Our 20th Year

April 2014

There is Safety in Neighbors



President's Message

Once again it is time for our Annual Meeting and 2014 membership drive. The Board has voted to increase annual dues to \$10 per household. We hope that this will not create hardship for anyone but we felt that after 20 years it was overdue! Remember that your dues help support the neighborhood by paying for the newsletter, the annual Park Party, advertising for the neighborhood yard sale and other costs related to neighborhood business. Please check this newsletter for details about these upcoming events.

All residents are asked to support the Neighborhood Association so we can continue to create a positive and safe environment in which to live. To those of you who rent property here, you are valued residents and we encourage your involvement as well. Please review the membership form and let us know if you can assist us in any of the areas shown. In particular we are looking for persons to assist with the creation and publishing of the newsletter and someone who can be active in helping with tech issues like a website.

We have asked the APD Northeast Heights Command officers and Crime Prevention Specialist to speak at this meeting and also hope to have a Master Gardener present to answer your Spring gardening questions. In addition, we have invited City Councilor Diane Gibson to introduce herself to the neighborhood. This is the time when we elect Board members – three 2-year Board positions are up for election and I would encourage you to consider volunteering to help your neighborhood in this capacity. I understand that many do not wish to help in this way and we have many members who graciously and regularly volunteer their time helping with activities. Again, you may indicate your desire to help on your membership application.

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President, Bel-Air Neighborhood Association

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Bel-Air News

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Remember These Dates

General Meeting

Monday, April 28, 7p.m. Christian Fellowship Church 3901 Claremont NE

Neighborhood Yard Sale Saturday, May 3

Bel-Air Clean-up DaysMay 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, Sept 20

Park PartySaturday, July 12

Annual Membership Drive!

It is time for our annual membership drive. You will find a residential membership form inserted with this newsletter. The annual fee of \$10.00 covers costs involved with the newsletter, annual park party, annual garage sale advertising, free summer garbage haul-away, and other member benefits. It DOES NOT obligate you to be involved in any activities. We are also encouraging local businesses to join BANA for \$15.00. This will give a business a listing as a BANA member in our newsletters!

Please send in your membership TODAY to support your community.

Graffiti Removal

Help maintain a clean neighborhood by reporting graffiti as soon as you spot it. Just call 311 and give them the location. They should be out to eradicate it within 24 hours.

Bel Air Neighborhood Association General Meeting – Christian Fellowship Church April 22, 2013 - 7 pm

Board members present: Barb Johnson, Bill Berry, Dana Berry, Amy Henne, Larry German, and Tom Perez

Board members absent: Judy London Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm

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

Treasurer's Report A full Treasurer's Report was not available but Dana Berry reported on the amount available in our checking account.

Membership – Jan will continue.

Newsletter – Kathleen continues to be the editor and requests for feedback on any suggestions for information to be included.

Old Business

- 1. Annual Neighborhood Yard Sale to be held Saturday May 4.
- 2. Summer clean up dates May 18, June 15, July 20, Aug 17, Sept 21.
- 3. Renaming of Bel Air park hearing scheduled for May 28. Pavilion at the Park to be dedicated to Lee Julian, in her memory.
- 4. Recycle bins "any day now" for the rollout.

5 guest speakers addressed the audience:

- 1. Darryl Dady, Neighborhood Coordinator / on behalf of Maggie Hart Stebbins. Discussed County news and events. Encouraged attendees to subscribe to the County newsletter on line. Passed out copies of the paper newsletter and a Loveless publication related to SENIOR SERVICES for 2013.
- 2. Edie Meyers, Keshet Center for the Arts (nonprofit/community outreach) brought us up to date on the renovations in their new space on Cutler. Goal is to move into the space by Fall, 2013. It will include new dance studios and rehearsal spaces along incubator with а business for collaboration between arts, health and wellness Neighbors businesses. encouraged to come by for a tour and to attend their annual event-Nutcracker on the Rocks.
- 3. Christine Trujillo (D), our newly elected District 25 representative for the NM House of Representatives, spoke to us regarding

the last session at the Roundhouse. She is now Vice-Chair of the House Education Committee and is a member of the House Appropriations Committee. She shared an outcome of various legislative efforts—both successes and defeats. She encouraged us to get our concerns in to her early for the next session in 2014.

