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Village of Downs

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Mayor, Village Board and Clerk

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From the Desk of the Mayor - May 2016

As I start my final year as your Mayor, I am amazed on how fast these three years have gone. I have been privileged, humbled and honored to serve, not only for these three years, but the 4 years prior as a Trustee. I hope that I have earned your confidence and trust. I will continue to work hard for the Village and in the best interest of the Village. This year, I will again attempt to hold a town hall to gather your feedback. I hope to see you at one of these meetings. To dispel any rumors before they get started, I do anticipate running again in 2017 for another term.

This month was a light agenda with a lot of required legislation. We were still unable to come to agreement with Living Hope on annexation language. This has been going on for way to long, but we are close to finalizing language and reach agreement on how to address the roadway improvements.

The Liquor Commission recommended a change to the liquor selling hours from 1 am to 2 am each day, effective immediately. This will keep patrons, whom are still in the bar at 1 am, from driving to Bloomington or LeRoy when our bar closes. They also recommended an increase in the package liquor license to \$500 for 2017 (next year). These changes were adopted in an amendment to Chapter 9 of the village code by the Board.

Please feel free to contact me with any other questions, explanation or clarification. Please support your local businesses as they rely on YOUR support to stay in businesse. Thriving businesses will make Downs a more attractive place to live and invest.

In your service, Mike James, Mayor 309-830-7374, Mayor@VillageOfDowns.org



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A Look Ahead

QUICK GLANCE AT UPCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

May:

- 5th Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, 7 pm @ Village Hall
- 6th & 7th Garage Sale Days #1 7 am 4 pm
- 12th Events Committee Meeting, 6 pm @ Village Hall
- 14th Recycling Pick-up
- 21st Dooley Park Car Show 3 7 pm (Rainout May 22nd 12am 4 pm)
- 23rd Parks Committee Meeting, 6 pm @ Dooley Park Pavilion
- 28th Recycling Pick-up

June:

- 2nd Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, 7 pm @ Village Hall
- 3rd & 4th Garage Sale Days #2 7 am 4 pm
- 4th Village Cleanup Day
- 9th Events Committee Meeting, 6 pm @ Village Hall
- 11th Recycling Pick-up
- 25th Recycling Pick-up
- 25th Movies it the Park, 7pm 12am (Movie: Night at the Museum)

July:

- 2nd Freedom Run: 5k Run, 1 mile walk and Kid Fun Run (4th of July fundraiser)
- 2nd Community Breakfast benefiting 4th of July, 7 10 am
- 4th Independence Day Celebration
- 7th Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, 7 pm @ Village Hall
- 14th Events Committee Meeting, 6 pm @ Village Hall
- 23rd Movies in the Park, 7pm 12am (Movie: Finding Nemo)

Door-to-Door Sales

DID YOU KNOW THIS?

As Spring arrives so do outside companies coming to your house to try and sell you something. All these companies must have a permit from the Clerk prior to knocking on your door. You should always ask them to show their permit to you before talking with them.

If they don't have one, please write down their name, description of what they are wearing, and try to get all the information you can on their vehicle (license plate, make, model, color). Please inform the Village Hall, Chief, Mayor or Clerk.

If they are acting suspicious in the neighborhood, please call MetCom (309-888-5030) and give them this information so we can track them down. Doing this is very important to keeping our community safe.

Volunteers Needed

4[™] of July

We welcome help and hope that you will give of your time to make our village events better and what you expect/want. There are several ways to do this: contact a committee member and/or complete the volunteer form in this flyer.

NEEDED: Freedom Run helpers, Door-to-door donation collectors, advertising, donation collectors on 4th.

The Events Committee is ONLY planning the following for July 4th: Freedom run, volleyball tourney, parade, music entertainment, food vendors and fireworks. If you are going to coordinate something additional and need/expect funding, we need to know now. Other things that we have had in the past that will NOT be planned for this year are things like: games, activities, bounce house, dunk tank, tug of war contest. If you expect those things and want them, then we ask for your time to plan, staff and coordinate.

There is also an opportunity for your group or organization to sell food on the 4th. Please contact the Events Committee, Village Hall or Mayor if interested.

