

THE VILLAGE NEWS

A Newsletter from the Village of Oconomowoc Lake, Sept. 2014 35328 W. Pabst Rd. Oconomowoc, WI 53066 Phone: 567-5301 Web: www.oconlake.com

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Oct 4	Saturday	Dumpster Arr	ives at Woodlot
Oct 4	Saturday	Burning Allowed in the Village (must call in)	
Oct 6	Monday	7:00 PM	Plan Commission*
Oct 13	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Zoning Appeals*
Oct 20	Monday	7:00 PM	Village Board of Trustees
Oct 25	Saturday	6:00-8:00 PM	Trick or Treating in Village
Oct 27	Monday	7:00 PM	Architectural Control Board*
Nov 3	Monday	7:00 PM	Plan Commission*
Nov 4	TUESDAY	7:00 AM-8:0	0 PM GENERAL ELECTION
Nov 10	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Zoning Appeals*
Nov 16	Sunday	Final Day for Burning in the Village	
Nov 17	Monday	7 :00 PM	Village Board of Trustees
Nov 24	Monday	7:00 PM	Architectural Control Board*
Nov 27-28	Thurs-Fri	Village Hall Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday	
Dec 1	Monday	7:00 PM	Plan Commission*
Dec 8	Monday	7:00 PM	Board of Zoning Appeals*
Dec 15	Monday	7:00 PM	Village Board of Trustees
Dec 22	Monday	7:00 PM	Architectural Control Board*
Dec 24-26	Wed-Fri	Village Hall Closed for Christmas Holiday	
Dec 26	Friday	Trash Pick U	p (one day later due to holiday)
	*if needed		

Note: All residents are welcome to attend the meetings. Special meetings may be called as necessary. All meetings are subject to change. Please check with the Village Hall or refer to the meeting notices that may be published in the Oconomowoc Focus.

VILLAGE PHONE NUMBERS

Village Hall......262-567-5301 Village Hall Fax......262-567-7447 Building Inspection......262-490-0513 Non-Emergency Police.....262-367-2600

AFTER VILLAGE OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM, PLEASE CONTACT POLICE SQUADS DIRECTLY FOR CONCERNS & COMPLAINTS

Direct Squad Car Phone numbers: (If no answer, leave a message) Village Website...www.oconlake.com 8:00 AM to Midnight:414-881-9727 Midnight to 8:00 AM:.....414-881-9728 Village email....villagehall@oconlake.com

ELECTED OFFICIALS

The Village President and Board of Trustees serve our Village on a part-time basis. and without compensation.

> VILLAGE PRESIDENT Joe Birbaum 4750 Hewitts Point Road Oconomowoc, WI 53066 262-567-7785

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Michael Bickler 262-567-4000

Jeff Fellows 414-745-3341

Paul Fischer 262-567-6364

Joseph Owens 262-567-3421

Chris Shult 262-567-7647

Bryan Waltersdorf 262-468-4806

2014 TAX COLLECTION

All 2014 tax payments will be collected by Waukesha County. <u>Payments will not be</u> accepted or receipted at the Village Hall.

<u>To Pay By Mail</u>: Payment can be made using the return envelope provided with your tax bill. **Make sure the check is made payable to Waukesha County Treasurer**. A receipt will be mailed to you from the County Treasurer.

<u>To Pay In Person</u>: Payment can be made in person at the Waukesha County Treasurer's office, located in the Waukesha County Courthouse at 515 W Moreland Blvd, Room 148, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Escrow Checks: If your escrow check is more than the amount of your taxes, contact the issuer to have a new check issued for the exact amount of your taxes. If your check is not for the exact amount, a refund check from the Village for the overpayment will be sent but may take up to 6 weeks to process! Make sure your escrow check is made payable to the Waukesha County Treasurer.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

The Village has made arrangements with R & H Recyclers LLC to collect your old electronics. There is a bin located at the Village Wood Lot that you may use on Saturday mornings between 9 AM and 1 PM. Also, you may call R & H at (414) 208-0767 to have your item(s) picked up. Please contact the Village Hall if you have any questions regarding the electronics recycling program.

IN MEMORY OF ...

