

JERSEY VILLAGE STAR

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★ ★ ★ Bond Election - May 12, 2007 ★ ★ ★

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At its March 19th meeting, the Jersey Village City Council approved a list of streets for a proposed \$ 8.5 million drainage and roadway improvement project. Voters will be asked to approve the issuance of General Obligation debt as part of the city's May 12th general election. If approved, the following streets will be included in the project: Tahoe (east of Carlsbad), Chichester, Argentina, Equador (Congo to White Oak Bayou), Shanghai, Glamorgan and Leeds. City Council selected streets for the project based on roadway conditions and drainage issues. The project will consist of enlarging stormwater drainage features, replacement of water lines, reconstruction of the roadway and sidewalks, and placement of decorative street lamps consistent with previous improvement projects. If approved, the project will not require a tax rate increase. This project represents the second significant roadway and drainage project undertaken by the city in recent years, with improvements to Lakeview, Jersey and Philippine having been completed in 2005.



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Recycle 2007
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The City of Jersey Village will be beginning a new recycle program starting in June. Tascon Industries will pick up recyclables at the curb of all residents wishing to participate in recycling. All items will be collected in plastic bags; paper in a black heavy trash bag and plastic & aluminum in another white plastic bag. Tascon will pay the City of Jersey Village for the recyclables picked up. The city encourages all residents to participate in this new recycle program. This program will be on a six month trail basis. In order to succeed the program will need at least a participation of 50% from our residents.

City Council Calls for a General Election and Bond Election to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2007



Positions to be elected:

- Mayor
- Councilmember Place 2
- Councilmember Place 3



Proposition:

THE ISSUANCE OF \$8,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF A TAX PAYMENT THEREOF FOR STREET, DRAINAGE, AND WATER LINES

Early Voting Information

Early Voting by personal appearance at City Administration Offices, 16327 Lakeview Drive.

- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. April 30th – May 4th
- 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. May 5th
- 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. May 7th & May 8th.

Election Day May 12th

7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Municipal Civic Center, 16327 Lakeview Drive.



For additional information, please contact the City Secretary's Office at 713-466-2102 or visit our website at www.jerseyvillage.info.

★ ★ ★ JVES 2006 Membership Awards ★ ★ ★

Chief's Award of the Year - Captain Cristi Arteaga



Cristi joined as a volunteer member in 2000. She is a past recipient of the Firefighter of the Year award in 2003 and currently holds the rank of Captain of Suppression. Cristi receives the Chief's Award for her outstanding contribution in the graphic design of the 2007 JVES Calendar.

Firefighter of the Year - Assist. Chief Frank Maher



Frank joined as a volunteer member in 1974. He is a retired Captain from the Houston Fire Dept. As Assist. Chief of Suppression Frank provides experience and expertise to our organization and the citizens of JV. He holds a Master Firefighter certification and currently instructs at Cy-Fair College.

EMS Member of the Year - Assist. Chief Rob Missall

Rob joined as a volunteer member in 1990. He is a past recipient of the EMS Member of the Year award in 1993 and 1996. He was elected Assist. Chief of EMS in 1998 and continues to serve in that position. Rob is an EMT-Paramedic and EMS instructor. He is a fulltime employee of Jersey Village as fire department training officer. Rob is a Level II Fire Instructor and holds an Advanced Firefighter certification.



Rookie of the Year - Travis Clay

Travis joined as a volunteer in 2005. He not only receives the Rookie Member of the Year award but also the award for accumulating the most fire related training hours. He managed this while becoming a new Dad! Travis is also an EMT-Intermediate and currently attending Paramedic school



★ ★ ★ Be Aware of the Solicitor ★ ★ ★

Several concerns have been expressed from the residents in reference to solicitors. Some of the solicitors have stated that they are with a reputable company and asked to come inside the homes to look at phone and alarm systems. REMEMBER: Any solicitor who conducts activities on the property of a customer **without** a prior invitation of the owner **must** display an identification card with a photo issued by the City of Jersey Village. The identification card holder shall visibly display the identification card for identification by clipping the identification card to the clothing of the holder so that the identification card is in plain view. This is a city ordinance: Sec. 50-43. If in doubt call the police department.

★ ★ ★ Sandy's Corner ★ ★ ★

Air Gun Fun? Not in the City of Jersey Village!

By: Officer S. Joachim

The present air guns are not the toys of the old days. The power they can gather can go right through bone. Children under the age of 16 years old are not allowed (by most store policies) to purchase air or BB guns. Common sense should tell parents to never let a child under this age shoot one of these potent weapons without proper adult supervision. None of us want to live with the guilt connected with an accidental injury caused by an air or BB gun.

For our safety the City of Jersey Village has a city ordinance that prohibits the use of air guns or BB guns within the city limits. The ordinance is as follows:

Sec. 42-31. Discharge of firearms and air rifles.

