

The North News



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Greetings neighbors and welcome to another edition of the newly resumed "The North News". Your Board continues to work on behalf of our neighborhood in multiple ways, many of which are discussed in this issue.

Please read about ongoing or upcoming development in our area, crime statistics, opportunities for beautification/cleanup and please pay special attention to information about the upcoming election on October 4th. As stated on the City's website, "The City of Albuquerque holds its regular municipal election on Oct. 4. At stake in this election are five City Council seats, several bond issues, and the future of the Red Light Camera program. Early voting starts Sept. 14 at select locations. Help decide Albuquerque's future. Vote."

You hear it at every election, "it is important that everyone get out and vote". But now more than ever, every vote really does matter. Our City's future is shaped during these elections. We represent only a tiny facet of the process, but Neighborhood Associations, including ours, work closely with our elected officials on matters that affect us in small and large ways.

We have enjoyed very good representation by City Council and look forward to that continued support. But only through actively participating in the process, electing diligent representatives and voting for issues that help to better our communities can we effect change.

Visit the following link for information about what is on the up-

coming ballot.

<http://cabq.gov/clerk/elections>

Whether you are for or against someone or something, please get out on October 4th and let your vote count.

As always, I would like to thank our Board Members for all of their help, efforts, and time devoted to the betterment of our Neighborhoods as well as the many residents who regularly take strides to make this a great area to live in. If you have suggestions, comments or concerns with issues affecting our neighborhoods, please feel free to contact any of the NENA Board members and please plan on attending our Annual Meeting Tuesday November 1st at the North Domingo Baca Multi-Generational Center at 7:00PM.

Future Meetings

Oct 4, 2011—Board Meeting

Nov 1, 2011—General Annual Meeting & Elections

Meetings are open to all and are held at 7 pm at the newly opened North Domingo Baca Multi-Generational Center at the corner of Wyoming and Holly.

Nor Este Neighborhood Cleanup

24 September, Saturday, 9 am to Noon

Free trash bags/gloves at Alameda & Wyoming morning of the cleanup.

City trash packer trucks will pick up pruned tree branches, bagged leaves/weeds along Alameda, Wyoming, Oakland, and Barstow. Please call Teresa (934-2599), if there are other areas you wish to direct the trash packer truck.

Let's get pretty for the over 700,000 people who will be visiting for the International Balloon Fiesta!

Please help me clean up along the block wall along Alameda!

NENA Crime Report May - Sept 2011

Last May's NENA newsletter included an article which indicated there were 160 crimes in the vicinity of our neighborhood (which I defined as a 1 mile radius around my home on Oakland Avenue) from the first of the year up to May 7 2011.

CrimeMapping.com revealed that there were 179 crimes committed from May 8 to September 11. The breakdown of crimes was as follows:

47 Vehicle Break-in/Theft
 30 Burglaries
 27 Acts of Vandalism
 25 Theft/Larceny
 15 Disturbing the Peace
 14 Fraud
 13 Disturbance of the Peace
 10 Motor Vehicle Thefts
 8 Assaults
 1 Robbery
 1 Drug/alcohol violation
 1 DUI

Please keep an eye out for suspicious behavior within the neighborhood and call 911 for crimes in progress and 242-COPS for non-emergencies.

COUNT ME IN!

If you are receiving this in the mail, chances are you live within the **NORESTE ESTATES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (NENA)** boundaries.

NENA has an active Board of Directors that is vigilant in looking out for the best interests of our area. They monitor new developments, they interface with area school officials, they are involved with various planning committees for area projects, they maintain dialog with your City councilor and the list goes on and on.

To this end, Your Board needs Your help. Can you please get involved and join us on the Board? Can you please contribute \$25 a year to help defray the costs of this organization which is working for you all the time? Please attend the next meeting and mail your dues check made payable to NENA today.

Please count me as a DUES PAYING MEMBER of NENA. Here is my check for \$25 to cover 2011.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Please make all checks payable to:
Nor Este Neighborhood Association (NENA)
 Post Office Box 94115
 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87199-0066

For questions about your membership, please contact Bob Smith at

Planning & Development



UPCOMING SAN PEDRO STORM DRAIN IMPROVEMENTS

There will be two separate but related projects occurring within San Pedro between Eagle Rock and Alameda. One project will be the (west) half-width roadway improvements to San Pedro constructed by American Toyota as part of their expansion. Once complete, this will improve San Pedro with curb and gutter, etc. to 2 lanes southbound with one northbound lane remaining.

The second project (concurrent) will be the storm drain extension from Eagle Rock to Alameda extending the recently completed Phase I Storm Drain improvements north of Eagle Rock.

LA VISTA SUBDIVISION (NW CORNER EAGLE ROCK/WYOMING)

Construction is tentatively scheduled to start by the end of September.

TWISTERS

Construction is wrapping up on TWISTERS just north of the Smiths gas station on Wyoming

GUARDIAN STORAGE

This project is a 25,200 SF self-contained, climate controlled storage facility between Palomas and Paseo Del Norte. The facility is designed to appear as an office building.

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES

Construction is complete and the store should be opening in October.

