



MAHNCKE PARK

Neighborhood
Association

Established 1979

P.O. BOX 6544

APRIL 2021

MPNA HAD A LIVE, IN-PERSON MEETING!

And it was held safely, because it was held outside, opposite Lamar Elementary, under the trees, with attendees bringing their own chairs. Chair Taylor Watson reported on news and recent happenings, with a focus on the financial problems of the Mahncke Park Neighborhood Association. The consensus is that the reasons for membership, and therefore income, falling off is that we haven't been able to have live meetings. This one wasn't perfect; passing cars were an auditory distraction and sometimes made hearing difficult, but good ideas were offered and tossed around. One interesting fact is that less than 20% of residents are members, which has led to a problem with the treasury being able to finance the newsletter. We have been delivering nearly 800 copies which are expensive to produce. The obvious solution of a digital edition was offered, but there are problems with that. The board absorbed the ideas and will make a plan for where we go from here. One obvious solution would be for everyone reading to send in the \$5 or \$10 cost of a membership. The form is at the bottom of this newsletter. Those of you who choose to do so can use Pay Pal.

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NEIGHBORHOOD BATTERY PERSON

Know you shouldn't put batteries in the trash, but don't know what to do with them? No problem. Just drop them off at 318 Pershing Ave., and the homeowner there will recycle them responsibly for you. Look for the clay flowerpot next to the house on the right side of the driveway just behind the big plant. No car batteries or other huge batteries, please. If you see the homeowner, be sure to say thanks for this neighborhood service which has been provided for a decade or more.

COMMUNITY GARDEN'S GARDEN PARTY RETURNS

One of the annual events that many residents look forward to is Mahncke Park Community Garden's Garden Party, which will be held on Saturday, April 10, this year. You will find plants for sale, silent auction items, delicious food, and more. Come enjoy viewing our reviving community garden on Funston Place and say hello! Plus, there will be several booths with information for neighbors. If you've been cooped up a little too long and would like to get to know some of your neighbors, come out and enjoy the beauty of the 'hood, which is significantly enhanced by the wildflowers popping up across the street in the park.

One of the exciting benefits of attending the MPCG plant sale is the opportunity to purchase plants grown in our neighborhood that may not be commonly available in the nursery trade.

Garden Party

Mahncke Park Community Garden, Funston Place
Saturday, April 10, 10:30am –1:30pm

AWARD WINNERS OF THE TRES CENTURIAS ART CONTEST

The Tres Centurias Foundation sponsored a drawing contest for the Kids of Mahncke Park. The event was free of charge with prizes awarded to three age groups. The winner of each age group received a \$25.00 gift certificate to Good Time Charlie's Bar & Café. This year's winners were announced.

Cira Garza was awarded \$30 for her drawing of the Ludwig Mahncke bust. Otto Hargesheimer was also awarded \$30 for his drawings of the Catherine Lee's bronze sculptures. Both of these young artists deserve much credit for making art and community participation a priority in their lives. Congratulations to Cira and Otto. We hope to see more of their work in the future along with work from other youngsters from the neighborhood and beyond.

Photos of their artwork will be posted on the Mahncke Park Neighborhood Facebook page with the title "Tres Centurias Art Contest Winners."

S.A. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Joel Zulaica is our neighborhood's patrol officer. Contact him re: concerns of illegal activity. joel.zulaica@sanantonio.gov 210-275-2281.

SAN ANTONIO CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Anna M. Rodriguez is the Code Compliance Officer assigned to our part of town. If you have concerns to discuss with Ms. Rodriguez, you may call her mobile phone at 210-416-5891. Or you may email her at anna.rodriquez@sanantonio.gov

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HELP PAYING UTILITY BILLS

Residential Energy Assistance Partnership offers qualifying households assistance with paying CPS Energy bills up to twice per year. Call 210-207-7830 or 210-335-6770.

Catholic Charities offers assistance with utility bills. Call 210-222-1294.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 210-864-2151 Limited financial assistance for expenses such as utility bills, as well as rent, funeral arrangements, and medication.

CPS Energy offers assistance with utility bills. www.cpsenergy.com/assistance

NEWS FROM LION'S FIELD - 210-207-5380

Mary Runner, who keeps things running smoothly at Lion's Field, wants to make sure that everyone has something to occupy their bodies and their minds, even though they can't do it in person at Lion's Field.

-Sign up for the April Weekly Presentation. We are partnering with AgriLife to bring a month-long nutrition program with tips and recipes! Don't miss out on this great opportunity to get the latest nutrition information.

- Easy Movement on Monday and Wednesday and Chair Weights is available on Tuesday and Thursday, both at 9:30am.

-And then work your mind with some games on Tuesday and Wednesday at 4pm!

-Don't forget parking lot Bingo at 1 am on Friday mornings. This is the only activity actually taking place at the Center.

For more activities, and there are lots of them, go to <https://www.sanantonio.gov/ParksAndRec>, look for Lion's Field, and you'll find all kinds of activities.

2020 MAHNCKE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION	
Membership is open to homeowners, renters, property owners, businesses or anyone having an interest in our area. Dues are \$10 per household & \$5 for retired neighbors per year. Non-resident dues are \$20 to help cover postage costs.	
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