

JERSEY VILLAGE STAR

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Upcoming Events

May 17th

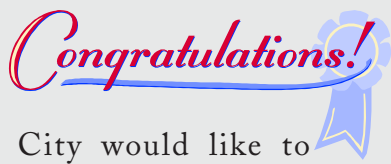
Staff/Council Strategic Planning
Northwest Forest 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

May 19th

City Council Meeting
Civic Center Auditorium 7:00 pm

June 2nd

Monday with the Mayor
Civic Center Auditorium 7:00 pm



The City would like to congratulate City Secretary, **Debbie Loesch** who was recently sworn in as **President of the Salt Grass Chapter of the Texas Municipal Clerks Association**. It is an honor to have her represent the City of Jersey Village and we wish her the best of luck during her term.

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City Council Actions from April

Rod Hainey, Director of Public Works, lead a work session with Council related to a comprehensive street condition analysis the public works department undertook to define future capital improvements. During the regular meeting, the City Council proclaimed April 27-May 3, 2003 as Municipal Clerks Week. Landscape Architect, Kevin Shandley gave a presentation on green space possibilities for our bayous and detention facilities. Council accepted a comprehensive amendment to the fiscal year budget, which included supplementary appropriation for capital improvement program projects. Council decided not to appropriate supplemental funds for the proposed street and drainage improvements to Chichester at this time. Council also amended the Code of Ordinances relating to parking and storage of vehicles, trailers, and boats in an action to limit temporary parking of such vehicles to seven days within a 30 day period. Council also authorized the City Engineer to perform a drainage study analysis of Jersey Meadow Golf Course.

City Council acted on the following:

- Approved the minutes of the March 17, 2003, regular session Council meeting.
- Approved the appointment of Betty Jennings to the Parks and Landscaping Committee.
- Approved Resolution 03-05 authorizing additional 15% penalty for delinquent taxes as of July 1, 2003.
- Approved a motion supporting proposed state legislation creating and establishing a Cy-Fair Community Improvement District.
- Approved Ordinance No. 03-15 adopting the 2000 Editions of the International Plumbing, Residential, Fuel Gas, and Mechanical Codes.

Capital Improvements

Each year, the City of Jersey Village allocates funds for upgrading the infrastructure that sustains our community. Our Public Works Department reports on the progress of these efforts at the monthly Council Meeting, and the STAR will include this update as a regular feature.



TASK/PROJECT	%COMPLETE	COMMENTS
Philippine Street Reconstruction	100%	Contractor will correct drainage issue on Hamilton project, Philippine project is complete.
Lakeview Water-Honolulu to WOB	100% Design	Fund project April 21, 2003.
Lakeview Paving- Honolulu to WOB	100% Design	Low bidder approved and awaiting final contract.
Fire Station project	95%	Awaiting final inspection.
Senate Avenue / Landscaping and Lights	70%	Lights are on. Painting and landscape design in progress.
Repaint Elevated Storage #1	100% Design	Project will be re-bid April 2003
Castlebridge connection	100% Design	This Harris County Project scheduled to bid June 15, 2003.
30-inch trunk sewer		Bid opening May, 2003
Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation		Bid opening May, 2003
Philippine L/S		Bid opening May, 2003
Jersey Drive - Paving		Project will bid August 2003
Jersey Drive - Utility		Project will bid August 2003
Lakeview - Paving		Project will bid August 2003
Lakeview - Utility		Project will bid August 2003

Sandy's Corner What is Suspicious?

By: Officer S. Joachim

No police department can function effectively without the concerned assistance of responsible citizens. They are depending on you to call and tell them whenever you observe suspicious persons or actions.

Some people fail to call the police because they are not aware of what might be suspicious. Others may notice suspicious activity and are hesitant to call. Still others take it for granted that someone else has already made the call.

Call the police immediately about all suspicious activity. Don't worry about "bothering" us because this is what the police are for.

Information most often needed by the police:

- *What happened?
- *When?
- *Where?
- *Is anyone injured?

*Vehicle description?

*Direction of flight?

*Description of persons and clothing?

*When describing suspects, notice age, race, sex, height and weight. Compare your weight and height with the suspects.

What is Suspicious?



Anything that seems even slightly "out of place" for the area or during the time of day in which it occurs may mean criminal activity.

Some of the most obvious things to watch for and report include:

- *A stranger entering or lingering near a neighbor's house.
- *Offers of merchandise at ridiculously low prices could mean stolen property.
- *Anyone removing accessories, license plates or gasoline from a car should be reported.

