The Jefferson Neighborhood Association News



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JNA Fall Social - Fun and Food for a Good Cause

What a fantastic JNA Fall Social turnout! We exceeded last year's fundraising goal! Thanks to all friends and neighbors of JNA for their generous donations and attendance. And thanks to the many volunteers who made this event such a great success! (more on page 4)















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Message from the President

Hi, my name is Marie Cooper. At our recent annual elections I was elected to the position of Vice President. Subsequent to the resignation of the prior JNA President on September 30, 2014, I am pleased to accept the position and responsibilities of JNA President for the remainder of the year. As we go forward I am excited about our upcoming meetings. First, on Monday, November 10, 2014, we will be electing a new Board Member and Vice President. Then, on the same evening, we will have our annual Turkey Bingo. The following month we will hold our Holiday Party, scheduled for Monday, December 8, 2014. The Holiday Party will start at 6:30 PM.

Some things have changed while many will remain the same. JNA's commitment to the community, its members, and all our neighbors remains as strong as ever. We want to continue to grow in individual and family memberships, and to help our business community by emphasizing the Business Membership component of JNA. We will support small new business such as the Farmers' Market which is coming to Jefferson Village Shopping Center. Through this support we will join with our neighbors in promoting revitalization to the area. If you drive by Jefferson Village any day of the week you will now notice an increase in activity that is exciting to see. This is what we want to continue in all areas of the neighborhood.

We will also continue to encourage the educational opportunities of neighborhood students by granting scholarships in our community. Hopefully we can grant larger amounts as JNA grows and fundraising opportunities increase. We will also try to donate to other charitable organizations. We want to give to those in need.

We will also continue to enhance the safety and quality of life of our neighborhood residents by working closely with our SAFFE Officers and staying connected with each other through Facebook. Facebook can help everyone stay informed in the area of safety. Although for some Facebook is still intimidating, we want to direct those interested in learning it to free Facebook classes available in the neighborhood.

We want to continue having a direct communication link with the leaders of the City of San Antonio and the various City Departments who serve our community directly, as well as our state and county leaders.

We look forward to, and encourage growth in JNA. Please help us tell our neighbors about the value of a strong community association, and the benefit of knowledge about the ways local government can help us. Education and information is a major goal of our JNA Meetings.

More active members make for a better community! Margaret Mead said a few civic-minded people can change the world. That may not be verbatum, but the message is the same. Let's continue to build our community and be proud of it! I look forward to seeing you at the November Meeting.

Marie Cooper

SUPPORT OUR BUSINESS MEMBERS!

We're proud that the following businesses have chosen to grow in partnership with the Jefferson Neighborhood Association. If you are a JNA member ask if they give a JNA discount!

- Horno Mision San Jose Bakery/Uptown Taco,
 1212 Fredericksburg Road
- Jefferson Thrift Store, 2002 Bandera Road
- Jorge Sanchez, Farmers Insurance, 210-732-1886
- Vee's Hair and Spa Salon, 1022 Donaldson
- Janice Wolf, Realtor, KW City View, 210-416-6100

We encourage all our members to frequent these businesses.

To join the JNA as a business member, or to inquire about advertising rates or any other questions please contact:

Mary Morales, veesalon@sbcglobal.net

Save the Dates!

Nov 2, Sun: **Monticello Historic Home Tour,** 11a-5p, *MonticelloParkNA.com*

Nov 4, Tue: **Election Day**, *VoteTexas.gov*

Nov 5, Wed: **SAISD College Night**, 6-8p, see page 6

Nov 7-8, Fri-Sat: Luminaria, 6p-12a, LuminariaSA.org

Nov 10, Mon: JNA Meeting and Turkey Bingo, 7p

Nov 15, Sat: Bihl Haus Gallery Talk, 2p, 210.383.9723

Nov 29, Sat: Christmas Tree Lighting, Milam Park

Nov 29-30, Sat-Sun: **Peace Market**, *EsperanzaCenter.org*

Dec 8, Mon: JNA Holiday Party, 6:30p

If your non-profit organization has an event date that would be of interest to JNA members please e-mail the details to Chuck Whitehead, *cdw.fifty@gmail.com* by the 15th of the prior month.



