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LANGSTON WOMAN OF THE YEAR

By Joseph Wiszowaty

SAUK VILLAGE | With so many negative things going on in Sauk Village under the current administration, it's nice to reflect on some positives for a change.

I want to recognize a woman who has contributed her time, talents and treasure for not just 2011 but for years. Rose Langston was an easy choice for 2011 Woman of the Year.

Langston, who stepped up to serve as Chairperson of the Senior Committee after a former Trustee lost her re-election in April of 2011 by nearly a 3 to 1 margin has always been a champion for the Senior Citizens of Sauk Village.

Langston, has attended Village Board meetings for decades, takes copious notes and has always voiced her opinion and

concerns especially for the senior citizens of Sauk Village.

"If you want to know what's going on in Sauk Village— Rose knows" the late Village Trustee Richard Derosier once said.

Langston who is active not only with the senior citizens but with other village activities as well and is always willing to participate in whatever is going on within the Village.

I have known Rose Langston for 23 years and I knew her late husband Dick Langston. I have always respected Rose Langston because she has never had any political ambitions, she has never made a single dime for what she's done and what she continues to do..

Some people don't like Rose because, well Rose tells it like it

is and some people don't find that appealing at all. I think it is a fine attribute, one which I've come to admire greatly in this fine young lady. Rose can tell you ever scuff mark in the senior center and every water spot in the sink because she has that much attention to detail and wanting to make sure that things are neat and in order.

Sauk Village is lucky to have a Rose involved in so many events providing continuity for her fellow senior citizens.

Like her or not she's Rose and a Rose by any other name still costs \$50 for a dozen. But this Rose is priceless and I congratulate her and thank her.

Special mention to the following who I feel are just as deserving but someone had to win. Marva Campbell-Pruitt



for her wonderful service toward the Beautification Committee, Village Trustee Rosie Williams for her tenacity and fighting spirit for the residents of Sauk Village and finally Mrs. Judy Cast, leader of the People Looking for Answers Now. Mrs. Cast's leadership this past Easter was needed when there was no parks and recreation committee. **Next week— Man of the Year!**

TOWERS SUES TAXPAYERS

by Joseph Wiszowaty

SAUK VILLAGE | Not since the days of Nancy L. McConathy has an elected official in Sauk Village sued their own village but Mayor Lewis Towers made good on at least one promise he's made since becoming Mayor in 2009, he is suing the Village and has filed an action in the Cook County Circuit court on Friday. Although McConathy's suit was settled after her death and was

much more complex, the suit filed by Towers is likely going to go all the way to the Illinois Supreme Court to decide since no matter who prevails in Cook County and the Illinois Appellate courts both are likely to appeal to the Supreme Court. The entire cost will be paid by the taxpayers of Sauk Village which only had a \$15 budget surplus which means significant budget cuts are likely in the coming months.

At Tuesday's Village Board

meeting following the override of Towers veto of an ordinance which puts term limits on temporary appointments of the mayor, "Let it also be part of the record that I will be filing an injunction tomorrow" Towers said Tuesday night. Well his timing may have been off but his desire to retain the power sure isn't.

The Village Board's point of view is while the mayor gets to make permanent appoint-

ments and even temporary appointments, the Village Board has the legal authority to limit the terms of temporary appointments so that they are just that, temporary. Citing an Illinois Attorney General's legal opinion on the matter from 1994 as part of the basis for the argument, the Village Board believes that since the State law does not say that the Village Board cannot put "reasonable"

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LAKE MICHIGAN WATER WILL COST \$19.7 MILLION

By Joseph Wiszowaty
SAUK VILLAGE | The Village Board of Trustees agreed to put the question to the people. Should the village change to Lake Michigan water. The vote was 5 to 1 with Trustee Enoch Benson voting no.

Benson had been an advocate for Lake Michigan water, but voted against the ordinance which would allow residents a vote on the matter.

The biggest issue is the huge increase the residents would feel. An average consumers bill would double. According to Robinson Engineering a family who is paying \$141 per bill for water would pay \$287 per bill for water.

The tab for the taxpayers would be \$19.7 million and Lake Michigan water wouldn't run through the water pipes in anyones home until at least December, 2016 but residents water bills would increase immediately to cover the cost of the immediate demands.

