

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

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“Dedicated to Providing Information About City Government and
Increasing Communication Between Neighborhood Associations.”



NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS/NEW OFFICERS
The Office of Neighborhood Coordination “welcomes” new presidents of neighborhood associations and says a “special thank you” to outgoing presidents. Thank you for your hard work, dedication and commitment to improving the quality of life in your neighborhood.

**Neighborhood
Association**

Campus
Las Terrazas
Nob Hill
North Eastern Assoc. of Residents
Parkway
Sawmill
Snow Heights
Tijeras Arroyo
Vista Magnifica

**“Welcome” to
Incoming President**

Bob Crain
Eric Lookhoff
Harold Rooks Jr.
Thomas Paulsen
Carol Cunningham
L.F. Schultz
Ben Heath
Paul Kinahan
Michael DeHoney

**“Thanks” to
Outgoing President**

Carole Nagengast
Don Atwood
Barbara Lanier
Barry M. Schwartz
Hank Dominguez
Lezle Williams
Mary A. Glasener
Jay Rodecap
Lita Pino

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION(S)

NONE AT THIS TIME

Just a Reminder: As of this publication date, all recognized and unrecognized neighborhood/homeowners associations and coalitions need to submit an “*Neighborhood Association Annual Report for Recognized, Coalition and Homeowners Report Form*” in order to maintain their “R” and/or “active status” on our list. We will need the original Annual Report AND a copy of the announcement of your Annual Meeting submitted to our office **before** your Annual Report will be approved for the year. Please make sure that you have the correct addresses listed for your officers on your Annual Report.

Please see the dates below to find out when your reports are due in our office and who to send them to.
Thank you.

Please call Dalaina at **505-924-3906** for further information. Annual Reports for the following months are due:

October Annual Reports are due: January 1, 2007
November Annual Reports are due: February 1, 2007
December Annual Reports are due: March 1, 2007

ATTENTION: When submitting your yearly Annual Report please **mail to our physical street address** below:
Planning Department/Office of Neighborhood Coordination
Attention: Dalaina Carmona
600 Second Street NW, Rm. 120 (Basement Level)
Albuquerque, NM 87102

The City of Albuquerque does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, disability, age, gender, Vietnam Era or disabled veteran status, sexual orientation or medical condition in employment or in the provision of services.

If you have a disability and will need special assistance to benefit from any of the meetings, hearings or workshops, etc., appearing in this newsletter, contact the office sponsoring the event two weeks prior to the date of the meeting you plan to attend. When ever possible, TTY phone numbers will be listed. TTY users may call any phone number listed in this publication via Relay New Mexico at 1-800-659-8331.

Cash For Your Association!

Interested in beautifying your neighborhood?

The Clean City Division of the Solid Waste Management Department and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination of the Planning Department, have annual **\$200 stipends** available to non-profit groups, such as neighborhood associations, Girls/Boys Scouts and individual APS campuses who wish to “Adopt An Area” within their vicinity. Call Clean Cities at **505-857-8060** for more information.

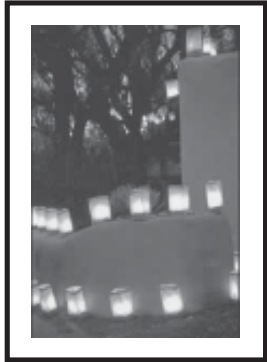


Across The City

Alamosa Neighborhood Association Luminarias

Submitted By Miguel Maestas

The Alamosa Neighborhood Association will once again be featured as part of the City's Luminaria Bus Tour. On **Sunday, December 24, 2006**, Gonzales Road SW from Old Coors to New Coors will be on the bus route. Over 1,500 luminarias, put up by the Neighborhood Association, will be lit as well as additional decorations displayed by individual residents.



2006 Luminaria Tour

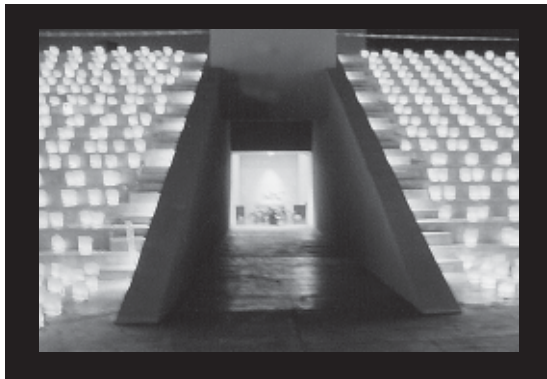
Tickets for the 2006 City of Albuquerque ABQ RIDE Luminaria Tour have **SOLD OUT**. If you have tickets, here's what you will need to do when you arrive to make the most of our tour.

On Sunday, December 24, 2006 ABQ RIDE buses will take passengers on a magical journey through the Country Club, Old Town, Barelmas, National Hispanic Cultural

Center, Tingley Beach, Los Altos and the Old Coors areas to see the illuminating displays and holiday decorations created by residents of each neighborhood. "The Luminaria Tour is a wonderful way to celebrate the holiday and participate in one of New Mexico's best traditions," said Mayor Martin J. Chávez. "It's really a tribute to the pride that the people of Albuquerque have in their communities."

"This is one of the most popular holiday events in the city," said ABQ RIDE Director Greg Payne. "We're extremely grateful to the neighborhoods that participate in the festivities each year." In addition to the bus tour, children can have their pictures taken with Santa Claus, purchase refreshments, and enjoy holiday music on the buses.

The Luminaria Tour will depart from the UNM South Parking Lot on the southwest corner of Avenida Cesar Chávez SE and Buena Vista SE. Buses depart at 5:20 p.m., 5:45 p.m., 6:10 p.m., 6:50 p.m., and 7:15 p.m. Attendees must be in line to board 15 minutes before the start of their scheduled tour time. Each tour lasts approximately 45 minutes to an hour.



The Barelmas Neighborhood Association

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The Sacred Heart Catholic Church Youth Group

Presents the 61st Annual

Las Posadas de Barelmas

Saturday, December 16, 2006

Time: 6:00pm at

The Barelmas Community Center

801 Barelmas Road SW

505-848-1343



Join the procession and reenact with us the journey of Maria and Jose as they travel through the streets of Barelmas, in search of shelter and a place for Jesus to be born. There will be angels, shepherds, kings and a choir of heavenly voices so bring a flashlight or candle lantern and join in the singing.

Following the Posadas all are welcomed back to the Barelmas Community Center for the Fiesta de Navidad for refreshments. There will be entertainment and a special visit from Jolly Old Saint Nicholas.

See you there!

Free Event!

Metro Court

Submitted By Janet Blair



Judge Christina Jaramillo Named To Lead New Mexico Drug Court Professionals

Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court Judge Christina Jaramillo was elected recently to serve as president of the New Mexico Association of Drug Court Professionals (NMADCP). Judge Jaramillo also serves as Presiding Drug Court Judge of the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court.

The NMADCP is a chapter of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals and includes the criminal justice system employees serving the state's 18 drug courts. Many of them are DWI drug courts, but New Mexico also has drug courts focused on adult methamphetamine use, heroin and other addictive substances. In addition, Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court has Mental Health Court, Homeless Court, Co-Occurring Disorders Court and Urban Native American DWI/Drug Court, all based on the drug court model.

"Our drug courts are moving forward developing new approaches to the problems of drug abuse. Jailing someone can cost up to \$80 a day but drug court costs about \$24 a day and the results are far superior. Recidivism for drug court graduates is about eight percent a year. Between 40 and 60 percent of drug offenders who are jailed will be re-arrested in the first year. Our drug courts get results."

