

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER WINTER 2014

Annual Meeting: Sunday, January 26, 2 pm Meet your neighbors, your city councilor, and APD representatives

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

One of the issues we've talked about in our board meetings is how to get more neighbors involved with our "community". We'd bemoan the fact that our neighbors are constantly changing... moving in and out as regular as the changing semesters. Then one day I had an idea. Instead of looking at "change" as an OBSTACLE, we should look at "change" as the one constant in our lives, and discover how the experiences that change us are also the experiences we all share, that make us human, that connect us: attending university, moving into an apartment for the first time, getting married, losing a loved one, travelling, dealing with an illness, having a baby....

With a Neighborhood Engagement grant from Bernalillo County, over the upcoming year we will be inviting your to participate in

University Heights: A Neighborhood of Change, a story project asking residents to respond to the statement:

"Tell us about an experience that changed you."

We'll video or audio record your responses which we'll edit into a documentary video collage about our always-changing neighborhood.

We hope you'll attend one of our events this year, get to know your neighbors, and discover what life-changing experiences we have in common. Find out how you can be involved at our annual meeting, or contact me directly via email: akajesais@gmail.com SPRING CLEANUP REPORT BY BRIAN STINAR



I've been part of the University Heights neighborhood association for the past four or so years. My favorite activities with the association are the neighborhood cleanups. During these, a number of neighbors walk through the streets and the alleyways to pick up gigantic old couches, refrigerators, mattresses, tires, chunks of concrete and other trash that students, bums, and other miscreants dump in our neighborhood. We usually have a few pickup truck crews roaming around to support walking crews and haul away larger items. The cleanups occur after the semester ends to allow students time to move out.

One condition the board agreed to when I accepted the Vice-President-ship was that the association would

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~Jennifer Simpson, UHA President

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. @ Outpost Performance Space, 210 Yale SE

Meet your neighbors! Eat, drink and be merry!

(we will serve food and drink, including board member Joe's famous brownies)

Meet your City Council representative, Rey Garduño and find out about projects that affect our neighborhood.

Meet Sergeant Ruben Valdez from APD who will talk about issues specific to our area and provide crime stats within UHA.

Elections for our 2014 Neighborhood Board will also take place, so we hope you'll consider getting more involved by joining us.

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throw (at least) one fun party during my term so along with board members Augustine "Gus" Grace, and Andy Mattern we organized a super fun party after the neighborhood cleanup.

Gus owns the property between the church on Silver and Yale and Silver and Harvard. He envisioned food trucks, music, and beer. We made it happen. It was a complete success, with between 100 and 200 people attending.

During the event we signed up several new members to the association. I was in



charge of providing 17 gallons of my own home brew, which was paid for by donations. I think the event was a complete success.

Thanks to my girlfriend, Lyric Hammonds for helping me give away beer, Andy and Gus for helping organize the party, and the rest of the association for putting together the cleanup, and our neighbors for cleaning up tons of junk.



Brian Stinar is a software developer specializing in internet applications. Contact him for your programming needs. http://www.noventum.us/

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Be A Part Of What's Appening In Our Neighborhood

We all love where we live and we all come across things that we don't want in our community. We can all correct problems in our environment. It's easy, and it's in the palm of your hands: ABQ311 App. The app is available for FREE on the following platforms: iOS: iTunes, Android: Android, Web, or you can use the web.

The City of Albuquerque's ABQ311 Mobile App allows us to report issues: Graffiti, Lost Animals, Large-item garbage pick-up, Missed trash pick-up, Weed complaints, Pothole, Abandoned vehicles, Residential trash container request, Traffic Signs, Traffic Pavement Markings. With the application's GPS feature and ability to capture a picture, reporting issues to the City is not only convenient, but efficient. We encourage everyone to participate in the effort to keeping UHA clean and beautiful.

PS: We're on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/UniversityHeightsAssociation

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

Please retain for your records 2014 UHA	Yearly Dues:	Iniversity Heights Association Membership Neighborhood - \$2/yr Business - \$15/yr Studen Sponsor - \$10/yr (This sponsorship is for those who want to make a specia	t or Senior - \$1/yr
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\$paid	 Email	You <u>do not</u> 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.	

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