



#### NEXT GENERAL MEETING



**Tuesday, July 17, 7:00 p.m.**

*Guest speaker: Delegate Mark Sickles*

*Location: Mt Eagle Elementary,  
6116 N Kings Highway*

#### JMCA EVENTS

**Tuesday, August 7: 7:00–9:00 p.m.**

**National Night Out Cookout**

Jefferson Manor Park

*See page 3 for details*

**Tuesday, August 21:**

**General Board Meeting**

Open to the Public

*Location details will be posted on the JMCA  
website*

#### 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

**Nextdoor.com:** [https://jeffersonmanorva.  
nextdoor.com/news\\_feed/](https://jeffersonmanorva.nextdoor.com/news_feed/)

## President's Letter

If there was ever a JMCA drinking game, one of the rules would be to do a shot every time I use the word “Community” in one of these newsletters. While that would very likely make for an enjoyable Friday night, the fact remains is that such a simple word continues to define Jefferson Manor more and more with each passing year.

It can be seen in the aftermath of our latest major weather event. When the Great Derecho of 2012 blew through, neighbors immediately began to get information out through the listserv, and began to make sure that those who needed help received it. Offers of freezer space or a place to cool off for a few hours went out with a speed that is always good to see. As I write this, we are still shaking the dust off our boots from this, but our community is stronger for the experience.

We see the bonds of the neighborhood strengthened when proud residents open their doors on a steaming summer afternoon and share their gardens and improvements. A big thanks goes out to Brian Allen for organizing this year's Home and Garden tour, and to the many people who so graciously showed off their hard work. These types of events not only further our goal of making Jefferson Manor more than just a collection of houses, but also put forth a public face that we stand apart from many of our surrounding communities. Several real estate agents let me know that seeing folks out and about, having their clients see some of our finest houses, help them to close the deal.

Finally, we see our community through our low crime rate and quick response to what activity does occur here. I hope everyone comes out to celebrate our neighborhood watch program on August 7 for National Night Out. This is the best attended JMCA event of the year. Members of the police force and local elected officials including Supervisor Jeff McKay and State Senator Adam Ebbin will be stopping by. They see our crowds, remember where Jefferson Manor has come from, and are reminded that we are a place where people engage with the issues at hand. It is because of these strong public showings that the JMCA has been able to so easily advocate for remedies to our concerns.

As always, if you have any ideas on how Jefferson Manor can continue to improve, or anything the JMCA should look into, please drop me a line. Your feedback and interaction is what makes doing this such a rewarding experience.

*Chris Soule*

*President, Jefferson Manor Civic Association*

*[president@jeffersonmanor.org](mailto:president@jeffersonmanor.org)*

*¿Tiene usted preguntas sobre JMCA? Llame a Sonia al 703-329-1882.*

**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**  
(4/2012–3/2013)

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**JMCA Activities**

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Land Use Committee  
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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  
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## Annual Jefferson Manor Home and Garden Tour



Thanks to all who opened their homes and gardens to the neighborhood and to all those who came out to participate. The 7th Annual JMCA Home and Garden Tour, held on June 10, was a success again this year with several tour veterans from previous years and several neighbors new to the tour and new to the neighborhood. It was great to have a chance to meet so many people and share home ideas. Plans for next year are already being discussed to see if we can make each year better than the last. If you think you might want to include your home or garden on next years tour feel free to let a JMCA board member know.

**Find Jefferson Manor on Nextdoor.com**

Jefferson Manor is now up and running on NextDoor.com. This free service provides all of the functionality of a standard email listserv, with better archiving, searching and organizing of posts. Community members are required to verify that they live in the designated area defined as Jefferson Manor. This eliminates spam entirely. At the moment, we are using this in parallel with the current JMCA Yahoo Group. If the NextDoor.com site becomes popular enough, the JMCA Board will review the possibility of terminating the current listserv.

**Traffic Calming Update**

The traffic calming project approved by the Jefferson Manor community will begin construction in mid to late July. The speed humps and parking striping are scheduled to be completed by July 27.

The median strip design for North Kings Highway is currently scheduled to begin construction in late fall. The project is currently under final permit review with VDOT. The project remains funded and a top priority of Lee District Supervisor Jeff McKay.

Any questions about either of these projects should be directed to Chris Soule at *president@jeffersonmanor.org*.

**New Parking Permits**

Old permits/ decals expired June 30, 2012. If you did not receive an automatic renewal form, you must renew by telephone, mail or in person. Your vehicle must be registered with the Fairfax County Department of Transportation at a Jefferson Manor street address to receive a parking decal.

To renew by telephone: call 703-324-1100 (between 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) and have your SSN or Driver's License Number handy.

To renew by mail: send a COPY of your driver's license and vehicle registration to Department of Transportation, 12055 Government Center Pkwy, 10th Floor, Fairfax, VA 22035-5511.