The judge said the NMADCP's big focus this year will be the expansion of drug courts into another 15 counties in the state.

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP

ACROSS THE FENCE



Las Posadas de Barelás (The Shelter of Barelás)

Submitted By Susan Vigil

Afuera

Que esta bella nina ya no sufre el heilo no puede aguantar el rigor del tiempo.

“This beautiful little girl doesn’t suffer any longer in the frost, she can’t tolerate the rigorous weather”.

Adentro

Ya se ve que es tarde y venir con eso se hacen sospechosos marchese al momento.

“Now one can see that it’s late and to come with that makes one suspicious, leave right now”.

A tracing of handmade lace encircles her face. Her form is swathed in shimmering blue. Her young features wear a look of prayerful concern, “Bring Peace to our kind, protection and compassion”. Joseph walks protectively beside the burro his wife rests on. In his ancient head-dress, carrying a carved cane, he is humbled by the responsibility of his new family and blessed. Cold crystallizes around them like a halo. The stars are dazzling bits of ice drawing the procession on.

Mary and Joseph’s peaceful center radiates into a fiery glow of hopeful followers. A posse of regal kings, with crowns of silver, glass diamonds and emeralds carry gold, frankincense and myrrh. Frankincense has been used lavishly in religious rites since before time was recorded. In the Roman Empire, where the Bible’s New Testament takes place, Myrrh was used to embalm the bodies of Egyptian pharaohs and ensure their safe passage to the underworld. A single drop of Myrrh was reported to be worth more than five times its weight in gold. Both Frankincense and Myrrh are derived from the resin of fragrant woods.

Trailing behind the Magi, three shepards meditatively wander, stunned by their vision of angels, glowing little child an-

gels so they truly are. Angels are all around. In front of Mary and Joseph, two angels carry an arc, then, more angels guide the procession. The Padrinos, or elders escort Mary and Joseph through narrow, tilting roads of Barelás de Albuquerque. Dressed in bright sombreros and ponchos, four Nacimientos bare the manger and baby Jesus. From home to home, luminarias cast inviting glows, promising shelter and warmth. Mary and Joseph ask if they might rest



“Mary”
Played by Tiana Garcia

in one of these families’ homes. The Padrinos plead their case. But “No”, the household sings. “We don’t know them; they could be burglars or beggars.” A spark of a red cloak and horns flashes by, a fallen angel tormenting the crowd to follow.

In the disappointment of being turned away, clear bright choral voices fill the frosty night to raise the spirits of the faithful. Joseph (Robert Vigil) promises, “Be proud of yourself. Yes, you’ve been walking but feel good about what you’re doing”. Aztec Indian Dancers also chant and pray for the safe journey of the holy family. Matachines de Salado dance for the Las Posadas and the Virgin de Guadalupe, patron Santa de Mexico. In this way, the Matachines bring together “Old” historic and “New” Mexico Christmas’.

There used to be a Las Posadas float -

with poinsettias, snow-white ribbons and luminaries, but the “real” padrinos of Las Posadas, community guardians like Robert Vigil Senior, felt the float was over done. He states, “Las Posadas is not a big show, but is more for the common people...to bring people peace.” One hundred people or more walk the path of Mary and Joseph through Barelás. Two hundred to three hundred others gather to watch. Many churches, neighborhoods, and even homeless shelters have donated to and participate in Las Posadas de Barelás for the last sixty-one years.

Arriving at the Sacred Heart Church, Mary, Joseph, The Nacimientos, the angels, red angel included, the Magi, Shepards, Dancers, Padrinos and all are welcomed with song inside. “You can feel the spirit in the church, especially in the church. You see the saints you’re symbolizing and you feel how special that time was.” Mary, (Melanie Vigil) speaks the crowd’s heart.

“All the little kids get so excited because they are so cold and then quickly warm. We have cookies and hot chocolate and...” Santa Claus? Joseph almost spilled the beans.

The gifts of Las Posadas: Peace, Family, Belief, Culture, Unity, Warmth, Traditions and Community may seem to be a Christmas miracle in a time of mistrust and competing voices. In fact, these gifts are everyday values that keep us, a people; together through the generations, with love and gratitude they were given to us.



King Gaspar and the Angels

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



From The Manager's Desk
Don Newton, Interim ONC Manager

Being Safe On Our Streets

Hi Neighbors,

I have been involved lately in a few road rage incidents. I was the receiver of the rage. For some time now, I have been putting forth a larger effort to be a safe driver. I closely watch my speed, tailgating, lights changing at signalized intersections and the like. All of us are experiencing the plight of increased traffic congestion as our city grows. And we know we cannot depend on others to be courteous. But what do we do about rage? Please remember the following tips:

- Avoid ANY confrontation, no matter how minor.
- Yield, drive defensively, ignore taunts/insults.
- Be alert, especially at stoplights. If possible drive away from any vehicle if you feel threatened-even if you need to make an unplanned turn or detour.
- Do not tailgate. Maintain a safe distance from the vehicle in front of you.
- Signal for lane changes. Do not cut someone off when you switch lanes.
- Keep your headlights on low beam except where high beams are needed. Dim lights for oncoming traffic. Do not retaliate to oncoming vehicles with high beams. Do not approach a vehicle from the rear with high beams on, and dim your lights when a vehicle is passing you.
- If you wind up in a conflict with another driver, try to avoid having to stop parallel to him/her at a stoplight or sign. It is best to stay behind that driver.
- Stay on busy well-lit streets-plan a safer route to your destination, even if it means taking a longer time to arrive.
 - If you think you are being followed, make four consecutive right turns.
 - If the driver follows, do not go home. Drive to a police station or other location where you can get help and have witnesses.

- If you are unable to pull off the highway, use a cell phone to call, but do not allow the phone to distract your attention on the road.
- If you are being threatened, pull off the road to any public facility, close to the entrance and quickly go inside for help.
- If a hostile motorist tries to pick fights, do not make eye contact. This can be seen as a challenging gesture and incite the other driver to violence. Instead, get out of the way.
- Anyone can become an aggressive driver. Do not underestimate the potential for violence in any other driver – or yourself.
- Keep your window rolled up, doors locked, and never keep valuables in plain site. Try to drive in the inside lane and maintain a reasonable distance between you and the vehicle in front of you. This will allow you to pull around and exit.

Be safe out there and enjoy the holidays!

Don



Neighborhood Workshop Corner

2007 ONC Workshop Schedule

Effective Officers Training

Saturday, January 20, 2007

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This workshop is a combination of our previously held "President/Vice President's, Board Training and Effective Meeting Workshops". Our staff will help you anticipate problems/issues in your neighborhood while serving as an officer or board member of your association. Our intention is to provide the tools, skills development and problem solving activities to help make you better officers at meetings and a more proficient problem solver in your neighborhood.

Conducting effective meetings begins well before the meeting date. Prior to the meeting, the officer in charge sets the agenda, establishes goals for the meeting, and reviews past minutes...At the meeting the officer in charge runs the meeting by sticking to the set agenda... This is but a brief outline of what will be covered at this workshop. Come prepared to discuss what works for your association and to gather ideas from other offic-

ers and share what makes your meetings successful.

Parliamentary Procedures

Saturday, March 24, 2007

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Using "The Complete Idiot's Guide" and a panel of "seasoned" neighborhood association leaders will share their experiences using Robert's Rules of Parliamentary Procedures at their meetings. This workshop will help you understand, by hearing from people just like you, how simple, easy and effective it is to use Parliamentary Procedures in your neighborhood meetings. Get out the gavel – we'll see you there!

