



The Jefferson Neighborhood Association News



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"Preserving the integrity of the Jefferson Area since 1982"

From the President _ Elia Reyna

Greetings Members and Neighbors:

It is my pleasure to serve once again as President of JNA; however, this will not be possible without the dedicated service of the new Officers and Board Members who were installed at our September meeting by our Councilman **Justin Rodriguez**.

Our involvement with different city agencies, neighboring Neighborhood Associations, home and business owners, city leaders, neighborhood initiatives and celebrations have made our leadership roles very successful in striving to make our community a safer environment in which to live

and play.

The Officers and Board Members meet once a month at Myra's house (JNA Secretary). We socialize, have snacks, have the meeting and work on the newsletters (fold, label, stamp) and make ready for mail out to the members. The relationships I have developed while your leader will allow me to continue to support JNA in many aspects and my commitment to the neighborhood has existed for many years.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as JNA President. My passion for this unique neighborhood began since 1952 when my parents moved to this area

because the elementary, junior and high schools were within walking distance. Although an older neighborhood, it still has charm and character with its beautiful homes built in the 1920's, lots of trees and is also a very safe community environment in which to live.

REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR DUES: The Jefferson Neighborhood Association was founded in 1982 to help preserve the integrity of our neighborhood and promote community among its residents. The JNA is one of the most respected neighborhood groups in San Antonio! Activities include: Scholarship awards for neighborhood students, neighborhood revitalization, graffiti cleanup, code

compliance updates, community planning, guest speakers and annual holiday party.

Please come join us Saturday, October 10th at Woodlawn Lake for our "End of Summer Social". This event begins at 9:30AM and we'll have food and drinks on hand.

This social will take the place of our October meeting, so don't plan on being at the regular meeting on Monday the 12th.

Do come see us Saturday, October 10th. At the lake.

Elia

Officers for FY 2009-2010 take the oath



From left to right:
President: Elia Reyna
Vice Pres: Toni Cadena
Treasurer: Stan Waghalter
Secretary: Myra Lorenz
Board members:
Judy Jackman; Chuck Whitehead
Andee Tokoly is not pictured.
District 7 Councilman **Justin Rodriguez** did the swearing-in honors.

Cellular on Patrol event

On October 22nd, the Greater Westside On Patrol will have their annual Meeting/Rally at the Acadiana Café on Loop 410 near Marbach.

This event is open to all GWOP members.

For information, call **Carole Abitz** at 623-4965.

Police Chief **William McManus** is scheduled to attend the rally.

Happy Birthday

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- 1
- 2 Jennifer Wilson
- 8 Ana Mercedes Herrera
Tamara Strehli
- 9 Tony Roacha
- 10 Elena Guajardo
- 14 Felix Treviño
- 17 Joe Pareres
- 21 Lucio Gonzalez
- 22 Fran Espinosa
- 23 Andy Gravin
Jeanette S Ross
Mary Lou Sulsar
- 25 Deborah Gussman
- 26 Diana Arevalo
Damian Benavides Sr.
- 29 Adrienne Weynand
- 30 Mary Ann Black
Jesús Noriega



Help for Senior Citizens

JEFFERSON AREA COMMUNITY OUTREACH FOR OLDER PEOPLE, INC. is a non-profit organization supported entirely by donations from churches and individuals.

No federal or state funds are involved. It is governed by a Board of Directors, one salaried Administrator, and a part-time Assistant.

The staff consists of volunteers, who are church and community neighbors, dedicated to the betterment of the elderly in the Jefferson Area.

The mission of the Jefferson Outreach for Older People is to provide needed services to the elderly so they may remain independent in their homes for as long as possible.

Established in 1984, as a faith-based organization to provide services to the elderly in the North and Northwest side of SA. Our services include:

- Daily meal delivery
- Weekly grocery delivery
- Transportation to and from medical appointments
- Minor home repair
- Telephone reassurance to isolated homebound seniors

Their offices are located at 201 Meredith, San Antonio, TX. 78228. (210) 734-5016.

Volunteer to be a Mentor

JNA members received information about the mentoring program being conducted at Jefferson High School.

Elsa Garcia with Communities in Schools, along with **Kimberly Schriver**, told the audience about the mentoring opportunities available.

Founded in 1985 by former Texas Governor, **Mark White**, Communities in Schools attempts to help students avoid dropping out and stopping their high school education.

Garcia pointed out that 98% of the prison population in Bexar County is comprised of school drop outs.

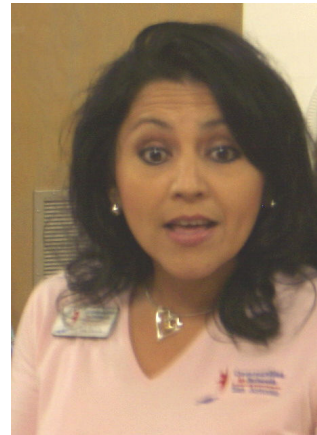
The Communities in

Schools program began in the Edgewood School District, but has expanded into the SASD.

Schrivier works with Sophomores at Jefferson. She says it only takes between 45 minutes to one hour a week to be mentor.

The students being mentored give the program high marks.

Garcia and Shriver can be contacted by calling the Jefferson High School campus at 736-1981.



