

# The Village Report

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## Kustra Fills Board Vacancy

Joyce E. Kustra, of 2523 Pick Lane, has accepted an appointment to the Village Board to fill the unexpired term of former trustee Robert Browne, who recently resigned. Trustee Kustra had previously served on the Glenview Plan Commission. She is a founding member and board member of the Michelle Meier Memorial Run, a member and former Treasurer of the Glenview Area Historical Society, and a former PTA President and Girl Scout Leader.

Trustee Kustra possesses a Masters Degree in Journalism from Sangamon State University. Currently employed with the Allstate Insurance Company in Northbrook, Joyce has a variety of experience that will serve her well in her capacity as Village Trustee. She has two children, Jennifer, a senior at Indiana University studying journalism, and Steve, a junior at the University of Illinois majoring in English. The Village would like to extend congratulations and a welcome Trustee Kustra to the Village Board.

## Attention Homeowners' Associations:

*The Village is looking for information about your groups. Please provide the Village Manager's Office with an updated list of Homeowners' Association officers, with their names, addresses, and telephone numbers. Your assistance is appreciated. This is useful information to disseminate important notices from the Village.*



The Veterans' Day Observance will be held Monday, November 11, 1991 at 11 am. The ceremony to honor all Veterans will take place at the Veterans' War Memorial on River Drive in downtown Glenview. The Village Hall and Public Service Center will be closed in remembrance of Veterans' Day.

## Village to Test for Lead in Water

The Village of Glenview will be sampling drinking water at about 60 residences in Glenview to determine the amount of lead and copper in the water. The tests will start in January 1992, and are required under the federal 1986 Safe Drinking Water Act.

Heavy concentrations of lead and copper in the drinking water are known to present a health hazard, especially for children. The current standards set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency call for lead levels in drinking water to be less than 0.015 milligrams per liter and copper levels to be less than 1.3 milligrams. Water leaving the Glenview pumping stations meet these standards; however, lead and copper can be introduced by homeowners' plumbing. For the past several years, our supplier, the Wilmette water plant, has been feeding small doses of caustic soda into the water which reduces the risk of lead and copper contamination at the homeowner's tap.

**Sampling.** The USEPA requires that the samples must be collected from single-family homes with water service lines made of either lead or copper with lead solder joints. Well over half of the homes in Glenview have this type of water service running from the water main in the street to the home.

**Volunteers.** While we cannot test every home with lead pipes, the Village is looking for volunteers to participate in this program. The sampling will involve the collection of water samples by the resident about once every four months over the next two years. Samples must be drawn after the water has sat dormant for a period of six hours. The Village will provide sampling bottles and will pay for the lead/copper laboratory testing. In return, the residents will receive a report analyzing their water for these chemicals.

Residents interested in participating in this program should contact:

Thomas M. Jackson, Supt. of Water  
Village of Glenview  
1333 Shermer Road  
Glenview, Illinois 60025, or call 724-1700,  
ext. 245 between 8 am and 2:30 weekdays.

## Community Bulletin Board

As space permits, announcements of upcoming nonprofit, nonsectarian, nonpartisan events of interest to a large part of the community will be included. Items for the December issue must reach the Village Hall by noon November 4.

**Christmas and Holiday Cards** can be purchased from the **Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Alliance**, 2320 Glenview Road, (708) 657-8080 Monday through Friday 10 am to 2 pm. Three great new designs to choose from, assorted note cards are also for sale. Proceeds from the sale of Christmas Cards support programs and education for families and professionals.

Parents who have suffered the death of a child from illness or accident are invited to attend the **Hovda Support Group for Bereaved Parents** at **The Evanston Hospital**, 2650 Ridge Avenue, Evanston. The group will meet from 7:30 to 9 pm on Tuesday, November 26, in room G962 of the Hospital. The support group is open to the public free of charge. For more information call 570-2882.

An on-going support group for the caregivers of Alzheimer's patients will meet from 6:30 to 8:30 pm Wed. Nov. 27 in the small cafeteria at The Glenbrook Hospital, 2100 Pfingsten Road. The meeting is open to the public free of charge. Group members discuss coping techniques and educational information in reference to caring for a victim of Alzheimer's Disease. The Evanston Hospital Geriatric Services hosts the meetings on the fourth Wednesday of every month. For more information, call 570-2219.

