



# Silvis News

## Silvis Police



As we continue in the series "Meet Your Patrolmen," the Silvis Police Department is proud to introduce Detective Patrick Young. Detective Young grew up in Erie Illinois and received a scholarship to play baseball at Muscatine Community College. Detective Young transferred to the University of

Arkansas in Little Rock and finally finished with his degree at Western Illinois University. Young served three years in the US Army as an infantryman and is an avid golfer and hunter. Detective Patrick Young has been with the Silvis Police Department since 2014.

## Happy Retirement!



More than 30 years of dedication of service in the Public Works Department. Rich Krantz has bid his final farewell. Rich recalls when he first applied for the position, there must have

been three hundred people applying and I felt I had no chance, said Krantz. "I guess because I was a jack of all trades and never afraid of hard work led me to get hired." There is no doubt during the interview with Rich how much he will miss working for Silvis, but as he put it "its time to go." His main concern before retiring was to pass on his core work values to his co-workers. The City of Silvis and it's residents thank Rich for his hard work and dedication to a job well done.

## Silvis Resident Competes at Augusta



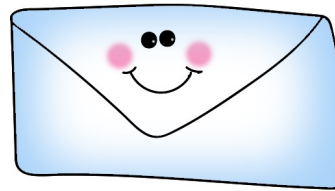
Silvis resident Isaac Rumler age ten recently took a trip of a lifetime. Considered by many a golf prodigy, Isaac competed in the National Drive, Chip, and Putt on April 7th. For his first attempt in the 10-11 age bracket, Isaac finished in 10th place nationally. Isaac walked away satisfied with his first attempt at the title, and he looks forward to many more years of competitive golf with the hopes of becoming a member of the PGA Tour someday.

## Spring Has Arrived!

Silvis greenhouse located at 651 1st Avenue North has opened its doors for the season. The Garden Club will be selling annuals, hanging baskets, vines, herbs, peppers and twenty-two varieties of one-gallon tomato plants. It is a short season for the greenhouse which is **expected to be sold out and closed around June 1st**. Hours of operation are Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Sunday 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm and closed Mondays. The Garden Club members are all volunteers. In addition to offering beautiful plants sale, they also plant various areas around the city parks, welcome signs, planters, and City Hall at no cost to the City.



Dan Thorngren, Sharon Debo, Eileen Benhart



## Silvis Water and Sewer Billing Changes

With the approval of the Silvis City Council, residents will begin to receive water, sewer, and garbage on a monthly billing cycle. Starting with the June billing, the City of Silvis will begin mailing out the water, sewer and garbage bills every month. If your normal bill due date is on or before May 20th, your bill sent to you on June 1st will be for one month of service. If your bill due date was on or before April 20th, your bill statement will reflect two months of service. And if you're bill due date was on or before March 20th, your June 1st billing statement will account for three months of service. The July bill and all subsequent bills thereafter will be for one month of service as long as you are not in arrears. A minimum monthly bill effective beginning with the May reading sent out in June will be \$36.75. There will be a two dollar saving available for you from the City of Silvis. The City will discount your monthly bill by one dollar if you sign up for automatic bill payment and an additional one dollar off your monthly bill for receiving your bill via email. For any questions, please call City Hall 309-792-9181

## Silvis Community Garden



Have you ever wanted to grow flowers, fruits, vegetables, and herbs? Here is your opportunity! We have potential spaces at the Silvis Community Garden located at 5th street, and 2nd avenue C. Stop by the City Clerks office to sign up today.



Play it safe when it comes to selling items over the internet, and avoid strangers showing up at your doorstep.

The Silvis Police Department recommends conducting in-person internet exchanges at the Silvis Police station parking lot. The parking lot provides 24/7 security surveillance along with a well-lit parking lot.



