

# Service Club Events

The Service Club sponsors a series of events throughout the year. While these events are primarily focused on children and families within the Village, all are welcome to join in the fun. These events are supported through the residents donations such as raffle tickets, concessions and the contributions of local businesses. The Club works closely with the Village but does not receive Village funding for Service Club events.

Meetings locations are subject to change. Be sure to confirm meeting and event details below.

## 2024 Service Club Events

When	What	Where	Time
02/06	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
03/05	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
03/30	Easter Egg Hunt	Sabatino Park	12:00 pm
04/02	New Members Night*	Diamond Jim's	8:00 pm
04/23	<i>Sleepy Hollow Pinewood Benefit Race</i>	VFW Hall, W. Dundee	5:30 pm
04/27	Sleepy Hollow Appreciation Night	Moretti's	
05/07	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
06/04	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
06/18	July 4th Planning Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
TBD	<b>Fireworks</b>	Sabatino Park	7 pm
07/03	4th of July Setup*	Sabatino Park	3:00 pm
07/04	<b>July 4th Celebration</b>	Sabatino Park	All Day
07/05	July 4th Celebration (rain date)	Sabatino Park	All Day
08/13*	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
09/10	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
10/01	New Members Night*	Diamond Jim's	8:00 pm
10/26	Halloween in the Hollow	Sabatino Park	3:00 pm
11/05	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm
TBD	Holiday in the Hollow	Sabatino Park	4 pm
12/03	Regular Meeting	Diamond Jim's	7:30 pm

\* Volunteers and guests welcome

## **Service Club Sponsored Events**

### **Easter Egg Hunt - March 30, 2024**

Children scramble to gather eggs left by the Easter Bunny in the fields of Sabatino Park. The hunt is divided into several age categories including one for those with special needs. After the eggs are collected, children open the candy filled eggs in anticipation of one of the “golden” tickets that awards the bearer a grand prize. The empty eggs are then returned and a special treat for participation is awarded. Don't forget to watch for the Easter Bunny, the Bunny makes a special appearance at the event to mingle with the children and is also [available for pictures](#).

Details can be found in The Legend newsletter on the Village's home page.

### **Sleepy Hollow 65/50 Anniversary Celebration**

Help us celebrate 65 years since the incorporation of the Village of Sleepy Hollow and 50 years since the founding of the Service Club. We are combining these two anniversaries into a single theme, hence the 65/50. The Service Club is sponsoring both a night out at [Bleuroot](#) in April and [Commemorative Flagpole Bricks](#).

Celebrate with your neighbors while helping to raise money that will be used for park improvements as the Village installs new playground equipment, coming to Sabatino Park later this year. Events are listed on the calendar above. More information and links to the registration forms can be found on the [Service Club's Facebook page](#)

### **Fourth of July Festival and Fireworks**

Consider supporting our community events by visiting our [Support Our Community](#) page to purchase raffle tickets, commemorative bricks, etc.

### **July 1st Fireworks**

Fireworks parking opens at 7 PM on July 1 and fireworks start about 9:30 PM. We are asking for a \$20 donation to offset the cost of the fireworks. We will be broadcasting updates on from 7-9:30 PM on **FM 99.1**.

### **July 4th Festivities**

Come out early and get in a bit of exercise and try your luck at landing that big one and claim your prize. The day starts at 8 a.m. with a 1-mile “fun run” starting at Sleepy Hollow Elementary School followed by the Bob Zdenek Memorial Fishing Derby at Lake Sharon at 9 a.m.

Refreshments open at 10:30 a.m., followed by the **Bill Ritchie Memorial Parade**. The parade starts at **11:30 a.m.**, with the fire departments leading the parade around Sabatino Park, made up of children on bikes, skaters, tractors, and floats. If you wish to be in the parade, meet at the **Sleepy Hollow Pool** parking lot at 11:00 a.m. No registration is required. See the parade flier for additional lineup instructions. There will be trophies awarded for the best floats and the best tractor.

The Service Club is proud to continue the Car Show, previously sponsored by the BGSA. The car show starts at 10 a.m and runs until 2 p.m. The car show asks for a \$5 exhibitor donation which will go directly to the Illinois Special Olympics.

The festival features food, games, live music performances by **The Lennys**, and other entertainment throughout the afternoon. Sign up early at the ticket booth for a chance to be in the pie eating contest that will take place at 2:30 p.m. with trophies for the 1st and 2nd place contestants. At 3 p.m. the winners (who need not be present) of the raffle will be drawn. Raffle tickets are available right up to the drawing and are a great tax deductible way to support the Service Club. The games close at 3 p.m. while the music and refreshment wind down around 4 p.m.

Setup is on July 3 at 3 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome to help with setup or on the day of the event. See any club member or go to the ticket booth during the festivities.

Family Sponsor parking passes and tickets will be delivered to your house by Friday afternoon (June 30). If you do not receive your tickets or parking pass by June 30, please email us at our contact information at the bottom of this page. For Sponsor parking, please enter off of Thorobred Lane near the fire house.

Visit the 2024 July Fourth Schedule page for a timeline of all the July 4th events. Check out the fun from the previous year's celebration in the **Service Club Photo Gallery**.

### **Halloween in the Hollow**

October 26, 2024 at Sabatino Park.

Trick or Treat: The Service Club is not directly involved in Trick or Treat on October 31. Watch the [Village's home page](#) or the Village's **Facebook page** for updates on Trick or Treating in the Village.

Children have an opportunity to show off their costumes, parading by age group to receive candy with prizes awarded for the best costumes. Other activities include pumpkin decorating, hay rides, a chili contest and of course, the bonfire. The Service Club offers refreshments while we wait for the appearance of the Headless Horseman, which includes hot dogs, hot cocoa & cider, water, apple & pumpkin pie and all the chili from the **Chili Contest**. The full schedule and

contest details can be found [here](#).

Visit the Halloween in the Hollow page for more information

All are welcome to enter the chili contest, please see the Chili Cook Off Contest entry form for more information. All entries must be received at the food tents by 3 PM on the day of the contest. Entry forms should be completed beforehand using the Chili Cook Off Contest entry form.

The chili contests starts promptly at 3 PM, costume parade starts at 4:15 PM, and food sales and pumpkin decorating begin at 3:30 PM. At twilight, the immense bonfire is set ablaze, followed by the ride of the Headless Horseman.

#### **The 2022 Contest Winners**

1st: Victor Varney - *No Leftovers*

2nd: Shelia Knapp - *Brain Sauce 22*

3rd: Kali Haase - *Spartan Chili*

[Click Here for Past Winners](#)

Check out the fun from this year's and the previous year's events in the [Service Club photo gallery](#). If you would like more information, please [contact the Service Club](#).

#### **Holiday in the Hollow**

December 2, 2023 at 4 PM CT (virtually) at Sabatino Park

The Sleepy Hollow Service Club invites all of Sleepy Hollow to gather for hot cocoa and holiday cheer. Music will be provided by Sleepy Hollow Elementary School as we illuminate the Sabatino Park Flagpole and the Sleepy Hollow Elementary School Circle-of-Cheer Christmas trees, to signal the start of the holiday season. Santa will take a break from his busy schedule to visit with us and listen to the requests of all those children present. One lucky person will help Santa flip the "Santa Switch" to light all seven trees and the flagpole!

See you on the first Saturday in December at 4 PM! Check out the fun from the previous year's event in the [Service Club photo gallery](#).

For up to the minute information about Service Club events, call our voicemail box at (224) 484-0009.

For more information, [click here to contact the Service Club](#).