The Village would be required to replace about 20% of the water mains to prevent water loss. A mandate that is required by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Another major hurdle is the Village would have to get the Lake Michigan water allocation back, obtain right of ways for the pipeline needed to connect to a Lake Michigan Water source which would likely be Chicago Heights.

The Village would also lose all

control over raising water rates as those rates would be set by the City of Hammond, Indiana and passed down the line to Sauk Village.

Chicago Heights could also add additional costs to Sauk Village to cover upgrades to there system similarly to what Chicago is doing.

Resident and Lake Michigan Water advocate Bernice Houston thinks that the language on the referendum question about the costs associated with the Lake Michigan water question will confuse residents.

Most trustees feel that the residents should have a right to know how much Lake Michigan water will cost. Residents should have all of the information including the cost most trustees agreed.

Benson wanted the village to get "bids" for the cost of obtaining lake water; however, Village engineers indicate that the bidding process does not usually occur until the Village residents decide they want lake water.

The Village's well #3 was discovered to contain a volatile organic compound known as vinyl chloride. Vinyl chloride can occur while using a plastic bowl in a microwave but the chemical is considered a carcinogen.

Village engineer Jim Czarnik advised the Village Board that if they installed air stripping equipment to the Villages existing water system that these levels would be nearly eradicated.

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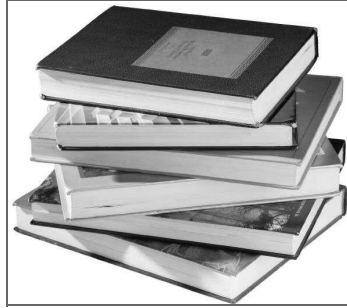


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Winpak facility Construction Underway

By Joseph Wiszowaty

SAUK VILLAGE | Construction continues on the Winpak manufacturing facility in Dermody Properties' / DP Partners' LogistiCenter at Sauk Village. Work will continue into 2012 and is expected to be complete by spring 2012.

Winpak is a multi-national packaging company and currently operates a manufacturing facility in nearby South Chicago Heights, producing plastic cups and trays for food and beverages. Its new 267,000-square-foot facility will be located on a 28-acre site at 1111 Winpak Way. Principle Construction has begun work on the project and will completed the building envelope in November 2011, and the facility will be complete by

March 2012. The expansion will create 40 jobs once the facility is complete, with more jobs in the future based on Winpak's plans to expand the facility to a full 600,000 square feet.

Winpak chose Dermody Properties' / DP Partners' LogistiCenter because of its proximity to Winpak's South Chicago Heights facility and its strategic location. LogistiCenter at Sauk Village is a 325-acre Class A business park, bounded by Illinois state highway 394 on the east, Cottage Grove Avenue on the west, Sauk Trail on the south and the CN on the north. Located within the heavy industrial Calument Expressway Corridor, the park has immediate access to IL 394 and is within six miles of I-80/I-94, making it an ideal location for serving

the tri-state area of Illinois, Indiana and Michigan.

The State of Illinois provided a \$1.6 million business investment package to Winpak Portion Packaging to help fund the new manufacturing facility, which complements the company's \$30 million investment for land, building and equipment. The office of Governor Pat Quinn, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), and the Sauk Village Board of Trustees were all instrumental in facilitating this successful transaction.

The Dermody Properties/ DP Partners team that worked with Winpak during the process included Andy James, Midwestern Regional Partner in Chi-

cago, and John Atwell, COO. Justin Fierz and Brian Vanosky of Lee & Associates represented Winpak, and George Cibula of Darwin Realty represented DP. Principle Construction is the general contractor for the build-to-suit facility.

Winpak's initial construction of the 267,000 square foot facility produced \$435,000 in impact fees to the Village. The impact fees went to pay for the 2007 bond issue that was for the construction of the new Municipal Center.

With the possible expansion of the facility that could produce additional impact fees for the Village in 2012 or when Winpak gets construction underway.

