

The Village eNews

An Electronic Newsletter for Residents of The Village

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POLICE DEPARTMENT SET TO RECEIVE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

It is possible by this summer the police department will have new 800 MHz radios and be part of the Oklahoma State Department of Public Safety (DPS) radio system.

The advantages to being part of the DPS system are numerous. First, our department would be able to talk with other existing law enforcement agencies throughout the metro area and the state that are part of the DPS system. Secondly, we would be able to talk directly with our fire department, which became part of the DPS system approximately 1 year ago. Thirdly, the effective range of the DPS system is much greater than our current UHF radio system. Lastly, we would have more channels to operate on and would also have access to a "secure" channel, which could not be monitored by a police radio scanner.

These advantages translate into having a better prepared police department in any future handling of major incidents where there would be multiple agencies responding to assist.

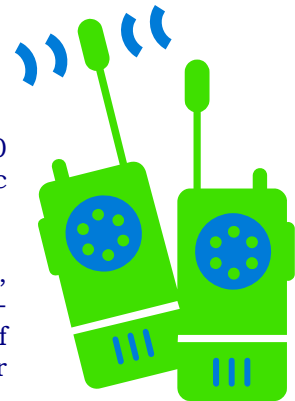
For many years it has been a possibility that our department was going to switch over to the DPS system. Because of the large financial cost associated with the radios, it was always our intention to obtain the radios through a state or federal grant.

The Oklahoma State Department of Homeland Security approached us in April of this year. We were told there is grant money available for law enforcement agencies wishing to upgrade to the DPS system. We had a preliminary meeting about what our requirements would be to switch to the system and it appears our requirements were within reason and budget for the grant guidelines.

The next step is the final approval of the grant, which should be sometime in June 2007. Updates will be provided in a future newsletter as to the final disposition of this grant. - *Steve Jagosh, Deputy Chief of Police*

"Code 3" 5K Run & 1-mile "Fun Run" Set for July 14th

Runners may pre-register at the Athlete's Foot, 7431 N. May or at The Village PD. Online registration: www.signmeupsports.com
Registration \$25—Proceeds Benefit Special Olympics



What is an 800MHz radio system?

An 800MHz radio system is a blend of traditional two-way radio technology and computer-controlled transmitters. The system's main advantage is that radio transmitters can be shared among various police, fire and emergency management agencies, with the aid of computer programming. Virtual radio groups called "talk groups" are created in software to enable private departmental conversations. This gives the new system the appearance of having many "frequencies," when in fact everyone is sharing only a few.

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Construction of New Center for Jewish Learning Begins

On April 17, 2007, a building permit was issued by the City of The Village for the construction of a new 10,297 square foot religious facility known as the Center for Jewish Learning or “Chabad”. The 2.1 acre site is located at the corner of Sunrise Boulevard and Hefner Road. According to the contractor for the project, the facility will be completed by September 2007.

The facility is to be built in two phases with the first phase consisting of approximately 8,059 square feet. The Architect for the project is Pascal Aughtry and the General Contractor is Gardner-Tanenbaum.

The building permit for this project is subject to the conditions of a Specific Use Permit, which was approved in November 2006. The building and use provisions contained in the Specific Use Permit were arrived at after hearing input from area residents in a series of neighborhood and public hearings, which took place over a period of several months. The building and use conditions contained in the Specific Use Permit are included in this article. More information about the Center for Jewish Learning can be obtained by contacting Rabbi Goldman at chabadokc@aol.com or by calling 524-4800.

SPECIFIC USE PERMIT

Chabad Jewish Center of Greater Oklahoma City LOTS 7, 8, 9, BLOCK 2 OF CASADY LAKESIDES ESTATE ADDITION, THE VILLAGE, OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA IS APPROVED AS A PLACE OF RELIGIOUS STUDY, WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP AND GATHERING SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. *Permittee shall provide for vehicular ingress/ egress from Hefner Road only.*
2. *Permittee shall screen abutting properties on south, west, and north property lines with sight-proof fencing. Sight-proof fencing shall be substituted by the extension of wrought-iron fence and landscaping along a portion of the south property line.*
3. *Permittee shall screen rear parking lot with sight-proof fencing. (On east side of rear parking lot)*
4. *Permittee shall provide a landscaping buffer (with berm) on the east property line extending from Hefner to rear (south) property line of the property.*
5. *Permittee shall submit a formal landscaping plan for review and approval by the Planning & Zoning Commission and City Council.*
6. *Permittee shall preserve existing trees to the extent practicable.*
7. *Permittee’s building(s) shall be limited to single-story construction only.*
8. *Permittee may provide one (1) single-family residence on the property, provided said residence is structurally attached to the main building.*
9. *Permittee shall not engage in or allow outdoor activities on the property after 9 pm.*
10. *Permittee shall be allowed signs subject to the provisions of Chapter 20 of The Village City Code as provided for similar property uses.*
11. *If parking lot/ exterior lighting is provided, Permittee shall design such lighting to minimize illumination of adjacent properties. Light poles shall not exceed 20 feet in height.*

