

# SANDIA GRIT

1980

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## NEWS OF SANDIA HEIGHTS AND ITS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

### FROM THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT:

On July 24th the Board of Directors of the Sandia Heights Homeowners Association (SHHA) met to elect officers and plan the program for the upcoming year. Elected as Officers were:

President	Jim Ciraulo	Treasurer	Bob Hoffer
Vice President	Bill Johnson	Secretary	Beth Overacker

#### Board Members are:

Jim Ciraulo	293-3532	John Otten	298-7244
Tom Herrlinger	299-5557	Beth Overacker	296-8933
Bob Hoffer	293-0775	Stu Senneff	299-6026
Bill Johnson	294-2166	John Warner	296-7554
Bob Murphy	296-9585	Rab Freeman	296-2977 (Newsletter)

This group of directors is enthusiastically looking forward to the upcoming year and seeks your advise and comments.

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$2,600.97. A check for \$1,093.80 is to be paid to the Tram Company to cover the park landscaping. A balance of \$1,000.00 is still due.

#### Present Projects:

SANDIA HEIGHTS PARK - Finish landscaping and add two picnic tables with lean to enclosures. This will increase the usefulness of the park.

GUARD PATROL - John Otten will monitor and report on the continued and improved guard service.

SNOW REMOVAL - SHHA will again contract the Tram Company to do snow removal during the upcoming winter.

AREA MAP - Area street maps will be supplied to new members.

TRAMWAY ROAD - John Warner will again head the committee to work with the County to further improve the road (add reflectors).

#### Future Projects:

In order to get a feeling about the programs that interest the residents of Sandia Heights, we have prepared a survey form in this newsletter. Please fill this form out and return it so that we can get some guidance as to your needs. This is your opportunity to be heard.

#### Membership:

At present there are 166 members of SHHA. There are still approximately 450 non-members. For various reasons these residents have not joined SHHA. We therefore request all present to bring one new resident family into

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### HOMEOWNER INTEREST SURVEY

Please check the items you feel the Association should actively pursue (i.e. spend money and time on).

- Jogging and Bicycling Track along Tramway
- Political Activities (annexation, services, etc.)
- Planting of mini-parks
- Community Events (Gatherings)
- Covenant Enforcements
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

I would be interested in working on the following projects:

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

the membership. This will allow SHHA to take on new projects and obtain new "do-ers". A common complaint is that the SHHA "doesn't do anything." What is needed is a concerned and active group of residents who are willing to put in their money and time to make our unique community an even better place in which to live.

Jim Ciraulo

FROM THE SANDIA PEAK TRAM COMPANY:

Over the last several weeks, the Sandia Heights area has experienced two very serious storms with confirmed rainfall measurements of between 3" and 5" - obviously exceptional storms. Many residents have inquired as to the ownership and responsibility of roads, drainage structures, etc. in the area.

The roads are dedicated to Bernalillo County who takes ownership and responsibility for the roads at the point when they are inspected and accepted. All Sandia Heights roads have been inspected and accepted by the County; therefore, the County is responsible for road maintenance as well as culvert maintenance in Sandia Heights. However, in reality, the County has seldom done maintenance in the area due to its budget and manpower limitations and the Tram Company, with the support of the Homeowners Association, has continued to patch roads, plow snow, repair road shoulders and clean drainage culverts over the years.

Since we now have serious problems on several roads and culvert crossings in the area; the County has assured us that they will respond to these needs as soon as possible and the Tram Company will assist the County in its efforts to do these repairs - but only at the County's direction.

As residents you can help:

- A) If you have a serious problem with "your" road, contact the County Road Department or the County Manager's Office.
- B) Your help in clearing away "plugged" culverts around your home will be extremely helpful and may prevent even more serious damage should we have a re-occurrence of the recent heavy rains and/or run-off.
- C) Driveway and/or on site drainage problems are the responsibility of each individual owner, and he should make his own arrangements for repairs or reshaping of those areas.

The most serious problems with the roads should be taken care of during the next week or two depending on the County's pace. Meanwhile, the Tram Company will proceed with minor repairs of road shoulders, patching, etc., on a priority basis until we are back in shape again. Your help and patience is appreciated.

Bob Murphy

SAME OLD REMINDERS:

- 1) Drive carefully. Remember to watch for children around school bus stops and watch for others bicycling or playing in the streets. Our roads have unexpected hills and turns that make seeing children and oncoming vehicles difficult.
- 2) Try to contain your dog. One family's pet may be another family's nuisance.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

The Grit is now under a new-but-old Editor. However, the lament remains the same - to know what you want in The Grit, the Editor needs to know. All articles, especially-----articles-----comments-----complaints-----advertisements, announcements and inquiries will be welcomed. Feel free to call and/or contribute - Rab Freeman 296-2977. The deadline for next issue "News" will be December 1, 1980. (My thanks to Judi Foster for volunteering her typing services also.)

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## SECURITY PATROL UPDATE:

Since the Sandia Heights Homeowners Association started the security patrol there has been a notable increase in area security. Most of these instances go unnoticed by those not directly involved. Therefore, starting with this issue, The Grit will try to keep the neighborhood aware of the patrol's work.

During the last twelve months (Sep. '79 through Sept. '80), the Guard Service was instrumental in nine burglary arrests and identified thirty local vandalism problems which were resolved without the involvement of the law enforcement agencies. Although the guard cannot make arrests, he has been the individual responsible for calling the local sheriff and usually holding the suspect until the sheriff's arrival. The guards have checked on homes of vacationing residents (up to twenty at once), checked the license plates on over one hundred vehicles parked in the streets, and assisted in twelve ambulance or rescue calls. On a lighter note, the patrol answers calls for rattlesnake removals, stuck cars and empty gas tanks (about another hundred calls!). In doing all of this, they drive nearly 50,000 miles a year.

It's obvious that the guards are serving the community in a very positive manner. Their response to calls is very quick and they have demonstrated a service and enhanced local security which the County could not do. Your continual support and comments on the service is encouraged.

Guard phone numbers: 765-9832, 296-9585.

L. John Otten

## ADVERTISEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, INQUIRIES:

FOR SALE - Girl's bike, 20", \$10, 293-3532

CLEAN WINDOWS - Danny's Window Cleaning, 88 33681, Free Estimates

MORE CLEAN WINDOWS - Sandia Heights Window Washers - Call for free estimates Nick, 298-5021, Shawn, 296-1162

MATH TUTORING - All levels - By teacher with 9 years experience, 292-6747

CAR POOL WANTED - For Albuquerque Boy's Choir, Monday pm, Julie McBride, 299-4347

BABYSITTING - Stephanie Lubow, 15, 296-6805, Yvonne Lubow, 14, 296-6805

QUALIFIED SITTER for your children, home, plants, etc. while you vacation or work. Very experienced. College Sophomore. 299-6559

ODD JOBS DONE - Warren Lubow, 13, 296-6805

FOR SALE - Beautiful Country Italian 8 piece dining room set by American of Martinsville - Walnut with fruitwood finish. Chairs and base of table in white antique finish. 299-0861.

RUG WEAVING - Navajo, Saltillo, Rio Grande rugs and woven textiles restored to original condition. Southwestern Restorations, PO Box 14263, Albuquerque, 87191, Nancye Hudgins, 292-5612

LET'S TRADE - My talents, ideas, etc. for yours. Let's have fun and get together for coffee. Tuesday, Sept. 30, 1980 at 9:30 am at Miriam Lubow's, 433 Live Oak NE, RSVP, 299-2364

SHHA has been talking with County representatives.  
There will be a homeowners meeting shortly.  
A separate announcement will be mailed

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