

# Oswego News



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*Reminder: No Parking 2am-6am on Village Streets*



# From the Village President

**“In early June the world of leaf and blade and flowers explodes, and every sunset is different.”**

—John Steinbeck, *The Winter of our Discontent*

Summer has arrived. The sights, sounds, and smells of community surround us! Loud music streaming from open windows, laughter of children playing in the park or swimming at the pool, the whirring of bicycle tires, hamburgers grilling, outdoor eating, t-shirts and shorts, and lawn chairs on the bank of the river.

There's a healthy sense of nostalgia that often arrives with summer, too. We long for the good old days and take the time to reminisce with friends.

This year, in our Village, there is plenty of new to celebrate, too!

1. This summer the Village Board and Staff will be holding four Community Conversations—in four different sections of Oswego! We will come to YOU—and engage in discussions around topics that are important to all of us. You may attend one in your neighborhood or participate in all of them. The dates and locations are:  
June 9—7:00 p.m., Fox Chase Elementary  
July 7—7:00 p.m., Prairie Point Elementary  
July 21—7:00 p.m., Thompson Junior High  
August 23—7:00 p.m., Churchill Elementary  
Please take time and join us in an informal setting. Get to know your Village Board, hear firsthand what's happening, and share your priorities and concerns for Oswego.
2. This summer there are new butterfly gardens at your Village Hall. Stop by and enjoy the new gardens along with our lovely gazebo and fountain. It's a great place to enjoy a summer picnic or movie in the park. (See back cover for our movies in the park schedule). Keller Williams Realty in Oswego volunteered their time on Red Day helping us plant special gardens to attract butterflies to our community. This is part of our new Conservation in Your Community project in partnership with The Conservation Foundation.
3. Electronics recycling is now available curbside! That's right, simply call our waste hauler, Groot, 24 hours in advance and then just put your recyclable electronics on the curb for pick-up. (Groot's phone number is: 1-877-775-1200). By the way—we were able to negotiate this at a cost savings to you!

Go out and enjoy all that summer in Oswego has to offer! Take in an outdoor movie in the park, dine alfresco, sip sangria, run through a splash pad, sing along with a band, grab festival eats, line up for a parade, watch a ball game, drop a fishing line, or simply star gaze and listen to the silence. However you enjoy summer—do it here, in Oswego!

*Gail Johnson*

Village President



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This newsletter is published quarterly and mailed to over 14,000 Oswego postal customers. Comments, suggestions and questions are welcome at [info@oswegoil.org](mailto:info@oswegoil.org).



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## VILLAGE DEPARTMENTS

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Village Clerk . . . . .554-3259  
Utility / Water Billing . . . . .554-2282  
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# From the Village Clerk

## BUSINESS REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT

- All persons conducting business within the Village shall register their business.
- All businesses must renew annually.
- Registration applies to both home and commercial businesses.
- Commercial businesses must:
  - Verify properly zoned
  - Obtain a certificate of occupancy
  - Schedule an on-site inspection
  - Pay required fees
  - Be issued a business registration certificate before opening or conducting business.
- Home businesses must:
  - Verify the home occupation is permitted
  - Pay required fees
  - Be issued a business registration certificate before opening or conducting business.
  - Register their alarm systems
- Not-for-profit organizations will be required to register. Please contact the Village Clerk's Office for more information.

### REGISTRATION FEES AND FINES

- Certificate of Occupancy Fee = \$90.00
- Commercial Registration Fee = \$50.00; Annual Fee = \$25.00
- Home Registration Fee = \$25.00; Annual Fee = \$10.00
- Not-for-profit Registration Fee = \$0.00
- Failure to obtain a business registration will result in a first offense fine of \$55.00.

Business registration applications can be obtained from the Village Clerk's Office or from the Village's website at [www.oswegoil.org](http://www.oswegoil.org).