To renew in person: bring your driver's license and vehicle registration to the above address (Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

## National Night Out Cookout

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 7, when Jefferson Manor will be participating in its eighth annual National Night Out. National Night Out is an annual neighborhood-based crime and drug prevention event. This event is observed on the same date in thousands of communities in all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world.

Jefferson Manor Neighborhood Watch and the JMCA will be sponsoring a free hot dog cookout at our neighborhood Jefferson Manor Park from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. We will also have volunteers providing fun and games for the children. National Night Out is an annual occasion for neighbors to get together, strengthen neighborhood spirit, and build police and community relationships. Last year, we had a crowd of well over 150—the largest event in the Mt. Vernon District.

We are especially honored by the attendance of our local police officers and representatives from Fairfax County. This is a great opportunity to show the police, county supervisors, and local residents that Jefferson Manor is a vibrant community with active neighbors who care.

Building community is at the heart of Jefferson Manor's Neighborhood Watch program, so come out on August 7 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. to meet your neighbors and community supporters, enjoy free food, and learn more about the activities in Jefferson Manor.

—Jeff Brady



## Summertime Crime Prevention Tips

Since many property crimes can be prevented through the development of good personal and community security habits, below are a list of prevention tips to promulgate.

- Report suspicious noises, events and persons to the police non-emergency number – don't assume someone else will call or is witnessing what you are. Don't ignore your intuition—it can serve you well.  
Emergency/Crime in Progress – 911  
Suspicious Activity/Make a Crime Report – 703-691-2131  
Please provide reported information to the Jefferson Manor Neighborhood Watch email at JMNW2012@yahoo.com so we can forward this information to the community.
- Always keep home doors locked at all times.
- Remember to keep you exterior home lights turned on all night (and off during the day).
- If you go out of town, make sure you ask a trusted neighbor, friend, or family member to check the house at least once a day and pick up mail and newspapers. Provide them your contact number in case of emergency.
- Do not open your door to strangers.
- Always keep your car doors locked. An unlocked vehicle is not only easier to steal from ... it is easier to STEAL!!

- Report street light outages immediately—see how to report using this link to the County web page [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/construction/streetlights/light\\_out.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/construction/streetlights/light_out.htm).

—Jeff Brady



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## Neighbor News



► Congrats to Wally Cole and Betsey Wiegman on their upcoming wedding in August.

► The Dyros have a new baby—Michelle, Pete, Moxie (age 5) & Zephyr (age 2) Dyro welcomed Nova to their family on May 4. She was born at home on Jefferson Drive weighing 9 lbs 14 oz.



► Al and Deanna Lacek are expecting a little boy this fall. All hand-me-downs are welcome :)

### 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](mailto:president@JeffersonManor.org), or purchase as the next JMCA event. Shirts are \$15 each.



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## JEFFERSON MANOR'S REAL ESTATE MARKET REPORT FOR THE SPRING OF 2012

Status	Address	BR	BA	List\$	Sold\$	Settled
Sold	5947 Monticello	3	2	\$364900	\$362500	4/27/2012
Sold	5825 Edgehill Dr	2	1	\$274900	\$253000	4/26/2012
Sold	5941 Edgehill Dr	2	1	\$345000	\$350000	4/25/2012
Sold	2705 Farnsworth	2	2	\$365000	\$347000	4/12/2012
Sold	2621 Farmington	2	1	\$349900	\$335500	1/13/2012
Sold	5939 Monticello	2	1	\$349000	\$349000	12/19/2011
Sold	5931 Edgehill Dr	3	2	\$325000	\$321000	12/02/2011
Sold	2708 Albemarle	3	2	\$355000	\$348000	12/01/2011



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### Reduce Local Crime — Leave porch lights on at night!

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## A Message from the New Owners of Huntington Gardens Apartments

Residents of Jefferson Manor,

As many of you know, on May 24 Persimmon Capital Partners, a local real estate investment company, purchased the Huntington Gardens apartment community from Capital Investment Advisors. We are extremely excited about the acquisition and we look forward to building a strong and lasting relationship with the Jefferson Manor community.

Persimmon will continue to operate Huntington Gardens as an apartment community, and aside from some small improvements to curb appeal we have no current plans to re-develop the property. Our goal is to keep Huntington Gardens in pristine condition and to continue acting as a good neighbor to the residents of Jefferson Manor. We will work tirelessly toward this end to ensure that the property remains an attractive space that can thrive within the local community.

To assist in the operations of the property, we have engaged Oculus Realty to run the day-to-day management of the community. Oculus Realty is a well-regarded property management firm that brings extensive experience and a

detail-oriented approach to each apartment community they oversee. We are confident that Oculus Realty's active approach to property management will translate into a well-run property that continues to be a welcome member of the community.

