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Village of Summit, IL.

Summer, 2024

Founded in 1890

THE SUMMIT

A Village on the Rise



FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR SERGIO RODRIGUEZ

Congratulations to the 2024 graduates! Continue success in your future endeavors and continue to make your family and community proud.

Cicadas are (finally) back after 17 years. Their high-pitch buzz can reach 100 decibels and expect a crunchy sound as their carcasses will be scattered along the ground. They live only a short time — usually 6 weeks — and by July 1st, most will already be gone.

The Village continues to push forward with making improvements to our infrastructure, starting with lead line replacement. This will be a long process, but the Village was able to secure a \$22 million, 100% forgivable five-year loan from the IEPA. The Village is also looking to reconnect two emergency water intake valves on Harlem Ave.



Special tips on the upcoming cicada emergence. Read more about it on **page 6**.

Finally, the Village will be submitting a grant application to the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program to help us replace the 74th Ave Pedestrian Bridge. Applications showing strong public support will be looked upon very favorably, so the Village will be launching a community campaign to help get the community involved. We would very much appreciate it if you take the time to sign a letter of support and help us better our infrastructure!

FIFTH-GENERATION AND FAMILY-OWNED C.C. WAGNER SUMMIT'S VERY OWN

Cornelius C. Wagner Jr. founded C.C. Wagner Jr. Coal and Wood in 1908 to help supply the greater Summit community with their coal and hardware needs. As more households transitioned away from coal as a heating source, the store moved towards primarily selling lumber, where it has been their specialty ever since. Five generations later, the family-owned business is still operating strong. [see Wagner, page 5]



HELP US REPLACE THE 74TH AVE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE!

The Village of Summit is embarking on a grant application to help replace the 74th Ave Pedestrian Bridge and public participation is vital. We need your help and support! [see BRIDGE, page 6]



Summer

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Congratulations to the Class of 2024! You made it! Whether you are graduating from kindergarten or college, I wish you nothing but success entering into this new chapter of your life. Cherish all the memories you have made along the way and embrace whatever the future holds for you.



PLEASE REVIEW E-RECYCLE DAY GUIDELINES BELOW

Village of Summit Collection Requirements

- Electronics must be curbside by **6:00 AM**
- Limit of seven items per request
- Maximum of two TVs or monitors (TVs not exceeding 60 inches or 100 pounds)
- Flip this card over to see the list of accepted items

Dog Licenses

Be sure your pet is licensed with the Village! Forms are available at the Strzelczyk Municipal Center and should be renewed on an annual basis.

E-Recycle Day

Our annual E-Recycle Day this year is July 19th. Please note

there are guidelines to follow on what can and cannot be disposed of. We will continue to post these guidelines on our website and social media leading up to the event.

VEHICLE STICKERS

2024-2025 VEHICLE STICKERS ON SALE MAY 15th

	Before 6/30/2024	After 07/01/2024
Passenger	\$ 35.00	\$ 70.00
Motorcycle	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00
RV	\$ 40.00	\$ 80.00
Taxi-cab	\$ 70.00	\$ 140.00
Tow Truck	\$ 115.00	\$ 230.00
Class B	\$ 65.00	\$ 130.00
Class D & F	\$ 95.00	\$ 190.00
Class H	\$ 165.00	\$ 330.00



HOW TO PURCHASE

ONLINE	AT STRZELCZYK MUNICIPAL CENTER	AT POLICE DEPARTMENT
www.summit-il.org	7321 W 59 th St. Summit, IL. 60501	5810 S. Archer Rd. Summit, IL. 60501

- You will need a State issued ID, as well as vehicle registration identifying your residence within the Village of Summit.
- Remember to bring your renewal notice with you if purchasing in person.
- If you do not have a renewal notice, you will need to fill out an application.

SENIOR DISCOUNT

***ONE FREE STICKER PER HOUSEHOLD**

- Must apply in person.
- Must present a valid ID.
- Only one sticker per household will qualify for no charge.



VEHICLE STICKERS MUST BE PURCHASED BY

MONDAY, JULY 1st, 2024

QUESTIONS?
Contact the Village at 708-563-4800

- STICKERS PURCHASED AFTER 7/1/24 SUBJECT TO HIGHER RATE
- Applications and stickers can be picked up Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and every Saturday in June 9:00 a.m. to noon.

