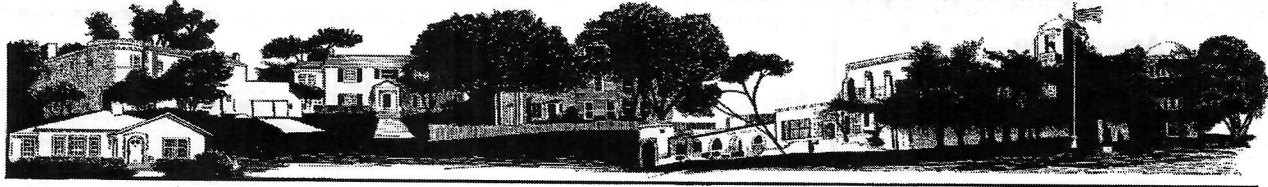


Monticello Park NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



September—October 2010

Reaching 730 Homes in the Monticello Park Neighborhood

NEXT MEETING

MONDAY
September 27,
2010
7:00 PM

Grace Presbyterian Church
950 Donaldson Avenue

Future Meetings:

General Assembly

- November 29

Board Meeting (Open to all interested)

Held at 6:30 PM at
The Deco Building
1800 Fredericksburg Road

- October 11
- November 15
- December 13

Bun•co (buŋ'kō)

[Sp. *Banca*, card game] Several women sitting around a table gossiping while holding dice.

MEET THE NEIGHBORS

by Jan Peranteau



Brian Hansen and
Lucky

Brian Hansen is doing the work he loves—taking care of plants and pets. He can get cooperation out of most any pet, and nurturing them comes naturally with his degree in nursing. “My first degree was a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. I was first in the army.” After getting out of the Army, Brian continued his career in nursing for eleven more years in the area of oncology, with cancer patients. “Stress is always a factor. The stress got to me. I began looking for another way to make a living.” “My friend, Robert, told me of retired friends who made a living by pet sitting. I saw a movie, *In Her Shoes* about a woman who started pet sitting in a city with lots of high-rises. I decided to give it a try.”

“Kennels are closed over the weekends, so people returning from vacation must wait until Monday to pick up their animals.” He said, “Grounds and Hounds was formed with these facts in mind.” The prices for pet sitting vary depending on how many animals a person has. “Prices range from \$25-\$35 a visit. I need 48 hours notice before providing service.” He said he is not strict about policies. “If people come back early, I don’t charge them for the days contracted. I only charge for the days that I provided service.”

Hansen also provides lawn maintenance services for both commercial and residential customers. He said, “I charge by the job.” “Most of my clients are in Monticello Park but I do have clients in Castle Hills. I try to stay within Loop 1604.”

Hansen told the story of his first dog. “It was a Schnauzer. It was actually my dad’s dog, and the dog and I were the same age. Once, the dog snapped at me. My dad said, ‘What did you do?’ I really got my own dog when I moved into my first house in Schertz, Texas. After that, I have always had one or more dogs.” Currently Hansen has four dogs and maybe six in a couple of weeks. “There is Milo, 14, and Mia 12. Lola is 10 and Chuy is 2.” Hansen is fostering two abandoned pups already named Hans and Greta. And also, let’s not leave out the cats—Noche, a young male and Zucie, a young female. A neighbor gave the kittens to Hansen, and he has had them spayed. The cost of spaying is low. Spay S.A. will spay pets based on family income.

Hansen has a big heart. He loves animals and he will take care of yours like they are his own. Get in touch with him at www.groundsandhounds.com or (210) 833-4475. He’ll be happy to give your animals or your yard some tender loving care.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I write this, the first cool breeze of fall is filtering through the window. Despite the relatively mild summer, it is always a relief to know that cooler weather is ahead. Fall has always been my favorite season in San Antonio, not so much for the ending of the sweltering summer, but for the inevitable increase in activity all over town. Monticello Park is certainly part of all those goings-on.

August saw several neighbors and board members attending the budget meeting for District 7. Some who could not make that meeting attended the city wide meeting at the end of the month. All of us brought the message that the city budget should not cut funds for what we see as important infrastructure in our neighborhood: our sidewalks, alleys, street surfaces, drainage. At the last visit to the budget, the funds for alley maintenance had been increased by one million.

The home tour committee has been working all summer to organize a wonderful home tour for November 7. Six homes and Jefferson United Methodist Church will be featured in this ever-popular tour. Please plan to visit with this committee and let them know of your interest in placing an ad in the brochure, or join at one of several levels of monetary participation for individuals. This activity helps us keep dues low, and funds the many activities for the MPNA.

Our Garage Sale will also return at the end of October, one week before the home tour. All proceeds will benefit our scholars in the neighborhood and at Thomas Jefferson High School. Plan to participate, or just go hunt down some bargains!

