September-October 2010

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#### NEXT GENERAL MEETING



# Tuesday, September 21, 8:00 p.m.

Location and details about the special guest will be distributed through the JMCA listserv.

#### JMCA EVENTS

# Tuesday, October 19: General Board Meeting

Open to the Public

 $Location\ details\ will\ be\ posted\ on\ the\ {\it JMCA}\ website$ 

# November 1: Newsletter ads & articles due

#### JMCA ON THE WEB

**Website:** http://www.jeffersonmanor.org **Listserv:** http://groups.yahoo.com/group/

jeffersonmanor

Parents group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/

jeffersonmanorparents

Facebook: Search Facebook groups for Jefferson Manor Citizens Association Twitter: follow us @JMCA22303

### Don't miss these upcoming Jefferson Manor events



#### **Neighborhood Picnic**

When: Sunday, September 26, 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Where: Jefferson Manor Park Pavilion

Join your fellow Manor neighbors at the park for an afternoon of fun, games, and food. Hot dogs

and hamburgers will be provided. Pot-luck dishes appreciated.

#### Halloween Children's Costume Parade

When: Sunday, October 31

Before the little tykes head out on their trick-ortreat expeditions, join for the annual parade and costume contest. Look on the listserv, Yahoo Group or Website (JeffersonManor.org) for more details in October.

### **President's Letter**

Dear Jefferson Manor Neighbors,

The heat seems to be breaking, the kids are heading back to school and football is just around the corner. It must be Fall!

I want to this opportunity in this issue to update the community on a few of the issues and developments from the past two months

As many of you have read, almost all of the traffic calming budget by the VDOT and the county has been eliminated. That said, the group of JMCA volunteers working on traffic calming efforts in the neighborhood met with county officials and engineers on August 26, to come to final consensus on a final plan for traffic calming in the neighborhood. We will continue to move forward to tie up the planning so that as soon as funds become available our project will be ready to go. At a future community meeting we'll review the updated traffic calming plan proposed.

Traffic issues related to the Woodrow Wilson Bridge project including lane closures, overnight noise and other inconveniences can be expected to continue throughout the summer and fall months. I will continue to try and keep the community posted via the listsery on updates to travel alerts related to the project. If you would like more information you can get up-to-date details at http://www.wilsonbridge.com.

Finally, I've received several emails related to neighborhood quality of life and blight reporting. The newly established Department of Code Compliance investigates most neighborhood quality of life complaints in the county, including parking in the grass, junk in the yard, too many people living in a home, uncut grass, building without permits, and hoarding. It enforces zoning, property maintenance, building, blight, grass, fire and health codes all within a single department. Their Website is http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/code and phone number is 703-324-1300.

Stay cool the last few weeks of summer and don't forget to sign up for the Jefferson Manor Yahoo Group and listserv at http://groups.yahoo. com/group/jeffersonmanor. Also follow us on Twitter @JMCA2230.

> Tim Norris, President Jefferson Manor Citizens Association president@jeffersonmanor.org



#### **About JMCA**

JMCA is a volunteer citizens' group devoted to the betterment of the Jefferson Manor neighborhood. Membership is \$20 annually, paid at the membership meetings or to JMCA, P.O. Box 4104, Alexandria, VA 22303. JMCA membership is annual, from January to December. For more information, visit: www. JeffersonManor.org or email us at: info@JeffersonManor.org.

# **JMCA Board Members** (4/2010-3/2011)

Tim Norris, President President@JeffersonManor.org

Julie Upham, Vice President VP@JeffersonManor.org

Shawn Ulrick, Treasurer Treasurer@JeffersonManor.org

Heidi Cherry, Secretary Secretary@JeffersonManor.org

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Phil Brentwood, Director

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Maeve Ulrick, Director

Kathleen Atkinson, Neighborhood Watch Advisor to the Board

#### **JMCA Activities**

Neighborhood Watch watch@JeffersonManor.org

Home Improvement Committee homeimprovement@ JeffersonManor.org

Land Use Committee landuse@JeffersonManor.org

Parents' Group parents@JeffersonManor.org

Social Committee social@JeffersonManor.org

Transportation Committee transportation@JeffersonManor.org

Website Committee website@JeffersonManor.org

#### **Neighborhood News Newsletter**

Please direct any requests or questions about Neighborhood News to: newsletter@JeffersonManor.org

Kristina Mann, editor-in-chief Kelly Marshall, distribution

# **Fall Gardening**

Many in Jefferson Manor have tirelessly pruned, weeded and watered their vegetable gardens throughout the summer. Now as fall approaches, here are a few hints for gardening in the fall and planting fall vegetables.



