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Sandia Heights Homeowners Association

March 2005

11th Annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction

The Annual SHHA Wine Tasting is right around the corner! The event will be held April 3, from 6-8:30 pm at the Bien Mur Indian Market Center. Come sample some of the best New Mexico wines and socialize with your neighbors. There will also be live music, a raffle, a silent auction, and appetizers.

Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 after March 25 and at the door. Please fill out the reservation form below and mail or drop it by the SHHA office to reserve a spot on the guest list. If you are interested in making a quality donation for the silent auction or can donate an appetizer, please call the SHHA office at 797-7793.

2005 **SHHA** WINE TASTING RESERVATION

Sunday, April 3, 6-8:30pm. At Bien Mur Indian Market Center,
Interstate 25 North & Tramway Road (exit 234)

\$15 per person in advance or \$20 after March 25 and at the door.

Please RSVP by March 25

WINE TASTERS:

Name _____ Name _____

Name _____ Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Amount enclosed _____

Mail or drop off check to:

SHHA Wine Tasting

2-B San Rafael NE

Albuquerque, NM 87122

Fine wine, delicious appetizers,
live music, raffle, silent auction,
friends – all right here in our
community!

Please check
here if you can
bring an
appetizer

Wines



Announcements & Notices:

- SHHA Board Meeting – 7pm on Wednesday, March 9th, at the William Sibrava Substation
- SHHA Board Meeting & Election of New Members on Tuesday, April 12th
- Office Hours: 9am to 3pm, Monday through Friday.
- Notary public services are free to members only. Please call to make an appointment.

TREASURER'S REPORT
By: Cheryl Iverson – Treasurer

CASH FLOW – Jan 31, 2005	
RECEIVED	
ACC	\$135.47
2005 Advertising	\$885.62
Member Dues	\$11,829.09
Total Received	\$12,850.18
EXPENSES	
<u>Committee Expense</u>	
Communications	
Directory costs	\$4,436.79
Postage	\$1,000.00
Web Master	\$59.66
	\$5,496.45
EC postage	\$150.00
Traffic Safety Stuffer	\$264.86
Total Committee Expenses	\$5,911.31
<u>Office Expense</u>	
Comcast	\$59.45
Copier Cost	\$392.43
Electricity	\$73.54
Office Lease	\$952.54
Security	\$11.59
Telephone	\$104.05
Total Office Expense	\$1,593.60
Office Staff	\$4,117.77
Sandia Services	\$1,118.51
Taxes, NM Gross Receipt	\$1,519.38
Total Disbursed	\$14,260.57
Received less disbursed	-\$1,410.39

Condition Jan 31, 2005	
Cash in Banks	
Checking	\$59,733.97
CD	\$34,495.82
CD 2	\$10,053.47
Petty Cash	\$50.76
Total Cash in Bank	\$104,334.02
Other Assets (at Cost)	
Computers & software	\$5,023.46
Due from Advertising Sold	\$0.00
Event Signs	\$164.54
Holiday Decorations	\$77.25
Inv Glass/Mugs	\$346.37
Office Accessories	\$1,207.06
Office Furniture	\$5,396.44
Postage in meter	\$419.61
Postage Bulk	\$322.35
Prepaid Rent	\$991.10
Security Deposits	\$1,075.75
Total Other Assets	\$15,023.93
Total Assets	\$119,357.95
Liabilities	
Prepaid Advertising	\$19,860.44
Legal Reserve	\$50,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$69,860.44
Cash in Banks less liabilities	\$34,473.58

Make your voice heard

By: Bob Francis, Vicki Criel, and Frank Soper – Nominations Committee

In the past 4 years, Sandia Heights and the SHHA have been involved in several major controversies including the Sandia Pueblo settlement, the Cedar Hill Park development, and the San Rafael Traffic situation. In each case the SHHA Board of Directors took a position that they considered to be in the best interest of all Sandia Heights residents.

Was your voice heard in these controversies? Was the view of your Unit represented on the SHHA Board of Directors?

Now there is an opportunity for you to have a voice on the SHHA Board of Directors. Eight vacancies will be created as current Board Directors' terms end in June 2005. We would like to see as many Units and Districts of Sandia Heights represented on the Board of Directors.

