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**Sugar Grove Township
COMMUNITY BUILDING**

SUGAR GROVE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY BUILDING
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GROOVIN' in the grove

FREE CONCERTS IN THE GROVE!

An exciting summer of music is being finalized by the Sugar Grove Arts and Entertainment Committee, a partnership of entities including the Library, Chamber of Commerce, Sugar Grove Park District, Township and Village of Sugar Grove. A series of four concerts will be held outdoors on the Library grounds, and patrons may picnic, bring a lawn chair, bring an adult beverage, and enjoy different music genres on the showmobile, a professional stage with lighting. A food or doughnut truck will be available at select dates in the series.

The series will be set for each second Friday night of the summer months, with the shows starting at 7:00 p.m. Each performer has been selected to fit the flavor of Sugar Grove, and will be entertaining for residents of all ages.

The 2019 Summer Concert Series includes:

June 14th | BILLY CROFT AND THE FIVE ALARM
the latest country hits to rock legends like
The Eagles and Linda Ronstadt

July 12th | The Bare Hambones
a blend of bluegrass, rockabilly, outlaw country,
blues and rock music

August 9th | THE BEACH BUM BAND
a Jimmy Buffet tribute band for the parrotheads

September 13th | The Tyler Krienitz Band
local singer/songwriter from Sugar Grove

More information may be obtained by connecting to the committee through the Facebook page, writing Village Trustee Rick Montalto at rmontalto@sugargroveil.gov or Library Director Shannon Halikias at shannon@sgpl.org. All concerts will be held at the Library located at 125. S. Municipal Drive in Sugar Grove.



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ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

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ROAD DISTRICT OFFICE

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Township Hours: Tues & Thurs 8am – 4pm
Assessors Hours: Mon thru Fri 8am – 4pm
Road Dist. Hours: Mon thru Fri 7am-3:30pm

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Curt Karas, Assessor
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TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

The first Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Township Offices. Agendas and minutes of township meetings can be found on our website under Public Information.



TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

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May 7, 2019	Sept. 3, 2019
June 4, 2019	Oct. 1, 2019
July 2, 2019	Nov. 5, 2019
Aug. 6, 2019	Dec. 3, 2019

ABOUT US

The Township serves approximately 20,000 residents residing in its boundaries of Orchard Road to the east, I-88 to the north, Dugan Road to the west, and Route 30 to the south. By law, Illinois townships must provide three basic functions: general assistance, property appraisal for local taxation purposes, and maintenance of all roads and bridges outside of federal, state, and other local jurisdiction. Sugar Grove Township provides these services and much more. Contact the Township offices at 630-466-4283 for more information.

**SENIOR/DISABLED PERSONS
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

The Sugar Grove Township will be continuing its transportation program for senior and disable residents in Sugar Grove Township for fiscal year 2019/20. The program began on Sept. 1, 2018. If you are aged 65 or older, or are disabled and cannot use public transportation, and are a resident of Sugar Grove Township, you may qualify. If you have questions concerning your eligibility, call us at 630-466-4283 or 630-466-5255. Rides cost \$3.00 for the first 10 miles and \$1.50 for each additional mile. Fare is cash only, and client must have exact change. The service can take you to doctor appointments, work and shopping within Kane County (limitations apply) on Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:30 am and 5:30 pm. The transportation service utilizes buses that are equipped with wheelchair lifts for those in wheelchairs, power chairs, or those unable to climb the stairs. Please note, the service is curb to curb. If you cannot get out to the bus, you will need to have a caregiver help you. The caregiver may also travel with you at no additional cost.

To register or for more information, please call 630-466-4283 or 630-466-5255.





Greg Huggins



Doug Musser

NEWLY APPOINTED ROAD DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, DOUG MUSSER

Long time Highway Commissioner, Greg Huggins, retired after 40 years of service on February 28th, 2019. Greg worked as Highway Commissioner since January 1998 after he spent the previous 19 years as an assistant to his father, Jack Huggins. Jack, age 90, was the Sugar Grove Highway Commissioner for almost 35 years, retiring at the end of 1997. Collectively, the father-and-son duo had been functioning as the highway commissioner for 55 consecutive years while serving in some capacity for the township for 75 years combined. With his retirement, Huggins passes the baton to longtime foreman, Doug Musser, who has been appointed by the Township Board to fill the unexpired four-year term. The Highway Commissioner position is up for re-election in April of 2021. Doug, age 60, is planning on running in that election in two years.

