

# Jefferson Manor Newsletter



## 2025 Al & Sandy Snyder Home and Garden Tour (Sat, May 17)



Have you walked past a house in the neighborhood and said, "I wonder what their addition looks like on the inside." Are you curious about what landscaping projects your neighbors have completed in their yards? Are you thinking about making updates to your home and are curious what other people have done? Then come join us on May 17th for the Al & Sandy Snyder Home and Garden Tour from 1-4 p.m! Go from home to home and see what interesting changes folks have made to their homes, then come back to 2803 Fairhaven Ave to hang out with your neighbors for happy hour. Tour booklets and water will be available at 2803 Fairhaven, and each stop on the tour will have a QR code that will allow you to get the guide on your phone so you can start wherever you want.

If you would like to be on the tour, please reach out to Adam Davis at 703-200-7235 to get set up with all you need to know and all the details.



**Don't miss the  
Community Yard Sale  
info on Page 8 to learn  
about ways you can get  
involved and volunteer!**

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### Calendar of Events

#### **Community Meeting**

May 13, 7 p.m. @  
Mount Eagle ES Cafeteria

#### **Al & Sandy Snyder Home and Garden Tour**

May 17, 1-4 p.m.

#### **JMCA Community Yard Sale**

June 14, 8 a.m. -1 p.m.

#### **Jefferson Manor Block Party**

Sept. 27, 3-6 p.m.

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## Letter from the President Darcey Pancoast

Hello neighbors! I am excited to spend this year as your Jefferson Manor Citizens Association President. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve our neighborhood, especially through these uncertain times. It is my hope that I, alongside your entire recently-elected board, can bring renewed energy to the JMCA and continue to get neighbors like you active and involved in our community.

If we have not already met, perhaps you recognize my name and face from versions of this newsletter past. As you may or may not know, I am a returning JM resident: after spending my childhood in the Manor, then moving away for some years, I moved back into the Manor in late 2018 after the passing of my mother. In my return to this neighborhood as an adult, I have been absolutely delighted to see the increase in community involvement and events that the JMCA sponsors as compared to my childhood. I love what this neighborhood has become.

In that vein, your new board and I have already been hard at work planning this year's slate of events, including the annual block party, the upcoming Al & Sandy Snyder Home & Garden Tour, and the pay-what-you-want neighborhood yard sale. We hope to make all of these events a resounding success, but of course, we will need your participation to do so! Please don't hesitate to reach out directly to me ([president@jeffersonmanor.org](mailto:president@jeffersonmanor.org)) or the board as a whole ([board@jeffersonmanor.org](mailto:board@jeffersonmanor.org)) if you'd like to learn more about getting involved in our neighborhood events. We'd love to have you.

We would also love to see you at our upcoming community meeting, on May 13th in the Mount Eagle Elementary School Cafeteria at 7:00pm. We've invited the Fairfax County Park Authority to give us the inside scoop on the renovation at the Mount Vernon Rec center and all of the activities that will be available for kids and community members this summer—you won't want to miss it!

Thank you all again, and see you around!

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**Darcey is dedicated to the JM community!**



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## Home and Garden

### IN THE GARDEN

*Is it time to take up gardening?*



“Liberty gardens,” the original “victory gardens” hail back to WWI, when the US government encouraged their planting at homes and in public spaces to supplement soldiers’ rations and support starving communities in Europe. The effort produced critical food during the war and was reinvigorated in WWII. But less acknowledged, is what many learned during the Covid pandemic; gardening isn’t just a supply chain solution, it’s a genuine treatment for stress, depression, anxiety, and an overall boost to wellbeing. So, whether you’re starting with flowers, veg, or house plants, you can expect some added joy!

For veg, containers or makeshift raised beds work surprisingly well. For the former, be sure to add drainage holes but otherwise just add soil and you’re ready to plant seeds, starter potatoes, or other small plants. If you’re going all in on a raised bed, it’s worth a google to learn more about layering approaches that keep costs down but also enrich the quality of the bed over time. Growing plants from seed is particularly rewarding and very inexpensive, or even free if you visit the Martha Washington Library seed selection. You also have a much wider variety of crops to choose from. Of course, you can quickly have more plants than you need, but that’s just an opportunity to share with your neighbors! It’s noteworthy that some crops really prefer to grow in place, root vegetables like carrots for example, but it’s perfect timing to sow those now. If you find seeds are a bit of a faff, nurseries are already teaming with small plants. Happy growing!