VILLAGE BOARD REVOKES MAYOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER

By Joseph Wiszowaty

SAUK VILLAGE | The Village Board of Trustees held a special meeting on Tuesday in which the Board voted on a motion to revoke Mayor Lewis Towers Executive Order he issued calling for Temporary Police Chief Robert Fox to receive a "village vehicle to take home" to his home in Country Club Hills, the Village quite naturally would pay for the gas and wear and tear. Also a village paid for cell phone, uniform allowance and business cards. The Village has not paid the police officers rank and file uniform allowance and owe about \$35,000. Village Trustee Derrick Burgess challenged Towers and demanded the Mayor

revoke the executive order as it circumvents the Village Board's fiduciary responsibilities.

Towers apparently does not want to work with the Village Board as he said he will veto the Village Board's action to override the veto at which the Village Board will override his veto. The vote on the motion to revoke the mayors order was 5 to 1.

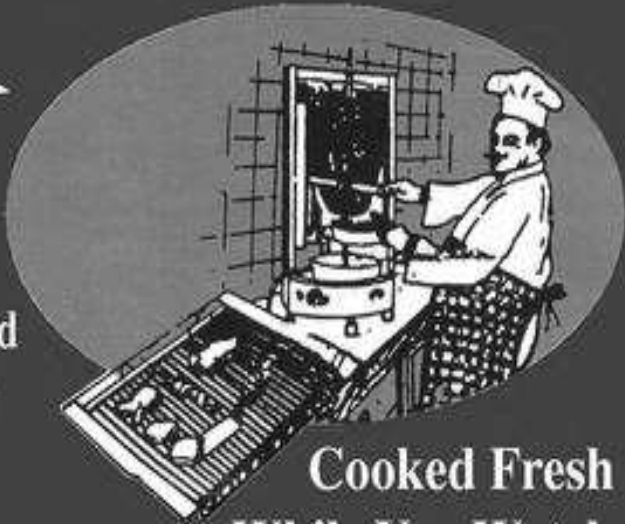
Towers may keep Fox as his temporary chief of police but it's not likely he will be paid and the Village Board is not budging an inch.



Merry Christmas to Sauk Village Village Trustee Derrick & Juanita Burgess

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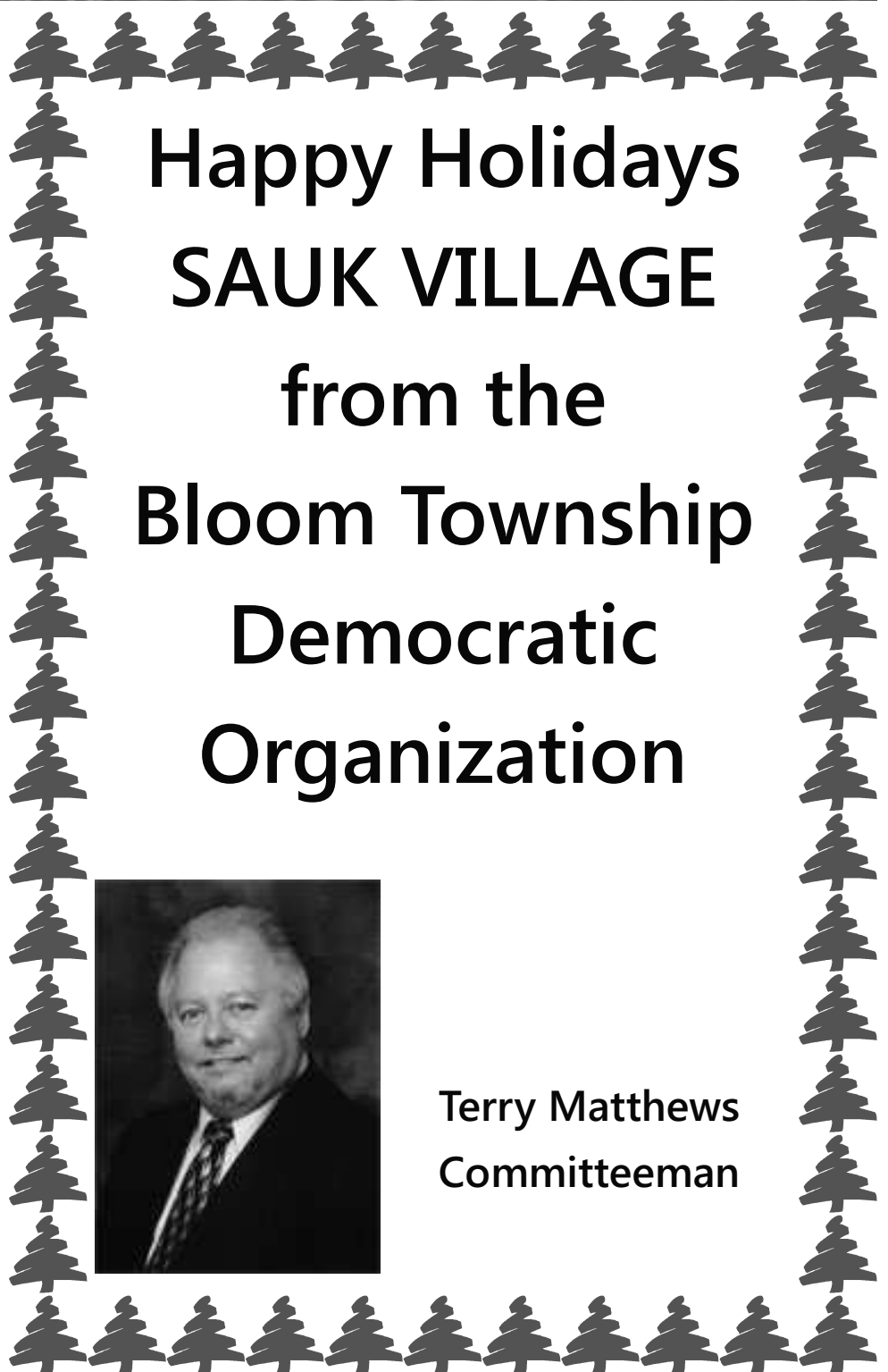
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Deluca Family