Kane County will also send you a notice of assessment change by mail. The first step in filing a complaint is to contact the Sugar Grove Township Assessor to request a review and possible revision of the assessment. When contacting the assessor's office, it is important to have in mind three comparable properties to your property and to have a suggested value for your property. Fair cash value is based on three prior years of sales of similar properties sold voluntarily where the owner is ready, willing and able to sell but not compelled to do so.

If you are age 65 or older, apply for the Senior Citizen Homestead Exemption. In addition, the Senior Citizen Assessment Freeze Homestead Exemption household income limit has increased to \$65,000. If you have any questions contact me at 630-466-5255 or assessor@sugargrovetownship.com.

Curt John Karas, CIAO, CPA, MBA
Sugar Grove Township Assessor



Curt Karas



Assessor Staff

FREE SENIOR MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

Senior monthly luncheons are scheduled the last Tuesday of each month at the Community Building, 141 Main Street, at 12:00 noon. Senior Snacks & Games Day is also available on the first Monday of each month at 1:00pm. The senior lunch program is co-sponsored by the Sugar Grove Township & Community Building and the Sugar Grove Park District. Programs are free to attend but please contact Julie or Chris Walker at 630-777-7961 to make your free reservation.

SUGAR GROVE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

The 2019 assessment year is a "general assessment year" and is the first year of the 2019-2022 quadrennial assessment cycle. The Illinois courts have ruled that a general assessment year should be treated differently from a non-general assessment year. The responsibility of the Sugar Grove Township Assessor during the "general assessment year" is, in person or by deputy, view and determine as near as practicable the value of each property listed for taxation as of January 1 of that year and assess the property at 33 1/3% of its fair cash value (35 ILSC 200/9-155). This is distinguishable from the three subsequent years where only revisions and corrections of the general assessment year values are permitted. Typically, assessment complaints increase in general assessment years, which is expected due to an increased number of assessment changes. A complaint to affect the assessment for the current year needs be filed on or before 30 calendar days after the date of publication of the assessment list by Kane County.

SENIOR LAWN MOWING PROGRAM

The Sugar Grove Township Board of Trustees recently approved a new lawn mowing program for seniors ages 65 & up who live in their own home within the boundaries of Sugar Grove Township. Free mowing services will be provided one day per week for the months of May through October. A limited number of senior households will be served based on household income qualifications.

For more information or to apply, contact Township Supervisor Tom Rowe at 630-466-4283 or by email at trowe@sgtownship.com.



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STAYING INFORMED ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY

The Village of Sugar Grove strives to effectively communicate information to our residents in a timely manner. We encourage residents to use the resources below to keep informed of issues and events that are happening in the Village.

- **Village of Sugar Grove Website** – The Village website is the best communication tool to keep you informed of upcoming meetings, events and happenings in the Village as well as a great resource for questions and concerns you may have about Sugar Grove. Meeting agendas, minutes, and updates on Village projects are just a few of the items available online. Visit the official Village of Sugar Grove website at www.sugargroveil.gov.
- **Facebook** – The Village of Sugar Grove is on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SugarGroveIL/. “Like” the page to get updates on Village events and other timely information.
- **Email Notifications** – We encourage all residents to subscribe to receive email notifications so you can stay abreast of Village activities at www.sugargroveil.gov/subscriptions. You may choose to receive notifications regarding any combination of the following: Board Agendas, Plan Commission Agendas, Police Department Alerts, or Newsletter information.

If you do not find the information you are looking for on our website or if you have additional questions, please contact Village staff during normal business hours at 630-391-7200.

2019 ROAD PROGRAM

To best utilize Motor Fuel Tax and Village funds, Public Works Staff and the Village engineering firm annually review the condition of Village roads and recommend Resurfacing or Preventative Maintenance programs to the Village Board. Preventative maintenance such as microsurfacing and cracksealing is used to prolong a road’s life cycle. Patching and resurfacing are completed when the condition of the road is beyond preventative maintenance.

