

# NJWC

NAPERVILLE JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

## PRESS RELEASE



### Naperville Junior Woman's Club Safety Town - 2007 Summer Program Registration and a visit from Mayor George Pradel!



(Left to Right): Denise Petty, 2007 Safety Town Chair; Katherine Seguino, President Safety Town Commission; Naperville Mayor George Pradel, Debbie Shaw, 2007 NJWC President

Naperville Mayor George Pradel attended the kick-off meeting for the Naperville Junior Woman's Club, on Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, at Safety Town the evening after securing a position in the Consolidated Election on April 17, 2007. Pradel praised the Junior Woman's Club for their 40 years of service to the community; the work they do at Safety Town, with Seniors, Women, and the homeless.

Mayor Pradel has a long history with Safety Town. Serving as a Naperville police officer for 29 years, he was nicknamed 'Officer Friendly' by the children. Working closely with the Naperville Junior Woman's Club, Pradel was instrumental in founding Safety Town.

#### Safety Town

Children will learn hands-on about safety and health this summer at a town built just for them! Safety Town, sponsored by Naperville Junior Woman's Club, is a miniature town located near the police station in Naperville. It comes complete with buildings, sidewalks, streets, traffic lights, a full-size caboose, a working railroad crossing gate and Safety Town vehicles.

Safety Town Summer Sessions are 90-minute weeklong classes targeted to children entering Kindergarten and first grades. The Naperville Police and Fire Departments, I-SEARCH, Burlington Northern, Naperville Electric, Animal Control, Laidlaw and other community workers join Naperville Junior Woman's Club in teaching safety awareness and prevention using stories, games, songs and videos. Topics covered include: Bike Safety, Fire Safety, Proper use of helmets, Car Seat use and fit, Water Safety, Bus Safety, Pedestrian Safety, Electrical Safety, Train Safety, Poison Awareness, Animal Safety, Personal Safety, and calling 9-1-1. In the past few years, we have introduced a brand new water safety station with an interactive game that emphasizes the importance of water safety in and around all bodies of water, and introduced a new and improved 911 teaching system that allows children to practice making emergency calls.

This is the 29<sup>th</sup> year that the Safety Town Summer Program is being held. Last year, more than 1,700 children completed the one-week safety education program. Safety Town Summer Program is being held the weeks of June 4, June 11, June 18, July 25, July 9, July 16, and July 25. In addition to our week-long sessions, NJWC is offering 2 Saturday sessions. This four hour condensed version will be held 8am-12:30pm on Saturdays June 16 and June 23.

To enroll or direct any questions contact the Safety Town Hotline at 630-369-8400.

## **Registration Forms and Lottery Information: Summer Session begins on June 4, 2007**

**Complete the Registration Form, attached, to enroll your child(ren) into the 2007 session. Registration forms received by Friday April 20, 2007 at 5pm will be entered the enrollment lottery. All forms received after this day and time will be enrolled as received and as space allows.**

Safety Town is brought to you by the Naperville Junior Woman's Club (NJWC). Additional information about Safety Town and other NJWC programs can be found at our website: [www.napervillejuniors.org](http://www.napervillejuniors.org).

**More information:** [safetytown@napervillejuniors.org](mailto:safetytown@napervillejuniors.org)

**Mail-in address:**

1320 Aurora Avenue  
Naperville, IL 60564

## **STUDENT\* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The 2007 Summer Safety Town Program needs you!!**

\*Minimum age requirement—7th grade or higher in Fall 2007

**Do you like working with young children? Are you looking to earn Community Service hours?  
The 2007 Summer Safety Town Program needs you!!**

Come join the fun at Safety Town this summer by volunteering to assist young children in learning safety skills. Safety Town is a one-week program offered six separate weeks beginning June 4 through July 27. Programs are not scheduled the week of July 4th. In addition to our 7-week program, we are offering 2 Saturday mini-session. You must be able to satisfy the following requirements to sign up for the program:

Be responsible for 4 children by remaining with them during the safety instruction and helping them learn the daily lessons. Assist the Police Officers, Fire Fighters, and NJWC Volunteers as needed. Attend 1 of the 2 short orientations offered on Thursday, June 9 at 9:00 am or 9:45 am where you will receive instructions. Arrive 15 minutes before your scheduled 1.5-hour session (M-F), 4 hours if it's a Saturday mini-session.

**Parents, to enroll your child:**

Sessions will be assigned via a lottery system this year. The deadline for the lottery is April 20 @ 5 pm. Only those forms received by April 20 will be eligible for the lottery.

(1) Completely fill out the registration form. Parental Waiver **MUST** be signed. Limit of three (3) forms per envelope. Each student must be on a separate form.

(2) **Mail this form along with a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope (SASE) to Safety Town, Teen Volunteers, 1320 Aurora Avenue, Naperville, IL 60540.** Your confirmation will be mailed to you in the SASE. Registration forms without a SASE will not be processed.

More information about the program can be found on our website, [www.napervillejuniors.org](http://www.napervillejuniors.org). Emails should be sent to [safetytown@napervillejuniors.org](mailto:safetytown@napervillejuniors.org).