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cated. The cost for the air stripping would be about \$4.9 million.

Should the referendum fail the air stripping would be what the trustees would likely pursue as the Village is under mandate by the Attorney General and Illinois Environment Protection Agency to do something to remove the vinyl chloride.

The cost of the air stripping is the least costly alternative to cleaning up the Village's water woes. Obviously the quality of water would not improve but resident's would only pay about \$10 more per month.

A vote against Lake Michigan water would save the Village millions of dollars.

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limitations on temporary appointments, that it is permissible. Village Attorney Michael McGrath said that they are of the opinion that the ordinance is legal and the Village Board will likely prevail in any challenge.

The ordinance passed on November 22nd, the night Robert Fox was appointed by the mayor, without the approval of the Village Board, as police chief. As it stands right now, the command of the unpaid chief of police Fox will terminate on January 22nd and the Village Board members were quite clear on November 22nd that he is not going to be paid as he serves this temporary appointment of Mayor Lewis Towers. Towers in the past has made other temporary appoint-

ments and it seems as if he wants them as permanent appointments over the Village Board's authority which is not permitted under Illinois law.

Village Trustee Derrick Burgess also charged Towers with misappropriation of funds at Tuesday's meeting for Towers issuing an "executive order" calling for the police chief to receive a "village vehicle as a take home car" Fox lives in Country Club Hills, village cell phone, uniform allowance and business cards. "While the mayor may have the power to make appointments, the Village Board has the power of the purse strings and we have not approved such appropriation of money" Burgess said. Burgess wanted the executive order to be revoked immediately but McGrath said that they could do so at their next

meeting Tuesday, December 20th. All appropriations must be approved by the Village Board under Illinois law according to McGrath, he mayor or anyone cannot spend money without approval of the Village Board. "The village board does has the power of the purse strings" McGrath said.

Burgess contends that state law is very clear that while the mayor gets to make appointments, the Village Board may limit terms of appointees including temporary appointees.

The ordinance the Mayor is suing over allows the mayor to make a temporary appointment no more than two 30 day appointments in any fiscal year.