The Village Board reviewed the recommendations for the 2019 Road Program and voted to move forward with several projects. As part of the 2019 Road Program, Wheeler Road, Capitol Drive, Bucktail Lane, Maple Street and McCannon Street will receive patching. In addition, microsurfacing and ADA improvements will be completed in the Walnut Woods neighborhood. Cracksealing on Bastian Drive, Cross Street, Frontage Road, Joy Street, Meadows Drive, Neil Road, Patricia Lane, Richards Street, Terry Drive and the Granart Road Bridge will also be completed.



WATER CONSERVATION

In order to ensure that there is an adequate water supply for drinking, bathing and fire protection this summer, all residents are encouraged to comply with the Village's water conservation ordinance. Water conservation measures are an important first step in protecting our water supply.

All properties connected to the Village Water System must adhere to the following water restrictions:

- Even-numbered street addresses may water on even-numbered calendar dates between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Odd-numbered street addresses may water on odd-numbered calendar dates between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Automatic watering of trees and shrubs by means of root feeders within the drip line of the tree or shrub follow the even/odd restrictions stated above. There are no restrictions when watering with a hand held device.

The planting of sod or grass seed is prohibited during the months of July and August unless you use a water source other than the Village Water System. Outside of the restricted summer months, property owners or residents who want to continuously water a newly seeded or sodded lawn must obtain a permit at the Public Works Department, located at 601 Heartland Drive, 630-391-7230. There is no fee for this permit; however, violators will be fined.

There are no restrictions when filling swimming pools that are fifty (50) gallons or less. All properties with swimming pools more than fifty (50) gallons must follow the even/odd watering restrictions during permitted hours of use.

DO YOU NEED A PERMIT FOR YOUR HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECT? YES!

With warm weather approaching, many residents are making plans for home improvement projects. However, before you get started, make sure to get your building permit. A building permit application must be submitted and issued prior to starting a project. Building permits are required for all construction, including but not limited to: alteration, repair, demolition or movement of all structures including any electrical, mechanical and plumbing, additions, interior remodeling, re-siding, accessory structures and lawn sprinklers.

Occasionally the Village will receive a request for copies of permits or inspection reports by realtors, banks, and potential buyers of a home to insure permits and appropriate inspections were issued and performed. Don't risk your investment by not being able to show that your home improvements were completed correctly and safely.

Completing work without a permit can have other financial implications as permit fees can double and fines may be assessed if work is done without a permit or prior to it being issued. Wall and ceiling materials may have to be removed so inspections can be performed.

If a disaster such as a fire due to bad electrical work or water damage due to improper plumbing, etc. were to occur, the homeowner's insurance company may have the ability to deny the claim due to the work being performed without a permit.

Permit applications and other information are available at www.sugargroveil.gov or contact Community Development at 630-391-7220 or permits@sugargroveil.gov.

WAYS TO PAY YOUR UTILITY BILL

To meet the needs of our residents, the Village of Sugar Grove offers many options to pay your Village utility bill including the ability to pay 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

To pay your utility bill you may:

- Pay your bill online by visiting the BS&A Online Utility Billing Payment Service;
- Pay your bill automatically with Direct Debit from your checking account;
- Pay in Person at Village Hall (credit, debit, cash or check) – 10 S. Municipal Drive, Sugar Grove, IL 60554;
- Use our 24-hour Drop Box located in the parking lot outside the main entrance to Village Hall, 10 S. Municipal Drive, next to the planter;
- Visit the Sugar Grove branches of 1st National Bank, First Secure, and Old Second;
- Pay By Mail – Be sure to allow five days to assure crediting by the due date; or
- On-Line Banking through your Financial Institution. When using your financial institution's banking option it can take up to 10 (ten) business days for a check to reach the Village. If you utilize on-line banking remember there can be delays, so schedule your payment accordingly.

Please note, phone payments are not accepted.

To learn more and to sign-up for online bill pay or direct debit payments, visit www.sugargroveil.gov.

To help our residents "Go Green," the Village offers paperless billing. To sign-up, simply complete the online form found on our website. You will be notified via email when your utility bill is issued instead of receiving a traditional paper bill in the mail. Please note, this is not a direct debit service.

You may contact Utility Billing at 630-391-7200 or by email at fin2@sugargroveil.gov with any questions.