Land Use and Zoning

Saturday, April 21, 2007

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This workshop is designed to increase your knowledge and understanding of all the aspects of the Zoning and Housing Codes, Land Use Matters, Facilitation Issues at the various hearing boards as they relate to neighborhood areas. We utilize the Planning Department division managers, senior staff members and other Department staff to provide this informative training on how the Office of Neighborhood Coordination (ONC) works with each hearing board and neighborhood associations on various projects.

Neighborhood Association

Patrol Training

Saturday, March 3, 2007

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

APD Training Academy

Community Policing is a philosophy, which recognizes the mutual dependence and shared responsibility of the police and community in making Albuquerque safer and more livable. Neighborhood Association Patrols are not in and of themselves community policing, but one tool that may be selected by neighborhoods to maintain or improve safety in the Neighborhood.

Call Betty at 505-924-3914 for further registration information. Unless otherwise indicated, all workshops are held in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second Street NW (on the west side of Second Street between Lomas and Roma).

Register on-line at
<<http://www.cabq.gov/planning/formsvcs/workshop.html>>

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



**A Message From
The Mayor**

Martin J. Chávez, Mayor

**An Excerpt From the Mayor's
2006 State of the City Address:**

We have got good things to talk about this evening. Because it is hard to find bad news in the City of Albuquerque these days. It is just incredible, you look around the city, you see it all around us. This community is transformed. Yet, still the Albuquerque I grew up in and many of us grew up in, but transformed.

Mesa Del Sol, raising the bar, not just for Albuquerque, not just for New Mexico, but for the entire country, new urbanism executed properly and it will transform the country and Mr. Al Ratner, thank you for being here and all you have done for us. These are first class folks and we are so fortunate, they are going to help pave the way economically for generations, decades and decades down the road. ABQ Studios, a new facet of Mesa Del Sol. Who would think it; ABQ Studios. Does that sound good or what?

Of course, ABQ Uptown is now open and they are doing record volume. We have everything in this city. From affordable shopping to upscale shopping and at the end of the day that means Albuquerqueans working and gross receipts at City Hall, so we hire police and provide better services to all of you. And of course, Eclipse Aviation, it just doesn't get better. When I go around the country and my Mayor friends are correct, I brag about Albuquerque, they all know about Eclipse Aviation. Used to be they knew about the Balloons but now they know about Eclipse and Sandia Science and Technology Park, it is full... and now we have infrastructure ready at Double Eagle II, Aerospace Technology Park on the Westside, future home of Eclipse and watch it fill up.

It is not filling up with service jobs. It is filling up with high paid, environmentally

pristine, wonderful, wonderful jobs for our young people. Let me read you some of these accolades that Albuquerque received just in the last year. Growing up, we're use to being on all the other ends of these other lists, and here are just a few now; featured as Best Community for Young People. I am proud of that, Newsweek. October Newsweek. Top 6 Destinations to Travel for '06. No. 2 Arts Destination, American Style Magazine. Third Smartest City to Live. Of course, Forbes, single Best City in America to Have a Job, A Career, A Business, and that is just phenomenal. 8th best for Lifestyle Options for Relocating Families. Among Top 10 America's Brainiest Cities with Biz Journal, one of the five Best Vacations in the World, Orbitz. Third Best Metro for Hispanics.

This year we renovated three Community Centers and now a new one in December on the Westside. There was a whole group who wanted to renovate the old one. I said, No, you have been left out for so many years, let's build a whole new one. That is what is being done. I am looking forward to cutting the ribbon in a couple of weeks.

These things have happened because we worked together. We have understood our commonality and we have been willing to invest, to say, Yes. You can't say no if you want our community to grow in the right way.

And our future is not in front of us. Our future this evening is inside of us. So, I want to thank all of you for being here, for being a part of a great, great future of the City of Albuquerque, God Bless You.



**City Council
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opinions, a monthly newsletter publication and weekly legislative bulletins when the New Mexico State Legislature is in session.

Regional Transit Board of Directors (Councilors Heinrich, Benton, Sanchez and Cadigan) – This group works to establish a regional transit system that is compatible with established state and local transportation plans, including related policies, procedures, and financial planning that provides for the capital, operation and maintenance of a regional transit system.

Metropolitan Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (Councilor Loy) – This Council includes members of the City and County public safety administrations and also the local judicial system in order to achieve a regional approach to dealing with criminal justice, prevention and intervention efforts.

Accountability in Government Oversight Committee (Mayer and Sanchez) – This committee is comprised of five representatives from the community at large. The Mayor and a councilor are appointed annually by the Council President. There are also non-voting ex-officio members. The committee reviews and approves all audit and investigatory reports at each meeting.

Internal Operations Committee (O'Malley, Loy, Heinrich, Mayer, and Benton) – This committee oversees the City Council staff's operations, as well as the management of the Council's physical facilities and operating budget.

Committee on Guidelines for Negotiations (Heinrich, Winter and Sanchez) – This committee's work is guided by an internal Memorandum Of Understanding between the City of Albuquerque Administration and the Albuquerque City Council to determine the operating procedures of the committee.

For a schedule of meetings or any other legislation, please visit the City Council website at <<http://www.cabq.gov/council>>.

A Message From Your City Council

Eighteenth City Council Committees

The work of Albuquerque's Eighteenth City Council commenced on December 4, 2006, with the election of City Councilor Debbie O'Malley to serve as the Council's President for the following year and City Councilor Sally Mayer to serve as the Council's Vice-President. City Councilor Don Harris was elected as Chair of the Council's Committee of the Whole.

It is the responsibility of the City Council President to appoint Council members to the Council's remaining committees, which exist for a variety of City Council functions. Below are the committees and committee assignments for 2007:

Committee of the Whole (*All Councilors, Harris Chair*) – This committee reviews the Mayor's budget and proposed capital improvements program through public meetings and through working with the Mayor and his administration to make recommendations as to policies and the priority of programs within the City budget.

The Finance and Government Operations Committee (*FGO*) (*Councilors Heinrich; Chair, Harris, Sanchez, Mayer, and Cadigan*) – This committee reviews all ordinances, resolutions, and other matters relating to finances, taxation and the indebtedness of the City, and the appropriation of City funds; the lease, purchase and sale of real estate, and all other financial business of the City government including other business that may be referred to it by the Council. The FGO Committee meets on a regular basis on the second Monday of each month, and on the fourth Monday of each month if needed. The Committee meetings are usually held in the Council Committee room on the 9th floor of City Hall.

The Land Use Planning, and Zoning Committee (*LUPZ*) (*Councilors Benton; Chair, O'Malley, Winter, Loy, and Cadigan*) — This committee re-

views all ordinances, resolutions, or other matters pertaining to the Zoning Code, land use appeals, historical designation process, annexations, sector development plans, and general land use, planning and redevelopment policies. The LUPZ Committee meets on a regular basis on the second Wednesday following the first Monday of each month, and the fourth Wednesday if needed. The Committee meetings are usually held in the Council Committee Room on the 9th floor of City Hall.

Albuquerque Bernalillo County Government Commission (*Councilors O'Malley, Sanchez, Harris, and Loy*) – This commission was established for the purpose of moving toward a unified government between the City and County. Discussion topics include common interests, long-term goals, community needs and other items as requested by the respective bodies, followed by recommendations made to each government.

Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (*Councilors Benton, Cadigan and Heinrich*) – This authority was legislated by the New Mexico State Legislature in 2003, this Authority guide the provision of water and wastewater services to the developed areas of Bernalillo County, the City of Albuquerque and other municipalities within. The authority brings a partnership to the operation of water systems within the area and also to the setting of rates for water and wastewater utilities.

Alvarado Transportation Center Project Task Force (*Councilors O'Malley and Benton*) – This task force was created to oversee the revitalization of the downtown region including the Alvarado Transportation Center. In 2001 the City of Albuquerque entered into a Master Development Agreement with the Historic District Improvement Company to advance the area's housing development and commercial revitalization.

Intergovernmental/Legislative Relations Committee (*Councilors Sanchez, Winter and Heinrich*) – This committee's work promotes the cooperation and coordination of efforts between the City and other governmental entities, includ-

ing the State of New Mexico, the County of Bernalillo, Albuquerque Public Schools, the Albuquerque Metropolitan Arroyo Flood Control Authority and the Mid Region Council of Governments.




Mid Region Council of Governments Board of Directors (*Councilors O'Malley, Benton, Cadigan, Heinrich and Sanchez*) – Also known as MRCOG, this board provides services that support the fundamentals of community and regional development, including working regionally to address employment growth, infrastructure planning and development, quality of life, planning for the future and regional resource management. In addition, MRCOG offers a variety of planning services and support to the region and its communities.

Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce (*AHCC*) *Board of Directors* (*Councilors Sanchez and O'Malley*) – This board oversees the property, affairs, budget and business of the Hispano Chamber of Commerce, which is organized "to promote economic development, to enhance economic opportunities and to provide business and workforce education with an emphasis on the Hispanic and small business community in Albuquerque and New Mexico."

Albuquerque Convention and Visitors Bureau (*ACVB*) *Board of Directors* (*Councilors Mayer, Loy and Harris*) – This board manages the business of the ACVB, including controlling and directing its affairs, determining its policies, actively pursuing its objectives and directing the disbursement of funds. The mission of the ACVB is to stimulate economic growth in Albuquerque by marketing the city as a convention and visitor destination.

New Mexico Municipal League Board of Directors (*Councilor O'Malley*) – The NM Municipal League's Board of Directors are responsible for general supervision of the organization which serves to provide research to help local officials from throughout New Mexico to make decisions in the performance of their governance. It also provides legal

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<p align="center">Thursday, December 21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •EPC Hearing – 8:30 a.m. 	<p align="center">Wednesday, January 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m. 	<p align="center">Thursday, January 11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Feedback Forum – 11:45 a.m. •EPC Study Session – 4 p.m. •SVCNA – 6:30 p.m. •GWPAB – 8:30 a.m. •TAB – 9 a.m. •POC – 4 p.m. 	<p align="center">Wednesday, January 24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •City Council* – 5 p.m. (*Tentative) •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.
<p align="center">Monday, December 25 Christmas Day City Offices Closed</p>	<p align="center">Thursday, January 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •AAB – 9 a.m. •North Valley Coalition – 7 p.m. 	<p align="center">Tuesday, January 16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •ZHE – 9 a.m. •GARTC – 4:30 p.m. 	<p align="center">Thursday, January 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •SWAN – 6:00 p.m. •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m.
<p align="center">Tuesday, December 26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BOA – 9 a.m. •LEPC – 9 a.m. 	<p align="center">Monday, January 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •GABAC – 4:30 p.m. 	<p align="center">Wednesday, January 17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m. •ADC – 3 p.m. •City Council – 5 p.m. •District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m. 	<p align="center">Wednesday, January 31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m. •LEPC – 9 a.m.
<p align="center">Wednesday, December 27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m. 	<p align="center">Wednesday, January 10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •City Council – 5 p.m. •AQCB – 5:15 p.m. •Westside Coalition* – 7 p.m. (*January Meeting Only) 	<p align="center">Thursday, January 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •EPC Hearing – 8:30 a.m. 	
		<p align="center">Tuesday, January 23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BOA – 9 a.m. 	

2006/2007 CALENDAR LEGEND

- AAB** - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room
- ACTMI** - Advisory Committee on Transit for the Mobility Impaired - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE
- ADC** - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room, Basement Level, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW
- AQCB** - Air Quality Control Board, Council Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall
- BOA** - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW
- City Council** - Council/Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall
- District 4 Coalition** - Fire Station 20, 7520 Corona NE
- District 6 Coalition** - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn SE
- District 7 Coalition** - Sandia High School, Teacher's Lounge, 7801 Candelaria NE
- District 8 Coalition** - James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery NE
- DRB** -Development Review Board, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second Street NW, Basement Level
- EPC** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level
- EPC Pre-Hearing** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room
- EPC Study Session** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room
- FBF** - FeedBack Forum, Planning Department, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Hearing Room, Basement Level
- GABAC** - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302
- GARTC** - Greater Albuquerque Recreational Trails Committee - Locations vary, call **505-768-5308** for information
- GWPAB** - Ground Water Protection Advisory Board - Room 302 City/County Building, 400 Marquette NW
- LEPC** - Local Emergency Planning Committee - 11510 Sunset Gardens SW, **505-833-7300** or <www.lepcbqbernc.org> for more info.
- LUCC** - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level
- North Valley Coalition** - Los Griegos Multi-Service Center, 1231 Candelaria NW
- POC** - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, 5th and Marquette
- SEPC** - Special Event Permitting Committee - 6th floor, Cultural Services Department Conference Room, City Hall, 5th and Marquette
- SVCNA** - South Valley Coalition of Neighborhoods Associations - South Valley BSCO Sheriff's Substation, 2039 Isleta SW
- SWAN** - South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Alamosa Multi-Service Center, 6900 Gonzales SW
- TAB** - Transit Advisory Board - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE
- Westside Coalition** - Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina NW
- ZHE** - Zoning Hearing Examiner, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW

EPC Hearing Notice

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3rd Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** if you have questions.

Neighborhood Alert – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. The **48-Hour Rule of the EPC**: All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **Tuesday** of the Public Hearing week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

In order to make maximum use of the following information please note:

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda). All staff may be reached at **505-924-3860**.
- On the day of the Hearing, call Planning at **505-924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **Thursday** prior to the EPC Hearing.

On the 2nd Thursday of each month, the EPC has a Study Session to review the applications scheduled for the all-day public hearing which occurs on the **3rd Thursday of each month**. As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions; however, Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC. Study Sessions regularly begin at **4 p.m.** in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, December 27, 2006 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, January 18, 2007 at 8:30 a.m.** in the **Plaza del Sol Hearing Room (basement level), 600 Second Street NW** for the following cases:

Citywide

All Neighborhoods; 06EPC-01669, Project #1001620; The Planning Department of the City of Albuquerque, is proposing an Amendment to Section 14-16-1-5(B), a portion of the Zoning Code to revise the definition of “Bath” is amended to read as follows: “*BATH. A space containing a wash basin, toilet, and a bathtub and/or shower.*”; Stephanie Shumsky at **505-924-3933**.

Northeast

Broadway Central Corridors Partnership, Citizen’s Information Committee of Martineztown, Huning Highland Historic District, Silver Hill, Spruce Park, Sycamore (neighborhood association); 06EPC-01702, Project #1000596 (case #’s); Located on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard NE between Walter Road NE and I-25 Frontage Road NE (**location of request**); K-14-15 (**zone atlas page #**); Design Group at **505-242-6800**, agent for Lovelace Medical Center (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan Amendment for Building Permit *to improve the appearance of the existing hospital – to apply a new façade to the main hospital (action requested)*; Stephanie Shumsky at **505-924-3933 (city staff planner)**.

