



The Jefferson Neighborhood Association News

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"Preserving the integrity of the Jefferson Area since 1982"

President's Message_from Ted Guerra

Happy New Year Neighbors!

The month of January brings the inevitable New Year resolutions. If you are like most of us, you set a resolution, commit to it in a burst of excitement and then wake up one day (mid-January) and realize your goals have suddenly disappeared and been replaced with everyday life.

This year, I suggest we focus on a life change... Humor me a bit here while I ask you to journey with me toward a life changing goal. I challenge you to focus on your relationships.

Who do you love? God? Yourself? Your spouse or partner? Your children? Your parents? Your pets?

These are just some of the important relationships we have in life. Could we improve on these ties?

My wife and I will be married 25 years this April. Some may say "Wow, you're lucky, it worked." Others may respond "Wait until you're married 50 years!"

Thinking about the changes that people strive for in the New Year has prompted me to ask myself, "How can I improve on my relationship with my wife?" To begin, I guess I can try to recall why I wanted to marry her in the first place. Upon recalling the reasons, I then have to examine the reality that all relationships take and need work. I can't expect that because I initially courted her and made many efforts in her direction so many years ago, that should be enough to carry us through 25 or more years.

My wife and I are two VERY different people. I have heard that opposites attract and our union is a testament to

that truth. With us being so opposite, we tend to disagree on many things, even to this day. That's where the "effort" comes in. It's like playing cards. Sometimes you "fold" other times you "give and take" and yet on other occasions, you win; but the game always continues.

This dynamic is the same in any relationship. If you always want to win, the other player gives up and doesn't want to play anymore. This year, and in the years to come, I resolve to go the extra mile, take the extra steps and do the special "little" things that will keep my wife by my side for many years to come.

I challenge you to make a similar commitment to positive change in some of your relationships. We all have a little more to give and we all need



love.

I think you'll find that when you give love, it is always reciprocated and well worth the effort.

This theme can be carried into the neighborhood association, too.

How can you be a better JNA member or make more contributions to the betterment of our neighborhood?

There's plenty to do in 2013. Roll up your sleeves and let's start working on improving both ourselves and our neighborhood.

Happy 2013,

Ted



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Applications for Scholarship readied

Members of the JNA Scholarship Committee have announced that the 2013 **JNA / Evelia Reyna Scholarship** applications are ready.

The application will be posted on the JNA website (www.neighborhoodlink.com) or can be obtained by calling **Elia Reyna** at the numbers on the left hand side of this newsletter.

Each year, the JNA awards money to a graduating high school senior. The amount varies with what has been collected for the fund during the fiscal year.

The scholarship was begun by Past President **Ed Gaitan** and Mrs. Reyna's name was added after her death to honor her commitment to education.



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On and Off Fredericksburg Road Studio Tour Announced

The 6th Annual **ON AND OFF FREDERICKSBURG ROAD STUDIO TOUR**, organized by Bihl Haus Arts, is scheduled for February 16 & 17 2013.

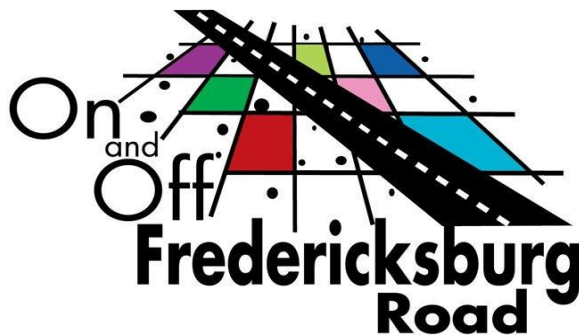
Join us for the weekend kick-off at Bihl Haus Arts, 2803 Fredericksburg Rd, for the **ON & OFF FRED AUTOGRAPH PARTY** February 15 from 6-9PM. Admission for two to this event, which is open to the public, is included with the purchase of the catalog (\$10).

The On and Off

Fredericksburg Road Studio Tour promotes the work of diverse visual and cultural artists in the area, enhances the appreciation for the arts in the community, stimulates neighborhood revitalization, brings thousands of people into the area.

On hand will be artists who live and work in the Monticello Park, Jefferson, Woodlawn Lake, Los Angeles Heights, Keystone, Beacon Hill, and Alta Vista Neighborhoods.

Kellen McIntyre is Co-chair, (210) 383-9723.



MLK March Plans

The annual **Martin Luther King, Jr. March**, is scheduled for **Monday, January 21, 2013**. The march will begin at 10 a.m. at the MLK Academy located in the 3500 block of MLK Drive and end at Pittman-Sullivan Park, 1101 Iowa (click here for march route and info).

Once again, it is expected to draw more than 100,000 adults and children. San Antonio hosts one of the largest marches in the United States.



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The next JNA meeting will be held
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