MIDBENTING

may 2019

- May 6 — **Senior Snacks & Games**
SG Community Building @ 1:00 pm
- May 7 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- May 7 — Township of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- May 13 — Sugar Grove Park District
Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- May 15 — Village of Sugar Grove
Planning Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- May 20 — Sugar Grove Fire District
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- May 21 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- May 21 — Sugar Grove Community
Building Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- May 22 — Sugar Grove Library District
Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- May 27 — **Memorial Day**
- May 28 — Sugar Grove Chamber
Board of Directors Mtg @ 12:00 pm
- May 28 — **Senior Monthly Luncheon**
SG Community Building @ 12:00 pm

june 2019

- Jun 1 — **Sugar Grove Farmers
Market Opens** Every Saturday,
June thru September, 8 am to 12 pm
@ Municipal Center Parking Lot
- Jun 3 — **Senior Snacks & Games**
SG Community Building @ 1:00 pm

- Jun 4 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- Jun 4 — Township of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- Jun 10 — Sugar Grove Park District
Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- June 14 — **Free Outdoor Concert**
SG Library @ 7:00 pm
- Jun 17 — Sugar Grove Fire District
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- Jun 18 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- Jun 18 — Sugar Grove Community
Building Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- Jun 19 — Village of Sugar Grove
Planning Meeting @ 7:00 pm
- June 20 — Sugar Grove Chamber
**Annual Community Golf Outing &
Luncheon** @ 11:00 am
- June 25 — Sugar Grove Chamber
Board of Directors Mtg @ 12:00 pm
- Jun 25 — **Senior Monthly Luncheon**
SG Community Building @ 12:00 pm
- Jun 26 — Sugar Grove Library District
Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

july 2019

- Jul 1 — **Senior Snacks & Games**
SG Community Building @ 1:00 pm
- Jul 2 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- Jul 2 — Township of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

July 2 — **Early Bird Registration
Deadline for SG Corn Boil 5K
Run/Walk**

Jul 4 — **Independence Day**

Jul 4 — **Sugar Grove Park District
Independence Day Bike Parade**
Line-up at John Shields @ 12:30 pm

Jul 8 — Sugar Grove Park District
Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Jul 12 — **Free Outdoor Concert**
SG Library @ 7:00 pm

Jul 15 — Sugar Grove Fire District
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Jul 16 — Sugar Grove Chamber
Board of Directors Mtg @ 12:00 pm

Jul 16 — Sugar Grove Community
Building Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Jul 16 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Jul 17 — Village of Sugar Grove
Planning Meeting @ 7:00 pm

July 22 — **Last day to pre-register
for the SG Corn Boil 5K Run/Walk**

Jul 24 — Sugar Grove Library District
Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Jul 25, 26, 27 & 28
Sugar Grove Corn Boil Festival

Jul 27 — Sugar Grove Park District
Corn Boil 5K Run/Walk @ 7:30am

Jul 30 — **Senior Monthly Luncheon**
SG Community Building @ 12:00 pm



News & events

august 2019

Aug 1 — Sugar Grove Park District
**Before and After CARE
Registration Deadline**

Aug 5 — **Senior Snacks & Games**
SG Community Building @ 1:00 pm

Aug 6 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Aug 6 — Township of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Aug 9 — **Free Outdoor Concert**
SG Library @ 7:00 pm

Aug 12 — Sugar Grove Park District
Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Aug 19 — Sugar Grove Fire District
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Aug 20 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Aug 20 — Sugar Grove Community
Building Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Aug 21 — Village of Sugar Grove
Planning Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Aug 27 — **Senior Monthly Luncheon**
SG Community Building @ 12:00 pm

Aug 27 — Sugar Grove Chamber
Board of Directors Mtg @ 12:00 pm

Aug 28 — Sugar Grove Library District
Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

september 2019

Sep 2 — **Labor Day**

Sep 3 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sep 3 — Township of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sep 9 — **Senior Snacks & Games**
SG Community Building @ 1:00 pm

Sep 9 — Sugar Grove Park District
Board Meeting @ 6 pm

Sep 13 — **Free Outdoor Concert**
SG Library @ 7:00 pm

Sep 16 — Sugar Grove Fire District
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sep 17 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Sep 17 — Sugar Grove Community
Building Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Sep 18 — Village of Sugar Grove
Planning Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Sep 24 — Sugar Grove Chamber
Board of Directors Mtg @ 12:00 pm