Candelmen; 06EPC-01703, Project #1005279, Approximately one (1) acre(s) located on the east side of Eubank Boulevard NE between Menaul Boulevard NE and Candelaria Road NE; H-21; Chelwood Holdings, LLC at **505-299-1500**; Requests approval of an Zone Map Amendment from R-3 to SU-1 for Office and Church Uses *for proposed office space*; Anna DiMambro at **505-924-3924**.

Alameda North Valley, Northeast Valley, North Edith Commercial Corridor; 06EPC-01709, Project #1000351; Approximately four (4) acre(s) located on the south side of Osuna Road NE between Edith Boulevard NE and BN&SF Railroad; E-15; Claudio Vigil Architects at **505-842-1113**, agent for Bob Kitts – Canon Del Oso Investments; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit *for a proposed office park – “Sun Valley Commercial Center”*; Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**.

Northwest

North Fourth Camino Real, Los Alamos; 06EPC-01694, Project #1005275; Approximately one (1) acre(s) located on the east side of Fourth Street NW between Osuna Road NW and Montano Road NW; F-14; Eric Sedillo Jeffries at **505-242-4385**; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from RA-2 to SU-1/Retail Sales per C-1 *for a proposed retail store, sit down restaurant or coffee shop*; Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**.

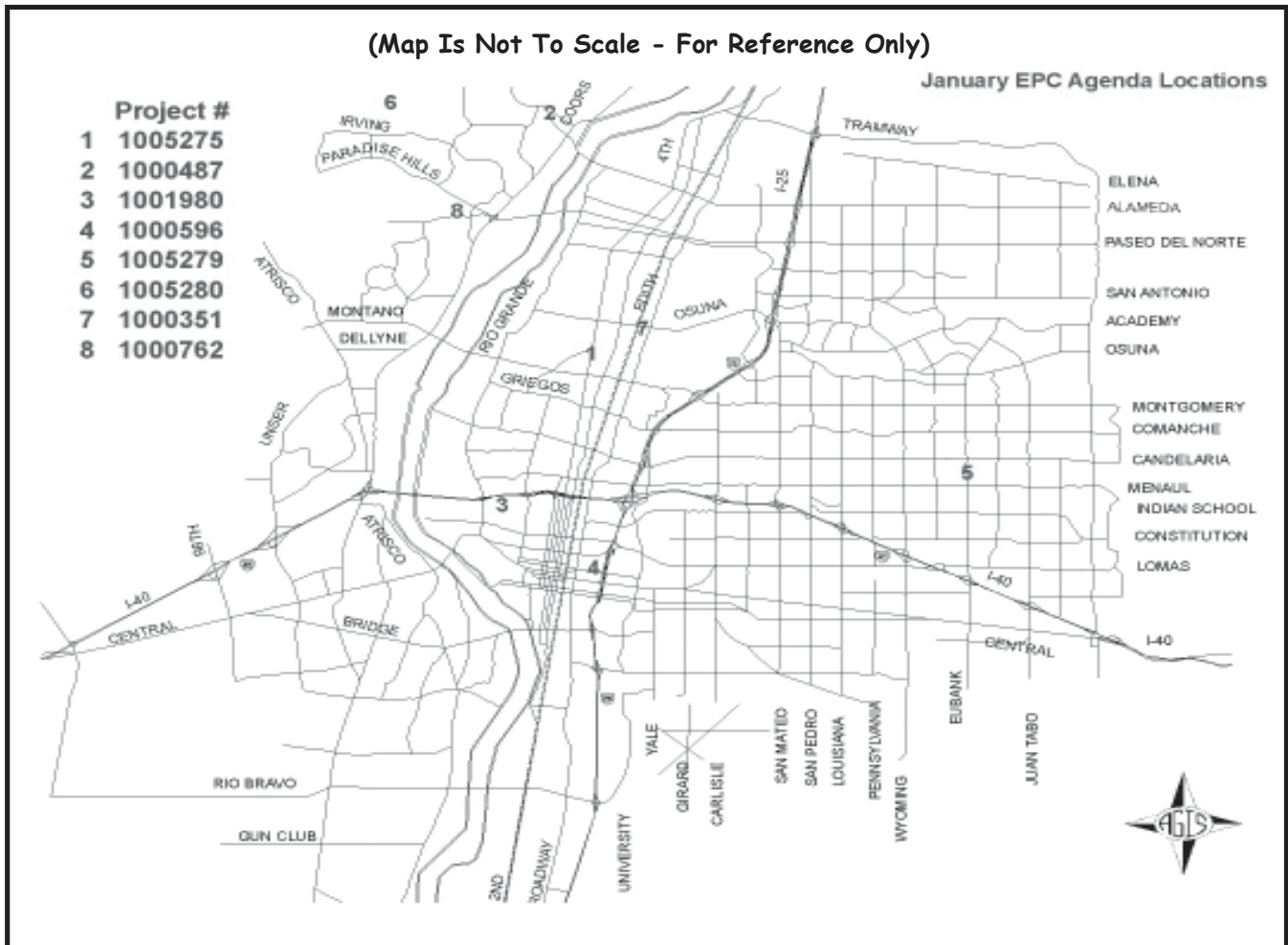
Northwest cont'd

No Association(s); 06EPC-01697 and 01696, Project #1000487; Approximately thirty-one (31) acre(s) located on the west side of Call Cuervo NW between Ellison Drive NW and Cabezon Road NW; A-14; Claudio Vigil Architects at **505-842-1113**, agent for S.T.I.F. – Seven Bar, LLC; Requests approval of a EPC Site Development Plan Amendment for Subdivision and Building Permit for a proposed 5,256.5 square office building for two or more tenants; Maggie Gould at **505-924-3910**.

Sawmill Area; 06EPC-01698, Project #1001980; Approximately three (3) acre(s) located on the east side of 18th Street NW between Zearing Avenue NW and Aspen Avenue NW; H-13; Integrated Design and Architecture at **505-243-3583**, agent for Sawmill Community Land Trust; Requests approval of an EPC Sector Development Plan for a proposed forty-five (45) unit affordable senior housing project and a small office/meeting facility; Maggie Gould at **505-924-3910**.

Tuscany, Skies West; 06EPC-01704, 01705, and 01706, Project #1005280; Approximately twelve (12) acre(s) located on the east side of Unser Boulevard NW between Bandelier Drive and Unser Boulevard NW; A-11; George Rainhart, Architects and Associates P.C. at **505-884-9110**, agent for SCM Property Company, LLC; Requests approval of a EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit and Subdivision and a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 for C-1 Uses including Grocery Store with Package Liquor Sales Incidental to That Use, Restaurant with Full Service Liquor for On-Premise Consumption to SU-1 for C-1 Uses including Package Liquor Sales Incidental to a Pharmacy use Occupying Not Less than 14,000 Square Feet, Restaurant with Full Service Liquor For On-Premise Consumption for a proposed Walgreen's Drug Store with incidental package liquor sales and more convenient retail, restaurant and service uses on this proposed development; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**.

