Neighborhood News

March/April 2018

From the President

By Alexis Glenn, JMCA President

En español en la página siguiente

Upcoming Community Meetings

March 21 at 7:00 PM - JMCA Election & Community Meeting - Mount Eagle Elementary School Library

Tentative Event Dates for 2018

April 7 - Spring Potluck & Egg Hunt

May 20 (DATE CHANGE) - Al & Sandy Snyder Home and Garden Tour

September 29 - Block Party

Dear Residents of Jefferson Manor,

Call for candidates! The JMCA Board needs volunteers to join us. We have FOUR positions open and need your talents and just a little bit of your time each month to support the neighborhood's signature events and initiatives. The Vice President and Secretary officer positions and two director positions are open for candidates.

We aim to make your time volunteering FUN and to utilize your unique talents and interests to make Jefferson Manor the best community it can be! We are seeking neighbors who are enthusiastic about community outreach and support.

We hold board meetings every other month (the even months) at available board members' homes. Board members help deliver the bi-monthly newsletter and participate as available in our four to five signature events each year.

Vice President - Performs the duties and exercises the powers of the President during the absence or disability of the President such as presiding over meetings of the membership, management of the business of the JMCA and execution of policies and resolutions of the Board.

Secretary - Keeps minutes of meetings, including, on request, a record of the calling of a vote. Minutes may be taken by an alternate designated by the Secretary. The Secretary may also work in tandem with the Treasurer on record-keeping or other related tasks.

If interested, please email Chairman of the Board Kay Floyd at chair@jeffersonmanor.org.

Thank you for being a part of Jefferson Manor and don't hesitate to reach out.

Alexis Glenn

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Carta de la Presidenta

Por Alexis Glenn, Presidenta de La Asociación de Jefferson Manor

Eventos comunitarios

21 de marzo a las 7:00 PM Elección y reunión comunitaria de JCMA - Mount Eagle Elementary School (biblioteca)

Fechas tentativas

7 de abril - Fiesta de traje y caza de huevos

20 de mayo (CAMBIO DE FECHA) - Al y Sandy Snyder Tour de Casas y Jardines

29 de septiembre - Fiesta vecinal

Estimados residentes de Jefferson Manor,

¡Se buscan candidatos! El comité de elecciones de JMCA se reunirá en el 21 de marzo. Asegúrense que 2018 sea el año es que inviertan en su comunidad y que apoyen a la advocacia vital del JMCA. Se necesita sus talentos y un poco de su tiempo para continuar con los eventos e iniciativos claves. Los puestos de vicepresidente y secretario y dos puestos de la junta están abiertos para candidatos.

Tenemos como objetivo que su tiempo como voluntario sea DIVERTIDO y que utilicemos sus talentos únicos e intereses para hacer que Jefferson Manor sea lo mejor posible. Se buscan vecinos entusiastas de la comunidad y su participación alentadora.

Se reúnen como comité cada dos meses (los meses pares) en las casas disponibles de los miembros del comité. Los miembros del comité ayudan a entregar el periódico semi-mensual y participar como disponibles en nuestros 4-5 eventos claves cada año.

Vicepresidente - Hace las tareas y tiene el poder del presidente cuando esté ausente o discapacitado el presidente tal como encargándose de las reuniones de los miembros, manejando del negocio del JMCA y la ejecución de las políticas y resoluciones del comité.

Secretario - Toma los apuntes de las reuniones, y, cuando pedido, un registro de un voto. Los apuntes pueden ser apuntado por un alternativo designado por el secretario. El secretario también puede trabajar junto con el tesorero para mantener registros u otras tareas relacionadas.

Si están interesados, por favor, manden un email a la jefa del comité, Kay Floyd a chair@jeffersonmanor.org.

Gracias por ser parte de Jefferson Manor y no duden en contactarnos.

Alexis Glenn

JMCA Membership Cling

New this year!

