



Jersey Village Star

City of Jersey Village Solicitor Rules

In layman's terms, the following rules apply to solicitation within Jersey Village:

Any individual, firm, organization or corporation is prohibited from engaging in the taking of orders, the sale of commodities, services, or the solicitation of subscriptions or donations from house-to-house or place-to-place without a permit from the city. There are a few exemptions from this in the case of a noncommercial or nonprofit purpose or cause.

Solicitors must wear or display an identification card provided by the city. Solicitors may only solicit during the hours of 9:00am-

8:00pm and 9:00am-9:00pm during daylight savings time. If there are deviations from these rules, or you have doubts about the person conducting the solicitation, please contact the police department at the non-emergency number (713-466-5824) and an officer will be dispatched to your location.

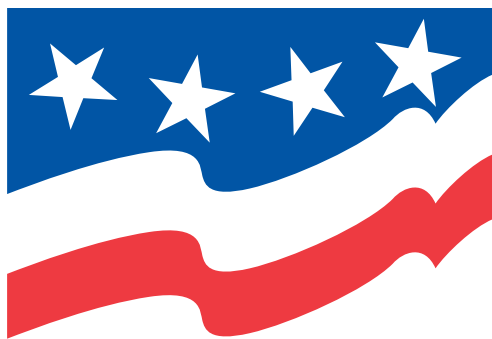
These ordinances can be found online under sections 50-1 to 50-5: www.municode.com/library/tx/jersey_village/codes/code_of_ordinances ★

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**Statistics for November 2014
JV Police Department**

Calls for Service	1295
Vehicle Theft	0
Aggravated Assault	2
Burglary, Business	0
Burglary, Residence	0
Burglary, Vehicle	0
Disturbance	53
Narcotics, Felony	7
Minor Accidents	137
Major Accidents	0
Alarms	144
Suspicious Person	254
Traffic Control	0
Traffic Hazard	24

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	3
Auto Fires	2
Other Fires	1
Rescue/EMS Incidents	48
Hazardous Conditions	2
Service Calls	19
Smoke or Odor Calls	3
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	4
Total Ambulance Transports	34



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www.jerseyvillage.info**

Art's Article

By: Art Pettit

How to Prevent Residential Burglary

- Perform routine tasks and clean up the outside of your property on a regular basis to show you are occupying your home.
- Install timed lights or leave a radio or television playing if you are traveling or will be absent from your home for long periods of time.
- Lock all your doors, windows, garages, and sheds when you leave your home to make it difficult for burglars to enter without attracting the attention of others.
- Stray away from routine schedules to make it more difficult for burglars to predict when you will be absent from your home.

- Use lighting on the outside that does not create glare or deep shadows.
- Make your doors and windows visible to the neighborhood and to the street. Cut away tree branches or high shrubbery that can hide the view.
- Store your valuables away from windows or doors where they can easily be seen from the outside.
- Hide or destroy any outside trash that may advertise your personal belongings to the rest of your neighborhood.
- Leave spare house keys with trusted friends, family, or neighbors instead of placing them outside on your property.
- Park your vehicles inside a closed garage if you have one to make it difficult for burglars to determine if you are home or not.
- Install a home alarm system to deter burglars and to alarm police if there is a break-in. ★



Notice Of Deadline to File Applications for Place on the Ballot (AVISO DE FECHA LÍMITE PARA PRESENTAR SOLICITUDES PARA UN LUGAR EN LA BOLETA)

Notice is hereby given that applications for a place on the City of Jersey Village General Election ballot may be filed during the following time:

(Se da aviso por la presente que las solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta de la Elección General de la Ciudad de Jersey Village se pueden presentar durante el siguiente horario:)

Filing Dates and Times:

(Fechas y Horario para Entregar Presentaciones)

Start Date: January 28, 2015

End Date: February 27, 2015

(Fecha de Inicio: 28 de enero de 2015)

(Fecha Límite: 27 de febrero de 2015)

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

(Horario de la Oficina)

Physical address for filing applications in person for place on the ballot:

(Dirección a física para presentar las solicitudes en persona para un lugar en la boleta)

City of Jersey Village,
City Secretary's Office
16327 Lakeview Drive
Jersey Village, Texas 77040

Address to mail applications for place on the ballot (if filing by mail):

(Dirección a donde enviar las solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta (en caso de presentar por correo))

Mrs. Lorri Coody, City Secretary
16327 Lakeview Drive
Jersey Village, Texas 77040

Printed Name of Filing Officer (Nombre en letra de molde del Oficial de Archivos)

Lorri Coody, City Secretary
Signature of Filing Officer
(Firma del Oficial de Archivos)
s/Lorri Coody ★

Jersey Village has Updated Our Website



We are excited to announce that we have recently launched a newly redesigned www.jerseyvillage.info website. There have been significant improvements in Navigation, making it much easier to find what you are looking for. We have streamlined the process in some cases by providing buttons on the Home Page to help find Forms and make Online Payments. We have retained The Latest News section on the Homepage, making it easy to find timely and pertinent information.

In the top right corner of the Homepage, we added a Search capability and an I Want To list. The Search function utilizes Google search to help find a topic on our website. The I Want To provides a selection of links that will take you directly to several specific topics.

The website offers a new Calendar feature that lets you see upcoming events at a glance and has the ability to add the event to your personal calendar.

These changes will make it much easier to find what you are looking for with fewer clicks.

We encourage you to visit and explore this new website. Be sure to bookmark the site, as we will continue to enhance the content and expand the capabilities of the website in order to provide more relevant information.

If you have not already done so, be sure to Join Our Mailing List. This email list is used to send out City Council Meeting information and other general city information. There is also an Emergency Alert notification you can sign up for. This is provided by Greater Harris County 911 Emergency Network to send out alerts to your cell phone, text and landline phones.

We hope that you find this new site easy to navigate and find the information you are looking for. ★

Kitchen Safety

Did you know the kitchen is where more home fires occur than anywhere else in the house and that cooking is the number one cause of home fires? Here are some ways to prevent kitchen fires in your home.

1. Never leave cooking food unattended – stay in the kitchen when frying, grilling or broiling food. If you have to leave the kitchen, even for a second, turn off the stove or take a cooking utensil to remind you that you have food cooking in the kitchen..
2. Check your food regularly while cooking and remain in the home while cooking.
3. Use a timer so you'll remember that the stove or oven is on.
4. Don't wear loose clothing or dangling sleeves while cooking.
5. Keep the kids away from the cooking area. Enforce a "kid-free zone" and make them stay at least three feet away from the stove.
6. Keep anything that can catch fire - pot holders, oven mitts, wooden utensils, paper or plastic bags, food packaging, and towels or curtains—away from your stove, oven or any other appliance in the kitchen that generates heat.
7. Clean cooking surfaces on a regular basis to prevent grease buildup.
8. Consider purchasing a fire extinguisher to keep in your kitchen.
9. Always check the kitchen before going to bed or leaving the home to make sure all stoves, ovens, and small appliances are turned off.
10. Install a smoke alarms throughout your home and on each level of your home, near sleeping areas, and inside and outside bedrooms if you sleep with doors closed. Use the test button to check it each month. Remember to change your batteries in each smoke detector each time you change your clocks. ★

Special Event Policy

The city has adopted a new special event policy. This policy requires that a special event permit be required under certain circumstances. These are listed as follows:

Special event means a temporary event, gathering or organized activity, including but not limited to parades, bike races, marathons, walk-a-thons, concerts, carnivals, other types of races and festivals, parties, social events, First Amendment events and is expected to attract:

1. More than 50 persons; or
2. More than 25 persons, if 51 percent or more of those persons may reasonably be expected to be younger than 21 years of age and it is planned or may reasonably be expected that alcoholic beverages will be sold, served, or consumed at or around the event; and
3. At which the persons will remain for more than two continuous hours; or for any amount of time during the period beginning at 10 p.m. and ending at 6 a.m.

A permit is not required under these circumstances:

1. An event conducted entirely on the property of a religious institution or educational institution;
2. City sponsored events at municipal buildings, parks or golf course;
3. Property owned or controlled by the city subject to a contract, lease or management/operating agreement with a private party where the agreement addresses events on the property or the event is included within the permitted uses in the agreement;
4. Processions of vehicles operated in compliance with ordinary traffic laws or a procession of pedestrians along or upon public sidewalks, public parks, or private property;

5. Events held for National Night Out;

6. First Amendment activity conducted at the following locations: entirely on sidewalks, in public parks or on private property;

7. Events conducted under the supervision of or with the permission of a governmental entity on property owned, leased, or operated by a governmental entity if the event does not require the closing or rerouting of a public street; or

8. Events conducted entirely on private property that does not significantly impact public roads or safety.

The policy was created to enhance the delivery of city services in a safe a predictable fashion. These types of permits allow the city to properly staff and monitor events that significantly impact traffic and public safety within the city.

More information on this permit can be found at the following website under Article VI-Special Event: www.municode.com/library/tx/jersey_village/codes/code_of_ordinances. ★



WANTED: Volunteer Photographer for Jersey Village Fire Department

The Jersey Village Fire Department is in search for volunteer photographer(s). The ideal candidate will have a passion for photography with an eye for detail. This candidate should have an understanding that Jersey Village Fire Department is a 24 hour a day operation and is looking for someone who is willing to respond to emergency calls during the day and night; on weekends and during holidays. If you are the ideal candidate please call 713-466-2130 to schedule a meeting with Fire Chief Mark Bitz. ★



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JERSEY VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWS

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JERSEY VILLAGE WOMEN'S GROUP

The Jersey Village Women's Group has their first 2015 meeting Tuesday, January 27th at the JV Civic Center, 16327 Lakeview starting at 6:30. All women residing in the city of Jersey Village are welcome to attend. More info at www.jvwg.org.

JERSEY VILLAGE LAKESIDE NUISANCE ANIMAL MITIGATION

Jersey Village Lakeside residents, on the advice of a USDA wildlife biologist, will be conducting nuisance animal mitigation. This program is expected to run from late November to early spring. Loud sounds and light during daylight and evening hours may be observed in areas immediately surrounding Jersey Lake. No animals will be harmed. For more information, please contact jerseyvillagelakesideclub@gmail.com.

ATTENTION AGGIE MOMS

The Northwest Harris Aggie Moms Club will host Brigadier General Joe E. Ramirez, Jr. '79 Commandant, Texas A&M Corp of Cadets on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 - 7:00 p.m. at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive at the Houston Distributing Company, located near Willowbrook Mall at the intersection of High Life Drive and Cutten Road. Enjoy light refreshments while you shop our Boutique for that one-of a kind hand-crafted Aggie treasure or our Tradition Beads! For more information on monthly speakers or upcoming events visit our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org.



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2014 Christmas Decorating Contest Results

Thanks to all who put so much time getting their homes into the Christmas spirit. There were many wonderful light displays and decorations this year. Your efforts brighten the entire Village.

The 2014 Christmas Decorating Winners were:

- 15202 Lakeview ★ 15618 Singapore
- 8216 N. Tahoe ★ 16225 Seattle St.
- 8513 Wyndham Village ★ 4 Pinehurst

Also, thank you to the homeowners who so proudly displayed a theme. It is breathtaking to turn onto those streets where almost every home has the street theme displayed.

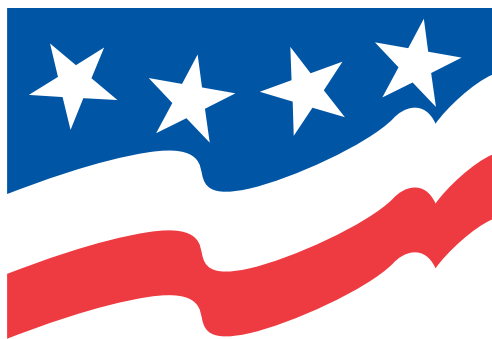
The Christmas Decorating Contest is sponsored by the volunteer members of the Recreation & Events Committee and the dedicated employees of the City of Jersey Village. ★

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Calls for Service	1380
Vehicle Theft	0
Aggravated Assault	1
Burglary, Business	0
Burglary, Residence	0
Burglary, Vehicle	0
Disturbance	80
Narcotics, Felony	6
Minor Accidents	139
Major Accidents	5
Alarms	123
Suspicious Person	317
Traffic Control	9
Traffic Hazard	24

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	5
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Crime Prevention Tips from JVPD

Burglary of a Vehicle

This kind of window shopping is never good.

One of the most frequent comments I will get while meeting with citizens while I am on patrol or at the police station is, "They love living in Jersey Village because it is so safe here." Jersey Village is fortunate that it has one of the lowest crime rates for an incorporated city in the Houston Region. But even with low crime rates, one of the most common crimes we have is having your car broken into. Whether you are at the shopping center or at home, a Burglary of Vehicle (BOV) can take place and the thieves can be in and out of your vehicle in a matter of seconds. The good news is that there are a number of steps that you can take to help reduce the chance that you will be a victim of a BOV.

