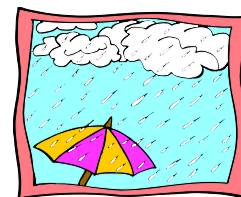




# The Jefferson Neighborhood Association News

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*"Preserving the integrity of the Jefferson Area since 1982"*

## JNA meeting location changed

For the first time in many years, the location of the JNA meeting place has changed.

Our former home, The Jefferson Church of Christ, has ceased operations in the neighborhood and a new group has moved in.

The JNA membership wishes the best for the Church of Christ members who must now find elsewhere to practice their religion.

Everyone at the JNA wants to thank **Rudine** and **Royce Vickery** for their hospitality during our tenure at the Church of Christ facility.

Starting with our April 12 meeting, we'll be using the facilities of the Grace

Presbyterian Church, located at Donaldson and Manor.

The meeting time remains the same, 7PM, and we'll continue providing either sandwiches or cookies and drinks during and after the meeting.



## Sidewalk issue draws Councilman's response

In our February newsletter, we published a JNA member's concern about the sidewalk project that was underway in the neighborhood.

A staff member to Councilman **Justin Rodriguez** provided one answer to the concerns. After some discussions with the councilman, the following

statement is being published at his request.



"The sidewalk and disability access ramp

installation effort is a

complex one as it involves limited funding and various funding sources, all in an effort to stretch available dollars as far as possible.

With regard to the W. Kings Hwy. section of Wilson (Woodlawn to Meredith), the project is currently funded for sidewalks to be installed on the east side of the street only.

On the northwest corner of the Wilson and W. Kings Hwy. intersection, an ADA ramp was installed as part of a street rehabilitation project (a different funding source). This is standard on any of our street rehabilitation projects, even if there are no sidewalks so the apron can connect to sidewalks should funding for a sidewalk project become available in the future.

Although this ramp does not connect to any sidewalks on Wilson, it does lead directly into two utility poles. Which brings us squarely to the utility pole issue...

City Public Service (CPS) had utility lines running on one of the two poles photographed but no longer does. Time Warner and AT&T are on the other pole photographed but are scheduled to remove their service lines very soon and, with that action, both poles will be ready for removal in the event funding is allocated to install sidewalks on this side and section of Wilson.

The currently funded ramps and sidewalks that have been installed as well as those

yet to be installed on both sides of Wilson from Culebra to Woodlawn and on the east side of Wilson from Woodlawn to Meredith consist of the following features:

1. Will be installed with the full intent of being divorced from the curb where possible but married to the curb where either there is not enough right of way for the installation or there are utility conflicts (poles or boxes).
2. Where there are utility conflicts (utility poles) or even trees, the sidewalks will be built in order to meander around those obstructions.

I hope this helps clarify the concerns brought up by the JNA member."

Sincerely,

**Justin Rodriguez**

City Councilman, District 7

(Editor's note: Since the authoring of this note from the councilman, some of the poles in question along Wilson and Manor have been removed.

The JNA exists for the betterment of the neighborhood and appreciates any member's inquiry about issues that need to be brought to the councilman's attention.

In turn, we appreciate the councilman's support of our efforts and his response to those issues.)

## Happy Birthday

### April 2010

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ED CODINA  
JANE GAITAN  
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ANDREW HERNANDEZ  
EVELYN HUERTA  
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Please note: Because of increased cases of identity theft, members' birthdates will no longer be published.

Instead, only your name will be listed as having a birthday in a particular month.



### Who's Who at the JNA?

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Stanley Waghalter

### Looking Ahead at Upcoming Events

- ✓ April 10 - Citywide Clean-up day
- ✓ April 12 - JNA Meeting
- ✓ April 17 Earth Day - Woodlawn Park
- ✓ April 26 - Early voting begins for the May 8 elections.
- ✓ May 9 - Mother's Day
- ✓ May 10 - JNA Meeting
- ✓ May 31 - Memorial Day
- ✓ June 14 - JNA Meeting
- ✓ July 4 - Independence Day
- ✓ July 12 - JNA Meeting

(Regular JNA meetings start at 7 PM.)

Location: Grace Presbyterian Church, Manor & Donaldson.

**NOTE:** This is a new meeting place for us.



### See your mailing label?

Collection of FY 2009-2010 dues is wrapping up. If your mailing label has a "pd" symbol by your name, you're paid up for the fiscal year.

**Dues** for FY 2010-2011 are due starting September 1.

A JNA  
Member

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## BEXAR COUNTY ELECTIONS

### Joint Primary Runoffs

**Early Voting; April 5 to 9: Election Day; April 13**

### Local (Nonpartisan) (Alamo College and others) Election

**April 26 to May 4: Early Voting; May 8: Election Day**



#### Please note:

**The JNA accepts political ads, but does NOT endorse any candidates. Money collected from their ads does not go for any political purposes.**

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## JNA to participate in Earth Day Activities

April 17th marks the annual Earth Day Celebration at Woodlawn Lake from 10AM to 4PM.

The JNA will be selling Palettas during the event.

JNA members who would like to help can call Elia and volunteer.

Earth Day provides everyone the opportunity to learn how to do their part in preserving our natural resources. The focus is on environmental sensitivity, recycling, conservation, and consumer awareness.