Colette St. Mary, your local mad gardener



Winner of March/April's Newsletter  
submission of favorite thing to do in spring!  
Congratulations!



Community Awareness

**JEFFERSON MANOR PARK UPDATE**

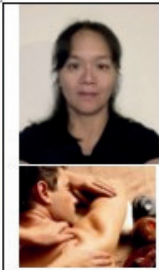
On March 31st, Darcey met with several representatives from the Fairfax County Park Authority to do a walkthrough of our park and get updates on the Jefferson Manor Park project. The big news is...we're almost done!

What has been completed:

- Asphalt trails were added to our park to bring it into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Along with updated grills, tables and brand-new benches, a bike rack was added at our pavilion, specifically due to our request for one!
- Our parking lot was updated to include 1 accessible parking space with a curb cut and lines delineating parking spaces (no more madness!)
- Due to our community input, three trees slated for removal near the baseball field were able to be saved by re-designing the path from the field to the pavilion
- Handrails have been added to the portions of the trail that are too steep to be ADA compliant - expansion gaps have been left in the longer handrail to meet structural requirements, but at Darcey's request these were given further grinding to help prevent pinched fingers!



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**In Home Massage Therapy by Cindy**

Dear Neighbors, I am Cindy with dual massage therapist licenses in Virginia and New York. I have over 13 years of massage experience. I specialize in Pain and stress relief. My treatments combine variety of massage techniques, which are customized and tailored for individual's need. My treatments focus in pain, stress, anxiety relief, relaxation, wellbeing maintenance and energy boost. My goal is to provide you personalized and effective massage service in your comfortable home.

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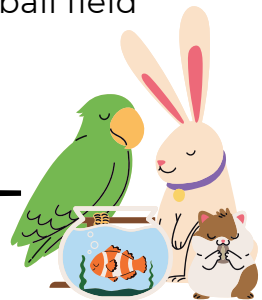
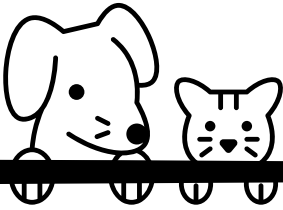
## JEFFERSON MANOR PARK UPDATE (CONTINUED)

Still to come:

- The existing fence at the Dewey Drive entrance will be replaced with bollards and chains to direct pedestrians to the trail while allowing access for maintenance vehicles
- Updated park signage will be added at the entrances
- In order to minimize erosion into our creek, the protective construction fence will only be removed once the grass near the paved trails has grown to at least 80% coverage

Though the project is nearly done, our park will continue to receive updates from the Facilities and Natural Resources divisions of the Park Authority. On the horizon for our park are:

- Plantings of additional trees, especially along the western edge as a buffer between the park and the homes on Edgehill drive, as well as near the baseball field.
- A fence to be installed around the basketball court to prevent runaway balls
- Updated bleachers and enclosed dugout fencing (with a roof) at the baseball field



## JMCA Pets of the Month

Does your pet have what it takes to be JMCA's Pet of the Month? All pets are welcome! Please send a high resolution photo and answer the questions below about your pet. Submissions should be e-mailed to [newsletter@jeffersonmanor.org](mailto:newsletter@jeffersonmanor.org).

**Pet Name:** Cheddar

**Birthday:** February 29, 2020

**Likes:** Croissants from Costco, cream cheese, zoomies at the dog park, and rolling in the dirt

**Dislikes:** Thunder, Being Ignored, Dieting

**About Cheddar:** In 2022, we moved into the neighborhood with Cheddar. Cheddar was diagnosed with epilepsy in 2021 and takes medication daily, but that has not stopped him

from being energetic and living his best life. Cheddar is all bark and no bite and loves to play at Westgrove Dog Park. If you see him, he actually loves people and dogs (unlike his corgi brother).





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## Upcoming Event

### **JMCA Community Yard Sale** **Sat, June 14, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

The JMCA community yard sale is back! See the information below for all of the ways to sell, participate, and volunteer.



#### **Communal "Name Your Own Price" Sale**

(Location: Corner of Fairhaven Ave and Monticello Road): Donate new, gently used, and nice things (no junk please) to the "Name Your Own Price" section of the communal yard sale. 100% of the money raised from this section will go to Mount Eagle Elementary, our charity once again this year! Donations (boxed or bagged) can be dropped off anytime starting on Saturday, June 7 (the week leading up to the sale). PLEASE no large furniture! NOTE: The drop off address for items is 2800 Fairhaven Drive (driveway and patio on Fairhaven Ave). Unsold items will not be returned.

