

THE GRIT
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Sandia Heights Homeowners Association

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?

A famous philosopher once said: "He who expects nothing is never disappointed." Your Homeowners Board not only expects great things this year, but is working towards accomplishments of significant impact on Sandia Heights.

On a tangible level, we have erected the Sandia Heights illuminated bulletin board between the Circle K and the Outpost Arena. This board announces upcoming Homeowner events and other pertinent happenings here in Sandia Heights. We have also just completed the acquisition and installation of concrete tables, benches and a trash receptacle at the Park.

The jogging path idea has already completed the drawing board stage and is now ready for implementation. We will need some volunteer assistance and will be calling those of you who have already expressed interest in this project. If you would like to assist and have not been contacted, please call Mike Cox or Roger Hoppe.

Less tangible, but of paramount importance, is the long range planning on which your Board is placing so much emphasis. In the not too distant future, the Homeowners Association is going to have to be ready, willing, and financially able to take over many of the services now performed by the Sandia Peak Tram Company. Such an undertaking is difficult to anticipate and plan for, as it has not been an issue in prior years. Your Board has already been working on a mission statement, goals and objectives, strategic planning and a five-year plan for the Sandia Heights Homeowners Association. The commitment to this long range planning is crucial so that we are acting out our goals and objectives rather than reacting to each situation as it confronts us. We are looking outside of Sandia Heights for information from other homeowner groups and associations to see how others have initiated their groups or how they have effectuated the type of transition that we are now facing.

Inherent in the success of this venture is obviously proper planning, but equally as important is the willingness to adapt to the new demands and opportunities that this situation presents. Our intent is to have the entire long range planning package ready to present and implement at the Annual Meeting. Even though our goals and expectations are lofty, we don't expect to be disappointed.

Don't forget the upcoming Sunday Afternoon at the Wool Warehouse and the Annual Spring Fling!

John Freeman, President, SHHA

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Sunday Services 10:30am- Church School 9:15am

Mother's Day Out - Tues., Thurs. 9-4
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FROM THE PARKS DEPARTMENT

From the what? You didn't know that we had a Parks Department in Sandia Heights? Well, we do, and we even have a park to show for it. A lot of people don't know where it's located, so here's some hot info. Our park is just south of Tramway Road and west of Juniper Hill. We have a nice softball park with backstop, a playground for young children, basketball goals, and the Homeowners Association has recently purchased park benches, picnic tables, and a trash receptacle. There is a water fountain but no restroom facilities (we're working on that). It's a nice place to come for a picnic with the family or to watch the kids play soccer, and it can be made available for large groups, such as a company picnic, by calling me for a reservation. This type of use is on a first-called-first-reserved basis, so please plan ahead.

We're also planning the long-awaited jogging trail system and hope to start serious work in the spring. The latest plan is for a series of interconnecting loops throughout Sandia Heights, the surrounding Elena Gallegos Grant Open Space area, La Cueva, and Forest Service land. We will publish a trails map in the Sandia Heights directory, and will have a master trails legend at the park. Trails will be marked at 1/2 mile increments, so that joggers, walkers, and bicyclists will be able to pick up the trails at any point and know the distance that they travel. The plan is to develop a multi-use system to benefit all types of human powered travel that will eventually interface with the continuation of the system that the city and county plan when they widen Tramway from Montgomery.

We do have a number of ideas on further improvement of the park, including possibly purchasing a Par Course. (A Par Course is a set permanent exercise devices designed to provide a balanced exercise routine outdoors.) The cost of the system depends on what version and how many stations we buy, so it's a decision that we would like your input on.

When we do start building the jogging system, I'll need all of those of you who volunteered in the questionnaire that we put out last year (don't worry, I haven't lost the list). I'd also welcome any input on the current proposals or anything in general regarding the park. Feel free to call (or write if you want to be indignant or remain anonymous) anytime.

Remember that the park system is yours to enjoy!


Michael Cox (293-7417)
516 Black Bear Loop



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COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Your Sandia Heights Homeowners Association now has a bulletin board located between the Circle K and the Outpost Arena. All members of SHHA are invited to use the bulletin board to post any messages or notices that are non-commercial in nature. To have your notice posted, contact Lynne Behnfield (299-7878) or Carolyn Hudson (294-2377).