Firearm means any device designed, made or adapted to expel a projectile through a barrel by using the energy generated by an explosion or burning substance or any device readily convertible to that use.

Prohibited acts means it shall be unlawful for any person to discharge:

- (1) Any gun, pistol or firearm of any kind;
- (2) Any air rifle or air pistol of any description; or
- (3) Any device by whatever name known that by means of compressed air, compressed gas, springs or any other means is capable of discharging shots, pellets or any solid object;

Within the city limits.

Application of section. This section shall not apply to law enforcement officers in the lawful discharge of their duties, or to persons lawfully protecting any person or property.

Let's enjoy the summer and stay safe while doing so. For any questions regarding the above, please contact Officer S. Joachim at 713-466-2125.

★ ★ ★ Helen Wo ★ ★ ★



Helen Wo was appointed as a Court Administrator with the City of Jersey Village in January 2007. Helen Wo came to the City of Jersey Village from the City of Sugar Land where she last served as a certified municipal court clerk and senior secretary for the Sugar Land Municipal Court System for more than eight years.

Mrs. Wo was born and raised in Canton, China. She was an accountant before coming to the US in 1982. She is married to her husband, Phillip Wo who works for the City of Houston, and they have two children, Allen who is completing a Master's degree at Stanford University and Angela who is a freshmen at Rice University.

She received an Associate of Applied Science degree in Accounting in 1992 from Houston Community College. She is a Texas licensed court interpreter in Cantonese and Mandarin. She passed Level III of the Texas Court Clerks Certification Program in 2005 and earned the title of Certified Municipal Court Clerk in 2006. She became the first foreign born court clerk to complete the state's court clerk certification program.

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GOLF CAMP for KIDS

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SUMMER 2007 SESSION

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June 4-8 June 11-15 or July 16-20

**8:30am - 1030am
Monday - Friday
Ages 7 - 17**



- **\$135.00 for five day camp**
- **10 hours of instruction**
- **Some ON COURSE experience**
- **Excellent student to teacher ratio**
- **South Texas PGA Little Linkster approved facility**
- **Each student receives a gift bag upon completion**

Registration forms are available in our Pro Shop

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★ ★ ★ Flood Zone Maps to be Updated ★ ★ ★

Do you have flood insurance for your home? If you are considering flood insurance, now is the time to purchase a policy. FEMA will publish the official flood map of Harris County on June 18th, 2007. The new flood maps are based on Tropical Storm Allison data. The practical impact is that the flood zone throughout Jersey Village is much larger than it was under the old map. Two-thirds of the homes in Jersey Village fall within the 100 year flood zone. If you wait until after the new maps are published, your premiums will be significantly higher. If you purchase your policy now, you will be grandfathered into the program under the old maps. Don't procrastinate! The target date for publication of the new maps is June, but it could come sooner.

Statistics for Feb – Mar 2007

JV Police Department

Calls for Service	837
Vehicle Theft	8
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, business	2
Burglary, residence	3
Burglary, vehicle	21
Disturbance	58
Narcotics, felony	7
Minor accidents	140
Major accidents	16
Alarms	133
Suspicious person	115
Traffic control	7
Traffic hazard	44

JV Emergency Services

Building Fires	6
Auto Fires	1
Other Fires	3
Rescue/EMS incidents	96
Hazardous Conditions	4
Service Calls	10
Smoke or odor calls	1
False alarms/cancelled enroute	34
Total Ambulance Transports	60

National Night Out
Tuesday, Augs 7, 2007
Interested block captain
Contact Officer S. Joachim
at 713-466-2125



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**ACCEPTING
APPLICATIONS
CITY BOARDS,
COMMISSIONS
& COMMITTEES**



The City is currently accepting applications for the following Boards, Commissions, & Committees:

- Building Board of Adjustments & Appeals – 2 year term
- Planning & Zoning Commission – 2 year term
- Recreation & Events Committee – 2 year term

Applications are available at the City Administration Offices, 16327 Lakeview Drive, Jersey Village, TX 77040. You may also utilize the City's website: www.jerseyvillage.info. The application is available on the City Secretary's Office page located on the website. Applications should be mailed or delivered. If you have any questions regarding the Boards, Commissions, & Committees, please contact the City Secretary's Office at (713) 466-2102

**Important City
Phone Numbers**

Emergency Call	911
Main Number	713-466-2100
City Manager	713-466-2108
City Secretary	713-466-2102
Fire Dept	713-466-2130
Police Dept	713-466-5824
Permits	713-466-2110
Public Works	713-466-2133
Code Enforcement & Animal Control	713-466-2129
Water Billing & Taxes	713-466-2111
Municipal Court	713-466-2124
Golf Course	713-896-0900
City Pool	832-467-1032
JV Star	713-466-2108

For more information visit
www.jerseyvillage.info



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