



Jersey Village Star

Vendors Wanted for Holiday In The Park!

If you have a business, product or service you would like to showcase, please consider participating in Holiday in the Park at Carol Fox Park on Senate and Jersey Dr. on Sunday, December 4 from 1-4 p.m.

This event features two fields of freshly blown snow and an appearance by Santa and Mrs. Claus! There is no booth fee for residents of

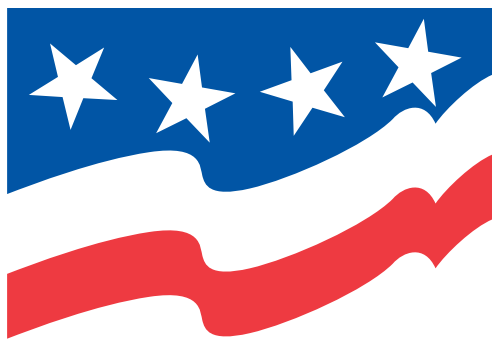
Jersey Village or for Scout troops, and a fee of just \$10 for non-resident vendors. To request an application please send an email stating what you would like to sell/promote to Barbara at HolidayinthePark2011@gmail.com

**Statistics for September 2011
JV Police Department**

Calls for Service	11361
Vehicle Theft	1
Aggravated Assault	0
Burglary, Business	1
Burglary, Residence	4
Burglary, Vehicle	2
Disturbance	54
Narcotics, Felony	1
Minor Accidents	152
Major Accidents	30
Alarms	89
Suspicious Person	220
Traffic Control	0
Traffic Hazard	27

JV Fire Department

Building Fires	3
Auto Fires	1
Other Fires	7
Rescue/EMS Incidents	50
Hazardous Conditions	4
Service Calls	8
Smoke or Odor Calls	0
False Alarms/Cancelled Enroute	25
Total Ambulance Transports	31



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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
JV Star	713.466.2108

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Sgt. Sandy's Corner

Dog Bites

By: Sgt. S. Joachim

Each year about 4.5 million people in America are bitten by dogs, however most of those don't require medical attention. Thousands of people in the U.S. are treated in emergency rooms after a dog attack—316,000 emergency room visits and 9,500 hospital stays related to dog bites. The number of dog bites increased 86 percent between 1993 and 2008, according to a report released by The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

Why would a dog bite?

There are several reasons. (1) It is sick or hurt. A dog that is in pain is more likely to lash out even at its owner. (2) It is being teased. Dogs, like people,

don't like to be teased. They may respond aggressively. (3) It gets too excited while playing. Dogs can get overexcited while playing rough or rowdy games. (4) It's trying to protect something. Dogs can get aggressive to protect their puppies. Some dogs are trained to protect, and can act very aggressively if they feel threatened. (5) It is startled. Dogs are often scared by loud noises, such as thunder. These noises can make dogs act in unexpected ways.

Responding to an angry dog:

- ★ Don't run—the dog may think you're playing and chase you.
- ★ Put something between you and the dog, like a chair, bike or piece of clothing. Facing the dog, back away slowly.
- ★ Don't stare into the dog's eyes. Dogs will see this as a challenge.

★ Don't make a lot of noise—instead, say no or call for help. Screaming will only make the dog more excited. Stay calm.

★ If you fall or are knocked to the ground, curl up in a ball. Put your hands over your head and neck.

★ Tell an adult after being attacked. Adults should report attacks to the local animal control agency or police.

If you are bitten:

Wash the wound thoroughly with warm, soapy water. If the animal is a pet, get the owners name and address. Ask for proof of rabies vaccination and call your health-care provider at once. Report the bite to the local health or animal control authority and/or police department.



Fire Safety for the Holiday's

The Holiday's season is upon us and we need to be thinking safety. Here are safety rules you can follow:

Preventing Christmas Tree Fires

★ Selecting a Tree for the Holiday
Needles on fresh trees should be green and hard to pull back from the branches, and the needle should not break if the tree has been freshly cut. The trunk should be sticky to the touch. Old trees can be identified by bouncing the tree trunk on the ground. If many needles fall off, the tree has been cut too long, has probably dried out, and is a fire hazard.

★ Caring for Your Tree

Do not place your tree close to a fireplace or heat vent. The heat will dry out the tree, causing it to be more easily ignited by flame or sparks. Keep the tree stand filled with water at all times.

Holiday Lights

★ Maintain Your Holiday Lights
Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets, and excessive kinking or wear before putting them up. Do Not Overload Electrical Outlets
Do not link more than three light strands, unless the directions indicate it is safe
★ Do Not Leave Holiday Lights on Unattended

Holiday Decorations

★ Use Only Nonflammable Decorations
All decorations should be nonflammable or flame-retardant and placed away from heat vents.
★ Never Put Wrapping Paper in a Fireplace. It can result in a very large fire, throwing off dangerous sparks and embers and may result in a chimney fire.

★ Artificial Christmas Trees

If you are using an artificial tree, make sure it is flame retardant.

Candle Care

★ Avoid Using Lit Candles
Make sure they are in stable holders and place them where they cannot be easily knocked down. Never leave the house with candles burning.
★ Never Put Lit Candles on a Tree
Do not go near a Christmas tree with an open flame - candles, lighters or matches.

Finally, as in every season, have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home, test them monthly and keep them clean and equipped with fresh batteries at all times. Know when and how to call for help. And remember to practice your home escape plan.