



Village of South Russell

~Newsletter~

Spring 2019 Edition

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SPRING TRASH DAY

April 27th, 2019 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.



Accepted items: General trash and debris, items containing freon (refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, and air conditioners), scrap metal, white metal (appliances), computer and electronic equipment, batteries and **TIRES!**



NO Yard waste, hazardous household chemicals, or containers with liquified products accepted. See www.gottagogreen.org for special Geauga-Trumbull collection dates and locations.

SENIOR CITIZEN TRASH COLLECTION

WEST END OF VILLAGE

(INCLUDES HOMES ON CHILLICOTHE RD.)

APRIL 24, 2019

8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

EAST END OF VILLAGE

APRIL 25, 2019

8:00 a.m.— 3:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Seniors, 60 years of age or older and living in South Russell Village **AND**
- Seniors must be **registered** with the Geauga County Department on Aging prior to pick-up. Call (440) 279-2130 OR (440) 279-2129 to register.
- This service is **FIRST COME FIRST SERVE** and is limited
- You or a representative 18 years or older **MUST** be home the day of pick-up to sign a release for collection..

GUIDELINES:

- **NO** liquids, paints, hazardous household chemicals, construction debris, rocks, yard waste, or household garbage.
- **ONLY 10** household items per home.
- Limit of **4 tires** (off rims) permitted as well as appliances, electronics, etc.
- Items should be consolidated (in boxes), and placed outside in the driveway (**NOT** Curbside).

From the Mayor

Storm Water Update



The Village received confirmation from the Ohio EPA of the successful application for a \$112,120 storm water grant to mitigate the water flow that passes behind Village Hall, under Chillicothe Rd., and on to Chagrin Lakes. The Village's share of the project is \$74,748, for a total project cost of \$186,868. Construction of a retention pond directly south of Village Hall is anticipated to begin in late 2019 or spring of 2020. Council also approved the *application* of a second Ohio EPA 319 grant for \$276,000 to address storm water issues in the Village. The proposed project will involve the area west of the intersection of Chillicothe Road and Manor Brook Drive, with the creation of approximately 1,400 feet of stream enhancement designed to mitigate the water flowing from Bel Meadow, under Chillicothe Rd. and south to Fox Run and beyond. The total project cost is estimated at \$460,000 with the Village's share to be \$184,000.

IT WILL BE A CLEAN SWEEP FOR SOUTH RUSSELL VILLAGE



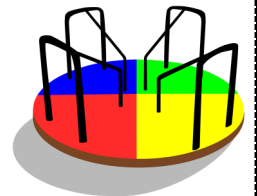
As the winter of 2018-19 comes to an end, the South Russell Service Department is making plans for spring. Anticipating only one or two more snowfalls, sweeping of the Village streets will begin about the first week of **May (about May 6th, 2019)** as weather and conditions permit.

All Village streets, cul-de-sacs and turnarounds will be swept to remove winter debris. To prepare, residents may rake remaining plowed materials such as stone or gravel to the road's edge. Streets with a current gravel berm should not place this material on the hard asphalt road surface.

Spring is also a good time to inspect ditchlines and driveway culvert pipes. Both are the responsibility of each homeowner to maintain and should be kept clear of leaves, limbs and tall grasses. Leaf piles and debris can cause blockages and should not be in the village right-of-way. No standing water should be present.

South Russell Village Park Playground Update

At the January 28th Council meeting, by a vote of 6-0, Council approved a resolution to construct a "state of the art" playground in the South Russell Village Park. The playground promises to enhance the Bell Road side of the park and benefit families for years to come. Ground preparation will begin in May and weather permitting, construction of the playground will be complete this summer. The dedication will take place during the annual Fall Festival.



Coffee with Cops Senior Presentation



The South Russell Police Department invites you to join us at the Lantern of Chagrin Valley, 5277 Chillicothe Road, South Russell, for our annual Senior Presentation "Coffee with Cops" on Monday, April 15, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Officers will provide updated information on recent scams targeting seniors and home safety tips. Share your stories with local law enforcement over coffee and donuts. Open to the public. Any and all ages are welcome!

Chagrin Valley Chamber of Commerce Concerts

Yachtly Crue: Tuesday, June 18

University Heights Symphonic Band: Tuesday, July 23

These are free concerts and will take place in South Russell Village Park at 7:00 p.m.



Save the Date!

The South Russell Police Department's 7th annual Cops & Kids Fishing event will be held Sunday, June 9th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bellwood Lake. Check the SRV Police Facebook page for more details.



The Village of South Russell is looking for two resident volunteers to sit on the Tax Board of Review. The purpose of this Board is to review penalty and interest abatement requests; therefore, a background or understanding of finances is beneficial. Council will be soliciting letters of interest until April 5, 2019. Please email your interest letter including your background and experience to the Fiscal Officer at fiscalofficer@southrussell.com

TAXES DUE



Municipal income tax returns are due April 15, 2019. All residents 18 years of age and older are required to file an annual return with the Central Collection Agency (CCA). Local income tax withheld by your employer does **not** fulfill your obligation to file a tax return. Local ordinance provides for both penalty and interest charges to be assessed for late filing or non-filing.

Retired residents are required to file the **Annual Exemption Certificate** each year.

Need assistance with your South Russell Municipal Tax Return?

CCA – Division of Taxation has designated specific Auditors to assist you with any South Russell municipal income tax matter. For personalized service, please contact: Deneen Wray 216-664-1786 or you can reach any CCA auditor by calling the main office at 216-664-2070.

For tax forms or to file electronically, please go to www.ccatax.ci.cleveland.oh.us



The Geauga County Hunger Task Force (GHTF) was founded in 1977 to serve the emergency food needs of Geauga

County. It is a volunteer-driven organization that provides support to seven independent food pantries, meals for young adults at NextStep, and home-delivered meals to disabled residents under 60. For more information:

info@geaugahungertaskforce.org



Follow us on Facebook and check out our website at www.southrussell.com for Village news, meetings and event information.

South Russell Village Cemetery

South Russell Village Cemetery is located at 5230 Chillicothe Road. The Cemetery map can be viewed in Village Hall or on the Cemetery page at www.southrussell.com

Full Size Lots

Village Resident: \$1,000

Prior Resident: \$2,000

Cremation Lots

Village Resident: \$1,000

Prior Resident: \$2,000

Scattering/Memorial Garden

\$350 ~\$450

(includes engraved paver)

For more information, contact Danielle Romanowski,

fiscalofficer@southrussell.com

(440) 338-6700 x 221



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Village Council Meetings

Upcoming Village Council meetings:

- April 8th & 22nd** at 7:30 p.m.
- May 13th** at 7:30 p.m.
- June 10th** at 7:30 p.m.
- July 8th** at 7:30 p.m.
- August 12th** 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 ext. 221 no later than the Wednesday before a meeting. There is a 5-minute limit to address Council.

The meeting agenda can be found on the Village calendar link at southerussell.com

Village of South Russell Contact Numbers

Village Hall

440-338-6700 ext. 222
fiscalofficer@southerussell.com

Street Department

440 338-6700 ext. 236
streets@southerussell.com

Police Department

440-338-6700 ext. 2000 (non-emergency)
police@southerussell.com

Building Department

440-338-6700 ext 233
building@southerussell.com



Power in Numbers!

In the event of a power outage, it is important for EVERYONE to report the outage to First Energy! The Utility Company gauges outages based on the number of reports received, and prioritizes accordingly! Outages can be reported by calling **1-888-544-4877**, through the website, www.firstenergycorp.com/outages_help.html, or by using the First Energy App.