We regret to inform you of the passing of Eldo Koenig and John H. Sproule

We extend our sincere condolences to the Koenig and Sproule families

VILLAGE DUMPSTER LOCATION AND HOURS

The next dumpster that will be available for Village residents is scheduled for the month of October beginning Saturday, October 4th.

This dumpster will be located at the Village wood lot and can be used on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. during open wood lot hours. An attendant will be present if you need assistance.

Items that can be dumped include large items, boards, lumber, pipe, fencing & carpet. All items must be placed in the dumpster.

The following types of materials or items are absolutely NOT allowed to be placed in the dumpster: construction materials, tires, batteries, hazardous waste products, electronics, or "white goods" (refrigerators, stoves, etc.)

For year-round appliance pick-up at your residence, call Advanced Disposal Services at 262-367-6040.

VILLAGE WOOD LOT

The Village wood lot is open on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for disposal of leaves and brush. The leaves are hauled out, so they must be kept separate from the brush.

Please unload your leaves on the leaf pile.

Because the brush is ground up in a tub grinder, we cannot accept stumps or anything larger than one foot in diameter.

DRIVEWAY PLOWING AND MAINTENANCE

The Village DPW plows private drives at the direction of the Police Chief when a snowfall reaches a 3" accumulation. This is done to maintain emergency access only. A more complete driveway clearing is the responsibility of the property owner. All driveways should be clearly marked indicating where the boundaries of the driveway are. Please note that driveways that are not clearly delineated with reflective markers may not be plowed.

Please keep your driveways trimmed back to 12' wide x 12' high (if possible) to be free of obstruction. This will ensure that emergency services can get to your door. The Village police and local fire services would appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

abor Day is behind us and fall is rapidly approaching. It is a beautiful time to walk and drive in our Village as many of us do. Both the walkers and drivers need to be careful and alert. If you are walking, please walk on the left side of the road so you can see the vehicles that are approaching on your side. Drivers, please be attentive and alert for pedestrians. Give them plenty of room. We have had some concerns and complaints expressed to our Police. Fortunately, no one has been hurt. Let's keep it that way.

Please be considerate of your neighbors and aware of our Village ordinances when you are storing boats, piers, lifts, etc. (There is a brief summary of the most applicable ordinances in this Newsletter.) If you have any questions or concerns, contact the Village Hall.

Have a great fall!

One of the great mistakes is to judge policies and programs by their intentions rather than their results. – Milton Friedman

POLICE OFFICER CONTACT INFORMATION

Please note the police officer contact information listed on the front page of this newsletter in the Village Phone Number box. If you require immediate assistance, but the matter is not considered a 9-1-1 emergency, please remember to contact the officer on duty directly, or contact the Waukesha County Dispatch Center at 262-367-2600. If you leave a message at the Village Hall, it will not be responded to until later in the officer's shift, or the next day during regular office hours. Remember, it is most helpful to the police officers to report anything that may be suspicious activity at the time you see it rather than waiting until a later time. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



FALL BURNING

Fall burning will be permitted in the Village beginning **Saturday, October 4th** and is allowed through **Sunday, November 16th**, <u>when weather conditions</u> <u>permit</u>. If the weather is dry, it is possible that burning will not be permitted. Chief Wiemer will consult with surrounding areas in order to make a decision regarding the safety of allowing burning. Before you burn for the very first time, you must read and sign a copy of the Village Burning Ordinance. If you did not sign an ordinance last season, or need another copy for reference, please contact the Village Hall. If you have previously signed a copy, it is on file at the Village hall. There is a fee of \$25 for the fall burning season.

Once your fee has been paid and your signed copy of the ordinance is on file, you <u>must</u> notify the Village each time before you burn. Please call before 2 P.M. on Friday, if you plan to burn during the weekend. Contact the officers directly on their cell phones after office hours. The contact numbers for the hall and the officers are listed on the front page of this newsletter.

Burning without notifying the Village could result in a citation being issued to you. Following the above procedures will help ensure a safe burning season for everyone.

TRASH PICK UP/HOLIDAY WEEKS

Trash pick up in the Village is normally done on Thursdays. Advanced Disposal Services (ADS) set a new policy earlier this year. Their new policy is that anytime there is a holiday during the week, prior to or on the regular pick-up day, trash pick up will be one day later (Fridays). If you have questions regarding pick up or if you need to arrange for a special pick up, the phone number for ADS is <u>262-367-6040</u>.