Our enthusiastic thanks go to Bob and Pat Martin, owners of the Outpost Arena, for graciously donating the land and supplying the electricity for our bulletin board. Thanks, neighbors!
-The Membership Committee-

A FUN AFTERNOON AT "THE WOOL WAREHOUSE THEATRE"

If you wish to attend The Wool Warehouse Dinner Theatre with a group of friends and neighbors from Sandia Heights, join us Sunday afternoon, March 22nd.

The Sandia Heights Homeowners Association (SHHA) will furnish transportation from the Quail Run Shopping Center, Tramway and San Rafael, to the Wool Warehouse Theatre and return to the Quail Run Center.

Departure time from the Quail Run Center is 11:30 a.m., SHARP
Cocktails: 12:00 noon (complimentary champagne with dinner)
Dinner: 12:30, All-you-can-eat buffet
Show: 2:00, The Fantasticks

Group prices: \$16.95 + 0.85 tax + 15% gratuity of meal price,
\$1.80 = \$19.60 per person

Since there is a limit of 44 persons for the transportation, make your reservations early by mailing your checks to Sara Warford, 1191 Laurel Loop NE., Albuq., NM 87122, payable to The Wool Warehouse Dinner Theatre. Your check is your reservation. Deadline for reservations is 15 March.

JOIN US FOR A FUN AFTERNOON -- SEE YOU -- 22 MARCH!!!

SOCIAL BRIDGE

Couples Social Bridge: 1st and 2nd Saturday evenings of the month.

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Tuesday, 17 March (St. Patrick's Day), 10:00 a.m.
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203 Spring Creek Drive



Tuesday, 14 April, 10:00 a.m.
Hostess: Bridget Levine (275-0607)
650 Cougar Loop

Please write these dates on your calendar. Please call your hostess if you'd like to attend so she can plan accordingly. New neighbors and longtime residents are invited to come and visit.

Thanks to Eileen Ryan for the September '86 coffee and to Sharon Walker for the November coffee

The Christmas Open Houses were a great success and enjoyed by all who attended. Thanks to Stan and Billye Gamsby, Elizabeth and R. W. Crain and Wilma and Walter Hill.

QUALITY OF LIFE REMINDERS

FENCES AND SCREENS

The recent strong winds have blown down fences, recreational vehicle screens, solar panel screens, air conditioner screens and propane tank screens. Your neighbors would appreciate that the fences and screens be installed or repaired as necessary as soon as possible.

ANIMAL CONTROL

County Animal Control is patrolling the Sandia Heights Community on a regular basis. Over 15 citations have been issued and some dogs have been impounded. You are reminded that County Ordinance 83-37 prohibits animals to run at large or disturb the peace by barking or howling.

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THANKS TO THE BCFD!!!!

Thanks to the Bernalillo County Fire Department, District 5 - your Volunteer Fire Department for their emergency assistance! We learned firsthand about the value of District 5 Volunteer Fire Department service when a medical emergency occurred late one night at our home during a bad snow storm and icy road conditions in January, 1987. Their assistance was furnished within a few minutes by very considerate and qualified personnel and without charge. We applaud these individuals who work free during all hours for our protection. They also need your help through contributions to make their work environment even more successful in the future. Your assistance to them could also be one of the best investments in your life!

---The O'Neals

(Editor's Note: Contributions can be made to:
BCFD, District 5, c/o Chief Clark Speakman
11700 Paseo del Norte NE, Albuquerque, NM 87122)

A REMINDER
FIREMEN STILL MAKE HOUSECALLS!

THE GRIT

Because of the request of many residents and following the "okay" of the SHHA Board of Directors, THE GRIT will now be published 6 times a year.

The advertising rates will remain the same:

Non-commercial ads (baby sitting, house sitters, situations wanted, etc.) FREE (These ads will be run continuously, until cancelled by the advertiser, or unless obviously "dated")

Commercial ads - minimum of \$25 per 1/4 page.

Business card size - \$25 per 4 (four) issues.

All commercial ads must be camera-ready and correctly sized.

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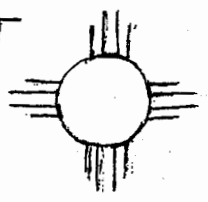
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