The **Glenview/Northbrook Youth Services** will hold a benefit **Holiday Arts and Crafts Show** on Saturday November 9 from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm at Northbrook Jr. High, 1475 Maple in Northbrook. Original craft items for sale include stained glass, jewelry, hand painted

clothing and more. There will be face painting, photos with Santa, and food and beverages available for purchase. For further information, contact Merle at 724-2620 or 272-5664.

A "**Healthy Holiday Cooking**" program will be held from 9:30 am to 12 pm on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at **The Glenbrook Hospital**. A registered dietitian from the Glenbrook Hospital will advise on how to reduce sodium, fat, and sugar content in traditional holiday recipes. The program will include recipes from Thanksgiving to New Year's, food sampling, a recipe demonstration, gift ideas, and a cookbook raffle. The cost is \$25 per person or \$40 for two people. To register, call Marianne Evans, R.D., nutrition department at 657-5666.

## Senior News

The **Coordinator of Senior Services** office is located in the **Village Hall** on the lower level. She is available Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 9 am to 4 pm, for consultation with elderly residents and/or their families. For more information call 724-1700, ext. 232. See the "Senior News" display in the **Finance Department** (upper level) for important literature.

### Dial A Ride

Northfield Township offers a subsidized cab program for seniors (65 and older) or handicapped persons with limited mobility. Your total income must not exceed \$25,000 and you must reside in Northfield Township. Eligible residents receive 16 monthly tickets worth \$2 off per cab ride. Contact 724-8300 for more details [New Trier (446-8201), Maine (297-2510), and Niles (673-9300) Townships conduct similar programs].

### Defensive Driving

Offered Nov. 20 and 22 at the **Rugen Community Center**. This 2 part course covers all aspects of safe driving. Completing this 8 hour class entitles you to a certificate from the Secretary of State and may result in significant discounts for auto insurance. Call 724-4793 to register.

### 50+ Singles Club

Meets Nov. 20 at 7:30 pm at **Rugen Community Center**. Reservations are not required, but call 724-4793 to learn more

about this program for working singles, and to have your name added to the mailing list. This month's program is "Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago" with speaker Nancy Drew Sheehan.

### Rules of the Road

Do you need to take the Rules of the Road test for your driver's license? This two hour class allows you to take a sample test. The class will be held Wed. Nov. 13, from 1 - 3 pm. Register at 724-4793.

**We are pleased to include with this newsletter issue the new Glenview Map, sponsored and provided by the Glenview Chamber of Commerce.**

### **Are You A Good Neighbor?**

Do you:

- \* Let your dog off your property without the animal being on a leash?
- \* Forget to pick up dog excrement when you take your dog for a walk?
- \* Forget to maintain your bushes and shrubs so they don't overhang the public sidewalk?
- \* Let your bushes and shrubs grow to a height that your neighbor can't see pedestrian traffic when he is exiting his driveway?
- \* Let the weeds in your lawn grow higher than 8 inches?
- \* Place yardwaste or recyclables at your curb before 7 pm on the night prior to your collection?
- \* Place household refuse at the curb?
- \* Leave your empty recycling container at the curb?

If you answered "no" to all of these questions, then chances are you are a popular neighbor. However, if the answer is "yes" to any of these questions, please focus on being the best possible neighbor you can be.

### **Recipe for Leaves**

Pat Vondra from the Glen Oak Acres Garden Club suggests the following garden tip for reusing leaves. Fill a plastic bag with leaves. Add a cup of fertilizer, and a shovel full of dirt. Seal the bag as if you were going to throw it away, and store it. Some time around February, you should have beautiful material to place on your flower beds. Pat warns that oak leaves should sit for 2 years.

If you have any environmental suggestions that you think others would benefit from, please send them to:

The *Village Report* Editor  
1225 Waukegan Road  
Glenview, Illinois 60025

### **Voting Information**

Polling places will be open from 6 am to 7 pm on Tuesday November 5, 1991. Check your local paper, or contact the Cook County Clerk's Office, for polling place information. Absentee voting will be conducted until Monday, November 4, in the Finance Department, weekdays between 8 am and 4 pm. Call the Village Hall for details.

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### **Yardwaste Season Ends**

The end of the yardwaste season is Saturday, November 30. All yardwaste that you wish to dispose of in 1991 must be discarded by this date. *If you have any questions regarding the yardwaste program, contact your refuse hauler.*

### **Thanksgiving Refuse Services**

If your normal refuse or recycling day is Thursday, materials will be picked up on Friday, and if on Friday, materials will be collected Saturday. Call your refuse hauler with any questions.