- 4. Senator Daniel Ivey-Soto is Vice-Chair of the NM Senate Rules Committee. He informed us of the new rule requiring 72 hours' notice of public meetings. He hopes this provides for greater transparency in government. He also shared his overview on the outcome of the session as he worked to align bills there
- 5. Janice Arnold-Jones if our newly appointed City Council member, named by Mayor Berry to fill the seat recently vacated by Michael Cook. She is excited to be working for the health of City if Albuquerque.

New Business

6. Election of new officers. Request was made for interest in filling the one vacant seat on the Board. Jeanene Witt graciously agreed to serve. In a move by acclamation and later seconded, the Board was approved by acclamation.

Motion to adjourn at 8:20pm. Seconded. Passed. Respectfully submitted,

Amy Henne, BANA Secretary.

ABQ Metro Area Public Safety's 1st Annual Collection Drive

Over 5,000 APS students are classified as homeless. Even while homeless, these children are determined to fight for an education in order to graduate. You can help them be successful by donating these essential items:

- Non-perishable food items
- Packaged socks and underwear (3-18 yrs old)
- Standard sized toiletries

When: April 12th-26th

Drop off locations: Any City or County fire or police station.

Sponsored by ABQ Metro Sirens for Homeless

Students. See more information at

http://www.cabq.gov/fire/sirens-collection-drive-for-

homeless-students Or

https://www.facebook.com/ABQMetroSirensforHome lessStudents

Dogs, Parks and Poop

It is finally Spring time! Many of us like to take our four-legged friends to the park this time of year. Our great neighborhood park offers fresh air, green grass, sunshine and ... dog poop. Recently there have been more occurrences of owners not cleaning up after their dogs. This includes the "drive-by" people that simply allow their doggie passenger to use our park as their "bathroom" and then drive away.

Most people do not know that not cleaning up after your dog and/or letting them run free without a leash violates the HEART city ordinance and can have legal consequences. Lt. Christopher V. Romero, Animal Services Field Supervisor, Albuquerque Animal Welfare provided the following information:

- Any person who violates a provision of this article (H.E.A.R.T) shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to the penalty provisions set forth in 1-1-99 ROA 1994. Every violation of this article shall be a separate misdemeanor. Every day this article is violated shall be considered a separate offense. Upon receipt of a citation, the person cited must appear in court.
- Each charge can carry a maximum \$500 fine or a maximum 90 days in jail.

For the safety of our neighbors who want to enjoy the park please be sure your pet is on a leash, and use the doggie stations with bags provided to clean up after your pet. There are several dog parks that are nearby if you want to let your pet run free. The closest one is Bolack Urban Forest Park at 2000 Dakota Street NE, which is just west of Louisiana on the south side of I-40. For more information visit the cabq.gov website.

Support The BANA Business Members!

Did you know that we have a very loyal group of local business who support our neighborhood association every year? Especially in these uncertain financial times, we need to support the local businesses that are members of the Bel-Air Neighborhood Association. Below is a listing of currently paid business members.

Archery Shoppe, 2910 Carlisle Blvd. NE Good Shepherd Animal Clinic 4601 Menaul Blvd. NE Curt Jacobson, State Farm, 2917 San Mateo Blvd. NE Duran's Station, 4201 Menaul Blvd. NE Dr. Charles Walker, 3208 Carlisle Blvd. NE Health Press NA Inc., 2920 Carlisle Blvd. NE

Newsletter Delivery

Many of the "worker bees" in the neighborhood help with the newsletter, from creation to assembly to delivery. We prepare 1200 newsletters every issue and these are hand-delivered to your door. Many residents volunteer to walk blocks that do not have a regular delivery person living on that block, and are glad to do it. The following blocks DO NOT have a resident of that block assigned to deliver there. If you live on one of these blocks and are willing to deliver newsletters please email us at bana_nm@yahoo.com (that is bana_nm). Thanks to everyone who help get the newsletter to residents!

