



NEXT GENERAL MEETING & SPECIAL ELECTION (Page 2)

Tuesday, Nov 13th, 7 PM

in the Mount Eagle

Elementary School Cafeteria

Refreshments & community information will be served.

JMCA EVENTS

November 13th, 7 PM:

General JMCA Meeting (Above)
Mount Eagle Elementary School

December 8th, 5–9 PM:

Holiday Party (Page 3)

Janet's Java, 5735-A Telegraph Rd

December 18th:

Last Yard Debris collection for the season (Page 2)

December 11th, 7 PM:

Board Meeting

January 1st:

Newsletter ads & articles due

January 15th, 7 PM:

General JMCA Meeting

Mount Eagle Elementary School

President's Letter

A happy early holiday season to everyone,

It is hard to believe another year has passed for JMCA. We have accomplished a tremendous amount in a very short time. At the start of the year, the JMCA board created a list of goals for the year. At the top of the list was continued work on our roads and sidewalks. Thanks to Delegate David Englin, we were able to get a great deal of our sidewalks repaired. Road foundation and resurfacing is also scheduled to begin in March of 2009. We continue to work with our county supervisor and state representatives to secure funding for the final phases of the road revitalization. We have developed excellent lines of communication with the county engineers who oversee our construction projects. This is already paying dividends on the Fort Drive project and will continue with the next project. Neighborhood watch continued its excellent work with the local police and National Night Out. We celebrated our 60th anniversary, which reminded me of the tremendous sense of connection and community we have here.

The one constant in all of our successes is that it takes your energy and dedication to move us forward. JMCA is your citizens' association. Myself and the other members of the board are proud to represent you. We would like to be able to do that more effectively as we enter 2008. In this newsletter you will find a survey about your involvement in JMCA. What can we be doing better? What would you like to see us do more of? Your feedback will help us set our agenda for next year's social calendar and general meetings.

I hope to see you all at our holiday party on December 8th at Janet's Java. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

—Chris Soule, JMCA President

Don't turn off the porch light just because Halloween is over!

Did you leave your porch light on for Halloween? Why?

The obvious answer was that you wanted to make your house part of an inviting Jefferson Manor trick-or-treat. But in addition to making it inviting, you also wanted to make sure your house was a safe and secure place for visitors, by lighting up your yard and porch.

Why not apply that logic to every night?

Leaving your porch light on all night, every night will help light up Jefferson Manor—increasing visibility for residents and patrolling officers and making our neighborhood less inviting to criminals. You should also consider installing motion-sensor floodlights for your back and side yards. (And consider replacing those standard porch light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs—they use one-fourth the power and last 10 times longer.)

Leave your porch light on all night, every night!



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 info, visit: www.JeffersonManor.org or email us at: info@JeffersonManor.org

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Neighborhood News Newsletter

Please direct any requests or questions about *Neighborhood News* to:
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Thank you, Melanie, for creating the previous three newsletters!

Recycling Guidelines

The separate collection of yard debris ends for the season on Dec 24th. Our last yard debris pick up will be on our regular trash day: Tuesday, Dec 18th.

For our neighbors with natural/ live Christmas trees: You do not need to call for a special collection during the first two weeks of January. Leave your live tree on the curb on trash day. Remove all decorations!



JMCA Needs You

Are you looking for a way to make Jefferson Manor and even better place to live? Are you looking for a new way to focus your energy and skills to help your neighbors? Of course you are! JMCA has several opportunities available. If you are interested in any of these, please contact Chris Soule at 571-213-5618 or president@JeffersonManor.org

Open Board Seat: Tim Boehme, currently serving in our armed forces, is being redeployed. We are grateful for his service both to our country and to our neighborhood. We will be *holding a special election* to fill his seat at the general meeting on November 13th. Board members typically spend five hours per month on JMCA business.

JMCA Secretary: After several years of service, Amanda Witt will be stepping down as JMCA secretary when her term expires in March. While the seat will be open at the next election, we are *looking for potential candidates to shadow Amanda for the remainder of the term*. As an incorporated entity in the state of Virginia, it is critical that our official notes and paperwork to continue seamlessly into the next Board.

Newsletter Creator: Do you have experience with Microsoft Word? Are you looking for a place to release that creative energy? JMCA is looking for someone to get involved in the production and publication of our neighborhood newsletter. We only put out 6 issues per year so it won't take too much of your time. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Kelly Marshall at VP@JeffersonManor.org.



Website Committee: We need content providers for our website. HTML skills are not required, but we won't turn them down!

