will be joining Ashley at this event to help out! This is a great time to meet your fellow neighbors!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

- *First & Third Tuesday of every month are Board Meetings at 5:30 pm at the Water Department! Open to the Public!*
- *January 23 5:30pm Neighborhood Watch at the Grandview Municipal Bldg. Food and drinks provided. Everyone is welcome to attend.*

PARKING IN DITCHES

Parking in the ditches causes blocked drainage, which prohibits the flow of water. To eliminate this from happening, **DO NOT PARK IN DITCHES OR STRADDLE THE DITCH.** Thank you!

LOW INCOME SEWER REBATE

On June 1, 2011, income eligible Sangamon County residents living in the Springfield Metro Sanitary District, **may qualify for a one-time sewer rebate of \$49.00 in 2011.** Residents may call 535-3120 for an appointment any day during business hours until funds are depleted. No walk ins.

CONTACT INFO

President - Mark Woollen 528-3061
Clerk—Michelle Bates—741-2359
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Police —Mike Murphy—753-1382
Public Health—Leland Rhodes—241-7505
Street Dept—Janice Bentley—523-5707
Water Dept - Vickie Kean—741-0044
Zoning/Permits– Karen Murphy–527-8675
Police Dept—753-6666 or 622-4626
Emergency—911
Administrative Bldg/Water Dept
 Lisa Cave —528-7624

DURING SNOWFALL

ABSOLUTELY No on street parking when 2" or more of snow is expected. In order to keep our streets clear of the snow and ice, we need help from the residents to remove their cars that are parked from the roadways. This will allow our street crew to remove the snow and ice in a timely manner for all residents and those traveling through our Village. **ALL** vehicles left on the side of the road will be towed at owners expense. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

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BRANCH REMOVAL

The Public Works Department Limb Pickup runs from April through November. The pickup starts on the first Monday of the month. Should this be a holiday the pickup begins on Tuesday following the holiday. We ask that you wait until the weekend before pickup to put out your limbs. The limb pick up program does not mean that the crew will carry away 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 the trees.

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

Branches can be no longer than six (6) feet in length; no wider than four (4) inches in diameter. Place branches (no twigs, leaves, or lawn rakings) in a neat orderly pile in the ditch.

The Village **WILL NOT** collect:

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

Anything longer than six (6) feet.

A pile of leaves or other debris mixed in with the limbs will result in the limbs not being picked up.

SWIMMING POOLS

Please call the water department prior to filling your pools.

Any swimming pool in the Village of Grandview shall have a fence, protective wall or other effective barrier completely surrounding the pool as specified in Ordinance # 308.

Any violation of this Ordinance is subject to a fine, up to \$500. Please ensure your swimming pool complies with the Ordinance for the safety of yourself and others!

TRASH & WASTE PICK-UP

ATTENTION: Do not place items out that local garbage companies will not pick up without contacting your waste hauler provider first. Residents are responsible for proper disposal of these items if they are left behind by the waste hauling company. Violators will be fined by the Village.

Springfield Townships offers a dumpster program, see page 4 for more details.


MUNI BUILDING RENTAL

Are you planning a wedding, birthday party, or a get together and you realize you do not have the room to "house" everyone you would like to invite? Consider renting the Muni Building at 1620 N. Milton. Capacity is 200 people and there are over 25 tables, 170+ chairs, bathrooms and a kitchen for your convenience. If you would like to serve alcohol you would need a host liquor liability from your homeowners naming the Village of Grandview as an additional insured for at least \$100,000. **Rental fees for a resident are:** Sunday - Thursdays \$50.00, Friday & Saturday are \$175.00. There's a \$200 deposit also but you get that back if there is no damage and the building is clean! Rental fees are higher for Non Residents. Call Lisa early to reserve your special day at 528-7624!!



If you have a question please feel free to contact the Village Hall at 528-7624 or call your local trustee! We are here to serve you!

WATER PAYMENTS

The Village of Grandview is now accepting automatic payments directly from your checking or savings account.  If you are interested in signing up, stop by the office or call 528-7624 and we can send you out the sign up sheet. This service is free of charge. You will still receive your monthly bill at the beginning of each month so you know how much will be taken out of your account prior to the day you select. Once you sign up for this service you will not have to write another check for your water payment!! Feel free to call Lisa with any questions!