Sep 24 — **Senior Monthly Luncheon**
SG Community Building @ 12:00 pm

Sep 25 — Sugar Grove Library District
Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Sep 28 — **The Last Sugar Grove
Farmers Market** 8 am to 12 pm
@ Municipal Center Parking Lot

october 2019

Oct 1 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Oct 1 — Township of Sugar Grove
Regular Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Oct 7 — **Senior Snacks & Games**
SG Community Building @ 1:00 pm

Oct 10 — Sugar Grove Chamber
Luncheon & General Meeting
12:00 pm @ SG Fire Protection District

Oct 14 — **Columbus Day**

Oct 14 — Sugar Grove Park District
Board Meeting @ 6 pm

Oct 21 — Sugar Grove Fire District
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Oct 15 — Village of Sugar Grove
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Oct 15 — Sugar Grove Community
Building Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Oct 16 — Village of Sugar Grove
Planning Meeting @ 7:00 pm

Oct 21 — Sugar Grove Fire District
Board Meeting @ 6:00 pm

Oct 22 — Sugar Grove Chamber
Board of Directors Mtg @ 12:00 pm

Oct 23 — Sugar Grove Library District
Board Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Oct 29 — **Senior Monthly Luncheon**
SG Community Building @ 12:00 pm

Oct 31 — **Halloween**





Sugar Grove Township COMMUNITY BUILDING

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630-777-7961

There was a time when people living in rural communities such as Sugar Grove didn't have a place to meet – a place to come together to discuss common problems and a ways and means of carrying out programs of a community-wide nature.

That problem was solved in our Village 90 years ago and the solution – the development of the Sugar Grove Township Community Building – remains a viable option for those who continue to call Sugar Grove their home today in 2019.

From high school declamatory contests with ticket prices at 10 cents per student to discussions and demonstrations on the canning of poultry, beef and pork for those interested in becoming home canners of meat in the 1930s to homeowner's association meetings, a gathering place for Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts and a voting venue today, the Sugar Grove Township Community Building has been serving the ever-changing needs of Village residents since 1929.

The Sugar Grove Township Community Building remains one of the main places in town for residents to meet. It is supported by an annual tax levy that provides for the maintenance and operation of the building. A Board of Trustees, elected every four years, governs the Building. The Board and its staff meet on

the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Building's parlor. They value public input to inform their decision-making and provide information and insight into what's happening at the Building.

The Building features a large dining room, commercial-sized kitchen, parlor, meeting room and gym with full-court basketball. The Sugar Grove Chamber of Commerce and the Clothes Closet also rent space in the Building. In addition to being used regularly by the aforementioned organizations, the Building is also available for private parties and is the home of numerous community events, such as Holiday in the Grove. If you're looking for a historic place to have your next meeting, festive celebration and more, consider reserving the Sugar Grove Township Community Building, which was built for the needs of Sugar Grove Township residents of yesterday and today.

Call Julie, the building scheduler, at (630) 777-7961 or email her at jwalker@sgtownship.com for information about room availability, deposits and rental rates.

You can also find out more about us through the Township website at www.townshipofsugargrove.com.



SUGAR GROVE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



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BIKE SAFETY

The last vestiges of winter are part of our distant memory and so spring has finally sprung. Which means the lazy days of summer are not too far away. Cruisin' down the Virgil Gilman trail on two wheels can be both a great exercise and an opportunity to soak up the sun's warm rays. Alas, your family's stable of bicycles have been neglected over the brutal Midwestern winter. The proud members of the Sugar Grove Fire Protection District want you to get the most out of your summer fun while playin' it safe. Here are a few tips to get you rollin' once more.

Before using your bicycle, make sure it is ready to ride. You should always inspect your bike to make sure all parts are secure and working properly.

