Neighborhood News

November/December 2018

From the President

By Alexis Glenn, JMCA President

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Neighborhood Watch meeting
November 1; 7 pm
ABI Restaurant
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Community meeting
November 14; 7 pm
Mount Eagle Elementary School Cafeteria

Holiday Extravaganza
December 8; 3 pm—5 pm
2803 Fairhaven Ave.; with happy hour from 5 pm—7 pm
See page 2 for more info

Dear Residents of Jefferson Manor,

Daylight is getting shorter and we are settling into the routine of bundling up in our coats, hats and gloves. Before we rush into the end of year holidays and travel, I would like to invite you to take time to "Prepare and Be Aware" this November. You have two opportunities in the neighborhood to help your family and your community be prepared and safe.

Join the Neighborhood Watch and Fairfax County Police Crime Prevention Officer Robert Urps to discuss crime and prevention in Jefferson Manor on November 1 at 7:00 pm. Read on in this edition of the newsletter for more information about the meeting.

The region received a record amount of rain this year, nearly 50 inches. That's twice the average annual rain seen in Seattle! Even if we are spared a major weather event, like a hurricane, we know that intense rain and wind will cause power outages, flooding and downed trees. No matter what the emergency, being prepared and making a plan is essential to protecting you and your family.

The Fairfax County Emergency Preparedness Team will join our November Community Meeting for a presentation on how you can ensure you and your family are ready ahead of an emergency event. Please join us at the Mount Eagle Elementary School Cafeteria on Wednesday, November 14 at 7:00 pm for the presentation and other community updates.

Finally, November is the season of gratitude. As your friends and families gather for Thanksgiving, I want to wish all my neighbors a safe and warm holiday! I am so thankful to be a part of the Jefferson Manor community and for the support of the JMCA Board and volunteers!

Alexis Glenn

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Carta de la Presidenta

Por Alexis Glenn, Presidenta de La Asociación de Jefferson Manor

Eventos comunitarios

1 de noviembre a las 7 pm
Reunion de La Vigilancia Vecinal; Restaurante ABI

14 de noviembre a las 7 pm
Reunión comunitaria de JCMA - Cafeteria de Mount Eagle Elementary School

8 de diciembre de las 3 pm a las 5 pm
Extravaganza festivo; 2803 Fairhaven Ave, con Hora Feliz de las 5 pm a las 7pm
Más información abajo

Estimados residentes de Jefferson Manor,

La luz del día está desapareciendo y estamos acostumbrándonos a llevarnos en abrigos, gorras, y guantes. Antes de que lleguen los días festivos y viajes al final del año, me gustaría invitarles a "Prepare and Be Aware" ("Preparar y Estar Consciente") en noviembre. Tienen dos oportunidades en el barrio para ayudarles a su familia y a su comunidad con la preparación y la seguridad.

Únanse al Neighborhood Watch (La Vigilancia Vecinal) y el Oficial de la Prevención del Crimen del Condado de Fairfax para hablar sobre el crimen y prevención en Jefferson Manor el 1 de noviembre a las 7:00 pm. Lean más sobre la reunión que viene en esta edición del periódico.

Esta región recibió una cantidad récord de lluvia este año, casi 50 pulgadas. ¡Es más que doble el promedio anual de Seattle! Aun si no llegue un desastre, como un huracán, sabemos que la lluvia intensa y el viento fuerte causan apagones, inundaciones, y caídas de árboles. No importa el tipo de emergencia, estar preparados y con un plan es esencial para proteger a ustedes y sus familias.

El Equipo de Preparación de Emergencias del Condado de Fairfax estará en nuestra reunión comunitaria para darnos una presentación sobre cómo pueden prepararse para una emergencia con anticipación. Por favor, vengan a la cafetería de Mount Eagle Elementary School el miércoles, 14 de noviembre, a las 7:00 pm para la presentación y las noticias.

En fin, noviembre trae la estación del agradecimiento. Mientras sus familias y amigos se juntan para el Día de Acción de Gracias, les deseo a todos un día festivo seguro y feliz. Estoy muy agradecida para ser parte de la comunidad de Jefferson Manor y para el apoyo de nuestro comité y de los voluntarios.

