

Winter

# NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER www.mmna.us

February 2023

## Membership Meeting Wednesday, March 1st, 2023 at 6:30 - 8:00 pm

at
Los Griegos Health & Social Services

Center

#### 1231 Candelaria NW

Please join us for the 2023 Winter Meeting!

#### **Agenda**

- 1) Welcome 2)
- 2) Special Guest: Vexus Representative
- 3) Secretary Minutes from our last meeting
- 4) Treasurer's Report
- 5) Community Events Update
- 6) Other Items

Volunteers to set up the meeting room at 6 pm would be appreciated. See you there!

NOTE: This health center will require masks.



- ONCE A WEEK IN MARCH.
- TWICE A WEEK IN APRIL AND MAY.
- THREE TIMES A WEEK IN JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST.
- TWICE A WEEK IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.
- ONCE A WEEK IN NOVEMBER.

#### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

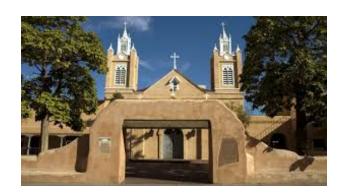
Happy New Year - I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas season. Driving around our neighborhood in the evening, I was very impressed with the lights and decorations that festooned so many houses. Some of the streets were a wonder to see with house after house brightly lit. My thanks to all those that went the extra mile. Due to some of our board members being out or sick, we didn't have our regular decoration contest. But we will this coming year end.

Annual Meeting - We are looking to have our annual meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm. Location and details are in the newsletter. We are looking for a good-sized turnout this year. Although we are a neighborhood association, we are only as effective as resident participation. Check in with your neighbors and carpool over. The meeting shouldn't be longer than 1 & 1/2 hours.

**Noise consideration** – If you are having outside work done, such as tree trimming, it would be considerate to have the crew start up any engines after 8 am.

**Speeding** – as a reminder, once in the neighborhood, please observe the **25 mph** speed limit. We have residents walking and children playing. I have noticed some people taking going around turns at unsafe speeds.

Henryk Sloma



## SIDEWALK REPAIR

In Matthew Meadow, we have a number of lovely trees. Unfortunately, many of these trees are causing our sidewalks to buckle. It's important to note that Albuquerque homeowners are responsible for the maintenance and repair of their sidewalks. This is per **City Ordinance Section 6-5-5-3**.

The city notifies homeowners of the need for sidewalk repair/replacement, giving the homeowner **90 days** from receipt of the letter to have the sidewalk repaired. If it is not repaired, the city may repair it themselves and bill the homeowner.

In checking with a city engineer, I received the specifications they use:

The slope of the buckled slabs is greater than **8%** or **1"** rise in **12"** of run or if there is a vertical displacement of **0.25"** anywhere along the displaced slabs.

## **MMNA Financial Summary for 2022**

For **2022**, the Matthew Meadow Neighborhood association received **\$2984** in donations and the total spent was **\$2510**. (The **\$2510** includes **\$961** that Loco Jumps hasn't cashed yet.)

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## Albuquerque Events

"abqtodo" is a website featuring an Albuquerque & Bernalillo County's Events Calender. It is a one-stop shop for everything arts, culture, sports, recreation, and dining around town. You can also submit a request for your own event that you would like the public to know. https://abqtodo.com/.

Every first Wednesday of the month the general admission for the Albuquerque Museum is free. The hours are 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. The dates for each month's first Wednesday in 2023 is: March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, July 5 and August 2.

# MMNA Board of Directors

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Tom O'Keefe

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**Open Position** 



## Wheels Museum

There is a lovely museum located on **2<sup>nd</sup> Street** within the **Rail Yards** complex. The address is **1100 2nd St SW** and their web site is http://wheelsmuseum.org/

If you are interested in how Albuquerque grew into the city it is now, this museum is the place to discover our roots. If you have kids that love trains, they have a large HO layout, a large O scale (Lionel) layout, and a large enough running train to accommodate kids and adults that still have an inner child.

