# The Jefferson Neighborhood Association News

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Preserving the Integrity of the Jefferson Area Since 1982

### Candidate Forum

Mayor of San Antonio City Council District 7

Tuesday, April 9, 2019, 6:00 - 8:30 PM

## Jefferson United Methodist Church 758 Donaldson Ave at Wilson

Join us for a Community Candidate Forum to hear the candidates talk about the future of our community and their priorities.

The Candidates will be asked questions from the audience.

Candidates running for Mayor and Dist 7 have been invited.

### Moderated by The League of Women Voters

Hosted by:

Jefferson Neighborhood Association
Monticello Park Neighborhood Association
Woodlawn Lake Community Association







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### **No General Meeting in April**

There will be no Monday general JNA meeting in April. Instead, the Candidate Forum will take place the next day, on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, from 6:00 to 8:30 PM. The location is the Jefferson United Methodist Church, Jackson Hall, Wilson Ave at Donaldson Ave.

All candidates for Mayor and City Council District 7 have been invited. Questions will be taken from the audience as time allows. The forum will be moderated by representatives from the League of Women Voters, and is hosted by the Jefferson Neighborhood Association, the Monticello Park Neighborhood Association, and the Woodlawn Lake Community Association.

Join us to hear the candidates talk about their visions for the future of San Antonio and their priorities for the city and our District 7.

Join us for the Candidate Forum Tuesday, Apr 9, at 6 PM and the Next JNA Meeting, May 13, at 7 PM, at the Jefferson United Methodist Church, Donaldson at Wilson.



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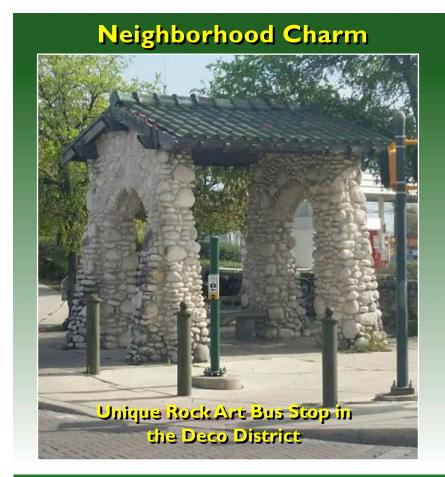
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Business members get 10% off. Ads accepted on a space available basis.



### Save the Dates!

### **APRIL**

Lasso Alumni Assc Pre-Fiesta Event: Wed, Apr 3, 5:30-8:00 PM, Los Barrios on Blanco

Last Day to Register to Vote: Thursday, Apr 4

**SA Book Festival:** Sat, Apr 6, 9 AM-5 PM, Central Library, 600 Soledad

Candidate Forum: Tuesday, Apr 9, 6:00 PM, Jefferson United Methodist Church

(no Monday meeting in April)

In the Heights: Weekends, Apr 12- May 5, Woodlawn Theatre, woodlawntheatre.org

Earth Day: Sat, Apr, 13, 10 AM-3PM, Woodlawn Lake Park Fiesta San Antonio 2019: Thursday, April 18 - Sunday, April 28

Saltarelli String Orchestra Concert: Mon, Apr 22, 7:30 PM, 1st Mexican Baptist

Church, 210 Meredith, free.

Early Voting Period: Monday, April 22 - Tuesday, April 30

#### MAY

**The Little Foxes:** Weekends, May 3-26, Classic Theatre, *classictheatre.org* 

**Election Day:** Sat, May 4

Jeff UMC Flea Market: Sat, May 4, 8 AM-3 PM, Jefferson U Methodist, 210-367-1525

Mother's Day: Sunday, May 12

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

**Tejano Conjunto Festival:** Wed, May 15-Sun, May 19, Guadalupe Theater and Rosdale

Park, quadalupeculturalarts.org/tcf-schedule/

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

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### **Animal Care Services Shelter Seeks Supply Donations**

from the District 7 Newsletter

Spring has sprung and flowers aren't the only thing growing this season! As winter comes to an end, the weather becomes warmer and many female animals come into heat. During the following months, we can expect an overwhelming amount of kitten and puppy litters coming into the shelter, so we need the community's help.