- **Lock your car doors.** As simple as it sounds, you might just be surprised how many reports officers take where the victim

has left their door unlocked. That being said, almost all cars have alarm systems. Be sure and set yours when you are out of your car.

- **Out of sight, out of mind.** That computer, cell phone, guitar or wallet that is visible through the window makes an inviting target. If you have to leave these items in the car, then leave them out of sight preferably in the trunk, under a seat or covered up. If a thief is, "Window shopping" then they will only take things they can see and are quickly accessible.

- **Come into the light.** When going out, and at home always try and park your vehicle under or near a light. This doesn't stop criminals but may deter them because they can be identified easier because of the light.

Though these suggestions are not always full proof, these are just a few things you can do to reduce your chances of being a victim. If you are a victim, don't touch anything and notify the police immediately and make a report even if you decide not to report it to your insurance company. Thanks for your time and if there is anything we can do for you, please give us a call. ★

RECYCLE!



The City of Jersey Village encourages everyone to participate in the city's recycling program! Here are some simple (but effective) ways you can move your family towards your green home goals.

Keep it simple. If you want your family and especially your children to start recycling, you'll have better success if you make it easy for them. Set your family recycling cans in a high-traffic area, preferably near the garbage can. If you need to separate your recyclables in your area, make sure each can is prominently marked to help your kids.

Set clear goals. Understanding recycling and its impact on the environment can be difficult for small children. Instead, provide them with a tangible goal such as throwing out no more than three bags of trash each week. Keep track of each successful week and treat your family to pizza at the end of a good month. Your kids will work hard towards the goal and you'll make their at-home recycling a pleasurable experience. Work with them to conserve. Sometimes materials can be recycled without ever going into the recycling bin. Work to teach your kids not to be wasteful with the materials they already use. Teach them to draw on both sides of their paper or write on both sides in their notebook. Instead of providing them with a new cup each time they want a drink, encourage them to use the same cup throughout the day. You can also set a positive example by taking clothing or toys your children have outgrown and donate them to a local charity rather than simply throw them away.

Remember – Recycle Wednesdays! ★

Transporting to Local Hospitals

When an ambulance is called to your home or business for an emergency and EMS staff evaluates you; part of our thinking is to try and determine where we should take you for continued care. Several factors run through our minds to determine what hospital facility we take you to. We look at the services offered at the hospital and how fast you will be seen by the ER staff. It is very important to us that you are seen in a timely fashion. This is not only for your health, but to make sure we get our ambulance back in service to help the next medical patient.

Over the past year, both our local hospitals (North Cypress and Cypress Fairbanks) have been striving to improve. At both of these hospitals, the goal for you to be seen and placed in a room is within 15 minutes. During peak times and times when they are saturated with patients, the time they attempt to meet is under 30 minutes.

Both hospitals have also made some advancements in their treatment of patients. North Cypress is now a Designated Stroke Center and can handle calls from a cardiac arrest to a simple nose bleed. Cypress Fairbanks is now a Level 3 Trauma center with the ability to handle Trauma, Strokes, Cardio, Neuro and Orthopedic and have those Doctors and Surgeons on site within 30 minutes of us notifying them and ready to operate soon after if surgery is necessary.

I would encourage all of our residents to learn more about these facilities as these will be the primary hospitals we will transport our patients to. We still will transport to other hospitals when the call requires it. Please keep in mind that travel times have increased dramatically with road construction taking place around the city and in our area. ★

Making Home Improvements?

Being a homeowner comes along with many expenses. One of which is home improvement repairs and remodels. Everyone appreciates a well maintained home; however it is easy to overlook the necessary permitting requirements.

Pulling a permit is not only an ordinance requirement, but provides another level of protection for the homeowner. Contractors are required to provide proof of state licenses necessary to perform specific types of work. In addition, the City Building Official will perform inspections on the work being done. Permits can be obtained by the homeowner or the contractor, but keep in mind that it is ultimately the homeowner's responsibility to be certain that a permit is obtained prior to the commencement of work.

Some types of permits include, but are not limited to the following: Repair or replacement of fences, roofs, siding, driveways, the installation of swimming pools and irrigation systems, any type of remodel: including but not limited to bathrooms, kitchens, room additions, and the installation of building sheds or storage buildings.

For more information on permit requirements please contact the permit desk at 713-466-2110 and as always, thank you for maintaining the community. ★

Finding Lost Pets

Here are steps you can take to make it easier to find your pets if they are ever lost. **ALWAYS KEEP IDENTIFICATION ON YOUR PET** and check tags often making sure they are legible. **MICROCHIP YOUR PET!** Talk to your veterinarian. **SPAY/NEUTER YOUR PET!** **REPAIR LOOSE BOARDS AND HOLES IN FENCING!**

IF YOUR PET IS LOST IMMEDIATELY TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS!

Post signs at grocery stores, pet stores, veterinary clinics, and churches.

Walk, bike, or drive slowly through the neighborhood calling your pet's name. Hearing your voice may encourage your pet to answer you. After calling your pet's name, remain in one place long enough for your pet to find you. Go out at night with a flashlight and call for your pet.

• Ask neighbors and the postman if they have seen your pet. Print and hand out flyers with your pet's photo and your phone numbers.

• **Visit animal shelters, rescues, and animal-control** and file a "Lost" pet report with them. Provide an accurate description and a photo of your pet. Check with the shelters every few days. Notify the police if you believe that your pet may have been stolen.

• **If lost near a busy highway or road, contact the Texas Department of Transportation.**

When you find your pet! Make certain to inform all the places you contacted and remove all flyers.

Lost Cat Tip: The majority of "lost" cats remain in the general area from which they disappeared.

Lost Dog Tip: A "lost" dog will likely travel into the oncoming wind. Make this your first direction of search.

Below are a few free resources that you may find helpful.

Free Resources

- Citizens for Animal Protection (CAP)
- Houston Area Animal Shelters
- Houston Chronicle Lost Pets
- Pet Finder
- Pet Harbor
- Pets911
- Findtoto.com
- Craigs List
- Find Fido
- Houston Community Newspapers
- Help Me Find My Pet

Jersey Village animal control can be contacted at 713-466-2129. ★

Jersey Meadow Golf Course Star Membership*

\$80.00 per year

One complimentary round of golf
(valid anytime – up to \$50 value)

Up to \$7.00 off regular rate

One hour earlier twilight times

(Varies Winter & Summer)

Up to \$7.00 off Twilight rate

Up to \$4.00 off Super Twilight rate

Range

\$2.00 off a large bucket

\$1.00 off a small bucket

There's More!

10% Merchandise Discount

Handicap Service for one (\$25 value)

Advanced Tee Bookings

*Individual memberships only

Time to Spring Forward & Change Batteries



On March 8, 2015 at 2:00 am we will once again change our clocks. Daylight Savings Time comes twice a year for us. It is something we plan for and must do to stay on time for that day and all days to follow. The Fire Department would like to remind everyone that on

March 8, 2015 it is also a good day to remove your batteries from you smoke detectors and replace them with fresh batteries. Smoke Detectors are our first line of notification when a fire occurs in your home. This is especially true when we are sleeping. The one sense that continues to really work in the human body is our hearing when we are asleep. Batteries are relatively an inexpensive investment for peace of mind that you and your family escape the dangers of a fire. If your smoke detectors require replacement, most hardware stores or large retail chains carry them for less than \$10.00 each. ★



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LONE STAR SWIM TEAM

Want to enhance your performance for summer swim league? Join Lone Star Swim Team TODAY! Practices are held at Campbell Middle School (11415 Bobcat Rd). Visit <http://www.lonestarswimteam.org> for registration and/or more information.

JV STARS SWIM TEAM

Calling all swimmers!! Registration Day will be held on March 22 from 2-5pm at the Jersey Village Civic Center. Visit www.jvstars.com for registration paperwork and information.

NORTHWEST HARRIS COUNTY AGGIE MOM'S CLUB

Please join us on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 7 pm. at the Houston Distributing Center, 7100 High Life Drive, Houston, Texas 77066. Our speaker will be Porter S. Garner, III '79, President of The Association of Former Students. This a great way to meet other Aggie Moms, find out about upcoming events, and buy care packages. Enjoy light refreshments while you shop our Boutique for handcrafted one-of-a-kind Aggie treasures. For more information visit our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org. We are looking forward to meeting all Moms of Aggies.



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Tips on Taking Care of Your Home this Spring

The sun is shining and the birds are chirping... it's springtime! Here are a few spring home maintenance tips that will have you primed to keep your home at its best this spring:

- 1. Check Your Gutters:** Winter storms and autumn leaves can clog up your gutters, preventing your home from draining properly. Visually inspect your gutters and clear away any leaves or debris so you're all ready for those "April Showers".
- 2. Air Filters:** Now is a great time to change the air filters on your heating and cooling systems to clear away the winter dust and ensure you'll have fresh air throughout your home. Air filters should be changed approximately every three months (although some air filters require monthly changes – check the documentation on your air conditioning unit and heating system to find out what air filters to use and when to change them).
- 3. Prep Your Lawn for Spring:** Clear away any leaves, debris and weeds you

may have missed over the winter – you'll give your lawn room to breathe and grow

- 4. Check Your Batteries:** With the coming of each new season, make it a habit to test out the batteries on your smoke and CO2 detectors.
- 5. Cut Shrubs and Trees:** To prevent your plants from impacting your home, trim overgrown trees and shrubs. Tree branches should be about 7 feet away from your home.
- 6. Oven and Stove Top:** Run the cleaning cycle on your oven and thoroughly clean your stove top to prevent built-up grease from becoming a fire hazard.
- 7. Fire Extinguisher Check-Up:** Check, test and replace your fire extinguishers as needed. Check the gauges on each unit to ensure they are charged and ready for use.

Keep these tips in mind to keep your home beautiful and functioning at its best. ★



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Crime Prevention Tips from JVPD

Keeping your Credit Card Safe

Credit Card Abuse is one of the fastest growing crimes in the United States. Just within the last two years there have been several high profile data breaches of credit card numbers from large and small businesses. This crime is particularly frustrating because you may not know it is happening until you get your monthly statement, and by then you may be several thousand dollars in the black. The good news is that most banks will not hold the owner liable for the fraudulent charges as long as they file a police report.

When your credit card number is compromised it typically isn't anything that you have done. When I was an investigator, investigating credit card abuse cases one of the things I realized is that when it comes to a computer, there is always someone smarter than you are. Even as a police officer I have had my credit card number

stolen. Nevertheless here are a few steps that you can take to ensure the security of your credit cards while in your possession.

- **Handle With Care.**

While cardholders may toss their keys and their mobile phones into their pockets and purses, it is never a good idea to carry a credit card outside of your wallet. It can get misplaced, dropped and even stolen.

- **Be Careful With Your Mail.**

Not all credit card theft is high tech. One of the most common ways thieves target credit card users is by intercepting their mail. It is pretty easy to spot when a new credit card is in the mail and most of the citizens in Jersey Village have "Traditional" mailboxes that are curbside in front of your home. These types of boxes are convenient but unsecure and subject to theft. Consider having your card sent to a P.O. Box (if you have one).

- **Dispose of Your Statements Securely.**

Another way thieves can gain access to your accounts is by getting information from your bank statements. These statements can contain

personal and account information that thieves can use to steal your identity. Try online statements that have to be downloaded from a secure website and if you do have paper statements use a cross threaded shredder.

- **Social Media.**

How many of you have your full birthday on your social media pages? Though it may be nice to have someone wish you happy birthday, online hackers use this information to steal your identity. Check the security settings and keep yourself safe online.

- **Always Check Your Credit.**

Annualcreditreport.com is the official site to get your free annual credit reports which is guaranteed by Federal Law.

Though these suggestions are not always full proof, these are just a few things you can do to reduce your chances of being a victim. If you are a victim, don't touch anything and notify the police immediately. Thanks for your time and if there is anything we can do for you, please give us a call. ★



Fire & Police Stations OPEN HOUSE 16501 Jersey Drive

Saturday, April 25, 2015
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Join us for the annual community event.
Both departments will provide:

★ Station Tours ★ Special Demonstrations

★ Refreshments

★ Fire Truck rides for
children of all ages.

See you there!



Easter Egg Hunt

**Sunday, March 29th at 2 p.m.
Carol Fox Park**

Hunt for eggs with traditional Easter treats and special eggs containing coupons for prizes.

First hunt for ages 0-3 starts promptly at 2:00 pm in the sand volleyball area on the south side of the park.

A hunt for ages 4-9 will start immediately following the first hunt with the last hunt for ages 10 and up following the second hunt. The second and third hunts will be inside the park.



Children must be with and supervised by their parents! The park will be closed starting at 2:00 p.m. to allow for hiding the eggs and will reopen when the last hunt is concluded.



The Jersey Village Fire Department's Annual Member Appreciation and Awards Banquet was held on January 24, 2015. This banquet acknowledges the accomplishments of 2014. The following staff received recognition from their peers and received the following awards.