National Night Out will be held in the popular Pavilion at Redeemer Lutheran Church. We will have shade from the head or cover from the rain if we need it, and the site offers plenty of parking. We will again join with Jefferson Neighborhood Association and look forward to a great night of friendship. See the article about it on page 11 for details.

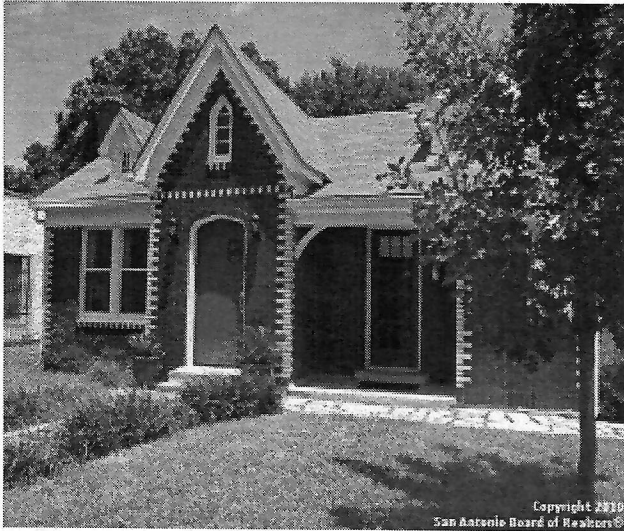
Finally, try to come join us for the General Assembly on Monday night. Several candidates will be present to discuss their plans (and don't worry, they will have a time limit), and you will be able to ask questions of them. With the election coming in November, it is important to know the facts and to remember that the one who does not vote is no better off than the one who cannot.

See you soon!

Ferne Burney
President, MPNA

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Topic:

**Rainwater Harvesting
Workshop**

Date:

Saturday, November 13

Time:

9am - 12 Noon

Location:

Monticello Park

(the pocket park between Club and
Kampmann Drives)

Bring your lawn chair!

Please let Sagrario Mejia (board
member) know if you have any
questions.

**FOR A GREENER EARTH AND
MONTICELLO PARK!!**

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SAWS.....	724-7097
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SAPD — West Substation.....	207-7420
SAISD Police.....	271-3124
VIA Transit.....	362-2019
SAISD Truancy Office.....	223-2360

Treasurer's Report:

Checking:	\$2769.33
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CD:	\$11,329.70
Total Treasury:	\$17,935.30

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Tobin Hill Community Association's first ever Historic Places and Fantastic Spaces Tour set for October 23, 2010

On Saturday, October 23rd, the Tobin Hill Community Association will conduct its first Historic Places and Fantastic Spaces Tour. The tour will feature six unique locations:

Two beautifully restored historic homes;

A modern Spanish contemporary home with downtown views from its roof deck;

A new urban, extended stay rental space with amazing interior and exterior design;

La Casa Rosa, home, gallery and studio of Tobin Hill contemporary artist Luis Lopez. The building is known for its bold fuchsia exterior and public sculpture garden; and

The lovely new Neva Spa.

The admission price for all six locations is \$15.00 per person. Day of the event tickets will be available at the first tour stop located at 325 E. Myrtle Street, in the heart of the Tobin Hill Historic District. The self guided tour will run from 9am to 2pm and owners, or their representatives, will be available at all tour sites to provide insights into the locations and answer questions.

Tobin Hill is a vibrant neighborhood located just north of downtown San Antonio that is within easy walking distance of the new San Antonio Riverwalk Museum Reach and the exciting Pearl Brewery Complex and the San Antonio Museum of Art. It is a family friendly neighborhood that offers a variety of housing options, unique restaurants and exciting entertainment options.

The purpose of the tour is twofold. First, to provide visitors with an opportunity see the amazing changes that have and continue to occur in the Tobin Hill neighborhood. (*San Antonio Magazine* lists Tobin Hill as one of the "Best Places to Live" in San Antonio). Second, to raise funds to purchase historic street signage for the Tobin Hill Historic District.

For additional information contact Rosemary or Jerry Geyer at (210) 658-58734.