The next few years will be an exciting opportunity for you to help plan the future of our Association. Please review the blue center section of the 2005 Directory of Residents, which lists the duties of the committees and other functions of the Board.

If you are interested in serving on the SHHA Board of Directors please call the SHHA office at 797-7793. If you have any questions regarding how the SHHA organization works or what is required to serve on the SHHA Board of Directors please don't hesitate to call the office or contact any member of the SHHA Board of Directors.

Publications and Communications Editor

- Sheraz Saint-Lot

THE 2005 Directory of Residents was mailed out to all members this past month. If

you did not receive yours please notify the office.

Some of you have called the office because your listing was printed incorrectly. We sincerely apologize for those errors. We had a problem with our database in 2004 and although efforts were made to remedy the computer malfunction the repercussions came out in the 2005 directory. To avoid this situation in the next published directory the office will be sending out a listing to each resident giving you the opportunity to correct any of the information *before* we place it in the directory.

NOTE: Please make a correction to the directory for:

Carol and Randy Holt, 605 Cedar Hill Road, 858-0032

Masterworks of New Mexico

Your participating Sandia Heights neighbors invite you to view Masterworks of New Mexico during the month of April 2005 at the Hispanic Arts Building of Expo New Mexico. This Spring Art Show is in its' seventh year and is comprised of works by artists of the Pastel Society of NM, the NM Watercolor Society, the Rio Grande Art Association and Miniature Arts Bardean.

Well-known New Mexico artist, Steve Hanks, will judge the larger works after they have been juried by Doug Fairfield, Joan Potter and Mary Carroll Nelson. Paul Murray will be the Judge in the miniatures category with Margot Luisa Gerrero, Mary O'Brien and Sharon Fullingim serving as Jurors.

The Opening Ceremony and Preview will be held Friday, April 1, 2005 from 5-8 pm. The Show will remain open to the public April 2-30, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, except Mondays. There will be a Grand Open House, Saturday, April 16, 12:00 noon – 4:00 pm with still life set ups, a live model, and refreshments and fun for all. Many workshops and presentations are scheduled during the month. To obtain further information, please call 505-260-9977 or e-mail Bardean@aol.com.

RACING ON TRAMWAY

-Don Wortman, Chairman of Special Liaison Committee

If you see or hear auto racing on Tramway you are encouraged to call 798-7000 immediately. The Lt. William Sibrava Sheriff's Substation near Paseo del Norte and Eubank is aware of the problem and they are working on it. There has been a marked increase in auto racing especially on weekend nights. Some attribute this to the crackdown the Albuquerque Police Department has done on auto racing on Montgomery Avenue.

RETAIL STORES IN NEW BUILDING

-Don Wortman, Chairman of Special Liaison Committee

The retail building between the empty Eckerds building and Albuquerque Kwik Lube is nearing completion. According to Peter Pineta, the realtor for that space, it will be occupied by "Curves for Women," a full service beauty salon, a dry cleaners and a coffee shop. Earlier we had been advised the restaurant, Charlie's Front and Back Door, was to be one of the occupants but evidently they could not reach agreement with TRICOR, the owners of the empty Eckerds building, about the joint use of their parking lot. The committee I chair still needs to review the plans for this new building regarding signage and lighting.

SANDIA HEIGHTS SECURITY

-Larry Buynak, Manager/Safety Director, Sandia Heights Security

The residents of lower San Rafael Ave. failed in their attempt to get speed humps despite their unanimous agreement and county data showing high rates of speeding that meet the criteria for such control devices. In the final stage of the approval process, the Bernalillo County Fire Department determined, based on emergency response concerns, that speed humps should not be installed on this roadway. We are looking into ways of getting this decision reversed.

This letter is in response to the resident who states in the GRIT that "Sandia Heights Security has no interest in helping out here" with regard to the drag racing problem on Tramway Boulevard. **As a licensed Private Patrol Operator we do not have the authority to enforce traffic laws.** When our patrol officers observe drag racing or any other illegal activity, they report it immediately to the Bernalillo County Sheriff or Albuquerque Police Department. The patrol officer was correct in advising this resident to contact law enforcement directly, because civil complaints must come from the residents. Our primary concern is for the security and safety of the residents in Sandia Heights, but the associated noise with drag racing is also a valid concern. Residents of Sandia Heights often call with various concerns and we do respond. In fact, during December we responded to 146 calls and 1,804 calls during the year. Sandia Heights Security takes pride in doing all we can to make our neighborhood as safe as possible and would suggest that all residents do the same.