Elsa Garcia



Kimberly Schriver

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Alleys to get makeovers with new funding

According to District 7 City Councilman **Justin Rodriguez**, alleys in his district will get \$2 Million worth of work this fiscal year which began October 1.

This will make way for the semi-automated refuse pickup trucks which will be operating in our area around March of 2010.

Other news provided by the councilman includes the

hiring of 50 new police officers with money from President Obama's stimulus package.

Rodriguez also said an alcohol sale application is being studied by his office. A judge is hearing pros and cons on the issue.

An application for the sales has been made for the 2700 block of Fredericksburg road.



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SAWS introduces Drought Recovery Toolkit

It has been a hot, dry summer...does your lawn need a little help this fall? Perhaps it's time to rethink your landscape with more drought-tolerant choices.

San Antonio Water System is here to help with a drought recovery toolkit offering incentives to homeowners for drought-smart alternatives, such as mulched plant beds, a redesigned irrigation system, and "hardscapes" like patios or decks.

SAWS Drought Recovery Toolkit options, available only for a limited time and while funds are available, offer rebates for both residential and commercial customers:

✓ New Beds and Mulch rebate: Provides a \$50 rebate for removing turf and replacing it with new beds that have at least three cubic yards of mulch. This will cover about 500 square feet of landscape with the recommended two inches of mulch, which you can

later plant with drought-tolerant and native plants.

✓ Turf-to-Hardscape rebate: Offers up to \$150 credit for converting at least 500 square feet of turf to a pervious hardscape, such as a patio or deck constructed to allow rain to reach the ground below. Examples are flagstone set in sand, decomposed granite, or a wood deck built over the ground.

✓ Irrigation Design rebate: Both residential and commercial customers can receive rebates for working with SAWS to identify improvements for the property's irrigation system, such as converting areas to drip irrigation or capping off zones.

✓ Want more information? Contact **Anne Hayden** at 233-3622.



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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS TUESDAY!

National Night Out is Tuesday, October 6th.

This year, the JNA will be joining with the Monticello Park Neighborhood Association to fight crime in our area.

Everyone is invited to this event which will get underway around 6:30 PM at the Monticello Park Gazebo located at Kampmann and Club.

You don't have to bring anything but yourself and family.

Looking Ahead at Upcoming Events

- ✓ October 10th - End of Summer Social at Woodlawn Lake. 9:30 AM.

NO JNA MEETING OCTOBER 12.

- ✓ TURKEY BINGO - Remember to attend our annual turkey bingo on Monday, November 9 at 7 PM. The profits will benefit the scholarship fund.
- ✓ ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY - Remember to attend our Christmas Party on Monday, December 14 at 6:30 PM. Please bring a covered dish of your favorite food and share with the rest of the members. JNA will provide the meat dish and drinks.

Regular JNA meetings start at 7 PM.

- ✓ Daylight Saving Time Ends November 1.

Who's Who at the JNA?

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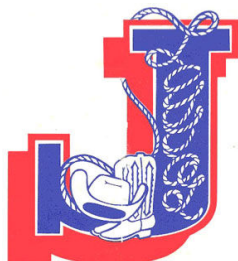
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Jefferson Lasso Fundraiser

The Thomas Jefferson High School Lasso Alumni Association is partnering with Good Time Charlie's, a restaurant known for its home cooking and flavorful comfort food, to raise funds to support the current Lasso Dance and Roping Team.

During *Lasso Alumni Association Week at Good Time Charlie's* from October 3 through 11, the restaurant will donate a percentage of sales from food served when patrons mention that they are dining there in support of the Lassos.

The restaurant is located at 2922 Broadway at Mulberry. Hours are 11 a.m. to midnight daily.



Goings On at Jefferson HS

4th Annual Thomas Jefferson High School Trick, Trot or Treat 5K Run.

Sunday, October 25, 2009, 8 AM at Thomas Jefferson High School.

For Donations, Sponsorships or 5K Run Info, please contact:

Coach **Paul Ramirez**, 736-1981 ext. 266 or email: pramirez@saisd.net.



Principal's Coffee every 3rd Thursday of the month.

Next one is October 15th from 9AM - 10AM in the teacher's cafeteria lounge.

At the Bihl Haus

Is Art medicine? We say 'yes!' at **Rx ART: Take your medicine**, an exciting exhibit that features artworks by health care professionals who are also artists.

Our **Preview Reception and Fundraiser** kicks off on **Saturday, October 10, at 6:30 pm** with drinks and fine *hors d'oeuvres* at this gallery and poolside event. At 7, after our opening ritual, sample some of the best food in town provided by *Brasserie Pavil* (named the best new SA restaurant), *Bistro Bakery*, *Tycoon Flats*, and *Whole Foods*.

For ticket information, contact Kellen Kee McIntyre, PhD., Executive Director, 383-9723 or 732-3502.

Jefferson Neighborhood Association Membership Form

Name: _____ Birthday (mo/day) _____

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Address: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

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Dues are \$10 per year for individuals. \$15 per year for families.

Cut out and Mail to: PO Box 28552, SA TX 78228



The next JNA meeting will be
Saturday, October 10th, 2009 at
9:30 AM at Woodlawn Lake.



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