Finance Trustee Position Remains Open

PLEASE CONSIDER SERVICE TO YOUR VILLAGE

The Mayor will be accepting letters for consideration for only this position. Your term of office will be the remaining months until April 30, 2017. If you decide to continue, you will need to run for a four-year term in the 2017 April election. You will be paid \$125 per regular or special board meeting.

You are eligible to be a Trustee if you are a registered voter and a resident of Downs for at least one year prior to the date of the election. A person is not eligible to take the oath of office for a municipal office if that person is, at the time required for taking the oath of office, in arrears in the payment of a tax or other indebtedness due to the municipality or has been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony [65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5(a)(b)] s.

Grand Marshal

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL JUNE 1, 2016

This is the final month for Grand Marshal nominations. If you have someone you wish to nominate, please complete the form in the flyer and return to me before June 1, 2016. This month I have also added the ability to submit via the village website. It is located toward the bottom right of the main page.

No Dumping!

THIS IS YOUR WARNING

Whomever is dumping their grass, trash, etc. in Kickapoo Park or the Dooley Park dumpsters this will be your warning to STOP! My plea to the folks that care about their village, please be on the lookout for these folks, ask them to STOP and/or report them to MetCom, Chief Dingler, Maureen Roach or Village Hall.

Now on Facebook

VILLAGE OF DOWNS EVENTS

The Events Committee has put together a Facebook site for announcements, information and other social media interaction for the events within the Village. I hope you will find this useful and join ("Like") our Facebook group/site at https://www.facebook.com/groups/DownsEvents/.

"Night at the Museum"

June 25, 2016 Movie In The Park

The Events Committee will be showing three movies in Dooley Park this summer. The movies will be shown the 4th Saturday of each month (June, July and August). 7 pm the park will open for you to arrive with your blanket, chairs, picnic, bug spray, etc for a family night in Dooley Park. The movie will start at dusk. We will have free popcorn and cotton candy along with the free movie for you to enjoy. If it is raining, we will hold the movie in the pavilion. We hope to see everyone there to enjoy this event.

"Finding Nemo"

JULY 23, 2016 MOVIE IN THE PARK

"Goonies"

August 27, 2016 Movie In The Park

^{**} More information and registration forms are available on the Village website or at the Village Hall

Downs Clean-up Day

June 4th 7 am — 12 pm



The Events Committee is holding the 3rd Annual Downs Clean-Up Day. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this once a year opportunity. 211 S. Seminary St.
VillageOfDowns.org
info@villageofdowns.org
(309) 378-3221

We <u>WILL</u> Accept Any Of The Following Items:

- ⇒ Stoves & Dishwashers, etc.
- ⇒ Tires (\$5/per No Tractor and tires must be off rims)
- ⇒ All Metals
- ⇒ Electronics
- ⇒ Batteries
- ⇒ Flat Panel Monitors/TVs
- ⇒ Wahers/Dryers/Dishwasher

We <u>WILL NOT</u> Accept Any Of The Following Items:

- ⇒ Refrigerators or Freezers
- ⇒ Microwaves
- ⇒ Tube Monitors/TVs
- ⇒ Paint or Hazardous Liquid
- ⇒ ** Wood
- ⇒ * Garbage
- ⇒ * Furniture

Junk Car?

If you have a car you want to dispose of, please contact: Dan Lush (309)838-6031 for more information.

The drop-off location will be by the Haunted House Shed from 7 am to 12 pm. Free drop off for a standard size pickup and under. All other charges are indicated above for drop-off or below for home pick-up. Home pick-up is available by completing the form and paying the fee by June 1. All items must be in Village right-away. Fees by check only, please make out to: "Village of Downs" memo: "Clean-up Day"

- * Will be taken by Casali and should be put out in time for normal Friday pick-up
- ** Clean burnable wood, etc. can be picked up on normal monthly pick-up (no nails, screws, brads, etc)

Home Curbside Pick	c-Up Sign-Up Form —	Must be turned in by n	oon on June 1st, 20	16 with pa	yment	
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	Check #:	(Only, no cash)	☐ Batteries		\$0.00	
Phone			☐ Home Pick-Up	1	\$20.00	\$20.00
Pick-Up Time (Must be present)	Receipt #:	Amount Pd:			Tota	ıl:



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Re: Event Donation, Ad & Sponsor Solicitation

Dear Business Owner/Manager/Resident/TV Community,

In 2013, I created an Events Committee made up of Tri-Valley residents. The committee's mission was to provide a mix of events within the Village of Downs that would attract surrounding subdivisions and communities into the Village. Their goals were to create a plan, budget with positive cash flow, and solid foundation for the future.

