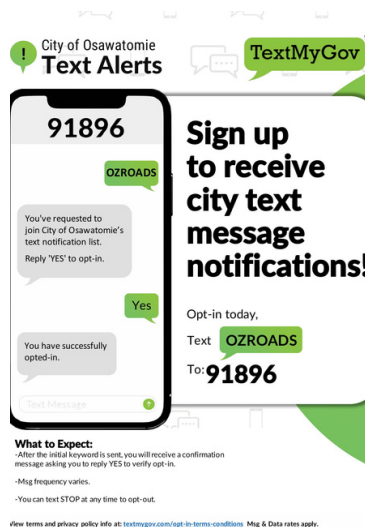




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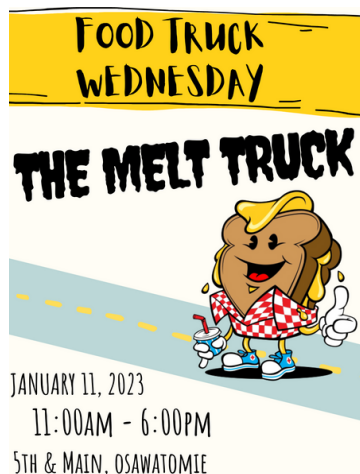
## Road Alerts

As the City of Osawatomie's Public Works Department prepares for the upcoming season of road construction, staff is dedicated to keeping residents armed with up-to-date information on how road work might impact their daily commute or their own neighborhoods. To enroll in text-based ROAD WORK notifications, text "OZROADS" to 91896 and follow the prompts.



## "Pancakes" a la Marais des Cygnes

What a weird, wild, wonderful world we live in! The winter weather event over the holidays brought Santa Claus' sleigh to Osawatomie AND a rather rare ice phenomenon -- pancake ice! Pancake ice is a delicate ice formation caused by special weather conditions, water currents, and a few magic tricks from Mother Nature. Frothy surface ice breaks apart, the pieces bump into each other, and eventually round "lily-pad" shaped icy pancakes are formed.



## Food Truck Day!

Fan-favorite food truck "The Melt Truck" will be back in town on Wednesday, January 11th, 2023. They'll be stationed at the intersection of 5th and Main Streets from 11:00am to 6:00pm. Come check out their menu of deliciously melty sandwiches, homemade soup, and creamy macaroni and cheese.

# News and Reminders

## QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

We're only a week into the new year and already looking forward to our first 2023 quarterly newsletter! Designed for people who may not have regular access to the internet or social media, this printed newsletter is distributed through the Miami County Republic and reviews our larger projects and the community's overall goals in greater detail. Our last quarterly newsletter debuted in the December 28th, 2022, edition of the Miami County Republic. Our four page wrap-up of all things Osawatometie can be found included in the paper's interior inserts – just look for our signature green border!

Once an edition has debuted in print, we upload digital copies to our official website in case someone missed their chance to snag a copy hot off the presses.

## NEW YEAR, NEW CALENDAR



## More Murals Coming Soon

Osawatometie Arts Commission is gearing up to award new mural spaces in the Spring of 2023! The Commission is currently reviewing finalists for the unconventional "wing wall" project at the 6th and 8th Street levees as part of a grant award made available by the Allen W. and Gladys Hawkins Charitable Foundation. A second project, also funded by the Hawkins Foundation, in John Brown Memorial Park will be announced soon and will be a more traditional mural opportunity. The Commission welcomes submissions from any experienced muralist or team.



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### mayor's christmas tree fund

The Mayor's Christmas Tree Fund donated toward Osawatometie PRIDE, the Oz Food Pantry, Osawatometie Ministerial Association, Christmas activities for patients at the Osawatometie State Hospital, and other fundraisers or needs. Contributions put back into the community this year totaled near \$2,500!

## Did You Know?

The Osawatometie Police Department issues weekly Calls for Service reports that track the type and number of services performed by officers. [CLICK HERE to view the archive.](#)

Waste Management, our solid waste utility partners, have distributed the new service calendar for the City of Osawatometie's 2023 season. Included in the calendar are reminders for regular pickup, holiday changes for the entire year, and special collection days. Also included are reminders about allowable items for recycling and how to "Recycle Right."

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for these dates in 2023:

- May 13th, 2023
  - City-Wide Clean Up
    - SELF-SERVICE DROP OFF EVENT
- June 22nd, 2023
  - Tire Pickup
- October 14th, 2023
  - City-Wide Clean Up
    - CURBSIDE EVENT

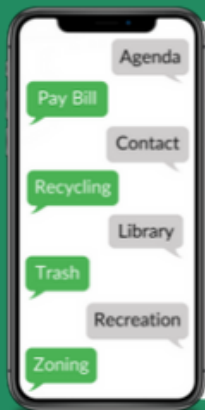
Thank you all for doing your part to keep our community clean!







MORE PANCAKE ICE! Photo by Lori Stottlemire



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