A list of needed supplies can be found at our Amazon donation link at <a href="https://amzn.to/2UH2XXz">https://amzn.to/2UH2XXz</a> and foster parents are needed to assist with litters in that lifesaving program. During San Antonio's litter season many residents report finding seemingly abandoned kittens or puppies. Animal Care Services has created a special educational video that details what should be done when this occurs and it can be found on the shelters website at <a href="mailto:SAACS.net">SAACS.net</a>. Additionally, free and low cost spay and neuter information can also be found on the website and residents are urged to sterilize their pets as this is the only 100% means of combating unintended litters.



## SAISD plan Underway for Future-Ready High-Speed Fiber Network SAISD News Release

As a result of a nearly \$7 million grant from the Federal Communications Committee (FCC), San Antonio ISD is moving forward to build its own District Wide Area Network (WAN) to provide lightning-fast network and internet speeds to all SAISD campuses and administrative offices.

"As we prepare our schools to be future-ready, we look at the possible devices and tools that could be used in our learning environment, and everything connects to the internet," said Evangelina Mendoza, manager of Technology Acquisitions and Project Management at SAISD.

"With Bond 2016 we even see smart lighting and HVAC systems that connect to the network. It's all taking up bandwidth so as we put more and more things online and on the network, we need more bandwidth. In order to keep up with that need, this dark fiber network puts us in a good place for the next 10, 15, 20 years."

In addition to the FCC funding, the District was approved for state matching funds for the special construction portion of the project. This means that 95 percent of the construction cost will be paid by E-rate and the state of Texas will pick up the remaining 5 percent.

The term 'dark fiber' originated when telecommunication companies buried more fiber lines than there was a market for at installation because the construction required is costly. The excess fiber would lay unused, and then would be leased to individuals or companies who wanted to establish connections among their locations.

In SAISD's case, the dark fiber network is the foundation of a new fiber network, which the District will be first to use. It is a custom fiber network with unlimited capacity and is called dark fiber because the majority of the cable being placed will not be used at the inception of the process – it is simply not needed for the amount of data currently being carried on the network.

"It is what we call scalable," said Etienne Tousignant, E-rate technical project manager at SAISD. "For instance, in the next 10 years, if we see a sudden increase in the population of our students or an increase in the number of facilities or more likely, the tools we're



## WaterSaver Coupons Have Sprung! from SAWS Water News

Got big ideas but a small budget? <u>SAWS WaterSaver</u> <u>Coupons</u> are here to help you create the beautiful, water-saving landscape you've always wanted — and save a ton of money doing it!

Through May 31, SAWS residential customers can apply for up to four \$100 WaterSaver coupons to replace part of your thirsty lawn with lush, drought-tolerant garden beds and/or porous patios. That's a whopping \$400 in savings!

From salvias and esperanza to plumbago and Pride of Barbados, these radiant, water-efficient plants will brighten up your landscape and save water year-round.

You must remove at least 200 square feet of grass per coupon. You'll also need to cap any irrigation heads in the area where you will install beds or patios. If you have an automatic irrigation system, contact us to schedule a free irrigation consultation at consult@saws.org or 210-704-SAVE (7283).

Learn more and apply online at GardenStyleSA.com/coupons.

## Weeds Gone Wild? Nix 'em Naturally! from SAWS Water News

Weeds are a part of life when you garden. Fortunately, there's a simple and natural recipe to help you win the war on weeds — and give your back a break. You only need three ingredients: 20-percent white vinegar, orange oil and dish soap. (You can find these at many garden and home centers.)

From a 1-gallon jug of vinegar, pour out and discard about 1/4 cup. Then, add to the jug two tablespoons of soap and four tablespoons of orange oil. Replace the cap and gently shake for a few seconds.

Pour some into a spray bottle and spray liberally onto all parts of the weeds you intend to kill. It helps to spray during the hottest part of a sunny day. You may need to repeat the application after two days if rainfall or new shoots occur.

Store the vinegar mixture in a cool, dark place, but not in the spray bottle — the vinegar may degrade the trigger mechanism.

This mixture works well on weed and grass seedlings as well as broadleaf weeds.

### **JNA Business Member Spotlight**



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

## BIG TEX ELECTRIC COMPANY 210-784-9777 • 316 Meredith Dr, 78228

A big part of living in a older more established community is the ever necessary and sometimes emergency problem of home maintenance. We love the fact that our homes are not cookie cutter production homes, unique to the period of when they were built. However, the years pass and we sometimes find that a little remodel or update is required.