Emergency	911
Police Non-Emergency	703-691-2131
(Non-threatening, suspicious activity & graffiti)	
Junk & Unlicensed Cars	703-280-0587
Narcotics	703-249-7831
Bulk Trash Pick-Up	703-802-3322
V-Dot (Potholes)	703-339-5556
Mt. Eagle Elem. School	703-721-2100
Parking Permits	703-324-1100
Zoning Enforcement	703-324-1300
Post Office	703-317-9286
Vep-Co (Street lights)	888-667-3000

Purchase an *Important Numbers* magnet at meetings for just \$2!

Fort Drive Construction Update

By Richard Ewell (703-408-0812 or transportation@JeffersonManor.org)

In light of a number of recent issues, Fort Drive residents are encouraged to provide emergency contact information to Project Manager Todd Minnix at Wesley.Minnix@FairfaxCounty.gov. Please include your address and a daytime phone. This information would be used to notify you in unanticipated circumstances that pertain only to an individual property (unexpected gas or water shutoff, to request access to the property, etc). If you would like to receive periodic updates from the County, please e-mail Mr. Minnix. Also join the JMCA Yahoo Group (JeffersonManor) to view updates and discussions about the construction progress. You may also contact me.

The water main work is almost complete. Once the testing is finished, the main will be connected to the lines to individual houses, probably beginning the week of November 5-9. During this process, residents will be without water for somewhere between a couple to 24 hours. The contractor has also begun installing the new storm drainage pipe and inlet structures beginning at the bottom of the hill and proceeding up the hill. Following closely behind the storm drain installation, the contractor will begin installing new underdrains (perforated plastic pipe that runs under the proposed curb and gutter), followed by new curb, gutter and driveway entrances.

Be Considerate: Please Keep the Sidewalks Clear!

Please be considerate of the needs of your neighbors and try not to block the sidewalks with trashcans, leaf bags, cars or other items. If you notice an area where the sidewalk is regularly blocked, please contact me.

Holiday Party

Saturday,
December 8th
5 – 9 PM
at Janet's Java



Mark the date and prepare to attend the annual JMCA Holiday Party to be held at Janet's Java (5735-A Telegraph Rd) on Saturday, December 8th.

The Holiday party will once again be a potluck dinner. Please bring a dish or dessert to share. Soda will be provided, and a cash bar is available for those who prefer beer or wine. Looking forward to seeing you there!

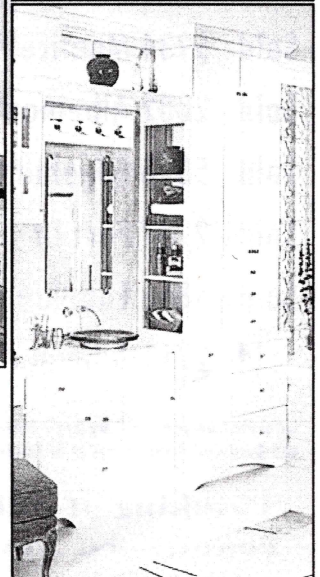
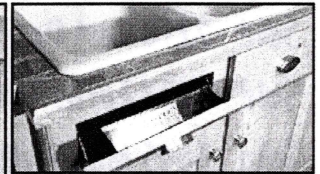
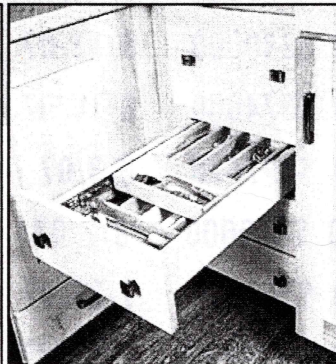
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Being an Anti-Litter Bug

By Darran Bologna

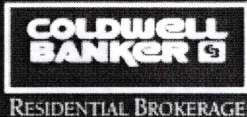
While on a walk, I noticed a man ahead of me throw an empty can of juice and a phone card onto someone's lawn. When I walked past his litter, I noticed other garbage had accumulated in this yard. *The number one reason why people litter is because there is already litter in the area giving them a false sense of permission.*

But there's hope! A program called Adopt-A-Spot run by the Clean Fairfax Council enables you to adopt a street or area and agree to keep it litter-free by doing regular clean-ups for two years. You are provided with litter bags, vests, a sign posted with your name on it and literature to get you started. When I hurt my back, the program even provided me with a tool that picks up litter without having to bend down. I have been doing the clean-up for nearly a year now and often stop to chat with the kids on our street about what litter does to animals. Since I have begun regularly cleaning Williamsburg Road, the amount of litter has decreased significantly. Imagine if all residents did their part? If you see trash on the street, pick it up! For more information, visit www.cleanfairfaxcouncil.org/adoptpack.htm or contact Executive Director Rosemary Byrne at 703-324-5471.

