



# FISHER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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## GENERAL MEETING — OCTOBER 20

Join us on **Wednesday, October 20** at **7:00 pm** in the **Jack Fisher Park log cabin** for the fall JFPNA general meeting.

Hear what's going on in Fisher Park, meet new neighbors, and add input with your own ideas about future meetings and events. We are planning to host several neighborhood events each month so this is the best place to learn more and provide suggestions for how to make them even better!

Main Topics:

- "State of the Ward" from Councilmember Jessie Lopez
- Neighborhood Association Board Opportunities
- Details about Upcoming Events for Remainder of 2021

Check out **FisherParkNA.com/general** or scan the QR code to the right to see updates as we get closer.

Mark your calendars today!



## HELP NEEDED WITH NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

Have you noticed a lot more neighborhood events and activities happening lately? We hope so, as we've been working to schedule them at least once a month or more.

We are looking for eager, organized individuals who can help us plan or execute the variety of neighborhood events now happening regularly. We're expecting to continue many favorites into 2022 like the Independence Day parade, Veterans Day Tribute, the holiday potluck, Pancakes in the Park, Movie Night, Dumpster Day, Crop Exchanges, and more. If you have idea for a new type of event, we are keen to welcome you.

Those interested in helping should attend the general meeting at the log cabin on October 20 or, if unable to join, reach out at **FisherParkNA.com/contact** to start a conversation.

Learn more about our known events at **FisherParkNA.com/events** or scan the QR code to the right. We're adding more regularly!



## PUMPKIN DECORATING — OCTOBER 23

**When:** Saturday, October 23 at 10:00 am

**Where:** Jack Fisher Park

**Cost:** Free

**RSVP:** Recommended

Join us for the return of our pumpkin decorating activity.

Kids will have a blast getting creative with their gourds using colorful pens (both of which will be provided, but you can bring your own art supplies). There will also be some fun games like bean bag toss, ladder toss and more. Plus, we plan to bring back face painting since it was such a huge success from July's Family Fair event.

We strongly recommend RSVPing on our website at [FisherParkNA.com/pumpkin](http://FisherParkNA.com/pumpkin) to ensure we have enough supplies.



## HONORING VETERANS — NOVEMBER 11

**When:** Wednesday, November 11 at 5:30 pm

**Where:** Jack Fisher Park Log Cabin

**Cost:** Free

Join us on Veterans Day for a small event to honor our veterans and pay respects to those no longer with us.

A local Boy Scouts of America troop will help us with lowering and folding of the flag, accompanied with the Taps bugle call, and learn more about Jack Fisher, our park's namesake.

We invite all veterans to attend so we may pay tribute to your service to our country. We recommend bringing a chair.



## HOLIDAY POTLUCK — DECEMBER 3

**When:** Friday, December 3 at 6:00 pm

**Where:** Jack Fisher Park Log Cabin

**Cost:** Free

The holidays will be here before you know it. And, what a better time to have a potluck, socialize with your neighbors, and maybe even play a fun game or two!

We've reserved the cabin at Jack Fisher Park and are inviting all residents to participate. The neighborhood association will provide tables, chairs, music, plates, and utensils. We plan to also have crafts and games for the kids, along with a holiday photo booth for family photos.

There is no charge for this event, but every family should bring something yummy to share.







## FISHER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD HISTORY

*Written by Erica Moir*

*Photo of Jacob (Jack) Fisher from ADV Chapter #23 image*

### Story #4 - Who was Jack Fisher?

Our neighborhood takes its name from Mr. Jacob (Jack) Fisher. Fisher was born in Yakima, Washington in 1899 and moved to Santa Ana with his parents (Jacob A. Fisher & Mary Sinnema Fisher) and sister in the early twentieth century. In April 1917, upon the United States entry into World War 1, Fisher enlisted in the US Army at the age of 18 years old. Fisher is probably one of the most decorated servicemen in Orange County.

*TO CONTINUE READING THE ARTICLE ON HOW WE GOT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD NAME CHECK OUT [FisherParkNA.com/history](https://fisherparkna.com/history) or scan this QR code with your smartphone.*



## REMEMBERING RICK COLLINS

It is with sad news that we wanted to share the recent passing of Rick Collins, our neighborhood association co-president.