And if you want to simply browse the various rooms with their eclectic collection, this is the place. <u>Admission is free</u>, although any donations are appreciated. They are open from 9am to noon on Mon thru Thurs and from **10am** to **2pm** on Saturdays.

Also, In **May** thru **October**, every Sunday from **10AM** to **2PM**, the **Railyard Market** will be open. The **Wheel's Museum** will also be open during this event.

### METRO CRIME INITIATIVE

For those who haven't read the latest January Round-Up email from Mayor Keller, below is a summary concerning the **Metro Crime Initiative (MCI)**. The **MCI** offers a comprehensive package of policies that tackle gun violence, the fentanyl crisis, domestic violence, and more.

Highest priority is the warrant backlog. Currently, there are nearly **5,000 outstanding warrants**, **800** of those are violent, repeat, and recent offenders. **APD** and its partners in law enforcement have a plan for overtime operations to go after criminals and make our streets safer. With funding from the State, they are ready to carry out that plan.

#### The MCI's 2022 successes have been:

- Strengthened penalties for gun crimes
- Expanded Albuquerque's Violence Intervention Program (VIP) throughout the state
- Gave police power to crack down on auto theft chop-shops
- Secured funding to add new judges, court staff, and more

Also, the city is offering citizens to would like to help with the **MCI**. They need concern citizens' help in testifying on Legislation, visiting Santa Fe with CABQ to talk to legislators, writing to your legislator, etc. If you want to volunteer, the link is:

https://www.cabq.gov/metro-crime-initiative-lowering-crime-in-albuquerque/get-involed-with-metro-crime-initiative-form

## VEXUS, a new cable company in our area

**Vexus Fiber** has begun installing fiber optic cable in the entire city of Albuquerque, and Matthew Meadow is the first neighborhood to receive it. Installation has already been completed on several streets and, according to Kevin Folk, regional vice president of operations for New Mexico, **Vexus** is hoping to have 1000 customers by May. **Vexus** has a \$250 million dollar contract with the city, of which the city paid no part. **Vexus Fiber**, a leading broadband fiber service provider, announced that it will be bringing a 100% fiber-to-the-home network to the entire city of Albuquerque. The company will invest \$250 million in the infrastructure of the network and create 200 jobs in the construction phase over the next three years. The company has plans to design a hub site to store electronics and other infrastructure, warehouse space and office space. To date, the company has installed successful high-speed fiber networks in over 35 cities in Texas and Louisiana. Albuquerque is the largest city served by **Vexus Fiber** and a buildout of this magnitude takes approximately three years to complete. Pricing is competitive with other providers, but the service is much faster. Pricing on the services offered is available on **vexusfiber.com/newmexico**.

Vexus will have a representative as the guest speaker at the MMNA general meeting on March 1 st

**911** An emergency is anytime an individual's life, safety or property is immediately in danger or there is a crime in progress.

**242-COPS** A non-emergency is a situation where an individual's life, safety or property is not in immediate danger, but a police response is needed.

**311** for issues likeGraffiti Sighting, Illegal, Fireworks, Animal Noise, Abandoned Vehicles, Homeless Encampment, Nuisance Property, Needles, Noise Complaint

To request a large item garbage pickup or any other information reqarding city services, you can go on line at: <a href="https://www.cabq.gov/311/abq311">https://www.cabq.gov/311/abq311</a>

### 2022 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 2023, you can do so (see membership form below). The suggested amount is \$20 but any amount is appreciated.

Many Thanks!

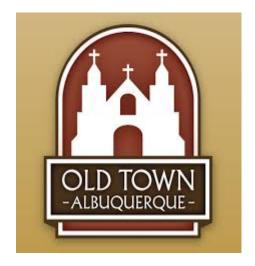
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#### \* For donations over \$20



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