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NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER
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February 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The year **2020** has been a year for the history books. I hope that everyone is staying safe and healthy and that **2021** is a better year for all of us.

Regarding our **Holiday Decoration contest**, congratulations to the first place (**\$100**) winner on **Avenida Curvatura**. And a shout out to our **2nd place winners (\$50)**. We had a number of second place winners as it was difficult to choose. There were several areas within Matthew Meadow that were very nicely decorated. We had more luminarias/farolitos than ever before. BTW, if interested in the difference between **luminarias** and **farolitos** take a look at: <https://www.newmexico.org/holidays/luminaria-vs-farolito/>

We are looking at updating our Matthew Meadow website to provide more timely information to our residents as well the web site being used as a resource center. It would also be a means of hearing from our neighborhood on things that are important to you.

Regarding the watering bill of the west entrance, the good news is that after some work, we got the **Solid Waste Department** (*Clean Cities program*) to take over that cost. In addition, after a lot of emails, we were able to recover the cost of the last two months.

Association membership is my last topic. Every homeowner in Matthew Meadow is a valued member of the association. Our only request is that we have your email address so that we would be able to send out our newsletter digitally twice a year, and perhaps the occasional reminder of an upcoming event. Hopefully, we will be able to get back to having our events once the virus restrictions have been lifted. As a neighborhood association, there aren't any mandatory fees or dues. Our costs are mainly for printing the newsletter, maintaining the web site, and hosting neighborhood events. A number of our residents are donating **\$20** or more for the year to help out. If you would like to do the same, you can either send a check to the address listed in this newsletter or there is a Donate button on our current web site that takes you to PayPal.

Stay safe everyone, and stay healthy...

Henry Sloma, MMNA President

P.S. Since the end of the pandemic is still uncertain, we will see how the situation is at the end of May to determine if we should have our July 4th celebration.

Important Community Phone Numbers

911 - Police, Fire, Ambulance Emergency

242-COPS - Emergency APD - Suspicious cars, people or activity in MMN or Matthew Park (people or parked cars between 10 pm & 6 pm)

311 - Get info on city services and inquiries, events, classes, recreation programs. Report abandoned cars, potholes, graffiti, weeds, etc. Obtain direct referral to the correct city service department.

Menaul Roundabout

The roundabout at **Menaul** and **12th** is completed. There are some who like it and some who don't. The following is a link to a YouTube video of traffic through our roundabout:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TBD8FPtqYXk&t=212s>.

Steve Elkins created it via a drone that hovered over the area for a while. The video link is of the film at twice the speed and I found it informative of what NOT to do when using a roundabout. You can see that within the first minute when the pickup actually stops in the roundabout to let in another car. It's not being polite, it's wrong...

PNM Project and Matthew Meadow

PNM has been working on the eastern part of Matthew Meadow in replacing underground cable. They will also be replacing transformers from resident back yards, relocating them to their easement nearer the street. **Jeremy Tabet**, the PNM Engineer on the effort states that the cable installations should be completed in a week. Then another week to install and turn on the new transformers (which would require some minimal power outages), and finally around the end of February, they will use a crane to take out the old transformers from back yards. Jeremy states that once this effort is done, they are scheduled to do the same project for the west side of our subdivision, that is, replace cables and transformers.

MMNA Financial Summary for 2020

For 2020, the Matthew Meadow Neighborhood association received **\$3,334** in donations and the total spent was **\$2,095**. At the year's end, we had **\$11,245** in the treasury.

Water by the Numbers

The Water Authority has developed a flexible, voluntary program that seeks to limit needless landscape irrigation: Rather than impose mandatory watering schedules, the **Water by the Numbers** program gives you control.