As a community we rely on word of mouth recommendations, this is always the best way to find a repair service provider whos work we can trust. Well, you might consider **BIG TEX Electric Company**, 316 Meredith Dr, 210-784-9777. With owner **Thomas Morales** at the helm, BIG TEX is our neighborhood resident electrician!

With more than 30 years experience, Thomas was literally born into the electrical business; his father Jesse started a family electrical business that has been responsible for a number of family members following suit.

The fact that Thomas lives in the neighborhood is no coincidence, for he was born and raised in the Jefferson Community, and attended the neighborhood schools. As a Jefferson homeowner, he understands all too well our electrical needs and can honestly and efficiently take care of your residential electrical issues. He offers free estimates and careful attention to your electrical needs. Call him today. Tell him Mary sent you!



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using require a much higher bandwidth, we now have the ability with this network to increase our needs."

Nearly 80 miles of fiber will connect every single SAISD campus to the District's WAN.

"Not only is the system private," said Etienne. "But the dark fiber network gives us greater control of our technology environment with the ability to make changes and resolve outages much faster to provide superior services."

The dark fiber network will work in conjunction with the wireless infrastructure on individual campuses as the District continues to update systems and technologies over the next three years.

"Dark fiber is a big piece to the puzzle," said Tousignant. "Putting devices like iPads and computers in the hands of students is one piece. The second piece is the concealed network infrastructure on campuses. And then you have the network connectivity of dark fiber. All of these pieces work together to provide a connected campus on the SAISD WAN."

The FCC's E-rate program makes telecommunica-

tions and information services more affordable for schools and libraries. According to the FCC website, with funding from the Universal Service Fund, E-rate provides discounts for telecommunications, internet access and internal connections to eligible schools and libraries. The ongoing spread of innovative digital learning technologies and the need to improve students' and teachers' digital set skills have led to a steady rise in demand for bandwidth across schools nationwide.

"We are expecting that this acquisition will provide some tremendous instructional and business opportunities and benefits," said Tousignant. "To put this into perspective, imagine that the district's network traffic is now traveling down a two-lane highway. With this implementation, we will now have a 100-lane highway to support our instructional and business needs at a greatly reduced cost."

Installation of the network is on schedule to begin this fall, and the build-out should take 12-18 months with the new network ready for service in the summer of 2020. Surveying is taking place now.

### **SUPPORT OUR BUSINESS MEMBERS IN 2018-19!**

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

## BIG TEX ELECTRIC COMPANY

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For more info: jeffersonumcsa.com

#### It's that time again....

Time to clean out the closets and garages! Our annual Spring Flea Market will take place from 8am-3pm on Saturday May 4th. 10x10 spaces without table are available for \$20 and 10x10 spaces with a table are \$25. Bring your appetite because we will also have burgers and snacks available for purchase. To reserve your space please call or text Olivia Walker at 210-367-1525.

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## Jefferson High School Commended as National Model of the AVID College Readiness System SAISD News Release

Following a recent visit by a national college-readiness organization, San Antonio ISD's Jefferson High School has been renewed as an AVID National Demonstration Site. The designation is bestowed upon schools deemed highly successful in implementing the AVID college readiness system.

Jefferson is among approximately 170 other schools in the country to hold the designation, which is only about 3 percent of the 5,600 schools in which AVID is implemented.

AVID, or Advancement Via Individual Determination, is designed to increase the number of students who enroll in and graduate from four-year colleges and universities. The AVID college readiness system accelerates student learning, uses research-based methods of effective instruction, provides meaningful and motivational professional learning, and acts as a catalyst for systemic reform and change. The system is credited with helping to turn students into confident, college-going scholars and graduates.

"This is a great honor for our school district," said Liz Ozuna, director of Advanced Academics. "The use of AVID strategies schoolwide has positively impacted students and staff, and we continue to see a more engaged and college-ready student body."

AVID is offered as an elective course during the school day at all participating schools. However, at National Demonstration Schools, the system is implemented beyond the elective class and incorporated schoolwide. An AVID site team at Jefferson High School comprised of teachers, counselors and academic administrators receives intensive training in implementing the college readiness system.

