



MAHNCKE PARK

Neighborhood
Association

Established 1979

P.O. BOX 6544

NOVEMBER 2022

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

This month's meeting will include updates from SAPD Officer Hernandez, news about area development, & election of next year's board of directors.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 7PM
LION'S FIELD CENTER, 2809 BROADWAY**

MPNA NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Nominating Committee members Valerie Jeannin, Taylor Watson, Bruce Martin, and George Grimes nominated the following neighbors to serve on the 2023 MPNA Board of Directors:

Steve Amberg Allensworth Street,
Chris Castillo, Queen Anne Court,
Susan Geery, (Natalen Avenue),
Josh Godwin, Allensworth Street,
Liz Kish, Natalen Avenue,
Camis Milam, Davis Court, and
Ruth Rodriguez, Thorman Place.

Voting will take place at the MPNA's meeting on Tuesday, November 22. Additional nominations may be made by members during the meeting. Our thanks to outgoing 2022 MPNA Board members Valerie Jeannin, Kahlyne Fletcher, and Isabel Garcia.

FAREWELL, KIM! WELCOME, JOCELYN!

We regret to report Area Captain Kim Senneff is leaving the neighborhood to move into a larger house better able to accommodate more grandkids. We appreciate Kim promptly and reliably sorting monthly newsletters and distributing them to Block Captains.

Good news is that Jocelyn Ponce has volunteered to assume the role of Area Captain from Kim. Many thanks, Jocelyn! We appreciate your community spirit and look forward to your help getting the MPNA's monthly newsletter distributed.

WILDFLOWER SEED PLANTING IN MAHNCKE PARK

On Sunday, December 11 at 12 noon, Mahncke Park residents are invited to plant wildflower seeds in the park. Meet on Milton Street between Parland Place and Funston Place, and bring a rake, shovel, or hoe to soften the soil prior to sowing seeds. Add this to your calendar – hope to see you there.

Started over 30 years ago, the Mahncke Park Neighborhood Association and the SA Parks Department continue to work together on this effort to re-establish native wildflowers, which we plant as a memorial to deceased neighbors and family members. The Parks Dept. has agreed to discontinue regular mowing in designated areas of the park during the growing season in order to allow wildflowers to grow, flower, then set and disperse seeds.

ATTEMPTED BANK ROBBERY IN NEIGHBORHOOD

At last month's MPNA meeting, SAPD Officer Juan Hernandez spoke of an attempted robbery on October 18 at the Comerica Bank, 4040 Broadway. The male suspect entered the bank lobby, presented a teller with a backpack, and ordered cash be placed inside. The suspect exited the bank lobby but was apprehended prior to leaving the property. There were no injuries.

All neighbors are encouraged not to commit robbery.

NEIGHBORHOOD VOTERS

Steve Amberg, a resident political scientist at UTSA, shared the following data on voters in Mahncke Park. In the 2020 presidential election, there were 1,984 registered voters in Mahncke Park. The neighborhood is divided into three precincts of unequal size: Precinct 4183 is the smallest, 4008 is next, and 4110 is the largest. Precinct 4008 had a 66% turnout. Precinct 4183 had an 80% turnout. Precinct 4110 had a 66% turnout. The overall neighborhood turnout was 67%. The nationwide turnout reached a 100-year record high at 65%. We did very well!

SOLUTION TO NEIGHBORHOOD EMAIL CONUNDRUM

Dear Mahncke Park Neighbors,

It has come to our attention that some of you are not receiving e-mails from the MPNA – the delivery failure is due to emails being routed to a spam or promotions folder. Especially emails using gmail. Odd and frustrating, but fixable. Please add newsletter@mahnckepark.org to your address book if you have not been receiving emails from MPNA & would like to. This should solve the problem.

HOLIDAY PARTY COMING SOON: DECEMBER 10

The Mahncke Park Neighborhood Association (MPNA) Holiday Party & Potluck Dinner will be held Saturday, December 10, beginning at 6pm. This year's party will be at The Cottage Pub, 3810 Broadway.

Kids are welcome but must depart by 9pm. This is a potluck but feel free to purchase food from our hosts, The Cottage Pub.

Thanks very much to neighbors Phil & Gina & The Cottage Pub for sponsoring this year's MPNA Christmas Party.

YOUR GARBAGE DAY IS CHANGING TO WEDNESDAY

The City's Solid Waste Dept. will begin a new garbage collection day this month. Our garbage collection day is now WEDNESDAY. Exciting times.

Recycling and organics collection day will continue to be Monday.

