



# THE VILLAGE NEWS

A Newsletter from the Village of Oconomowoc Lake, Sept. 2009  
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

<b>Oct 3</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Dumpster Arrives at Woodlot</b>
<b>Oct 10</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Burning Allowed in the Village (must call in)</b>
<b>Oct 12</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Plan Commission
<b>Oct 19</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Village Board of Trustees
<b>Oct 26</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Architectural Control Board*
<b>Oct 31</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6:00-8:00 PM Trick or Treating in Village</b>
<b>Nov 2</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Plan Commission
<b>Nov 9</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Board of Zoning Appeals*
<b>Nov 16</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Village Board of Trustees
<b>Nov 22</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Final Day for Burning in the Village</b>
<b>Nov 23</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Architectural Control Board*
<b>Nov 26-27</b>	<b>Thurs-Fri</b>	<b>Village Hall Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday</b>
<b>Dec 7</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Plan Commission
<b>Dec 14</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Board of Zoning Appeals*
<b>Dec 21</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Village Board of Trustees
<b>Dec 24-25</b>	<b>Thurs-Fri</b>	<b>Village Hall Closed for Christmas Eve &amp; Day</b>
<b>Dec 28</b>	Monday	7:00 PM Architectural Control Board*

\*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	Building Inspection.....262-490-0513
Village Hall Fax.....262-567-7447	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**

<b>Direct Squad Car Phone numbers:</b>	<b>8:00 AM to Midnight: .....414-881-9727</b>
<b>(If no answer, leave a message)</b>	<b>Midnight to 8:00 AM:.....414-881-9728</b>
Village Website...www.oconlake.com	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**

**Richard J. Kneiser**  
35920 West Pabst Road  
Oconomowoc, WI 53066  
262-567-6461

## **VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Joe Birbaum**  
262-567-7785

**Paul Fischer**  
262-567-6364

**Michael Bickler**  
262-567-4000

**Joseph Owens**  
262-567-3421

**Dave Falstad**  
262-567-8888

**Chris Shult**  
262-567-7647

## **2009 TAX COLLECTION**

All 2009 tax payments will be collected by Waukesha County. Payments will not be accepted or receipted at the Village Hall.

To Pay By Mail: 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.

To Pay In Person: Payment can be made in person at the Waukesha County Treasurer's office, located in the Waukesha County Courthouse at 1320 Pewaukee Rd, 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.**

## **WAUKESHA COUNTY DRUG COLLECTION & AWARENESS**

In an effort to reduce substance abuse, prevent childhood poisonings and help protect our environment, Waukesha County is offering various locations and times on October 3rd for residents to dispose of any unwanted prescription medication, over the counter medication, ointments, sprays, inhalers, creams, vials, herbals and pet medications.

You **may not** dispose of biohazardous material or household hazardous waste. The nearest location is at the Oconomowoc Memorial Hospital from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Check the County's website,  
[www.waukeshacounty.gov/drugcollection](http://www.waukeshacounty.gov/drugcollection)  
for additional locations in the County.

## **CENSUS 2010**

Preliminary work has begun for the 2010 Census. Unfortunately there have already been reports of people posing as census officials in hopes of collecting money or social security numbers from unsuspecting people. Below is a list of things to keep in mind if you are contacted by a census official.

- Right now, census workers are only knocking on doors to verify address information.
- Census workers will always have identification on them, including a badge. They will also be carrying a handheld device and a notice of confidentiality. If one of them knocks on your door, you should always ask to see these items before answering any of their questions. And as always, never invite anyone into your home.
- Census workers will never ask for your social security numbers, checking account numbers, or credit card information.
- A census worker will never ask for money.
- You may be contacted by telephone, mail, or in person, but never via e-mail.

## **DRIVEWAY PLOWING**

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 reflector markers may not be plowed.

## **IN MEMORY OF . . .**

**We regret to inform you of the passing of Henry (Hank) Teuteberg.**

**We extend our sincere condolences to the Teuteberg family.**

## **LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

As another summer season draws to a close, we can reflect on some major challenges for our Village, each of which was successfully met.

