The Jefferson Neighborhood Association News

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Preserving the Integrity of the Jefferson Area Since 1982

WHAT IS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT?

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August (Texas celebrates on the first Tuesday in October). Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and various other community events with safety demonstrations, seminars, youth events, visits from emergency personnel, exhibits and much, much more.

The Jefferson and Monticello Neighborhood Associations will celebrate National Night Out with a potluck supper on Tuesday, October 3, at the Gazebo on Club Drive behind Jefferson High School at 6 PM.

Fun had by all at last year's National Night Out!

Join us for National Night Out on Tuesday, October 3, and our next meeting on Monday, November 13, at 7 PM, at the Jefferson United Methodist Church, Donaldson at Wilson.

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La Sonya Madison: 210-740-4968

Animal Control Issues: 311

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210-207-5430

VIA Metro Center: 210-362-2020
SA Water System: 210-704-SAWS
CPS Energy: 210-353-2222

Message from Stan

Hi JNA members:

I'm **Stanley Waghalter**, one of your co-presidents for FY 2017-2018.

If you attended our September meeting, you were told why we have co-presidents this fiscal year. There's no need to explain it any further than to say it was needed to keep the JNA programs moving forward.

I'm hoping many more members will step up to the plate and help keep our group one of the most recognized neighborhood associations in San Antonio. Member's involvement keeps a group like ours in the limelight.

This fiscal year holds a lot of promise. Along with your present group officers and our new city council member, a lot of progressive programs should be forthcoming.

We'll still have our scholarship program and the annual Christmas/Holiday party, but some of the past fundraising programs will be retired.

I'm looking forward to working with **Elia Reyna**, your other co-president. Both of us have served as president of the JNA at various times, so we have a lot of experience working with neighborhood issues. In addition to Elia and myself, **Marie Cooper** will serve as a liaison between the JNA and the city. She has built a bond with many city officials which will help with promoting JNA programs.

Also, you can come to our meetings hungry. We're going to continue the tradition of having sandwiches, chips, drinks and desserts on hand at our meetings.

One other note. If you have ANY suggestions for the JNA to be involved with or what you would like to see at our meetings, don't hesitate to contact us.

The contact list can be found on our website: *www.jefferson-sa.com*. We also have a presence on *Neighborhoodlink.com*.

Hope to see you at **National Night Out** activities on Tuesday, October 3, at the Gazebo on Club Drive behind Thomas Jefferson High School. Activities start at 6 PM.

There won't be an October JNA meeting because of National Night Out, so be sure to come out on the third.

Moving forward,
Stanley Waghalter, co-president
Jefferson Neighborhood Association, Inc.

JNA Co-President, Elia Reyna, presents outgoing President, Marie Cooper, with a certificate honoring her many years of service to the Neighborhood Association. Ms. Cooper will continue to serve the JNA as city liaison. Thanks Marie!

Save the Dates!

Historic Homeowners' Fair: Sat, Sep 30, 10:30 AM-3 PM, Pearl Stable

OCTOBER

National Night Out: Tue, Oct 3, 6:00 PM, Gazebo on Club Drive behind Jefferson HS

Archaeology at the Alamo: Tue, Oct 10, 10:30-11 AM, Alamo Hall at the Alamo

Little Shop of Horrors: Oct 13-Nov 5, weekends, Woodlawn Theatre, *woodlawntheatre.org*

Golden Decade Exhibit: Oct 20-Nov 25, Bihl Haus Arts, *bihlhausarts.org*

Saltarelli String Orchestra Concert: Mon, Oct 23, 7:30 PM, 1st Mexican Baptist Church, 210 Meredith, free