LRS ACCEPTED ELECTRONIC ITEMS

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Cable Receivers | Electronic Keyboards |
| Cellular Phones | Computer Mice |
| Computers | Fax Machines |
| • Desktops | MP3 Players |
| • Laptops | Printers |
| • Notebooks | Satellite Receivers |
| • Tablets | Scanners |
| Digital Converter Boxes | TVs & Monitors |
| DVD Players | VCRs |
| DVD Recorders | Video Game Consoles |

SMALL ELECTRONICS PICK-UP

- Place small electronics in a paper bag or sturdy cardboard box.
- Clearly mark "E-WASTE" in large letters on the bag or box.



Questions? Contact LRS:
Online: LRSrecycles.com/Summit
Email: Service@LRSrecycles.com
Phone: 844.Need.LRS

Mel Ortiz, Police Chief

Although summer is here and school is out, we still have kids attending summer sessions and activities at some of the schools. Please be mindful while driving through the residential streets and around schools.

Please purchase your **2024-2025 stickers** to avoid a citation. Fees are listed on the application.

Please note that the fines for parking in a "Resident Parking Only" location as a non-resident have increased. The initial fine is \$75.00 and if not paid within 10 days it goes up to \$100.00. There will also be a new-zoned area for residents in the area of the high school. The residents in the specified zone will have a different village sticker associated with the restricted parking zone. If you do not have a sticker specific to this zone, you will be cited for "Resident Parking Only".

There has been an increase in vehicle burglaries recently. Please lock your vehicle and secure any valuables. The majority

of reported burglaries have been from having unlocked car doors and having valuables in sight.

With the success of our initial **Stop the Bleed class**, the police department is intending to hold another class open to the public. We will post a date, time, and location on our web page when it has been arranged. We look forward to an engaging class with an opportunity to provide potentially lifesaving skills to our neighbors.

As always, remember to follow **summitcrimewatch.com** for all updates on our department.



Office phone: 563-4830
Anonymous Tip Hotline: 563-8100
Email: mortiz124@summitpd.net

Jerry Rosales, Superintendent of Public Works

PERMITS

For any home improvement project, a permit is required regardless if you are planning to do the work yourself or hire a contractor. To obtain an application, please visit the Municipal Building at 7321 W. 59th Street. You will also need to submit a copy of the proposal and – for some permits – a copy of your plat survey. It is also important to note that all contractors must be licensed with the Village of Summit and permit fees are based on construction cost. Inspections are \$100.00 each.

INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT

Public Works has started grading alleys, repairing streets, and trimming trees. Please report any street light outages or missing street signs by calling **708-563-4809**.

YARD WASTE PICKUP AND DEBRIS

Yard waste pickup began April 5th. Please make sure to place yard waste in appropriate containers or waste bags. If paper-recycling bags are being used, keep the weight and moisture at a limit so bags don't rip.

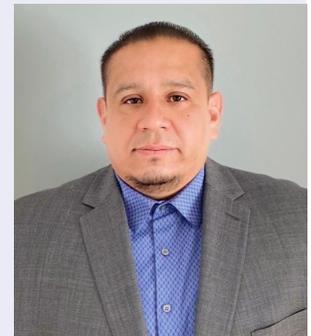
Please control the overflow of garbage and keep our yards and alleys free of waste and debris. Every resident is responsible for maintaining the alley behind your garage/home, which means trimming weeds and cleaning debris.



The Village Water Department has recycling containers for plastic, paper, and glass. They are located at the Metra Station. If anyone is caught dumping construction material, furniture, tires or any other garbage that does not belong in the recycling bins you will be fined. If you would like to dispose of tires, paints and chemicals please call the **Illinois EPA at 1-800-CleanUp (253-2687)** to find the nearest location.

PET WASTE

If you are walking your dog, it must be leashed and licensed with the Village. Please be mindful of picking up after your dogs or a fine will be assessed. **Remember to immediately clean up after your dog and dispose of it properly because this will keep rodents away.** Additionally, do not feed the squirrels or leave food out for cats or a fine will also be assessed. Village will continue to bait in the alleys but residents must do their part so we can work together to keep rodents away.



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Tony Anderson, Fire Chief

As Chief Anderson completes his first year as the new Fire Chief, we celebrate some remarkable accomplishments under his leadership:

- Three successful CPR classes enhancing community safety and preparedness.
- The department's first blood drive .
- Oversaw crucial updates to the International Fire Codes from the 2003 to the 2021 edition, ensuring our standards are current and effective.

