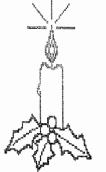
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Sandia Heights Architectural Control Committees

A new Sandia Heights Architectural Control Committee was appointed effective July 1, 1988 for the following subdivisions: Sandia Heights Addition, Lots 1 through 40; Sandia Heights North, Unit 2; Sandia Heights South, Units 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6; Sandia Heights South, Unit 7, excluding Cedar Canyon Subdivision; Sandia Heights South, Units 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19; Sandia Heights South, Unit 25; Sandia Heights South, Unit 27A; Sandia Heights South, Unit 28 A.

The following persons were appointed as members of the Sandia Heights Architectural Control Committee for the above cited subdivisions: R. V. Fitzgibbon, Chairman; Mark Bryant, Member; Bill Stabler, Member; Joan Barton, Member; George

Bolling, Member.

Plans for new construction, renovation and/or additions within the above cited subdivisions are to be submitted to Mr. R. V. Fitzgibbon at 666 Roadrunner Lane NE, Albuquerque, NM 87122, telephone number, 292-1045.

The following subdivisions remain under the jurisdiction of the Sandia Peak Tram Company for Architectural Control: Sandia Heights Addition, minus Lots 1 through 40; Sandia Heights North, Unit 3; Sandia Heights South, Units 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27B, 27C, 28B, 28C, 29, 30; and Cedar Canyon Subdivision. Plans for these subdivisions will continue to be submitted to Sandia Peak Tram Company at #10 Tramway Loop NE, Albuquerque, NM 87122.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

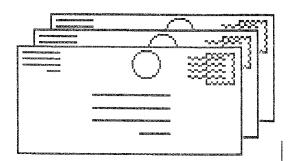
The Refuse Collection Crew is again offering a special pick-up of "used" Christmas trees. The special day is Monday, January 16th. Please mark your calendars. There is no extra charge for this pick-up.

Reminder for those who have a Monday refuse collection day-there will be no collection on Monday, December 26 OR Monday, January 2. Refuse will be collected on the following days-Tuesday, December 27 and Tuesday, January 3.

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Letters to THE GRIT should be original, brief, and concern current topicss in the news. Letters must include full name and signature of the author, address, and telephone number (though these can be omitted from the printed copy, if requested). Editors reserve the right to editor condense any letter. Address letters to: Letters - THE GRIT, P.O. Box 20021, Albuquerque, NM 87154-0021.

or some time now I have been concerned with the speeding problem in our neighborhood. Although well-intentioned, a sentence or two in the GRIT is an insufficient attempt to address this serious threat to the safety of all and the integrity of property. Several years ago, I began to realize how dangerous it is to speed on the roads up here. This was around the time that my oldest son began to walk to his school bus stop.

Besides being unlawful, I began to see my speeding as an arrogant display of disrespect for the safety and well-being of everyone living here. I began to question what was causing me to hurry so. Whatever the reason, it was meaningless when compared to the life or property of a fellow resident. After noticing the posted speed limit and trying it a time or two, I realized that a slow trip through the neighborhood would take only a few more minutes than a fast one. I decided that courtesy and consideration for life and property were worth the expense of the few extra minutes it took to drive at a reasonable speed. I started to encourage friends and neighbors to take it slow and enjoy the scenery. One would think that other adults would be capable of

coming to the same conclusions.

In addition, I became all too aware of the extent of the problem caused by other drivers. When there is a car behind me, it has usually caught up to me, often very quickly, and follows me the rest of the way down the hill less than twenty feet from my rear bumper. Occasionally, the driver will pass me and speed off ahead. While going through curves, I have been surprised by oncoming traffic going at high speeds in the middle of the road. About half of the time, it is a car that I don't recognize. The other half of the time, it is a car that I have seen many times before. It isn't just teenagers. It is also the "responsible, intelligent" adults of our community. There are even whole families who speed.

Study of this dangerous behavior would probably reveal some interesting patterns that could prove useful in its control. It also seems obvious to me that any successful attempt at controlling this problem will require full cooperation throughout the community. Perhaps a good place to start would be for all of us to stop and consider the consequences of speeding. What would you say to the family of the person you had just run over while rushing to get on your way? As for myself, I

now hope that all those drivers behind me will one day find the compassion within themselves to make a simple gesture of concern and consideration by driving slowly in our neighborhood.

A DEEPLY CONCERED HOMEOWNER Sandia Heights

Holiday Bazaar a Great Success

The Holiday Bazaar held at the Fire Station on Sunday, November 13 was a great success! Thanks to all those who attended and helped make this a special occasion. The total proceeds for the bazaar was \$3,794, with Fire District #5 receiving 10% of the profits. Many thanks to the volunteer firemen for their cooperation. Special thanks to those neighbors who volunteered their time as hostesses...serving coffee, cookies and just making everyone feel welcome. The twenty artists who participated thank the Sandia Height Homeowners Association for sponsoring the bazaar. The committee hopes to make this an annual affair, so put it on your calendars. Every resident is welcome to participate. Maybe we can make it an even bigger and better bazaar next year. The SHHA Board wishes to thank Jane Stabler and Sara Warford for their hard work in coordinating this event!

Sandia Heights Opera Group

If you'd like to join the Sandia Heights Opera Group for a matinee performance of "Madame Butterfly" on Sunday, January 29, please call Jean Heflin at 291-0489. The group will get together for brunch preceding the performance.

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Sandia Mountain Coalition Report

November 28 - There is good and bad news regarding the Pueblo of Sandia claim for some 9,000 acres of U.S. Forest Service land, National Wilderness, State Game Preserve, and private lands (including Sandia Heights and Sandia Heights North and most of the west face of Sandia Mountain).