September around here is a great time to plant a second crop of lettuces, as well as hardy winter greens such as mustard and collards. Several varieties are available at local hardware stores and nurseries such as butter lettuce, red lettuce, and others.

You can also try for a second crop of peas or fava beans. Look for seed varieties designated as "cool season" crops. Garlic can be planted now through mid-September for harvest next summer.

Winter cover crops such as winter rye or Buckwheat, seeds for the latter in the local Whole Foods market on Duke Street, which will protect and enrich the soil throughout the winter, can be sown in empty beds and containers.

Cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, Brussels sprouts and kale make up a group of cool season vegetables known as cole crops. Although don't be confused, the word "cole" refers to the stem and is not related to the fact that these vegetables grow in cooler temperatures.

Cole crops grow best in the spring and fall. However, you must take special care when we have prolonged colder temperatures or extended frosts. That said, as long as we don't have a repeat of last year's winter, you can expect these veggies to produce into the later months of the year. You can also find these plants, seedlings and seeds at local garden centers.

Thanks to Donna S. O'sin Jones for contributing the content of this article.

# **Buy a Jefferson Manor T-Shirt!**

Want to show your pride in your community? Own your very own Jefferson Manor T-Shirt. Contact president@JeffersonManor.org to purchase your t-shirt. They will also be available at the JMCA Picnic on Sunday, September 26. Shirts are available for \$15 each.





### **Interested in Photography?**

Interested in getting together once in a while to share, learn, critique, or just go out and shoot with your neighbors? This invitation is to everyone at all skill levels, from newbie to pro.

Whether you have a point-and-shoot gathering dust in the corner or a top-of-the-line d-slr, if you'd like to improve your photography and help others improve at the same time, please let me know.

—Kevin G. (Kevin.Ginestet @gmail.com)

Neighborhood collector paying cash for old toy trains: Lionel, American Flyer, Marx.

Also buying old toys.



Please call 516-425-9952

### JMCA Neighborhood News 2010 Advertising Rates

**Pricing per issue** 

full page: \$210 1/2 page: \$110 1/4 page: \$60 1/8 page: \$35

For information email Newsletter@Jeffersonmanor.org.

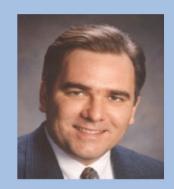


# JEFFERSON MANOR'S REAL ESTATE MARKET REPORT — SUMMER OF 2010

Status Address	BR BA	List\$	Sold\$	Settled
UC* 5909 Edgehill Dr	3 2	\$388888	\$TBD	9/28/10
Sold* 5931 Edgehill Dr	3 2	\$374500	\$368000	8/6/10
Sold 5917 Monticello	3 2	\$387700	\$387700	7/23/10
Sold 5923 Monticello	2 2	\$385000	\$385000	7/16/10
Sold* 2812 Farmington	2 1	\$349900	\$340000	6/30/10
<b>Sold*</b> 5940 Monticello	2 1	\$324000	\$320000	6/25/10
Sold 5841 Edgehill Dr	3 2	\$376000	\$358000	6/ 7/10
Sold 5917 Monticello	2 1	\$250000	\$235000	6/ 3/10

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Information provided by area Metropolitan Regional Information Systems. It may contain sales not made by the Coldwell Banker agent or Coldwell Banker. Information deemed reliable, but not guaranteed. \*Tom's Sales!



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# **Eagles' Wings Tutoring Program**

It is that time again!