FIREFIGHTER CHRIS MOORE

2014 FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR
2014 EMS MEMBER OF THE YEAR
MEMBER WITH THE MOST RUNS



JUNIOR MEMBER PATRICK MOORE

2014 JUNIOR MEMBER OF THE YEAR



COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR
KIMBERLY FLENOURY

2014 DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR



FIREFIGHTER JOHN MURPHY

2014 ROOKIE OF THE YEAR



PARAMEDIC LYNNE SINGLETON

2014 MOST EMS TRAINING HOURS



CAPTAIN CHRIS DEDEAR

2014 DUTY CREW MEMBER OF THE YEAR



EMT CURTIS HAVERTY

2014 CHIEF'S AWARD



EMT-I KATIE MOORE

2014 CHIEF'S AWARD



FIREFIGHTER KRISHA COOK

2014 MOST FIRE TRAINING HOURS

The Chief's Award is presented to individuals who went above and beyond our normal activity fro training, activity and emergency run response.

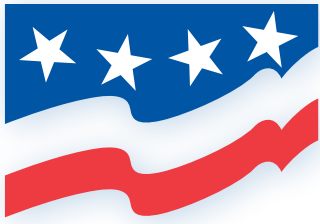
Spring Fling!

COMING SOON!

Friday, April 24th

6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Watch for more details



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JV STARS SWIM TEAM

Registration Day for the 2015 JV Stars Swim Team will be held on March 22nd from 2-5pm at the Jersey Village Civic Center. Visit www.jvstars.com for registration paperwork and information.

LONE STAR SWIM TEAM HEAD START PROGRAM

Lone Star's Head Start Registration for Summer League is coming this month. Don't let your team fall behind in your Division. It's never too late to get going. Registration is easy and available on our website or come see us at the pool. Practices are held at Campbell Middle School (11415 Bobcat Rd). Visit www.lonestarswimteam.org for registration paperwork and information.

ATTENTION AGGIE MOMS

The Northwest Harris Aggie Moms Club will host several Texas A&M Clubs who will give us a brief summary of the activities their clubs are involved in on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 6:30PM with meeting beginning at 7:15. Meetings are held at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive, located near Willowbrook Mall at the intersection of High Life Drive and Cutten Road. Enjoy light refreshments while you shop our Boutique for that one-of a kind hand- crafted Aggie treasure or our new Tradition Beads! For more information on monthly speakers or upcoming events visit our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org.





New Recycling Program



The City received notice from Tascon that they will no longer be collecting recyclables in Jersey Village. Their last day of service will be May 13, 2015. Therefore, Council authorized the City to negotiate a new contract with WCA, our current solid waste vendor. Our new contract will begin May 20, 2015 with WCA picking up recyclables and solid waste. WCA will provide 65 gallon recycle containers on wheels that can easily be pulled to the curb for collection. With

this new contract residents will no longer be required to sort recyclables and all items can be placed in the 65 gallon cart provided. The new contract will also allow residents to recycle more types of materials. Acceptable recyclable materials include: paper, plastics #1-#7, cardboard, pots & pans, glass bottles and jars, aluminum cans, copper and scrap metals.

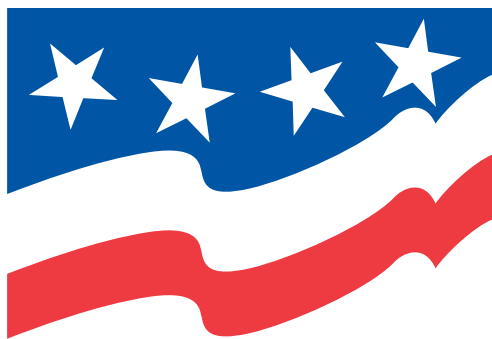
Please watch for more information; a good place to start is the City's website at www.jerseyvillage.info, or call 713-466-2133. ★

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**Statistics for February 2015
JV Police Department**

Calls for Service	1178
Vehicle Theft	2
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	0
Burglary, Residence	3
Burglary, Vehicle	4
Disturbance	64
Narcotics, Felony	3
Minor Accidents	128
Major Accidents	0
Alarms	93
Suspicious Person	209
Traffic Control	5
Traffic Hazard	28

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	1
Auto Fires	0
Other Fires	0
Rescue/EMS Incidents	50
Hazardous Conditions	3
Service Calls	10
Smoke or Odor Calls	1
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	14
Total Ambulance Transports	28



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From the JVPD

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Program Discontinued

In years past, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) sent representatives to the Jersey Village Police Department to collect unused prescription drugs for disposal. This program has been discontinued by the DEA and will no longer be held at the Jersey Village Police Department. For more information on how to properly dispose of unused prescription drugs, visit the DEA's website at www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/index.html or call 1-800-882-9539. ★

City Seeking to Fill Council Vacancy

Council Member Justin Ray, currently serving in Place 1 on the City Council, has submitted his application for a place on the May 9, 2015 ballot as Mayor. Given that no other applicants have submitted an application for place on ballot for the position of Mayor, Council Member Ray is running unopposed. Accordingly, once he takes the oath of office as Mayor on May 18, 2015, he will automatically resign his position as Council Member Place 1, creating a vacancy on City Council. City Council is now seeking applications to fill the vacant Place 1 on the City Council for the unexpired term that will end in May, 2016. Qualifications required to hold office may be reviewed at Section 2.02 of the City Charter. The City Charter may be accessed online through the Jersey Village web site (www.jerseyvillage.info). Prospective candidates for appointment should complete the Application for City

Boards, Commissions, and Committees that is available under the City Secretary page of the Jersey Village web site. Please write "City Council" under the Comments Section of the application. Completed forms should be delivered to the City Secretary at City Hall, or e-mailed to the office of the city secretary no later than 12:00 PM, May 5, 2015. Incomplete applications and applications received after this deadline will not be forwarded to city council. City Council has requested that prospective candidates be prepared to deliver a three to five minute presentation at a Special City Council Meeting to be held on May 11, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Candidates should be prepared to present their qualifications for office, in addition to providing an explanation of why they desire to hold office. ★
Lorri Coody, City Secretary
City of Jersey Village

Smoke Detectors in your Home

In a recent Citizens Fire Academy class, I was surprised to hear from so many citizens that they were unsure about their smoke detectors in their home. Do you know what smoke detectors you have in your home? Are your smoke detectors battery operated only and independent of each other? Are they in line or hard wired with a backup battery inside the smoke detector? Or is that backup battery in the main alarm control box? How often have you changed your batteries? How often have you tested your smoke detector? That evening was filled with questions. One question I had from the citizens was how long should we keep our smoke detectors before we replace them? Most standard smoke detectors have a life between 7 and 10 years. The best way to know is to check with the manufacturer of the product. There are many brands of smoke alarms on the market, but they fall under two basic types: ionization and photoelectric.

Ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms detect different types of fires. Since no one can really know what type of fire might start in their home, the United States Fire Administration (USFA) recommends that every home or place where people sleep have both ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms or dual sensor smoke alarms.

The cost of smoke alarms range from the standard \$6.00 per alarm to the dual sensor smoke alarms at about \$30.00 per alarm. Both are a small price to pay for the comfort in knowing that you are protected while you sleep. The USFA reports that three out of five fire deaths results in properties that do not have a working smoke detector. 37 percent of fire deaths are from homes that do not have a smoke alarm present in the home. Finally, where should the smoke detectors be placed in your home? They should be placed on every level of your home, in each sleeping area and in the hallways outside each sleeping area. It is not recommended to have a smoke alarm in your kitchen, but if you decide to hire an

alarm company to install smoke alarms in your home; they can most likely install a heat detector instead of a smoke detector in your home. If you have questions, feel free to call our office at 713-466-2130. We will be happy to visit with you and discuss the smoke detectors in your home. ★

Spring Fling

FRIDAY, April 24th

What: Spring Fling

When: Friday, April 24th
6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Where: Pavilion at Clark Henry Park (by the swimming pool)

Food: Pizza, nachos, Frito pie, sodas and cookies.

Fun: Dance with music by DJ, Billy Jack Ebersole, plus games/contests with prizes

City of Jersey Village – General Municipal Election – May 09, 2015

A General Municipal Election will be held on Saturday, May 09, 2015, for the purpose of electing at large a Mayor, a Council Member for Place 2 and a Council Member for Place 3. The slate of candidates for this election is as follows:

Mayor – Justin Ray
Councilmember, Place 2 – Greg Holden
Councilmember, Place 3 – Harry Beckwith III and C. J. Harper

The Election will be held at the Civic Center, 16327 Lakeview Drive, Jersey Village, Texas 77040 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 9, 2015.

Ciudad de Jersey Village – Elección General Municipal – 9 de mayo, 2015

Una Elección General Municipal se llevara a cabo el sábado, 9 de mayo del 2015, con el propósito de elegir para toda la municipalidad, un alcalde, un miembro del concejo para el lugar 2 y un miembro del concejo para el lugar 3. La lista de candidatos para esta elección es la siguiente:

Alcalde – Justin Ray
Miembro del Concejo, Lugar 2 – Greg Holden
Miembro del Concejo, Lugar 3 – Harry Beckwith III and C. J. Harper

La elección se llevara a cabo en el Centro Cívico, 16327 Lakeview Drive, Jersey Village, Texas 77040 desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el 9 de mayo del 2015.



City of Jersey Village Budget Process

The process for preparing the budget for next year has begun. Over the next several months, city staff and council members will engage in a series of meetings and work sessions to develop the fiscal year 2016 budget. Formal adoption of the budget for the city is expected to occur at the September city council meeting. The adopted budget lays out the plan for city spending over the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

The budget not only provides a blueprint for spending, but assigns priorities and goals for staff relating to city programs and services. A significant amount of time is spent considering capital projects and equipment purchases. Additionally, staff provides city council with five-year projections of all major revenue and expenditure categories.

The budget is composed of two parts, the Operating Budget and Capital Improvements. The Operating Budget

is comprised mainly of the General Fund. The General Fund is where the city pays for police, fire, and general administrative operations. After the General Fund, the two largest funds in the city are the Utility and Golf Course Funds. The Capital Improvement Budget includes projects related to Sanitary Sewer Treatment and Collection Improvements, Water Production/Distribution Improvements, Street and Drainage Improvements, and General Community Improvements.

As you can see, municipal budgeting is a complex process that has many moving pieces and parts. We welcome citizen input into the process. All meetings associated with the budget process are public meetings. Notices of budget meetings will be posted to the city's web site. Financial information regarding current or past budgets may also be found at the city's web site within the Finance section. ★

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New Recycling Program



Beginning May 14, 2015, WCA will begin delivering the new 65 gallon containers for recyclable materials for the City of Jersey Village.

The start date for the new program is May 20, 2015, and will continue on Wednesdays thereafter. Please have your

recyclable items out for collection at the curb by 7:00 a.m.

No sorting of recyclables is necessary; all items may be placed in the container together. Acceptable recyclable materials include: paper, plastics #1-#7, cardboard, pots & pans, aluminum cans, copper and scrap metals. Glass will NOT be accepted.

Please visit www.jerseyvillage.info, for more information; or call 713-466-2133. ★

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Statistics for March 2015 JV Police Department

Calls for Service	1190
Vehicle Theft	3
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	0
Burglary, Residence	1
Burglary, Vehicle	2
Disturbance	45
Narcotics, Felony	5
Minor Accidents	118
Major Accidents	7
Alarms	110
Suspicious Person	2153
Traffic Control	8
Traffic Hazard	236

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	1
Auto Fires	0
Other Fires	1
Rescue/EMS Incidents	64
Hazardous Conditions	2
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Scoop the Poop!



Dealing with pet waste is one of those topics that every pet owner must deal with, but no one likes to talk about. The

fact is that the majority of community and neighborhood pet problems result from the inappropriate handling of pet waste. In addition, pet waste is the greatest source of potential health risk for your pet and your family

Your responsibility to clean up after your pet doesn't end when your dog leaves your yard. There are probably fewer things that aggravate neighbors more than a dog that 'goes' in their yard. Pet owners need to clean up after their pet every time they go to the bathroom. Period. No exceptions. Don't make your responsibility somebody else's problem. The person responsible for any dog must remove feces deposited by the dog from any private property other than that of the dog's owner. Remember, removal of animal feces is not just a courtesy, it is an environmental necessity.

**Pooper Scooper Law –City of Jersey Village.
Section 10-5 summarized (dog and cat poop)**

Defecation by dogs or cats.

Sec. 10-5. Animal waste disposal.

(a) It shall be unlawful for the owner or other person having control of any animal to permit the animal to defecate upon the public property of the city or upon the private property of another unless the person immediately removes the feces and properly disposes of it.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to walk a dog on public property or upon the private property of another without carrying at all times a suitable container or other suitable instrument for the removal and disposal of dog feces.

(c) This section shall not apply to a person using a seeing-eye dog.

(Ord. No. 04-21, § 1, 9-20-04)

Pet owners must remove all fecal material deposited by their pets on property they do not own, including neighbors' yards, city parks, school property, public rights-of-way, etc.

