

Village of South Russell

~ Newsletter ~

Summer 2017 Edition

Stormwater Update

Over the past year the Village held several meetings with residents, did multiple tours and a lot of research regarding stormwater issues in the Village. During heavy rains some residents have water entering one door and exiting another. Given the water issues in the Village, Council approved an expenditure of \$12,000 to CT Consultants, (the Village's engineering firm), to do a stormwater study of the area north of Bell Road, east of Chillicothe Road, south of Russell Township and west of Belmeadow in an attempt to develop a solution to the storm water problems in that area. Village elected officials will continue to work towards finding a solution to these problems.

Changes at the Intersection

Changes continue at the intersection of Bell Road and Chillicothe Road. The white farmhouse is now the site of an insurance company and the dentist's office currently located at the corner lot is moving just north of the new insurance office. The corner gas station will be replaced with a new gas station in the near future and the red barn just east of the insurance building is the future site of a table refinishing business.

Clean Up is a Success!

Trash Day was held on April 29th and trash from over 280 residents was disposed of or recycled!

The annual paper shredding event will take place on Saturday, October 14th from 9-12. Help prevent identity theft and dispose your documents safely.



Renting the South Russell Pavilion

You can rent the South Russell Park pavilion for your next homeowners' association picnic, graduation party, birthday party or class reunion.

The park pavilion is available to rent for \$25. Go to the Parks page at www.southerussell.com to check the calendar of availability and download the Park Permit form.

South Russell Village Cemetery

South Russell Village Cemetery is located at 5230 Chillicothe Road. A copy of the cemetery map can be viewed in the Village Hall or on the Cemetery page at www.southerussell.com

Lot Sales ~

Full size lots

Village Resident: \$1,000
Former Resident: \$2,000

Cremation lots

Village Resident: \$800
Former Resident: \$1,600

Scattering/Memorial Garden ~

A Scattering/Memorial Garden is available for scattering cremains; it is also a place to memorialize an individual whose ashes have been scattered elsewhere. Scattering ashes in the garden during weekday hours is \$350 and during weekend hours is \$450, which includes the scattering cost and an engraved paver with the individual's name, date of birth and date of death.

If you would like to purchase a paver in the garden for an individual that has been scattered in another location, pavers are available for \$350. This price includes the engraving cost.

If you are interested in purchasing a lot or in our scattering/memorial garden, please contact Fiscal Officer Danielle Romanowski at fiscalofficer@southerussell.com



**Cops & Kids Fishing
Lake Louise
Sunday, June 25th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**



The South Russell Police Department will be hosting the 5th annual Cops & Kids Fishing event at **Lake Louise** located at 33 Ridgecrest Drive in South Russell. This catch and release event is geared towards youths and their parent(s) or guardian for a day of fishing alongside local law enforcement officers. Bring your fishing pole and we'll provide the bait. Refreshments will be provided. Although we do not require pre-registration, we'd like to hear from you if you plan on attending. Email the Police Department at police@southerussell.com and let us know how many are in your party.

2017 Road Program



The following roads are included in the 2017 road program for repairs and reconstruction: Spring Drive, Forest Drive, Anglers Drive and Westover Drive.

Residents that will be directly affected will receive a letter with more details prior to commencement of the project.



The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at **Gurney Elementary School**
1155 Bell Road
South Russell
Monday, June 26, 2017
1—6 pm



HELMET SMART PROGRAM

The South Russell Police Department will give children a “*safety citation*” voucher for a free donut at Dunkin Donuts when the officer observes a child wearing his/her helmet while biking. The child will also be entered into a drawing for a free bicycle. The drawing will be held at the Police Department Open House on Saturday, September 9th.

Village Council Meetings

Upcoming Village Council Meetings:

June 19th at 7:30 p.m.

July 10th at 7:30 p.m.

August 14th at 7:30 p.m.

September 11th & 25th at 7:30 p.m.

October 9th & 23rd at 7:30 p.m.

