



ZONE 6 COMMUNITY NEWS

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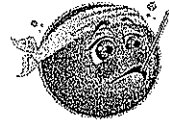
Zone Six Borders:
Austin Blvd to Oak Park Ave
Madison St to I-290

Flu Shots offered by The Village of Oak Park

Flu shots from the Oak Park Department of Public Health once again will be offered by appointment only. Requiring appointments maintains a high level of customer service by eliminating the prospect of standing in long lines at clinics. Shots will be given Tuesday, November 15, 2011 from 4pm to 7pm at the Village Hall. Call 358-5601 to schedule an appointment. Annual vaccination against influenza is recommended for all persons, including school-aged children, who want to reduce the risk of becoming ill with the flu or spreading flu to others.

Lessen fluenza circulation

- *Avoid close contact* with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them.



- *Stay home when you are sick* to help prevent others from catching your illness.

- *Cover your mouth and nose* with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick.

- *Clean your hands.* Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs.



- *Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.* Germs often are spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose or mouth.

Visionary Award



Oak Park Police Department

Throughout Sarah's Inn history, the Oak Park Police Department has maintained the highest commitment to ensuring that officers are best prepared to respond effectively and sensitively to domestic violence calls, to ensuring that the Sarah's Inn headquarters are well patrolled and safe, and toward effective partnering to raise community awareness about domestic violence.

The Department has been a dedicated partner since the beginning, participating in the 1981 survey that found deep service gaps for survivors. This survey led to the formation of Sarah's Inn. And for thirty years, the Department has continued its commitment in countless big and small ways — through regular referrals of survivors to the crisis line, transporting women to our office, hosting the Survival as Art Project, and sponsoring annual trainings led by Sarah's Inn Legal Advocates to continue to improve their skills as first responders. Today, under the leadership of Chief Rick Tanksley, the Oak Park Police Department continues to lead the way in the region. And we continue to be grateful for this vital and positive partnership.

Reporting Crime



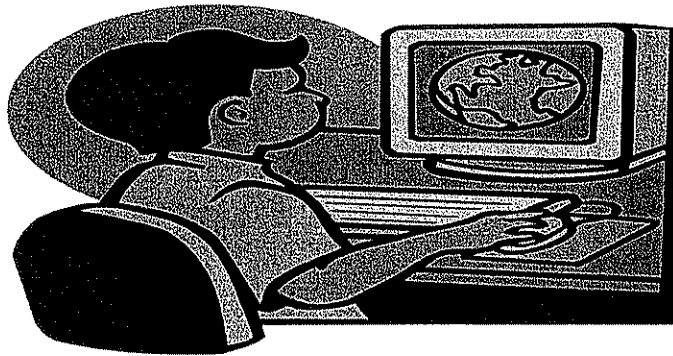
Your help as a citizen and resident is extremely important in stopping crime. When you observe someone or something unusual call 911 immediately and let us determine if a crime has occurred. Provide the dispatcher with as many details as possible pertaining to the suspicious activity. Be ready to describe a suspicious individual (ie., sex, age, race, approx. ht, wt, unusual characteristics, and clothing). Please include vehicle descriptions (make, model, color, license plate, and directions vehicle is traveling).

Surfing Safely

Remind children of hidden dangers that lurk on the internet

As parents, we know what advice to give our children about physical dangers: look both ways before crossing the street; never get into a car with someone you don't know; say "no" to drugs. But with the popularity of the internet soaring and the age of its users dropping, a whole new set of dangers that are much less tangible threaten our children. That's why it's important to talk to your children about safety in cyberspace.

The Oak Park Police Department is giving this issue special attention as part of its I-Search personal safety curriculum, taught in the elementary and junior high schools by Community Police officers and Social Workers. Below are a few simple rules for children who are surfing the net:



- Go online with a friend, if possible.
- Never give out your personal information, such as your name, address, phone number, school, description or picture.
- Use chat rooms specific to your interest and age.
- Don't open e-mail from screen names you don't recognize.
- Don't "instant message" with screen names you don't know.
- Never meet in person someone you met online.
- Tell an adult if you are trouble by anything you see online.
- Use computers in supervised environments, such as home or the library.
- Remember, people you meet online aren't necessarily who they say they are.
- Parents should contact their internet provider for information on Parental Control and how to restrict access to certain sites.

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