Piedras Marcadas, Eagle Ranch, Paradise Hills, Las Terrazas, Taylor Ranch, Rancho Sereno; 06EPC-01710, 01711 and 01712, Project #1000762; Approximately fourteen (14) acre(s) located on the north side of Paseo Del Norte NW between Richland Hills Road NW and Eagle Ranch Road NW; C-12; Golden Associates, LLC at **505-898-0321**, agent for First Baptist Church; Requests an EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision and Building Permit and a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 PDA to include C-3 Uses to SU-1 IP Uses w/exceptions for a proposed "First Baptist Church" with a main church, classroom building, recreation area, administration building, dining facility, parking, landscaping and utilities; Stephanie Shumsky at **505-924-3933**.



CITY SCOOP

News From City Departments



APD Crime Prevention
505-924-3600
Submitted By Steve Sink



Holiday Safety

Shopping and Out Amongst the Public

- Always be aware of your surroundings and trust your instincts.
- Give some thought to what is considered “normal behavior” in a given environment. For example, people do not typically stand around in parking lots. If you notice a suspicious person or activity in a parking lot, return to the store, ask for an escort and/or notify security or store personnel.
- Always be aware of other people around you and make note of their behavior.
- Walk with authority, purpose and awareness.
- Park your vehicle as close to an entrance as possible and/or park in well lit and active locations.
- Lock all personal items in the trunk or away from view – roll up windows, take the keys and lock the doors.
- Keep all items inside your vehicle away from view. Any thing in full view could potentially be a target of opportunity.
- Have your keys ready when approaching your vehicle and limit the number of items in your hands.
- Get in your vehicle as soon as possible, lock the doors immediately and then get settled. (Note: Continue to be aware of persons in your area and keep your doors locked till you reach your next destination.)
- Remove all visible targets that might make you a victim of a crime - **WOMEN SHOULD NEVER CARRY A PURSE IN PUBLIC**. Rather, carry only those items necessary for a particular trip - drivers license, medical card, some form of payment, like a debt card and a little bit of money. Carry these items concealed from view.
- If you choose to carry a defensive device like pepper spray – have proper training.
- **Panhandlers** – Avoid panhandlers when ever possible. There behavior could be potentially unpredictable. Do not give them cash or offer any kind of substitute, like food or other types of assistance. In most cases, cash will not be used for what they are suggesting. It will typically be used to support a substance abuse habit. (Note: If you want to assist them, make a donation to one of several service providers available.)



Securing Your Residence Prior To Holiday Travel

- Ask a trusted neighbor to watch your residence and report suspicious activity.
- If possible, have a trusted friend or family member stay at your home.
- Install automatic timers on lights, TV’s and radios to give the impression someone is home.
- Do not have mail and newspaper delivery stopped. This information could fall into the wrong hands. Ask the trusted neighbor to collect them each day.
- If you have a rollout trash dumpster, have a neighbor place it in the street on pick up day and return it that evening.
- Ask a neighbor to park a vehicle in the driveway when ever possible.
- Be extra cautious about locking all doors and windows. All primary window locks should be operational and secondary locks should be installed.
- Make sure trees and shrubs are trimmed to allow for good natural surveillance of your property.
- Make arrangements to have exterior lights on each night.
- Each entrance should have solid core or metal doors and deadbolt locks.
- Let neighbors, family and friends know when you plan to return from a trip.

Cultural Services, *Library Division*

Submitted By Riann Powell



Library Receives Two “Best Of” Awards

The vote is in...and you chose wisely! Two of the branches in the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System have won 2006 Best of the City Awards. Readers of Albuquerque the Magazine chose the Main Library as the “Best Place for a Rainy Day.” The award for “Best Storytime” went to the Ernie Pyle Library.

Each of the Library System’s 17 branches has a unique atmosphere. The newly renovated Main Library boasts free wireless service and is easily accessible from the Rapid Ride or the new D-Ride. The Ernie Pyle Library, charmingly situated in the former residence of war Journalist Ernie Pyle, was recently named a National Historic Landmark. Other libraries feature rotating art exhibits, programming for adults and children, internet access and more. To find a library near you, call 311 or visit the website at:

<www.cabq.gov/library>



Office of Emergency Management

Submitted By Bruce Sickles
EOC Coordinator



“911 Doesn’t Ring at the White House”

Up to now we have given you some information on how to prepare your 72 Hour Go Kits, develop a family plan, how to shelter in place, if need be, and other ways that you can prepare for a major incident. Now it’s our turn; we would like to share a bit of information on how we will be reacting in the event of a major incident requiring the activation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). We’ll also talk about how you could play a part in that. Our emphasis in this article is that all emergencies are local. No matter how big the incident, no matter how many state and or federal agencies get involved, the incident is local, and we’ll be handling it.

First, there are no hard and fast rules that dictate when the EOC will be activated. It really depends on the incident itself and if the Incident Commander (IC) knows he or she will become overwhelmed. (ICs were called On Scene Commanders prior to 9-11.) The IC is the person in charge at the scene and everyone else’s job is to support the IC. And that applies to everyone up the line up to and including elected officials. That’s another change since 9-11. Emergency Managers and elected officials learned during 9-11 that only the person at the scene can call the shots. The reason for that is the IC is the person that is on the scene and knows what he or she is dealing with. Those at the EOC only have an understanding of the situation.

Back to how the EOC operates. The EOC can be activated by the IC, the Fire Chief, the Police Chief, the City Emergency Manager or the Mayor. Most commonly it will be the IC. If the IC requests activation of the EOC, the first procedure that kicks in is the activation of the Situational Analysis Team (SAT). The Fire Department Alarm Room will call the Directors of seven city departments. They are the Chief Public Safety Officer (which includes the Office of Emergency Management), the Fire Chief, the Police Chief, the 311 Manager, the Department of Municipal Development director, the Environmental Health Department director, and the Water Utilities General Manager. If we can’t reach any of them, we have call down lists on their subordinates.

When a sufficient number of each of the SAT responding personnel arrives, we begin assessing the situation. Our first order of business is to gather as much information as possible in a very short amount of time to determine the extent of the incident. If the information we receive tells us the incident is minor and only minimal assistance is needed, then we will partially activate the EOC. However, if it appears the incident is serious and will probably only get worse, then we will do a full activation. What would a full activation entail? We essentially have six groups that will work in the EOC.

The first group is the EOC Coordinator’s staff. The EOC Coordinator is like an orchestra leader ensuring the vital information that comes into and leaves the EOC is acted upon and communications go back out to the IC. The Coordinator accomplishes this with a proven Message Taking system that involves the use of Radio Telephone Operators (we have a mirror image of the 911 and the Fire Alarm Room at the EOC), Runners, Message Takers, Message Loggers, and a Scribe. The other groups are the Operations Group, Logistics Group, the Planning Group and the Financial Group. Members of these groups are people that come out of city agencies as well as members

of industry and volunteer organizations. PNM and the Red Cross are but a few that respond. They are all experts in their field.

How do we need that information to flow into the EOC?

There are basically two ways: **911 and 311.**

Michael Padilla, the 311 Manager, has a very basic explanation of how to differentiate whom to call. “If it’s about Muffie, call 311, if it’s about Michael call 911.” We should only call 911 to report emergencies. If you have questions such as where to evacuate to, what the evacuation routes are or what and where to donate, call 311. If you have critical information that we should know about try 911. We say try 911 because it is possible the lines to 911 will be busy at anytime during an incident. If that should be the case, go ahead and pass your emergency information to 311. We have a 311 representative in the EOC Logistics Group that will receive the information from the 311 Citizen Contact Center.

