



The Jefferson Neighborhood Association News



Grandparent's Day
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"Preserving the integrity of the Jefferson Area since 1982"



A Message from the President:

Friends and Neighbors,

September is a new beginning in our neighborhood association. Our fiscal year begins this month. It is also that time to pay our yearly dues.

At our last general meeting we held elections of officers. Many thanks to **Joe Garza**, **Marie Cooper** and **Elia Reyna** for serving on the nominating committee. They were tasked with the big job of finding members to lead our association. This meant calling and asking members to consider running for a position on the JNA board. It is with great pleasure that I have been re-elected as President. **Andres Lopez** will serve as our Vice President. **Myra Lorenz** continues as our Secretary and **Liliana Moreno** will serve as our Treasurer. In addition to our officers, we have three board positions who serve for a 2 year term. **Chuck Whitehead** and **Marie Cooper** will continue as board members for their second year and **Joe Garza** will join them as our newly elected third board member. I would like to thank **Judy Jackman**, **Elia Reyna** and **Stan Waghalter** for their longtime commitment to the Jefferson Neighborhood Association. I have asked each of these individuals to share with us their history with JNA. Please see the inside of this newsletter for their words. For this reason, I would like to award these three individual with the **Presidents Lifetime Membership Award**. This honor comes with a paid lifetime membership for them and everyone in their household. My hope is that they continue to help our association as we continue to grow and prosper. Please join us at our September general meeting for the installation of officers and the official presentation of the JNA President's Lifetime Award.

Warm Regards,
Ted



Our next JNA meeting will be held **Monday, September 9th, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.** We meet at the Grace Presbyterian Church on the corner of Donaldson and Manor. See you there!

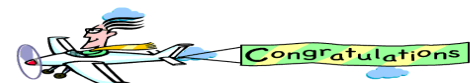


JNA RUMMAGE SALE

August 17, 2013

Thank you neighbors!

We raised \$745.22



Please visit our
JNA Facebook group
 and ask to be added as a
 subscriber. Check our page
 frequently for
 updates and news you can use.

Grandma's Apron

The main use of Grandma's apron was to protect the dress underneath, but along with that, it served MANY other purposes! It served as a pot-holder for removing hot pans from the oven.

It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning out dirty ears. From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven.

When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kiddoes.

And when the weather was cold, Grandma wrapped it around her arms.

Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove.

Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron. From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables.

After the peas were shelled, it carried out the hulls. In the Fall, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees.

When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds.

When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner. It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that "old-time apron" that served so many worthwhile purposes.

Some folks would go crazy now trying to figure out how many germs were on that apron, but I don't think I ever caught anything from my Grandma's Apron-except LOVE!

-Author Unknown

Submitted by Elia Reyna

****PRESIDENT'S LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AWARD****

Please join us at this month's JNA general meeting as President **Ted Guerra** awards the following individuals with a JNA Lifetime Membership Award in recognition of their years of faithful service to our neighborhood association.

Many thanks to **Judy Jackman**, **Elia Reyna** and **Stan Waghalter** for their many years of membership and service on the JNA board. Below you will find a few words from our distinguished honorees.

JUDY JACKMAN

I joined the Jefferson Neighborhood Association in 1987 just after we moved into our house on Cromwell. Over the last 26 years that I have been a member, JNA has gone through ups and downs in membership size and level of activity. When I joined, there were a number of families with small children and JNA, as part of the **Woodlawn Lake Playground Coalition**, helped build the original playground at the park in 1988. We held two softball tournaments and barbecue dinners at the park. Our first garage sale was in 1988 and the money raised paid for our first scholarship which enabled a **Jefferson HS** student to attend a human relations camp, **Anytown**, sponsored by the **National Conference of Christians and Jews**. It also funded landscaping for **Horace Mann MS**. Over the years the association has awarded many scholarships and done numerous projects which benefited the community. I served two terms as treasurer in the late 1980s and have served on the Board several times.