Jefferson United Methodist Church
758 Donaldson Ave., SAT 78201
210.735.5221
www.jeffumc.org

**Come join us for a time of
FUN AND FELLOWSHIP
and meet your neighbors!**

FLEA MARKET
Saturday, November 6, 2010
9AM—3PM

Rent a 8' Table -\$20.00 Rent a Space -\$15.00

Hotdogs, Lemonade, & Music

**Come and see our beautiful historic
(64 year old)Chapel which will be
part of the Monticello Home Tour
on Sunday, November 7th!**



*These crazy people came together last year at
National Night Out....you should too!!!*

CALENDAR REMINDERS

October 1 and 2 Oktoberfest
Beethoven Halle

October 1 First Friday
Southtown

October 5 National Night Out
Redeemer Lutheran Church

October 8 and 9 Oktoberfest
Beethoven Halle

October 15—17 International Accordion Festival
La Villita

October 27—November 8 Wurstfest
New Braunfels

October 30 MPNA Garage Sale
Monticello Park

November 7 MPNA Home Tour

November 14 Rock 'N' Roll Marathon

November 20 Light the Way
University of the Incarnate Word

November 25 Thanksgiving Day

November 26 Holiday River Parade
and Lighting Ceremony

December 3—19 Fiesta de las Luminarias

December 29 Valero Alamo Bowl

December 31 Celebrate San Antonio
Downtown San Antonio

January 8 U.S. Army All-American Bowl

January 17 Martin Luther King Jr.
March and Rally

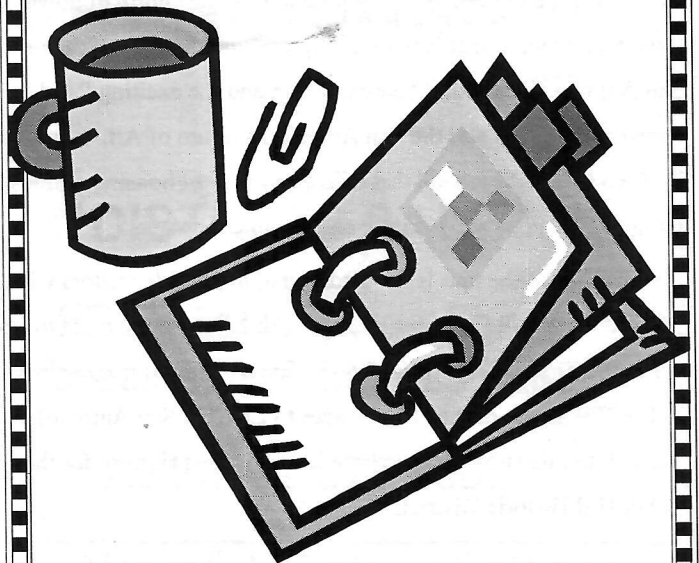
February 3—20 Stock Show and Rodeo

February 5 Asian Festival at UTSA's
Institution of Texan Cultures

March 12 Luminaria —
Arts Night in San Antonio

March 4, 12, 17, 19
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**MPNA
Fall Garage Sale**

Saturday, October 30, 2010

The garage sale will be from 9:00 – 5:00 at the Monticello Park.

The cost is \$25.00 to reserve a space. One simple phone call gets you a hassle free day of selling to as many people as we can fit into the park! We take care of all of the permits, the advertising, and the layout of the park.

You keep all of the money from the sales of your booth.

All of the money that MPNA makes goes towards our scholarship for a graduating senior from Jefferson High School or a graduating senior from the Monticello Neighborhood.

You can reserve your space by calling 732-5543.

If you do not think that you have enough “stuff” to sale or that you really do not want to spend your day at the park then think about donating it to the Monticello Park booth. Again, all of the money that we make from this booth will go towards our scholarship fund.

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Citizens Preparedness Workshop

The San Antonio Office of Emergency Management (SAOEM), in support of National Preparedness Month, is hosting a Citizen Preparedness Workshop that encourages San Antonio Residents to take simple steps to prepare for an emergency in their homes, businesses, and community.

WORKSHOP DETAILS

This workshop will provide citizens and homeowner association (HOA) presidents with an enhanced understanding of emergency preparedness. The SAOEM will host the workshop on the following date and time:

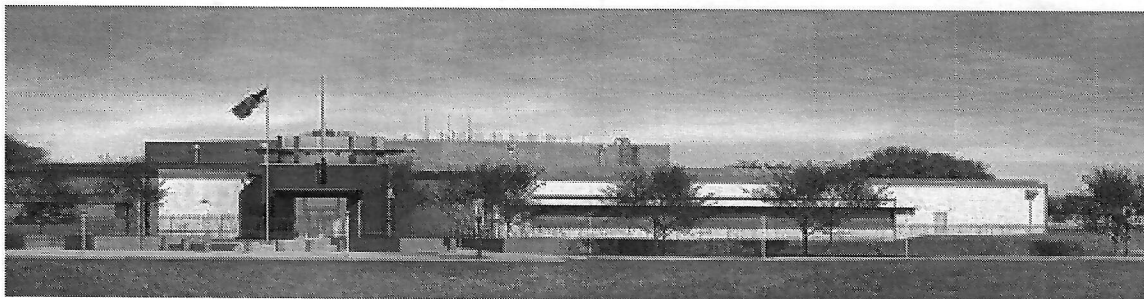
When: Saturday, September 25, 2010 (10:00 am—3:00 pm) *Registration begins at 9:00 am.*

Location: Emergency Operations Center
8130 Inner Circle Road
San Antonio, Texas 78235

Contact: Lorenzo D. Sanchez, (210) 206-8729
lorenzo.sanchez@sanantonio.gov

Due to limited space, please RSVP early to reserve your seat— the workshop is by invitation only. In addition to the workshop, the SAOEM will be collecting canned goods to support local food drives, and attendees are encouraged to bring a small donation for this cause.