## VOTER REGISTRATION

### Village Hall

Oswego  
8:00am-5:00 pm. M-F

### Kendall County Clerk's Office

111 W. Fox Street, Room 103 Yorkville  
8:30am-4:30pm

Voter registration forms can be found on the Kendall County Clerk's website at: [http://www.co.kendall.il.us/wp-content/uploads/Election\\_SBER-19.pdf](http://www.co.kendall.il.us/wp-content/uploads/Election_SBER-19.pdf)

\*\*As of January 19, 2016, the Oswego Public Library will no longer register people to vote.

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- Ordinances Approved February 2, 2016-May 2, 2016

## HOW TO VIEW

- Approved ordinances may be viewed on the Village's website at [www.oswegoil.org](http://www.oswegoil.org)

## CITIZEN'S GUIDE TO VILLAGE MEETINGS

The President and Board of Trustees are the governing body of the Village of Oswego. Your comments and concerns are important to us. We invite everyone to participate in our Village meetings.

- Oswego Village Board of Trustees meet at 7:00 pm on the first and third Tuesday of each month, providing it is not a holiday.
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Agendas and supporting documents for the meetings are posted on the Village's website at [www.oswegoil.org](http://www.oswegoil.org) and are usually available on the Friday before the meeting.

Citizens may address the Village Board of Trustees during the Public Forum, or Public Hearing, portion of the meeting. A public participation form shall be submitted to the Village Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting. Forms will be available outside the boardroom on meeting nights. All comments shall be brief and avoid personal attacks and abusive language.

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# Tax Increment Financing District

The Village Board is in the process of considering the establishment of a tax increment financing district, or TIF, in downtown Oswego. The discussion will take place over the next few months.

TIF is a commonly used economic development tool that helps local governments restore and reinvigorate areas that are not experiencing the same type of growth as the rest of the community. TIF has been used successfully in Naperville, Wheaton, Plainfield, Downers Grove, Palatine, and many other cities. Downtown Oswego, while an excellent setting for many great community events, lacks the type of modern spaces many new businesses seek. It has a number of vacant and underutilized sites, and would benefit from further infrastructure investment. TIF is a way to bring investment to Downtown Oswego that would otherwise not be possible.

TIF funds can support necessary public improvements, like streetscape improvements and new roads or new sewers, to attract businesses or help existing businesses expand, without tapping into general funds or raising taxes. If a TIF district is established, the property tax dollars that are collected and distributed annually to the various taxing bodies is maintained at its current level. If property values in the TIF increase, for example with new development or improvements, the additional tax revenue generated from the increase in property values (known as the increment) goes into a TIF fund to be used for TIF qualified costs such as public improvements.

A common misconception is that TIF causes taxes to increase within the district. TIF does not increase taxes; it only redirects the increment described above for investments within the district. The goal is that the additional investment and development will increase property values within the entire district. The TIF expires after 23 years, after which the increment is distributed to the taxing districts in their proportional share. Developers and businesses seeking assistance for a development within the TIF district must also prove that the development would not be possible without the TIF assistance. Any proposed public-private partnership agreements would have to be separately discussed and voted on by the Village Board.

For more information about tax increment financing, please visit the Village's website at [www.oswegoil.org](http://www.oswegoil.org).



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# WATER CONSERVATION

Oswego obtains its water from a deep underground pool of water called an aquifer. As this source of water is limited, Oswego is one of many communities that enacted conservation regulations to help ensure that water is available for everyone. We ask your cooperation in complying with the following regulations:

Watering from the Village of Oswego water distribution system may only be used as follows:

All properties with even-numbered house numbers (i.e. numbers ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8) may use village distributed water for sprinkling or automatic water systems for plant or yard watering on even-numbered calendar dates between the hours of 4:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

All properties with odd-numbered house numbers (i.e. numbers ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9) may use Village-distributed water for sprinkling or automatic water systems for plant or yard watering on odd-numbered calendar dates between the hours of 4:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

All non-addressed properties including, but not limited to, subdivision entrances, roadway islands, and parkways may use village distributed water for sprinkling or automatic water systems for plant or yard watering on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and also between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the paragraphs above, the following special regulations shall apply:

There shall be no restrictions as to hours or days when water from the Village water distribution system may be used for watering or sprinkling gardens, trees, shrubs, or other outdoor plants where such watering or sprinkling is done by a person using a hand-held watering device.