ELIA REYNA

I have been a JNA member for at least 25 years and have served as President, Vice President, Secretary and Board member. I presently serve as the JNA scholarship chairman. I accepted this position to keep the legacy of the scholarships for graduating high school students that my mother, **Evelia Reyna**, initiated in the 1980's. The scholarship program is the JNA's only major project. Mom served as scholarship chairman until her death in 2003. In her memory, JNA recognized her for her community work and named the scholarship "**The JNA/Evelia Reyna Scholarship**."

STAN WAGHALTER

Lynn & I joined the JNA in 1990 at the urging of the late **Eva Levinson**. **Jane Gaitan** was the President at that time.

When **Bob Ross** became president a couple of years later, he asked me to start doing the JNA's newsletter. I took over that responsibility from **Ed Gaitan**. Along the way, I was elected Secretary and Vice President and continued to do the newsletter. I became President of the JNA in 1995 (and still did the newsletter!) **Ed Gaitan** followed me as President. Others who have served as President since Lynn & I became members include:

Paul Konkle, Delia Guajardo, Richard Tankersley, Jacob Valenzuela, Ed Garza, Jesús De La Torre, Justin Rodriguez and Ted Guerra.

Maybe not in that order and sorry if I missed anyone.

Except for a short time, when Lynn was elected treasurer, I've held the treasury position for several years. Bob Ross incorporated the association and I followed with the paperwork to get the 501 (c) (3) designation.

Me, Myself and I

The alarm buzzes, you're running late, traffic is a slow moving parking lot, you forgot to turn off the iron... When was the last time you made time for yourself? What percentage of your day do you spend focusing on just you? The American Psychological Association promotes alone time as an important stress management tool. Alone time is an important way to protect ourselves mentally, to restore our vitality, think through problems and tap into our personal creativity. Taking the time to rejuvenate will help you to be better for not only yourself, but others as well. This becomes especially important when you are a caregiver for someone else. The following are 7 suggestions as to how you can form a better relationship with the very important-YOU!

Something as easy as turning off your cell phone, I pad, iPod or logging off the internet can make a real difference. Unplug and rewind with instant result.

Turn off the television and listen to some great music. Whether you choose Vivaldi or the Rolling Stones, music is pleasant to the ear and good for the soul.

Reflect in complete silence over a good meal, a glass of wine or whatever is pleasing to your palate.

Treat yourself well. Manicures, pedicures (for men also), an overdue haircut or shave, a massage can leave you feeling renewed and refreshed.

Make a date, with yourself or others. Attend a special event, stroll through a farmer's market, read a book on the patio. Be creative in planning this special time.

Experiment with Aromatherapy. Boil a few cinnamon sticks or other fragrant spices to warm your home and your senses. Purchase a fragrant body wash or shampoo to invigorate the senses in the shower or invest in a huge bouquet of fragrant flowers (you ARE worth it.)

Last, but not least, learn to say NO. We can't be everything to everyone. Prioritize your time and remember to leave time in your day for yourself.

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Sanantonio.gov/sapd

Under crime and call

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207-7060/7107

Councilman's office

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SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, September 21, 2013

Join the Office of Historic Preservation for the

5th Annual Historic Homeowner Fair

Pearl, Full Goods Studio & Breezeway and

the Center for Architecture

9:30 am to 3:00 pm

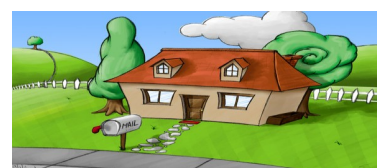
Free and open to the public, the fair provides a unique opportunity to interact and discuss issues related to caring for older homes.

Educational sessions and hands-on demonstrations cover numerous topics related to preserving San Antonio's unique architectural character.

Check out the **Exhibitor Hall** to find products, services, and information targeted to residents interested in improving their older homes.

Visit www.sanantonio.gov/historic to learn more. Questions? Email

OHP@sanantonio.gov or call 210-215-2974



TOP TEN GRANDPARENT NICKNAMES

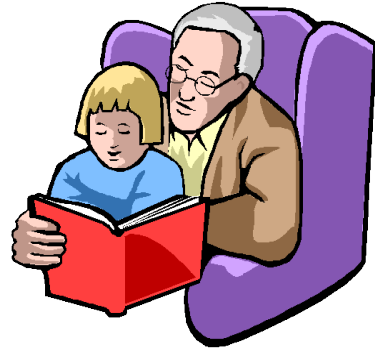
Popular grandmother names

Grandma
Nana
Grammy
Granny
Mimi
Gram
Nanny
Oma
Mamaw



Popular grandfather names

Grandpa
Papa
Granddad
Gramps
Pop-Pop
Poppy
Papaw
Pop
Opa



"ELEPHANTS AND GRANDCHILDREN NEVER FORGET."