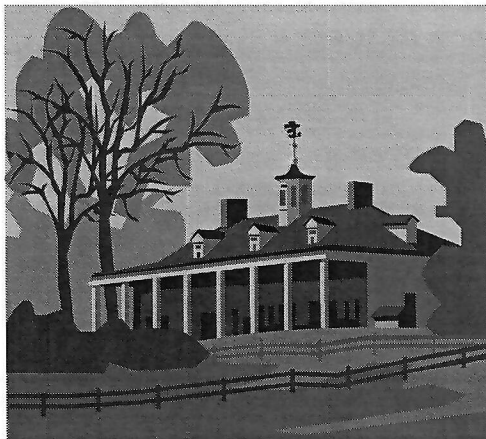
Registration is free and will close on Friday, September 17, 2010. Lunch will be provided for this event.





VIP connections

Jefferson HS Architecture Club and Future Business Leaders of America students meet Mayor Julián Castro (third from left, front row) and former mayor Lila Cockrell (not pictured) during a luncheon at the San Antonio Country Club hosted by the World Affairs Council of San Antonio. The Jefferson contingent represented the only high school students to attend this presentation on world affairs, the importance of San Antonio in developing and maintaining a global connection, and the mayor's trip to Shanghai for the 2010 World Expo. Funding for Jefferson's participation was provided by the Zachry Foundation. Shown with the students (far left) is Architecture Club sponsor David Garcia, and Theresa Mazuca (far right), who sponsors the Future Business Leaders of America.



“AT HOME IN MONTICELLO PARK”

HOME TOUR

**November 7, 2010
11:00 am to 5:00 pm**

Tickets \$15 per person

**Available at Jefferson United
Methodist Church
758 Donaldson Avenue**

Come visit six unique homes and the beautifully restored chapel at Jefferson United Methodist Church. Explore the history of Monticello Park and these remarkable homes.

Space is available in the brochure for your company's advertising or that of your friends. Individuals may donate at bronze, gold, or platinum levels. We are in need of volunteers for the day of the tour and pre-tour activities. Contact Jan Peranteau at 733-5923 for more information.

PLEASE COME JOIN US!!!

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
MONTICELLO PARK**

OCTOBER 5

Beginning at 6:00 pm until dark

The Pavilion at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 2507 Fredericksburg Road
(the corner of Fredericksburg Road and Quentin Drive)

Fun, fellowship, and lots of news!
Expect to see lots of representatives from the City and a bounce house for the kids

MPNA will provide hot dogs, sausages, iced tea and water for all.

Neighbors are asked to bring a pot-luck style side dish.

COME JOIN US FOR A GREAT TIME!!!

**One People, Many Paths: The Sacred Art of
Altars**

SEVENTH ANNUAL EXHIBIT & SILENT AUCTION

Artist-Made Altars

September 1 through September 30, 2010

Silent auction bidding is open all month with around 50 altars to choose from.

Exhibit viewing is free from 11:00am to 10:00pm

At the Bijou Theatre at Wonderland of the Americas (formerly Crossroads Mall).

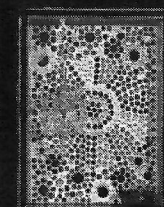
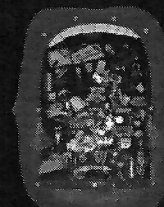
Thursday, September 30, 6:00pm

Auction closing, reception, light buffet and a special screening of
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A funny and moving testament to friendship and creativity.

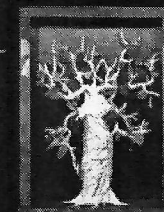
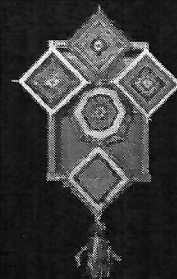
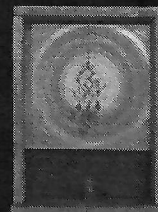
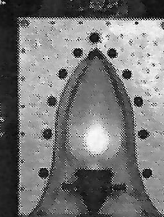
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