The automatic watering of trees and shrubs by means of root feeders within the drip line of the tree or shrub will follow the even/odd restrictions stated above.

**The planting of sod or grass seed is prohibited during the months of June, July, and August.**

Property owners or residents who want to continuously water a newly seeded, slit-seeded, or sodded area more than ten (10) square yards will need to obtain a permit at the Public Works Department, at Village Hall located at 100 Parkers Mill. (There is no fee for this permit; however, violators will be fined.) (Village Code 8-7-14)

**Filling swimming pools:** Persons wishing to fill their pool may have the water brought in by tank by a private contractor or use their private garden hose to do so. The filling of swimming pools with hydrant water is prohibited. If using a private hose, the homeowner will follow the water conservation rules. If, in the case of a new pool, and filling will take longer than the conservation limitations, a FREE permit will be issued to allow the hose to run for 48 hours. Keep in mind that the permit is free and violators will be fined.

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# 2015 Annual Water-Quality Report

This year, as in years past, your tap water was tested according to USEPA and state drinking water health standards. Our system vigilantly safeguards its groundwater supply, and we are working hard to continue providing the best water possible. This report summarizes the quality of water that we provided last year and informs you of the problems we are working on overcoming. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water system, please contact Jerry Weaver, Public Works Utilities Service Director at 630-554-3242. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled board meetings the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 100 Parkers Mill.

Oswego uses groundwater provided by eight wells. All wells are considered deep wells, and draw water from a sandstone aquifer. While these aquifers provide a high quality of water and excellent potential for meeting the water demands of their consumers, these wells often contain elevated concentrations of Radium-226 and Radium-228. The Village of Oswego is utilizing a new process for radium removal. The water from each of the Village's current eight, high-capacity, deep wells contains naturally occurring radium as do many deep wells in northern Illinois. The radium level at each well is below the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) maximum allowable level of 5 picocuries per liter (pCi/L).

The water from all eight of Oswego's wells is treated with a polyphosphate to suspend particles in the water. The water is also chlorinated to kill any bacteria that may be present. With pulling water from a deep aquifer, the water itself has enough fluoride in it so Oswego does not have to add any. Oswego's Well No. 3 is located on Madison Street by the village center's 500,000-gallon water tower. This is a 950-gallon per minute well and the water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system. Oswego's Well No. 4 is located on Chicago Road by the car wash. This is a 800-gallon per minute well and the water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system. Oswego's Well No. 6 is located in the Fox Chase subdivision next to the 300,000-gallon water tower. This is a 1000-gallon per minute well and the water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system. Oswego's Well No. 7 is in the Ogden Falls subdivision next to the 1.5 million gallon water tower. This well produces 1100 gallons per minute and the water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system. Well No. 8 is located on Grove Road ¼ mile south of Plainfield Road. This well produces 1100 gallons per minute and the water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system. Well #9 is located at 700 Yoakum Blvd. This well produces 1000 gallons per minute and water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system. Well No. 10 is located at 700 Cole Avenue. This well produces 1000 gallons per minute and water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system. Well No. 11 went on line in February 2010 and is located at 6701 Tuscan Trail off of Orchard Road. This is a 1000 gallons per minute well and the water is chlorinated, treated and delivered into the system.

Due to favorable monitoring history, aquifer characteristics, and inventory of potential sources of contamination, our water supply was issued a vulnerability waiver renewal for Wells No. 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10. Well No. 11 has no waivers issues as of yet.

In addition to the informational section of the Water Quality Report, we have included for your review a table. This table will give you a better picture of the contaminants that were detected in your water.

## ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

OSWEGO IL0930150

Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2015

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

The source of drinking water used by OSWEGO is Ground Water

For more information regarding this report contact:  
Jerry Weaver, Utilities Services Director - 630-554-3242

## SOURCE OF DRINKING WATER

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pickup substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.



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- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population.

Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

## SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

Source of Water: OSWEGO Based on information obtained in a Well Site Survey, published in 1989 by the Illinois EPA, six potential sources or possible problem sites were identified within the survey area of Oswego's wells. Furthermore, information provided by the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Section of the Illinois EPA indicated several additional sites with ongoing remediations which may be of concern. The Illinois EPA has determined that the Oswego Community Water Supply's source water is not susceptible to contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including: monitoring conducted at the wells; monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system; and the available hydrogeologic data on the wells. Furthermore, in anticipation of the U.S. EPA's proposed Ground Water Rule, the Illinois EPA has determined that the Oswego Community Water Supply is not vulnerable to viral contamination. This determination is based upon the completed evaluation of the following criteria during the Vulnerability Waiver Process: the community's wells are properly constructed with sound integrity and proper site conditions; a hydrogeologic barrier exists which prevents pathogen movement; all potential routes and sanitary defects have been mitigated such that the source water is adequately protected; monitoring data did not indicate a history of disease outbreak; and the sanitary survey of the water supply did not indicate a viral contamination threat. Because the community's wells are constructed in a confined aquifer, which should prevent the movement of pathogens into the wells, well hydraulics were not considered to be a significant factor in the susceptibility determination. Hence, well hydraulics were not evaluated for this groundwater supply.

## 2015 REGULATED CONTAMINANTS DETECTED

### Lead and Copper

Definitions: Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety. Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Lead And Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	08/26/2014	1.3	1.3	0.954	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.

# 2015 Annual Water-Quality Report (continued)

## WATER QUALITY TEST RESULTS

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.

na: not applicable.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	12/31/2015	1.1	0.8 - 1.2	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	2015	0.0921	0.0223 - 0.0921	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2015	1.13	.0863 - 1.13	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Iron	2015	0.221	0 - 0.221		1.0	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Manganese	2015	18	0 - 18	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2015	0.055	0 - 0.055	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks; sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrite [measured as Nitrogen]	2015	0.02	0 - 0.02	1	1	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium	2015	59.6	59.6 - 59.6			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits: Used in water softener regeneration.



Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Combined Radium 226/228	2015	5	1.83 - 6.3	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium	2015	9	2.9 - 9.3	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Volatile Organic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Xylenes	2015	.00202	0 - 0.00202	10	10	ppm	N	Discharge from petroleum factories; Discharge from chemical factories.



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# Public Works

## BRUSH PICK UP

The Village has implemented brush collection by zones. There are two zones. Zone A includes all properties east of the Fox River and north of US 34 as well as those properties west of the Fox River and north of Mill Road. Zone B includes all properties east of the Fox River and south of US 34 as well as those properties west of the Fox River and south of Mill Road. We will collect brush from each zone once each month beginning in April. The last pickup will be in October just prior to the start of the leaf collection program. Collection weeks are as follows:

### Zone A

June 6  
July 4  
August 1  
September 5  
October 3

### Zone B

June 13  
July 11  
August 8  
September 12  
October 10

Place all brush at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on Monday morning of the designated week but no earlier than noon the Friday before.

The Public Works trucks will pass through an area once and will not return for brush placed after the deadline.

Brush is defined as tree and bush branches that are less than 5" in diameter. Place unbundled brush parallel or perpendicular to the street in neat bundles with all cut ends facing the same direction. Do not put brush in a container or in the street. We will not pick up logs, wood, root balls, cuttings, or grass clippings. Crews will place an orange tag on your door indicating the reason they did not pick up the brush if it is the wrong material or placed at the curb prior to the deadline.

The Village provides this service for residents. Village does not accept landscaping generated by contractors.

## FREE WOOD CHIPS

The Public Works Department has wood chips available for residents free of charge. These wood chips are the product of our brush pick up program as well as other tree removal efforts. Some chips may be from Ash tree removals. Please be advised that due to the Emerald Ash borer quarantine, these chips need to remain local. Please note that this is not fine mulch. Homeowners may pick up the wood chips at the Public Works Facility located at 100 Theodore Drive any time of day out in the back by the salt dome.

