



The Village Voice

Special points of interest:

Gladstone, Missouri to provide Fire and Ambulance Service.

Special Election

Fire and Ambulance Service Provided by Gladstone

The Village Board of Trustees received a presentation from the Gladstone Public Safety Chief, Michael Hasty in April. The Board compared services and costs between Gladstone and Kansas City/MAST. Gladstone's costs were slightly lower and their services better. Per our contract, Gladstone Public Safety will provide fire and ambulance emergency services, carbon monoxide detector investigations, respond to fire alarms and respond to traffic accidents.

Gladstone Public Safety personnel have tested all the fire hydrants in the Village and they are determining the best routes to use to respond to an emergency call.

Gladstone is working with the 911 system to get Village residents directed to their dispatchers if 911 is dialed.

Please update your emergency contact information, cut out the section below (after reading the rest of the newsletter) and post by your telephone or on your refrigerator.

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- Emergency contact numbers:
- Sheriff - 407-3750
 - Fire/Ambulance - 436-3550
 - NKC Hospital - 691-2000
 - St. Luke's - 891-6000
 - Children's Mercy - 413-2500
 - Poison Control - 800-222-1222
 - Power Outage - 888-544-4852
 - Before You Dig - 800-DIG-RITE
 - Nat. Gas Leak - 800-582-0000
 - MODOT - 800-222-6400
 - Highway Patrol - 800-525-5555

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**FIRE AND AMBULANCE
GLADSTONE PUBLIC SAFETY
DIAL 911
or
816-436-3550**

Vote in the August 4th Special Election

Attached to the newsletter is a sample ballot for the August 4, 2009 Special Election. Due to a misinterpretation of Missouri Statute Chapter 115, Section 115.124, election forms were

not sent to the Clay County Board of Elections for the April Municipal elections. This special election is to elect the Board of Trustees members. If you will be out of town,

contact the Clay County Board of elections at (816) 415-8683 to find out about receiving an absentee ballot. Everyone's vote counts.

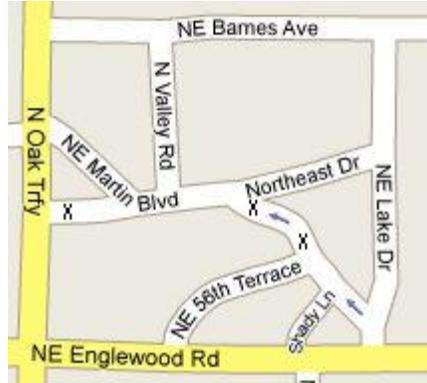
Residents Input Requested on CLOSING sections of Village Roads



Changes to road usage in the Village.

Over many years, there have been numerous problems with vehicles cutting through the Village in order to avoid the traffic light at North Oak and Englewood. Quite often, cars travel too fast or do not slow down going over speed bumps. This is a public safety issue that must be addressed. Multiple attempts to limit the cut-through traffic have been researched: The Board of Trustees has contacted the Clay County Sheriff to monitor the traffic, and we have investigated contracting for additional police traffic enforcement.

There are two sections of roadway that the Board of Trustees will be evaluating:



The one-way section on Valley Road and the west end of South Martin Blvd. (See locations on map.) The roadways would not affect the entrance to any driveways and would expand the public use space.

To avoid vehicles using Lake Drive instead of Valley Road, two speed bumps could be installed on Lake Drive and a south facing stop sign installed at the intersection of Lake Drive and Northeast Drive.

Input from Village residents is requested at the Village of Oaks Board of Trustees meeting at the Oakview City Hall, 6404 N. Locust at 7:00 PM on Monday, August 10th.

MARLOW LLC AND MARCIA LLOYD TRUST vs. THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKS and THE VILLAGE OF OAKS, CLAY COUNTY, MISSOURI

Englewood and North Oak Property

The Chairman of the Board of Zoning Adjustment and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees received a copy of the Plaintiff's Voluntary Dismissal Without Prejudice filing. We were informed that this action can be re-filed at any time within one year.

If you are interested in finding out more details on the case go to the Missouri CaseNet website: <https://www.courts.mo.gov/casenet/base/welcome.do> and enter case number 7CV105008170.



Man (or Woman) vs. Nature



A hearty, "THANK YOU" goes out to all residents who give their time and effort to take care of the Village common areas. The time that is spent to keep grasses cut and plants trimmed is greatly appreciated.

This spring and summer season has been great for vegetation. Home gardens have tomatoes ripening, pumpkin vines are beginning to meander and flowers blooming in a variety of vivid colors.

However, we also have growth of unwanted plants and trees. Tree branches are growing into public areas and blocking visibility to some street signs, and blocking sidewalk traffic. Please make an effort to make our Village green and beautiful.