*Anyone peering into parked cars may be looking for valuables left displayed in the car.

*Persons loitering around schools, parks, secluded areas or in the neighborhood could be sex offenders.

Not every stranger who comes into your neighborhood is a criminal by any means. There are legitimate door-to-door salesmen, repairmen and servicemen moving around our neighborhood all the time. But criminals do take advantage of this by assuming the disguise of the business representatives. If a criminal looked like a criminal, no one would have any trouble spotting them.

While some, if not all, of the suspicious situations could have innocent explanations, your Police Department would rather investigate a crime prone situation than be called when it is too late. Your call could save a life, prevent an injury or stop a criminal act. ■

April Yards of the Month



15406 Leeds
William & Mary Stanford



16222 Seattle
Kevin & Christina Putman



15910 Acapulco
Eugene Scroggs



16110 Wall
Ronald Laha



8309 Achgill
Glen & Patricia Delaney

Around the Village...

U.S. Flag Disposal

If you have a U.S. flag that is in need of retirement, the Air Force Jr. ROTC cadets at Jersey Village HS will come to your home and pick up the flag(s). According to the United States Code, the flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.

The cadet corps at Jersey Village will hold a flag destroying ceremony once a quarter. These young cadets are learning how to properly respect the flag during different occasions, as well as how to properly retire a flag with a solemn ceremony.

If you have a flag(s) that you would like to have picked up, please call Technical Sergeant Joe Campbell at 713-849-8226 to confirm a time for pick up.

Junior Golf Camp

The Jersey Meadow Golf Course is offering a Summer Golf Camp for children ages 7 - 15. These one week sessions are available June 9-13, June 23-27, and July 21-25 at a cost of \$130. Please stop by the Jersey Meadow Golf Course Pro Shop to register or call 713-896-0900 for more details.

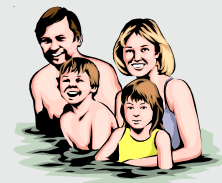


Time for VBS

JV Baptist Church is gearing up for Vacation Bible School. This year's theme will be "Kingdom Caper: Cracking the Character Code". Children from Pre-K (4 yrs. old by 9/1/02) through 6th grade (completed) are welcome. VBS will be June 9 - 13 from 9:00 a.m. until noon. For more details please call 713-466-6102.

Pool Opening

The Jersey Village Pool is now open for weekend operation, Saturdays from 9 am - 9 pm and Sundays from 1 pm - 9 pm. Full time operating hours will begin on Sunday, June 1st.



Don't Forget Your Family

Pool Pass

\$50.00 for residents

Available now at City Hall

Get your Child's Car Seat Inspected

Weekday Appointments only,
Jersey Village Emergency Services,
16327 Lakeview Drive.

March 2003 Statistics

JV Police Department

Calls for Service	457
Vehicle Theft	3
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, business	1
Burglary, vehicle	6
Disturbance	46
Narcotics, felony	0
Minor accidents	43
Major accidents	9
Alarms	63
Suspicious person	19
Traffic control	4
Traffic hazard	27

JV Emergency Services Department

Building Fires	6
Auto Fires	0
Other Fires	1
Rescue/EMS incidents	51
Hazardous Conditions	6
Service Calls	4
Smoke or odor calls	2
False alarms/cancelled enroute	18
Total Ambulance Transports	35

Officers' Teamwork Leads to Justice

Jersey Village Police recently received a call from a local dealership stating they observed persons stealing keys to expensive vehicles. Corporal E. Del Toro, Officer S. Horton, and Officer J. Williams responded locating the suspects involved in switching keys after test driving a Harley Davidson pickup truck. In the suspects' possession were other key trac devices as well. The Auto Theft Task Force was notified, and a sergeant with the Department of Public Safety Motor Vehicle Theft Service and a sergeant with the Houston Police Department conducted a follow-up investigation at a residence in Harris County.



As a result of this teamwork, a search warrant was obtained and its subsequent execution led the officers to two (2) stolen auto "chop shops", seven (7) stolen vehicles, 2 ounces of cocaine, three (3) weapons, and one (1) tactical ballistic vest. One suspect was arrested and charged with 1st Degree Felony Possession of Cocaine with Intent to Distribute and 3rd Degree Felony Theft.

The approximate value of the recovered stolen property was \$85,000.00 and the cocaine had a value of \$1,500.00 ■



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