PAYING BY PHONE: Effective July 17, 2011 there will be a \$2.50 service charge for every credit card payment made over the phone. To avoid this charge, you may come in the office and run the card through the machine in person. The Village is charged more for phone in orders.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Come join us at the Grandview Municipal building for a meeting regarding neighborhood watch. It doesn't matter if you are a renter, home owner, lease, or a business owner! Police Chief Mike Feleccia and Mayor Mark Woollen will be attending as well as board members.

There will be hot dogs, chili, drinks, and desserts served.



When: January 23rd, 2012

Where: Grandview Municipal Building

Time: 5:30 Meet and Greet

6:00 Meeting starts



What do you need to bring?????

Ideas, suggestions, and team work!!! We need people to volunteer to be block captains. Block captains will be listed in the spring newsletter so residents on your block know who to contact with questions. Don't worry...you will not be called all hours of the night!! The police cell phone number and of course 911 are encouraged to be called if unusual activity needs to be reported. Block captains and residents as well are not asked to take the law into their hands just watch out for their neighbors. Everyone is encouraged to talk to each other, get to know their neighbors, and if people are walking around your area that you have never seen before, start a conversation or watch how often you start seeing them, if more than a couple times. Children are invited as well.

What will be discussed at the meeting?????

Everything listed above, as well as what neighborhood watch is all about. We will let you know where signs will be placed, who we have for block captains so far, when meetings will be, and people's ideas/suggestions.

Please remember this is about neighborhood watch not issues with other residents. Let's all meet and start something that will make us feel safer!! For questions email Ashley Carpenter at ashkay8605@aol.com



WATER AND SEWER CHARGES

BILLS DUE UPON RECEIPT: Monthly bills are due in full upon receipt. Any bill not paid before the first working day of the succeeding month is deemed overdue and late. Payments shall be recorded and credited to a customer's account on the day payment is received in the office or upon the following working day if the drop box is used after 1:00 p.m. A customer's failure to receive a bill, or loss of a bill for any month shall not excuse non-payment. **LATE FEES:** A customer shall be assessed a late charge of 10% per month on any balance that is not paid and credited to an account before the close of books on the first working day of the succeeding month. Partial payment by a customer does not excuse a late charge on the remaining balance. The corporate authorities may waive late charges in the interest of fairness. **SHUTOFF NOTICE:** A shutoff notice shall be sent to all customers owing a balance at the end of a month. Service shall be disconnected if the bill is not paid in full, including current and past due charges, within 10 days of mailing of the notice, or payment arrangements are made as set forth in the shutoff notices. **RECONNECTION CHARGES:** When water service is discontinued, a \$35.00 reconnection fee must be paid before service will be restored during regular working hours. The reconnection fee shall be \$50.00 in the event restoration of service is made on holidays, weekends, or before or after regular working hours.

These policies are in Ordinance 342, dated June 20, 1995. The Office Administrator can not change these policies. It is the Administrator's job to record payments, send bills and notices. The Water Department does accept Visa & MasterCard and is offering AUTO PAY where your bill comes directly out of your bank account on a date previously agreed upon. This is a great option for our residents and we are happy to provide it to you!

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP DUMPSTER PROGRAM

The Springfield Township offers a Dumpster Program for residents that live within Springfield Township, which includes all of Grandview residents. The Township will accept items that are not accepted by local waste haulers. The Springfield Township offers this service for a small donation to charity. Residents will need to bring their items to the drop off location and pay a small fee. **DATE:** 1st Saturday of every month, except when it falls on a holiday, **TIME:** 8 am—Noon **FEES:** \$10/pickup load \$20/1 ton truck or higher \$2.00/per tire limit of 4; off rims. **LOCATION:** Springfield Township Garage, 3298 Terminal Ave, Springfield, IL. Need to bring a photo id/ proof of residency required. **ITEMS THAT ARE ACCEPTED:** refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers, washers/dryers, dishwashers, lawn mowers, dehumidifiers, water heaters, boilers, furniture, stove/ranges. Please make sure that all liquids are drained from any appliance. This doesn't apply to Freon. **ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED AND FORBIDDEN:** fluorescent bulbs, batteries, paint/paint cans, propane tanks, mattresses, yard waste, animal carcasses, garbage, hazardous material, large construction material, railroad ties, computers/tv's, liquid waste, heat pumps, chillers, infectious hospital waste. For more information please contact Springfield Township at 523-4393 or 525-1464.

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