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New Civilian Evidence Custodian Filled

The Oswego Police Department recently hired Ken Simpson to fill the newly created civilian evidence custodian position. Ken comes to us with 29 years of law enforcement experience as a Police Officer. Ken fills an existing position that had previously been assigned to a sworn Officer.

Ken will be responsible for managing and overseeing the property room, including evidence intake, disposal and security. We are excited to have someone with his experience in this position.

New Civil Cannabis Law

Over the summer a new law went into effect changing the Illinois Cannabis Control Act. The change introduced a new civil law violation for possession of not more than 10 grams of cannabis. The minimum fine is \$100 & the maximum fine is \$200. The civil law violation will also apply to certain arrests for drug paraphernalia.

Along with the civil violation, the amounts and classes for misdemeanor and felony possession of cannabis were changed as well.

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Illinois Rail Safety Week – The week of September 11 – 17th is Illinois Rail Safety Week, the Oswego Police Department will be participating in events to promote safety along our railroads in town. We are partnering with other police agencies and private organizations across the state during this week. We will be conducting extra patrols and enforcement activities as well as putting out educational messages to promote safety around our railroad crossings and track right of ways. Many people do not realize that railroad tracks and the adjoining right of way area are private property owned by the railroad companies and it is unlawful to trespass on them.

Railroad tracks should only be crossed at approved public crossing points for vehicles and pedestrians, use the “Look, Listen and Live!” advice whenever crossing. You should never walk along or on the railroad tracks as you are not only trespassing but in danger of being struck by a train. The odds of meeting a train are increasing as both passenger and freight train use increases. Trains take a long time to stop, after the locomotive engineer sees you the average train takes over one mile to come to a stop! Be sure to use extra caution when crossing tracks at night or in bad weather. Never try to beat a train approaching a crossing as trains look like they are going slower than they actually are! Be patient and obey warning lights and gates, if there are no lights or gates be sure to look both ways and listen for any sounds of an approaching train before proceeding across the tracks.

Special Events –

Each Sunday – Oswego Country Market on Main Street 9:00am – 1:00pm
September 10 & 11th – Oswego Drag Strip Reunion, Cruise night on the 10th from 4:00pm – 9:00pm and Anniversary Reunion on the 11th from 8:00am – 4:00pm both at the Oswego Park and Ride Facility on Station Drive
September 17th – Brew At the Bridge at Hudson Crossing Park 1:00pm to 7:00pm
September 18th – Fall Fox Fest, Main Street 9:00am – 3:00pm
September 18th – Kendall County Crop Hunger Walk 1:30 – 3:30pm, starting at Oswego Presbyterian Church and along the Northampton Greenway Trail
September 25th – Kid’s Triathlon at Oswego East High School 11:00am to 1:00 p.m.