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"Preserving the integrity of the Jefferson Area since 1982"

From the President...

Dear Neighbors,

This month we are distributing association newsletter to all residents in our area. name is Ted Guerra, and I am the President current JNA. If you are new to this area or simply are aware of our neighborhood association, I would like to inform you of who we are and invite you to join our organization.

We are a voluntary n e i g h b o r h o o d association. We are committed to improving and preserving the Jefferson neighborhood and surrounding areas, with particular emphasis on:

- enhancing the quality of life of neighborhood residents
- encouraging smart growth and business development
- promoting economic stability
- advancing the educational

opportunities of neighborhood students

- improving and preserving the historic and aesthetic character of the neighborhood
- establishing a direct line of communication with the City of San Antonio and other agencies

This Association is formed for charitable purposes, and it will be non-profit and non-partisan. Our membership is \$10 per year for individuals and \$15 per year for families in the same household.

We have monthly meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month and we send our monthly newsletter to every paid member as well as posting it on N e i g h b o r h o o d Link.com. Attendance at every meeting is not a requirement to join.

We work closely with our elected officials and they often attend our meetings.



I have asked some of them to write a letter to share with us. Y o u will find these letters in this newsletter. I would also like to invite you to our National Night Out gathering, Tuesday October 4th.

We are joining forces with Monticello Park Neighborhood Association to fight crime on this evening as well as sharing an opportunity to get to know our neighbors.

The gathering will be at the Monticello Park Gazebo, located at 444 Club Dr. behind Jefferson High School beginning at 6:00 PM.

I look forward to meeting you either on that evening or at our next regular association meeting on Monday, October 10, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the Grace Presbyterian Church on Donaldson and Manor.

We serve refreshments at our meetings and welcome not only homeowners, but renters, too.

Warm Regards,

Ted Guerra

IN THIS ISSUE Letters from:

- Dist. 7 Councilman Cris Medina
- Senator Leticia
 Van de Putte
- State Rep Trey
 Martinez-Fischer
- U.S. Congressman Charles Gonzalez
- Police Chief
 William McManus





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Jefferson H.S Football

October 15th is Feeder School & Neighborhood Association Night!

6:30PM-Pass N' Review

7:00PM-Kickoff

Come join us at Alamo Stadium

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Stanley Waghalter

See your mailing label?

Payment of FY 2011- 2012 dues is now underway. If you have the (pd) wording on your mail label, you've paid for the new fiscal year.

Our Fiscal Year begins September 1. Please join us in support of our scholarship fund and other year-round activities.

Candidate Forums

JNA, in conjunction with several surrounding neighborhood associations, has hosted candidate forums at Jefferson High School. Although JNA does not endorse candidates, we do invite them to appear before the community for information purposes. These forums usually occur every two years.

Ted Guerra

Condolences

Members of the JNA wish to extend condolences to the family of **Genovevo Bargas**.

He was active in the JNA in the early and mid 1990's. He was also very proud of his role in the Knights of Columbus organization.

San Antonio Fear Free Environment (SAFFE) officer **Joey Vidal** reminds you to call the police for ANY suspicious activity you may see.

Call 9-1-1 if the activity is in progress. You can also reach him on him by phone by calling 207-1363.



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The Senate of The State of Texas

Senator Leticia Van de Putte, R. Ph. District 26

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

As we approach our annual National Night Out neighborhood celebration, I'm reminded of how important the efforts of each one of us are to the entire community. Without the unselfish volunteer work all of you put forth, we wouldn't have such a proud and effective neighborhood association.

Pete and I are proud to still live in the same neighborhood in which I grew up—Huisache Street—where we raised our children—Mulberry Street—and where our adult children and grandchildren have chosen to live—Furr Drive. The Jefferson community is strong, vital, and has a true sense of hope about the future.

I congratulate the Jefferson Neighborhood Association for the work that they have done: having neighbors revitalize our older homes and welcoming newcomers; speaking to agencies that can improve our streets, transportation, and open spaces; ensuring that safety is a priority; and, most of all, for assuring that neighbors are involved within the community. There are 3,000 homes and families in this glorious neighborhood, and if you are not already a member, I ask that you become a member of the Jefferson Neighborhood Association. The neighbors, all of us, are the ones that can best look out for the vital interests of our historic neighborhood. Please consider joining! Sincerely,

Senator Leticia Van de Putte, R. Ph.