The Eagles' Wings Tutoring Program will begin its 22nd year of continuous tutoring of Mount Eagle Elementary School students again this fall at Calvary Presbyterian Church. Last year almost 30 students in grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 were tutored every Wednesday evening from October to early May. This is a terrific outreach program that benefits not only the Mount Eagle students but the tutors and the community at large.

Again this year, we need your help. If you cannot commit to being a tutor, please consider becoming a substitute tutor. Tutor orientation will be Wednesday, September 29, at 7:00 pm at Calvary (6120 N. Kings Highway). **Tutoring will begin on Wednesday, 6 October.** 

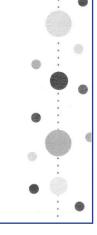
If you have any questions, concerns or need a registration form; please feel free to contact the Eagles' Wings Director, Susan Palmer @ 703-768-2319 or @ ppalmersc@aol.com.

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Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

# **Neighbor News**





Andrea and Paul Corsillo, old timers in the Manor since 1969, celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary on August 7, 2010. The day started with a Mass at St. Louis Church followed by a luncheon party at the Springfield Hilton with family and friends.



✓ On July 19, Matt and Rachel Haws of Edgehill Drive welcomed their second daughter, Ivy Aurelia. She joins big sister Amelia, and was born at home with the support of midwives from BirthCare in Old Town.

Send Neighbor News submissions to newsletter@jeffersonmanor.org.

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# **Support Our Schools**

#### Mt. Eagle Elementary School

For more information and helpful links: http://www.fcps.edu/MtEagleES/English/Support.html.

- ➤ **Giant Bonus Card.** Designate Mt. Eagle school and help them to earn money for supplies. All you need is your bonus card number. The school ID code is 02244.
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#### **Mark Twain Middle School**

For more information and helpful links: http://www.fcps.edu/TwainMS/pta/PTAfundraising.htm.

- ➤ Coke Rewards. Save your tops and earn rewards for the school. Link to Mark Twain Middle School at the "My Coke Reward" Website to help the school accrue points toward free items from Coca-Cola. Register at: www.mycokerewards.com. It's easy and free!
- ➤ **Grocery Club Cards.** Link your cards to Mark Twain Middle School to help earn cash with every purchase that you make at participating stores. Remember: you must re-link your card every year.
- ➤ **Gift Cards.** Buy a gift card for \$10 and receive a gift card for \$10. For every purchase the merchants donate a portion of the sale to the school: anywhere between 3% and 12%. The merchant list is quite extensive. Visit the school Website for details.
- ➤ **BuyForCharity.com.** Register on this site, select Mark Twain as your "cause," and a percentage of online sales will be donated directly to the Mark Twain PTA.
- Domino's "Dough Raising." Earn the Twain Family some money and enjoy some excellent pizza!

### **Emergency Contact Numbers**

Emergency Police, Fire, Ambulance: 9-1-1, TTY 911.

**Non-emergency police:** 703-691-2131, TTY 703-204-2264.

Poison Control: 1-800-222-1222, TTY 711.

Snow removal, flooded roads, blocked roads or malfunctioning traffic signals:

Virginia Department of Transportation: 703-383-VDOT (8368), TTY 711.

**Storm Flooding:** To report storm flooding during business hours (M–F, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.), call the Maintenance & Stormwater Management Division at 703-934-2800, TTY 711. For afterhours storm flooding emergencies that are not life threatening, call the 24-hour Trouble Response Center at 703-323-1211, TTY 703-239-8498, and state that you are reporting a storm sewer emergency.

**Street Light Outage:** Contact either Dominion Virginia Power at 1-888-667-3000, TTY 711 or NOVEC at 1-888-335-0500, TTY 711.

**Sewer Breaks or Back-ups:** Call the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services at 703-323-1211 or 703-250-2003, TTY 703-239-8489.

**Adult Protective Services:** 703-324-7450, TTY 711.

Child Protective Services: 703-324-7400,





# **National Night Out Cookout**

On August 3rd more than 100 Jefferson Manor residents, Fairfax County Police officers, county and state delegates attended the JMCA National Night Out event on Edgehill Dr. It was a beautiful evening and many new residents came out and met other fellow neighbors.