-ANDY ROONEY

Looking for something different to give Grandpa and Grandma this year? Use your imagination to make a lasting impression on that special grandparent in your life. Here are a few "outside the box" ideas that might surprise you and the one you love:

- ◆ Mother of Millions plant-This plant is unique and grows layer upon layer. It is reminiscent of many generations that a grandparent enjoys in a lifetime. Accompany this gift with a very special home-made message.
- ◆ Have the grandkids make pictures drawn over their very own thumbprints. Think "thumbprint family." Frame it to guarantee an unforgettable memento.
- ◆ Dig up those old photos of grandma and grandpa in years past. Decorate with a fun caption and frame.
- ◆ A handmade coupon for a picnic in the park or trip to the zoo is another great idea.
- ◆ Creative grandchildren can handwrite a letter (don't correct their spelling or word usage) and add a special illustration. Frame this work of art to add that extra special touch.
- ◆ Allow children to decorate plain store-bought mugs with craft paints that will be sure to become the "favorite" new beverage container.
- ◆ Use those same craft paints to make "handprint" t-shirts for grandma and grandpa to show off on their next outing.



Jefferson Neighborhood Association

Founded 1982

How do you and the association benefit from coming together?

- *Strengthen Community *Volunteer Opportunities *Voice your concerns
- *Empower Neighborhood *Make new friends *Achieve neighborhood goals faster
- *Reduce and prevent crime *Help preserve the history of our neighborhood

Meetings are held monthly,
2nd Monday of the month
Grace Presbyterian Church

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Connect With Us:

www.jefferson-sa.com

www.facegroup/groups/jeffersonneighbors.com

Jefferson Neighborhood Association Membership Form

Name: _____ Birthday (mo/day) _____

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Address: _____

Zip: _____ Phone1: _____ Phone2: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Dues: \$10 Individuals and \$15 per household per year



It's that time of year folks, **BACK TO SCHOOL!**

Keeping that in mind, we want to remind you to drive safely and forewarn you by sharing the current general fines for some basic traffic violations:

Speeding Violations:

- Speeding for the first 10 miles **over the speed limit** is **\$166.00**. Each additional mile is \$5.
- Speeding in a **School Zone** for the first 10 miles over the speed limit is **\$206.00**. Each additional mile is \$5.
- Speeding in a **construction zone** for the first 10 miles over the speed limit is **\$235.00**. Each additional mile is \$10.
- Speeding in a **School Zone/Construction Zone** for the first 10 miles over the speed limit is **\$290.00**. Each additional mile is \$10.

Other Violations:

- **Passing** a stopped **school bus** is **\$642**
- Other **School Zone Violations** (Excluding Speeding) are **\$206**
- Operating a **vehicle** without **Valid Liability Insurance** is **\$277**
- **Seat Belt** Violations are **\$147.00**
- **Safety Seat** and **Child Seat Belt** violations are **\$221**

For more information, please visit the City of San Antonio Municipal Court website.



REAL ESTATE ROUND TABLE

Thursday, September 19, 2013, 6:00 PM

Jefferson United Methodist Church

758 Donaldson

Get your questions answered by trusted, local industry experts:

Mortgage Loans, Refinancing, Interest Rates and More

Mirta Hernandez, VP, Jefferson Bank

Property Insurance: The Fine Print

Robert Salcido, Liberty Mutual

Home Inspections: Deal Breakers and Easy Fixes

Mike Leahey, Pricise Home Inspections

Property Values, Market Conditions, Buying and Sales Tips

Cynthia Gomez, First Texan Realty

Call or text Cynthia Gomez at 210-254-0503 or visit <http://sellmyhomefortopdollar.eventbrite.com/>

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