

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER SPRING

Of Interest....

- * * Volunteer Neighborhood Patrol Training: April 16 * *
- * * Neighborhood Cleanup and Party: Saturday June 4 * *

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors,

Courtesy is a virtue that seems to have gone out of style. Simple courtesies such as keeping the volume down on stereos and T.V. sets, not leaving trash in the front yards, or keeping the alleyways clean, have all but disappeared. Being courteous to one's neighbor shows maturity and understanding to others.

The Lead Coal project has brought out the worst behavior in some and the best in others. I have witnessed drivers going over the street barriers on the side streets as well as through the street dividers on Lead. I have also witnessed neighbors helping drivers get to places that the construction has made it difficult to find.

Supporting local business is another way we can show to the owners not only do we support small business but we appreciate them being in the neighborhood.

Another way we can be courteous to our neighbors is by watching a neighbor's house when they are out of town and calling 911 when we spot suspected criminal behavior. Also look after elderly neighbors, make sure they are safe. During the recent arctic cold blast I went door to door to make sure my neighbors were safe and warm.

By being courteous to each other we can make life better for each other.

-Larry Heinlen, President of UHA



LEAD COAL PROJECT UPDATE

As of March 25, work on Coal Avenue remains on schedule. Coal Avenue improvements are due for completion around the end of July.

Lead Avenue improvements are due to begin in early August, starting at I-25 and heading east.

Unless there are changes to the schedule, starting early August Lead will be closed except for neighborhood traffic, and Coal temporarily will be two-ways, until project completion.

There is currently consideration of an interim traffic plan to start as early as mid-April, in order to expedite the start of work on Lead.

Please refer to the website LeadandCoal.com for updates and contact numbers if you have any questions or concerns. You can subscribe to the email news list for updates sent to your inbox. The project is scheduled for completion in the spring of 2012.

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL WANTS YOU!

The University Heights Neighborhood Patrol is about to become a reality.

What is a neighborhood patrol? It is basically two people at a time, walking or driving slowly through the neighborhood and making note of any issues or things that are out of order or suspicious.

It is NOT confronting anyone, but rather calling in issues to the authorities who are equipped to deal with them. It is keeping tabs on the pulse of the neighborhood so we can reduce crime.

In order to have a patrol we need people, and training. That means we need YOU:

WHEN: Saturday, April 16, 8am to Noon WHERE: Albuquerque Center for Peace & Justice, 202 Harvard Dr. SE

Training is free— the commitment for patrolling is up to you. Please come and help your neighborhood and your neighbors.

RSVP to Marlene: 505-265-0406

THE HARMAN AND MAJEWSKI DESIGN GROUP OPENS THEIR NEW HEADQUARTERS AT 120 VASSAR SE

After a two year search for a new office and nearly 10 months of renovation time, The Harman + Majewski Design Group, an architectural and engineering design firm, moved into their new headquarters at 120 Vassar SE this past winter.

Owners Doug Majewski and Gregory Hartman considered dozens of sites before finally deciding to move forward with the location on Vassar. Vassar offered the most opportunities to develop a project that would provide a superior facility to work in, help to cultivate a stronger community, and support a wonderfully diverse and walkable neighborhood.

"We are thrilled to be a part of a mixed use neighborhood where employees can live, work, learn, play and shop all within walking distance."

The Design Group was founded on community projects like this that positively impact our neighborhoods for future generations. They believe that adding another fifty years of life to a vacant building through revitalization is not only true sustainability

but enriches the common cultural heritage of the community.

The building is also applying for the highest LEED certification recognized by the United States Green Building Council for sustainable design. It will be one of the first private buildings in new Mexico to achieve this platinum certification.

That many staff members will be able to walk or bike to work is a bonus. Says one team member, Kirstin Kalberg, "I love the fact that our new office is located on the cusp of a residential neighborhood. It lends a sense of community to our office and work. The location is really fantastic."

Let us know if you would like us to feature YOUR business in the next newsletter! Email info@uhanm.org

SPRING CLEANUP AND PARTY: SATURDAY JUNE 4TH

The spring neighborhood cleanup will be held on **Saturday, June 4th, at 8:00 a.m**. at the parking lot near "Farm Fresh Produce" on the corner of Cornell and Lead. We have scheduled a city waste management crew to assist us by driving a truck around the neighborhood for trash pick up.

This year, the neighborhood association will be sponsoring a party after the cleanup featuring free beer for those 21 and older, a DJ, a BBQ, hot tub and possibly other live entertainment.

Help clean up your neighborhood after the semester ends, then enjoy an afternoon with your neighbors.

Bring gloves, trash bags and an enthusiastic spirit to come and together we can make the neighborhood nicer.

If you have a large item that you need to get rid of, please put it on the curb BY 8 am.

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

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