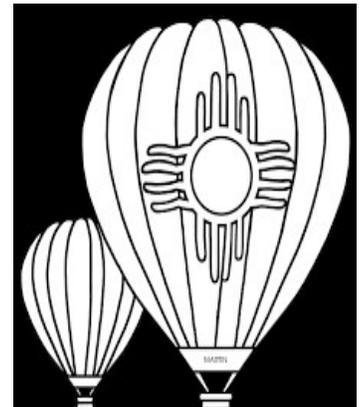
ONCE (1) a Week in **MARCH**

TWICE (2) a Week in **APRIL & MAY**

THREE (3) **TIMES** a Week in **JUNE, JULY & AUGUST**

TWICE (2) a Week in **SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER**

ONCE (1) a Week in **NOVEMBER**



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Open Position

State Parks Remain Open to New Mexico Residents Only

All **32 New Mexico State Parks** remain open to New Mexico residents ONLY, pursuant to the December 30 Public Health Order. It is important for visitors to continue to check for details on specific park hours of operation and additional information before visiting. The following guidelines remain in place until further notice:

For a complete listing of all New Mexico Parks, visit: <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/SPD/FindaPark.html>

Some History of Matthew Meadow

James Matthew immigrated to Albuquerque from Canada in **1880**. He opened a dairy that occupied most of the land from 12th street to Rio Grande Boulevard and from Candelaria to the Alameda Drain. His brother, **Albert**, moved to Albuquerque in **1906**. When James died in **1931**, the **Matthew's Jersey Dairy** was sold to the **Price** family of El Paso, becoming **Price's Valley Gold**. Most of the investors were from the Price family but **Conrad Hilton** was also an investor. In the 1970's the Price family sold part their corporation to **Dean Food** of Chicago, IL and **Bordens** bought their Albuquerque processing plants. The land was then sold to developers.

From the Albuquerque Historical Society (<https://www.albuqhistsoc.org>) & the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum (<https://oralhistory.frhm.org/>).

Cochiti Elementary Christmas Charity Event

What a generous outpouring of contributions toward the Cochiti Christmas charity event! Our neighborhood adopted 11 families and helped to provide a memorable holiday for each of them.

In addition to the toys and clothes given to the kids, each family also received a grocery store \$100 gift card for food. In fact, so many gift cards were donated that our neighborhood was able to provide a \$50 or more gift card to over a dozen additional families. Our County Commissioner Debbie O'Malley contributed \$1000 that went to provide gift cards to all **51** of the hardworking school faculty and staff. The pandemic has taken a toll on all of us in many different ways -- so the outpouring of support for this event from neighbors like you was so heartwarming to see.

The school was truly overwhelmed with all of the generosity and extends their deepest gratitude to everyone. Thank you, neighbors for your kindnesses and big-heartedness to help the children and families of our local elementary school. We hope to make this charity event an annual tradition for the neighborhood.



In case of a stolen car, the more vital information you can give the police, the greater the chance of recovering your vehicle. Cut out the card below, fill out and keep in your wallet or

<p>VEHICLE INFORMATION CARD (V.I.C.)</p> <p>ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT Crime Prevention Unit</p> <p>Year _____</p> <p>Make _____</p> <p>Model _____</p> <p>Color(s) _____</p> <p>Identifying Marks _____</p> <p>License Plate _____ State _____</p> <p>VIN _____</p> <p>Registered Owner _____</p> <p>Insurance Co _____</p> <p>Policy # _____</p> <p>FOR INFORMATION ONLY - NOT A LEGAL DOCUMENT</p>	<p>FIGHT BACK AGAINST AUTO THEFT!</p> <p>Motor vehicle theft is a major crime problem. If you are victimized, the chances of recovering your vehicle are greater the sooner law enforcement has vital information concerning the vehicle taken.</p> <p>VIC INSTRUCTIONS:</p> <p>Complete information on the other side of this card for each vehicle in your family.</p> <p>Each licensed driver in your household should carry a completed card for each vehicle you own. This way, any member of the family can provide vital vehicle information at any time for any vehicle.</p> <p>STOLEN VEHICLE REPORTING PROCEDURES: (CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Call the Albuquerque Police Department Non-Emergency phone number: 242-COPS (2677).2. Information will be taken, or you will be referred to a special phone number for that purpose.3. Much of the information needed will include the data on the other side of this card.4. Notify your insurance company.5. If your vehicle is not immediately recovered, contact your local office of the New Mexico Motor Vehicle Department (MVD) to cancel the registration so the thief cannot re-register it using false documents. (Albuquerque MVD: 841-2455)6. IMPORTANT: If your vehicle is returned or found, or if it was borrowed and returned by a friend or relative, notify APD immediately! <p>CALL 911 IN THE EVENT OF A CARJACKING, THEFT-IN-PROGRESS, OR IF ANYONE HAS BEEN INJURED OR IS IN ANY IMMEDIATE DANGER. IF IN DOUBT, CALL 911.</p>
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2020 MMNA Dues

