

June 2004

New Phone Number for Chenequa Police Department

Normal Business Hours Mon. – Thurs. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fri. 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. 367-2145

After Hours, Weekends and Holidays 367-2600

Signs and Billboards

Enclosed is a copy of Village Code Section 3.05 as amended by the Village Board on June 14, 2004. Please add this updated section to your Village binder.

Time Warner

Time Warner Cable will be surveying properties in the Village in order to determine whether cable access is feasible and possible. All vehicles will be marked and surveyors will have Id's. Please call Chenequa Police if you have any questions or concerns as Time Warner will be keeping the Police Department informed as to the area they are going to be in on a daily basis.

Resident Reassurance

The Chenequa Police Department and Clerk's office is jointly operating the Resident Reassurance Program. This program currently has three (3) community members who call in their well being status on a daily basis. Should the Clerk's office not hear from one of these residents, Police are sent to check on the resident. This program was established to assist those who live alone and to provide the assurance that should they become ill, injured or incapacitated in any way, there will be someone checking on them on a daily basis should they not call in. The Police Department and Clerk's office encourage those considering this program to call for more information or to enroll in the program. There is no cost to participate and all information is kept confidential.

Village Hall July 4th Holiday Hours

The Village Hall will be closed on Monday, July 5th due to the 4th of July holiday.

Solicitations

Be aware of solicitations from organizations that state they are Police Officers Associations, Sheriff's Association, Firefighters Association, etc. The majority of these solicitations provide no benefits to local law enforcement or firefighters.

Correspondence was sent out by the New York City Police Foundation, Inc. stating millions of dollars have been raised each year from telemarketers seeking donations for the New York Police Department. None of that money has been sent to any of the New York Police Officers or benefits for those involved in the 9/11 attacks. Most Associations or Foundations of this nature that benefit directly do not hire telemarketers to raise funds on their behalf. Save your money for a worthwhile cause as telemarketers that call you will be doing nothing for Public Safety

personnel in your area.

Internet Ad Hoc Committee

The Internet Ad Hoc Committee has been established. This Committee is chaired by Rob Foote, Jr. and is seeking solutions to the Village's lack of high speed internet services.

The Committee's current direction is a wireless format which could be based off the Village Hall cell tower. As of this writing, the Committee should be receiving (2) two proposals for wireless internet service which will be reviewed by the Internet Ad Hoc Committee. Should the Committee find what they believe to be a feasible and quality provider, a proposal would be forwarded to the Village Board of Trustees for consideration. This Committee and the Village is committed to finding a solution to this service void.

Dispatch

Lake Area Communications Systems (LACS) will be dissolving its operations effective July 13th, 2004 at 8:00 a.m. This center is/was owned jointly by the three communities of Chenequa, Hartland and Delafield. Services were then further contracted out to the City and Village of Pewaukee and the Town of Summit.

Waukesha County in participation with 29 other municipalities of the 37 municipalities in Waukesha County has agreed to build and operate a new Dispatch Center which is located just off Grandview Blvd. in the City of Waukesha. This center has the latest state of the art equipment and we have been assured that it will be staffed at levels necessary to provide quality services to the communities it serves.

This does mean, however, some changes to the way the Village of Chenequa conducts its business will be necessary. Due to the fact that the new Center is strictly a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), phone calls for driveway plowing and sanding, burning permission, vacation house checks, etc. will not be handled by the new Center. You may still call the Village Hall during normal business hours Monday through Friday for such needs, however, after hours and weekends you will need to call 367-2600 (the new dispatch center) and ask for a Chenequa Police Officer to contact you either in person or by phone. When the Officer responds to your call, you then can have your request addressed. Refrigerator magnets and stickers will be mailed or dropped off sometime in July to refer to. Remember that this new center is Countywide and will enhance the way Public Safety units are dispatched and can communicate with each other. The downside is, however, you lose that personal touch and the way we handled some of the non-public safety calls here in the Village. Should you have any problems, concerns or complaints when you call for services in the Village of Chenequa from Waukesha County Communications Center, please contact Chief Douglas and make him aware of the issue. There is an oversight Commission that will address any problems that may arise, either procedures issues, or personnel issues.

HIGHWAY/FORESTRY UPDATES

Gypsy Moth

After several delays due to rain, 382.5 acres of the Village were sprayed on May 24th to reduce an expanding population of Gypsy Moth. The spraying is funded by a program administered by the WI-DNR with 50% of the costs paid by the local municipality.

At this time it appears as though the spray was effective. However, residents are asked to be watchful for caterpillars from now until mid summer. If you find any caterpillars that you suspect may be Gypsy moth caterpillars, please call the Village Forestry Department.

Geese

This spring, 172 goose eggs were oiled and later collected by personnel from U.S Department of Agriculture – Wildlife Services. Last year 134 eggs were oiled. Their efforts seem to be working as several residents have commented that fewer geese are visiting the lawns than in previous years.

A release form is required before the crew from Wildlife Services can enter private property to search for a nest or eggs. If you have not already signed a release and would like to participate in this program, please contact the Village Forester, Jeff Kante at the Village Hall.

Garlic Mustard

The invasive plant Garlic mustard seems to be everywhere this year. At this time of year the seed head has formed and must be removed and collected. Spraying and cutting will no longer work. Collected plants can be bagged and picked up with the trash. The Village waste collector Superior/Onyx will allow one bag per week without charge. If you have multiple bags, there is a one dollar per bag fee. To make arrangements for pick up of additional bags, please contact Superior at 367-6040.

If collected plants are added to a mulch pile, the seeds are likely to survive. This could be a problem if mulch soil is used in planting beds. Another solution is burning the dried pile of collected garlic mustard in a controlled manner. Be sure to call the Village Hall for permission prior to any open burning.

Pine Lake Weed Treatment

The lake weeds were treated on June 14th. An additional treatment is scheduled for mid August.

Pictures

We are in the process of updating our Village website, www.chenequa.org. If you have any digital photographs of scenery in the Village that you would be willing to share, we would love to have a copy for possible use on the website. Please contact Village Clerk, Darlene Igl, if you are interested.