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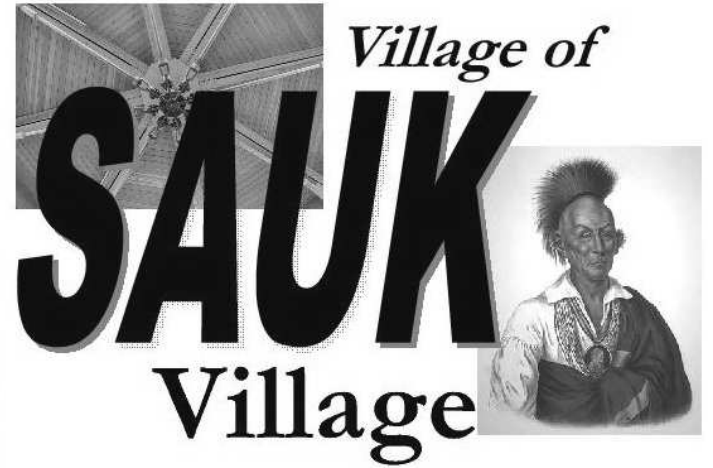
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Towers Dictator-in-Chief of Sauk Village

Opinion Editorial

By Joseph Wiszowaty

When the “advice and consent” of the Village Board doesn’t matter and the Mayor of a community does what he wants— That is the makings of a dictator.

Lewis Towers has over-stepped his legal authority, and Trustee Derrick Burgess rightly called him out in a public meeting for his action. Towers issued an “Executive Order” or his edict to the “little people” and decided to spend the village’s money without the village board’s approval. Burgess said it right “that’s misappropriation of funds...”

Towers is merely the president of the Village Board of Trustees not Tsar, Kaiser, Supreme Autocrat of Towersville. He is “first among equals” as Sauk Village is NOT a “strong-

mayor” form of government which does give the mayor of like Chicago for instance extraordinary powers of appointment, but not in Sauk Village.

One thing is for certain, the “mayor” of Sauk Village doesn’t know or understand municipal government 101. Sauk Village is a “Village Board of Trustees” form of Government. I’d suggest that he ask his attorney to explain to him with pictures and visual aides on just “what dat mean”. When you do go to your attorney please bring some of that “amen corner” with you too so they know “what dat mean” too.

Now to my more important point the mayor of any community does not get to go out and “go shopping” on the taxpayers of Sauk Village’s credit card without first getting the Village Board’s approval or appropriation of funds. While

the “Dictator-in-chief” may have the power to make temporary appointments, the Village Board has already informed the “little Kaiser” that there is no money to pay for his \$87,500 salary that the mayor pulled out of his, um hat.

So it will be a blue Christmas in the Fox household this year, but I’m sure the Mayor has already offered his temporary Police Chief a free turkey and I’m sure he’s already been told what he can do with his turkey— stuff it.

Mr. Fox will realize, if he hasn’t already, that this Village Board means business and they’re not playing politics, that’s Lewis Towers’s game. Get the message yet?

Now to my final point the Illinois Compiled Statutes (65 ILCS 5/3.1-30-5) states “ a). The city council or board of

trustees of a municipality, by ordinance not inconsistent with this Code, may prescribe the duties, define the powers, and fix the term of office of ALL appointed officers of the municipality; but the term of office, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Code, shall not exceed that of the mayor or president of the municipality.”

So what is Tsar Louie suing the Village Taxpayers for? Because he can. Not sure how any court of any competence could side with the Mayor-on this matter but we’ll see where this all ends up.

The taxpayers get to pay the bill and are the biggest losers in the fiasco that Lewis Towers has brought to Sauk Village!

Merry Christmas from
the Sauk Villager

SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT ARNOLD

This is a fifth in a series of articles which will feature officials from Sauk Village. We continue the series with School District 168 Board President Suzanne Arnold.

By Joseph Wiszowaty



**SUZANNE ARNOLD
BOARD PRESIDENT
DISTRICT 168**

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School Board Trustee
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School Board President

Has lived in the District 168 since 1993.

Arnold was born in Hammond, IN and graduated from Thornwood High School in 1982. She has a Bachelors Degree in Social Work from the University of Illinois at Chicago and is currently employed with Speed SEJA #802. Arnold also works as a paraprofessional and long-term substitute teacher.

Arnold has been married to Thomas Arnold for 21 years and they have two daughters.

