

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER SPRING 2013



From the President

When I first moved into the University Heights Neighborhood in 2008, one of the things I was looking for was “community,” defined as “an interacting population of various kinds of individuals in a common location,” at Merriam-Webster.com. I have found some sense of community from my fellow board members (and my actual neighbors) but our neighborhood population is transient and fluctuates with the UNM and CNM academic calendars. It seems to me that a lot of our neighbors don’t even know we exist as a board, especially since we no longer are able to distribute parking permits during our Summer Block Party.

For a lot of folks in the neighborhood, first contact with the UHA happens when they need a zoning waiver or conditional use permit: maybe you want your fence a little higher than zoning allows, or the second story addition you want infringes on the solar access of your neighbor. The City usually sends the property owner to the Neighborhood Association, since neighborhood input is integral to the City approving or disapproving a request. As an association it is our duty to take into consideration the neighborhood as a whole, and for that reason, we tend to adhere as much as possible to the University Neighborhoods Sector Plan (available online at www.cabq.gov/planning/publications).

We want to encourage people to live here, to enjoy the neighborhood and the quality of life that living in an urban historic core provides for all of us, so it our hope as a board that you’ll come talk to us first. Our board is comprised of a variety of people: architects, engineers, writers, some long-time residents, property owners, and renters. We’ve worked with property owners so they can do what they want to do with their property, though sometimes in a different way than they had initially envisioned.

Our meetings are open to the public—homeowners, renters, business owners, students, are all welcome—and take place every month on the 1st Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. If you have ideas about the neighborhood we hope you’ll join us.

*--Jennifer Simpson,
UHA President*



We’re on Facebook

Connect with your neighbors and learn about your community on the UHA Facebook page. If you are on Facebook already, just “like” our page and you’ll begin to see our posts about community events, meetings, public safety, and other issues relevant to our neighborhood. Scan the QR code on the right and say hello!

Facebook.com/UniversityHeightsAssociation



Safety on Silver

Did you know Silver is a designated Bicycle Boulevard? Did you know the speed limit is 18 mph? One of the concerns brought up at our January annual meeting was the lack of safety on Silver for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists alike. If this is a concern to you, if you ride or walk Silver on a regular basis, you may want to get involved—we’re building a coalition of nearby neighborhood associations, and bicycle advocacy groups so we can work together and make it a safe place for all of us. Contact us at info@uhanm.com to get involved.



Neighborhood Projects

Earlier this year we were awarded a grant from the Keep Albuquerque Beautiful program to install a trash can on the corner of Silver and Cornell. We hope if you have trash in your hand and your passing by, you’ll drop it in the can! We’re looking at other grant opportunities to fund projects in the neighborhood. Let us know if there’s something you’d like to see!

♥ YOU'RE INVITED! ♥ SATURDAY
MAY 18TH, 2013

THE UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ASKS YOU TO

LOVE THY NEIGHBORHOOD

RSVP
ON FACEBOOK



CLEAN UP &
OUTDOOR PARTY

MEET NEIGHBORS. LEND A HAND. FREE BEER TASTING.

GOOD FOOD TRUCKS

- 1. LARGE ITEM PICK UP:** 8AM ♥ PLACE ITEMS ON YOUR CURB BY 8AM
- 2. NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP:** 3 - 6PM ♥ MEET @ CORNELL & LEAD
- 3. OUTDOOR PARTY:** 6 - 10PM ♥ BEER, FOOD, FUN @ HARVARD & SILVER

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UHA ENCOURAGES WALKING TO THE PARTY

BRING YOUR ID! PLEASE DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE

Send Completed Form and Dues to: Don Hancock, UHA Treasurer, 105 Stanford SE, Albuquerque NM 87106

Please retain for
your records

**2013 UHA
Membership
Dues**

\$ _____ paid

University Heights Association Membership

Yearly Dues: ☐ Neighborhood - \$2/yr ☐ Business - \$15/yr ☐ Student or Senior - \$1/yr
☐ Sponsor - \$10/yr (This sponsorship is for those who want to make a special contribution)

Name _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____

Email _____

You do not have to be a property owner to belong to UHA.
Anyone who resides in or has an interest in the University Heights area is welcome.