I also created a fund which will be dedicated ONLY to Village events. With this fund being dedicated for this specific purpose (public use) within a tax-exempt entity, your donation is tax deductible. Also, for any donation or ad of \$50 and over, you will be recognized within the printed material for all events throughout the year if received before each events printing deadline.

The full Event Plan is available online at www.VillageOfDowns.org, but below I have provided you with a quick summary of our planned events. To donate or sponsor an activity/event, please write a check payable to the "Village of Downs" and specify "Event Fund" in the memo. If applicable, also indicate which fund to apply it to. We will send you a receipt of your donation/ad/sponsor if requested or it is over \$250.

- 1) Garage Sale Days (May 6 & 7; June 3 & 4) \$0 expense budget
- 2) Dooley Park Car Show (May 21, Rainout May 22) \$1,200 expense budget
- 3) Village Cleanup Day (June 4) \$400 expense budget
- 4) New Movies in the Park (June 25 (Night at the Museum), July 23 (Finding Nemo), August 27 (Goonies)) \$300+ per night depending on movie
- 5) Independence Days Celebration \$15,100 expense budget
 - a. Freedom Run & Walk (July 2)
 - b. Independence Day (July 4)
- 6) Downs Fright Fest (All October Starting 2nd Saturday) \$7,015 expense budget
- 7) Christmas in Downs (All December, Cookies with Santa Dec 10) \$3,800 expense budget
- 8) Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt (March 20, 2016) \$300 expense budget

I sincerely thank you for your consideration and any support that you are willing to provide either by monetary donation and/or volunteering.

Sincerely, Mike James, Mayor

Downs Event Donation/Ad/Sponsor Order Form

Please return form along with check, payable to Village of Downs and put Event Fund in the memo, to: Village of Downs, 211 S. Seminary St., PO Box 18, Downs, IL 61736. You may place form and payment in the 24 hour drop box at the Village Hall. Please email advertisement business information and logo to mayor@VillageOfDowns.org. Questions contact Downs Village Hall 309-378-3221. * The Freedom Run Sponsor T-Shirt deadline is June 19, 2016.

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July 4,	2016				
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	\$100 Sand Volleyball – Half page				
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VILLAGE OF DOWNS BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING OVERVIEW 7:00 PM

May 5, 2016

Village Hall 211 S. Seminary St, PO Box 18 Downs, IL 61736

- 1. Mayor Mike James called the May 3, 2016, regular board meeting to order at 7:01pm.
- 2. Roll call was taken. Trustees Roach, Goveia, Messamore, Keylin and Lush were all present. Also present were Clerk James, Attorney Dawn Wall and Treasurer Bakewell.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was taken.
- 4. A motion to approve the agenda order was made and approved. A few changes were made. Ordinance 2016-21 Approving and Adopting Amendments to the Village of Downs Code Provisions of Chapter 9 "Liquor Code" was taken out of consent agenda. There was no action taken on all old business.
- 5. David Pistorius from First Midwest gave a presentation on municipal bonding.
- 6. Living Hope Christian Church
 - 1. Resolution 2016-R08 Authorizing the Execution of an Amended Annexation Agreement between the Village of Downs and Living Hope Christian Church, Inc. was postponed.
- 7. All trustee, committee and Mayor reports can be found in the flyer.
- 8. There was no public comment.
- 9. A motion to approve items contained within the consent agenda was made and approved.
- 10. A motion to approve consent agenda was made and approved.
 - 1. Motions
 - a. Motion to Approve the April 7, 2016 Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes
 - b. Motion to Approve Village of Downs Regular Board of Trustees Meeting Location, Dates and Time for FY 2016-2017
 - c. Motion to Approve Parks Committee Meetings on an as needed basis for FY 2016-2017
 - Motion to Approve Development Committee Meetings on an as needed basis for FY 2016-2017
 - e. Motion to Approve Advertising in the Tri-Valley Fall/Winter Sports Program not to exceed \$250