Alexis Glenn

Jefferson Manor Holiday Extravaganza

Saturday, December 8, from 3 pm - 5 pm
2803 Fairhaven Avenue

- Menorah lighting at 4:30 pm
- Bring your own camera for photos with Santa
- Additional kids activities are also planned

Happy Hour, 5 pm - 7 pm, Adult beverages, potluck appetizers and desserts.

Extravaganza festivo de Jefferson Manor

Sábado, 8 de diciembre, 3 pm - 5pm
2803 Fairhaven Ave

- Se enciende la Menorá a las 4:30 pm
- Traiga su propio cámara para sacar fotos con Papá Noel
- Hay otras actividades para los niños

'Hora Feliz', 5 pm—7 pm, bebidas alcohólicas, meriendas, y postres

2019 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 the 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 by credit card using PayPal
- In person—Come to a JMCA community meeting and pay by cash, check, or credit card

2019 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 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

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Alexis Glenn, President
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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

Upcoming Events

November 1—Neighborhood Watch meeting
November 14—Community meeting
December 8—Holiday Extravaganza

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!

Updates from Mount Eagle Parent-Teacher Organization

Support Our School

Donations can be made via PayPal on the Mount Eagle website (mounteagle.my-pto.org).

Mount Eagle PTO on Facebook

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

Noticias de La Organización de Padres y Maestros de Mount Eagle

Apoye nuestra escuela

Pueden apoyar a Mount Eagle Elementary por donar en linea con PayPal (mounteagle.my-pto.org).

Mount Eagle PTO en Facebook

Manténgase actualizado sobre los eventos de la PTO en la página de Facebook facebook.com/MtEagleElementaryPTO.

Advertising in the JMCA Neighborhood News

Ad pricing

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

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.

Contribute to the JMCA Archives

The JMCA is digitizing materials printed and distributed by the JMCA through the years.

Do you have any old issues of the newsletter (prior to 2010) or other JMCA printed materials?

If you do, let us know by contacting president@jeffersonmanor.org or treasurer@jeffersonmanor.org.

2018 Jefferson Manor Annual Block Party

The annual block party is the biggest event organized by the Jefferson Manor Citizens Association and it's clearly a neighborhood favorite. It was such a joy to bring our neighbors out to Monticello Drive to celebrate the end of summer and chat over barbeque from Sweet Fire Donna's, chili, and baked goods. The live music from the Vandelays and biergarten stocked with two varieties from Port City Brewery were a hit, as well.

This year over 200 neighbors came out for the event. The JMCA sold 17 memberships for 2018, bringing the current number to a whopping record-setting 156, around 24% of the Manor, an amazing number for a civic association. Also, 71 households have already renewed their membership for 2019 *before the year even starts.*

The JMCA would like to extend a special 'Thank you!' to the organizations that sponsored the event and set up tables to distribute information about their services: Jeff Brady Homes, Burke & Herbert Bank, Tom Rickert of Coldwell Banker, The Get Away Driver, FitOne Studio, Le Chien Strategies, Go Big, and Mount Eagle PTO.

We are so proud of the neighborhood for supporting the JMCA and are already planning some great community-building events for next year. Be sure to attend the JMCA community-wide meetings if you would like to help with events. If you haven't joined or renewed your membership for 2019, see page 3 of this newsletter.

Cooking Contest Winners!

The 2018 winners of the JMCA Annual Block Party Chili Cook-Off and Pie Baking Contest were awarded the coveted champion aprons. Neighbors tasted the entries in both contests and submitted votes for the best in each category.

The 2018 JMCA Annual Block Party Chili Cook-Off winner is Lutrell Smith! His chili was labeled "Chili A" on the chili table.

The 2018 JMCA Annual Block Party Pie Baking Contest winner is Bethany Case! She made the delicious mini-chocolate pecan pies.

Maria Ventura
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References available

Photos from the 2018 Jefferson Manor Block Party

Renovating? Adding on? Navigating the Fairfax County Building Permit Process

By Ashley Davis

Whether you got an idea on the Home & Garden Tour or from Pinterest, dreaming about renovating your home is exciting. Lots of neighbors have opened-up their kitchens, done the refrigerator bump-out, installed an egress window in the basement, enlarged their porch, and even done major additions like my husband and I did – and are doing again. The planning is fun, the process is not. And the first step in the process is dealing with Fairfax County.

Do you need a permit?