The first Earth Day was on April 22, 1970. San Antonio had its first event in 1990.

Earth Day is now sponsored by the City and is an official Fiesta event. On this day local residents ride their bikes to the Park, walk with their families and their dogs from booth to booth, and learn more about their planet and their community.

The JNA will have a booth set up for visitors to learn about joining our group as well as purchasing the tasty frozen treat known as Palettas.

This is the third year our group has sold the treat and it

has been a big success.

Thanks to all who have helped in the past.

## C.O.P Information

There's a lot of talk about crime problems in our area, but not a whole lot of citizen participation is there to do something about it.

Cellular on Patrol was started in this area in January, 1994. The original concept was neighbors carrying cell phones provided to them once they attended a two day class and report suspicious activity to the police department.

That concept is still the same. Attend two classes, carry your own cell phone, and be the extra eyes and ears of the police in our neighborhood.

On April 8 & 15 at 6 PM, you can attend the next C.O.P class. They're free. Class length is about 3 to 4 hours on two Thursdays.

After the first session, you can schedule a ride along with a police officer who patrols this area.

Application to the C.O.P class can be found on the web: [www.sanantonio.gov/sapd](http://www.sanantonio.gov/sapd), or fill one out the night of the first class.

For more information, call officer **Rob Valle** at 210-827-3707.

Now is a good time to get involved and help patrol our neighborhood.





## 2007-2012 Bond Program Projects Updated

Here are a few of the projects in our area being funded under the 2007 bond issue approved by San Antonio voters:

*Area pedestrian mobility Program.* Includes

- ✓ Sidewalks from Donaldson to Woodlawn Hills Elementary on E. Quill.
- ✓ Curb extension in the 100 block of John Page. Slated for completion next month.

*Fredericksburg Road Congestion Mitigation*

- ✓ Under design with completion scheduled for June, 2011.

*Joe Ward Park*

- ✓ Completion set for next month.

*Seeling Channel Improvements Phase I*

- ✓ Improve Seeling Channel from Woodlawn Lake to St. Cloud. Completion set for June, 2013.

*St. Cloud Pedestrian Improvement*

- ✓ Construct sidewalks on one side of the street. Completion set for February, 2011.

*Woodlawn Lake Pedestrian Bridge*

- ✓ Pedestrian bridge along with playground expansion and other park improvements. Completion set for February, 2012.

## "Improved" Solid Waste & Recycling pickup begins in the neighborhood



In these recent pictures taken by a JNA member, two City of San Antonio workers are seen unloading the new waste container. This process takes longer to complete than the previous system.

Also, city officials said smaller trucks designed to pick up smaller containers would be employed in our area.

When asked about the alley re-paving project, a spokesman with the city said that program has already run out of money.

Don't you think it's about time we get what we're promised from the city?

If you want to add your comments, call 3-1-1 and ask for the Solid Waste Management Department.



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## National Poetry Month Ending in April with Bihl Haus Program

Bihl Haus Arts will conclude its celebration of National Poetry Month with the **One-Day Friends Exhibit and Reading by John Philip Santos** on Thursday, April 22nd. He will read from his new memoir, "The Farthest Home Is in an Empire of Fire (A Tejano Elegy)."

All events are free and open to the public. Bihl Haus Arts is located on Fredericksburg Road across the street from Tip Top Cafe. Parking is outside the gates of the Primrose Apartments, over flow parking is in the Redeemer Church parking lot on Fredericksburg Rd. @ Quentin.

## Mailed your Census form yet?

By now our residents should have received the 2010 Census form, and it is time for all of us to participate in this **o n c e - a - d e c a d e** civic endeavor by filling out and mailing the census questionnaire.

It costs taxpayers just \$0.42 per household if the form is mailed back, but it costs \$57 per household to follow up with people who do not respond by mail.

That means that for every 1-percent increase in the national mail back response rate taxpayers save about \$85 million.

Let's rise to the challenge and help make your neighborhood and San Antonio number one in the mail back response.

## Around the Neighborhood

Members of the JNA extend condolences to the family of **Jean MacFadden** who passed away in February. She was a very devoted JNA member in the late 1980's & early to mid 1990's.

The 2010 Jefferson/Evelia Reyna Scholarship form is now on our website.

Deadline for submitting the form is May 5.

The website address is: [www.neighborhoodlink/jefferson/home](http://www.neighborhoodlink/jefferson/home). Click on *pages and links*.

Animal Care Services meeting on ordinance changes.

Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at Our Lady of the Lake University, Library Communications Room 411 SW 24th st. Time: 6-8 pm.

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Thomas Jefferson Graduate class of 1966

## **Jefferson Neighborhood Association Membership Form**

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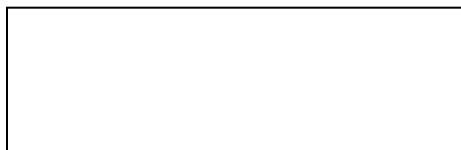
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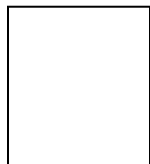
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The next JNA meeting will be  
Monday, April 12th, 2010 at the  
Grace Presbyterian Church, The  
Donaldson at Manor. The  
meeting begins at 7 PM.



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