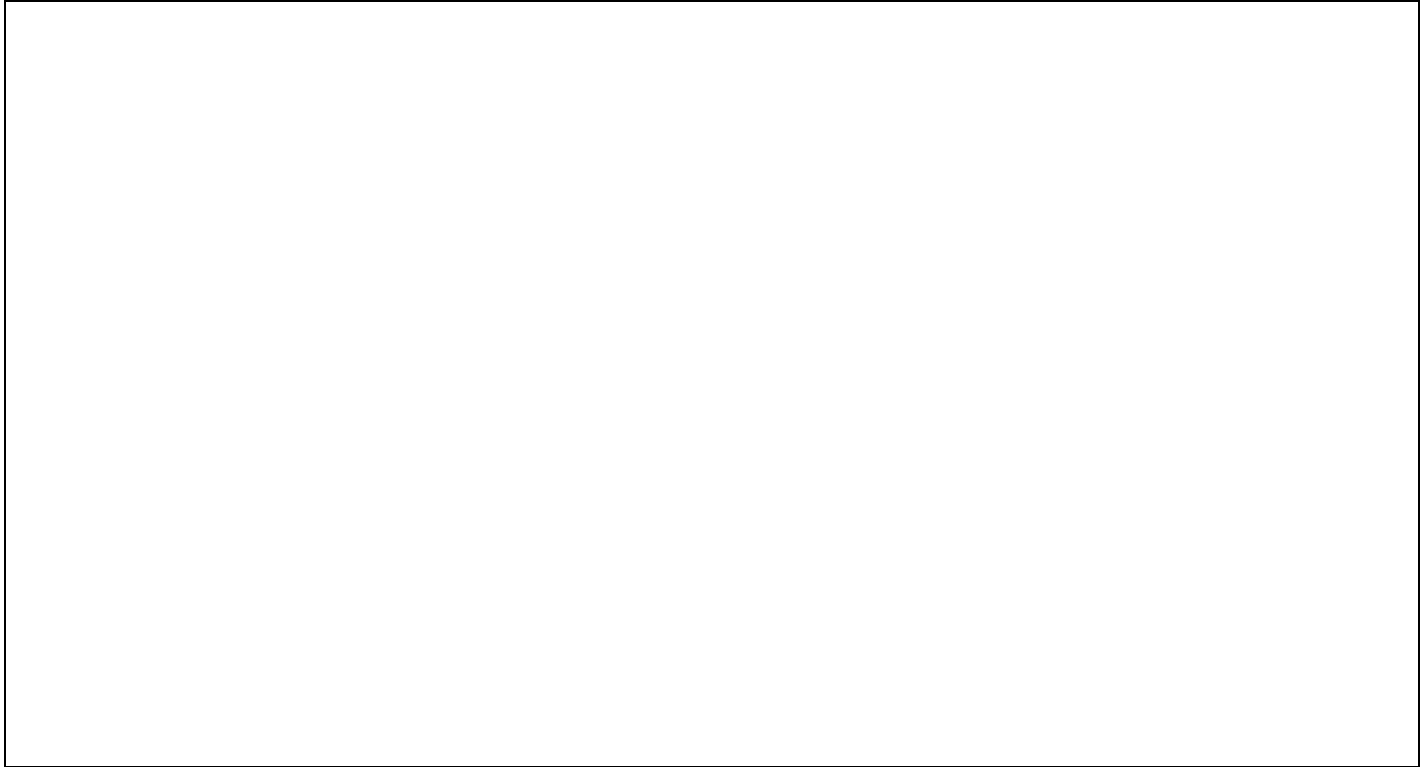
Cars Speeding along Oakland, Barstow, Alameda during Morning School Rush

Several neighbors have noted that during the morning rush to La Cueva HS there is a lot of auto congestion and speeding vehicles on Oakland Avenue between Barstow and Wyoming. Contact with APD has resulted in increased patrols along Oakland, Barstow, and Alameda in an effort to calm the traffic. In addition, a new 25 MPH speed limit sign has been erected on west bound Oakland, and the LCHS Principal has sent a message to student drivers to be more courteous and abide by the speed limit. Another sign, "Children at Play", has also been requested.

A meeting is planned with APS to determine if changing the exits and entrances to the HS will mitigate the problem and make for a safer environment for everybody.

Please slow down for others, follow the posted speed limits and watch for pedestrians on their way to school. Let's all get there alive.





76 NENA Members!

At the time of our March newsletter, we had 13 dues-paying members. Thanks to the newsletter either notifying or reminding residents that there is an active Neighborhood Association serving them, our count is currently up to 76 members.

While that is an awesome increase, in relation to the over 1,900 homes within our boundaries, that is still an unacceptably small percentage of residents. If you were thinking about joining or renewing after the last newsletter and forgot, here's another chance.

Please send your \$25.00 along with the attached membership form today and please get involved.

Oakland Median Trees & Shrubs

The NENA Beautification & Maintenance Chair will meet with a bonded, licensed tree company (Arborist on staff) to request an estimate to have all the trees and shrubs on Oakland between Wyoming and Barstow (within the two medians) professionally pruned.

Over the years we, the NENA neighbors, planted many of the trees and have done the pruning ourselves, but some of the trees have really grown tall and are hanging out over the street. I have received several suggestions to hire a professional tree service to prune the trees.

Funds from the NENA dues will be used to pay for the service, but if you wish to contribute by sending a special donation indicating you wish the funds to go to professional tree pruning, please send a check to NENA at PO Box 94115, Albuquerque, NM 87199-0066 or better yet, just join NENA by sending in your dues! It's only \$25 a year! What a deal!!!



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Email Rules

Recent events have highlighted the need for a reminder on email etiquette. Please do not use the Nor Este Members Mailing List as a soapbox. It is good that various members are passionate about various issues however, many residents do not wish to be bombarded by the ensuing back and forth. You are welcome to notify the Board of issues you feel should be discussed but please do not forward or reply to everyone on the distribution list with your "hot" issues. Many members have asked to be removed from the distribution list as a result of these types of actions. The list is intended to inform and invite members, not turn them away.

Next General Meeting

Our next General Meeting is Tuesday October 4 at 7:00PM at the North Domingo Multi-Generational Center at Holly/Wyoming. Please plan on attending, hearing what is new and getting involved. If there are any special issues you would like to see on the agenda, please forward to

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