

Johnson Park Neighborhood News

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Neighborhood Picnic In The Park Scheduled Saturday October 14th, 2006

JPNA (Johnson's Park Neighborhood Association) residents will host a Fall Block Party on Saturday October 14th. The purpose is to allow neighbors to "meet and greet" each other and enjoy the park one last time before winter arrives.

There will be food, fun and activities for both adults and children. Several groups will provide activities and information that promote recreation, neighborhood safety and quality of life. Activities run from 12:00 Noon until 4:00 PM. Games include football, soccer, Frisbee and kite-flying.

The Milwaukee Fire Department will

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Our Vision

We believe in creating and promoting a safe and friendly neighborhood. We will provide opportunities to improve the quality of life for all residents.

Our Mission

We will implement and promote programs and services that foster neighborhood involvement, community growth, economic and social stability within our community.



What Does JPNA Value

Diversity: We believe that the diverse makeup of our neighborhood should be encouraged, fostered, and celebrated.

Community Involvement: We believe involvement from the entire neighborhood is critical to the overall growth and success of our community. We will continue to engage JPNA residents to support, participate in, and lead our programs, services, and activities.

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display their firefighting equipment and inform residents about fire safety. Artists Working In Education will lead artwork activities for children. Gift Of Wings will teach the art of kite making.

There will be food and refreshments will be provided by JPNA volunteers. Residents are encouraged to bring a dessert dish.

Trick or Treat Safety Tips

- **Trick or treat in familiar neighborhoods or areas**
- **Adults should plan out a route in advance**
- **Avoid costumes that drag on the ground.**
- **Pick costumes that are bathroom-friendly**
- **Be sure a child's mask allows full visibility and breathing**
- **Be sure kids don't get over-heated and keep hydrated**
- **Feed your kids a healthy meal prior to going trick or treat**
- **Children of any age should be accompanied by a parent**
- **Insist that your child goes to the bathroom BEFORE leaving the house**
- **Never allow children to eat candy before it is inspected**
- **Pick up objects in the yard, sidewalk, or driveway that could create safety issues**
- **Keep your house well-lit and inviting**
- **Be sure your pets are secured and put away**

Strategic Objectives

Programs & Activities: We will offer economic, social, and educational programs and activities for all neighborhood residents.

Services: We will increase awareness of local and state services that will benefit the residents of our neighborhood. We will promote JPNA services to residents to strengthen neighborhood relationships.

Strategic Partnerships: We will build, maintain, and grow partnerships with community, county, city, and state organizations. We will also partner with various cultural entities as part of our community revitalization efforts.

Community Resources: We will encourage our residents to participate in area youth programs and educational opportunities provided by local churches, educational institutions, and civic agencies.

Neighborhood Safety Check

Just as you performed a security check on your home, perform one on your neighborhood by exploring it. Is it well lighted? Our community has a neighborhood watch program? Call your local police department and ask how many burglaries have occurred in your area. Determine from the police how the burglars usually operate.

Knowing all this information can help us select the best way to structure our own neighborhood security program. Your neighbors play an important part in your overall burglary prevention program. When you are away, you trust that they will report any suspicious activity around your home. The security of their home is linked to the security of yours. If their home is not burglar-proof, then a burglar might spend more time evaluating your neighborhood.

Burglars tend to avoid neighborhoods that are collectively security conscious. An aware neighborhood is a safer neighborhood.

Neighborhood watch groups and similar programs are often established in response to a specific problem, such as a string of burglaries or drug activity. Communities may also have an informal program that develops as neighbors become friends. When an unfamiliar person is lurking about, these neighbors take notice.

All neighborhoods benefit from announcing their vigilance with signs posted throughout the area or placed in the windows of homes. Criminals notice when neighbors look out for each other, and they may decide that your neighborhood is not worth the risk of detection.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JPNA RESIDENTS MEETING – 3RD SATURDAY EACH MONTH YMCA (TEUTONIA & NORTH AVENUES)

MILWAUKEE POLICE DISTRICT 3 CRIME ANALYSIS MEETING

Special meeting hosted by District 3 Captain James Harpole to hear directly concerns directly from residents.

LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

City of Milwaukee Trick or Treat

Official Citywide Schedule, to be held on

Sunday, October 29, 2006, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

DayLight Savings Time Ends

Remember To Vote

Tuesday, November 7, 2006
Fall General Election

Election Day Voting Hours: 7 A.M. - 8 P.M.

Make sure to get informed on the issues and candidates.

Participate in the political process.

You can't complain, If you do not vote!

Safety: We believe safety is part of the foundation that allows neighborhoods to grow into communities. Our primary focus will be to create and maintain a safe neighborhood by taking personal responsibility for respective homes and immediate neighbors.

DayLight Savings Time Safety Tips

With daylight savings time around the corner, consider putting a timer on an lamp to make coming home a little more inviting than coming home to darkness.

When was the last time you checked your exterior lights? Are they all working properly? Keep some extra light bulbs around in case one should burn out.

So when it's time to change your clock in the fall, it is also time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors. Support the national campaign, "Change your clock, change your battery."

Here are some fall season driving tips: - Reduced light conditions can make it more difficult to see pedestrians, cyclists and other road users.

Drivers need to be especially vigilant. - Slow down and keep your distance. It takes longer to stop on wet pavement or on pavement covered with leaves or mud.

- Use your headlights at all times to ensure you are visible to pedestrians and other vehicles.

- To avoid being blinded by the headlights of an approaching vehicle, look toward the right side of your lane until the approaching car passes.

Programs / Training Resources

- Landlord Tenant Training
- Neighborhood Improvement Program
- How To Deal With Noise Complaints
- How To Address Garbage & Vehicle Nuisances
- Complaint Hotline To Request City Services
- JPNA Block Watch Training
- Need The Police?...Call These Phone Numbers
- Block Watch Ideas For Securing The Neighborhood
- Police Department Safety Information
- How To Target A "HOT" Spot With Drug Activity
- Add Technology To You Secure Your Home
- Who's Been Charged With Drug Activity

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Johnson Park Website

www.jpna-milw.org Available On The Internet

Many households have access to computer technology. With school aged children, working professionals and others who use email, the internet is an important tool for communication and obtaining information. JPNA has created a website that highlights neighborhood activities to be shared with residents. The primary goals of the site are to provide a single source where residents can get news about the community, request city services, contact elected officials and learn tips that improve safety and the quality of life for the area.

In order to view the site, simply open your internet browser and type the following and hit the Go button.

<http://www.jpna-milw.org>

Take a look and see the wealth of information that our residents can use.

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