Have you seen your Block Captain?

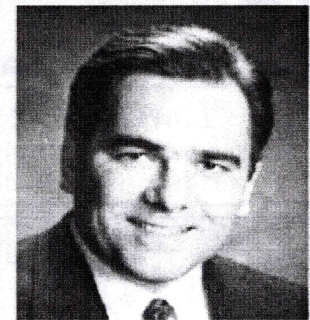
Neighborhood Watch will be holding a block captain orientation and training program this month and we still need block captains for almost half of Jefferson Manor's 27 blocks. Connect with your block captain at: www.JeffersonManor.org/watch/blocks.html and, if your block doesn't have a captain, consider stepping forward. We have specifically designed our Block Captain Program so that it doesn't burden your schedule and allows you to focus on getting to know your neighbors in a way that helps build community.

- To volunteer to be a Block Captain or if you have any questions, email Matt Haws at: watch@JeffersonManor.org
- To learn more about Jefferson Manor Neighborhood Watch, visit: www.JeffersonManor.org/watch



JEFFERSON MANOR REAL ESTATE MARKET REPORT—FALL 2007

Status	Address	BR	BA	List\$	Sold\$	Settled
Sold	2718 Fort Dr	3	3	\$349000	\$319000	10/22/07
Sold	2708 Farnsworth	2	1	\$359000	\$349000	9/28/07
Sold	5845 Monticello Rd	3	2	\$345000	\$315000	9/17/07
Sold	5934 Monticello Rd	2	1	\$345000	\$340000	9/11/07
Sold	2802 Albemarle Dr	2	2	\$375000	\$374000	8/10/07
Sold	5816 Edgehill Dr	2	2	\$397670	\$397670	8/3/07
Sold	2707 Fort Dr	3	2	\$374500	\$370000	8/2/07
Sold	5866 Edgehill Dr	2	1	\$369000	\$369000	7/30/07
Sold	2711 Albemarle	2	2	\$370000	\$370000	7/25/07



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Neighborhood News

Recent births

- Gretta and David Wiegold of Fairhaven Avenue welcomed Sophia Hannah Martha in June. She is their first child.
- Richard and Gail Schnell of Edgehill Court welcomed Nikayla Veronica Victoria in July. She is their second child.
- Sam and Michelle Amhaz of Fort Drive welcomed their daughter Melanie in July. She is the first child for the couple, who recently moved into the neighborhood.
- Melissa & Kevin Burns of Fairhaven Avenue welcomed their son Leo in July. He is their first child.
- Brian Murray and Jill Allen Murray of Jefferson Drive welcomed Ella Mercer Murray in September. She is their first child.

Other news

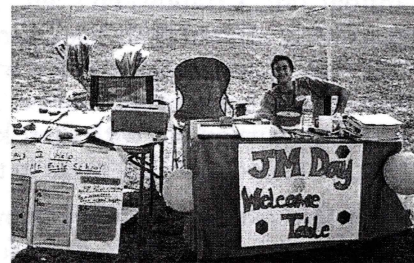
- Carla Coolman's house on the corner of Fort Drive and Edgehill Drive was selected for an episode of TLC's *Take Home Handyman*. The show was taped in October and will likely air in the spring.

If you would like to submit an announcement for the Neighbor News section, please send it to newsletter@JeffersonManor.org

Jefferson Manor's 60th Anniversary—Great party!

By Christine Cridland

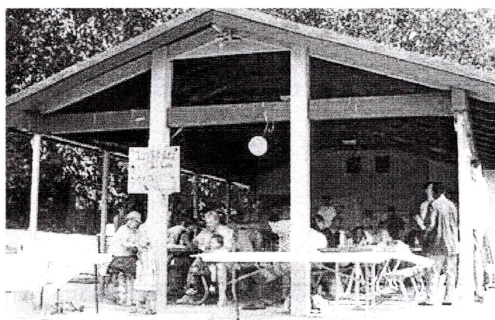
All of our planning for the Jefferson Manor Celebration on September 8th paid off! The weather was warm, the music set the mood, and, most importantly, the celebration was well attended by all of Jefferson Manor! It was great to see pets and neighbors of all ages come together and enjoy the day. Many neighbors pitched in to cook & serve food, haul supplies, setup & supervise the Moon Bounce, and clean up the park afterwards. All were impressed by the Fairfax County Police Honor Guard's Opening ceremony and the presence of the Fairfax County Penn Daw Fire Department station. In the parking lot, we had the Lions Vision & Hearing van and the County representative from the Department of Public Works and Environmental Services. The music of *The Moonlighters* was certainly a highlight and all the door prizes were happily received.