All 2018 and 2019 Jefferson Manor Citizens Association members will receive a window cling!

A window cling is a thin, static-backed, white vinyl decal that can be affixed to a window without adhesive. It can be removed and repositioned easily on glass surfaces.

Attach it to your car window or the front window of your home to show your neighborhood pride. Use it as a reminder to renew your membership with each new year.

Is your JMCA membership decal on display? Send us a photo to be included in the next Neighborhood News! Email newsletter@jeffersonmanor.org

2018 JMCA Membership Drive

It's time to join or renew your membership with the JMCA!

Who may join the JMCA?

- All residents of the Jefferson Manor subdivision over the age of 18, whether you rent or own
- All non-resident owners of property in the Jefferson Manor subdivision

Why join the JMCA?

Your yearly membership dues help JMCA to...

- Organize community events and gatherings that bring our life-long residents and newcomers together and strengthen community ties
- Publish a bi-monthly newsletter to spread timely neighborhood news and tips
- Support community efforts through volunteerism
- Engage in community initiatives that improve the quality of life in the neighborhood

How much does it cost?

- Yearly membership dues for each household $20
- Pay for two years at once and receive a $5 discount $35
- Yearly membership dues, Senior discount (55+) $10

This sounds great! How do I join?

- By Mail—Fill out the form below and mail it in with a check or money order
- Online—Visit jeffersonmanor.org and pay using PayPal
- In-person—Come to a JMCA community meeting and pay by cash or check

2018 Mail-in JMCA Membership Form

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Choose one: ☐ New member ☐ Renewing member

Choose one:
☐ $20—One-year household membership
☐ $35—Two-year household membership
☐ $10—One-year senior (55+) membership

JMCA accepts additional funds outside of dues to bolster financial support for community activities and events. If you would like to make a donation, include the additional amount here $_____.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED $_____

The JMCA welcomes the assistance of volunteers. Please let us know which activities are of interest to you:

- ☐ Neighborhood Watch
- ☐ Transportation and Land Use Committee
- ☐ Parents Group
- ☐ Social Committee
- ☐ Welcome Wagon
- ☐ Contributing to the newsletter
- ☐ Newsletter distribution

Mail membership application along with check or money order to: JMCA, P.O. Box 4104, Alexandria, VA 22303

About the Jefferson Manor Citizens Association

Jefferson Manor, 1947

Mission of JMCA

JMCA is a volunteer organization dedicated to the betterment of the Jefferson Manor neighborhoood. JMCA advocates for the interests of the neighborhood, plans and coordinates social and charitable activities, and provides information and services for neighborhood residents.

La meta del JMCA

JMCA es una organización de voluntarios dedicados al mejoramiento de la vecindad de Jefferson Manor. JMCA propone por los intereses de la comunidad tanto como planear y coordinar actividades sociales y caritativas y proveer información y servicios para los residentes de la vecindad.

JMCA 2017-2018 Board Members/ Junta Directiva

Officers
Alexis Glenn, President
Kay Floyd, Chairman of the Board
OPEN SEAT, Vice President
Diana Stanley, Treasurer
OPEN SEAT, Secretary

Directors
Natalie Arbuckle
Sam Rinde
TWO OPEN SEATS

JMCA Newsletter

Chelly Richards, Editor
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Connect with Your Neighbors

jeffersonmanor.org
Visit the JMCA website to see the neighborhood events calendar, answers to FAQs, neighborhood history, and our newsletter archive.

Facebook Group: Jefferson Manor Citizens Association
Nextdoor.com: jeffersonmanorva.nextdoor.com
Twitter: @JMCA22303
Yahoo Group: Search for Jefferson Manor

JMCA Volunteering Opportunities

Email info@jeffersonmanor.org if you're interested in...

- Neighborhood Watch
- Transportation and Land Use Committee
- Parents Group
- Social Committee
- Welcome Wagon
- Newsletter distribution

Email newsletter@jeffersonmanor.org if you'd like to contribute articles to the newsletter.