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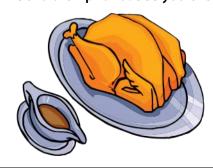
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Turkey Bingo!

The next JNA Meeting will be Monday, November 10, at 7 PM in Jackson Hall at Jefferson UM Church, Donaldson at Wilson. After elections for vice-president and an open board position we will have our annual Turkey Bingo benefitting the JNA Scholarship fund. See you there!



JNA Elections November 10th

With Mr. Pablo Ledesma deciding to leave his position as JNA president, vice-president, Ms. Marie Cooper, will step up to take the reins of the president. The JNA officers, board and membership thank Pablo and Mrs. Ledesma for their service and support. JNA membership will elect a new vice-president and a new board member at the November 10th meeting. If you would like to run or nominate a member for either position please contact board member Lynn Waghalter or Gill Moreno before then. (Their contact info is on page 3.) Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the meeting. It's not a lot of work and you'll feel good helping improve the neighborhood.



If you are new or visiting Jefferson United Methodist Church, we here would like to extend a warm welcome to join us this Sunday for worship or activities through out the week. Jefferson is a welcoming congregation to all newcomers and hope you enjoy your visit here. Below is some information that may be helpful upon your visit and you are always welcome to contact the church for any questions or concerns you may have. Hope to see you soon! Sunday Worship Service begins at 10:15 AM in Wheeler Chapel. www.jeffumcsa.org



The hardworking volunteers of the Jefferson Neighborhood Association held a second successful Fall Social Scholarship Fundraiser this year on Saturday, October 25, 2014.

The President, officers and board members want to thank everyone who attended the event. Through your support, we were able to surpass last year's total proceeds. This marks our most successful fundraiser to date. We want to offer special thanks for all the generous donations given beyond the ticket purchases, which were well above our expectations.

All this success couldn't have happened without the hard work of our board and volunteers. Innumerable hours were spent planning the event. Then you went the extra mile as usual, setting up the tables, bringing in the food, serving and cleaning up. Many thanks to our local restaurants, Chile, Tomate y Cellolla and Cake Café for their food and dessert donations.

Thanks to our newest JNA volunteers Gordon and Mary Merkel, and Henry Garcia who jumped in and helped setting up tables and chairs and loading and unloading food. Mary also donated time at the dessert booth. Gordon was particularly impressive toting about 200 lbs of sloshy, hot, cooked beans in a pot to the kitchen. If only we had a picture of this Iron Man in winning form!

A special thanks also to Mary Morales and Judy Jackman for donating the door prizes, which added to the fun time at the event, especially when husband and wife Joe and Martha Rivera each won a door prize. Also, very special thanks to vegan caterer Rebecca Lopez, the **Rebel Mariposa**, whose beautiful and tasty plates were a hit, even with nonvegetarians. For many this was the first time trying the surprisingly delicious condiment veganaise.

But it wasn't all hard work; it was a lot of fun seeing the fruits of our efforts come together and to build even greater community cohesiveness. We had a special treat in the Vera Cruz Musicians, **SonAnto Sonando**, playing their music in authentic Vera Cruz style.

Thanks to all of you who came and participated!

National Night Out a Big Success!

by Marie Cooper

Thanks, Monticello Park Neighborhood Association, for inviting the Jefferson Neighborhood Association to join in sharing National Night Out together. From all reports it was a great success: from homeowners, to political leaders, to kids, everyone had a lot of fun.

Night Out is a great idea that has become a great tradition, a terrific way for people to get to know their neighbors and enjoy the public spaces available in the neighborhood. This year it is estimated that over 150 people attended the event held at 444 Club Dr. People met, folks

new to the neighborhood got a chance to meet a lot of neighbors quickly, and neighbors became friends.

Everyone got to watch our political leaders/celebrities visiting the constituency, and candidates for office campaigning by casually talking with individuals. While both JNA and MPNA are non partisan organizations, both support an informed and active citizenry and embraced this chance for the neighborhood to see and speak with the candidates.

The children were entertained by the balloon bounce and having their faces painted by Samantha Guerra,

who did a fantastic job. We thank you for making the evening fun for the children.

We also want to thank **H-E-B** for



donating Kielbasa sausage and hot dogs, and having a team of employees serve and help. The employees were attentive and cheerful and seemed to enjoy what they were doing.