Arnold has served on the School Board since August, 2006. She submitted her letter of interest to the School Board “because I wanted to be a part of trying to help in any way that I was able” Arnold said.

“For the past five years, the time I’ve been on the Board, the district has worked hard to over come the shadow of Tom Ryan. It is through education, support and hard work that the district has moved out from under that shadow” Arnold said.

“A school board governs, guides and leads a district. The experience I brought to the board has widened my understanding of the intricacies of school board work. I can help take our district to new heights for our children” Arnold said.

The school board recently approved Alfred Travaglini’s contract to replace Dr. Rudy Williams who retired from the district following the scandal of Thomas Ryan and the school board member Louise Morales. Dr. Williams said in an interview that he “highly recommended” Travaglini as his replacement.

“n’t play a part when it comes to children’s education. “Children benefit from identifying with positive role models within their culture as well as witnessing collaboration between people who are racially diverse. What is most important is to have only the best role models for our students” Arnold said.

Arnold is a tough fiscal conservative and plans to ensure the district remains financially sound. “I am not on the board only for the here and now, I am here and responsible to the future students who are not yet born who will enter through our doors” Arnold said.

Another item Arnold feels passionately about is to have a curriculum in place across each grade level. “This is now in place and needs to be tweaked and modified until it is running smoothly at every level in the district” Arnold said.

One final issue we discussed was something many elected officials struggle with is finding a manner in which to gain the communities ideas and directions. Many times people complain or approach a board when there is an issue, not necessarily to share ideas. “I’m an elected official for my community along with my fellow board



Former School Board President Arleta Bazile passes the Gavel to new President Suzanne Arnold— *MOVING FORWARD!*

“You’re correct that Dr. Williams recommended him (Travaglini) to the board. As President my vote counts no more than any other board member. My role was to facilitate that process for the selection of a new superintendent. Mr. Travagline was prepared to take on the role of Superintendent and is dedicated to lead our district to the next level which is his model. ‘Every Child, Every Day’” Arnold said.

Arnold is one of two white members of the School Board but Arnold says that race does-

“Our district is debt free and we do have a reserve. A balanced budget is a priority. I do not believe we should spend our reserve” Arnold said.

Some of the more important issues facing District 168 Arnold points out “The greatest issue facing the district are student achievement and finances. These are mandates by the No Child Left Behind Act. Our test scores are on the rise, but we must raise the bar higher for greater advancement of our children” Arnold said.

members and the board needs to hear the community’s voice. I look forward to the time we can announce details of how we will move forward on this in the near future” Arnold said.

Arnold has not yet decided if she will seek re-election in 2013. “I’m undecided at this time, but it’s a long way off and I’m just taking it day by day right now not focusing on politics” Arnold said.

LEGAL NOTICE

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Resolution Number 11-22 a Resolution amending the Resolution number 11-12 and initiating the submission of a Public Question regarding Lake Michigan Water.

Whereas, the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois (the "Village") is a non-home rule municipality, and

Whereas the Village of Sauk Village currently receives its potable water supply from wells; and

Whereas, the Village of Sauk Village's water wells are currently in need of significant repairs, and

Whereas, many municipalities throughout Illinois receive their potable water sources from Lake Michigan, and

Whereas, the Village of Sauk Village previously passed Resolution Number 11-12 on March 22, 2011 approving the submission of a public question to the voters of the Village of Sauk Village at the November 8, 2011 general election regarding whether the residents of the Village were interested in and would be willing to pay for

Lake Michigan water as the source of potable water for the Village; and

Whereas, since that date there has been significant discussion and debate within the Village of Sauk Village regarding the Village water source options and options for repair to the Village water wells; and

Whereas, the Village of Sauk Village held a public meeting on November 8, 2011 in order to discuss the Village water source and repair options and was unable to determine which option was supported by the majority of the Village residents; and

Whereas, the Village Board of the Village of Sauk Village desires to amend Resolution 11-12 (initiating the Submission of a Public Question Regarding Lake Michigan Water) in order to provide additional information to its residents and to determine whether the residents of the Village of Sauk Village are interested in and would be willing to pay for Lake Michigan water as the source of potable water for the Village of Sauk Village, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois by and through its non-home rule powers as follows:

Section 1: That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2: A binding public question shall be submitted to the voters of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois at March 20, 2012 generally primary election (or at the next available election permitted by the general election law) as follows:

SHALL THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE UPGRADE ITS MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM TO PROVIDE LAKE MICHIGAN WATER AND ABANDON ALL CURRENT WELLS FOR AN ESTIMATED COST OF NINETEEN MILLIONS SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$19,700,000.00), WHICH WILL INCREASE YOUR WATER RATE BY AN ESTIMATED \$6.87 PER 100 GALLONS OF WATER AND WILL INCREASE YOUR MONTHLY WATER BILL BY APPROXIMATELY \$73.00 PER MONTH FOR AN AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD? YES__ NO__

TO BE INCLUDED ON THE BALLOT: For example,

a current water bill of \$141 every other month will now be \$287 (\$141+ \$146 = \$287). The project is expected to be completed by December, 2016.

Section 3: The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this authorizing resolution within ten days after passage in a newspaper of general circulation within the Village and to file this authorizing resolution or other related matters with the appropriate election officials in accordance with applicable law.

Section 4: That this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as required by law.

PASSED by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois this 13th day of December, 2011, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows: YES- Burgess, Chavez, Hanks, Myers and Williams; NO- Benson.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois on this 13th day of December, 2011- Lewis Towers, Mayor

ATTEST: Debra L. Williams, Village Clerk

Historical FACTS

Did you know that...

- Former Trustee Coy Holloway started a newsletter in 1963 and former Trustee Frank Wagner expanded that into what is now the SAUK TALK. The SAUK TALK is the Village's newsletter which Trustee Rosie Williams and the Public Relations Committee continues to this day
- On December 3, 1959- The Sauk Village News made its debut

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Old Lincoln Highway Mural

By Joseph Wiszowaty

SAUK VILLAGE | The Great Sauk Trail runs through Sauk Village today and it remains part of the heritage of the Community. In 1912, there

Highway Act of 1921 which would fund the Lincoln Highway

The “old Lincoln Highway” didn’t actually incorporate U.S. Highway 30 to the north of Sauk Village it actually went



Sauk Trail circa 1917 just east of Sauk Plaza. The barn had burned down in the 1970s and is no longer there.

were virtually no decent roads in the United States as the automobile age was just beginning to dawn. The relatively few miles of improved road were only around larger towns and cities. Back then a road was considered “improved” if it was graded. Asphalt and concrete were yet to come. Most of the 2.5 million miles of roads were just dirt, bumpy and dusty in dry weather, impassable in wet weather. Worse yet, the roads didn’t really lead anywhere at the beginning of the 20th Century. They spread out aimlessly from the center of the settlement. To get from one settlement to another, it was much easier to go by train.

Carl Fisher, who built the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, came up with an idea to deal with the bleak roads and turn his idea into a reality. In 1912, Fisher’s idea would be dubbed the “Coast-to-Coast Rock Highway”, a gravel road which would cost \$10 million, quite low even by 1912 standards.

This was the United State’s first transcontinental highway

In 1913, Henry Joy, president of the Packard Motor Car Company, came up with the idea of naming the highway in honor of President Abraham Lincoln. In 1921, the federal government passed the Federal

right down Sauk Trail from Dyer, Indiana to the East and out west past Bloom Trail High School. The U.S. 30 extension wouldn’t be built until considerably later. Some time in 1917, the section of Sauk Trail was paved through what is now Sauk Village, part of the original macadam, the road surface, is preserved at the McConathy Public Library.

The Lincoln Highway would be referred to as “*The Main Street of America*” as it stretched across the United States.

Today, the Illinois Lincoln Highway Coalition recently completed an interpretive mural in Frankfort, the 23rd one in a series of more than 30 murals showcasing the history of the 179-mile scenic “Old Lincoln Highway”. Sauk Village is on it’s way to getting one of these murals which is at no cost to the Village. The murals are valued at \$10,000.

Marva Campbell-Pruitt has served as Sauk Village’s chairperson for the mural. The mural will be located on the north wall of Fairway Foods building at 1 Sauk Plaza.