Tentative Event Dates for 2018 Events

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Jefferson Manor Merchandise

The JMCA sells branded merchandise to raise funds and help residents show their neighborhood pride.

Look for t-shirts, infant onesies, and tote bags for sale at community events!

Advertising in the JMCA Neighborhood News

Advertising Pricing

Full page	$210 per issue
1/2 page	$110 per issue
1/4 page	$60 per issue
1/8 page	$35 per issue

Contact

For more information on advertising in the JMCA Neighborhood News, send an email to the JMCA treasurer, treasurer@jeffersonmanor.org.

The JMCA does not endorse or verify the quality of service provided by advertisers in this newsletter.

Community Survey

The JMCA wants your feedback!

What's great about the Manor?
What does the JMCA do well?
What can the JMCA do differently?

Please take our survey online at jeffersonmanor.org/2018/02/survey/

Spring is coming! Bulbs sprouting on Monticello Rd.

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Updates from Mount Eagle Parent-Teacher Organization

By Tania Basom

Multicultural Night

◆ Friday, March 16, 6 pm to 7:30 pm ◆

Mount Eagle Elementary invites the community to enjoy foods from different regions of the world and the United States, learn about other cultures, and enjoy a special performance by the students. All are welcomed. There is no cost for this event, but donations will be accepted.

Silent Auction Donations

◆ Accepted now through March 30 ◆

Mount Eagle Elementary is seeking silent auction donations for the annual Spring Dance in April . If you own a business, or know someone who would like to donate gift cards/certificates, or other items, we would love to include them in the auction. All proceeds raised from the auction benefit the school. Please contact mteaglepto@gmail.com to arrange a pick-up.

Earth Day Garden Clean-up

◆ April 28 ◆

All neighbors are welcomed to help us clean up the pollinator garden in front of the school. Please contact mteaglepto@gmail.com for more information.

Actualizaciones de La Organización de Padres y Maestros de Mount Eagle

Por Tania Basom

La Noche Multicultural

◆ viernes, 16 de marzo, 6-7:30 PM ◆

Mount Eagle Elementary invita a la comunidad a venir para disfrutar comidas de regiones distintas del mundo y de los Estados Unidos, a aprender sobre otras culturas, y ver una actuación especial de los alumnos. Todos son bienvenidos. El evento es gratis, pero se aceptan donaciones.

Donaciones para La Subasta Silenciosa

◆ Hasta el 30 de marzo ◆

Mount Eagle Elementary busca donaciones para la subasta silenciosa del Baile de Primavera en abril. Si tiene su propio negocio o conoce a alguien que pueda donarles las tarjetas de regalo u otras cosas, nos gustaría incluirlos en la subasta. Todos los ingresos de la subasta serán para la escuela. Por favor, contacte al mteaglepto@gmail.com para alguien busque las cosas donadas.

Limpiar para el Día de la Tierra

◆ 28 de abril ◆

Todos los vecinos están bienvenidos a ayudarnos a limpiar el jardín polinizador en frente de la escuela. Por favor, contacte al mteaglepto@gmail.com para más información.

Connect with Mount Eagle PTO on Facebook Stay up-to-date on PTO events by liking our Facebook page at facebook.com/MtEagleElementaryPTO.

Support Our School Donations to the PTO are always welcome to support Mount Eagle students. The Mount Eagle PTO is a IRS-recognized 501(c)3 charity, and all donations are tax-deductible. Donations can be made via PayPal on the Mount Eagle website (mounteagle.my-pto.org) or by check to Mount Eagle PTO, 6116 N. Kings Hwy., Alexandria, VA 22303.

The Welcome Wagon

In 2017, the Welcome Wagon distributed welcome baskets to 70 new Jefferson Manor residents!

Join the Welcome Wagon to help welcome new neighbors to our community! Members brainstorm fun and handy items for the welcome basket, look for ways to involve local businesses, and help new neighbors make their house a home. To join the Welcome Wagon or let us know you just moved in, please email chair@jeffersonmanor.org.