November 6th & 27th at 7:30 p.m.

December 11th at 7:30 p.m.

If you would like to be added to the meeting agenda, please contact fiscalofficer@southerussell.com or call 440-338-6700 x 221 no later than the Wednesday before the meeting.

Concert to be held in South Russell Park

Bell Road Pavilion

FREE

Tuesday, June 27, 2017

7-9 p.m.

featuring

Rock Radio Band



Presented by: The Chagrin Valley Chamber of Commerce

The Following Dates Have Been Set, Mark Your Calendars....

Geauga Farmers Market - Saturdays until October 14th
The Geauga Farmers Market takes place in the Village Hall parking lot on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon until October 14th.

Police Department Open House—September 9th
Get a tour of the police department building, sit in a cruiser and check out other various emergency response vehicles.

Fall Festival—September 24th from 1-5 p.m.
The annual Fall Festival will be held Sunday, September 24th from 1-5 p.m. at the South Russell Village Park. Some of the entertainment that will be included in this free event are bouncy houses, pony rides, face painting and a bubble show! Food and drinks will also be served.



Dogs Must be Leashed

Effective May 12, 2015, all animals visiting the South Russell Village Park are required to be on a leash. The leash must be no longer than 8 feet in length and the animal must be under control. In addition, animal owners are responsible for cleaning up the animal waste.

Those witnessing unleashed and/or uncontrolled dogs are asked to contact the Police Department at 440-338-7611.

Geauga Alerts!

In the event of an emergency or severe weather condition, an alert may be sent to the phone number provided by voice, text and/or email.

This is a free service provided by Geauga County, however, normal message fees may apply. Geauga County cannot guarantee notifications will be received by the intended recipient.

To get signed up today—go to:
http://entry.inspironlogistics.com/geauga_county_oh/wens.cfm



The South Russell Police Department encourages you to take advantage of our **"Vacation Watch Program"** in which Police Officers conduct security checks of your property while you're away. Simply contact the Police Department at 440-338-7611 or use the online form to request your residence be placed on the watch list. Officers will visually and physically check your doors and windows to ensure security, and inspect for damage, tampering, or signs of unusual activity. When you return, a log of the officer's checks and any activity noted can be emailed to you or picked up at the Police Department.



Fireworks and the Law

As the Fourth of July holiday is fast approaching, we would like to remind all residents about the use of fireworks within the Village limits.

While fireworks are fun to watch, they do pose a hazard to not only the shooter, but also the spectators and the surrounding area. They can cause serious injury and even death to the shooter and/or spectators. If the area is dry, the hot ashes could ignite a brush fire. These same hot ashes can also set homes on fire as well.

Our current Ohio State Fire Code does not allow for any type of fireworks to be shot off within the State of Ohio with the exception of sparklers and snakes. All other types of fireworks require a permit from the State Fire Marshal's office as well as a licensed technician to set them off. In addition to the proper permit, there must be a fire official present and fire protection readily available.

The Village asks everyone to refrain from using any illegal fireworks for everyone's personal safety. Any firework complaints will be investigated by the Police Department which will lead to confiscation of all illegal fireworks in your possession and a citation could be served for the illegal activity.



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Garage Sale Information

Thinking about having a garage sale? The Village does not require permits for garage sales; however, it does limit sales to two (2) per year and the sale cannot last any longer than four (4) consecutive days.

Happy treasure hunting!

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Village of South Russell Contact Numbers

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

440-338-6700 ext. 233
440-338-1312 (direct line)
building@southerussell.com

VILLAGE HALL

440-338-6700 ext. 221
440-338-7843 (direct line)
fiscalofficer@southerussell.com

POLICE DEPARTMENT

440-338-6700 ext. 2000 (Non-Emergency)
440-338-7611 (direct line)
police@southerussell.com

STREETS DEPARTMENT

440-338-6700 ext. 236
440-338-3891 (direct line)
streets@southerussell.com