2. Resolutions

 Resolution 2016-R09 Approving the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Downs and the Village of Bellflower for Police Services

3. Ordinances

- a. Ordinance 2016-20 Approving an Ordinance of the Village of Downs, McLean County, Illinois, Ascertaining and Adopting the Prevailing Rate of Wages for the Laborers, Workers, and Mechanics Employed on Public Works of the Village of Downs
- b. Ordinance 2016-22 Approving the Amended Zoning Map for the Village of Downs

11. New Business

- 1. Ordinances
 - a. A motion to approve ordinance 2016-21 Approving and Adopting Amendments to the Village of Downs Code Provisions of Chapter 9 "Liquor Code" was made and approved
- 12. No action was taken in old business.
- 13. A motion to approve payment of bills was made and approved.
- 14. Executive session was not entered.
- 15. A motion to adjourn at 10:21pm was made and approved.

Julie James

Village of Downs, Clerk

COMMUNITY WIDE CLEAN-UP

JUNK VEHICLES:

The Village of Downs is working with Anytime Towing to assist residents in removing inoperable/junk cars free of charge. Please contact Tony Ales at Anytime Towing at 309-988-6106 to schedule a pick-up. Just a reminder that inoperable cars unless kept in a building are considered a public nuisance and an ordinance violation that will be enforced. (VOD ordinance, Chapter 8d)



WEEDS:

It shall be unlawful for anyone to permit any weeds, grass or plants other than trees, bushes, flowers or other ornamental plants, to grow to a height exceeding eight (8) inches anywhere in the Village; any such plants or weeds exceeding such height are hereby declared to be a nuisance and an ordinance violation that will be enforced. (VOD ordinance, Chapter 16, Article I. Plants and Weeds, Sec. 2)



RECYCLE:

Let's work together and pick up trash. Curbside recycling is the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month.



Submitted by Maureen Roach, Public Safety Trustee



2016 DOWNS RECYCLING INFORMATION

We are picking up recyclables EVERY OTHER WEEK. Your schedule is shown below in the shaded areas.

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Please have your recyclables at the curb by 6:00 a.m. Items collected at curbside are picked-up in a single stream process; it is no longer necessary to separate your recyclables for collection. All containers must be rinsed out before pickup, this will reduce contamination and odors.

#### Acceptable items include:

- #1 through #7 (except #6 Styrofoam) Plastics excluding containers that have contained hazardous or flammable chemicals in them
- · Cardboard broken down no larger than 2 ft. x 2 ft. bundled or contained
- · Newspapers, catalogs, phone books, magazines and junk mail
- · Steel, aluminum and bi-metal cans
- · Clear glass bottles and jars
- · Cereal and gift boxes

Questions or comments contact us:

217-935-5652

www.pdcarea.com

# RICKIE JOHNSON and

The City of Downs

## One on One Instructional **Basketball**

**Event Director: Rickie Johnson** 

Email: rajohn2@yahoo.com Phone:309-336-1362



## **Shooting Contest Registration Form**

(Three Point Contest, Free Throw Contest, and Hot Shot Contest)

Player Name	Gender	Grade (in	2016)		ng Contest Fees 0 each contest
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PLAYER(S) NAME (3-4 playe	rs) Gr	ade	Mail in: \$60 On-Site: \$65 Note: Teams	(postmarked	ntest Fees d by 6/23) r as a team. Individual registrants by the event director
Contact Name Team Phone			Mail registrations and checks to: Rickie Johnson Instructional Basketball c/o Downs Camp Director 1720 Jacobssen, Normal IL 61761		
Email			Amount recei	ived	Date: Cash

#### WATER/SEWER REPORT:

Water and sewer report for April 2016

5/3/2016

The sewer lift station delivered 2,062,000 gallons to BNWRD for the month, averaging 68,700 per day. The total water pumped for the month was 1,898,000 gallons, averaging 63,300 gallons per day. The average iron concentration in the finished water was .45 PPM. No water leaks were experienced for the month. The aeralater blower motor failed, it was removed and a replacement motor is on order. I was contacted by Maguire Iron about cleaning and painting the elevated tower. A tentative start date is May 16th. The annual hydrant flushing program may be postponed to June to accommodate the tower work.