NOTABLE PROMOTIONS

- We are pleased to announce the promotion of **Ken Lungren** to the position of Deputy Chief of the Summit Fire Department. With 13 years of dedicated service to the department, Ken has demonstrated exceptional leadership, commitment, and expertise. Congratulations, **Deputy Chief Lungren!**
- We are proud to announce the appointment of **Stephanie Cole** as the first female Fire Inspector and EMS Coordinator for the Summit Fire Department. **Congratulations Stephanie!**

NEW FIRE INSPECTION INITIATIVE

We will begin conducting fire inspections for local businesses starting in late June. This initiative aims to enhance safety and compliance within our community, ensuring that all establishments meet the necessary fire safety standards. Our dedicated team is com-

mitted to working collaboratively with business owners to promote a safer environment for everyone

ENHANCING EMERGENCY RESPONSES

We are making significant advancements to enhance our emergency response capabilities. We have placed an order for a new ambulance, which is scheduled for delivery in three years. In the meantime, we have also acquired a state-of-the-art cardiac monitor from Philips, equipped with the latest advanced technology. These upgrades will significantly improve our ability to provide top-notch emergency medical care to our community.



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Tips for a Safe Summer

- Stay hydrated and apply sunscreen regularly.
- Wear appropriate protective gear like helmets and pads.
- Properly storing and cooking food to avoid food-borne illnesses.
- Follow guidelines for fire safety during barbecues and campfires.



2023 WATER QUALITY REPORT RELEASED

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) every year produces a report on the quality of the Village's water to ensure it is safe to drink. Here are some of the specific data from the testing:

Regulated Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	Units	Municipality	Violation	Collection Date	Likely Source of Contaminants
Chlorine	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	1	0.7 – 1.2	ppm	Summit	N	2023	Water additive used to control microbes.
	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	1	1 – 1	ppm	Chicago	N	2023	
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	No Goal	60	13	8.73 -- 18.5	ppb	Summit	N	2023	By-product of drinking water disinfection
	No Goal	60	15	6 – 26.9	ppb	Chicago	N	2023	
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	No Goal	80	26	13.13 -- 45.0	ppb	Summit	N	2023	
	No Goal	80	30	16 – 51	ppb	Chicago	N	2023	
	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Municipality	Violation	Date	Likely Source of Contaminants
Lead	0	15	7.7	1	ppb	Summit	N	9/22/2022	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.
	0	15	7.7	1	ppb	Chicago	N	2023	
Copper	1.3	1.3	0.044	0	ppm	Summit	N	9/22/2022	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
	1.3	1.3	0.079	0	ppm	Chicago	N	2023	

Important Information About Your Water Quality

Please visit <https://summit-il.org/waterquality> to view your complete 2023 Annual Water Quality Report. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water during 2023. To obtain a paper copy of the report, please call 708-563-4830, or visit the Strzelczyk Municipal Center at: 7321 W. 59th Street Summit, IL 60501.



WAGNER

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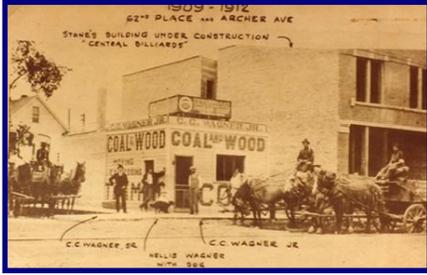
Originally located at 62nd Place and Archer Ave, C.C. Wagners moved to its current location at 6401 S. Archer Road in 1955 under the ownership Cornelius' son, Nellis Wagner. When Nellis passed away in 1993, his son George became owner, followed by his son John. Today, John and his entire family help run the store – including his wife Bonnie and four kids: Jessica, Gunner, Kyle and Hutton.



“Working with family is stressful at times, but rewarding,” said **Hutton Wagner**, who helps manage the store.

In 2003, the store underwent a major partnership with Ace Hardware to help offer customers more select products. It is also only one of two Ace-affiliated hardware stores in the area that has a lumberyard – with the second being in Westmont.

As a small mom and popshop, one of the biggest challenges over the years for Wagner is having to compete with Big Box Stores, such as Home Depot and Lowes. Still, the store has its dedicated clientele of residents, contractors and even employees.



Summit resident **Rick Wesolowski** has been working for Wagner since 1975. His father and siblings have even worked for the company.

Although a lot has changed in 116 years, the one thing that has been constant C.C. Wagner’s Summit roots.

“The Village has been very supportive in allowing us to conduct business, said Hutton Wagner. “My family has been proud to call Summit home for all of these years.”

The store is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

GETTING TO KNOW . . . VILLAGE TRUSTEE LORENA MANRIQUEZ

As Lorena and her husband Fernando were house hunting back in 2009, a friend from Lyons recommended the couple look at the Village of Summit. Fifteen years and two Argo graduates later, Manriquez now serves as a Village Trustee.