The JMCA and Neighborhood Watch group provided hotdogs, burgers, drinks and ice cream to all that attended. In addition, our local Target store was onsite and provided beach balls, food and side-walk chalk for the little ones. Both Supervisor McKay and Delegate Englin stopped by to meet members of the community and show their support.

Also many members of the Fairfax County police department including Officer Kottemann, Mt. Vernon District Crime Prevention. Officer Kottemann is our new liason with Fairfax County Police and has been a huge asset to the community.

We had many resides sign-up to be a part of neighborhood watch and participate as block captains on their respective blocks. We still need more. Please contact Kathleen Atkinson or Matthew Haws at watch@jeffersonmanor.org to volunteer to take a role as block captain or become more involved in the Jefferson Manor Neighborhood Watch program.

Finally, a special thanks to Kathleen Atkinson and Matt Haws for organizing, Matt and Rachel Haws for volunteering their home for the event and extra special thanks to the volunteers who helped put on the event. We look forward to another huge turnout at the picnic and next year's National Night Out event.











#### **DC-Area Activities for the Fall**

#### **Annual Favorites**

# Maryland Renaissance Festival (Crownsville, MD) www.rennfest.com

Open weekends from 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Aug. 28-Oct. 24, 2010 Adults—\$18.00, Seniors (62+)—\$15.00, Children (7-15)—\$8.00, Children 6 & under are free.

# Das Best Oktoberfest at National Harbor (National Harbor, MD) http://dasbestoktoberfest.com

September 25-26, 2010, noon to 8 p.m.

Admission: \$25, Children ages 12 and under are free.

# Mount Vernon's Wine Festival & Sunset Tour (George Washington's Estate & Gardens) www.mountvernon. org

October 1–3, 2010, 6–9 pm. Wine-cellar tours and live music. Cost: \$30; tickets required.

# Old Town Alexandria Food and Wine Festival (King Street, Alexandria) www.OldTownWineFestival.com

October 9-10, 2010: 10 a.m.-6 p.m., followed by Vintner Dinners

Tasting Admission—Online: \$35 + \$1 Service Fee; at the event: \$45; General Admission (without tasting): \$15

#### **Local Pumpkin Patches**

Cox Farms (15621 Braddock Road, Centreville) www.coxfarms.com

Hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sept.19-Nov. 1

Activities include unlimited hayrides, Giant slides, rope swings, farm animal feeding, pumpkin patch, live entertainment and much more.

Admission: \$9 per person weekdays/\$15 per person weekends

#### Leesburg Animal Park (19270 James Monroe Highway, Leesburg) www.pumpkinfestleesburg.com

Pumpkinville is open everyday from Sept. 26—Nov. 3, 9 a.m.—6 p.m.

The farm play area includes an Indian teepee, giant slides, a hay maze, unlimited hayrides, straw mountains, tot maze, rope swings, tractors to climb on, a large inflated firetruck slide, moon bounces, and much more.

Admission: \$8.50 per person weekdays/\$12.50 per person weekends

#### **Pick-Your-Own Apple Orchards**

The best time to pick apples in the region is Labor Day— Columbus Day, check website for when certain varieties peak

# Stribling Orchard (11587 Poverty Hollow Lane, Markham , VA) www.striblingorchard.com

Open Tuesday thru Sunday, 9am to 4:30pm, tours available Heartland orchard (3064 Hartland Lane, Markham, VA) www. hartlandorchard.com

Open daily, 8am - 6pm,

Special fall festival activities every weekend in Sept. & Oct., Corn maze opens Sept. 4.

# Jefferson Manor Citizens Association

Any residents of the Jefferson Manor subdivision over the age of 18 and non-resident owners of property in the Jefferson Manor subdivision are entitled to membership in the Jefferson Manor Citizens Association. Membership dues are \$20 per household (\$10 for seniors) per calendar year. Complete this application & mail with a check or money order to:

JMCA P.O. Box 4104 Alexandria, VA 22303

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