Rick and Nancy moved from Orange to Fisher Park in early 2018 and immediately stepped up to become neighborhood leaders, eventually becoming co-presidents of the neighborhood association, moving us forward and making the neighborhood even better with all of their passion and great ideas.

Pictured to the left is Rick (center), alongside Jeff Lemay and Ryan Martin, happily flipping away at the cooktop from the wildly successful Pancakes in the Park event in 2019.

Rick will be missed dearly.



## IT'S ALMOST PORCH PIRATE SEASON

The holidays are fast approaching and, with the ease of online shopping, it'll be prudent to follow some tips to avoid package theft this year. Even with most of us home due to the pandemic, porch pirates are still as brazen as ever, if not more!

We've put together several tips and tricks to consider when having packages delivered to your home as a way to prevent porch pirates from making off with them.

However, there's so much more detail than can fit in this little space so please continue reading this story at

**[FisherParkNA.com/porch](https://fisherparkna.com/porch)**, or by scanning the QR code to the right with your smartphone's camera app.



## NEXT NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING IN EARLY 2022

We've already hosted two well-attended neighborhood watch meetings this year and are planning to schedule them every other month to ensure that the Santa Ana Police Department knows that we're always watching.

However, we are pausing the next meeting until early 2022 after the holidays. Please look out for specifics in our Winter newsletter or check our website event page in early 2022 for a date.

Until then, we strongly encourage everyone to read our Porch Pirate article on the previous page for great suggestions on how to best secure your holiday deliveries. And, as always, be aware of any suspicious activity in the neighborhood and don't hesitate to report anything to the Santa Ana non-emergency line at (714) 245-8665.

Learn more about Neighborhood Watch at [FisherParkNA.com/watch](https://fisherparkna.com/watch).



## HOW ARE WE DOING COMMUNICATING NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS AND EVENTS?

We are eager to hear from everyone about how we are doing with our communications lately. In addition to this recently redesigned newsletter, we have introduced many other ways to hear about what's happening in and around the neighborhood. We'd love to hear your thoughts by filling out a survey on our website.

Sample questions:

- Is the quarterly newsletter relevant?
- Do you like the occasional flyers handed out before events?
- Are our social media posts what you expect?
- When should we send reminders via email, flyers or social media?
- Should we do something different when communicating?
- Do you notice when the neighborhood yard signs change for each event?
- Is there a method in which we're not communicating but should?

Get started at [FisherParkNA.com/survey](https://fisherparkna.com/survey) to share your thoughts!



## THIS AND THAT...

- Huge thank you to the following neighbors who helped us with Dumpster Day on September 18: Eric Rosenberg, Salomeh Kingston and Ryan Murphy. We are always looking for more volunteers to host for our next Dumpster Day, likely in mid-March. It's a great opportunity to get rid of junk from a spring project.
- We are looking for more neighborhood history stories to continue the series on the previous page. If you have interesting info about the neighborhood or your property, reach out at [FisherParkNA.com/contact](https://fisherparkna.com/contact).
- If you are so kind as to contribute to the Neighborhood Association financially, checks may be sent to **1211 West River Lane** written out to **Fisher Park Neighborhood Association**, or dropped off at a scheduled association event. Entirely voluntary, we recommend at least \$20 per household per year, but any amount is welcomed. Even better, we've made it more convenient to contribute by PayPal at [FisherParkNA.com/contribute](https://fisherparkna.com/contribute).
- If you have any ideas for neighborhood events or activities, we're always eager to plan and coordinate something fun! Don't hesitate to reach out by visiting [FisherParkNA.com/contact](https://fisherparkna.com/contact) to send us a message.

## PLANNED EVENTS

**October 20**

General Meeting

**October 23**

Pumpkin Decorating

**November 11**

Veterans Day Tribute

**December 3**

Holiday Potluck

**December 4 and 5**

City-Wide Garage and Yard Sale Weekend

For all events, learn more at [FisherParkNA.com/events](https://fisherparkna.com/events) for more details as we get closer.

## 2021 JFPNA BOARD

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