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New Community Service Officer Starts

You may see a new face out patrolling in one of the Community Service Officer vehicles in Oswego. The Oswego Police Department recently hired Antonio McDaniel to join our staff of part time Community Service Officers. CSO McDaniel comes to us after having retired out of military service and he also holds a fulltime position as an employee of the State of Illinois.

He joins our other Community Service Officers who provide assistance to the residents and visitors of the Village of Oswego. These CSO's provide patrols throughout town, enforcement of village ordinances, traffic control, lost and found property reports, opening vehicles for owners who lock keys inside, and many other service oriented tasks. They also assist us at special events and with projects.

Construction Reminder

Please be patient with the traffic congestion in the area of the construction zone on Illinois Route 71. Traffic delays along Rt. 71 are worse this year due to the ongoing construction project to widen the roadway in this area. Lane configuration changes and shifting entry points to some commercial areas and adjoining roads are all part of things to be aware of as this project continues. Be mindful of the posted construction speed limits, these are there both because of the road conditions and the workers in the area. Watch for local media announcements regarding special traffic notices when we are advised of changes in this area.

Comments or questions about this publication can be directed to Deputy Chief Nick Sikora.

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Welcome Back – A few of you noticed that we missed having a July newsletter and called or emailed to inquire. Well it was just a short break and we are back this month with our regular monthly edition for August. We have a few articles of information to pass along as we begin to now look at the end of summer...but not the end of our road construction in town. As everyone begins to finish up their summer vacations and travel we are now thinking about hitting the "back to school" sales and preparing for all the those things associated with the end of summer.

Back To School – That time of year is once again upon us, the school summer vacation time is drawing to a rapid close and local schools resume classes on Monday August 17th. With school resuming we will see a shift in traffic patterns again back to what we encounter for the majority of the year. Be aware of children walking to and from schools through the neighborhoods and also waiting at the school bus stops. You may have already seen some of those yellow school buses out with new drivers learning routes. Remember it is illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped loading or unloading children that has its red alternating lights flashing and stop arm extended.

Watch for those posted school speed zones also that are in effect on school days when children are present in the area. Those speed zones are 20 miles per hour and they are enforced! Additional traffic around all the schools before and after school hours is always present as well; many parents drive their children to and from school. This will be especially problematic in the area of Oswego High School and East View Kindergarten Center due to the ongoing construction work on Route 71. Please drive carefully, adjust speeds appropriately, and watch for those children in all areas!

Special Events –

Each Sunday – Oswego Country Market on Main Street 9:00am – 1:00pm

Each Monday – Monday Miles Community Challenge at Prairie Point Park 6:30 – 8:00am

August 8th – Can't Bring Me Down fundraiser at Kickers Club noon - midnight

August 9th - Go Dog Go Block Party on Main Street 9:00am – 2:00pm

August 12th – Concert in the Park at Hudson Crossing Park 7:00 – 9:00pm

August 6th – Ice Cream Social and Classic Car Show at Church of the Good Shepherd 11:30am – 4:00pm

August 22nd - Oswego Inn Cruise Night, Downtown 4:00 – 9:00 pm