

BANA General Meeting 4/28/2014

**Bel Air Neighborhood Association
General Meeting – Christian Fellowship Church
April 28, 2014 - 7 pm**

Board members present: Barb Johnson, Dana Berry, Amy Henne, and Jeanene Witt

Board members absent: Larry German, Tom Perez, and Bill Berry

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

Secretary's Minutes –accepted as published in the BANA newsletter.

Treasurer's Report - Checks written in April 2014 include PO Box renewal and cost of last newsletter.

Membership – 46 residential memberships have been sent in for renewal and 1 business membership.

Newsletter – Kathleen Frazier continues to be the editor for the July newsletter, but will be moving in the fall of 2014 and we will need a new volunteer for this role

Old Business

1. Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale to be held Saturday May 4, 2014
2. Summer clean up dates – May 17 June 21, July 19, Aug 16, Sept 20.
3. Pavilion at the Park has been dedicated to the memory of Lee Julian.
4. Annual PARK PARTY to be held Saturday, July 12

New Business

1. 3 Board positions are open. A motion was made and seconded that Board positions be filled by incumbents. Approved unanimously.
2. BANA Board will meet on May 21, 2014 for Board elections.

3. Langell's Art Supply has been sold to the VORTEX THEATER and they are in the process of renovating the building. Theater to open in mid-August.
4. BANA Board voted unanimously to raise BANA membership to \$10 annually.

Guest speakers

1. **Randy Remiker, Commander of NE Sub-station and Sharanne Press, Crime Prevention Specialist for NE Heights. Office located at 8201 Osuna NE/John Carrillo Memorial Substation. Phone # 823-4455.**

Sharanne oversees the NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH for the NE Heights. She conducts classes in the neighborhoods related to home and personal safety along with residential burglar prevention.

Cmdr Remiker directed us to call and let police know about the issues of transients behind the 7-11. He also encouraged residents to take photos of issues and send them to him, especially graffiti.

QUOTE: "The more information you give us, the better we can do our jobs."

Commander Remiker's direct email address is rremiker @cabq.com and he encourages us to contact him directly with questions and concerns.

2. **Diane Gibson, City Councilor for DISTRICT.** Newly elected with 5 months in office (December 1, 2013) Her primary focus is police, fire and economic development. Diane shared there is a new economic development director for City. Also there is a new fire station to be built at Menaul and Eubank. She will keep us posted on all developments. **She encourages residents to contact her or her Policy Analyst/Assistant, Chris Sylvan with questions or concerns. 768-3136**

It was brought up that we would like to re-open the discussion on having mid-block streetlights installed on specific streets. Also want to re-visit the Carlisle Corridor Study as it relates to issues at Candelaria and Comanche. There are also ADA issues related to lack of NORTH/SOUTH streets having driveway cuts. The cuts have been made on the EAST/WEST streets, but not NORTH / SOUTH.

One neighbor expressed concern about sidewalk issues at the corner of San Mateo and Candelaria at the CHURCH'S drive in restaurant.

- 3. Leslee Richards /VORTEX THEATER.** Leslee owns Leiber's Luggage and is on the VORTEX BOARD. She wanted to inform the neighborhood that they have closed on the building and will start interior construction in May. The neighborhood is invited to a sign-hanging party on May 10th at 2 pm.

They hope to open the theater in mid-August and will have a FREE preview performance on the Thursday night prior to opening night. She wanted to extend a warm invitation to the neighborhood.

Leslee also stated the theater plans to offer classes in the fall to elementary and mid-school students as part of their community outreach.

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 pm. Seconded. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted-

Amy Henne

BANA Secretary