## SFD

### Silvis Fire Department March & April Raffle Winners

\$300 Debbie Sheldon, \$300 Annette Hillyer, \$50 Linda Galloway, \$50 Melinda Thorngren, \$50 Rick Moller, \$50 Darrin Armstrong/ John Winters, \$25 Belinda Rusch, \$25 Jake Pirman, \$25 Jade Saucedo, \$25 Saul Nache, \$25 Brian Hillyer, \$25 Linda Galloway \$25 Linda Sheldon, \$25 Melinda Thorngren

It is that time again, and the Silvis Firefighters are selling raffle tickets for the Big Monthly Drawing. Tickets are \$50 each and are good for 12 months of drawings. Each month we draw one- \$300 winner, two \$50 winners, and four \$25 winners. That's a total of 84 draws per year. The Fire Department limits the sale of tickets to only 200 per year. Proceeds of the raffle are used to purchase small tools and equipment. If you would like to purchase a raffle ticket, please contact one of your Silvis Firefighters or call the station at 309-792-4815.

## McClintock Moves to Silvis



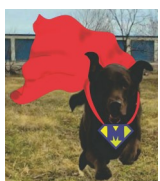
McClintock Trucking and Excavating of Colona IL. is in the process of relocating to downtown Silvis. McClintock is in the process of completing a new building to house all their construction equipment. The new facility located on the far east side of 1st Avenue next to Gold Star Farm Service. The City of Silvis welcomes Randy McClintock to Silvis.

## Egg Parlor



Egg Parlor along Avenue of the Cities is projected to open June 5th says

Mitch Kadriu owner. The interior is nearing completion along with the menu.



## Pet of the Month

Meet Max, aka Super Max an eight-year-old chocolate lab. A natural retriever of just about anything and loves treats. You can meet Max at River City Sign.

## New Life



In 1908 the Fraternal Order of Eagles broke ground on 1st avenue constructing a three-story building, and work was completed in 1909. In 1911 the FOE moved to the second and third floor only, while the ground level was leased as a restaurant until the 1930's when it became a Tavern. The FOE placed the building for sale and relocated in 1998 due to extensive repairs need to the building, and sat empty for many years.

Greenridge Properties purchased the building in 2016 and began an extensive and ambitious remodeling project in 2018. The project included a complete tear out from top to bottom, including removing a sizable rear portion of the building due to structural integrity.

Construction is nearing completion, and the build has been renamed Agency Hall. First floor will occupy Greenridge Properties LLC, property management group. The second and third floor will occupy four, two bedroom apartments with laundry facilities in each apartment.

## New Offering



La Canasta Bakery and La Michoacana will soon be open along 1st Avenue. The owner

is hoping to have both stores open in an about thirty days, as he waits for some specialized ice cream equipment to arrive.

## Silvis Garden Club

### Garden Walk & Raffle and Plant Sale

Saturday, June 22, 2019

McGehee Center at Schadt Park

12th St. & 4th Ave

9:00 am– 2:00 pm



## Big Changes Coming

Gold Star Farm Services located at 1601 1st Avenue is due for a significant remodeling beginning the first or second week in June. According to manager Greg Rohman, the fueling tanks will be removed during the first two weeks in June and fueling service will be interrupted until August 1st if all goes as planned. The first phase of the process will be the fuel pump and tank removal, then demolition of the existing small block of- fice.

The EPA will be required to conduct soil sample testing once the pumps and tanks have been removed. New fuel pumps, tanks, along with a new one hundred foot canopy housing the new fueling station is planned. The new fueling stations will house two diesel fueling stations along with satellite pumps allowing semis to fuel on both sides simultaneously. Diesel exhaust fluid also known as DEF will be available at the pump, and four additional fueling stations with added blends.

Along with the offering of E85 special blend fuel. There will be an additional E15 and E30 blended fuel options, says Rohman. The nearly one million dollar expansion will also include a significant change in the layout as well. The one hundred feet fueling station will run parallel to 1st Avenue, with much wider curb cut entrances to the fueling stations for easy in and out service.

Rohman apologizes for any inconveniences this may lead to, but there is no way around it he says. If you pull the pumps, you have to remove the tanks, and then comes the power which is housed in the old block office. It's necessary that they all go at the same time. Unfortunately, with the expansion of both the new fueling station and River Valley Turf division office and warehouse complex expansion. Gold Star no longer will fill LP tanks, but provide LP exchanges only during business hours.

## Silvis Main Street Director Announces Event Dates

Silvis Main Street Director has announced two key dates for 2019.

**Silvis Moonlight Parade**

**August 24th**

**Christmas In Silvis**

**December 7th**

We do apologize if you are reading this in black and white. Unfortunately, at the time of printing, the color copier broke down.