Remember to:

- **Wear a Properly Fitted Bicycle Helmet.** Protect your brain, save your life.
- **Adjust Your Bicycle to Fit.** Stand over your bicycle. There should be 1 to 2 inches between you and the top tube (bar) if using a road bike and 3 to 4 inches if a mountain bicycle. The seat should be level front to back. The seat height should be adjusted to allow a slight bend at the knee when the leg is fully extended. The handlebar height should be at the same level with the seat.
- **Check Your Equipment.** Before riding, inflate tires properly and check that your brakes work.
- **See and Be Seen.** Whether daytime, dawn, dusk, foul weather, or at night, you need to be seen by others. Wearing white has not been shown to make you more visible. Rather, always wear neon, fluorescent, or other bright colors when riding day or night. Also wear something that reflects light, such as reflective tape or markings, or flashing lights. Remember, just because you can see a driver doesn't mean the driver can see you.
- **Control Your Bicycle.** Always ride with at least one hand on the handlebars. Carry books and other items in a bicycle carrier or backpack.
- **Watch for and Avoid Road Hazards.** Be on the lookout for hazards such as potholes, broken glass, gravel, puddles, leaves, and dogs. All these hazards can cause a crash. If you are riding with friends and you are in the lead, yell out and point to the hazard to alert the riders behind you.

- **Avoid Riding at Night.** It is far more dangerous to ride at night than during the day because you are harder for others to see. If you have to ride at night, wear something that makes you more easily seen by others. Make sure you have reflectors on the front and rear of your bicycle (white lights on the front and red rear reflectors are required by law in many States), in addition to reflectors on your tires, so others can see you.

Many bicycle-related crashes resulting in injury or death are associated with the bicyclist's behavior, including such things as not wearing a bicycle helmet, riding into a street without stopping, turning left or swerving into traffic that is coming from behind, running a stop sign, and riding the wrong way in traffic. To maximize your safety, always wear a helmet AND follow the rules of the road.

VILLAGE OF SUGAR GROVE OPEN BURNING REGULATIONS

Recreational Purposes: Recreational camp fires of less than three feet (3') in diameter burning untreated wood only, within a contained area, is allowed between 10:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. Sunday through Thursday and 10:00 A.M. through 1:00 A.M. on Friday and Saturday.

Festive and/or ceremonial burnings in excess of three feet (3') in diameter with a permit issued by the Village. The Village Administrator or his/her designee shall review the permit request and may approve a permit with certain conditions or deny the request on the grounds of public safety when appropriate. Permitted burning hours shall be between the hours of 10:00 A.M. until 10:00 P.M. Sunday through Thursday and 10:00 A.M. through 1:00 A.M. on Friday and Saturday. Please call 630-391-7200 for an application.

Open fires used for cooking food at public or private gatherings, provided that such fires are exclusively for said purposes between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M. Sunday through Thursday and 7:00 A.M. through 1:00 A.M. on Friday and Saturday.

Landscape Debris: Leaves, diseased trees, and tree debris only may be burned on the premises on which they are generated, provided the burning takes place between ten o'clock (10:00) A.M. and six o'clock (6:00) P.M., with the wind velocity being less than ten (10) miles per hour. Burning leaves and debris must be completely extinguished after six o'clock (6:00) P.M., or if not attended as per Section 4-6-5 of this Chapter.



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SUGAR GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY ANNUAL REPORT

Have you seen a copy of the annual report for our last fiscal year? You may pick up a copy at the Library, or download it from our web site under “Open Information.” In it you will find an overview of our financials, patron feedback, resource use and more. Our snapshot page indicates we had 70,931 visitors last year, 327,999 resources circulated, we presented 509 programs and our computers were used 18,374 times. Wow! If you would like more information on the history, challenges and value of the Library please stop by for a personal conversation.

GALLERY 125 INFORMATION

The Library is pleased to partner with Waubensee Lifelong Learning Institute for a spring art show. Lifelong Learning Institute is an open membership organization for adults over 50, actively engaged in the pursuit of knowledge.

The works exhibited in Gallery 125 include efforts from 16 different artists and about 36 pieces in multi-media creative pursuits. A display book will provide biographical information and contact information in the event that a member of the public would like to purchase a piece. The exhibit will be available until late May.

Our next open call will be for a summer show, please stay tuned for details.

LIGHT THE WAY

The Library is currently working to retrofit our lighting fixtures to LED lighting as the manufacturing of our current bulbs is ceasing. Though there is a cost to the project, the returns should be readily evident in our future electricity bills. We also installed additional lighting in the women’s restroom for better visibility and repaired the surrounding exterior floodlights and flagpole lights. We hope to add additional lighting in the Children’s Department, especially important in the dark winter months. Taking care of our building, and being a good steward to the taxpayer investment is very important as we cross the ten year mark of the “new” Library.