Special thanks to the following very generous neighbors. They gave of their time, supplies, talents, and muscle! Harry, Katy & Tim, Chris & Marissa, Sue & Graham, Andrea, Kelly, Richard & Maggie, Dana & Ron, Ray, Ben, Tania & Blaine, Jim, Lana, Claire & Bob, Tom, Steve, Jaime & Eric, Alison, Rita, Katherine, Matt, Julie, Jane, & Shane. And many more!

Many thanks to area businesses including A.J. Dwoskin & associates, Janet's Java, Sam Jacknin of Green Dot Realty, Chuck E Cheese, Bertucci's, & Chipotle's restaurants.

Additional thanks to Pamela F. Gratton (Recycling Manager of Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services) and Marie Vasquez-Cropper (from Lee District RECenter) who provided a yoga demonstration.



The JMCA Board would also like to express specific thanks to Christine Cridland and Katy Boehme for chairing the 60th Anniversary Committee. The anniversary celebration would not have been such a great success without Christine and Katy leading the charge. Muchos gracias!

Halloween Costume Contest

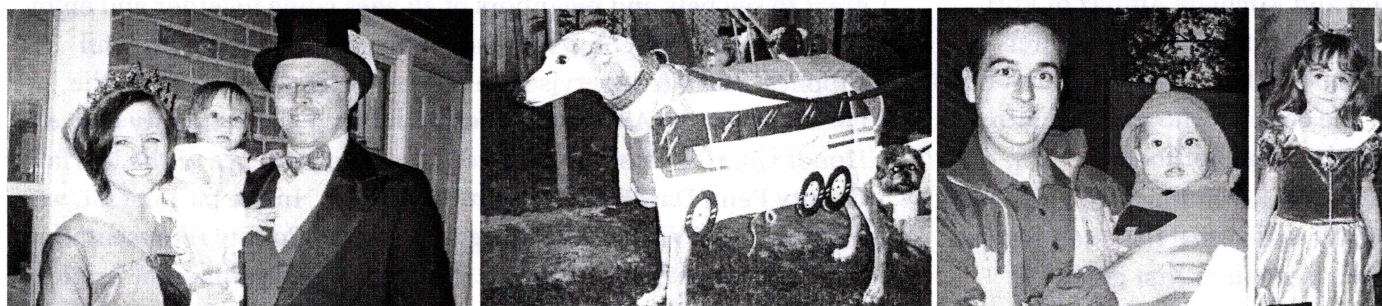
By Marissa Soule

Thank you to everyone who came out for our third annual JMCA Halloween event. Anne & Ben Charboneau graciously offered their back yard as our gathering spot this year. Guests were greeted with candy, decorations and spooky background noises. Around fifty JMCA residents turned out with their kids and so many dogs that we added a 2nd pet prize to the costume contest.

After the costume contest was over, there was a short parade down Monticello Road for all the participants. *Spook-tastic!*

The winners of the costume contest were:

- ☆ **Custest pet costume:** Chicken
- ☆ **Best pet costume:** Greyhound Bus
- ☆ **Best infant costume:** Pumpkin
- ☆ **Best original kid's costume:** Future Track Star
- ☆ **Best classic kid's costume:** Snow White
- ☆ **Cutest kid's costume:** Pink Princess
- ☆ **Scariest kid's costume:** Frankenstein
- ☆ **Best adult/family costume:** *Alice in Wonderland* Family (Queen of Hearts, Mad Hatter and Alice)



2007 JMCA SURVEY



**Jefferson Manor
Citizens Association**

- 1) Are you a member now? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If so, why did you join? If not, why haven't you joined?
- 2) Have you ever been a member in the past? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 3) How regularly do you attend JMCA general meetings? ☐ Often ☐ Occasionally ☐ Never
If you do not attend regularly, why not?
- 4) Have you attended JMCA social events? (E.g. Home & Garden Tour, Holiday Party, etc.) ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 5) Which days of the week and times would be best for you to attend meetings?
- 6) What topics would interest you at the general meetings?
- 7) What JMCA activities/actions do you like?
- 8) What should JMCA be doing more of?
- 9) Are you interested in information about serving on the JMCA Board or volunteering in other ways?
- 10) Other comments?

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