“The Beatification Committee



Old “Kalvelage Bridge on Sauk Trail before it became the Lincoln Highway. The ditch is just east of Sauk Plaza

started working on coordinating facts and collecting pictures for the mural that represents Sauk Village’s leg of the historic Lincoln Highway.” Campbell-Pruitt said.

McConathy Public Library.

“We look forward to the artist’s first rendering within a couple of weeks” Campbell-Pruitt said.

Also helping on the historical background of the “Old Lincoln Highway story of Sauk Village is Nannette Wargo, Head Librarian at the Nancy L.

“This is very important to Sauk Village and what a great and positive addition to our town” Wargo said.

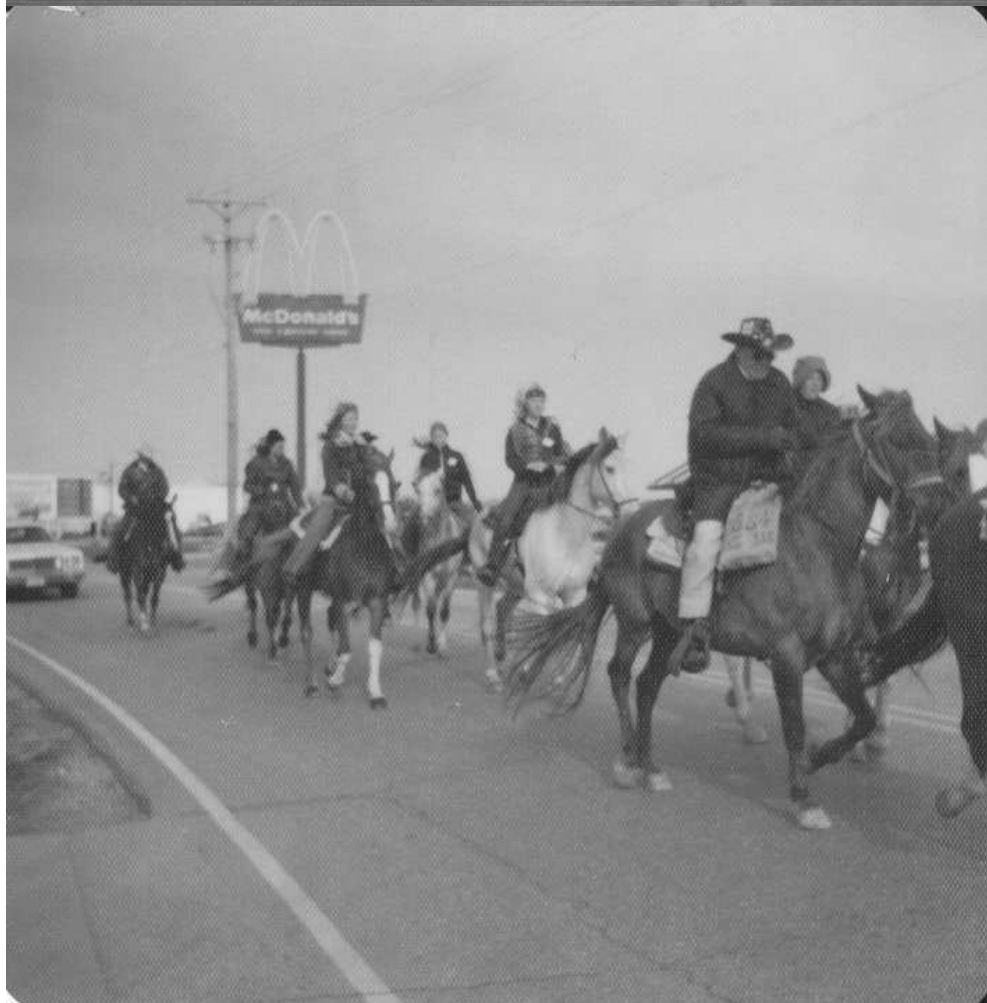


1976 Bicentennial Wagon Train came down the “old Lincoln Highway” and Sauk Trail see more pictures on page 9



c1917 Looking west over present day Sauk Plaza

Bicentennial Wagon Train Photos



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