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

Our Summer Reading Program is set to kick off on June 1st, with a host of prizes available beginning June 10th. You can register for the program and read to earn rewards, all put together to motivate kids to keep reading through the summer. Avoid the “summer slide” and keep strengthening literacy skills in a fun format of activities and events all space and science themed. You may pick up a full brochure of dates and events at the Youth Services Desk.

YOUTH SPECIAL EVENTS

**Programs requiring registration are listed with an asterisk.*

Amy Peters Concert*

Music, movement, and more! All ages
Sat, May 4, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Summer Reading Kickoff

Kick off the Summer Reading Program with special guests, crafts, balloon animals and more!
All ages
Sat, June 1, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday Movie Matinéés

Enjoy a weekly free movie and popcorn. All ages
Tue, June 11 – July 30, 1:00 p.m.

Geocaching Program*

Join the world’s largest treasure hunt! Learn the skills to enjoy this activity all summer.
Grades K-6th
Mon, June 10, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Dads and Donuts Story Time*

Bring your dad or male caregiver for a delicious Story Time. All ages
Sat, June 15, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Story Stroll*

Stretch your legs and read giant pages of a children’s book on a local nature path. All ages
Mon, June 17, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Lego Free Play for Families*

Everything is awesome! Build Lego creations and do Lego activities together as a family! All ages
Wed, June 19, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Geocaching Program*

Continue your geocaching quest with the world’s largest treasure hunt! Grades K-6th
Mon, June 24, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

“Trash to Treasure” Recycled Crafts*

Create fun, recycled crafts and turn trash into treasure! Grades K-6th
Mon, July 8, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover and Brunch*

Your favorite stuffed animal is invited for a sleepover at the library! Toddlers and Preschoolers only
Sat, July 13, 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Story Stroll*

Stretch your legs and read giant pages of a children’s book on a local nature path. All ages
Mon, July 15, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

“Trash to Treasure” Recycled Crafts*

Create fun, recycled crafts and turn trash into treasure! Grades K-6th
Mon, July 22, 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

School’s Out for Columbus Day!

Watch a movie, play games, and build with the Toydle Fort Building Kit! All ages
Mon, Oct 14: Movie at 1:00 p.m.;
Games and Toydle, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Halloween Celebration

Halloween Story Time, Trick or Treating, crafts, & more! All ages

Sat, Oct 26, events all day

REGULAR LITERACY PROGRAMS

Read to Rover*

Practice reading with friendly Fox Valley Therapy Dogs. Grades K-5th

Monthly on 2nd Sat, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Baby Story Time

Books, songs and rhymes. Ages 0-18 months
Drop-in for biweekly morning sessions.

Toddler Story Time*

Rhymes, fingerplay, games, and stories. Ages 18 months-3 years

Register for biweekly morning sessions.

Preschool Story Time*

Stories, games, rhymes, and crafts. Ages 3-5 years

Register for biweekly morning sessions.

Night Time Family Story Time*

Songs, stories, rhymes, and more. All ages

Register for weekly evening sessions.

Lego Club*

Everything is awesome! Build creations for display and do Lego activities! Grades K-5th
Monthly, June-Aug and Sept-Dec, 4:30 p.m.

Curiosity Club*

Games, activities, and books for curious kids! Grades K-2nd

Monthly, May-July and Sept-Nov, 4:30 p.m.

Books and Cookies Club*

Have fun with books, activities & cookies (Yum!) Grades 3rd-5th

Monthly, May-July and Sept-Nov, 4:30 p.m.

Check the Library website and calendar for additional events and more information!
All events subject to change.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Age Requirement Notice: Teen programs are for teens entering ages 11-18 or enrolled in grades 6-12 in Fall 2019. Younger siblings may not attend. Registration is required for all teen programs at www.sgpl.org.

Interviewing Skills Workshop for Teens

Learn about job interview & college scholarship interview strategies during this workshop.

Tues, May 6, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Teen Library Leaders

This is a monthly service opportunity for teens to help the library with book displays, decorating the Teen Zone, and other fun tasks! Receive one volunteer hour for attending this program.

Select Saturdays from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Chess Club

Grades 4-8: Love chess? Join our chess club! There will be a puzzle or a new strategy at the beginning of each session, followed by playing a game of chess.