## TRASH PICKUP HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Groot Industries will not pick up residential trash on Monday, July 4th in observance of the Fourth of July. That week, all garbage will be collected one day late. Monday pick up will be on Tuesday, Tuesday pick up will be on Wednesday, Wednesday pick up will be on Thursday, Thursday pick up will be on Friday and Friday pick up will be on Saturday.

Groot Industries will not pick up residential trash on Monday, September 5th, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. That week, all garbage will be collected one day late. Monday pick up will be on Tuesday, Tuesday pick up will be on Wednesday, Wednesday pick up will be on Thursday, Thursday pick up will be on Friday and Friday pick up will be on Saturday.

If you have any questions, please contact the public works office at 630-554-3242

## OPEN BURNING

The following is the current ordinance regarding Open Burning within the Oswego village limits:

6-9-6 OPEN BURNING. It shall be unlawful to permit open burning within Village limits except that brush, shrubs, vines, branches, stumps and logs may be burned provided:

- Such burning is not conducted within twenty (20) feet of any building, structure, tree, bush, shrub, or other burnable object;
- Such burning is conducted between 10:00 a.m. and dusk except for recreational campfires—which have no time restrictions;
- Such burning is continuously controlled and supervised by an adult with adequate fire suppression devices immediately available;
- Wind conditions do not exceed ten (10) miles per hour; and
- All such burning shall take place only in residentially zoned areas, and all materials so burned shall originate only from the parcel on which they are burned.

Nothing in this provision shall prohibit recreational campfires. The above regulations may be temporarily amended from time to time by the Village Board, and in the event of drought or inadequate water conditions the Village President may prohibit any open burning. **LEAF BURNING IS PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES!**

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# Summer 2016 Property of the Season

The Oswego Historic Preservation Commission is proud to introduce the residence at 453 Douglas Street as the Summer 2016 Property of the Season.

The house at 453 Douglas Street traveled several miles to reach this final destination. Although it is unclear as to its original construction date, the now-residence for many years served as a schoolhouse at the corner of Cherry Road and Plainfield Road.

A side gable roof with cornice returns defines this wooden structure. In the 1940's a gable roof canopy with curved underside and knee brackets was added above the front entry along with a concrete stoop and wood board shutters. Because of its well documented past, the Village's 2009 Granacki Historic Survey rates this property as "contributing" as a historical resource.

History Timeline (excerpts from the Kendall County Record)

**June 1873:** The Kendall County Record noted that a schoolhouse was present on Gilbert Gaylord's property. Discussions were held to determine if the building should be radically improved or rebuilt. Miss Murray is presently teaching at the school.

**May 13, 1897:** John and Mary Gaylord sold one acre of land at the corner of Cherry and Plainfield Roads to the Directors of School District #7.

**February 1931:** The schoolhouse "had electric lights installed from a high-line."

**May 31, 1941:** Residents in three school districts, Wilcox, Gaylord and Walker, voted to consolidate the schools. The vote carried 41 to 25.

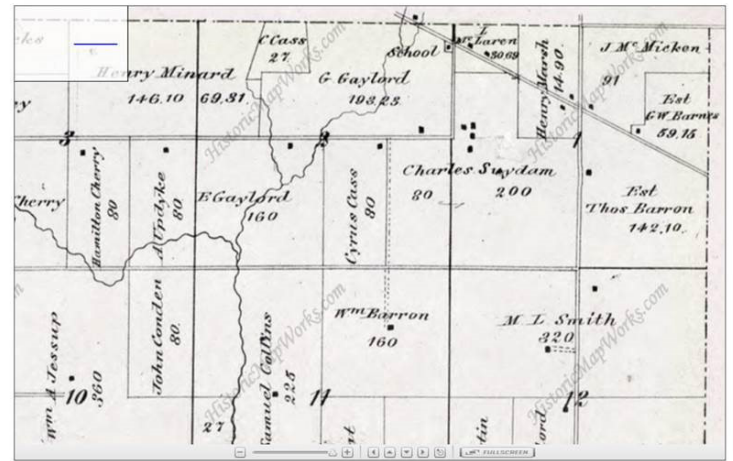
**March 1944:** Reinhold and Martha Zielke purchased a home at 454 S. Main Street and the adjacent vacant property (Lot 10) now known as 453 Douglas Street.