Early Voting (Constitutional Amendments): Mon, Oct 23 - Fri, Nov 3

Halloween: Tue, Oct 31

NOVEMBER

A Doll's House: Nov 3-26, weekends, Classic Theatre, *classictheatre.org*

Diwali San Antonio: Sat, Nov 4, 5-11 PM, La Villita, *diwalisa.com,* free

Daylight Savings Time Ends: Sun, Nov 5, 2 AM

ELECTION DAY (Constitutional Amendments): Tue, Nov 7

Luminaria: Fri, Nov 10, 7 PM-midnight, Hemisfair, *luminariasa.org,* free

JNA Meeting: Mon, Nov 13, 7:00 pm, Jefferson United Methodist Church

Thanksgiving Day: Thu, Nov 23

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang: Nov24-Dec 23, weekends,Woodlawn Theatre, *woodlawntheatre.org*

Saltarelli String Orchestra Concert: Mon, Nov 27, 7:30 PM, 1st Mexican Baptist Church, 210 Meredith, free

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From the Councilwoman

Dear Neighbors,

This morning, my City Council colleagues and I approved the City's budget for 2017-2018. I am proud to have supported a plan that begins to address the lack of public investment in some of San Antonio's older neighborhoods. I am also thankful that we were able to secure an additional $2 million for drainage projects in District 7.

I believe this plan incorporates your priorities – the ones you told us about in public forums, emails and phone calls to the District 7 offices, and numerous one-on-one conversations.

Next year's budget isn't perfect – no investment plan of its size ever will be – but I believe it will improve our quality of life and make our communities safer. It provides funding to hire 42 new police officers, including four park police officers, and 43 new firefighters. The budget also maintains our strong commitment to improving streets, sidewalks, and other basic infrastructure in every Council District.

The repairs to some of the most deteriorated streets and sidewalks in Council Districts 1, 2, 3, 5, and 10 will be in addition to our regular maintenance spending. In other words, fairer, more equitable budgeting doesn't mean some districts will lose out on infrastructure funding.

In adopting the budget, we also voted to keep the City's property tax rate at its current level. As you may know, there was a call to trim the tax rate. But after a great deal of reflection, I couldn't support the proposal. The tax relief for homeowners would have been minimal while the overall hit to our ability to repair and maintain our infrastructure would have been significant.

Our new fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

Thank you for your guidance during this budget season.

Yours in public service,
Anna Sandoval

The San Antonio Food Bank is actively providing emergency support for individuals impacted by Hurricane Harvey. Call the Food Bank helpline at 210-337-FOOD for immediate help.

FOOD FOR TODAY
Individuals in our region who need food, clothing, non-food items, and more should contact the Food Bank support team immediately at 210-337-3663.

* Additionally if you know of an impacted community that is not receiving support or is in crisis, the Food Bank team is ready to respond and coordinate services.

FOOD FOR TOMORROW
Individuals needing help with SNAP (food stamps) or other public benefit programs can get enrollment support by calling 210-337-3663.

FOOD FOR A LIFETIME
And should our evacuee guests end up in our city for an extended amount of time, the Food Bank team will also help them find work or train for work. 210-337-3663.

The Food Bank is still accepting donations of food, volunteers, and monetary support for its long-term support of Hurricane Harvey relief:

MONETARY DONATION
Donate online at www.safoodbank.org/donate.

VOLUNTEER
Opportunities can be found at www.safoodbank.org/volunteer.

FOOD DONATION
Register a food drive at www.safoodbank.org/ways-to-help/give-food.

Updated information on our needs and effort to respond can always be found at www.safoodbank.org/

Thank you for your support.

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SUPPORT OUR BUSINESS MEMBERS IN 2017!

We're proud that the following businesses have chosen to grow in partnership with the Jefferson Neighborhood Association. We encourage all 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*

JNA Business Member Spotlight

By Mary Morales

"Strong neighbors build strong communities, forging and building relationships that become the enduring mortar that unites."

Chile, Tomate y Cebolla
Mejican Restaurant
1009 Donaldson Ave. (210) 736-0223

Arnulfo and Miriam Zamora, owners of the restaurant '**Chile Tomate y Cebolla**', at 1009 Donaldson Ave in Jefferson Village, are such neighbors.