**The Village Hall and Public Service Center will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 28, and Friday, Nov. 29 for Thanksgiving.**

### **No Overnight Street Parking December - March**

No parking is allowed on Glenview streets between 2 and 6 am December 1 through March 31. Please warn all of your visitors of the restriction. When it snows, village crews begin clearing during early morning hours. Parked cars make the job nearly impossible, and very dangerous. Even if no snow falls, the parking ban remains in effect, and violators may have vehicles towed at their own expense. Out-of-state licenses do not exempt vehicles from the no-parking rule.

Those with urgent needs for on-street overnight parking should immediately inform the Village Hall, in writing, stating the reasons for the urgency.

# Neighborhood Watch Bulletin

Fall 1991

Glenview Police Department

1215 Waukegan Road

Emergency number: 724-2131

Non-emergency number: 729-5000

## Holiday Time = Crime Time!

Although there are few absolutes in life, those of us who work in the area of crime prevention have some criminal absolutes about our holiday season that is fast approaching. It seems that holiday times are busy times, and busy times seem to provide a heightened opportunity for crime. A variety of crimes seem to increase around the holidays. Let's take a look at some of these crime formulas and provide some solutions:

### - FORMULA #1 -

#### **PACKAGES LEFT IN CAR = SMASHED WINDOW + MISSING PACKAGES**

The solution to this formula at a bare minimum is sticking goodies in the trunk while shopping. There are plenty of parking lot rats during this time of year and aggressive pest control involves making sure you don't attract them in the first place. It is very similar to preventing household mice, bugs, and insects; you simply don't give them any food. A simple formula to remember is: CRUMBS ATTRACT CRUMS. And remember that parking lot rats have been known to wander onto side streets and residential driveways as well. Our motto in this area is, "Out of sight - out of mind!"

### - FORMULA #2 -

#### **PURSE + SHOPPING CART + INATTENTION = THEFT OF PURSE**

We have seen this formula work out far too many times, especially when grocery stores are busy. A purse out of your reach equates to checks and credit cards out of your control. When a purse gets snatched out of a shopping cart and the criminal dashes around the corner, by the time you get finished looking around on the floor for it, asking fellow shoppers if they have seen it, saying "Oh my God" a lot, reporting the loss, and going home to get the numbers to cancel your credit cards - well, imagine how much they can charge.

If you can't keep your purse in your hand then consider following many security-minded women; reduce the size of the items you need and get a purse or wallet that you can pocket. Also, one of the items that we are growing more fond of are those "fanny packs" or "hip pockets". The problem is, most people feel they are only for vacations or warm weather. Well, they aren't. Instead, we think they are a good idea for tough, aggressive, crime prevention minded people.

### - FORMULA #3 -

#### **EMPTY LOOKING HOUSE + PASSING BURGLAR = BURGLARY**

The solution for this criminal formula is to pay special attention to that "someone is home" look your house should have. Adjustments in timing, and location of timers controlling radios and lights in your house keep burglars guessing. Use your imagination a bit and move timers around once in a while. Remember, burglars have two natural enemies: LIGHTS AND NOISE. You can help control the elements of light and noise with the creative use of timers.

The upcoming season is hectic with lots of dates, appointments, and events causing us to rush out the door or come home late. We may forget things but timers don't have much on their minds other than "turning on - turning off". Set them up now, before things get too busy. The movie "Home Alone" was a humorous depiction of the creative mind of a child combatting would-be burglars. Although the movie was funny, it was only a film. The film's message is real: pay attention to home security.

**- FORMULA #4 -**

**BIG TRIP + BIG MOUTH + NOBODY CHECKING HOUSE = BIG BURGLARY**

In other words, not everybody has to know - you know? You need one responsible and trusted person to:

1. Check on the house.
2. Adjust the drapes.
3. Change the timers.
4. Pick up the mail and paper.
5. Drop a little something in your garbage.
6. Feed your pet python.
7. Raise the level of your moat and drawbridge.

However, beyond the above necessities, not everyone has to know you are meeting Prince Charles and Lady Di for the holidays on that exotic cruise. Keep your plans down to a dull roar - you never know who is listening, or who is talking.

But hey, save the pictures. We'd like to know if she is really that charming and if his ears are really that big.