La Carreta de Bienvenida

En 2017, la Carreta de Bienvenida distribuyó canastas de bienvenida a 70 residentes nuevos de Jefferson Manor!

¡Vengan con la Carreta de Bienvenida a darles el bienvenido a los vecinos nuevos! Los miembros comparten ideas sobre las cosas que se deben incluir en la canasta, pensar en manera para incluir los negocios locales, y ayudar a los vecinos nuevos crear un hogar. Para juntarse a la Carreta de Bienvenida o para avisarnos que ya se mudó a la vecindad, mande un email a chair@jeffersonmanor.org.

Rebuilding Together

Arlington/Fairfax/Falls Church

SAVE THE DATE: April 28 National Rebuilding Day

Home repairs at no charge for low and moderate-income homeowners:

- Grab bars, stair rails, and raised toilets
- Gutters, downspouts, and plumbing leaks
- Energy upgrades to reduce utility bills
- Overdue maintenance

We'll review your priorities, give your home a health and safety checkup, and line up a team of volunteers to make repairs.

To apply or to refer a friend or neighbor, call 703-528-1999 or visit: rebuildingtogether-aff.org

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day

By Caity Freidhoff

St Patrick's Day is approaching and there are more ways to celebrate than pub crawls and green beer (although those activities certainly have their place). You don't have to be Irish to take part and "the more the merrier" certainly applies. Read on for some different ways to celebrate.

Local events

Washington, D.C. St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 11 at 12:00- The main attraction for the holiday, this parade includes Irish dancers, music, and pipe bands. Proceeds down Constitution Ave. from 7th to 17th Streets, N.W.

Alexandria St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 3 at 12:30 – More of a smaller, local flavor with less traffic. Starts at Alfred and King St. and runs along King.

Ireland on the Wharf, March 10, 2:00 to 6:00 – The Wharf is trying to become the new hot spot, and will be hosting a family friendly celebration.

Music

Murphy's in Old Town has live music every evening. It's mainly Irish, but occasionally it will be a cover band or alternative/rock. Check their music calendar on their website to pick accordingly.

Daniel O'Connor's in Old Town holds "Irish sessions" Mondays and Wednesdays at 8pm. It's essentially a jam session of talented musicians.

For music in a formal venue, there are a few phenomenal groups performing throughout March. I have personally seen all three of these groups live, and they are incredible. Check out **The High Kings** at the Birchmere on March 18, **Altan** at the Barns of Wolf Trap on March 21, or **Lúnasa** at the Center Stage in Reston, VA on March 21.

For a music festival vibe, **Shamrock Fest** is taking place March 17 at RFK Stadium. While there are some legitimate Irish bands playing that day, in my experience this scene is more crowds and long Portapotty lines than anything else.

Bake Irish Soda Bread

This bread whips up quickly and is mixed entirely by hand in one bowl. It's fairly basic, but delicious nonetheless.

4 cups flour
2 tbsp. sugar
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. baking soda
4 tbsp. butter
1 cup raisins
1 egg, lightly beaten
1 ½–2 cups buttermilk

Preheat oven to 425°. Sift together the flour, sugar, salt, and baking soda into a large mixing bowl. Using a pastry cutter or two knives, work butter into flour mixture until it resembles coarse meal, then stir in raisins.

Make a well in the center of the flour mixture. Add beaten egg and buttermilk to well and mix in with a wooden spoon until dough is too stiff to stir. Dust hands with a little flour, then gently knead dough in the bowl just long enough to form a rough ball. Transfer dough to a lightly floured surface and shape into a round loaf.

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Celebrate St. Patrick's Day

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Transfer dough to a large, lightly greased cast-iron skillet or a baking sheet. Using a serrated knife, score top of dough about ½ inch deep in an "X" shape. Transfer to oven and bake until bread is golden and bottom sounds hollow when tapped with a knife, about 40 minutes.