Students learn organizational and study skills; they work on critical thinking and asking probing questions and they receive academic help from peers and college tutors. The students also participate in enrichment and motivational activities that make college at-

### **Dues Overdue?**

JNA dues are due in September each year and become delinquent in January. The JNA fiscal year runs from September to August when new officers are elected. If you haven't paid the very reasonable dues yet please consider doing so to help keep the JNA going strong.

tainable.

SAISD has a total of three National Demonstration Schools in its District. In addition to Jefferson High School, the two other schools are Longfellow and Whittier middle schools. Jefferson and Longfellow have been designated as AVID National Demonstration Sites since 2012. Whittier received its designation the following year in 2013.

As National Demonstration Schools, these three campuses serve as exemplary models that other schools interested in implementing AVID can visit to observe the very best of the system's proven methodologies and strategies.

Two of the campuses also provide an International Baccalaureate (IB) framework. Jefferson was designated as an IB World School earlier this year, and Longfellow is an IB-candidate school.



WhiteApple is a 501c3 nonprofit that promotes the development of early literacy skills and fosters the love of reading. Its purpose is to provide children access to books and services within the greater San Antonio area.

Early Literacy Presentation on Sunday. May 26th, 2 PM at the United Methodist Church.

For more info contact (210) 239-3491 or email info@whiteapplelibrary.org

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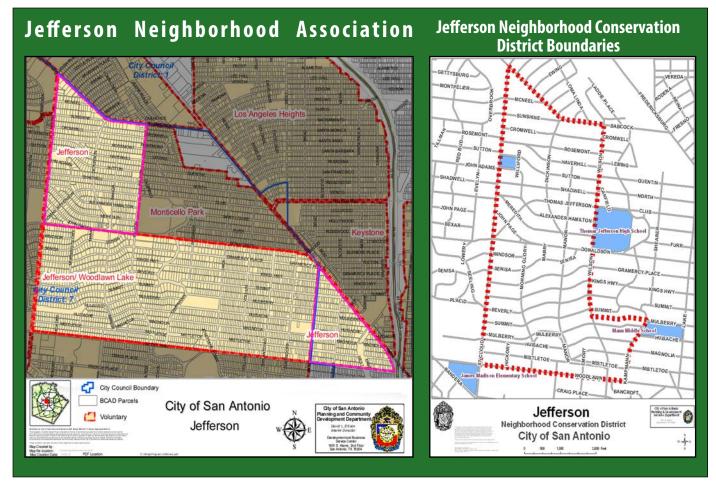
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Download a copy of the **Near Northwest Community Plan** at: sanantonio.gov/Portals/0/Files/Planning/NPUD/NearNorthwestCP\_2002.pdf

## SA Climate Ready Collecting Community Input on Draft of Climate Action & Adaptation Plan from the District 7 Newsletter

SA Climate Ready, an initiative led by the City of San Antonio, CPS Energy, the University of Texas at San Antonio and Navigant, has released the draft Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP). With a focus on equity, the plan includes strategies for reducing San Antonio's greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) and adapting the city to the effects of climate change. The CAAP is a data-driven plan that outlines the policies and steps that serve as a pathway to meet the objectives of the Paris Climate Agreement, which City Council supported with a resolution on June 22, 2017.

A city's response to climate change can be framed around two separate pathways for action: mitigation and adaptation. San Antonio's CAAP identifies strategies for both, presents a detailed discussion of these strategies and includes efforts to support planning and

funding discussions. The CAAP also includes a community GHG inventory, climate projections and a path to carbon neutrality.

The CAAP is the result of an intensive community process that brought together a diverse coalition of 91 community leaders as part of a Steering Committee and Technical Working Groups and solicited significant input from the community-at-large.

The public is invited to provide their feedback on the draft plan, as well as share their visions and priorities for a climate-ready San Antonio by visiting <u>saspeakup.com</u> or e-mailing sustainability@sanantonio.gov.

To view the draft CAAP, visit <u>saclimateready.org</u>. Printed copies are also available in City of San Antonio public libraries.









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FY 2018-19 Calendar year is September for business memberships s	to August ee JNA CONTACTS page 3  Cut out and mail form to: JNA, PO Box 28552, SA TX 78228

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