They fell in love when they worked at another restaurant together, and soon their entrepreneur spirits united, forming business and family simultaneously. On April 16, 2001, they opened what has now become a cornerstone business in the Jefferson/Monticello community. Sixteen years later, their hard work and dedication has resulted in their 3rd consecutive "Critics Choice" award winning "Best Tortilla Soup" in town recognition!

As a testament to community, neighbor and long time resident, **Don Dvorak**, befriended the young couple and volunteered several years and many hours to the restaurant. Those of us that have been customers since the beginning of the restaurant, remember Don's tireless service and welcoming face.

As Miriam was expecting their first child and managed their restaurant, Arnulfo worked 5:30pm to 1:30am at his other job, and at Chile Tomate y Cebolla he worked from 5:30 AM till closing. That schedule went on for about 2 years. Looking back on those days, they wonder how they kept up that difficult schedule, but keeping their eye on their goal fueled their spirits.

Miriam told me she "loves all her customers, and the neighborhood is awesome and unique!" They have formed many bonds with customers and love the caring sense of community. She and 'Arny', as the regulars have come to call Arnulfo, would like to thank their customers for many years of loyalty, and hope to make new and lasting friendships in the years to come

CoSA Development Services - Business Owners Overview

With the thriving biomedical research industry, various military installations and a growing intelligence sector, San Antonio is the ideal place for business owners to not only start a business, but also expand existing ones. Whether you want to lease a space in a new commercial center, construct your own commercial building or renovate an existing one, we can provide insight on both the commercial construction and the certificate of occupancy requirements necessary to open your business in San Antonio. As an added resource for this process, we have designed a **Small Business Building Permits Guide** that you can access.

To launch your project you should become familiar with the City's process which will guide you on starting your business. Since there are often many questions about a proposed project, we encourage you review the following sections that address some key aspects:

- Site Information - Zoning
- Applying for a Building Permit
- Building or Renovating
- Certificate of Occupancy
- Scheduling Inspections
- Professional Resources
- TABC Requirements

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The Jefferson Neighborhood Association thanks the Jefferson United Methodist Church for the use of Jackson Hall for our meetings! For more info: *jeffersonumcsa.com*

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Chile, Tomate y Cebolla
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On-site Box Office opens 1 hour before each show

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Garden Notes

by Marie Cooper

Happy Gardening!

I recently read an article which led me to believe what all gardeners want: a simple solution for the heartbreaking problem of oak wilt. Unfortunately, after doing some research, I am not convinced that the proposed, simple fix – cornmeal – has a direct correlation to the cure of oak wilt. I was at first excited to read that Texas A&M had vetted and agreed that the article was accurate, but I have since found that the article is questionable. One thing that gave pause was that, at the end of the article, the author was selling corn meal and other resources. Other specialists agree that cornmeal might work, but it would take truckloads of it along with trenching several feet around the yard.

Thus, I sadly remain skeptical about cornmeal as a cure, but I have learned some things

regarding maintaining healthy trees.

When trees become infested with insects, parasites and disease they are usually in a state of distress. "Most sick trees get too much water, not enough water, too much fertilizer, the wrong kind of fertilizer, toxic chemical pesticides, soil compaction grade changes, or are an ill-adapted plant variety." According to the *Sick Tree Treatment Newsletter* and their natural organic tree health plan is simple:

Keep the trees in a stress free environment. The reasons some trees are not affected by oak wilt are:

1. They have properly exposed root flares. Root flares are the large roots at the base of the tree.

2. They have not been treated with synthetic fertilizers and herbicides under the tree.

3. They have been exposed to a healthy environment with proper watering.

The following is from Mark Peterson, Urban Forester for Texas Forest Service who gives this information and guidelines:

"I have seen trees that are 30 feet high have three-fourths of their entire root system removed and recover after 10 years. I have seen 15 feet of fill rock piled around three-fourths of a tree and the tree's canopy did not ever thin. The key to both of these tree survivors was that the one-fourth of the root system that was not covered or removed was nourished from watering and fertilizing newly established lawns and ornamentals.