Good question! It can be confusing to know if your planned work requires a permit. There are a lot of gray areas and you will get conflicting answers from neighbors who have had the work done and even from contractors. Some examples of work that are common in Jefferson Manor that require a permit include: demolishing an old shed, building a new shed over 256 sq. feet, enlarging a kitchen, removing an interior wall (or even a portion of one), installing an egress window, converting a storage room to a bedroom, finishing a basement, and installing a sump pump. You DO NOT need a permit to install new flooring/carpets, have windows replaced, replace cabinets, have your roof redone, add gutters, or put up a fence. To determine if you need a permit to do the work you are planning, consult the Fairfax County Land Development Services page on the County website or call them at 703-222-0801.

How do you get a Permit?

Again, this will vary by project but, the best place to start is the County Land Development Services page on the County website (fairfaxcounty.gov/landdevelopment). You can print out a blank permit. You will need to provide the who, what, when, where, and how of your renovation plans and may need to provide drawings or plans depending on the work being done. If it's a huge addition/renovation, you will need detailed architectural drawings done by a professional. For smaller projects, your own hand drawings may be enough. We have found the turn around to be very fast – usually getting the permit when we apply or the next day.

How much does it cost?

Again, it depends on the project. There is a fee calculator on the Land Development page.

What about inspections?

You must have inspections done at various points during a renovation – the county will advise what work needs to be inspected. You can easily schedule the inspections on-line and I have found the inspections to be very helpful and polite – even when they don't pass you, they are clear about why and what needs to be fixed.

What will happen if I don't get a permit?

The county can impose fines or even make you remove (in the case of a shed, porch, deck) your renovation. Fines depend on the scope of work. And remember, you are responsible for all unpermitted renovations – whether you did them, or the previous owner. There is a link on the website for checking if work was permitted or not – so maybe check before you buy. Although the county will work with you on resolving any unpermitted work done by a previous owner.

Happy Renovating!

Overview of the Fairfax County permit process: fairfaxcounty.gov/landdevelopment/permit-process

Helpful video on Fairfax County permitting process: youtube.com/watch?v=KrbKfiWzcZE&feature=youtu.be

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JEFFERSON MANOR REAL ESTATE MARKET REPORT - FALL 2018

Status	Address	BR	BA	Listed $	Sold $	Settlement
Sold	5855 Monticello Rd	2	2	$450000	$451000	10/24/2018
Sold	6013 Williamsburg	2	2	$450000	$450000	10/10/2018
Sold	5862 Monticello Rd	2	1	$395000	$395000	10/10/2018
Sold	6009 Monticello Rd	3	2	$465000	$465000	09/04/2018
Sold	2857 Fairhaven	3	2	$544500	$539000	08/30/2018
Sold	2820 Fort Drive	3	2	$450000	$450000	08/20/2018
Sold	2734 Fort Drive	3	2	$487500	$487500	08/15/2018

*note this report includes all of the most recent neighborhood sales by all Realtors

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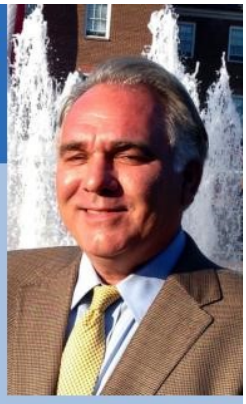
See your mail *before* it's delivered/ sign-up informed delivery USPS.com



Tom brings you over 25 years experience in Jefferson Manor Sales and Rentals. When it's that time, call Tom!

Tom Rickert / Realtor

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Tom's transaction record in JM :

JM assisted Sellers	=	150
JM assisted Buyers	=	50
JM assisted Landlords	=	61
JM assisted Renters	=	+ 48
Successful JM transactions		309

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Tips from Neighborhood Watch

By Derek Cole

The Neighborhood Watch would like to provide a few tips on crime and safety, addressing some recent concerns in the community. Remember that we live in a great neighborhood, with a strong sense of community, but are also in a major metropolitan area that is subject to transient crime. Let's lower our victim potential and keep our neighborhood clean and safe by following some or all these tips. Stay safe folks!

