

Letter from the President

Hello ANNA Residents.

My we have been extremely busy this year! Our “meet your neighbor” pizza event was held Sept 28th at the new shady location on Wren Walk. We were happy that many new and established residents joined us for good food and a fun raffle.

Our annual meeting will be held in March of 2026 at the Cherry Hills Library. All residents are welcome, including renters. We elect executive officers and discuss new and pending business. You can make a difference by attending. We would love to see you all there! Watch for the signs and notifications in March next year.

I have two reminders, we have a “no solicitation” rule that is clearly marked at both our entrances. If someone comes to your door and you don’t wish to engage, please remind them of that fact.

Parking issues continue to plague our neighborhood, and we will begin to address these by enforcing our covenants and with city ordinances.

City code 8-5-1-8 requires parked cars “to be headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement”. I have

seen an increase in cars parked the wrong way on our streets. No one should potentially be surprised by a head on situation with someone pulling out from the curb. So please park in the direction of traffic flow. If you have guests or contractors working on your home and they park facing the wrong way, ask them to turn around and park legally.

Our covenants (6 Section 22, First Amendment) prohibit parking on our streets. This was intended with safety in mind to help keep our roads free from congestion for first responders, emergency vehicles and large city service trucks like recycle and trash pickups. This was also designed to define residents primary parking to be in garages, driveways and if applicable, along the back side of our fence lines in alleys. Street parking was not intended for daily or long-term parking or for free storage.

We have deliveries from medical supplies and equipment, FedEx, Ups and Amazon. Not to mention ongoing street sweeping and utility upgrades. All the street parking is making these services more and more difficult, ineffective and unsafe. Please utilize your garage and driveways. This is a safety issue and

a violation of our covenants. Please help support our neighborhood and ability to drive our streets safely by keeping our roads clear of parking. Landlords should be sharing this information with their tenants as well.

City code 8-1-2-28 Parking or Standing on Narrow streets, prohibits any parking on streets narrower than 24ft. This affects the north and south sides of Parrot Run and Racheleigh. So please, no curb parking on these roads outside of the pull-out areas. I’ll follow up with the city for signage or painting of curbs.

Vanessa Stranski , President
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Treasurer’s Report			
ANNA Oct Treasury Summary 2025			
04/07/2025 Previous Balance			\$3,970.74
Deposits		Expenses	
Dues	\$ 1300.00	Water Quest	\$ -
		Secretary of NM Annual Report	\$ -
		Annual Filing Fee	\$ -
		Signage	\$ -374.49
		Barstow Landscape , tree removal	\$ -
		Printing, signs (Office Depot)	\$ -
		D4C Donation	\$ -25.00
		Misc (gift cards)	\$ -
Total	\$ 5,270.74		\$ -399.49
Balance as of 9/9/2025			\$4,871.25

Treasurers statement available to home owners upon request.



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Beautification Committee: Vanessa Stranski
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Newsletter: Faith has resigned from Newsletter editor and since we do not have a volunteer replacement, we have sub contracted this out to a local editor. I'd like to thank Faith for her previous work and dedication to our neighborhood. Good luck in your new residence Faith! Membership and Welcome

Membership:

Membership of the Academy North Neighborhood Association is open to any adult who owns, rents or leases a legal residence located within the boundaries.

ANNA promotes safety, security, welfare, and neighborly and friendly values.

Anna dues are voluntary and are \$50.00 per year.

Make checks payable to ANNA and mail or deliver to 7109 Hollis St NE.

Welcome Committee:

Please welcome these new neighbors to Academy North:

Irene Sadr

Alexander and Linda Fisher

If you are new in the neighborhood or know someone who is and who has not been welcomed, please contact Nancy Mead.



Beautification Committee

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A reminder to all residents, including renters, in accordance with our covenants, please keep your yards free of out-of-control weeds, grasses and construction materials. This includes the strip of your property along the alley.

Volunteers have kept our entrances and landscaping along Barstow free of litter and weeds. Also completed this year was trimming of the juniper hedges and trees all along the street. We did have a mysterious tree trimmer this year. Little by little they trimmed the largest branches of the trees and secretly hauled most away. The beautification crew trimmed the rest of smaller branches and took care of clean up. We'd like to thank our secret Barstow tree trimmer. So, if you have any knowledge of who our good Samaritan is, please contact him or her and ask them to step forward. They saved us a lot of money!