1. Limit fill over the entire root system. Depending on soil consistency, the fill layer can be 3 to 6 inches, e.g., clay loam no more than 3 inches and sand/sandy loam no more than 6 inches.

2. Never add fill within 30 inches of trunk, preferably 40+ inches.

3. Never water anytime within 30 inches of the trunk.

4. Never create a flowerbed around the trunk. OK, this one is controversial (even though I've never seen a flower bed around a tree in the woods). If you must have one, use plants that do not require daily watering and do not ever water the trunk.

5. If you have excess fill, excavate immediately down to the original grade and create a tree well. Ensure that water does not flow into the well.

6. Always follow basic arboricultural practices: Fertilize in the fall; prune every 5 years; water only when necessary; aerate soil as often as possible.

On a happier note, fall is the best time to plant trees, shrubs and perennials. If you are planting from pots, plant them deeper than they are in the pot. During this time, when it becomes cool these plants are no longer in a state of distress and do well being transplanted.

Fall planting is a time to get ready for Halloween and Thanksgiving, and Chrysanthemums, along with Purple Fountain plants, and a few ornamental pumpkins are all that's needed to liven up the yard. I hope to see these colorful delights during the next few months. By the way, isn't our neighborhood looking much better?

I want to take this time to acknowledge and thank the residents for their patience, who have been subjected to all the inconveniences associated with the Seeling Channel project. Hopefully, this project will be completed in the near future and you can enjoy your yards again.

They're Called Your Golden Years *for a Reason*

Ask me about the benefits of downsizing your home.

Free up some money to enjoy yourself - take a cruise or that trip to Las Vegas!

You earned it!

THE UPSIDE OF DOWNSIZING

- Travel more, mow less grass! Less house means less to maintain, lower utility bills, lower taxes and lower cost of living.
- Less square footage equals less to clean, dust, organize and maintain.
- In 2017, the median home price for a single-family home in San Antonio was $202,500 according to the San Antonio Board of Realtors.
- Do you air condition only part of your house in the hot Texas summers? Eliminate empty room syndrome! How many rooms do you actually use in your home?
- San Antonio now offers gated communities for people over 55 which include amenities and planned activities and events.
- I live and work right here in your neighborhood! Take advantage of my knowledge of our area, my superior negotiating skills and my sincere concern for your best interest.

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If your property is listed with a real estate broker, please disregard. It is not our intention to solicit the offerings of other real estate brokers.

Annual Turkey Bingo on November 13th

The annual JNA Thanksgiving Turkey Bingo will take place at the JNA meeting on Monday, November 13th, at 7 PM, at the Jefferson United Methodist Church, Donaldson at Wilson. Proceeds of this fundraiser are used to fund the JNA Evelia Reyna Scholarship program. After a short business meeting we will start playing. Cards will be $6 each. Not only will you have a chance to put a turkey on your Thanksgiving table, but more importantly, you will be helping deserving students right here in our neighborhood go on to college and achieve their dreams!

WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY TOOLSHED?

The community tool shed contains a collection of hand and gas power tools that can be used at no cost by residents, businesses, and community groups of San Antonio to clean and improve their properties.

Tools that are available to loan through our Community Tool Shed program include the following:

- Lawnmowers
- Loppers
- Shovels
- Weed Eaters
- Leaf Blowers
- Rakes
- Tree Pruners
- Wheelbarrows

A completed Application and Release Form are required to use the tools. Residents may borrow the tools free of charge with advance notice, completed forms, and proper identification. Tools are checked out on Friday mornings and returned on Monday mornings.

