

## **Heritage Hills Newsletter**

September 2018

News you can use to build a safer, friendlier neighborhood

#### GENERAL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

\*\*\*Refreshments starting at 6:30 pm\*\*\*

Dennis Chavez Elementary School



# Tom Heller from ABCWUA will answer questions and discuss:

- Water saving (and money saving) rebates the Water Authority offers, what they are and how to participate
- ♦ News and information regarding the Water Authority's conservation

goals

- General tips and information for increasing outdoor irrigation efficiency
- Free and beneficial programs offered by the Water Authority, such as our upcoming Garden Website, Newsletter, and our popular Water Smart Workshops
- ♦ How to obtain a Free Irrigation Efficiency Consultation

**Vicki Williams**, a neighbor and board member and the chair of the community outreach committee, will speak about the NE Community Policing Council.



#### Heritage Hills Neighborhood Association <u>Board of Directors</u>

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- ▶ The goal of each Community Policing Council is to engage in candid, detailed and meaningful dialogue between Albuquerque Police and the citizens they serve.
- ► Councils are independent from the City and Department.
- ▶ They are encouraged to formally recommend changes to Albuquerque Police Department policies and procedures.

# Message from John Woods, HHNA President

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." This quote (which was mistakenly attributed to the Irish statesman and philosopher Edmund Burke by President Kennedy) was judged to be the most popular quotation of modern times in a poll conducted by editors of The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations in the early 2000s. It clearly strikes a chord with many people. I think most citizens intrinsically know that we all have important roles to play in our different spheres of influence in order to direct the future of our city, state, nation, and even world.

Well, I have good news to share with you! Many good men and women in our neighborhood are actively doing things to improve the quality of life for the rest of us. A group of volunteers has been opening and shutting the gate at Heritage Hills Park EVERY morning and night since March, and it's working. Our

park is no longer a place where drugs and alcohol and noise and lights are found every night - like it had been for years.

On August 7th, at least five different National Night Out gatherings were held on different streets in our neighborhood, and well over 100 people attended them and were able to meet with neighbors and enjoy potlucks and get to know new people and some of our APD officers. There are other examples, and we'll share more about these at our General Meeting on Wednesday, September 26th. Please join us there if possible, and please also send in your \$15 voluntary yearly dues to HHNA (or pay online) so we can continue doing things like mailing these newsletters twice each year and providing quality Christmas gift boxes to our local first responders. We have some great content to share at our General Meeting, and we'll also share some interesting trivia around who actually stated the quote above - so you can be better informed than Kennedy was when he addressed the Canadian Parliament in 1961. :)



### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

# Tuesday, August 7, 2018

National Night Out 2018 was a great success! For the first time, the Office of Neighborhood Coordination & APD partnered together to help plan, coordinate, and register events. And good thing, too, as a total of 193 events registered this year! Here is what some of our hosts had to say about their events:

"We had a gathering of 25 people for the National Neighborhood Night Out. We had a great time getting to know one another, shared cookies and fruit, and met with Officer Mike who addressed several concerns. A new contact list is now available for all who participated." - Betsy on Palomar.

"We had a terrific time with our neighbors on Old Glory Court and surrounding streets on August 7th at the NNO. We had 31 in attendance as we snacked on fruits and desserts. One young attendee had never heard of a "dessert party" and was happy to come and check it out. A young couple that had only moved in earlier that week got to meet their neighbors quickly. It was great to have families that have lived here a long time be joined by several younger families as well. We certainly enjoyed hosting the gathering and would heartily recommend other neighbors to join in next year on their blocks!" - Tom and Marcia on Old Glory

"Thirty residents from the Armistice NE Neighborhood Watch gathered for a time of getting acquainted with new neighbors and catching up with friends from our last National Night Out in 2017. Highlights, besides eating donated hamburgers and hot dogs, included meeting Kevin and Tabitha who just moved to our neighborhood a few months ago. We also were able to debrief with APD Sgt. Symes and thank him for APD's rapid response to a neighborhood disturbance involving teens driving up and down our street in the middle of the night and drinking alcohol. APD officers were able to disperse the rowdy teens before the incident escalated into a more serious situation. Our thanks to hosts Rodrigo and Lene, plus Gary, Tom and Barbara. Plans are underway to have a Brazilian meal for next year." - Homer on Armistice



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#### MEMBERSHIP FORM

Heritage Hills Neighborhood Association (HHNA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to making our neighborhood a safer and better place to live. Membership is open to residents, renters and/or property owners and businesses within the boundaries of the Heritage Hills Neighborhood Association area, which is bounded on the West by <u>Barstow</u>, bounded on the North by <u>Paseo del Norte</u>, bounded on the East by <u>Ventura</u>, and bounded on the South by <u>Heritage Hills Park</u> and the adjoining cul-desac streets. Your membership dues help to support critical neighborhood activities. You can pay online at www.hhna.us

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