It is important to note that not all Sandia Heights residents contribute dues to the Patrol Service (this resident included). We urge those who are not members to sign up and participate like the vast majority of Sandia Heights residents who do, in order to be part of solving the problem rather than simply complaining about it. We agree that the drag racing danger and noise on Tramway has become a problem and we encourage all of our residents to contact City and County Representatives, as well as the local law enforcement agencies who have the authority to ticket the offenders. Ultimately, our concern is for the safety of **ALL** Sandia Heights residents, members or not.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

(The comments and opinions expressed **do not** necessarily represent the views of the SHHA)

Use the Pedestrian Paths on Tramway

To the mom and dad who complained about the speeding white SUV in the last *GRIT*: I am definitely for safe driving and speed control on our overgrown and curvy Sandia Heights roads. But for the life of me, I do not understand the thought process that would take three "training wheeled" children out on these roads and risk their lives to prove a point. We have miles of beautiful paved and wide safe bike paths at the bottom of all our entrances and exits from Sandia Heights. These roads we live on are not wide enough and not cleared enough to allow cars and people at the same time. It would be a different story if we had paths or walkways carved out of our roads and if we did not have the Tramway bike/walker path. I, as a mom and grandmother, never allowed my children and now my grandchildren the opportunity to get in harm's way. I can't speak for those who choose to walk these roads. Even at 15 mph it takes just a few moments to get to the base of the Heights, park, and enjoy the bike/walker paths without risking not only the children's lives but the driver's too.

-K Belle Conway, Resident

SHHA MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

These ads are also published on our website (free for SHHA members as space allows)

Excellent Housekeeper: Has some days available. Dependable and hard worker. Call Maria at 831-5358	For house cleaning and ironin ; call Dora 332-3571. References available upon request.	Auto Detailing By perfectionist 17 yr old student working toward college. Contact Jeferson Brewer, 951 Deer Dr. 856-2195 <i>efficient - thorough - \$15.00/hr.</i>	Call Heather for babysitting Reliable, have transportation & references. 796-0601
Retired Hospice Nurse Available for pet care. Call Anne @ 856-6896	Experienced Pet Sitter Hardworking, positive attitude, 15 yr.-old. Loves pet sitting & odd jobs. Call Andy: 821-0482	Experienced 17 yr. Old Babysitter Nights and weekends Call Becky: 821-0482	Responsible Sitter Red Cross Certified Call Hilary: 856-7023
Need House Sitting, Odd Jobs? Call Patrick: 856-1283	Looking for intermediate / advance tennis players to play recreationally. If interested Call Diane 797-9983 or 858-1672.	Experienced 17 yr. Old Babysitter Nights and weekends Call Becky: 821-0482	Experienced 15 yr.-old worker. Available for odd jobs . Call Jordan: 856-1483
FOR SALE: 2002 Chevrolet Tahoe Z71 4 x4, V8, Auto, All power, Sunroof, Gray Leather, Alarm, AM/FM/Cass/CD, Garaged, Fog Lamps, Luggage Rack, Trailer Pkg, Extended Warranty, Keyless Entry, 33k Miles, \$24,900. 505-797-7483 or 505-220-3833			
FOR SALE: Stainless Steel Cart on wheels, 3 shelves, 37¼”H x 35 ¼” W x 20 1/8” D, \$225; Heavy Duty adjustable steel work support w/roller, holds 2000 lbs., \$85; ¼” thick premium rubber sheeting, \$295; 20 heavy duty steel/rubber casters, brand new, \$75; Contico heavy duty plastic shelves, \$65; (4) 12”woodworking clamps, new, \$35. Call 858-3406			
FOR SALE: never used barbecue grill – purchased at American Furniture last summer, full gas tank included. Char Broil, the Big Easy. Come see it, make offer take it away. Ronnie 822-9002			



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