



Village of Chenequa

September 2017 Newsletter

Getting Ready for Fall

John's Disposal:

Garbage Collection will be delayed by one day the week of September 4, 2017

Forestry News

Purple Loosestrife

A tall growing plant with an attractive bloom of purple flowers from July to September, Purple Loosestrife is highly aggressive and capable of taking over wetlands. A single stalk can produce from 100,000 to 300,000 seeds with a high survival rate. Purple Loosestrife have rapidly spread from gardens into our shorelines and marsh areas. Most seeds fall near the plant, but can easily travel long distances via water movement, boats or other human activities.

Currently, the Village is using Cella Beetles to keep the loosestrife populations in-check. We do not want to completely remove all the loosestrife, because the beetles will no longer have something to feed on and populations will plummet. We are currently assessing the Loosestrife populations to see if rearing another population of beetles is warranted.

Browning of Maple & Bur Oak Trees

Due to the large amount of reports from residents noticing Maple and Bur Oak leaves curling up, and falling off the tree. Cody Lincoln, the Village Forester took a few samples and sent them to Bill McNee, a Forest Health Specialist for Southeast Wisconsin. He was able to confirm that this curling was a combination of a few things.

The Bur Oaks can be seen turning partially brown and defoliating. This is caused by the fungus **Anthracnose**. Anthracnose is typically far more severe during years where we have a very wet spring or early summer. Fungicides are really not necessary unless the tree has been completely defoliated several years in a row. The good news is that Oaks can recover from Anthracnose. The best thing you can do to preserve your Bur Oaks is rake up, destroy leaves in the fall, and prune out any dead twigs after November. Fungi survive in the leaves and twigs, and infect the new leaves the following year if not removed.

Worse than the Bur Oaks, we have noticed the Maples showing symptoms of brown curling leaves as well. Tar spot has been in the Village for a while now. It not only can cause large unsightly black spots, but it can also effectively reduce the leaves ability to take in moisture ultimately causing them to dry out, brown, and curl during dry periods. It is also very possible that the particularly poor looking Maples may also be infected with Anthracnose.

Police Department News

Pine Lake Boat Launch

The Pine Lake Boat Launch will be **closed** for routine maintenance on Monday, September 11th and Tuesday, September 12th.

The launch will reopen on Wednesday, September 13th at 8:00 am.

Bow Hunting in the Village

Starting on September 16th, Bow Hunting begins in Wisconsin. If you are allowing anyone to bow hunt on your property, please have a Permission to Hunt / Enter Form filled out. You can find this form on our website:

chenequa.org/eservices/requests/

If this Permission to Hunt / Enter form has already been filled out in the past, we ask that you please update any information and signature for this year. To do this, Please either come in to the Village Hall or send an email to:

policeclerk@chenequa.org

If you are unsure of any of this information and have questions, feel free to call the Chenequa Police Department non-emergency line at: 262-367-2145