Wed, May 8, 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Wed, May 22, 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Teen Summer Volunteer Orientation

This is an orientation session for Volunteers who have registered for our Teen Summer Volunteer Program. The application for this program can be found online at www.sgpl.org/donate.

Sat, May 25, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Tues, May 29, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Teen Book Club Café

During the meeting, we'll share our favorite recently read books, do a bookish craft, and hear from the librarian about new release books. Snacks and drinks served.

Thur, June 13, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Teen Tuesday Summer Crafternoons

Galaxy Jars: Tues, June 11, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Bad Art: Tues, June 25, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Tie-Dyed Tote Bags:

Tues, July 9, 2019, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Custom Vinyl Sticker & Magnet Workshop:

Tues, July 23, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

DIY Squishies: Tues, Aug 6, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Fortnite Party

The popular computer game comes to life at the Sugar Grove Public Library! Drop in, scavenge for materials, and try to be the last one standing. Grades 3-7.

Wed, July 17, 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

ADULT SPECIAL EVENTS

Programs require registration but are open to all.

Networking Roundtable

Join other business professionals for roundtable networking moderated by a SCORE volunteer.

Wed, June 5, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Craft Night: Vision Boards

Join us for an evening of focusing your goals into pictures on a Vision Board!

Mon, May 13, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Equus Film Screening: Desert Flight

Join us for screenings of films for horse lovers!

Wed, June 5, 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Apollo 11: One Giant Leap – A Historical Portrayal

Hear astronaut Neil Armstrong (as played by historical actor Terry Lynch) recount the lead up to the first moon landing.

Sun, July 14, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Equus Film Screening: The Great Flip Off

Join us for a screening of a film for horse lovers!

Wed. Sept 4, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Before You Call a Handyman

A professional handyman will discuss several of the most common fixes you can do for yourself with a small home tool kit.

Sun, Aug 4, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

CLUBS & RECURRING MEETINGS FOR ADULTS

Tech Time

Schedule a one-on-one appointment time with a librarian to get your questions answered about how to use your phone, tablet, or computer.

Sundays at 3:00 p.m. & Thursdays at 12:00 p.m.

Sunday Movie Matinée

Join us for a popular or award-winning new release movie on select Sundays. Please check the library calendar at www.sgpl.org to find out which popular movie we'll show. Popcorn & drinks will be served. Registration is encouraged but not required.

Select Sundays at 3:00 p.m.

Sugar Stitchers Knitting Group

New knitters of all ages are always welcome to join. Please check the library calendar at www.sgpl.org for exact dates and more information.

Meets on select Mondays at 1:00 p.m. Select drop-in dates meet at 7:00 p.m.

BOOK CLUBS

Books are available for pick up at the Circulation Desk one month before the meeting.

Adult Book Discussion Group

This group meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

Mystery Book Club

This group meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

Books and Brews Book Club

This book club meets on select Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Adults 21+ are invited join a unique book discussion that will pair a new book with a new beer each month. This book club is moderated by a librarian.

Tales and Trails Book Club

This group meets offsite on the second Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am. The meeting place is the V.L. Gilman Trail entrance on Galena across from Christ Community Church. We walk and talk for this book club! Dogs and strollers are welcome. Please be sure to register at www.sgpl.org, so we don't leave you behind on the trail.



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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

The Sugar Grove Park District is seeking community input as it develops its next strategic plan.

“This strategic plan is significant because it will lead us through our 20th anniversary and will be our guide as we look for ways to enhance park and recreation opportunities for residents,” said Karen Pritchard, executive director of the park district.

Since the last survey was conducted in 2008, the park district has increased program options and recreation spaces to enjoy. “We’ve maintained strong intergovernmental agreements, parks, and trails and have seen program growth. We’ve added Harter Community Park, Woof Run Dog Park and recently acquired the Sugar Grove Sports Complex,” said Pritchard. “We value transparency and input from our community and want to ensure that our community members are included in this process.”

The survey is tailored to issues of strategic importance to gauge community needs and plan for the future effectively. “Establishing priorities for the future improvement of parks and recreation programs, facilities and services within our community creates a healthy foundation to continue growing from for decades to come,” said Sean Carmody, park board president.

Pritchard is hosting in-person focus groups with key stakeholders such as governmental partners and other special interest groups.

The community is encouraged to complete the survey form at sgparks.org/survey and email their responses to survey@sgparks.org.

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