Now you have the *Reader’s Digest* version of the EOC and how we will respond. For more information, check out our website at www.cabq.gov/emergency. We never know when a disaster might strike, but everyone needs to know that incidents are local and we’re ready to handle them. That’s why we say, “911 Doesn’t Ring at the White House, it rings at the EOC.”

Human Rights Board

Submitted By Grace Barragán

Neil Isbin Scholarship Applications Available For High School Students

The Albuquerque Human Rights Office is currently accepting scholarship applications for this year’s Neil Isbin scholarship, a \$1,000 award that will be made to a senior high school student from an Albuquerque public, private, or alternative high school who has been active in the area of human rights and human dignity.

The student must be enrolled or be enrolling in an accredited university or college. The deadline for submitting scholarship applications is **Monday, March 5, 2007.**

Neil Isbin was a long time human rights activist who worked tirelessly for equality and justice for gay and lesbian rights, affordable health care for all New Mexicans, tax fairness for working families, and public employee collective bargaining.

The Human Rights Board will present the scholarship to the recipient at his or her high school’s awards ceremony in the spring of 2007. The applicants must be able to demonstrate achievements or ongoing volunteer work in the area of human rights and human dignity in Albuquerque.

How to Apply for the Scholarship

High school seniors interested in applying for the 2007 Neil Isbin Scholarship may call Grace Barragán or write the Albuquerque Human Rights Office for a copy of the scholarship criteria. Mail to: Albuquerque Human Rights Office, P.O. Box 1293, Albuquerque, NM 87103; phone numbers are **505-924-3380, 505-924-3372 (fax) and (800) 659-8331 (NM Relay).** Students may also request the scholarship criteria by e-mailing Grace Barragán at gbarragan@cabq.gov.



Wastewater Utility

Submitted By Brynda Gutierrez



A Fat Free Diet For The Sanitary Sewer System

'Tis the season for cooking many rich goodies, and what makes them rich is generally oil, butter, and/or shortening. Although these items are great in goodies they are detrimental to the sewer lines and the treatment process at the Southside Water Reclamation Plant (SWRP).

Grease and oils produced by cooking should not be poured down the drain; it hardens, plugs lines, and can cause sewer backups. Sewer backups can cause expensive damage to your home. Flushing grease with **hot water is not the solution**; grease is simply moved down the sewer pipes and may cause backups further down the sanitary sewer system. Grease also causes operational problems at the Southside Water Reclamation Plant (SWRP). The SWRP is not designed to treat cooking grease.

Options for Managing Used Cooking Grease Include:

For grease that hardens, pour grease into a heat resistant container with a heat resistant lid and dispose of with regular trash. Make sure the grease hardens before disposal into solid waste.

If you have grease or fat that does not harden, for example **from a deep fryer**, there are a few companies that take grease for recycling. Please call before taking the used grease to these companies.

AAA
505-345-3965

American Waste Removal
505-344-0177



The sanitary sewer system belongs to all of us, and we are responsible for its health. Be a good neighbor, and implement a fat free diet for our sewer system. Please do not pour grease or any kinds of fat down the drain.

For more information: <<http://www.cabq.gov/p2>>



Wishing You A Safe and Happy
Holiday Season

From the Staff at ONC:
Don, Stephani, Leo, Dalaina, Betty and
Deborah

Environmental Health

Animal Care Center

Submitted By: Anna M. Sanchez,

Marketing Manager for the City Animal Care Center

The Spirit of Volunteerism in the New Year

The new year brings new resolutions and for those who have a soft spot in their heart for animals, consider spending some time volunteering with the City of Albuquerque Animal Care Center. There are many adoptable pets waiting at the east or westside shelter for you to spend time with them.

The volunteer program invites those 16 years of age or older to become a part of the Animal Care Center. Volunteers provide much needed exercise, socialization and affection to the animals and there are a variety of roles for a potential volunteer. Kairin Whiteside, volunteer coordinator, says, "As a volunteer at the Animal Care Center, you truly make a difference in the lives of the animals. Volunteers give the animals the love and attention they may never have received." Potential volunteers are asked to commit to a six-month volunteer role and can select which shelter to volunteer at. Potential volunteers must go through an interview process and attend an orientation, which are held monthly. If you are unable to commit to being a volunteer, you can help gather donations for the pets at the Animal Care Center. The most needed items are dog biscuits, cat toys, colorful fabric for bandanas, holiday decorations and blankets and towels. The volunteer program also welcomes certain community groups to complete special projects.

Fostering a shelter pet is another way to volunteer with the Animal Care Center. Foster parents are needed to provide a temporary home for a pet that may have special needs. The types of animals that need fostering include litters of puppies/kittens with or without mothers, animals recovering from surgery, and animals with behavioral issues.



Bottle Feeding A Young Resident

The devotion and care provided by a foster parent gives the animal a chance to be adopted by a loving home and the length of time an animal spends with a foster parent depends on the requirements of the animal. This can be an intense short-

term commitment, but also a very rewarding one. Those interested in fostering must attend a foster orientation to learn more about the program requirements and obtain an application. Fostering helps save the life of a shelter animal!

To learn more about volunteering with the Animal Care Center or providing a foster home to a shelter pet, contact the Volunteer Office at **505-764-1125** or visit our website at <www.cabq.gov/pets> to see our next scheduled orientation.



Submitted By John Stomp

Year Ends With Construction Complete on Seven San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Pipelines and Four More To Wrap Up Soon

By the end of December, construction will be complete on seven of the 15 pipelines included in the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project, with four additional pipelines scheduled to wrap up in early 2007.

NORTHEAST QUADRANT OF ALBUQUERQUE Espanola Street NE and Prospect Avenue NE

As part of the Charles Wells pipeline, crews are installing an isolation vault on Prospect Avenue NE near Espanola Street NE. In order to perform this work safely, they have closed the intersection of Espanola Street NE and Prospect Avenue NE. Access to local businesses and residents will be maintained, but Prospect Avenue NE is also closed to thru traffic from Chama Street NE to past Espanola Street NE. Motorists can use Mesilla Street NE as an alternate route. This work is expected to last through mid-February 2007.

Candelaria Road NE from Railroad Tracks to Second Street NW

Early this month, crews working on the East Valley pipeline are expected to complete construction on Candelaria Road NE west of the railroad tracks and turn the corner to Second Street NW. While construction is on Candelaria Road NE, traffic is shifted to the south side of the road, with two eastbound lanes and one westbound lane of traffic maintained at all times. Motorists may experience some delays and can use Menaul Boulevard NE as an alternate route.

Chama Street NE to Prospect Avenue NE

As part of the Charles Wells Pipeline, Chama Street NE is closed to thru traffic all the way from Prospect Avenue NE for pipeline construction. Access is being maintained to all local businesses and residences. Motorists can use Louisiana Boulevard NE as an alternate route. This work is expected to last through February 2007.

Chappell Drive NE between Singer Avenue NE and Renaissance Boulevard NE

Construction is continuing on Raw Water Pipeline #2. Chappell Drive NE has two-way traffic between Singer Avenue NE and Renaissance Boulevard NE. Motorists should expect delays and can use Jefferson Boulevard NE as an alternate route.

Del Rey Avenue NE from the Northbound I-25 Frontage Road to San Pedro Drive NE

Crews are laying pipeline on Del Rey Avenue NE from the northbound I-25 Frontage Road, heading east toward San Pedro Drive NE as part of the Coronado pipeline. While work is taking place on Del Rey Avenue NE, only **one lane of west-bound traffic** is allowed. Motorists should expect delays and can use San Antonio Drive NE or San Francisco Road NE as

alternate routes. This phase of construction is expected to last through December.