#### **Be Your Own Seller at the Communal Location**

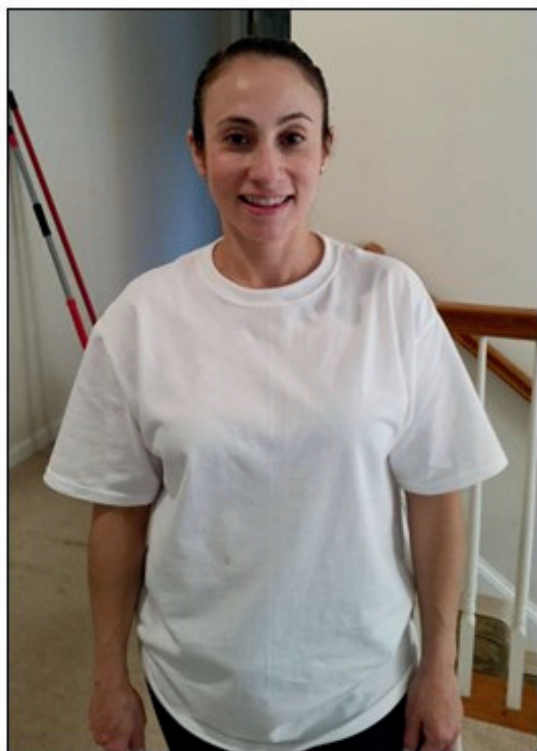
Bring your items to the communal yard sale location and set up/attend to your own "shop." We do ask that some portion of your proceeds be donated to Mount Eagle Elementary, our charity once again this year.

#### **Set Up in Your Own Yard**

We'll add you to a map that will be distributed electronically and printed from the communal location. You put up your own signs (7 maximum per county regulations) to direct people to your yard. If you'd like to donate some of your proceeds (10% suggestion) to Mount Eagle, then we will help facilitate that!

#### **Volunteer to Help at the Communal Yard**

We need volunteers the evening before (Fri, June 13) to help sort items, and then on Saturday to help put the items out, interact with customers, and pack up the remaining items at the end of the day. We'll also have our JMCA Membership table, donuts/snacks, orange juice, and mimosas!



## Amanda's Cleaning

I am Amanda Florian and my business is your neighborhood maid service.

We continue to support your cleaning needs during the shutdown for COVID-19. My team and I wear masks and gloves in your home and my cleaning service includes disinfection.

As always, I don't charge more for pets. We offer recurring cleanings, as well as one-time deep cleaning and cleanings for move-ins and move-outs.

I have been cleaning homes for 16 years and have references in Jefferson Manor. I have the best prices in the area.

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## THE JEFFERSON MANOR RENTAL MARKET REPORT

<u>Status</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>BR</u>	<u>BA</u>	<u>Listed \$</u>	<u>Rented \$</u>	<u>Close Date</u>
RENTED	5859 Edgehill Dr	3	2	\$3,000	\$3,000	04/01/2025
RENTED	2609 Farmington	2	1	\$3,000	\$2,9500	03/01/2025
RENTED	6020 N Kings Hwy	2	2	\$3,000	\$3,000	02/12/2025
RENTED	5831 Edgehill Dr	3	1.5	\$2,400	\$2,615	01/29/2025
RENTED	5924 Williamsburg	3	2	\$3,300	\$3,150	01/18/2025
RENTED	2708 Jefferson Dr	2	1	\$2,500	\$2,500	12/19/2024
RENTED	2804 Framington	3	2	\$2,900	\$2,900	12/23/2024

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### Tom Rickert / Realtor

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<b>Successful JM Transactions</b>	<b>352</b>

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## About the Jefferson Manor Citizens Association

### Mission of JMCA

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



### 2025 JMCA Membership

#### Who should join the JMCA?

- All residents of Jefferson Manor over the age of 18, renters and owners
- All non-resident owners of property in Jefferson Manor

#### How are dues spent by the JMCA?

- Organization of community events that bring residents of Jefferson Manor together
- Publishing this bi-monthly newsletter
- Engagement in regional initiatives that improve the quality of life in the Neighborhood, like the Park Clean-up Day

#### Advertise in the Newsletter

Ad Size	Price per issue
Full page	\$210
1/2 page	\$110
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1/8 page	\$35

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## JMCA Membership Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

JM Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Membership Type:

- ☐ New Member
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#### Choose One:

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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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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