ELECTION THANK YOUS

There was a Primary Election held on August 12th. Thank you to the following election inspectors who worked that day:

Holly Krull, Amy Zea, Panny Bongardt Carol Fischer, Carol Falstad, Mimi Birbaum

There will be a General Election held on November 4th. The polling hours are 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. on that day. Further information regarding the November election can be found elsewhere in this newsletter along with a sample ballot for your review.

GENERAL ELECTION INFORMATION

Residents will be casting their votes for Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Congressional, Legislative, and County positions and a referendum at the <u>General Election on November 4, 2014.</u>

Absentee ballots for the November 4th election will be available after September 18th. You may contact the Clerk to request an absentee ballot by mail using the application that can be found on the Government Accountability Board (GAB) website (http://gab. wi.gov) or request an application be faxed to you. The last day you may request an absentee ballot by mail is October 30, 2014. **October 20th** is the first day you may vote absentee at the Village Hall. You will need to fill out the absentee ballot application, provide a photo ID, and then may vote during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM—2:00 PM. Extended office hours are available for absentee voters on Friday, October 31st. The office will be open from 8 AM until 5 PM on that day. No absentee voting may occur after 5 PM on Friday, October 31, 2014.

Absentee ballots that are mailed to the Village Hall must be postmarked by Nov. 4, 2014 and arrive no later than 4 PM on Friday Nov. 7, 2014. <u>Please note:</u> While the law allows for the late arrival if mailed on election day, the procedure to process those late ballots is very extensive and it would be greatly appreciated if your absentee ballot is received before 8 PM on Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2014. Additionally, if you have requested and received an absentee ballot, please take the time to complete it and return it by mail to the Village Hall. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

You must be registered in order to vote in the election. You can register to vote through the Friday before the election (October 31, 2014) or on Election Day. You must have resided at your address for <u>28</u> consecutive days to be eligible to vote, and you may no longer use a corroborating witness as proof of residence. Proof of residence is required whenever anyone is registering to vote. Please refer to the Government Accountability Board's website for the types of documents that can be used for proof of residence. The most often used document is a driver's license that includes the voter's current address. The website lists other possible documents that can be used if a driver's license with the current address is not available.

PHOTO ID REQUIREMENTS:

As of Friday, September 12, 2014, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals reinstated the requirement that most Wisconsin voters present photo identification in order to cast a ballot for the November 4, 2014 General Election. Therefore, **please be prepared to provide a photo ID when you vote on November 4th.**

If you vote by absentee ballot, you must also include a copy of your photo ID with your Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot (form GAB-121).

As in the past several elections, voters are required to sign their name when voting, so please be prepared to do so when you vote. Our election inspectors have worked hard to learn the ever-changing rules for elections and truly appreciate the cooperation of the voters on election day.

Official Ballot for Partisan Office and Referendum November 4, 2014

Notice to voters: This ballot may be invalid unless initialed by 2 election inspectors. If cast as an absentee ballot, the ballot must bear the initials of the municipal clerk or deputy clerk.

IMPORTANT: USE BLUE OR BLACK INK ONLY.