A person in control of a dog or cat, when walking outside of their own property with their pet, must have materials to remove feces left by their dog or cat and promptly remove and dispose of them in a sanitary manner.

Violation of this section is punishable upon

conviction by a fine of not less than \$1 or more than \$200. Each violation of this section is a separate offense. ★



Comprehensive Plan Community Meeting

Over the past year, The City of Jersey Village had been working with consulting firm, Freese & Nichols to create a new comprehensive plan for the community. A special committee comprised of your fellow residents was formed; the Comprehensive Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC), to serve as ambassadors of the planning process. CPAC's goal is to create a plan that will ensure that Jersey Village remains a beautiful, safe and desirable place to live. On May 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Freese & Nichols will be holding a community meeting to gather feedback on the recommendations that have been put together. This is your opportunity as a resident of Jersey Village to give your feedback.

Please join us on May 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jersey Village Civic Center.

Summer Golf Camp for Kids



Session I: June 22 – 26

Session II: July 27 – 31

8:30 am to 10:30 am

Monday – Friday · Ages 7 – 17

\$150 session includes:

★ 10 hours of instruction

★ On course experience

★ Excellent student to instructor ratio

★ Each student will receive a goodie bag

Please visit www.jerseymeadow.com
for the registration form.



Father's Day Promotion:

Stop by and visit the
Jersey Meadow Pro Shop
for your
Father's Day gifts.

**Purchase \$50 or more in merchandise
during the month of June and receive a
\$5 discount coupon off a round of golf.**



JERSEY VILLAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Are you prepared for a Hurricane?

Recommended items for your Emergency Kit:

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Can opener for food
(if kit contains canned food)
- Canned pet food

If you plan on Evacuating:

- Keep your vehicle in good repair with a full tank of fuel
- Check on friends and neighbors who may have special needs
- Persons with special needs should leave early
- Designate a meeting point with your family should you get separated
- Cell phone for emergencies
- Monitor local radio and television stations for the latest information
- Don't take unnecessary items with you
- Take your Pets

Be prepared. Go to www.ready.gov for more information on being prepared.



Cool Off in the JV Pool!

It's getting warm outside so we've been busy getting the pool ready for swimmers. The pool will be open weekends only starting Saturday, May

16th, then go to summer hours beginning Saturday, June 6th (both Saturdays pool will open after the swim meet)*.

Weekend & Holiday Hours

- Saturdays, open 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.*
(or after home swim meet-approx. 3 p.m.)
- Sundays, open 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Open Memorial Day · Monday, May 25th 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Open Labor Day · Monday September 7th 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. — one last swim day!

Jersey Village Pool Hours Starting June 6th

Opening Day June 6th – Pool will open after swim meet*

Monday: Closed

Tuesday–Saturday: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

(Home Swim Meet days, Pool will open after meet*)

Sunday: 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Pool Closed for the season starting on September 1, 2015

*Home Swim Meets – May 16th, May 30th, June 6th & June 20th (Divisionals)

Swim Lessons

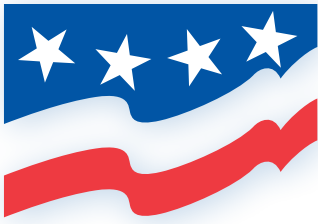
We have several Lifeguards offering swim lessons for young children. Individual lessons and prices vary according to Lifeguards experience. Each Lifeguard keeps their own calendar for scheduling lessons. For more information on scheduling lessons call or visit the pool.

Our new Pool Manager is Susan Bolado
(jvcitypool@gmail.com)

The pool phone number is 832-467-1032.

Don't forget: Season Passes can be purchased at City Hall Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. A resident Family of Four Season Pass is \$50.00, each additional family member is \$25.00 each. This allows the members of your household unlimited access to the pool during the summer season. Residents can also purchase daily pool passes at the gate for a fee of \$3.00 per adult and \$2.00 per child.





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JERSEY VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Grab your hiking boots! Fill your water bottles! Practice your climbing skills! It's time for Journey Off the Map VBS! We're recruiting explorers that have completed Kinder- 5th grade for the week of June 15th -18th 9:00am to 12:30pm to join us as we journey to uncharted territory where the unexpected waits around every bend. Register for this free event at jvbc.org.

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Did you know that Fireworks are not permitted within the City Limits of Jersey Village?

The ordinance reads:

The possession, manufacture, storage, sale, handling and use of fireworks are prohibited within the city limits of Jersey Village, Texas. It shall be unlawful and constitute a nuisance for any person to manufacture or sell fireworks within the City of Jersey Village or within the area extending five thousand (5,000) feet outside the city limits and not located within the corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction of another municipality. The city attorney shall take all actions necessary to enforce this ordinance in the area located

outside the city limits. Except as herein provided, it shall be unlawful for any person to assemble, possess, store, transport, receive, keep, sell, offer or have in his or her possession with the intent to sell, use, discharge, ignite, detonate, fire or otherwise put in action any fireworks of any description.

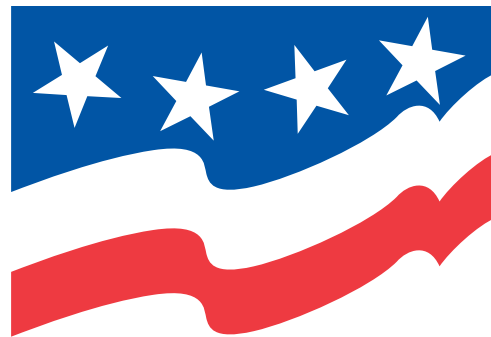
Violating this ordinance can result in fines and the confiscation of fireworks. Keep Jersey Village Safe and Silent this 4th of July season. ★

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How to Choose a Portable Generator

Many of you have not forgotten the impact Hurricane Ike had on Jersey Village. We won't forget the trees down and the power outages we encountered for many days. Portable generators have the ability to light up a room during a power outage and so much more. Portable generators won't supply your home air conditioning, but it could supply power to a small portable or window A/C unit. No matter what you will use a portable generator for, choosing the best portable generator for you and your needs is easy if you follow these steps.

Wattage:

Portable generators are available in a large range of wattage ranges and calculating the minimum wattage you need your portable generator to handle is easy if you access the free online wattage calculator at <http://www.poweredgenerators.com/wattage-calculator.html> Take a minute to add the wattage requirements for your appliances and lights and jot it down to ensure that you don't consider one that will not meet your requirements.

Fuel Usage and Run Time:

When you are choosing the perfect portable generator for you, you will also need to determine if the stated run time and fuel usage works for you. Every manufacturer will state the approximate run time for each model it offers but be sure to check the load size that they used to calculate it and compare that wattage with the wattage you requirements you calculated in step 1. You also need to choose between using approximately 12-18 gallons of gasoline per day and perhaps choosing a portable generator than runs on propane.

Price:

Now that you know what you need from a portable generator you can compare prices for your specific wattage and fuel needs. Stop by the local hardware store for a comparison on what is available locally. There are hundreds of makes and models available so go out and get the best one at the best price for you. ★

Summer Crime Prevention Tips

As summer quickly approaches, here are a few crime prevention tips to keep in mind for the summer months.

- ★ June 4th LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- ★ Be sure to utilize the House Watch Program if traveling out of town
- ★ Be sure to lock doors and windows when you leave, even for a short time
- ★ Don't leave valuables in plain sight in your vehicles (cell phones, GPS, change)
- ★ Trim the bushes on the front and sides of your home for better crime deterrence
- ★ Leave porch light on at night
- ★ Use motion activated lights on the rear of the home
- ★ Use a home alarm system if possible
- ★ Photograph serial numbers on expensive items such as televisions, mowers, computers.
- ★ Report suspicious persons/vehicles to the police department (713-466-5824) ★



City of Jersey Village—Your City Council

The following candidates were elected to the City Council at the May 09, 2015 General Municipal Election:

Mayor
Justin Ray
Councilmember - Place 2
Greg Holden
Councilmember - Place 3
C. J. Harper

With the taking of his Oath of Office on May 18, 2015 as Mayor, Justin Ray automatically resigned his position as

Council Member Place 1, leaving this position vacant. In accordance with the terms and condition of our City Charter, City Council has appointed Andrew Mitcham as Council Member, Place 1 for the unexpired term ending in May 2016.

The newly elected Councilmembers have taken their oath of office and were issued certificates of election in accordance with state election laws. The current City of Jersey Village City Council is comprised of the following members:

Mayor, Justin Ray; Councilmember Place 1, Andrew Mitcham; Councilmember Place 2, Greg Holden, Councilmember Place 3, C. J. Harper; Councilmember Place 4, Sheri Sheppard; and Councilmember Place 5, Tom Eustace.

Appreciation is extended to out-going Mayor Rod Erskine with 6 years of service and Harry Beckwith with 4 years of service. Both have worked very hard for the City. ★

Common Code Violations

The following are a few of the items commonly reported to, or noted by, Code Enforcement:

1. Construction and / or repairs without required permits. Examples; Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical Permits for Sheds, Fences, Additions, Driveways, Irrigation, Re-roofing and Interior renovations etc.

2. Vehicles, Boats and Utility trailers not properly parked or stored on property and on streets.

3. Trash, grass clippings, and tree limbs etc. being placed for collection at the curb before 5pm on Mondays and Thursdays.

4. Garage sale signs, realtor, and contractor signs placed in the city right of way (between the curb & sidewalk).

5. Lost cat or dog signs being placed on light poles or stop signs.

6. Yard maintenance (high grass).

7. Dogs being allowed to run at large.

If you have any questions regarding code violations, or would like to report a violation, please call 713-466-2129 between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm Monday - Friday. If a code enforcement issue arises after hours, residents should contact the dispatcher

on duty at 713-466-5824. If the issue is deemed to be an emergency, dispatch will send a police officer to address the problem. If it is not considered to be an emergency, the Code Enforcement Officer will be notified of the call and will address upon returning to the office.

By following the proper procedure city personnel will be able to address Code Enforcement Violations in a timely manner so that abatement proceedings, if necessary, may begin judiciously. ★

ARTICLE ON THE CALENDAR FOR APPROVING THE CITY OF JERSEY VILLAGE OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016

The City of Jersey Village fiscal year begins on October 1 and ends on September 30th of the following year. Although the city adopts its budget in the fall, the budget process starts in April with a Staff Budget Retreat. For several evenings in May, City Council and staff conducted a series of meetings, during which goals and objectives for fiscal year 2015-2016 were identified. Summer and early fall represent a busy time for staff, as preparation and adoption of the City Operating and Capital Budgets require significant resources. Below are the remaining key dates in which

City Council and staff will conduct meetings related to next year's budget:

July 20th – July 22nd at 6:00 P.M.

Budgets review by City Council and Crime Control Board.

August 17th at 7:00 P.M.

Crime Control Board conducts public hearing on proposed Budget and adopts Budget.

September 21st at 7:00 P.M.

City Council conducts public hearing on proposed City budget and adopts Budget.

October 19th at 7:00 P.M.

Adoption of Tax Rate, Utility Rates, and other rates.

All budget meetings are open meetings and the public is welcomed / encouraged to attend. If you need additional information on the budget schedule or any related matter, please contact the City of Jersey Village, Finance Department at (713) 466-2104. ★



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ATTENTION AGGIE MOMS

Are you sending off your first to Aggieland this fall? Find out how we help your student succeed that first year at one of our informal Summer Mixers in area neighborhoods. Dates and locations are listed on our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org. Please RSVP to pechacek8722@sbcglobal.net or 713-907-2277.

The Northwest Harris County Aggie Mom's Club meets August thru May on the second Tuesday of each month with the social beginning at 6:30 pm, with meeting at 7:15 PM at the Houston Distributing Company located at 7100 High Life.

PROJECT PROM THANKS YOU

The Jersey Village High School Project Prom 2015 board would like to thank all of you who supported this year's event. Many of you put in countless hours planning and executing fund raising events. Many others participated in and even brought friends and neighbors to the fund raisers themselves. And nearly 100 parents volunteered to make the night of Project Prom a success.

Keeping our students safe is a community effort; it takes a village! We want to sincerely thank you for helping to provide a safe and memorable Prom for the Seniors of 2015.



Burglar Alarm Purchasing Tips

The first thing you should do is try to get as much home coverage as possible for the least amount of money. Every door and window should be contacted and glass break sensors should be placed in front of windows that don't open. Motion sensors should be placed in every hallway of the home, the living room, and the kitchen-laundry areas. Make sure that the monitoring station is UL approved.

Alarms provide a strong piece of mind while you are away. Even if you are gone for a short time, the alarm should be set. Pet proof alarms are available if you have animals staying home while you away.

Some insurance companies offer great rate reductions if the alarms meet certain criteria. Please check with your insurance company prior to installation to achieve maximum value.