A few tips

- Lock your home and VEHICLE doors! Don't invite a crime of opportunity. All of us might forget this critical step, checking that doors are locked before bedtime is a helpful approach. Stolen items from unlocked vehicles are considered still theft, but not "breaking in."
- Know your neighbors, and how to reach them when they are not home. You can alert them to suspicious activity.
- Be mindful when you go out of town. Knowing your neighbors can also assist with newspaper collection and monitoring for suspicious activity. Some suggest avoiding posting travel plans on social media sites.
- Keep up your yard and home maintenance and encourage your neighbors to do the same. Neighborhoods in disrepair invite additional crime.
- Close your windows and blinds at night, to limit display of personal items that might be attractive to a criminal.
- Pay attention to lighting on your street. Keep porch lights on, utilize landscape and motion sensor lighting when possible. Report street lights that are out.
- Get to know your neighborhood through outdoor activity. Walking through the neighborhood may encourage more social behavior where people can become more comfortable spending time with one another while out in the manor!
- Know your local police department. Participate in neighborhood social groups, social media, and events. Communicate!
- Many local facilities offer secure package pickup, if you are concerned about package theft. Please also remember delivery personnel often make mistakes that could be misconstrued as crime.
- Install a camera or security system. There are many inexpensive options available and have proven to be instrumental in apprehending suspects. Many systems offer remote monitoring on a variety of devices, and don't require monthly fees.
- There are many ways to stay in touch with Law Enforcement. Neighborhood Watch training is one of them. If you are interested in the training, email Jeffersonmanorwatch@gmail.com. The Citizens Advisory Committee meetings are also held locally to report and address concerns. These are monthly. https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/.../citizenadvisorycommittee.

If you are the victim of a crime or see suspicious activity, you are encouraged to call the Fairfax County Police Non-Emergency Line. (703) 691-2131.

If you are witnessing a crime in progress, or have an emergency, call 911!

Jefferson Manor Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Are you concerned about crime in our area? Love Jefferson Manor and want to do your part to keep it safe? **Come Join us for a Neighborhood Watch meeting on Thursday November 1st, at 7pm.** We will meet at ABI restaurant located at 5838 N. Kings Highway. Join JM resident Edward Burns of the VA State Police and Fairfax County Police Crime Prevention Officer Robert Urps as we discuss crime and prevention in our area and maintaining a safe and vibrant neighborhood. Come meet some new neighbors and join us, no commitment required! All you need to do is show up, eat guacamole and listen! (guacamole optional...)

Election Day is November 6th

On Tuesday, November 6, election day polls are open from 6:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Mount Eagle Elementary and across Fairfax County.

On the ballot for this election

- Member, United States Senate
- Member, United States House of Representatives
- Two constitutional amendments
- Public Safety Bond Referendum

Identification is required

Registered voters need to show one acceptable photo identification card (photo ID) to vote in person. This is Virginia law for all voters. Many types of photo ID are acceptable for voting in Virginia. You only need to show ONE acceptable photo ID to vote. Photo IDs can be used to vote up to one year after the ID has expired.

Acceptable forms of valid identification:

- Virginia driver's license
- Virginia DMV-issued photo ID
- United States passport
- Employer-issued photo ID
- Student photo ID issued by a school, college, or university located in Virginia
- Other U.S. or Virginia government-issued photo ID
- Tribal enrollment or other tribal photo ID
- Virginia Voter Photo ID card

Need more information?

For more information on the ballot, the candidates, absentee voting, photo ID, and what to expect on election day, visit the Virginia Department of Elections at elections.virginia.gov.

Volunteering Opportunities at the Fair Haven Community Center

The Board of the Fair Haven Community Center, located at 2409 Fort Drive in the Fairhaven Community, is planning opportunities to volunteer on various small renovation projects for the Community Center over the winter and spring, including painting and other odd jobs.

A Saturday community workday will be announced but, if you are interested in volunteering or need to accrue community service hours, contact Maureen Murray at (703) 719-1516 or email fhca2409@gmail.com.

Important Phone Numbers

To hang on the fridge, or place near the phone

Police, Fire, Ambulance	**9-1-1**
Public Safety Non-Emergency	**703-691-2131**
Fairfax County Emergency Information	**703-817-7771**
VDOT (Virginia Department of Transportation)	**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	**1-866-366-4357**
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 (State that you are reporting a storm sewer emergency.)	**703-323-1211**
Sanitary sewer flooding	**703-323-1211**
In general, if you have questions about who to call visit	jeffersonmanor.org/fairfax-faq

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