Edith Boulevard NE between Carmony Lane NE and Nikanda Road NE

As part of the East Valley Pipeline crews are laying pipeline on the east side of Edith Boulevard NE between Carmony Lane NE and Nikanda Road NE. Traffic is shifted to the west side of the roadway, as needed, with one lane of traffic open in each direction. This phase of the project is expected to be completed by early to mid-December.

McKinney Drive NE between Forest Hills Drive NE and Harper Drive NE

Crews are continuing to lay pipeline on the north side of McKinney Drive NE between Forest Hills Drive NE and Harper Drive NE as part of the Coronado pipeline. Crews are working from north to south. Traffic is shifted to the southbound lanes of McKinney Drive NE, with one lane of traffic open in each direction. As crews cross streets and driveways with the pipeline, they will coordinate in advance. Anyone in this area who has special access issues should call **Shannon Harris** at **505-681-9134**. This work is expected to last through mid-to-late December.

Phoenix Avenue NE from San Pedro Drive NE to Chama Street NE

As part of the Charles Wells Pipeline, crews are working on Phoenix Avenue NE, moving east from San Pedro Drive NE toward Chama Street NE. While construction is going on in approximate three-block segments, the area of Phoenix Avenue NE under construction is completely closed to traffic. Motorists can use Claremont Avenue NE or Menaul Boulevard NE as alternate routes. This work is expected to last through late December 2006.

Phoenix Avenue NE and Chama Street NE

Also as part of the Charles Wells Pipeline, the intersection of Phoenix Avenue NE and Chama Street NE is closed. Phoenix Avenue NE is completely closed to Alcazar Street NE. In addition, Chama Street NE is closed for 200 feet north of Menaul Boulevard NE. Traffic on Menaul Boulevard NE is not affected. Motorists can use Claremont Avenue NE, Mesilla Street NE, and Menaul Boulevard NE as alternate routes. This work is expected to last through late December 2006.

Prospect Avenue NE to Chama Street NE

This month, crews will begin laying pipeline on Prospect Avenue NE, heading east toward Espanola Street NE, as part of the Charles Wells Pipeline. While under construction, Prospect Avenue NE will be closed to thru traffic; access will be maintained to all local residences and businesses. Motorists can use Menaul Boulevard NE as an alternate route. This work is expected to last through February 2007.

NORTHWEST QUADRANT OF ALBUQUERQUE Second Street NW between Candelaria Road NE and Shropshire Place NE

Early in December, crews are expected to begin laying a large diameter pipeline on Second Street NW, starting at Candelaria

Road NE and heading south toward Shropshire Place NE. Traffic along Second Street NW will be controlled in phases. At least two northbound lanes and one southbound lane will be open to traffic on Second Street NW. Left-hand turns will be allowed from Second Street NW to Candelaria Road, however the turn lane will be temporarily shortened. This phase of construction is expected to last through the end of December.

Atrisco Drive NW between St. Joseph's Drive NW and Western Trail NW

Through mid-to-late December, crews will be installing a series of valve vaults for the Volcano Pipeline in the southbound lanes of Atrisco Road NW. Localized lane closures will be required. Motorists should expect delays and can use Coors Boulevard NW as an alternate route. This phase of construction is expected to last through mid-to-late December.

Campbell Road NW East of Rio Grande Boulevard NW

Crews are continuing to wrap up work in this area this month by installing a 6-foot pedestrian trail made of crusher fines on the north side of Campbell Road NW, weather permitting. During working hours and non-working hours, crews will maintain one driving lane for both directions of traffic.

Campbell Road NW between Rio Grande Boulevard NW and Trellis Drive NW

Crews are beginning installation of a 60" pipeline on the north side of Campbell Road NW as part of the West Valley Pipeline. During working and non-working hours, one lane will be maintained for eastbound traffic only. Westbound traffic will be detoured north on Rio Grande Boulevard NW, west on Candelaria Road NW, and south on Glenwood Road NW. Flaggers will be on hand to control eastbound traffic along Campbell Road near the construction zone as needed. Residents should expect delays.

Campbell Road NW west of Trellis Drive NW

Crews are expected to begin installation of a 60" pipeline this month as part of the West Valley Pipeline. Crews will start at Trellis and head west on the north side of Campbell Road NW. Crews will maintain at least one lane of traffic in each direction west of Trellis Drive NW, or will have flaggers on-site during working hours to direct traffic in one direction at a time. Residents should expect delays.

Raw Water Pump Station (Northwest corner of Bachechi Open Space)

Construction is continuing on the Raw Water Pump Station. Traffic on Rio Grande Boulevard NW may be occasionally delayed for short amounts of time to allow concrete trucks to enter and exit the construction area. While no other traffic impacts are expected, area residents and visitors to the Alameda Open Space may notice ongoing construction activity.

Unser Boulevard NW between Western Trail NW and Vulcan Road NW

As part of the Volcano pipeline, crews have finished laying pipeline heading north on Unser Boulevard NW. Valve vaults are being installed in the northbound left lane, which is closed,

with traffic shifted to the other lane. This work is expected to last through mid-to-late December.

Unser Boulevard NW between Western Trail NW and Dellyne Road NW

Also as part of the Volcano Pipeline, crews will begin laying pipeline across Unser at Atrisco Road NW. This work requires the closure of both northbound lanes, with traffic shifted to the southbound lanes and one lane of traffic open in each direction. Motorists should expect delays and can use Coors Boulevard NW as an alternate route. This portion of the work is expected to last through mid-to-late December.

For More Information or to Schedule a Presentation

If you would like to schedule a presentation on the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project for your neighborhood or homeowners association, please call Patti Watson or Shannon Jackson at **505-293-2000**. For more information about the project, visit our website at www.sjcdinkingwater.org. If you would like to be added to our drinking water project information list, call **505-242-ROAD (505-242-7623)** or e-mail pattiw@cooneywatson.com.



Crews Continuing Work on the Raw Water Pump Station in Northwest Albuquerque

Planning

Submitted By State Senator Dede Feldman

Kudos to the staff in the Albuquerque Redevelopment Division of the City Planning Department, especially staff planner Ralph Mims, for winning an award from the New Mexico Chapter of the American Society Of Landscape Architects for the Los Candelarias Village Center Streetscape. The project is centered around the intersection of Candelaria Road NW and Twelfth Street NW, the Los Candelarias Streetscape is the first phase of implementation of the Los Candelarias Village Center Metropolitan Redevelopment Plan, adopted by the City of Albuquerque in 2001. Setting a new standard in grass-roots community-based planning for the metropolitan area, the plan evolved from recommendations set out more than a decade earlier in the North Valley Area Plan, under the guidance of public advocacy groups including the North Valley Coalition and the Los Candelarias Working Group. **Congratulations!!**

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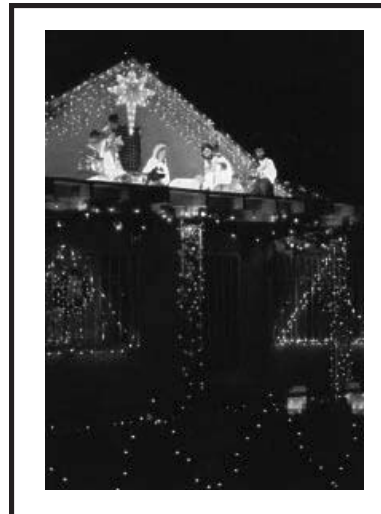
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