The value packages that are offered are not always the best system to cover your home. Obtain numerous quotes prior to deciding on which alarm systems cover your home the best. ★

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**Statistics for May 2015
JV Police Department**

Calls for Service	1486
Vehicle Theft	5
Aggravated Assault	1
Burglary, Business	6
Burglary, Residence	0
Burglary, Vehicle	5
Disturbance	83
Narcotics, Felony	5
Minor Accidents	128
Major Accidents	0
Alarms	206
Suspicious Person	211
Traffic Control	8
Traffic Hazard	37

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	3
Auto Fires	1
Other Fires	1
Rescue/EMS Incidents	55
Hazardous Conditions	7
Service Calls	8
Smoke or Odor Calls	1
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	5
Total Ambulance Transports	39



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Emergency Notification Sign Up



GREATER HARRIS COUNTY 9-1-1 EMERGENCY NETWORK (GHC 9-1-1)



Free Emergency Alerts



The City of Jersey Village has a link on the city website which will allow all residents to sign up to receive emergency alerts on their cell phones. In years past, the city could not send emergency information to cell phones. The technology to do this is now available and the City of Jersey Village has partnered with Harris County 911 to allow are citizens to register their cell phones for such alerts when they are sent.

On the main city website, located at www.jerseyvillage.info, the bottom right corner has a button as shown above.

Please click on this button and it will take you to an explanation page. Once you agree to the statements on this page it will take you to a registration page. There you can input information and register for this service. Some examples of alerts would be to “shelter in place” because of a hazmat scene or maybe the city is experiencing the potential for “flooding” and you want to know this is about to occur. These are just two examples of what we might send out to all phones in our city. Today, many families do not have a home phone and the only phone they have is a cell phone. Please take advantage of this opportunity and register your cell phones today. ★



Citizen's Police Academy

The Jersey Village Citizen's Police Academy is a 10 to 12 week program designed to give members of the public a working knowledge of the Jersey Village Police Department and the criminal justice system it serves. It consists of a series of classes,

discussions and hands on activities held every Thursday, starting August 13, 2015 from 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm. The class will be limited to 25 students at no cost.

The classes are geared to provide an in-depth view into various areas of law enforcement. It is an educational and informative program that allows citizens the opportunity to learn about the issues facing law enforcement, how we train to handle them and how to develop a partnership between the police and the community.

For more information, or to sign up for the Citizen's Police Academy, contact Lola Hazel at 713-466-2119. ★

Need to Cool Off This Summer?

Summer is here and the Jersey Village Pool is in full swing! There is no better way to beat the heat than to take a dip in the clear, beautiful water of the City's pool.

This year, the pool turns 40 years old! To help keep it looking its best, the restrooms and guard room have been repainted and the floors redone, the diving board has a fresh coat of paint, new pool furniture has been ordered and the Pool Manager and Lifeguards have been working hard to keep everything in great shape for all of our swimmers.

Season Passes can be purchased at City Hall Monday thru Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. A resident Family of Four Season Pass is \$50.00. Each additional family member over those four is \$25.00 each. This pass allows members of your household, listed on the pass, unlimited access to the pool during the summer season. Residents can also purchase daily pool passes at the gate for \$3.00 per adult and \$2.00 per child. ★

JERSEY VILLAGE POOL HOURS

until August 23rd

Monday: Closed

Tuesday – Saturday:

11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

August 29th: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

August 30th: 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 7th (Labor Day):

11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**Pool closed for the season
starting September 8th**

For more information, such as how to reserve the pool or park pavilion for parties, check the Jersey Village website under Parks & Recreation. Additionally, you can reach pool staff during pool hours at (832) 467-1032 or by e-mail at jvcitypool@gmail.com. ★

The Police Department has a new Crime Tips web page. The purpose of the page is to enlist assistance from the public in solving ongoing cases, and to also provide residents with tips to prevent crime. Currently, the Police Department has one open case of which

we could use your help in solving, and a link for this case can be found on the Crime Tips page. Crime prevention tips will be added, as well as new case information, as the need arises. To get to the Crime Tips page, go to

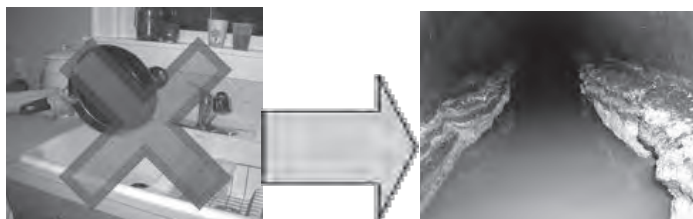
www.jerseyvillage.info and click on the interactive Crime Tips button. The Crime Tips button is pictured above and is located at the bottom, right-hand section of the City's home page. ★

Unclog the FOG...FATS, OILS, and GREASE

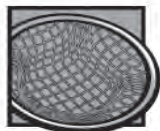
Fighting the CLOG Mob in your home

FOG Prevention Checklist

Keep the CLOG Mob (**C**reating **L**ots **O**f **G**unk) from going down the drain and into your pipes is easy. *Pouring a little bacon grease down the drain or tossing meat scraps in the garbage disposal may not seem like a big deal, but every little bit adds up and can create major clogs and blockages in sewer lines that are part of the City's sanitary sewer collection system. Once a line is blocked, wastewater can back up into streets, yards, homes, and streams. If the clog occurs in the sewer lateral, then the clean-up can become the property owner's responsibility.*



- **Pour liquid food scraps, e.g. sauces, milkshakes, into a container and place in the trash can**



- **Pour used oil into a container with a top (the original if available) so it can be reused, recycled, or placed in the trash can for disposal.**

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- **Pour cooled grease into a grease can or other container for disposal and/or absorb with paper towels or**

- **Use mesh drain strainers to catch solid food scraps for disposal in a trash can**

- **Scrape plates over the trash can or dry-wipe with a paper towel**

REMEMBER: THE DRAIN IS NOT A DUMP

Watch for more information on our website

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2015 Junior Golf Camp

Do you have a youngster that wants to learn how to play golf? Session two of our Junior Golf Camp is about to begin on July 27 - 31 from 8:30 am - 10:30 am. The camp is open to boys and girls from age 7 through 17. Our golf pros have Over 30 years of experience in helping golfers get better! The cost is \$150 per student and includes:

- **10 hours of instruction in all aspects of the game**
 - **Some ON COURSE experience**
 - **Excellent student to instructor ratio**
- **Each student receives a gift bag upon completion**

Don't have any gear? No problem! No equipment is necessary to participate.

Registration is limited, so don't delay!

Forms are available online at www.jerseymeadow.com.

Stop by or contact the Pro Shop for more information by calling 713-896-0900. ★



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Citizen Involvement Welcome!

City government depends on residents who volunteer their time and expertise to participate in public service as members of boards and commissions. Boards and commissions fulfill an important role by evaluating issues which affect our community and making recommendations to the Council for needed action. Although most boards and commissions are advisory in nature, a few are decision-making entities. The value of these bodies is a direct reflection of the interest and dedication of our citizens in making Jersey Village a better place to live. City Council encourages you to apply for appointment to any board or commission in which you may be interested.

Council will consider appointments to most boards and commissions at its Regular September Council Meeting. If you are interested, please complete an application. If you currently have an application on file, please contact the City Secretary to confirm your interest in serving with the City. Only new or confirmed applications will be considered.

To view an online application, visit the City of Jersey Village's website at www.jerseyvillage.info/default.aspx?name=citysec.home or contact Lorri Coody, the City Secretary at 713-466-2102. ★

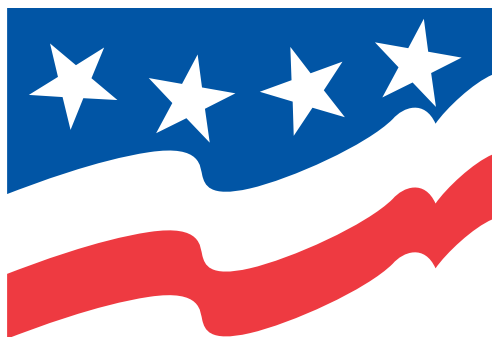


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Calls for Service	1401
Vehicle Theft	5
Aggravated Assault	3
Burglary, Business	2
Burglary, Residence	1
Burglary, Vehicle	5
Disturbance	59
Narcotics, Felony	2
Minor Accidents	129
Major Accidents	0
Alarms	128
Suspicious Person	198
Traffic Control	11
Traffic Hazard	30

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	4
Auto Fires	1
Other Fires	1
Rescue/EMS Incidents	52
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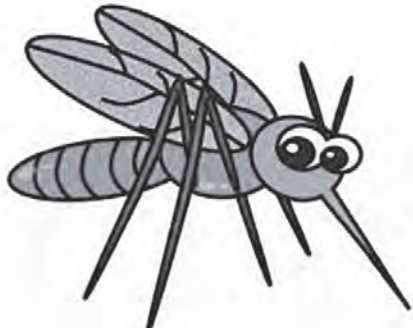


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Mosquito Control



Summertime in Texas brings swimming, ice cream, and backyard barbecues. Unfortunately it also brings mosquitoes. In addition to itchy bites, mosquitoes can transmit diseases. You can keep mosquito populations under control on your property by following these simple tips:

- Destroy or dispose of tin cans, old tires, buckets, unused plastic swimming pools or other containers that collect and hold water. Do not allow water to accumulate in the saucers of flowerpots, or in pet dishes for more than 2 days.
- Clean debris from rain gutters and remove any standing water under or around structures, or on flat roofs. Check

around faucets and air conditioner units and repair leaks or eliminate puddles that remain for several days.

- Change the water in birdbaths and wading pools at least once a week. Commercial products “Mosquito Dunks” and “Mosquito Bits” containing Bti can be purchased at many hardware/garden stores for homeowner use. Fill or drain puddles, ditches and swampy areas, and either remove, drain or fill tree holes and stumps with mortar.
- Check for trapped water in plastic or canvas tarps used to cover boats, pools, etc. Arrange the tarp to drain the water.
- Check around construction sites or do-it-yourself improvements to ensure that proper backfilling and grading prevent drainage problems.
- Irrigate lawns and gardens carefully to prevent water from standing for several days.
- Adult mosquitoes rest during the day, usually on tall weeds and other vegetation. Mow your lawn regularly, and keep weeds away from your home’s foundation. ★

Recycling Tips



WCA collects recyclable materials for Jersey Village every Wednesday. Please follow these tips for a successful recycling program:

- Carts should be placed at the curb with the arrows on the lid facing the street. This ensures that the automated truck can easily access and empty the recycling cart.
 - Please recycle only the acceptable materials. All recyclable materials may be mixed together inside the cart.
 - Protect recyclables from inclement weather by keeping the lid closed.
 - Only materials in the cart will be collected. Ensure that you flatten and cut cardboard so that it fits loosely in the cart.
 - Items placed outside of your cart will not be collected. Maximize space in your cart by crushing plastic bottles and aluminum cans, and cutting boxes down.
 - Ensure that all your cans and bottles are empty before recycling them to avoid contamination of other materials.
 - Recycling carts provided by WCA are for recyclables only; not regular trash. Regular trash should be placed at the curb on Tuesdays and Fridays only. Trash put in recycling carts will not be collected.
- **Remember: Set your recycle cart out by 7 a.m. on Wednesdays but no earlier than 5 p.m. the evening before. Return your cart to your property by the end of the day, after your collection has occurred** ★**

The logo for Jersey Meadows Golf Course, featuring a star and the text 'Jersey Meadows Golf Course' in a stylized font.

August

Beat the Heat

Mondays-Thursdays:

10 am to 2 pm

\$27 + tax

Star Members only

Tee Time Required.

Back to School and Citizens Police Academy

Your police department is gearing up for two big events in August. The starting of the 12th annual Citizens Police Academy (CPA) and the start of another school year. Hard to believe that the summer is almost over. CY-Fair ISD will begin classes on Aug 24th, 2015 which includes Post Elementary and JV High School. The start of school brings sadness that the summer is over, but joy and anticipation on the eyes of our students. School safety should also be a priority.

Many of our students walk or ride bikes so when you are driving, please watch for our students and make sure you take caution in the school zones. Our officers will be out in force to ensure that our students stay safe so remember to keep it slow.

Here are a few more safety tips for your kiddos;

1. Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings. Practice this with your student.
2. Teach your student to never talk with strangers or accept rides or gifts.
3. Utilize a buddy when walking or riding a bike.
4. Teach your kids to obey all traffic signals, signs and traffic officers
5. If riding a bike to school make sure they always wear a helmet. Research indicates that a helmet can reduce the risk of a head injury by up to 85%.