Kevin Whitehouse Village of Downs Public Works Superintendent 309-319-1010 309-378-2137 downswaterplant@hotmail.com

#### Parks News May 2016

Many thanks to all who attended Earth Day Breakfast in the Park! The breakfast was really a success. People seemed to appreciate the new seating and enjoyed the meal. Special thanks to Pete Manhardt for his amazing scrambled eggs and great stories. It was great to have Kris Hall from Bloomington's Ecology Action center to answer questions and share information on local recycling opportunities. Generous donations totalling \$427.49 will be a big help in making repairs in the Youth Center. Our next community breakfast is at the Pavilion on Saturday, July 2, in connection with the 5K Freedom Run. Put it on your calendar!

Several improvements were completed this month. Many thanks to Travis Misch and American Plumbing for their volunteer work installing two new toilets in the Pavilion and a new water heater in the Youth Center. Upcoming projects include installing new fans in the Pavilion, and repairing the urinal and installing a new window in the Youth Center. In addition, Dave Bach will treat four trees in the park to help prevent ash borer disease.

Thanks to the village streets crew for keeping the park nicely mowed. The Downs 4H Topnotchers Cloverbuds will be planting flowers in Dooley Park this month adding to its beauty in spring.

We continue to have lots of Pavilion rentals. Thanks to all for leaving the Pavilion neat and clean after your events. We are urging renters to leave their Checklists on the kitchen counter. The Parks Committee uses them to verify clean-ups. We also pay close attention to comments which help us know how to improve the Pavilion to fit renters' needs.

As warmer weather approaches, we hope to find a solution to removing the mulch piles in Kickapoo Park. The parks are NO DUMPING areas. At our next meeting we will discuss putting up signage to that effect.

The Food Pantry is a giving place. Every month we benefit from its generosity and ability to fill important needs in our community. This month the generosity flowed the other way! A mainstay freezer conked out right before the food delivery arrived. Downs resident, Amy Mast, immediately responded to the need by loaning a freezer to the Pantry for the whole week. Not only did she and her husband deliver it, but they've earmarked money from a recent fundraiser they held to go toward the purchase of a new freezer for the Pantry! That kind of generosity and public spirit is so beautiful. We're lucky to live in such a caring community. Thank you.

# DOWNS AREA GARAGE SALE DAYS

## June 3rd and 4th: 7 am - 4 pm

Maps and Assistance Available at the Village Hall "Welcome Center" 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

** To be listed on the map, please complete the registration on the back. Drop off registration form and fee at the Village Hall. More information can be found on the website:

http://www.VillageOfDowns.org

## Downs Area Garage Sale - Map Registration

Name:	
Address:	
Dates and times you will be open (A	dvertised hours are 7 am – 4 pm both days);
June 3:	June 4:
Description of Items to Highlight: _	·
\$1.00 Registration Fee is used to offs	set Advertising and Printing Costs
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Receipt #:	

#### MAY – STREET REPORT

With the weather starting to change, we will be working on spring clean up from the snowplowing this winter and road repairs. I would also like to remind residences that we will start our debris pickup on the first Monday of each month, beginning in April and continue thereafter. If the weather is bad on that Monday, then the next nice day we will do the pickup. Please re-read the rules below.

The following rules apply:

- 1. Pickup will be on the 1st Monday of each month: If weather, holidays or unforeseen circumstances prevent us from picking up on this day, then pickup will be the following day.
- 2. Items to be picked up must be burnable (Ex. Leaves, sticks, branches, brush, etc.)
- 3. All items must be on a curb or driveway, as close to the road as possible, without creating a hazard in the road. (NOTE: since we use a backhoe in most cases, to accomplish this, we DO NOT want to tear or rut up anyone's yards or ditches. If we cannot reach it from the road or a driveway, we WILL NOT pick it up. If you cannot get the debris near the road, PLEASE CALL me to make arrangements at 309-838-6031.)
- 4. There is to be NO BURNING in DITCHES. This causes clogging and backups in our culverts. This is one of the primary reasons we are providing this service.