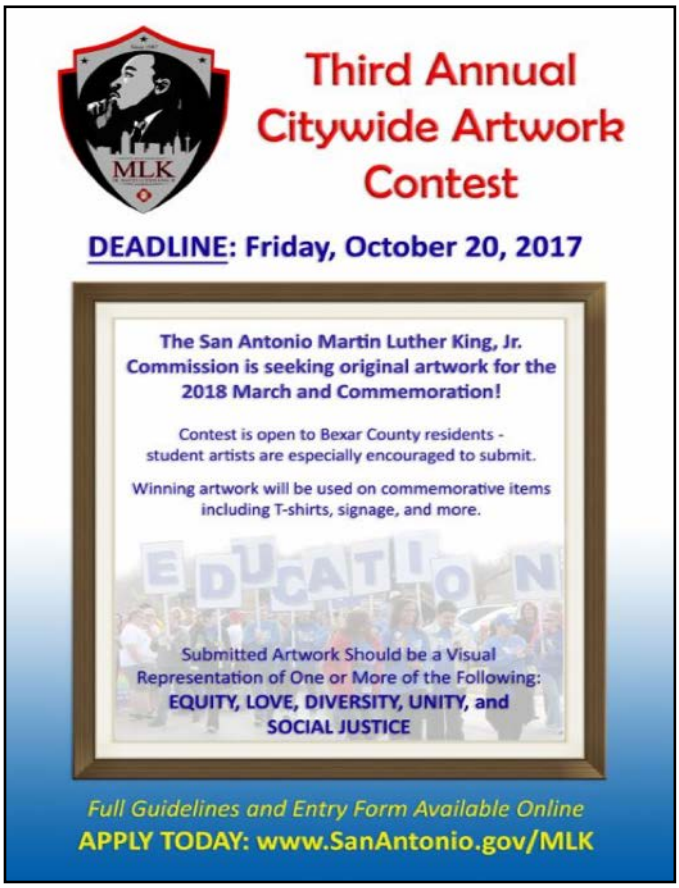
If you are interested in borrowing tools, contact the Community Tool Shed at 210.416-5963 or email *sanantonio.gov/CES/About/Contact-Us/sendto/CES-ToolshedTeam.*

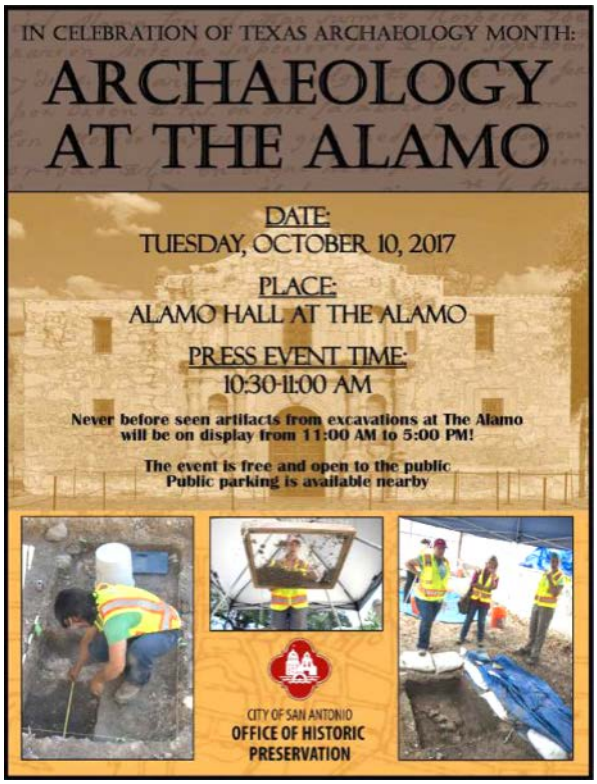
If your non-profit organization has an event that might be of interest to JNA members please e-mail the details to Chuck Whitehead, *cdw.fifty@gmail.com*

Ad rates per run: 2"x3.5" ….. $30
3.5"x3.5" ... $40
3.5"x7" ….. $50

Ads accepted on a space available basis.