Notes:

* Buttermilk is a must! We need the acid to react with the baking soda for a rise.
* Don't forget the X! It allows the center to cook completely before the outside burns.

Irish Movies

Hibernating for the winter? Here are some Irish flicks that are streaming right now.

Leap Year (RomCom) on Netflix - Yes it's cliché, but Amy Adams is charming.

The Irish Pub (Documentary) on Netflix - An endearing look at the cornerstone of Irish society, the pub, and the characters who own them.

Sing Street (Comedy/Musical) on Netflix - Taking place in Dublin in the 80s, this coming of age movie is impossible to watch without a smile on your face.

Jack Taylor (Bingeable TV) on Netflix - Set in Galway, an Irish cop becomes a private investigator after being fired.

Jig (Documentary) on Amazon Prime - I used to Irish dance, so I'm biased here. That being said, this documentary following Irish dancers at the World Championships has heart, a little drama, and showcases young kids with big dreams.

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Update from the JMCA Land Use Committee

By Alexis Glenn, JMCA President

In October and November of 2017, members of the JMCA Land Use Committee met with local elected officials and representatives from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and Fairfax Water to evaluate sidewalk and road conditions in Jefferson Manor.

The Good News Our local elected representatives are well-aware of the infrastructure challenges in the Manor and they are actively seeking ways to fund short- and long-term fixes to our sidewalks, roads, and utilities. Some short-term fixes, such as spot sidewalk skimming and utility cap repairs, have been completed in the last year as a direct result of the committee's advocacy.

The Challenges Road repaving will be at the discretion of the VDOT paving schedule and funding. While many Manor roads have been classified as "poor" or "very poor" by VDOT, we still don't know when it will be our turn for repaving. Other programs the County has used for funding sidewalk repairs in Jefferson Manor in the past are no longer active programs.

Looking Forward The committee has officially requested a traffic study to be conducted in the Manor to evaluate traffic volumes and travel speeds. This is the first step in a County process to determine if certain streets qualify for traffic calming measures. Following the study, if the streets qualify, there are a number of other steps we must take before any new infrastructure is installed, including opportunities for the community to provide input to the County. Stay tuned to the Neighborhood Newsletter and our neighborhood social media channels for more updates about the traffic calming initiative.

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VDOT (Virginia Department of Transportation): **1-800-FOR-ROAD** (**1-800-367-7623**)

Weather - National Weather Service Updates: **703-652-1210**

Washington Gas: **1-800-752-7520** or **703-750-1400**

Dominion Virginia Power: **1-866-DOM-HELP** (**1-866-366-4357**)

Sewer Breaks or Back-Ups: Department of Public Works and Environmental Services: **703-323-1211** or **703-250-2003**

Rising water that threatens your safety: **9-1-1**

Storm flooding during business hours (Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.): **703-877-2800**

After-hours storm flooding emergencies that are not life threatening: **703-323-1211**.
State that you are reporting a storm sewer emergency.

Sanitary sewer flooding: **703-323-1211**

In general, if you've got questions about who to call visit: jeffersonmanor.org/fairfax-faq

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JEFFERSON MANOR REAL ESTATE MARKET REPORT - EARLY 2018

Status	Address	BR	BA	Listed $	Sold $	Settlement
Sold	5909 Edgehill Dr	3	2	$465000	$465000	03/20/2018
Sold	5940 N Kings Hwy	2	2	$400000	$389000	01/11/2018
Sold	5800 N Kings Hwy	2	1	$355000	$365500	12/21/2017
Sold	5806 Edgehill Dr	3	1	$375000	$375000	12/16/2017
Sold	5836 Edgehill Dr	2	2	$435000	$435000	12/15/2017
Sold	2712 Fort Drive	3	2	$479900	$475000	12/08/2017
Sold	2733 Farnsworth	2	2	$442900	$442900	11/28/2017

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