In your service,

Dan Lush Village of Downs Trustee – Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks 309-838-6031

#### **Senior News**

The Seniors met at Jack's in LeRoy on Wednesday, April 20. They always enjoy their lunch and the meeting at Jack's.

May 7th the breakfast was at Moraine View. This time of year makes a beautiful setting.

The May meeting is Wednesday the 20th. The Seniors are hosting the Tri-Valley Middle School Jazz Band. We all look forward to this event listening to their music. There will be 26 students in the band. We treat them to lunch provid- ing friend chicken and other dishes that the seniors bring to share.

The President reminded the seniors at the last meeting that the bake sales at the Downs Farmer's Market will be Wednesday, July 6th and September 7th. We use the profits from the sales to help provide baskets at Thanksgiving & Christmas.

Come join us at the Pavilion on the 20th.

## <u>'DOOLEY PARK CAR SHOW'</u>

## '25th ANNUAL EVENT' - DOWNS, IL

Saturday May 21st 2016 Registration at 3:00pm - Awards at 7:00pm



Rain Date: Sunday May 22nd - Registration at Noon – Awards at 4:00pm

## DASH PLAQUES FOR THE FIRST 75 VEHICLE'S TROPHIES FOR THE TOP 38 VEHICLES IN SHOW

Coordinated by the Car Community Automobile Club in Conjunction with the Downs Events Committee!

\$12.00 Early Registration received by (05/16/16) - \$15.00 Day of Show Live Music by Protégé'

> Food provided by Downs Boy Scout Troop #53 24 CLASSES - MAYOR CHOICE - BEST OF SHOW



#### **JUDGED VEHICLE CLASSES INCLUDE:**

<u>Original</u>	<u>Modified</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>Modified</u>
(A) 1900 - 1929	(AA) 1900 - 1929	(G) 1980 - 1989	(GG) 1980 - 1989
(B) 1930 - 1939	(BB) 1930 - 1939	(H) 1990 - 1999	(HH) 1990 - 1999
(C) 1940 - 1949	(CC) 1940 - 1949	(J) 2000 - 2016	(JJ) 2000 - 2016
(D) 1950 - 1959	(DD) 1950 - 1959	(M) Motorcycles	(N) Corvette
(E) 1960 - 1969	(EE) 1960 - 1969	(R) Street Rods	(S) Special Interest
(F) 1970 – 1979	(FF) 1970 – 1979	(T) Trucks	(U) Imports
All Vehicl	e Classes and Best o	f Show Judged by	Participants



The Car Community Automobile Club and the Village of Downs assume no responsibility for damage to personal property or injury during the event.

#### **REGISTER TODAY TO RESERVE YOUR DASH PLAQUE**

Email Questions: ccacbi@gmail.com or call Don & Cindy Kopack at (309)378-4391

'Dooley Park Car Show' - Saturday May 21st 2016 Mail Registration & Fee to: PO Box18, 211 S. Seminary, Downs IL 61736

Name:	Address:
Car Make & Year:	Vehicle Class:
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#### Village of Downs

211 S. Seminary, PO Box 18 Downs, IL 61736-0018 Voice/Fax: 309-378-3221

Email: Info@VillageOfDowns.org Website: www.VillageOfDowns.org

#### Mayor, Village Board and Clerk

	Safety/Services/					Parks/Youth	
President/Mayor	President Pro Tem	Public Works	Streets	Building	Finance	Center/Food Pantry	Clerk
Mike James	Maureen Roach	Paul Messamore	Danny Lush	Mary Goveia	Open	Margaret Keylin	Julie James

#### FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF DINGLER:

This month was pretty light. We had a man in a black BMW trying to solicit women to go home with him to Peoria either in his car or following him home in their own car. Multiple cities are looking for this male. Please call 911 in these cases. We were not called at all so it is only way after the moment that I was made aware of this issue. With all suspicious activity, please a call allows us to respond and deal with the issue no matter how big or small.