**September 30, 1944:** The Gaylord School property was sold by the School District. Reinhold Zielke purchased the schoolhouse for \$61. The acre of land was sold to Mrs. May Gaylord Cutter for \$211 and all of the school equipment (coal house, pump, etc.) sold for "a good price."

**October 1944:** The Gaylord School building was moved to the lot at 453 Douglas Street and converted into a residence.

**c. 1945:** A one-room side addition was added to the building.

The Property of the Season Program was created by the Oswego Historic Preservation Commission to honor properties, and their owners, that are deemed contributing to the historical and cultural character on the Village of Oswego. For the purposes of this program, a property can be identified as a structure, site, or permanent object such as a sign, clock, or other community icon. More details about the program are available on the Village's website.



Excerpt from Kendall County 1870 map



Gaylord School on Plainfield Road in Oswego Township in the late 1800's  
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**JUNE 8 - "INSIDE OUT" (RATED PG, 102 MINUTES, 2015)**

WHEN A YOUNG GIRL NAMED RILEY IS UPROOTED FROM HER MIDWESTERN LIFESTYLE AND MOVES TO THE BUSY AND CHAOTIC SAN FRANCISCO, HER EMOTIONS; ANGER, SADNESS, DISGUST, FEAR, AND (HER MOST IMPORTANT EMOTION) JOY, START TO DISAGREE ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THIS DRAMATIC CHANGE, WHICH CAUSES PROBLEMS UP IN HEADQUARTERS, THE CENTRAL LIVING AND WORKING PLACE FOR THE FIVE EMOTIONS.

**JUNE 22 - "TEEN BEACH MOVIE" (RATED PG, 125 MINUTES, 2013)**

LIFE IS A DREAM FOR BRADY AND MCKENZIE IN THE WATER AND ON THE BEACH. IT'S LIKE PARADISE UNTIL BRADY FINDS OUT MCKENZIE IS MOVING AWAY TO GO TO A NEW SCHOOL. BUT WHEN MCKENZIE FINDS OUT THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE 50FT WAVES THE NEXT DAY SHE SURFS ONE LAST TIME BEFORE SHE'S GONE FOREVER. BUT THINGS TEND TO TAKE A TURN, BRADY AND MCKENZIE GET WIPED OUT AND END UP IN A 60'S BEACH TURF WAR MOVIE AND IN ORDER TO GET HOME THEIR GOING TO HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THE MOVIE IS OVER.

**JULY 13 - "MINIONS" (RATED PG, 91 MINUTES, 2015)**

EVER SINCE THE DAWN OF TIME, THE MINIONS HAVE LIVED TO SERVE THE MOST DESPICABLE OF MASTERS. FROM T. REX TO NAPOLEON, THE EASILY DISTRACTED TRIBE HAS HELPED THE BIGGEST AND THE BADDEST OF VILLAINS. NOW, JOIN PROTECTIVE LEADER KEVIN, TEENAGE REBEL STUART AND LOVABLE LITTLE BOB ON A GLOBAL ROAD TRIP WHERE THEY'LL EARN A SHOT TO WORK FOR A NEW BOSS--THE WORLD'S FIRST FEMALE SUPER-VILLAIN- AND TRY TO SAVE ALL OF MINIONKIND...FROM ANNIHILATION.

**AUGUST 3 - "THE GOOD DINOSAUR" (RATED PG, 100 MINUTES, 2015)**

IN A WORLD WHERE DINOSAURS AND HUMANS LIVE SIDE-BY-SIDE, AN APATOSAURUS NAMED ARLO MAKES AN UNLIKELY HUMAN FRIEND.

**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, PLEASE CHECK THE VILLAGE OF OSWEGO WEBSITE AT [WWW.OSWEGOIL.ORG](http://WWW.OSWEGOIL.ORG). CANCELLATIONS WILL BE POSTED BY 4PM THE AFTERNOON OF THE SCHEDULED SHOWING.**