Calls into the city to replace the faded out stop sign on Della and Emily and street signs for Wren Walk and for Leslynne were completed and they look great!





Social Committee

Sharon and Steve Barton co-chairpersons

Well another successful party is in the books! We had our annual “meet your neighbors” Sept 28th and even the rain chances didn’t dampen our residents spirits. We had great cover at our new location from the tree on Wren Walk near Parrot Run. Thank you Carrie and Scott for allowing us to be outside your doorstep. 26 of the 30 RSVP’s showed up prepared with umbrellas and rain jackets to stave off the rain we encountered. We stayed relatively dry and smiling throughout and had good food and great fun with the raffle drawing. The light rain moved on after approximately 30 mins and we were left with blue skies and a fantastic



evening for the remaining hour. Many people were still mingling when we packed up!

We missed several residents who just couldn’t make it due to the weather this year but we hope to see you next year!

A great big thank you to all who volunteered to make this happen by donating tables, chairs, set ups and to all our residents who made this fun event a success by attending. You are why we do it! We hope to see you at the March meeting. Until then, Happy Fall, y’all!



Policing Committee

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We have had a quiet spring and summer at Academy North. There have been no reports of crime or suspicious activity in our neighborhood. Remember, if you have an incident to report, call the police first to give them all the important pieces

of information. Then please call or email me so I can log it and put out an alert if needed. If you see something suspicious or out of place, report it. We want to be the eyes and ears for the police.

Let’s light up the neighborhood with our porch lights. A well-lit house is less likely to be a target of crime.



District 4 Coalition

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In May, 6 NM legislators attended the D4 district meeting which consisted of them giving a summary of the last legislation at the round house. We had a diverse representation of 3 House members and 3 Senate members of both republican and democratic representatives. I was impressed with their thoughtfulness and sincerity in working across the aisle on championing the causes they work on. They explained the bills they are working on and briefly explained how a bill is created, edited and then sent forth to a committee. Follow up steps detailing on how bills pass through the chambers and get finalized for vote was covered by District 44 rep Kathleen Cates at the Sept D4 mtg. What a process! Very educational.

D4 Councilwoman Brooke Bassan is usually present during our meetings and summarizes what is happening in our city. 5 City Council districts are up for elections. Building ordinances still are trying to

be changed and pushed for by Mayor Keller to allow for multiple usage of buildings. As of the last vote, all have been defeated. Some of these zoning code changes would have allowed for residential multiple floor expansions, tiny homes placed on residential lots, and other residential expansion without county/city permit review and without neighbor's notification or feedback. The 911 call center gave updates to a new free Smart911 app. It provides for citizens to upload a profile with pertinent information about the citizen in case of an emergency. This could help with sending the proper emergency service and provide critical information if the citizen is unable to speak, get to the door, if they have pets, existing medical conditions, allergies, etc.

This service is only provided if calling from a cellular line and the citizen controls how much information is entered. More information at the next annual meeting in March. If you cannot attend, please send request to annapresident505@gmail.com

Classifieds

Are you looking for help with house cleaning, airbnb, move out cleaning, house or pet sitting? Need Trash/Recycle bins to/from curb, light yard clean up, watering plants, etc? For a free estimate Call:

Beth with HELPU SERVICES, LLC
505-553-9411

- Experienced, Licensed, and Insured
- 25-year resident of Academy North
- Caring, thorough, efficient service
- Fair, competitive pricing
- References available

Green Waste Fall Schedule:

Fall Green Waste collection Based on earlier years, will be collected in the first 2 weeks of December. Green waste in tied plastic garden bags should be at the curb, 5 feet away from cans, by 7am on your regular trash collection day. Green waste is processed into a rough chip mulch and used to help prevent erosion at the Cerro Colorado Landfill.

Help with Yard Cleanup for Seniors: FYI: the city has a free annual yard cleanup for those 65+ years old. If you are interested, please go to cabq.gov, look under senior services, and sign up for the program.

Recycling Home Collection:

Plastic Bags:

Plastic bags must not be placed in recycling; they can clog the sorting machines. Most supermarkets have collection bins at the entrance. Please try reusable bags.

Glass Recycling:

The nearest Glass Recycling drop-off site is at the Albertsons parking lot at 8100 Ventura NE. Glass cannot be collected by overhead recycling trucks. Breaking glass contaminates the regular recycling collection.

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