6. Be sure your child knows their address and home or cell phone number in case of an emergency.

Also coming up is the 12th annual CPA will begin on August 13th and will run for 10 consecutive weeks until October 22nd from 6:30-9:30pm. This year's topics will include Penal and Traffic Laws, Accident Investigation, DWI, Traffic Stops, Investigations, Use of Force and Firearms. We are also hoping for a return visit from the DPS Aviation Unit as well as the HCSO Bomb Squad and K-9. Please join us if you can. Applications are now being accepted. If you would like any further information please contact LT. Mike Pribble at (713)466-2117 or Lola Hazel at (713)466-2119. ★



PLAN NOW FOR YOUR SPECIAL Santa Delivery



As part of the Fire Department's Annual Fundraiser; Santa and the Elves will again make delivery of your gift to your child by following the guidelines below:

* On Wednesday, August 26, 2015 the

Jersey Village Fire Department will start taking reservations for the December delivery dates listed below.

- * Contact the Fire Department Administrative Office @ **713-466-2130** to reserve your date. We will not accept appointments before this date.
- * Dates for delivery: **December 11, 12, 13th and 18, 19, 20th**
- * Deliveries made between **6:00pm – 8:45pm (5:00pm on Sat/Sun)**
- * A minimum donation of **\$50.00 for a ten minute visit for a family of four.** No Exceptions. Santa has requested no deliveries to large groups or parties.
- * Bring your child's wrapped gift to the Fire Station the Tuesday prior to your scheduled delivery date. Station located @ 16501 Jersey Dr.
- * Additional donations will be greatly appreciated.
- * Please make checks payable to: **City of JV/Fire Dept. Donation Account**



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ATTENTION AGGIE MOMS

HOWDY PARTY

Join us for our HOWDY PARTY on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 6:30 pm. at the Houston Distributing Center, 7100 High Life Drive, Houston, Texas 77066. This fun-filled Aggie evening is a great way to meet other Aggie Moms, find out about upcoming events, buy care packages for your student and win door prizes! Enjoy light refreshments while you shop our Boutique for handcrafted one-of-a-kind Aggie treasures. For more information visit our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org. We are looking forward to meeting all Moms of freshman Aggies and current Aggie students!





National Night Out — October 6th

On Tuesday October 6th, 2015 from 6:00pm – 9:00pm residents and citizens throughout Jersey Village, Houston and across the nation are asked to step outside, turn on their lights and spend a couple of hours outside with their neighbors, police and fire department employees. Many streets throughout Jersey Village will be hosting a variety of special events, such as block parties, cookouts, children’s activities and especially anticrime rallies. Each of these block parties will also be visited by a member of the Jersey Village Police and or Fire Department.

National Night Out is designed to:

1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;

- 2) Generate support for local anti-crime efforts;
- 3) Strengthen neighborhood esprit de corp and police-community partnerships and finally;
- 4) Send a firm message to criminals, letting them know that Jersey Village Neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

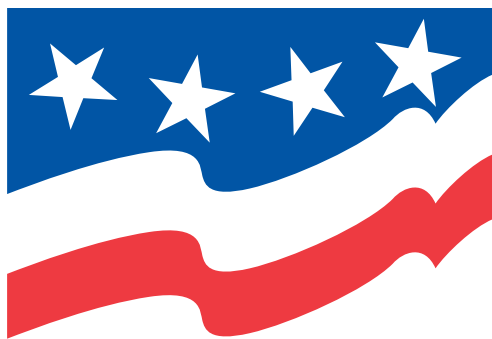
Signups have already begun and we are wanting you to get involved. For more information, or to sign up as a block captain, please contact the NNO coordinator, LT. Mike Pribble at (713)466-2117 or mpribble@ci.jersey-village.tx.us. ★

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Calls for Service	1299
Vehicle Theft	3
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	4
Burglary, Residence	2
Burglary, Vehicle	2
Disturbance	77
Narcotics, Felony	1
Minor Accidents	119
Major Accidents	7
Alarms	136
Suspicious Person	164
Traffic Control	14
Traffic Hazard	31

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Building Fires	1
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Help, I've fallen and I can't get up!

What do you do when this happens? The answer is call "911". If you need assistance getting up and no one is around to help you get up, call 911. Even if you have someone there to help you. If they can't get you back into a chair, call 911.

I received a phone call in the past weeks from a resident who indicated many people in the community are confused as to when they should call "911" for help. When in doubt, call "911".

911 call takers are ready to answer your call and determine your emergency needs. You may not think your situation is an emergency, but when in doubt, call "911". I can't emphasize this enough!

911 call takers receive many phone calls. Here is a list of medical call types you might call 911 for.

- Headaches that won't stop
- Nose bleeds that won't stop
- Severe Abdominal Pains

- Excessive Vomiting, Nausea
- Dehydration
- Falls
- Excessive Back Pain
- Lift Assistance
- Breathing problems
- Chest Pains
- Altered Mental Status
- Seizures
- Cardiac Arrest

Please be mindful, that this is not a complete list of reasons to call "911". There are other medical situations that may arise. There are also fire and police related emergencies you should call 911.

The important thing to remember is, you live in a community that has great emergency services (Police, FIRE, EMS) that are ready to respond to whatever your situation might be. When in doubt, call "911"! If you have any questions or concerns about calling 911, give me a call. I'm happy to speak to you about it. My phone number is 713-466-2130 Give me a call. ★

Mark Bitz, Fire Chief

Fire Hydrant Colors Are Changing

As part of our Insurance Service Office (ISO) review, the city learned that our fire hydrants were not painted to meet the National Fire Protection Association Standards (NFPA). ISO requires water departments to follow these NFPA standards when marking fire hydrants. The new color code represents the amount of gallons per minute flowing out of each hydrant. If you have been traveling on Jones Road in the past month, you may have noticed that the hydrants have been repainted. Eventually, all fire hydrants in the city limits will be painted to this standard. All fire hydrants will have a yellow body or barrel color and the caps and bonnet of the hydrant will be painted according the color code as follows:

- Light Blue – 1500gpm (gallons per minute) or higher
- Green – 1000gpm - 1499gpm
- Orange – 500gpm - 999gpm
- Red – 500gpm or less

Staff will continue to repaint all fire hydrants until all of them are updated. ★

Mark your calendar for the **Fall Frolic!**
October 23rd / 6:30 p.m.
Clark Henry Park

Citizen Involvement Welcome!

City government depends on residents who volunteer their time and expertise to participate in public service as members of boards and commissions. Boards and commissions fulfill an important role by evaluating issues which affect our community and

making recommendations to the Council for needed action. Although most boards and commissions are advisory in nature, a few are decision-making entities. The value of these bodies is a direct reflection of the interest and dedication of our citizens in making Jersey Village a better place to live. City

Council encourages you to apply for appointment to any board or commission in which you may be interested.

Council will consider appointments to most boards and commissions at its Regular September Council Meeting. If you are interested, please complete an application. If you currently have an application on file, please contact the City Secretary to confirm your interest in serving with the City.

Only new or confirmed applications will be considered.

To view an online application, visit the City of Jersey Village's website at <http://www.jerseyvillage.info/default.aspx?name=citysec.home> or contact Lorri Coody, the City Secretary at 713-466-2102. ★

City of Jersey Village Budget Update

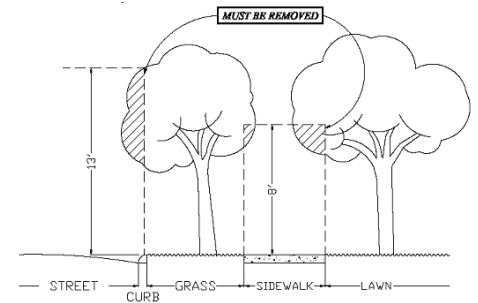
After several months of preparation, the budget process for the City of Jersey Village is in its final stages. City council will conduct a public hearing and formally adopt next year's budget at its Regular meeting on Monday, September 21, 2015. Prior to adoption, city council will conduct a public hearing to receive citizen comments and preview next year's budget. The budget will be effective for the next fiscal year, which begins October 1, 2015 and ends September 30, 2016.

Property tax rates are projected to remain at \$0.7425 per \$100 of valuation. The current Property Tax Rate has been in effect since 2006. The Jersey Village City Council remains committed to providing the highest level of service to city residents, consistent with available resources. The budget not only funds specific services and programs, but also establishes priorities for the coming year.

The Budget is composed of two parts, the Operating Budget and the Capital Improvement Program. The Operating Budget funds the daily operation of the city and is the larger of the two budgets. The Capital Improvement Program Budget incorporates projects that include Sanitary Sewer Treatment and Collection Improvements, one project in the Water Production/Distribution Improvements, and one project in General Community Improvement.

The budget provides for efficient, quality services and ensuring taxpayers receive value for their tax dollars. Notices of the upcoming public hearings will be posted to the city's web site, www.jerseyvillage.info. Additionally, should you desire more information regarding the budget, please contact Isabel Kato, Finance Director, at (713) 466-2104. ★

This is a Reminder that Trees Need to be Trimmed!



Please make it a point to take a look at your trees and trim any low hanging limbs. Remember once you trim your trees they must be placed at the curb be in bundles no greater than 4-foot lengths and 40 pounds.

Sidewalk Obstructions

Pursuant to the City of Jersey Village, Texas, Code of Ordinances: SEC.14-310 (6) Landowner responsibilities. The landowner shall be responsible for:

(e) The owner of a tree overhanging a street or right-of-way within the city shall prune the branches so that the branches will not severely obstruct the light from any street lamp or obstruct the view of any street intersection and so that there shall be a clear space of 13 feet above street surface of [or] eight feet above the sidewalk surface. The owner shall be responsible for removing all dead, diseased, or dangerous trees, or broken or decayed limbs, including tree stumps, which constitute a menace to the safety of the public. Tree pruning shall be done in accordance with accepted arboricultural standards. ★

CELEBRATE THE END OF SUMMER WITH US AT THE

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sunday, September 13 / 6 - 8 p.m. @ Clark Henry Park

- Take a dip in the **pool** from 4-8 p.m.
- Try **Bruster's hand made ice cream!**
- **Food trucks** on site with gourmet grilled cheese sandwiches and burgers available for purchase.



FOOD TRUCKS !!!

THE GOLDEN GRILL

AND

THE BURGER JOINT

Got Drugs?

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal
Saturday, September 26th,
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Drop off at JVPD - 16401 Lakeview Dr





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LONESTAR SWIM TEAM REGISTRATION

Want to get your kids involved in a great sport for the fall and/or spring? Lonestar Swim Team is currently holding our annual registration! For more information and/or to register please visit <http://www.lonestarswimteam.org/>. Practices begin September 1st at Campbell Middle School (11415 Bobcat Rd, 77065).

NORTHWEST HARRIS COUNTY AGGIE MOM'S CLUB

Come join us, on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 6:30 pm. at the Houston Distributing Center, 7100 High Life Drive, Houston, Texas 77066. This fun-filled Aggie evening is a great way to meet other Aggie Moms, find out about upcoming events, buy care packages for your student and win door prizes! Enjoy light refreshments and learn a few yells. For more information visit our website at www.nwhcaggiemoms.org. We are looking forward to meeting all Moms of freshman Aggies, current Aggie students and former Aggies!



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The event will feature fields of freshly blown snow as well as approximately 50 vendor booths. There is no

vendor booth fee for Jersey Village residents or scout troops. Non-JV residents pay a vendor booth fee of just \$10.00.

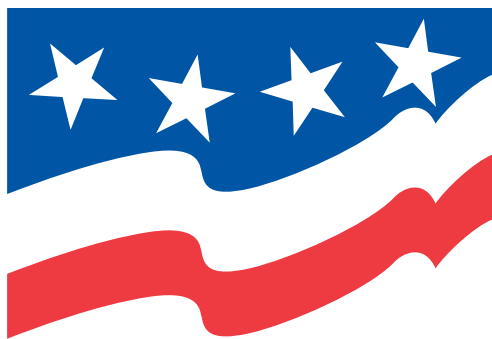
To request an application please send an email stating what you would like to sell or promote to Robert and Rebecca at JVevents.holiday@gmail.com ★

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**Statistics for August 2015
 JV Police Department**

Calls for Service	1291
Vehicle Theft	2
Aggravated Assault	3
Burglary, Business	2
Burglary, Residence	2
Burglary, Vehicle	0
Disturbance	68
Narcotics, Felony	8
Minor Accidents	102
Major Accidents	2
Alarms	116
Suspicious Person	240
Traffic Control	13
Traffic Hazard	31

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	1
Auto Fires	1
Other Fires	1
Rescue/EMS Incidents	61
Hazardous Conditions	6
Service Calls	15
Smoke or Odor Calls	4
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	17
Total Ambulance Transports	38



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City Secretary	713.466.2102
Fire Department	713.466.2130
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Halloween Safety



Kids love Halloween! They get to dress up and get lots of free candy. There are many ways to keep your child safe at Halloween, when they are more prone to accidents and injuries. The excitement of children and adults at this time of year makes them forget to be careful. Simple common sense can do a lot to stop any tragedies from happening.