S.A. MARATHON COMING TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

This year’s San Antonio Marathon on Sunday, December 4 will come through our neighborhood. The route has been slightly modified for 2022. Runners will head north from downtown, go through Brackenridge Park then exit via Tuleta Drive. Crossing Broadway to Pershing Avenue, they will turn left on Catalpa Avenue, right onto Carnahan Street, right onto N. New Braunfels, then left onto Pershing Avenue and all the way uphill to Old Austin Road, before turning left and entering JBSA – Fort Sam Houston. The Marathon and Half Marathon will conclude at the UTSA Downtown campus.

BRACKENRIDGE PARK CONSERVANCY NEWS

The Brackenridge Park Conservancy recently reported the appointment of Ms. Talli Dolge as chief executive officer.

“I could not be more excited to take on the role of CEO of the Brackenridge Park Conservancy,” Ms. Dolge said. “The Park holds incredible history and memories for so many in San Antonio. I cannot wait to see how we can bring this San Antonio treasure to everyone who lives, visits, or even hears about our beautiful city. Brackenridge Park is at a pivotal time of restoration, growth, and change. I feel honored to be a part of this historical change.”

CITY COUNCIL INFORMATION

Mr. Jalen McKee-Rodriguez is the District 2 City Councilman and his district includes Mahncke Park.

Main Office, City Hall, Military Plaza, 210-207-7278
Constituent Office, 2805 E. Commerce, 210-207-0950

Persons interested in e-blasts from Councilman McKee-Rodriguez’ office may sign up by emailing imgard.rop@sanantonio.gov

Councilman McKee-Rodriguez’ recent newsletter invited residents in need of a helping hand to contact his office by calling 210-207-0950 or sending an email to Council.District2@sanantonio.gov

SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT

SAPD Officer Juan Hernandez patrols our neighborhood. Officer Juan Hernandez’ duty hours are M-F, 7am-3pm. Contact him regarding concerns of illegal activity or to request a “patrol by” of your property while out of town.

Juan.hernandez3@sanantonio.gov
210-218-6939, cell
210-207-7413, Central Substation, SAFFE Office

MPNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Valerie Jeannin, Eleanor Avenue, President
Ruth Rodriguez, Thorman Place, Vice President
Josh Godwin, Allensworth Street, Treasurer
Liz Kish, Natalen Street, Secretary
Stephen Amberg, Allensworth Street
Kahlyne Fletcher, Pershing Avenue
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Carlynn Ricks
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LIONS FIELD ADULT CENTER – 210-207-5380

Lion’s Field Adult Center is a city-owned property at 2809 Broadway, which is open M-F, 8am – 9pm (on Fridays close at 5pm) and is managed by the SA Parks Dept. Upcoming events include:

Nov. 5, Beatles Themed Outdoor Concert. 3 – 5pm.
Bring lawn chair. Food truck on site. Rain or shine.

Nov. 10, Veteran’s Day Brunch, 9am.

MAHNCKE PARK - WHAT A GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD!

Your neighborhood has abundant resources, including greenspaces (5 pocket parks, 2 parks, 2 golf courses, 1 community garden), schools (we have 4), bookstores (there are 3), museums (4, if you count Wooden Nickel Museum). City’s best grocery (Central Mkt), best barbecue (Smoke Shack), best potato & egg breakfast tacos (Bill Miller’s), best card & gift shop (Cadeau), and multiple public artworks.

S.A. BOTANICAL GARDEN LIGHTSCAPE TO RETURN

The Botanical Garden will again be hosting its Lightscape display of lights with amplified holiday music for two months beginning November 11. From 5:30-10:30pm through January 8, visitors may enjoy over one million lights and seasonal music along a one-mile path through the garden. Tickets cost \$26-\$28 for adults, \$16-\$18 for children, and persons age 0-2 are free. There is a \$3 convenience fee; however, Botanical Garden members may receive a \$2 discount. Visit sabot.org to purchase tickets.

Lightscape will not operate November 14-16, 28-29, December 5-6, 12-13, 25, January 2-5.

SAN ANTONIO CODE COMPLIANCE

A “Saturday Code Enforcement Hot Line” at 210-207-2633 has been established by the City. The Hot Line will be answered every Saturday (except holidays) from 8am – 4pm. The Hot Line is intended for violations commonly seen on weekends such as illegal garage sales, illegal signs, construction work without permits, front yard parking and right-of-way obstructions.

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2022 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.

Name

Address

City, State, zip code

Email address

Phone

Type membership Regular____, Retired____, Nonresident____

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