SMC has provided the Secretary of the Interior all the documentation requested. The majority of that material has been in Washington since July when a delegation of City of Albuquerque, Bernalillo County, open space people, and home owners visited with six members of Interior, including the Secretary. Representatives from the Washington delegation from New Mexico

accompanied the SMC representatives.

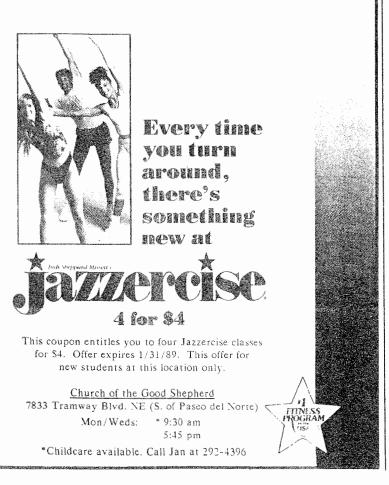
Interior requested a few additional pieces of information including two new archaeological surveys. These were completed and all requested information was sent to the Secretary before September 30th.

Nonetheless, there has been no decision. The SMC legal committee is convinced that, were the decision made today on the merits of the case, Solicitor Ralph Tarr would have to advise the Secretary to decide against changing the Pueblo of Sandia boundaries. The committee believes there is simply no evidence to support a change in the "patent."

We have used the funds donated to the coalition to hire expert historians, archaeologists, and surveyors. Their reports support the legal committee's findings that there is no merit to the Sandia claim. Funds have also helped defray the costs of our chief counsel, Carol Dinkins.

Senator Domenici's and Representative Lujan's offices have been trying to help us get a decision from Interior. We are heartened by Steve Schiff's support. Chair of the legal committee, Anita Miller, is in daily contact with the delegation and she feels they are doing all they can. "We are still hopeful that we can get a decision before the new administration takes command," Anita said today.

-- Lynne Behnfield, Co-Chair



Neighborhood Coffees

Thursday, December 15th
10:00 a.m. - noon
at the home of Rab Freeman
131 Big Horn Ridge Court
296-2977

Remember to call your hostess. Everyone is welcome and we hope to see many husbands joining us. Thanks to Jaya Nayaranamurti, Lucy Russell, and Vern and Kathie Peterschmidt for opening their homes to all of us and for showing us a wonderful time and delicious goodies.

If you are interested in having a coffee in the coming year, please call Billye Gamsby at 298-2189 or Jane Stabler at 298-8525. (Or if you have any questions or would like someone to pick you up, please call Jane.)

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A. Four neighborhood kids smashing mail boxes.

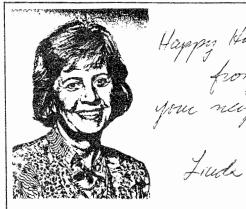
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TEN ESSENTIAL ITEMS TO BRING WHEN YOU GO BACKPACKING

Whether you are going on a dayhike or an overnight expedition, it is important that you are properly equipped to meet emergencies. These are the bare necessities that an experienced hiker should not be without:

- 1. U.S.G.S. MAP: U.S. Geological Survey map of the area that you will be hiking in. It should be properly protected from the elements.
- 2. COMPASS: It should be a high quality compass that is shock proof. Be sure you are able to read a compass properly.
- 3. FLASHLIGHT: The flashlight should also have extra batteries and bulbs, and preferably be waterproof.
- 4. EXTRA FOOD: Don't bring bulky items that will weigh you down. Instead bring high-energy foods that will not dehydrate you.
- 5. EXTRA CLOTHES: Bring enough clothes to survive the most likely adverse conditions you will encounter.
- 6. SUNGLASSES: These will protect your eyes from harmful ultraviolet rays and from being irritated by the wind.
- 7. FIRST AID KIT: Bring as complete a kit as possible, including treatment for snake bites, broken bones and any medications you can't go without.
- 8. POCKET KNIFE: A pocket knife (with all the tools, blades and can openers) proves invaluable on hiking trips.
- 9. MATCHES: The more matches the better; they should be the "strike anywhere" type and be in a water-tight container.
- 10. FIRESTARTER: Since it's harder to start a fire than people think, you should bring some material to start a fire such as a candle, heat tabs, etc.

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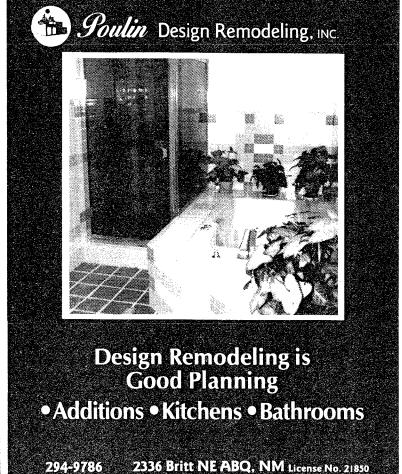
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Brighten your neighborhood this Christmas Eve....Help a child achieve a dream....Do both! How? you ask. Easily.

Albuquerque Figure Skating Club is selling luminarias for Christmas Eve. The proceeds from this fund-raising project will go into the Competition Fund which helps to pay the expenses of Albuquerque figure skaters who attend regional and national competitions.

The luminarias are \$3.50 a dozen and will be available on Friday, December 23 from 1-5 p.m. and Saturday, December 24 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon for pickup at the Outpost Ice Arena, 9530 Tramway Blvd. NE. You may order them in advance by filling out the information below and mailing your order, or you may phone your order to: Courtney Ingram, 821-8109, after 6 p.m. And...if you are really pressed for time...we will deliver them to your house for only \$4.50 per dozen. Order yours today!

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