



Village of Chenequa

September 2018 Newsletter

Getting Ready for Fall

John's Disposal:

Garbage Collection will be delayed by one day the week of September 3, 2018 due to Labor Day

Forestry News

Oak Wilt is a fungal disease affecting oak trees in the forests throughout the Village. The fungus spreads from diseased to healthy trees from insects overland or by connections between the tree roots underground. While working its way through the tree, Oak Wilt plugs the water conducting vessels of the tree, the leaves then "wilt" and fall from the tree usually in mid to late summer. If left uncontrolled, Oak Wilt will kill off acres of healthy mature oaks.

It is because of the aggressive spreading nature of Oak Wilt that the Village of Chenequa takes a firm stance to slow the spread. Chenequa has a very healthy population of 1-200 year old mature Red Oaks, and it is our objective to preserve these monuments.

We ask that you monitor your oaks for fallen green/brown leaves during the late summer and early fall. If a tree is found, contact the Village Forester or a qualified arborist to examine your tree. It should be known that there are a number of tree related problems which may cause the death of an Oak other than Oak Wilt.

Before removing trees, it is advised to disrupt the root grafts between the infected and other nearby oak trees. Known as trenching, machinery is used to cut the roots to a depth of 5 feet, separating healthy from infected trees. Destroy or remove the wood from the diseased trees. If the wood is kept as firewood, cut, split, and remove the bark to speed up the drying process. Once the wood is dry, it can no longer support the Oak Wilt fungus. Other than the winter months, the wood should be covered with a tarp and the edges of the tarp buried in the ground to prevent transmission.

The forests throughout the Village of Chenequa have large volumes of mature Red Oaks. The loss of these trees can have a huge impact on the landscape. Oak Wilt is considered a threat to property and infected trees will be declared a public nuisance. Removal or abatement is mandatory under Village of Chenequa Ordinance 3.07.

For a more detailed description of treatment options contact the Village Forester or a qualified arborist.

Police Department News

Bow Hunting in the Village

Starting on September 15th, 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/resources/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

Snowbird & Vacation House Watch

If you are leaving town for more than a couple of days and would like the Police Department to make a periodic check of your home, please call the Village Hall or Police Department so we may fill out a House Check Report form for you.

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