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Earth Day

The Jefferson Neighborhood Association has taken part in the city's celebration of Earth Day at Woodlawn Lake which usually occurs in April. We use this opportunity to recruit new members as well as meeting our neighbors from other neighborhoods. In the past we have sold "Palettas", a frozen fruit popsicle, from a push cart or a booth during the festivities. The profit from the sale goes to our Scholarship Fund. Lynn Waghalter

JNA/ Evelia Reyna Scholarship

Each year, the Jefferson Neighborhood Association awards deserving high school seniors a scholarship to help fund their college expenses. The scholarship is open to any graduating Jefferson High School senior living anywhere in San Antonio, or to any graduating senior attending any public or private high school who live in the JNA area boundaries.

The scholarship was named in memory of **Evelia Reyna**, a longtime member of the JNA, who believed in higher education for all students.

Applications for the JNA scholarship are available during the Spring semester at the high schools or online on our website and are due for review by the JNA Scholarship Committee the first week in May. Applicants must have been accepted to any accredited school, college or university.

The value of the scholarship has ranged from \$250 to \$1,000 depending upon the monies raised during the year from our fundraisers or donations to the fund from our membership. Donations to the JNA/Evelia Reyna Scholarship may be made at anytime.

Three deserving seniors received scholarships in May, 2011.

Lynn Waghalter

WELCOME TO NATIONAL NIGHT OUT (NNO) - AMERICA'S NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

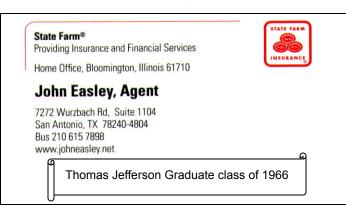
On Tuesday, October 4, 2011, at 6:00 PM, the Jefferson Neighborhood Association will join with forces the Monticello Park Neighborhood Association to have the opportunity to meet and greet our friends and neighbors and to talk about this unique crime/ drug prevention event.

We will have a face painter and possibly a Moon Bounce for the children. We have invited Councilman Chris Medina, SAPD Chief William McManus, SAFFE Officers, Code Compliance Officers, Representative Trey Martinez Fischer and City Officials.

Please bring a chair a n d a s m a l l covered dish, we will furnish the drinks. We hope you will join us and share your ideas on how to make our community a safer place to live and play.

The place to meet is the Monticello Park Gazebo on Kampmann and Club Drive behind Jefferson High School. See you there! Elia Reyna











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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to your neighborhood and your community. When citizens take an active role in the safety and future of their community, everyone benefits. Texas' 20th Congressional District encompasses over half of San Antonio, parts of Bexar County and the communities of Leon Valley, Balcones Heights, and Kirby. The district's heart is the downtown of San Antonio which is home to the Alamo, the Tower of the Americas, La Villita, and the Paseo del Rio, or Riverwalk

It is my honor to serve such a diverse district, and I am here to assist you and your family. My office can help you navigate through the different federal agencies and programs. Whether you need assistance with your Social Security, Medicare, veterans' benefits, need to order and American flag, or require assistance applying to a military service academy, my staff and I are here to serve you. Please feel free to contact my office for more information (phone: 210-472-6195 fax: 210-472-4009).

I also encourage you to visit my website: www.gonzalez.house.gov where you can find a variety of information, useful links, and resources. On my website, you can contact me by email, see what is happening in the 20th district, and read up on the latest legislation before Congress. Thank you again for your service and commitment to San Antonio. As always, I welcome the opportunity to assist in any way I can, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes, Charlie Gonzalez Member of Congress









CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

CRIS MEDINA
CITY COUNCILMEMBER
DISTRICT 7

SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

DEAR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.



Since being elected in June 2011, it has been my distinct privilege to serve as your City Council representative. As your Councilman, I am committed to ensuring that your neighborhood continues to be a safe and vibrant place to call home. Our neighborhoods are a source of pride and maintaining their unique qualities is an ongoing endeavor.