Instructions to Voters Congressional Representative in Congress District 5 Vote for 1 f you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, see an election nspector. (Absentee voters: Contact Chris Rockwood your municipal clerk.) Connect only 1 arrow in each contest. To vote for a name on the ballot, complete the arrow next to the name like this F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. (Republican) To vote for a name that is not on the ballot. SAMPLE BALLOT FOR NOVEMBER 4, 2014 write the name on the line(s) marked "write-in " and complete the arrow next to the name like this 🗰 write-in: Statewide Governor/Lieutenant Governor Vote for 1 Legislative State Senator District 33 Vote for 1 You may connect only 1 arrow for the office of Governor/Lieutenant Governor. Mary Burke/ John Lehman Sherryll Shaddock (Democratic) Scott Walker/ Rebecca Kleefisch Paul Farrow (Republican) (Republican) Dennis Fehr/ No Candidate write-in: (Peoples Party) **Robert Burke/** Joseph M. Brost Representative to the Assembly District 99 Vote for 1 (Libertarian) write-in: (Governor Alice Jensen write-in: (Lieutenant Governor) (Democratic) Attorney General Vote for 1 Chris Kapenga (Republican) Susan V. Happ (Democratic) write-in: Brad Schimel (Republican) County Thomas A. Nelson, Sr. (Libertarian) Sheriff Vote for 1 write-in: Secretary of State Vote for 1 Eric Severson (Republican) Doug La Follette write-in: (Democratic) Official Ballot for Partisan Clerk of Circuit Court Vote for 1 Office and Referendum Julian Bradley November 4, 2014 Republican) Kathleen A. Madden for Republican) Village of Oconomowoc Lake Jerry Broitzman (Constitution) Ward 1 write-in: Andy Craig (Libertarian) Ballot issued by Referendum write-in: State Treasurer Vote for 1 (initials of inspectors) Absentee ballot issued by David L. Sartori State (Democratic) (initials of municipal clerk or deputy clerk) (If issued by SVDs, both SVDs must initial.) Quesnow 1: "Creation of a Transportation Fund. Shall section 9 (2) of article IV and section 11 of article VIII of the constitution be created to require that revenues generated by use of the state transportation fund administered by a department of transportation for the exclusive purpose of funding Wiscomsi'n transportation systems and to prohibit any transfers or lapses from this fund? Matt Adamczyk Certification of Voter Assistance (Republican) I certify that I marked this ballot at the request and direction of a voter, who is uthorized to receive assistance. Andrew Zuelke (Constitution) (signature of assistor) For Official Use Only Ron Hardy 4 this fund?" sin Green Party) ectors: Identify ballots required YES to be remade remaking ballot: Jerry Shidell NO Overvoted (Libertarian) Damaged D Other write-in Original Ballot No. or Duplicate Ballot No. Continue voting at top of . 1 next column.

BOAT STORAGE & PIER REMOVAL

As another summer season draws to a close, it is time to begin preparations for winter by removing piers and boats from the lake. There are some specific rules to remember when storing your boats and piers. You may view the Village web site and click on "Zoning Code" for further information and clarification as to the storage of trailers, recreational equipment, piers, lifts, boats and other vehicles and equipment. The portion of the code listing these restrictions is found in section 17.22 (4) of the zoning code.

In a nutshell, here are the basic rules for storing the above mentioned items on your property.

- 1. All boats and trailers with boats must be stored so they are not plainly visible from your neighbor's property.
- 2. Piers, lifts, rafts, and other similar equipment may be stored at the shore if neatly arranged and done in such a way as to minimize visual obstruction from adjacent properties.

What does "not plainly visible from your neighbors' property mean?

A: They are not parked or stored within a public or private street setback unless they are so thoroughly screened by lawfully located structures along with other approved vegetation cover, approved decorative fencing or a combination thereof, that they are not plainly visible.

B: They are at such a great distance, or are so thoroughly screened by lawfully located structures, topography, vegetation cover or approved decorative fencing or combination thereof, that they are not plainly visible.

If any resident has any questions as to the storage of your property on your lands, please call the Village Hall at 262-567-5301. The Village Hall hours are Monday through Friday, from 8 AM to 2 PM. We will be glad to answer your questions. The police department will monitor this storage this fall for compliance.



VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE E-MAIL ADDRESSES

VILLAGE WEBSITE

www.oconlake.com Website links to email addresses

POLICE oconlakepd@oconlake.com

Request house checks; traffic/boating law questions; copy of burning ordinance; parking requests; extra patrol requests (funerals, weddings, etc.); register for Boater's Safety class; report missing or found boats, piers, etc.

POLICE CHIEF

chief@oconlake.com

ADMINISTRATOR

administrator@oconlake.com

Other administrative questions or requests Regarding zoning matters or building permit questions

CLERK – TREASURER

cindy@oconlake.com -orclerk@oconlake.com

Request absentee ballots; property tax questions; election questions; board of review questions; building permit questions

DEPUTY CLERK-TREASURER

michele@oconlake.com Building permit questions; dog licenses

VILLAGE PRESIDENT, joe@birbaum.com

DPW dpw@oconlake.com

Request driveway sand/salt mixture

VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE Villagehall@oconlake.com

Ask any other questions regarding Village matters

HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE FALL SEASON!