 2700 and 2800 Solano
 2800 and 2900 Aliso

 Los Arboles
 2700 Graceland

 2900 Morningside
 2900 Montclaire

 2800 and 2900 Sierra
 2700 and 2900 Madison

 2600, 2700, and 2800 Adams

 2600, 2700, and 2800 Washington

2600 and 2800 Quincy

2600, 2700, 2800 and 2900 Jefferson

Free Green Waste Pickup

Free green waste pickup is available to all City of Albuquerque Solid Waste customers ONLY on your regular trash collection day during the weeks of April 28 - May 9, 2014. Please have your green waste at the curb by 7am on your regular trash pickup day during the program period. Please note that drivers may be out until dusk to pick up your green waste.

Free Trash Pick Up

Clean out your garage, storage shed, junk room, and alley. Bring your trash, yard waste, and broken furniture! It's easy! Have your trash loaded in the back of your car or pickup truck, back up to the garbage truck located at Bel-Air Park on Phoenix, and drive away with an empty vehicle!

Available from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. ONLY!!! May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, Sept 20.

Bring Anything Except:

- Cement
- Paint or hazardous chemicals
- Refrigerators or Freezers
- Building Materials (except wood)

Don't wait until the last minute! When the truck is full, they leave! Free Trash Pick Up is provided by and sponsored by The Bel-Air Neighborhood Association (BANA).

Christian Fellowship Church

3901 Claremont Ave. Albuquerque, NM 87110 505-296-1040

School of The Holy Spirit 9:30am -10:15am every Sunday

A New Level of Faith

Sunday service 10:30am -noon

Teaching on the book of James: How to Book of Christian Living

Vertical Impact Youth Group Friday's at 7pm and Sunday mornings at 11am

Children's church is also available every Sunday

Every 3rd Saturday – Men's Breakfast at 8am

Last Friday of every month at 7pm is Family Film night. Refreshments provided.

May 3, 10am-noon - Dr. Scott Stripling who is part of the Apostolic Team in Harlingen, Texas and also has a doctorate in Archaeology will be speaking 1. Victory at So (Joshua 7-8) 2. Ritual Purity at Khirbet El-Maqatir (understanding purity in the New Testament)

June 28 10am - noon and June 29 at our regular service at 10:30am - Apostle Ron Corzine will be joining us.

We also have plenty of Life Groups throughout the week.

The Bel-Air News is a quarterly publication by and for the residents of the Bel-Air Neighborhood Association.

Board Members

For the Bel-Air Neighborhood Association: Barb Johnson Amy Henne Tom Perez Jeanene Witt Larry German Bill Berry Dana Berry

Please contact our Board with your concerns and ideas for a better neighborhood:

Bel-Air Neighborhood Association P.O. Box 36568—Zip: 87176-6568

or at:

bana_nm@yahoo.com

Help Wanted: Newsletter Editor

It is with great sadness that I am resigning as the BANA newsletter editor. My husband's job has relocated him to another state and I must follow!

This is not a huge time-consuming position — the newsletter is published at most four times a year. It usually takes about four hours to put it together, have it proofed by the board members and sent to print. We've created a format with repeating sections for each quarter, so there is usually very little writing that takes place. If you can use Microsoft Word and make a PDF you will have no problems! It is an enjoyable task that needs a consistent leader!

Please email bana_nm@yahoo.com if interested. I am happy to answer any questions! Thank you again neighbors for all your kindnesses and friendships. This is, indeed, a special place to live.

Kathleen Frazier, Newsletter Editor

Bel-Air Neighborhood Association Annual Yard Sale Saturday, May 3

Sell your stuff in your own front yard and make some extra money! We usually have about seventy families participate throughout the neighborhood, so lots of buyers are attracted.

The Neighborhood Association will put an ad in the paper and on Craig's list. You are encouraged to put up your own signs around the neighborhood. Come one; come all.



Operating hours are as follows: Monday–Saturday: 6 am-9 pm Sunday: 9 am–6 pm