COSTUMES:

- Costumes should be fire proof with their name and address attached
- Keep costumes short to prevent falling
- Use make-up instead of a mask
- Light in color or add reflective tape on their costumes

TRICK OR TREATING

- Go in groups and always parents in the group

- Tell children to only stop at familiar homes where the outside lights are on
- Take a flashlight and pick well-lighted streets
- Make sure your kids know to NEVER enter houses or a stranger's car

TREATS

- Do not eat any treats until you get home
- Check out all treats at home in a well-lighted place
- Only eat unopened candies and other treats that are in original wrappers
- Don't forget to inspect fruit and homemade goodies for anything suspicious

PARENTS AND ADULTS SHOULD:

- Establish a curfew for older children
- Clear porches and placing jack-o-lanterns away from doorways
- Drive slowly
- Exit driveways carefully

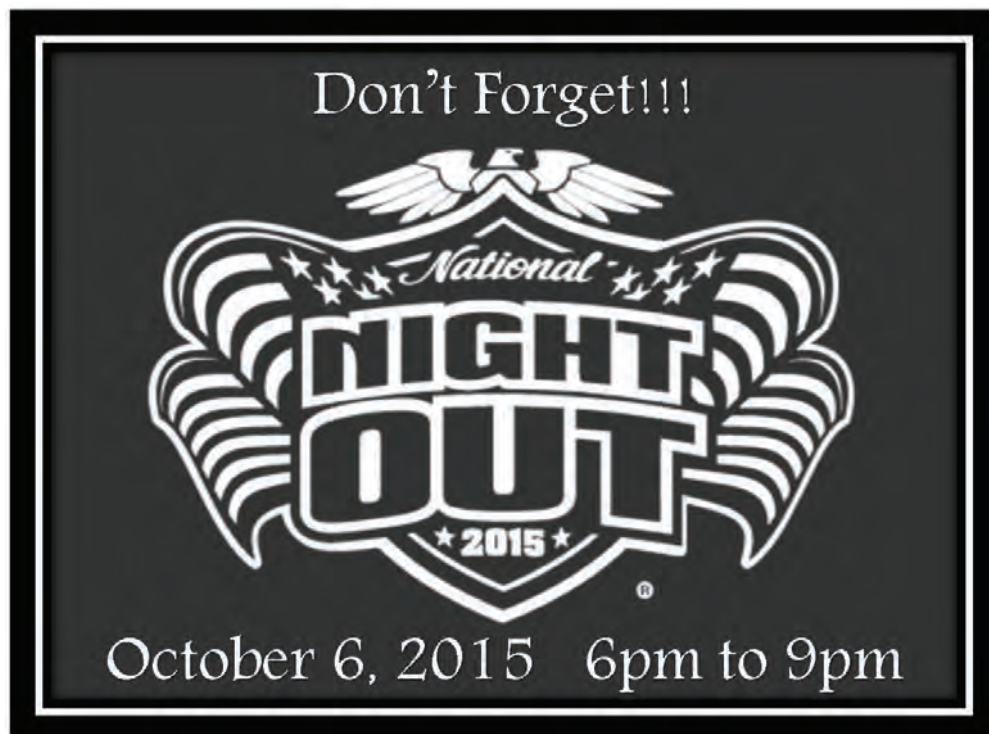
Make Halloween a fun, safe and cheerful time for your kids and they will carry on the tradition that you taught them to their own families some day! ★

Change your clock, Change your battery!



Guess what time it is? That's right, time to change your battery in your smoke detector. Every year almost 3000 people lose their lives to fire. Properly installed and maintained smoke alarms in the home are considered one of the best and least expensive means of providing an early warning of a potentially deadly fire. Smoke alarms save lives, prevent injury and reduce damage from fire. It is the early warning system that will get your attention. Did you know that when you sleep the one true sense that works is your hearing? Many people do not realize this.

There is a saying that most people are familiar with, "Change your clock, Change your battery." November 1 is daylight savings time and time to change your clocks. At 2:00am move your clocks back one hour. It is also time to change your batteries in your smoke detectors. We won't ask you to do this at 2:00am, but sometime during that day it's out with the old and in with the new battery for your smoke detector. Take a permanent marker and write the word "used" on the old batteries. These batteries can now be utilized for your children's games. Once the new battery is in don't forget every month to push the button on the smoke detector and check to make sure it is working. ★



Finding Lost Pets

Here are steps you can take to make it easier to find your pets if they are ever lost. ALWAYS KEEP IDENTIFICATION ON YOUR PET and check tags often making sure they are legible. MICROCHIP YOUR PET! Talk to your veterinarian. SPAY/NEUTER YOUR PET! REPAIR LOOSE BOARDS AND HOLES IN FENCING!

IF YOUR PET IS LOST IMMEDIATELY TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS!

Post signs at grocery stores, pet stores, veterinary clinics, and churches.

Walk, bike, or drive slowly through the neighborhood calling your pet's name. Hearing your voice may encourage your

pet to answer you. After calling your pet's name, remain in one place long enough for your pet to find you. Go out at night with a flashlight and call for your pet.

- Ask neighbors and the postman if they have seen your pet. Print and hand out flyers with your pet's photo and your phone numbers.
- Visit animal shelters, rescues, and animal-control and file a "Lost" pet report with them. Provide an accurate description and a photo of your pet. Check with the shelters every few days. Notify the police if you believe that your pet may have been stolen.

- If lost near a busy highway or road, contact the Texas Department of Transportation.

When you find your pet! Make certain to inform all the places you contacted and remove all flyers.

Lost Cat Tip: The majority of "lost" cats remain in the general area from which they disappeared.

Lost Dog Tip: A "lost" dog will likely travel into the oncoming wind. Make this your first direction of search.

Jersey Village animal control can be contacted at 713-466-2129. ★



Bicycle Safety

Bicycling is a very popular recreational sport especially in the neighborhoods of Jersey Village. Not only is it a great way to get some exercise but also a way to get out and spend time with family, friends and meet your neighbors. But your trip could end in tragedy if you don't ride safely. Just like driving a vehicle on the road, cyclists must observe what's around them at all times and make sure that they are following State Law especially when it comes to stopping at Stop Signs.

The following are some safety tips and a few laws that would pertain to people riding their bikes along the streets in Jersey Village or anywhere in the state.

Safety starts before you even mount your bike. Before you ride:

- Check to make sure that all parts are secured and in working order each time you ride.
- Examine your wheels to check the tire pressure and inflate to recommended maximum pressure—look for damage and tread wear.

- Examine the brake pads, cables and housings to ensure that all brake pads open and close together smoothly.
- Next, check the chain for damaged links and keep the chain clean and well lubricated.
- Make sure you have front and rear reflectors.
- Always wear a helmet.

Rules of the Road

Bicycles are considered vehicles according to Texas Traffic Law. Therefore, when riding on a city street you must follow the "Rules of the Road" as you would in a car. Here are a few other laws;

- You must stop at Stop Signs and Red Lights
- When riding at night, you are required to have a white light on the front of the bike and a red reflector or light on the back
- You have to ride near the curb and ride in the same direction as traffic
- You may ride two abreast as long as you are not impeding traffic

This is by no means the complete list but by doing these simple things, it will make your ride more enjoyable and safe. For more information about bicycle safety and laws please visit: www.Biketexas.org. ★

Join us at the Fall Frolic

October 23rd / 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Clark Henry Park

- Games and contests with prizes!
- Fabulous food trucks, snacks and sodas!
- Dancing and music by DJ BillyJack Ebersole!
- COSTUMES DESIRED BUT NOT REQUIRED!





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CAR AND CYCLE SHOW 10-17-15

Jersey Village Baptist Church is hosting a car and cycle show on Saturday, Oct. 17 from 9am-1pm at 16518 Jersey Drive. \$20 entry fee.

We have awards, free food and music! Come out and enjoy the weather and show off your ride! For questions contact John Plummer at 713-542-5632.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR JERSEY VILLAGE WOMEN'S GROUP CHRISTMAS TOUR OF HOMES

Come out and enjoy festive holiday decorations or get inspired with new decorating ideas for your own home. Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 5:30-9:30 pm. More information can be found at www.jvwg.org.



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Help Us Light Up Our City!

The City of Jersey Village would like to encourage everyone to participate in this year's Holiday Decorating Contest. For many years, the city has recognized those residents that go above and beyond in decorating their homes for the holidays with a Holiday Decorating Contest. This is a tradition that brings joy to our entire community. We encourage all

of you to go ALL OUT in decorating the outside of your homes and help us light up our city! Remember to talk to your neighbors to try to come up with a street theme. Let's make this year the best ever!

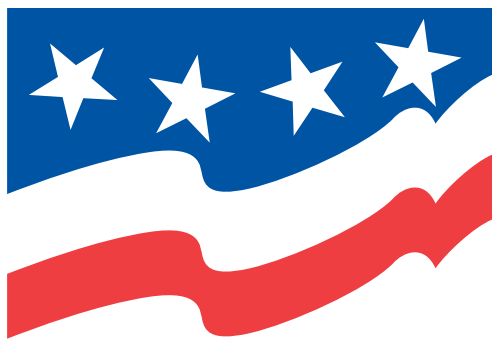
Judging will take place Wednesday and Thursday, December 16th and 17th, from 7:00-10:00 pm. ★

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JV Police Department**

Calls for Service	1364
Vehicle Theft	5
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	4
Burglary, Residence	2
Burglary, Vehicle	0
Disturbance	81
Narcotics, Felony	3
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Alarms	121
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City of Jersey Village Tax Rate Adoption

After a series of public budget meetings, the Jersey Village City Council adopted the budget for fiscal year 2015-2016. A public hearing was held on September 21st to present the proposed budget and receive citizen input prior to formal adoption that evening. The budget will be effective for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015 and lasting through September 30, 2016.

Commensurate with budget adoption is the adoption of the city tax rate. On October 19th, City Council approved a property tax rate of \$0.7425 per \$100 of valuation. The property taxes generated by this rate provide a majority of revenue for the city's General Fund. Property taxes also fund the city's Debt Service Fund. In all matters, the city must follow the State of Texas guidelines for proposing and adopting a tax rate. According to State guidelines, if the tax rate proposed exceeds the effective tax rate (a calculated rate that would provide the taxing unit with about the same amount of revenue it received in the year before), or rollback rate (calculated maximum rate allowed by law without voter approval), whichever is lower, the city is obligated to conduct additional public hearings.

In the case of the City of Jersey Village, the effective tax rate of \$0.633365

is lower than the proposed tax rate of \$0.7425. Accordingly, the city conducted two public hearings prior to adopting this year's tax rate. These hearings took place on Monday October 5th, 2015 and Monday October 12th.

New programs and expenditures for Fiscal year 2015-2016 (also known as supplementals) that will be funded this year include:

- Pump Room Repairs for the Pool \$30,000
- Social Media Smartphone Apps \$5,000
- ADA Path Entries to Clark Henry Park \$30,000
- Training for Volunteer Firefighters \$7,000
- Traffic Calming Study – Phase 2 \$39,165
- Pool Deck Repairs \$6,500
- City Hall repair from water damage \$25,000
- Shade Cover & Play Piece for Kiddie Pool \$10,000
- Paint Striping Machine (Streets) \$15,000

The Finance Department will be happy to assist any residents with questions relating to the city budget or tax rate. Copies of

the adopted budget are available online. A hard-copy of the budget is available for viewing at city hall. ★

Vendors Wanted for **HOLIDAY IN THE PARK 2015!**

The City of Jersey Village Recreation & Events Committee announces its annual Holiday in the Park. If you have a business, product or service you would like to showcase, please consider participating in this year's event. It will take place on Sunday, December 6, from 1:00PM-4:00PM at Clark W. Henry Park, located at the corner of Equador and Jersey Drive.

The event will feature fields of freshly blown snow as well as approximately 50 vendor booths. There is no vendor booth fee for Jersey Village residents or scout troops. Non-JV residents pay a vendor booth fee of just \$10.00.

To request an application please send an email stating what you would like to sell or promote to Robert and Rebecca at JVevents.holiday@gmail.com

City Offices Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday

City offices will be closed on
Thursday, November 26, 2015 &
Friday, November 27, 2015
in observance of the
Thanksgiving Holiday.

The Police Department, Fire Department and Emergency Medical Service personnel will be on duty for emergencies and other City personnel in other departments will be on-call, if required. City offices will re-open for business at the regular time on Monday, November 30, 2015. There will be regular residential trash collection on Friday, November 27th.

please join us for ...

HOLIDAY IN THE PARK

Shopping, snow and Santa!

Sunday, December 6th

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. at Clark Henry Park

Visit with Santa from 1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Play in the snow! Shop from local Vendors!

Paint—Use It Up Or Pass It Forward

Almost 2 gallons of paint per person is sold every year. The dangerous news is that much of it ends up as liquid

in landfills, potentially contaminating soil, water and air.

The Good News

- There are natural paints made from citrus and other botanicals. They are free of biocides and preservatives.
- Milk paints (casein paints) are popular because of their healthy and eco-friendly properties.
- Latex paint is water-based and less toxic than oil paint (petroleum-based).

• Paint, if stored correctly (upside down with a tight seal around the lid), can last years.

How Can You Help?