AS A COMMUNITY LEADER, I WANT TO EXPRESS TO YOU THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING A PART OF YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. I CAN SPEAK FROM EXPERIENCE THE PROVEN RESULTS AN ACTIVE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION CAN ACHIEVE. BUILDING A POSITIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS IS A BENEFIT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

SINCE 1982, THE JEFFERSON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN A VITAL MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY AND WORKS TIRELESSLY TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS OF THE AREA. ALONG WITH FIGHTING FOR STREET AND SIDEWALK REPAIRS, THE JEFFERSON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION KEEPS RESIDENTS INFORMED BY HOSTING REGULAR CANDIDATE FORUMS. THE ASSOCIATION ALSO UNDERSTANDS THE IMPORTANCE OF GETTING TO KNOW YOUR NEIGHBORS BY HOSTING THEIR ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT. TO ENSURE EVERYONE IS ABLE TO ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS, JEFFERSON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ALSO HOSTS A CHRISTMAS PARTY WHERE THE ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOOD IS INVITED.

BEING AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY IS BOTH A CONTINUOUS BUT VERY REWARDING EXPERIENCE. I ENCOURAGE ALL TO SEEK MEMBERSHIP WITH THE JEFFERSON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION AS A MEANS TO FOSTER THE SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS. MY OFFICE RELIES HEAVILY ON THE INPUT WE RECEIVE FROM EACH OF OUR ASSOCIATIONS, AND LOOK FORWARD TO STRENGTHENING OUR EXISTING RELATIONSHIPS WITH ALL OF THEM.

Yours in Service.

CRIS MEDINA

CITY COUNCILMAN, DISTRICT 7

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September 1, 2011

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to provide quality community-oriented services,
while building problem-solving partnerships with our citizens
to prevent crime, reduce fear, and enhance the quality of life
throughout our community, always treating people
with dignity, fairness, and respect."

Mr. Ted Guerra Jefferson Neighborhood Association P.O. Box 28552 San Antonio, TX 78228

Dear Mr. Guerra:

I want to thank the Jefferson Neighborhood Association for showing their support in this year's National Night Out Event. Although appearing to be a "one night event," National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community relations, and send a clear message to criminals that neighborhoods nationwide are organized and fighting back.

Neighborhood associations stand as a key ally in this common goal and in developing and maintaining a vibrant, safe, and secure community forming a basis of solidarity and cooperation, which allows the residents from each locality to serve where they have the greatest concern, their local neighborhood. In addition, homeowners' associations are extremely effective in enhancing property values, maintaining public services, and providing a heightened sense of personal safety and security.

Thanks again for your continued support and we hope to see a large turnout for National Night Out on Tuesday, October 4, 2011.

Sincerely,

William P. McManas

Chief of Police

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October 1, 2011

Jefferson Neighborhood Association P.O. Box 28552 San Antonio TX 78228



To the Members of Jefferson Neighborhood:

Thank you for being a part of the Jefferson Neighborhood Association (JNA) Membership Drive. It is my honor to once again celebrate an ongoing commitment to strengthening the bonds between local neighborhood associations and our community, while working toward the common goal of crime eradication and the prominent existence of safe family neighborhoods.

It is with great satisfaction that National Night Out is celebrating its 28th successful year of promoting crime and drug prevention awareness, generating support and participation for local anti-crime programs, as well as strengthening police-community partnerships. By participating in National Night Out you stand firm with a projected 15 thousand communities and over 35 million people across America to send a clear message of populace unity. For almost 30 years the JNA has consistently fostered the growth and integrity of Jefferson Neighborhood, ensuring that it retains its distinction as a pristine staple of San Antonio living. It is my request that you please take time to visit with members of the Jefferson Neighborhood Association and become a part of this important alliance striving to make your city a better, safer, and more enjoyable place to live.

As always, I appreciate hearing from you. If you have any further questions or concerns relating to this or any other issue, please do not hesitate to contact my district office at (210) 737-7200. I look forward to corresponding with all area neighborhood associations to not only maintaining our excellent neighborhoods, but to strengthening their bonds.

Sincerely,

Trey Martinez Fischer

Chairman, Mexican American Legislative Caucus

Texas State Representative, District 116



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The next JNA meeting will be held October 10th at the Grace Presbyterian Church, 950 Donaldson @ Manor at 7PM. Refreshments will be served.

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