JNA Members Toni Cadena, Elia Reyna and Dr. Andy Tokoly (not pictured) at the San Antonio Food Bank with donated items for Hurricane Harley victems.



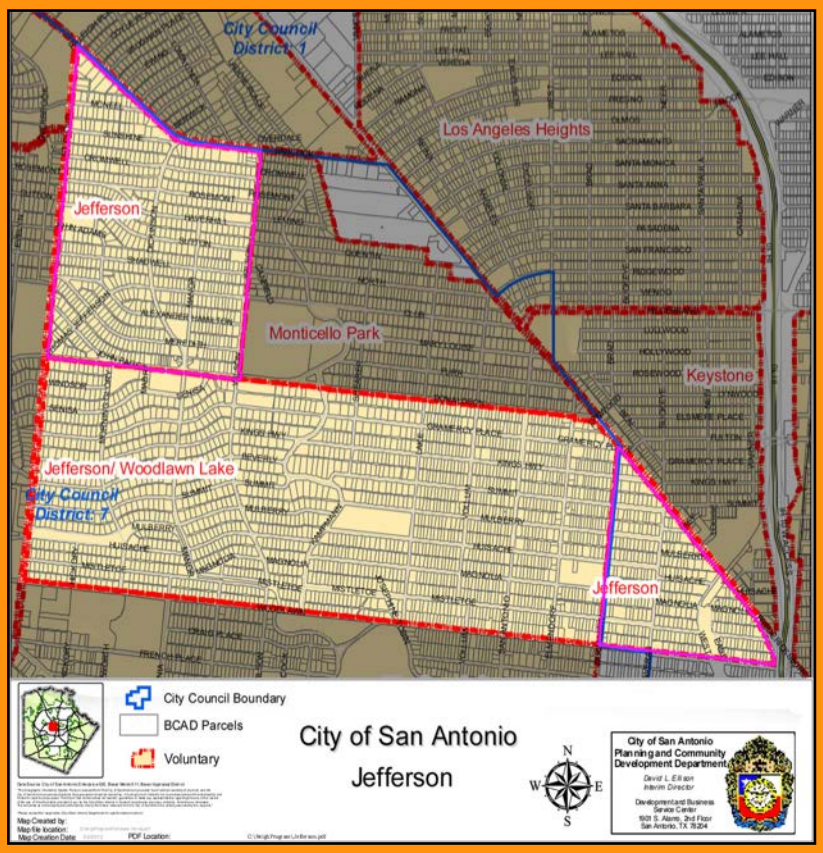


CONGRATULATIONS to the new 2017-18 officers and board members elected at the August 14 meeting:

Co-President: Stanley Waghalter
Co-President: Elia Reyna
Vice president: Andres Lopez
Secretary: Vicki Wright
Treasurer: Liliana Mireles Moreno
Board: Toni Cadena
Board: Dale Jennsen
Board: Lynn Waghalter

The future of our organization depends on dedicated volunteers like these!

Jefferson Neighborhood Association Boundaries



Jefferson Neighborhood Conservation District Boundaries

Download a copy of the **Jefferson Neighborhood Conservation District** document at: *sanantonio.gov/Portals/0/Files/Planning/NPUD/NCD7_Jefferson.pdf*
Download a copy of the **Near Northwest Community Plan** at: *sanantonio.gov/Portals/0/Files/Planning/NPUD/NearNorthwestCP_2002.pdf*

Time to Renew Your Membership!

Dues are accepted year round. They support our scholarship program and help pay for our monthly newsletter. Memberships expire at the end of August each year.

Jefferson Neighborhood Association Membership Form

Name_____ Birthday (mo/day) _____

Name_____ Birthday (mo/day)_____

Address_____

Zip_____ Phone_____ E-mail_____

Dues:

- ☐ $10 per year for an individual
- ☐ $15 per year for families
- ☐ $25 per year for business

FY 2017-18 Calendar year is September to August
For business memberships see page 3

- ☐ 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:
JNA, PO Box 28552, SA TX 78228

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