PIPE BURSTING COMPLETED

A section of collapsed sewer main was replaced recently on Village Drive using a technique called “pipe bursting”. The 176 foot section of 15” sewer main is located in the vicinity of Village Drive and Carlton Way. Smoke testing performed in 2006 detected several broken spots on the main sewer outfall line in this area. A subsequent attempt at video inspection of the line revealed that the line was partially collapsed in certain areas causing a restriction of the flow. The proximity of this line to the wall of the concrete channel on Village Drive made excavation of the main not only difficult but risky. The answer to this problem was “pipe bursting”, which allows the line to be replaced without digging the old line up. In pipe bursting, a large bullet-shaped object (see photo) is pulled through the old line with a winch. This splits the old pipe apart in a process that one might describe as like peeling a banana from the inside out. After the old line is burst, a new section of line is pulled through the cavity that was left when the pipe was burst. Since this is an active main sewer line serving about half of The Village, sewage had to be temporarily pumped (through a hose) around the construction area from manhole to manhole. The entire process took approximately 5 hours at a cost of \$20,400.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

**TRASH SERVICE REGULARLY
SCHEDULED FOR
WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH
WILL BE MOVED
TO SATURDAY, JULY 7TH**

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Britton Road Church of Christ

2520 W. Britton Road 843-0300

www.brittoncofc.com

Vacation Bible School - June 10-13 7:00 - 8:45
pm All Ages



The Bible in 90 Days

Registration has started – sign up now!

Village United Methodist Church is hosting a summer reading program, “The Bible in 90 Days” and you are invited to join us – you do not need to be a member of our church – or any church – to participate. We are offering an opportunity to read the Bible from cover to cover with other members of the community. Here are some FAQs:

Who: Everyone. If you have never read the Bible or have participated in many Bible studies, you are welcome to be a part. And we encourage you to invite friends and neighbors to participate with us.

What: A 90 day program designed to help you read 12 pages per day for 90 days

Where: Small groups will meet at the church once weekly for 1 hour for discussion of the week’s readings and video teaching.

When: June 3 – September 2 – Small groups will be offered many times during the week – please indicate on your registration which day and what time of day you would like to attend (Sundays 6:00 pm, Mondays 10:30 am or 6:30 pm, Tuesdays 3:00 pm, Wednesdays 6:15 pm, Thursdays 6:30 pm)

How: By reading 12 pages per day (a great exercise in discipline) you will read the entire Bible, cover to cover, in 90 days. The video instructor is excellent and gives an overview of the previous week’s reading.

Cost: There is a participant workbook for each person at a cost of \$9. The Bible designed to accompany the study is \$15, but is optional – you may use your own Bible if you wish. The Bible being offered is an NIV, large print, divided into 12 day segments to keep you on track.

One question keeps coming up: **What about when I am on vacation and can’t come to small group?** That is okay – just take your Bible with you and continue to read!

Any other questions? Want to sign up? Please call Patti at the church 751-8116 or at home 842-9622 or email her at ppojezny@coxinet.net.

Village United Methodist Church
2501 W. Britton Road
Oklahoma City, OK 73120
405-751-8116 or villageumc@coxinet.net

Vacation Bible School (June 18-22) come by Covenant Presbyterian Church at 10100 Ridgeview Drive to pick up an enrollment form..

Paper Drive Contest until the end of August--all proceeds go toward Youth Missions. You may drop newspapers, paper sacks, magazines, catalogues, regular mail, school paper and business paper. Drop your items off at the large container at the back of the church. Contact Pam at 751-2547.

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St. Euges Catholic Church

www.steugenes.com

2400 W. Hefner Road 751-7115

Vacation Bible School June 4-8 (9:00 - 12:00 am)

Contact: Karen Bernardy @ 751-7115 ext. 116

Parish Picnic June 2 (6:00 - 9:00 pm)

Summer Camps--swimming, golf, various activities

Contact: Angela Liddard @ 751-7115 ext. 118



2007 Summer at the Library

June 1 to July 31

OKLAHOMA KIDS



A KALEIDOSCOPE

www.metrolibrary.org

LEVEL 1

Read or listen to 8 books, 8 hours, or 800 pages.

Receive a Reading Ribbon!

Enter Drawings

LEVEL 2

Read or listen to another 8 books, 8 hours, or 800 pages.

Receive Fun Prizes!

Enter Drawings

LEVEL 3 & MORE

Read or listen to another 8 books, 8 hours, or 800 pages.

Enter Drawings



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