- Always buy latex paint (not oil).
- Use up stored paint before buying new paint.
- Donate leftover paint to neighbors, friends, family or groups that can use it.
- Never pour paint down the drain or on the ground.
- Let latex paint dry completely before putting into a trash can.

For more information please visit www.earth911.com. ★



2016 Citizen's' Fire Academy

Thurs.	14 Jan.	6:30-9:30pm	Introduction, fire service history, fire department organization, CERT overview and station tour.
Thurs.	21 Jan.	6:30-9:30pm	Adult CPR
Thurs.	28 Jan.	6:30-9:30pm	Basic first aid, JVES EMS overview and ambulance tour.
Thurs.	04 Feb.	6:30-9:30pm	Communications, incident command, dispatch and police department tour.
Thurs.	11 Feb.	6:30-9:30pm	Protective clothing and self contained breathing apparatus.
Thurs.	18 Feb.	6:30-9:30pm	Fire science and fire extinguisher use.
Thurs.	25 Feb.	6:30-9:30pm	Fire prevention, fire inspections and disaster preparedness.
Thurs.	03 Mar.	6:30-9:30pm	Ladders, forced entry, utility control and search techniques.
Thurs.	10 Mar.	6:30-9:30pm	Rescue overview, simple shoring and hazardous materials.
Sat.	12 Mar.	8 am- 5 pm	CERT exercise and car extrication practical.
Thurs.	17 Mar.	N/A	No class this week
Thurs.	24 Mar.	N/A	No class this week
Thurs.	31 Mar.	6:30-9:30pm	Water supply, hose loads, fire streams and pump operations.
Thurs.	07 Apr.	6:30-9:30pm	Protective clothing review, ventilation and salvage operations.
Sat.	09 Apr.	8 am- 5 pm	CERT final exercise, live fire exercise and rope operations.
Thurs.	14 Apr.	N/A	No class this week
Thurs.	21 Apr.	N/A	No class this week
Tues.	26 Apr.	6pm to end	Graduation

The Jersey Village Citizens' Fire Academy is open to anyone over the age of 18. This program is designed to give the citizens of Jersey Village an opportunity to learn about their emergency services provider and gain valuable safety and health education. Participants will be put through training similar to that of a beginning firefighter, as well as skills needed for CERT (Community Emergency Response Team). There will be no cost for this course and all materials necessary will be provided to the student. Participation in any section of the class is voluntary; students will not be asked to do anything that will make them feel uncomfortable. Two Saturday training sessions will be scheduled; one for vehicle rescue, with the Jaws of Life, and the second is a live fire exercise at a local fire training field. Classes will be taught by members of the Jersey Village Fire Department.

All classes will begin at the Jersey Village fire station located at 16501 Jersey Drive, in the training room.

Contact Jersey Village Fire Department to sign up or for further details: (713) 466 2130 or Coordinator:

rmissall@ci.jersey-village.tx.us ★



Teaching Youth Cyberethics

At the Jersey Village Police Department we make it a priority to keep all children safe. From toddlers to teens, our kids should be able to grow up in a health environment free from predators. One of those environments that is especially prevalent in our society is the internet. Just as protecting youth from dangers on the Internet is important, so is protecting the Internet from young people who might abuse it. As parents, caregivers, teachers, and adults, you work to teach youth Internet safety by telling them to keep their personal information safe and avoid predators, but it's just as important to teach youth cyberethics.

Teaching teens about the ethical treatment of others on the web and of websites and intellectual property (such as music, videos, and written materials) in cyberspace can help prevent cybercrime. While youth who commit cybercrimes may realize that their actions are wrong, they may not know that their Internet behaviors are illegal. Cybercrime is categorized in the following three ways:

- The computer as a target (using a computer to attack other computers)
 - The computer as a weapon (using a computer to commit a crime)
 - The computer as an accessory (using a computer to store illegal files or information)
- These categories include crimes such as launching viruses, storing illegal files (such as child pornography), committing fraud, infringing copyrights, and pirating software, among others.

Many youth commit cybercrime by

- Downloading and sharing copyrighted video and music files
- Harassing others via chat bots (computer programs designed to imitate human conversation)
- Hacking into school computer networks to deface websites, enter sites that the school forbids, or change grades

The best way to prevent youth from committing cybercrimes is to educate them about ethical and legal rules of the Internet, and the emotional and financial costs of cybercrimes to victims. Moreover, cybercrimes carry real consequences. Teach youth that their actions in cyberspace are not anonymous, and that real people are affected by their crimes. For more information on cyberethics for teens, please visit: www.cyberethics.info/cyethics1/index ★



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ISLAMIC ARTS FESTIVAL

November 14th & 15th, 2015 10.30 am till 5.30 pm

Come and enjoy the rich tradition of Arts in Islam. View calligraphy, woodwork, ceramic tiles, glass work and paintings from local artists! Experience the art of henna tattoo and calligraphy. View slideshow and videos on Islamic art. Interact with artists and take part in silent auction. Enjoy local cuisine from Halal Food Trucks. Welcome all! Admissions Free!
For more info contact: info@iafHouston.com Venue: 16700 Old Louetta Road, Spring, TX 77379

HOUSTON CY-FAIR LIONS CLUB TO OFFER FREE VISION SCREENING

Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club will conduct FREE vision screening to children from six months of age and older at the Jersey Village Holiday in the Park, Sunday Dec. 6 from 1-4 PM at Henry Park. A special camera takes a photo of the child's eyes, and within seconds relates a pass or refer status. Those with the refer status will need to have a professional eye examination at a local optometrist. Vision problems are the leading disability in children, who are unaware that they cannot see properly.
Sandy Martin 281-550-2798 bikee77095@yahoo.com





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City Offices Closed for the Christmas and New Year Holiday

City offices will be closed on Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25, 2015 in observance of the Christmas Holiday. City offices will re-open for business at the regular time on Monday, December 28, 2015.

City offices will also be closed on Friday, January 1, 2016 in observance of the New Year Holiday and will re-open on Monday, January 4, 2016.

The Police Department, Fire Department and Emergency Medical Service personnel will be on duty for emergencies and other City personnel in other departments will be on-call, if required.

There will not be residential garbage collection on Friday, December 25th or Friday, January 1, 2016. ★

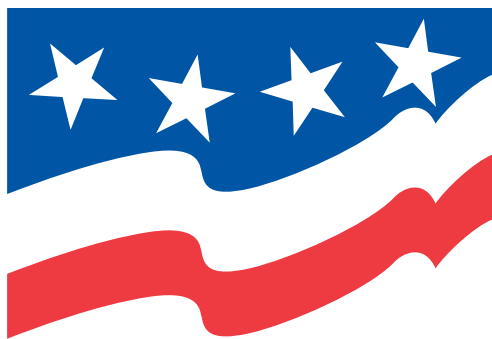


Statistics for October 2015 JV Police Department

Calls for Service	1327
Vehicle Theft	3
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	1
Burglary, Residence	3
Burglary, Vehicle	8
Disturbance	23
Narcotics, Felony	3
Minor Accidents	123
Major Accidents	0
Alarms	93
Suspicious Person	241
Traffic Control	10
Traffic Hazard	26

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	3
Auto Fires	1
Other Fires	3
Rescue/EMS Incidents	44
Hazardous Conditions	8
Service Calls	10
Smoke or Odor Calls	1
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	20
Total Ambulance Transports	33




Emergency Call	911
Main Number	713.466.2100
City Manager	713.466.2108
City Secretary	713.466.2102
Fire Department	713.466.2130
Police Department	713.466.2123
Permits	713.466.2110
Public Works	713.466.2133
Code Enforcement & Animal Control	713.466.2129
Water Billing	713.466.2111
Municipal Court	713.466.2124
Golf Course	713.896.0900
City Pool	832.467.1032
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For more information visit
www.jerseyvillage.info

Holiday Safety Tips

The holiday season is always a special time of year but it is also a time when busy people become vulnerable to theft and other holiday crime. We can never be too careful, too prepared or too aware. Please share this information with family, friends and neighbors. The Jersey Village Police Department wishes you a safe, happy and peaceful holiday season.

Driving

- Keep all car doors locked and windows closed while in or out of your car. Set your alarm or use an anti-theft device.
- If you must shop at night, park in a well-lighted area.
- Park as close as you can to your destination and take notice of where you parked.
- Never leave your car unoccupied with the motor running or with children inside.
- Do not leave packages or valuables where they are visible. If you must leave something in the car, lock it in the trunk or put it out of sight.
- When approaching or leaving your vehicle, be aware of your surroundings.
- Do not approach your car alone if there are suspicious people in the area.
- Ask mall or store security for an escort before leaving your shopping location.

Shopping

- Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member.
- Dress casually and comfortably.
- Avoid wearing expensive jewelry.
- Even though you are rushed and thinking about a thousand things, stay alert to your surroundings.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Pay for purchases with a check or credit card when possible.
- Keep cash in your front pocket.
- Notify the credit card issuer immediately if your credit card is lost, stolen or misused.
- Keep a record of all of your credit card numbers in a safe place at home.
- Be extra careful if you do carry a wallet or purse. They are the prime targets of criminals in crowded shopping areas, transportation terminals, bus stops, on buses and other rapid transit.
- Avoid overloading yourself with packages. It is important to have clear visibility and freedom of motion to avoid mishaps.
- Beware of strangers approaching you for any reason. At this time of year, "con-artists" may try various methods of distracting you with the intention of taking your money or belongings.

At Home

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes.
- When leaving home for an extended time, have a neighbor or family member watch your house and pick up your newspapers and mail.
- Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer.
- Large displays of holiday gifts should not be visible through the windows and doors.
- If you are leaving for any amount of time, place your home on the department's House Watch. Just call the JVPD at (713)466-5824. ★

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Street Light Repair

When calling or emailing about a street light outage, you will need to get the pole number, and if you add your email address Center Point can keep you apprised of the status of the repair request.

713-207-2222
www.centerpointenergy.com

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please join us for ...

HOLIDAY IN THE PARK

Shopping, snow and Santa!

Sunday, December 6th

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. at Clark Henry Park

Visit with Santa from 1:30 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Play in the snow! Shop from local Vendors!

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Lights, Siren, Santa is coming!

Santa will tour Jersey Village on Christmas Eve.

Listen for the Fire Engine sirens between 2:00-4:30 p.m.

Santa and his helpers will drive down your street.

Be outside so you don't miss him!

City Announces Opening on Planning & Zoning Commission

The Jersey Village City Council is accepting applications to fill the unexpired term for Position Four on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Qualified applicants must be residents of the City of Jersey Village. The term for Position Four began on October 1, 2015 and will expire September 30, 2017.

The responsibilities of the Planning and Zoning Commission are as follows:

- (1) Advise the city council in the preparation and maintenance of a comprehensive plan and related studies;
 - (2) Advise the city council in establishing criteria for development of land;
 - (3) Approve or disapprove all subdivision and development plats within the city and its extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ);
 - (4) Assist the city council in conducting public hearings as may be required to gather information necessary for the drafting, establishment and maintenance of the comprehensive plan and ordinances and regulations related to it;
 - (5) Recommend policies to the city council for guiding action affecting development in the city and its environs; and
 - (6) Perform other duties that may be specifically assigned to it by the city council that may have a bearing on the preparation or accomplishment of the comprehensive plan.
- (7) Serve on the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee.

The City Council invites interested Jersey Village citizens who wish to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission to complete an application. The Council will review applications received at its December Council meeting, and appoint applicants in compliance with the terms of the Charter. Interested citizens are encouraged to complete an application and submit it to the City Secretary as soon as possible.

To view an online application, visit the City of Jersey Village's website at http://www.jerseyvillage.info/city_council/secretarys_office/index.html or contact Lorri Coody, the City Secretary at 713-466-2102. ★



2015 Holiday Decorating Contest

Judging will take place December 16th and 17th from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Please have your holiday lights turned on both days if you wish to be considered.

This year we will also have a Residents' Choice winner. Please check the City website after December 1st for details on how to vote.

The list of winners will be posted on the City website after judging has ended.

Happy Decorating!

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Who: Jersey Village Residents only.

What: All live Christmas trees, cleared of all decorations, tinsel and any nails used for the stand. No flocked trees.

When: December 28, 2015 through January 4th, 2016 ONLY. If you miss this week, please leave your tree at your curb for normal garbage pick up.

Where: Parking lot at the end of Jersey Meadow Dr. near the detention pond.



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NORTHWEST HARRIS COUNTY AGGIE MOM'S CLUB

Hosts Annual Aggie Ornament Exchange

Bring an Aggie- themed ornament and join us for the NWHC Aggie Mom's Club annual Aggie Ornament Exchange on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Houston Distributing Company, 7100 High Life Drive, conveniently located near Willowbrook Mall at the intersection of High Life Drive and Cutten Road.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: The NWHC Aggie Moms club raises money throughout the year to fund scholarships to students from our local community. Eligible students should check our website for details www.nwhcaggiemoms.org . The deadline for submissions is February 2, 2016.