Over time we hope to cultivate a strong relationship with local businesses and residents, and we are always open to suggestions for how we can more responsibly serve the Jefferson Manor community. If at any time you notice an issue with the property, please do not hesitate to contact our team so that we may promptly address your concern. As the newest members of Jefferson Manor, we look forward to making our vibrant community an even better place to live, work and play.

*Sincerely,*

*Michael Snyder*

*Vice President, Persimmon Capital Partners*

*Community Contact: [huntingtongardens@oculusrealty.com](mailto:huntingtongardens@oculusrealty.com)*

*Property Management Website: [www.oculusrealty.com](http://www.oculusrealty.com)*

## Where in the world is ... Jefferson Manor?



Big Schloss, Virginia. Submitted by Meg Albus.

## The Aftermath of “Derecho 2012” in Jefferson Manor



Mike and Katie Jarvis

In the aftermath of the storm, fallen trees and branches littered the neighborhood.

### Reporting Power Outages

When the winds blow or the snows fall, power outages are possible in our area. While the causes are numerous, the solution is easy. Whenever your power is out, call Dominion Power immediately to report the outage. In the recent storm, pockets of the neighborhood were not serviced in as timely a manner as possible because crews did not have reports of power outages. Discussions of power outages and returns to service are also frequent on the JMCA listserv.

Report outages on-line or via telephone:  
1-866-DOM-HELP (1-866-366-4357)  
<https://www.dom.com/storm-center/reporting-outages.jsp>

### Fallen Trees

After the storms, please be courteous when putting cleared brush on the curb. Fallen limbs must be cut into manageable sizes, and a special pick-up must be scheduled. The county will not collect these items as part of normal trash pick-up. For more details including the specs for debris size and calling in for a special pick up, please visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergency/recover/debris.htm>.

### Stay Up to Date with JMCA

Want to keep up to date with the latest JMCA news and goings' on? Join us on Yahoo Groups, Nextdoor.com, and Facebook!

**Yahoo Groups:** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/jeffersonmanor>

**Nextdoor.com:** [https://jeffersonmanorva.nextdoor.com/news\\_feed/](https://jeffersonmanorva.nextdoor.com/news_feed/)

**JMCA website:** <http://www.jeffersonmanor.org/>

**Facebook:** search Facebook groups for Jefferson Manor Citizens Association

### JMCA Neighborhood News 2012 Advertising Rates

#### Pricing per issue

full page: \$210

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1/4 page: \$60

1/8 page: \$35

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## Looking for a fun, educational activity to do with your little one this summer?

Try yoga! Yoga is a great excuse to get on the floor and play with your child. Children delight in the game of being different animals but the benefits extend beyond just playing. Children who practice yoga are stretching their minds and their bodies. Yoga builds strength, flexibility, and balance while building body awareness and self-confidence. Children of all ages, from infancy through adulthood, can experience the joys and benefits of a yoga practice. Practicing with your child allows you to show your child that exercise is fun. Benefits for you include having a focused activity to do on the floor with your child, the opportunity to get a little exercise, and you do not need anything beyond what you already have to start practicing. Here are a few poses to try with your little one. Enjoy these? Check out the Child & Me classes held at Calvary Presbyterian right here within walking distance to Jefferson Manor. For more information go to [www.novayogi.com/classes](http://www.novayogi.com/classes).

**For Infants try If You're Happy and You Know It:** sit cross-legged on the floor, lay your infant on their back with their feet in your lap. Hold their gaze as you smile and sing If You're Happy and You Know it. For Clap Your Hands: Gently bring their hands together to clap. This will assist them in unfurling their fists to use their hands. For Stomp: Gently hold one leg and press on the sole of their foot. They may respond by pressing back through their leg. Repeat 3 times and switch sides. This helps them build muscles in their legs which will assist them in walking.



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**For Toddlers try Balancing Act:** place several similarly sized books on the floor in a line. Help your toddler walk across the balance beam. This helps them work their balance and gives them a sense of accomplishment as they learn that if they fall, they can get back up and try again and master the feat. Once they feel comfortable, show them options such as tiptoeing across the beam. They'll enjoy you showing them a new trick.

**For Older Children try Cobra:** lie on your belly. Place your hands under your shoulders. Inhale as you raise your torso off of the floor. If you feel a strain in the lower back, gently ease back down. Turn your head gently from left to right as you hiss like a snake. This posture helps to build strength and flexibility in the lower back and through the spine.

—Natalie Arbuckle



## 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  
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 for a color version of this newsletter.

## 2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Check/money order ☐ Cash

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*I am interested in the following:*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> JMCA Website       | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Committee      | <input type="checkbox"/> Home Improvement Committee |
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*Other notes:*