Manriquez was heavily involved with her community even prior to being elected Trustee in 2023. As her kids grew and attended Graves Elementary and then Heritage Middle School, Manriquez had an interest in getting involved in their education.

In 2015, a position to sit on SD104’s board opened up and Manriquez applied. Although she received an interview, she did not get the position. Manriquez was presented with another opportunity a few years later and she was appointed.

“I wanted to get involved because I was not happy with the then-present state of communications between the school and parents,” Manriquez said. “The delayed responses or no responses concerned me and, as a parent, made me worried. Because I felt we were underserved, I decided to run for the school board.”

Manriquez joined the board during a time where there was no short of challenges, including trying to manage and maneuver through the COVID-19 pandemic.

“The virtual meetings were by themselves something to get used to but COVID was definitely a challenging time for students and teachers,” Manriquez said. “Our teachers, staff, and students did a great job in adjusting and persevered. It was amazing to see our community of parents and teachers come together to overcome those obstacles.”

Another key accomplishment during Manriquez’s tenure on the board was finalizing the plans for a new administrative building — which completed and opened this spring.

Just as a SD104 board member, Manriquez said communication and transparency with the community will always remain a top priority for her as a Village Trustee.

“Summit is everything my husband and I were looking for,” Manriquez said. “I was easily able to get involved in the community and want to make sure we continue to extend those opportunities to our residents. We are very blessed to live here.”

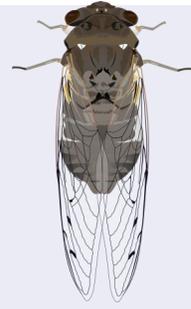


HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT

Historical Spotlight

After a 17 year hiatus, the cicadas are back in 2024. Here are some tips to help better prepare you:

- ⇒ Keep all your trees well-watered and disease-free; this will allow them to recover from any potential cicada damage this summer.
- ⇒ After leaves emerge, but before the cicadas arrive, young trees, including those with few developed branches, can be covered with a fine protective netting, such as tulle fabric. Close gaps in the netting with binder clips, clothespins, or staples, and gather the fabric around the trunk as close to the ground as possible.
- ⇒ Remove the netting after the brood has died off. During the cicada season, TreeKeepers should avoid removing any netting they might find wrapped around trees in their neighborhoods. It is there to protect the trees!



BRIDGE

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Community Focus



The 74th Avenue Pedestrian Bridge is located along 74th Avenue – south of 59th Street – and helps pedestrians cross the Illinois Harbor Belt Railroad. Unfortunately, the bridge has reached its useful structural life and is not ADA compliant. We are looking to change that.

GET YOUR TEMPLATE

For residents willing to help, you can find a template letter on our website or by scanning the QR code blow.



HOW TO SEND TO US

- ⇒ Once dated, signed, printed, and completed, please email your letter to info@summit-il.org as a scanned, pdf copy.
- ⇒ You can also drop off your signed letter to our municipal office at **7321 W. 59th Street.**

We appreciate your help and support with this very important project.

MAYOR AND VILLAGE BOARD HELP PLANT 33 TREES

You might see more green throughout town this summer! The Mayor and Village Board helped plant 33 trees south of 60th Street as part of their annual initiative with the non-profit Openlands.



FREE WHITE SOX TICKETS FOR VETERANS

The Cook County Clerk's Office is teaming up with the Chicago White Sox to offer Cook County veterans and active-duty military personnel a free ticket to a regular-season White Sox game for the 2024 season.

Please visit our website for more information.

FREE WHITE SOX TICKET FOR VETERANS

The Cook County Clerk's Office is again Teaming Up with the Chicago White Sox to offer a Game Ticket to Veterans, Active-Duty Military, National Guard & Reserves

THREE STEPS AND YOU'RE OUT TO THE BALLGAME!

- 1** **Step 1:** You Must Sign-up for the free Military and Veterans Discount Card with the Cook County Clerk's Office.
- 2** **Step 2:** Present your new or existing Military and Veterans Discount Card at the Gate 4 Box Office window at Guaranteed Rate Field within two hours of game time.
- 3** **Step 3:** Claim your complimentary ticket (outside the bases) and cheer on your Chicago White Sox this 2024 season!

Sign-up at cookcountyclerk.com/veterans or by visiting 118 N. Clark, Room 100, Chicago, IL 60602.
For more information, call the Cook County Clerk's Veterans Services Office at (312) 603-8788.