Now that spring is here, the Village will be reaching out to the few houses and owner's of lots that need attention. The junk and dead cars are an issue and it is time that it is taken care of. We realize that it is overwhelming but we want to help. I will be knocking on your doors and believe me when I say this, we are wanting to help you help yourselves. We will provide you with phone numbers for people that can help you get rid of cars. Scrappers that will eliminate metal junk in your yard. And the dates for the town clean up that will have our monthly schedule for pick ups as well as the days we bring in a dumpster. We want to help, and we have the means to make this easier for you. Please use this first contact. After we make contact there will be a time stamped on the issues. After 15 days, the second contact will be an official written warning. After 15 more days the Village will be issuing ordinance fines. Please deal with these things quickly, we do not want this to be an issue, but the Village has an appeal to outsiders wanting to come and live the good life and will do so as long as it is appealing to eyes. Junk and junk vehicles create a stigma that the town does not care and that is far from the truth. This has been coming for a while and now that the ordinances are set in place, they will be acted upon.

A reminder to get your vehicles in operable condition and tagged properly. Let's work on making a more beautiful place without the Ordinance Fines.

If you see suspicious vehicle driving around please do not hesitate to call 309 888-5030. This is our dispatcher's non-emergency phone number. This may help us catch the criminals that are breaking into our cars and garages.

If you need to get a hold of me directly please call 309 387 2911 ext 1315. I will get back to you as quickly as possible.

#### This Month's Positive Highlights:

There will be the Civil War reenactment Friday, come out to see the hard work these folks have put into the day.

## Maginel-Kraft Star-Spangled Summer Camp

Come One, Come All!
Do you love to sing?
Do you love to dance?
Do you love to perform?
Do you love arts and crafts?
Do you love to learn fun and educational songs about America?

## Join us for a star-spangled summer camp!

We will learn speaking parts for our performance, history of songs, arts and crafts, games, snacks and recess at the park.

In addition to an awesome learning experience, we will be working toward our performance at Dooley Park, which will take place after the 4th of July parade!

Who: Children entering Kindergarten in the fall through 5th grade. This is not limited to Tri-Valley students. Children from as far away as Florida, Texas, and Ohio have joined us in the past.

Where: Downs Dooley Park pavilion (next to the elementary school)

When: **June 20-24 and June 27-July 1.
Time: 9:30am to Noon
Sneak preview for parents and family.

Cost: \$75 per student per week

Performance after the 4th of July parade in Dooley Park.

**Children who attend both weeks will participate in the entire performance.

Children who attend one week of camp will participate in two acts.

	Child's Name
	Parent or Guardian (phone)
	(Health Concerns)
Week One (June 20-24)	Week Two (June 27-Juy1)Both Weeks
	Amount Englosed

Deadline: May 23, 2016

Mail Completed form to: Mrs. Marty Maginel: 1129 Rader Run, Bloomington, IL 61704 For more information or for openings after deadline: Mrs. Ruth Kraft-309-838-1919 Mrs. Marty Maginel-309-824-6618



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## 2016 DOWNS VILLAGE MARKET MUSIC AND BAKE SALE CALENDAR

	MUSIC	BAKE SALE SPONSOR
June	<ul> <li>1 SFEA-J-108</li> <li>8 John McMahon</li> <li>15 Austin Found</li> <li>22 Andrew Hedges</li> <li>29 Bones Bach</li> </ul>	Downs Unit HCE McLean Co. HCE Downs Top Notchers 4-H St. Mary's Ladies Auxilary Downs Top Notchers 4-H
July	6 The Hippie Project 13 Austin Found 20 SugarCreek Cloggers 27 John McMahon	Downs Senior Citizens McLean County HCE Downs Top Notchers 4-H Grand Village of Kickapoo Park
August	3 Wagon Load a Trouble 10 Sambo Dogwood 17 Austin Found 24 Andrew Hedges 31 The Hippie Project	1 st United Methodist Women of Normal McLean Co. HCE Downs Unit HCE St. Mary's Ladies Auxilary McLean Co. HCE
Sept.	7 Ray Prince 14 John McMahon 21 Sambo Dogwood 28 SFEA-J-108	Downs Senior Citizens McLean Co. HCE Downs Unit HCE No Bake Sale Free Snacks!

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> Current Resident Downs, Illinois 61736

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