**- FORMULA #5 -**

**HOME INSPECTION + PREVENTION IMPLEMENTATION = PEACE OF MIND**

Now here is a formula we can all live with. Call our crime prevention unit and ask for Officer John Linden. He will be happy to come to your home and conduct a household security check, complete with cost effective recommendations suited to your special needs and budget. We will do everything we can to work out a custom package of realistic actions you can take to tighten your security. And besides, most of our security suggestions will make excellent gift ideas for all those "tough to buy for people" on your list!

We hope these formulas add up to some solutions for you. Keep in mind, you are the key component. If you don't work it out and take action, it's just another theory.

## **BURGLARY INFORMATION**

Since April of 1991, the Village has experienced 16 attempted and 11 completed burglaries to residences. Although it can't be proven, enhanced security features and crime prevention ideas applied to our homes appear to have contributed to the number of ATTEMPTED burglaries, instead of COMPLETED burglaries. A burglar delayed often is a burglar defeated. The burglaries have occurred in all areas of town. The majority of the burglaries occurred during the weekend (40% on Saturday and Sunday), and 37% occurred between noon and 6 pm. The rear of the residence is most frequently the point of entry with pried doors and windows being a favorite method of entry. If you are going to focus your resources and crime prevention creativity anywhere, then consider that rear attack. Fortified doors and windows in this area, along with motion detecting lights, and radios playing in rear rooms of residences, are good starters.

## **Do you know your neighbor?**

A number of our neighborhood Watch groups and some neighborhood associations have developed lists of residents in their area. A typical list will include addresses, homeowners' name(s), telephone numbers, and numbers of children. The lists are frequently drawn to mimic a map or layout of homes. This can be a quick reference for reporting suspicious activity to the police. New neighbors can be welcomed and their information added to keep the lists updated (computers are so handy!). These lists can be distributed to the neighbors or maybe even supplied to the police for our quick reference.

We commend the groups that have taken the initiative to devise these neighborhood directories.

## That special gift for that special home

We try to acknowledge those who are near and dear to us with gifts during the holiday season. Possibly even CHOMPER, FIDO, or SPARKY receive a little something special. But what about the provider of our warmth, shelter, comfort and privacy; our homes? It might be considerate to express our gratitude with a nice gift for our abode, which in turn could add to our home's safety, security and value.



Perhaps we could choose to highlight the beauty of the home by adding to the landscaping appeal. Trimming and pruning might improve the visibility of your doors and windows while at the same time making things look a little bit neater. We all desire privacy, but quite often the more secluded we live, the less secure we are. Heavy foliage provides excellent hiding spots for peepers, burglars, and potential attackers. Our friends and neighbors can not watch over our domain while we are away, if they can not see our homes. Or maybe we wish to add some shrubbery? Some small, thorny, prickly bushes near basement windows might add some color as well as serve as a deterrent in keeping prowlers or burglars from those areas.

Lighting can enhance the beauty of our dwellings. Solar powered, high pressure sodium, motion activated, light sensitive (electric eye) controls, and lighting on timers are all types that can be considered. These types of lights are energy efficient, yet provide illumination for security and beauty. The element of surprise (motion detection) can be supplemented by a less powerful glow of solar power units for areas where constant lighting is not desired (rear or side yard). The front of the residence can also be lit with lights activated by timers or light sensitive controls.

New products on the market will help stave off loneliness for our homes while we are away. Portable motion detection alarms (either infrared or radio frequency) are available at reasonable prices. These units might plug into a common wall receptacle and do not require pre-wiring. Some units on the market are battery powered which require periodic checks for battery life. A little preparation time can result in home invaders being greeted by lights, sirens, or appliances being activated depending on your preferences. Motion detection devices on the exterior of your home can turn on lights, radios or televisions inside the house once the device is activated. Also available are remote control units (some can be carried on key chains) which can turn on lights or appliances before you enter your home.

The above mentioned products are high tech but low price. These items can be purchased at home centers, hardware or electronics stores. As previously mentioned, home and business security inspections are available free of charge to all Glenview residents and business owners. Just give us a call (729-5000) and we'll schedule an appointment.

## **WELCOME TO THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUPS**

**SUNSET MOBILE HOMES  
2500-2600 BLOCKS GLENVIEW ROAD  
1800 BLOCK LINNEMAN  
1800 BLOCK HENLEY  
1000-1200 BLOCKS HIGHLAND LANE**