



Mark Twain Neighborhood Association

A blend of commercial and residential living

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Announcing Our Winter Annual Meeting

Jerry Cline Tennis Complex Community Meeting Room

Sunday January 20, 2019 at 2:00 (1:30 for set up and socializing)

President's Message

Dear Neighbors:

It is time to welcome yet another new year! May it be a healthy, happy, and successful one for you and your families!

Our first 2019 Neighborhood General Meeting will be held Sunday, January 20, 2019, 2:00 - 4:00 PM, at the Jerry Cline Tennis Complex. Please join us for refreshments, hellos, and information on what's happening in our neighborhood.

Just a reminder that January is the time for renewal of our Association Memberships. Dues are still \$10 per household and \$15 for businesses. Attendance at our meetings is open to all, regardless of membership.

We also hope you will join our email network for immediate alerts and pertinent information from our City, County, and State. I would also like to thank our Board Members and our Street Reps for another year of involvement on our behalf!

Barbara Lohbeck, MTNA President

Promotional Banners for San Pedro

We recently joined with Darcy Bushnell, President of the Park Neighborhood Association just northwest of our MTNA boundaries, as well as Cynthia Serna, President of Mile-Hi NA to work together with the City and consultants SignPlex on design concepts for a series of banners to be mounted on the new light poles along San Pedro.

We met on December 20 to review initial design ideas for the banners, which will be mounted on the street side of the white pedestrian scale light poles in metal brackets 24 inches wide and 30 inches high. The banners will be bright attractive colors and carry messages that promote the kinds of products and services available along San Pedro, such as "Take a Break," "Chow Down," "Qualified Pros," and "Shop Mile Hi."

The designs will be brought to the businesses in the San Pedro corridor for their input into the designs. We agreed to get together again soon to look at the consultant's revisions and determine a schedule for completion. We will attempt to have some samples available to look at for our January 20, 2019 MTNA meeting.

Joel Wooldridge, MTNA Vice-President

Agenda

Guests will include:

① **Officers from the SE Area Precinct:** We will hear an update on recent criminal activity in our area, including auto break-ins and thefts, home burglaries, and other concerns. We will hear how our issues compare to other areas of the City.

② **Doreen Trotz, new Principal, Mark Twain Elementary School:** Ms. Trotz will give us an overview of APS in recent months and how Mark Twain fits in. She will share concerns as well as all the positive programs and events that benefit our children. We hope to hear of ways our neighbors might participate with any assistance or involvement. Mark Twain has been educating our children for years and remains an important beacon for its surrounding neighborhoods.

③ **Susanne Friedland & Lynn Ruger:** We are all concerned about armed criminals in our community but perhaps of even more concern is gun safety in our own homes. Whether one is for or against legal possession of guns, another topic, it is important to know how to store them safely, especially when there are children in our homes. So many needless accidents have occurred in lax environments. Susanne and Lynn are our neighbors and part of a larger movement of awareness nationwide.

④ **Darcy Bushnell, President, Alvarado Neighborhood Association:** Darcy will share some ideas and activities regarding our San Pedro Corridor in which Alvarado Park, Mile Hi, Fair West and Mark Twain Neighborhoods have had input. It all points to a neighborhood friendly area that bicyclists, pedestrians, and businesses might enjoy more fully.

⑤ **Diane Gipson, District 7 Councilor:** Diane's Office will update attendees on issues such as abandoned houses, the Mayor's initiatives, ART, and others.

Thank you to all who participate, including our Members, Street Reps, and Board Members!

Neighborhood Businesses

We live in a mixed residential/commercial area and have chosen to do so for the convenience, robustness, diversity, and verve it offers. We wish to welcome and support our business neighbors by patronizing them and recognizing their contribution. To do so, we have created a business membership that includes a mention in our newsletter.

Let’s Support These Neighborhood Businesses They Support Us

AllStar Children’s Center Encouraging Our Life-long Learners 6513 Lomas Blvd. 505-261-7444	Ivan’s Landscaping Xeriscaping, Tree work, cleaning and more 505-492-8227	Locker #505, Student’s Clothing Bank 6020 Constitution Blvd NE Ste. 2 505-294-1647 www.locker505.org Locker #505 is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that provides school clothing to Kindergarten through 12 th grade students in Bernalillo County who are in need. A student in need is referred by school personnel who complete a Locker #505 referral form. HOW CAN YOU HELP? Monetary donations can be sent to Locker #505; PO Box 94735; Albuquerque, NM 87199. In-kind donations of new or gently-used school clothing in all sizes and current styles, new underwear, new socks, and new shoes can be dropped off at Locker #505, 6020 Constitution Ave NE Suite 2, Albuquerque NM 87110, phone (505) 294-1647; Aahsome Nails 3006 Altez St NE; or any Star Bright Cleaners location.
Buffett’s Candies 7001 Lomas Blvd. NE 505-265-7731	New Mexico Judo Institute 6509 Lomas Blvd NE 505-492-5838 www.nmjudo.com	
Christy Mae’s Restaurant 1400 San Pedro 505-255-4740	The Cleaners 6805 Lomas Blvd NE 505-265-2689	
EASI Therapy & Diagnostic Services 6020 Constitution NE Suite 4 505-255-5099	Uptown Church Main worship service 10:30 am Sunday 1613 Arizona St NE	

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Staying Connected
Find out what is going on in our neck of the woods, share information and alerts, meet friends, and welcome new comers. Check it out at <https://nextdoor.com/city/albuquerque--nm/>
AND
Ask Dottie Hatchell to be on her email list for updates on issues affecting our neighborhood.

2019 Membership Form

Name:_____

Phone:_____

Address:_____

Publish Info: YES/NO

Put me on the email news mailing list YES/NO

Email:_____

Suggestions: _____

Payment Attached (Circle) \$10 Resident \$15 Business

Treasurer’s use: Cash **Check #** _____

Business members, if you would like to have a small ad in our newsletter, please send your business card or information that you would like to represent your business along with your check for \$15. Your ad will appear in each of the bi-annual newsletters.

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