First and foremost, the culmination of dozens of meetings and hundreds of hours of work by our dedicated volunteer committee, resulting in the exceptional celebration event on August 2nd for our Village's 50th birthday! Well over 400 current and former Village residents were in attendance to enjoy a "reunion" with old friends, picnic fare with 1950's pricing, a superb presentation of our Village history by Don Wiemer, '50's music, '50's cars and boats on display and many, many other treats. The thoughtful and meticulous planning by the committee and Village staff was clearly evident to all . . . and, the best part: no Village funds were used since numerous generous donors covered the entire event, related police overtime and our new entranceway signage!

Finally, we managed to endure the underground electric utility work along the west side of the Village and the federally-funded repair of our bridge there. Done at last (almost).

It was indeed a busy summer, but we've enjoyed some great results!

Dick Kneiser

## **FALL BURNING**

Fall burning will be permitted in the Village beginning **Saturday, October 10th** and is allowed through **Sunday, November 22nd, when weather conditions permit**. If the weather continues to be 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 **must** 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.

## **GARBAGE SERVICE**

Veolia Environmental Services, the garbage service for the Village, has implemented a procedure in the case of an outbreak of the swine flu this fall/winter. Veolia has taken a pro-active approach by developing a plan to ensure the health of their employees including training, flu shots and additional personal protective equipment. However, they advise that the reality is that there is a potential of possible delays in service if a great number of their employees would become ill.

In such an event, their pick-up routes would have to be determined on a day-to-day basis based on the number of available employees. Veolia will contact the Village Hall if they must change or delay garbage pick-up service. If the Village Hall is notified of such a change, it will be posted on the Village website, [www.oconlake.com](http://www.oconlake.com). There is a separate tab at the side of the page entitled "Garbage Info". Click on that to find out if there have been any changes to days and times of garbage pick up. Of course, as always, you may call the Village Hall during office hours for any available updates.

## **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 3rd.

**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. WE DO NOT ACCEPT TIRES OR BATTERIES IN THE DUMPSTER!**

For year-round appliance pick-up at your residence, call Veolia Environmental 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.**

## **BOAT STORAGE & PIER REMOVAL**

**A**s 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 section of the code listing these restrictions are 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 trailers must be screened from view from your neighbor's property.
2. All boats and trailers must be parked or stored where not viewed from your neighbor's property.
3. Piers, lifts, rafts, and other similar equipment may be stored at the shore if neatly arranged and done in such a way to minimize visual obstruction from adjacent properties.

What does "not viewed 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 give the Village Hall a call. We will be glad to answer your questions. The police department will monitor this storage this fall for compliance.

## **VILLAGE 50TH MEMORABILIA**

**V**illage 50th memorabilia is still available for purchase at the Village Hall. Items available include:

<b>T-Shirts in Youth Sizes M and L</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>T-Shirts in Adult Sizes S, M, L, XL</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>T-Shirts in Adult Sizes XXL, XXXL</b>	<b>\$12</b>
<b>Coffee Mug with 50th Logo</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>Village Floating Key Tag</b>	<b>\$2</b>
<b>Tote Bag with 50th Logo</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>Boat Burgee with 50th Logo (only 5 left)</b>	<b>\$30</b>

The above items may be viewed at the Village Hall at any time during our office hours, which are Monday through Friday, from 8 A.M. to 2 P.M.

Payment is due at the time of purchase for any of the memorabilia items. Payment may be made in cash or check. Checks may be made payable to the Village of Oconomowoc Lake. Sorry, we do not accept credit cards.

Please feel free to contact the Village Hall staff at 262-567-5301 with any questions you may have regarding the memorabilia merchandise available.

## **VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE E-MAIL ADDRESSES**

### **VILLAGE WEBSITE**

**www.oconlake.com**

Website links to email addresses

### **VILLAGE OF OCONOMOWOC LAKE**

**villagehall@oconlake.com**

### **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.; request to use portable burglar alarms.

### **POLICE CHIEF**

**chief@oconlake.com**

### **ADMINISTRATOR**

**administrator@oconlake.com**

All other questions or requests.

### **CLERK-TREASURER**

**cindy@oconlake.com -or-**

**clerk@oconlake.com**

Request absentee ballots; property tax questions; election questions; building permit questions.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

**jeanine@oconlake.com**

Dog license questions; Architectural Control Board and building permit questions

### **VILLAGE PRESIDENT,**

### **DICK KNEISER**

**rkneiser@execpc.com**

### **DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**dpw@oconlake.com**

Request driveway sand/salt mixture.

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**IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION  
ENCLOSED**