We want to say thanks for door prize donations from **Cavender Toyota** and **Grady's BBQ** obtained by Board Member **Gil Moreno** (and **Liliana**, his spouse and JNA Treasurer).

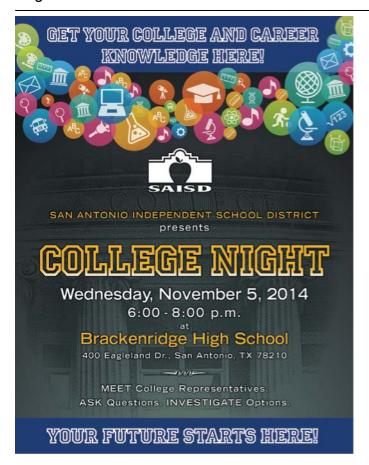
We want to thank **Mr. Ed Bozarth** for donating the bird houses which were beautiful!

We also want to thank everyone who brought a covered dish and everyone who attended National Night Out. Lets do it again next year!



Clockwise:
Rep Joaquin Castro makes a point
with a couple of constituents; kids
have a blast; Stan and Lynn
Waghalter; Sister Madeline, Elia
Reyna and Toni Cadena.







If you are a follower of the JNA on Facebook, why not take a moment to clip the form on the back of this newletter and join up with your neighbors in support of our association. It's an inexpensive way for you and your family to help keep our neighborhoods safe and informed.

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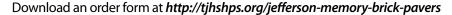
Help the Thomas Jefferson High School Preservation Society continue to carry out its mission to restore and preserve Jefferson by taking part in this effort, which will help fund the restoration the the Student Council Patio Fountain, a rich piece of our Jefferson heritage.

Purchase a custom, sandblasted message on one of the bricks that make up the base of the flagpole on the Jefferson front lawn. Your message becomes an actual part of Jefferson! In addition to creating a place for you to "immortalize" your message, your money will fund a major project of the Historical/Preservation Society, restoring the Student Council fountain in the school patio. The bricks cost \$75 each.

The bricks will replace the plain red bricks that are at the base of the flagpole now and extend further out from the pole in three "entry paths" that lead up to the center where the flagpole stands.

The photograph to the right shows what the flagpole area looks like now. You can imagine the bricks shown being replaced with these "engraved" pavers that will be seen by student for years to come. And what a place to visit when you can make it up to the school. Your own little piece of Jefferson for you to enjoy always.

Purchasing and placing these bricks are a chance for any Jeffite to honor or memorialize the special people in our lives at Jeff.





Flagpole showing brick base as it is now









We will be at Jefferson Village Shopping Center on Saturday, November 22, from 9 AM to 1 PM.

How many times have you wanted to go to a Farmer's market only to miss the short window of time they are actually open? Even worse, what if the one good farmer's market in town is 30 miles away and only open for 3 hours a week? Truckin' Tomato aims to solve both of those problems by taking the farmer's market directly to the customers.

We do this by selling locally grown produce, food products, and merchandise on a 30 ft. trailer transformed into a mobile market that is parked on the campuses of businesses, large parks, apartment complexes and special events of San Antonio and the surrounding area.

Truckin'Tomato isn't just an innovative concept to make locally grown produce more accessible in San Antonio. It's also a social enterprise model, driving revenue to non profits dedicated to fighting hunger and poverty. For our first trailer, we have partnered with the Christian Hope Resource Center (CHRC), who provides food and other social services to 2,500 households every month!

We like to say that when you shop at Truckin' Tomato you will eat well and do good at the same time. In addition to raising money for our non-profit partners, we hope to raise awareness about the great work they are doing so they can grow their support base.

Support your JNA: 2014-15 dues are now due!

Dues are accepted year round. We prefer to get them in September each year, but if you join later, that's ok too. Your dues help support our scholarship program and help pay for the newsletter published each month. Memberships expire at the end of August each year.

Jefferson Neighborhood Association Membership Form	
Name	Disth day (see a (day))
Address Phone Dues: \$10 per year for an individual \$15 per year for families \$25 per year for business FY 2014-15 Calendar year is September For business memberships	E-mail I would like to receive updates and news through my e-mail address I would like to volunteer Unique skills I have to offer Cut out and mail form to: to August see page 3 JNA, PO Box 28552, SA TX 78228

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