# Village of South Russell ~Newsletter~

SOUTH RUSSELL FALL FESTIVAL



The annual Fall Festival will take place <u>Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 1-5</u> pm at the South Russell Village Park. Join us for free food, drinks, hayrides, pony rides, bouncy houses, Metro General Hospital's Life Flight helicopter, Chagrin Valley fire prevention trailer, Chagrin Falls Armory vehicles and the Valley Enforcement Group's tactical vehicle.



We are looking for volunteers to help with the Fall Festival. If you are interested please contact Village Hall at 440-338-6700 ext. 222

# SHREDDING EVENT



Prevent Identity Theft.....and Recycle!

Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – 12 noon

Document shredding will take place in the Village Hall parking lot 5205 Chillicothe Road (corner of Route 306 and Bell Road)



## **Attention Homeowner Associations!**

Please notify Village Hall of your Homeowner Association President's contact information!

#### WHY?

1) The Village often receives calls from people considering moving to the area, but they want to know specific homeowner association (HOA) rules for a neighborhood. If we don't have current contact information, we can't help.

2) When situations such as power outages, flooding, or road programs occur, it would be beneficial to contact the HOA president and have them forward information to the residents of the neighborhood. This would spread the word faster.

To submit your HOA name, President's name, phone number and email address:

Call Village Hall at 440-338-6700 ext. 222

or email adminassist@southrussell.com

# What to do if you lose electrical power:

Don't assume the Illuminating Company knows about it—Report it!

Check your neighbors to see if their power is out or if only your house is effected. If only your power is out, check your circuit breaker or fuses. If no breaker is tripped or fuses are blown, the problem may be in the connection between the wires and your home. Call the Illuminating Company's toll-free, 24 hour Outage Reporting line at 1-888-LIGHTSS (1-888-544-4877).

If your neighbors' lights are out too, call 1-888-LIGHTSS (1-888-544-4877) immediately. The Illuminating Company may not know that your power is out unless you notify them and often times, your neighbors assume someone else has called about the outage. Also, if more people call to report an outage, it helps The Illuminating Company prioritize where to send repair crews so it is very important to actually report the outage as soon as possible. Follow the recorded prompts to let them know your power is out. The Illuminating Company will then try to fix your connection as soon as possible.

# **Voter Registration**

The deadline for registering to vote in the November 3, 2015 general election is October 5, 2015. You can register to vote, or change your address if you have moved at any public library, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, at the Board of Elections, or by mail. The polls will be open on November 3, 2015 from 6:30AM to 7:30PM.

To view the complete listing of candidates and issues on the ballot or to view your voting precinct location, go to the Geauga Board of Elections website at:

http://www.co.geauga.oh.us/ Departments/BOE

# **Preventing Crimes of Opportunity**

One of the easiest crimes to prevent -- burglary -- is also one of the most common. Somewhere in the U.S. there's a burglary committed every 15 seconds. If it happens at your home, you lose more than a few possessions. A break-in, even when you're not there, has a major impact on you and your family's sense of safety and well-being.

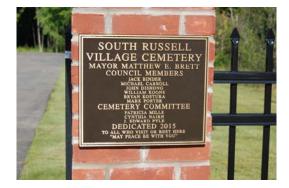
The first thing a burglar looks for when choosing a house for a break-in is one with no one in it. If you make your house look occupied when you're gone, most burglars will simply pass it by. Never leave doors or windows unlocked, and ALWAYS close overhead garage doors, especially at night.

Theft from an unlocked vehicle is also a common crime of opportunity. The most effective way to prevent this type of crime is to limit the criminal's ability and/or opportunity to commit the crime. Below are a few suggestions to keep you from becoming a victim:

- Keep your vehicle locked at all times Even in your own driveway or garage
- Do not leave valuables in plain view
- Keep all valuables in the trunk or take them with you
- Do not leave any cell phone chargers, cables, or electronic devices in plain sight. It may give the impression that you have electronics somewhere inside the vehicle
- Once home, unload your valuables immediately and do not store them inside your vehicle
- Close your garage door

# **CEMETERY OPENING CEREMONY**

The Village of South Russell held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at the newly constructed South Russell Village Cemetery in dedication of its grand opening. The South Russell Village Cemetery offers our current and former residents of the Village of South Russell the opportunity to be laid to rest in a bucolic setting that preserves the beauty and character of the Village. A special thank you goes out to J. Edward Pyle, Cynthia Nairn and Patricia Mills for their time and dedication in making sure all details were addressed with the cemetery planning process.



We are pleased to announce that lots and memorial pavers are available for purchase. If you are interested, please contact the Cemetery Clerk at 440-338-6700 ext. 222 to schedule an appointment.



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#### Be the First to Know!

Sign up for the Village's e-blast and be the first to know important happenings in the Village!

Anytime the Village wants to inform residents about important events, we send an e-blast (or an email) so residents are informed sooner. Sign up today at www.southrussell.com under the "Services" tab!

#### Find us on Facebook

Follow us on our new Village of South Russell Facebook page and check out our updated website at www.southrussell.com for Village news and upcoming events.

# **ELECTED OFFICIALS & DEPARTMENTS**

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