Ticket is subject to availability and is good for Monday – Thursday home games; excludes games held June 24, 25 and 26 as well as August 12, 13 and 14.

TRUSTEE PARKER HONORED AGAIN AT WHITE HOUSE BY PRESIDENT BIDEN

For the second time in a year, Village Trustee Marvel Parker was invited to the White House by President Joe Biden to patriciate in a forum honoring women's history. The forum was stemmed from President's Biden executive order on recognizing and honoring women's history. You can watch the full forum by visiting the village website.



WHO ARE MY ELECTED OFFICIALS?

Federal Officials		
Senator Dick Durbin	230 S. Dearborn Street Suite 3892 Chicago, IL 60604	(312) 353 4952
Senator Tammy Duckworth	230 South Dearborn Street, Suite 3900 Chicago, IL 60604	(312) 886-3506
Congressman Chuy Garcia	4376 S Archer Ave Chicago, IL 60632	(773) 475-0833
State Officials		
Senator Mike Porfirio	6215 West 79th Street STE 1A Burbank, IL 60459	(708) 430-2510
State Rep. Abdelnasser Rashid	6901 W. Cermak Road Berwyn, IL 60402	(708) 956-7563
County		
Commissioner Frank Aguilar	7833 Ogden Lyons, IL 60534	(708) 447-5461

SUMMIT BULLETIN BOARD

NEWS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT



March 5, 2024

- The Board authorized and approved the sale of various real estate owned by the Village and a resolution was passed authorizing participation in the 2024 Cook County Community Block Grant Program for alley rehabbing in the amount of \$385,000.

March 18, 2024

- The Village Board honored Rev. Wheeler Parker Jr. by proclaiming March 18th Rev. Wheeler Parker Jr. Day.

April 15, 2024

- Mayor Rodriguez and the Board of Trustees recognized six outstanding Summit School District 104 students for their recent achievements at the IESA and IKWF State Tournaments. These six individuals on the Heritage Middle School Wrestling Team were all State Qualifiers in their respective tournament, with one placing 6th overall in the state and another placing 4th. Additionally, the girls team placed 4th overall in the state.

May 6, 2024

- Residential parking fees were raised from \$30 to \$75 for those who park illegally in residential space.
- An intergovernmental agreement between the Village and Cook County Bureau of Asset Management (Build Up Cook Program) was approved to assist with future infrastructure projects.
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- The Mayor's proclamation to recognize National Safe Boating Week for May 18th to 24th was presented. A proclamation for Motorcycle Awareness Month was also presented.

May 20, 2024

- Approved various business licenses.
- Approved Romo Mattress and Furniture's request for a special event at 6245 S. Archer Rd. from June 21st to June 23rd.



Join us for
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August 6th, 2024

Summit Park
District,
5:00 - 8:00 pm.
For more
information visit
summit-il.org and
click on the Police
Department



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VILLAGE OF SUMMIT
Strzelczyk Municipal Center
7321 W. 59TH Street
Summit, IL 60501

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
1ST Saturday of month: 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Summit Village Hall (708) 563-4800
Village Clerk (708) 563-4807

FOR SERVICES CALL:

Emergency 911
Police Department non-emergency (708) 563-4830
Fire Department non emergency (708) 594-3894
Public Works Department (708) 563-4809
Water / Sewer Billing (708) 563-4817

OFFICIALS:

MAYOR **SERGIO RODRIGUEZ**
CLERK **COLLEEN LAMBERT**

TRUSTEES

Setki "Sam" Dardovski Marvel Parker
Sonia Ponce Lorena Manriquez
Mayra Ortiz Aurora Rodriguez

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Mailing Address Line 5



WEBSITES TO KNOW

Summit Park District
www.summitparks.org

Summit Public Library District
www.summitlibrary.info

Cook School District 104
www.sd104.us

Argo Community High School District 217
www.argohs.net

Township of Lyons
www.lyonstownshipil.gov

Illinois Department of Public Health
www.dph.illinois.gov

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
www.cdc.gov

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

June 17TH: Village Board Meeting — Village Hall

June 20TH: Neighborhood Watch Meeting

July 3RD: Fireworks (Summit Park District)

July 6TH: Coffee with the Mayor

July 15TH: Village Board Meeting — Village Hall

July 18TH: Neighborhood Watch Meeting

July 19TH: Village E-Recycle Day

July 26TH to July 28TH : Village Garage Sale

August 3RD: Coffee with the Mayor

August 15TH: Neighborhood Watch Meeting

August 19TH: Village Board Meeting — Village Hall