We want to thank all dues-paying residents for their contributions. Your dues go towards our family **community events, entrance maintenance, and neighborhood security**. If you would like to continue to contribute to the association for 2018, you can do so (see **membership form** below). The suggested amount is **\$20** but any amount is appreciated.

Many Thanks!

Steve Smith, MMNA Treasury
email: smsmith5391@yahoo.com

2020

Stewart Cameron &
Marquerite Adams-Cameron*
Jonathan Anderson & Mary Sampaio
Philip & Susanna Auerbach*
Tom & Janet Baca
James & Mary Barela
Neil Bell*
Andrew Black
Gabriella & Winston Blakey*
Tamarah & Steven Brown
John & Joanne Buehler*
Debbie & Bill Burrell*
Evelyn G Byatt-Ballantine
Steve & Agnes Chankin
Alison Cimino*
Mary Ann Cinowalt*
Scott & Gwen Clapp
John & Lisa Colbert

Martin & Katherine Colby
Marjorie Cypress & Philip*
Terry Davis & Steve Smith*
Kathleen H Diaz*
Elizabeth & Jess Dickson*
Judy Diehl-Faxon
Deborah Doak*
George Dresden & Bonnie Barnes*
Jan Fike
David & Janet Fike*
Darrell & Nancy Frisse
John Gabaldon*
James Gallegos
Robert & Bernadette Garcia
Charles & Clara Garcia
Clara Garcia*
Robert & Helene Glew
Helen Gonzales & Lee Peifer
Tom & Theresa Gorman*
Mary Beth Greulich
Scott Gwatkin
Dawn & Devon Hall
Dave & Chere Hartman
Shawn & Janice Hinds*
J. Edward & Deborah Hollington*
Scott & Reita Jordan*
Michelle King & Andrea Nash
Bill & Debbie Kolkmeier
John & Kay Leslie*
Victor J. Lipari
Helen Maestas*
Floyd & Lorraine Manzanares*
Steve & Gail Marcum*
Nan & Jena Masland
Jeff McConaughy
Crystal Carrasco McQuitty
& Amy McQuitty*

Philip Melnick & Paula Rebert*
Roy & Dianne Moody
Lori & Mark Muller*
Kyle & Betty Nye*
William Oaks
David & Barbara Okerberg
Pat & Trish Padilla
Jan & Edward Padilla*
Darla B Peay*
Robert & Sara Perovich*
Carole Pierce
Greg & Desbah Pilette
David Pollock*
Zane Reeves & Molly O'Rourke Wall*
Peter & Patricia Robinson
Richard Sertich & Marte Lightstone*
Mary Simms*
Henryk Sloma*
Christine Small
Lorrie Stepetic
Rex & Marilyn Stone
Cheryl & David Summers*
Thomas Toser*
Sue & Dennis Umshler
Ross & Jean Van Dusen*
Gilbert & Regina Velarde*

2021

Bernard Clifford*
Debbie & Bill Burrell
David & Barbara Okerberg
Lori & Mark Muller
Don & Lisa Hooper*

* For donations over \$25



Matthew Meadow Neighborhood Association Membership Form

(Mail To: MMNA P.O. Box 70294 Albuquerque NM 87197 or
by Paypal via website: www.matthew-meadow.com)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Suggested dues amount per year: **\$25.00**

I would like to help with the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Task Force | <input type="checkbox"/> Fun Social Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Delivery of Newsletters | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Holiday Festivities |