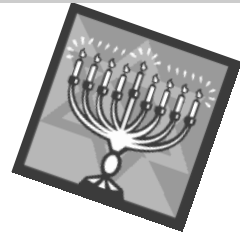


Happy Holidays from Your OPNA!



2007 OPNA Officers of the Board

Jackie Loftus, President	lofti@att.net
Patsy Stell, VP	durstell@msn.com
Laura Bernd, Treasurer	llbernd@comcast.net
Gary Hoe, Secretary	hoebeau@cnsf.com
opna@cnsf.com	



Membership Application

Date Filed: _____

Please Print Clearly

Last Name _____

First Name(s): _____ Phone: _____

Street: _____ ABQ, NM 87111 (or _____)

Email: _____

Membership Type

Residential (Own or Rent) \$12/Year Business (\$24/Year) New Renewal

My THREE TOP CONCERNS about our neighborhood are:

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____

Please check areas in which you are willing to help:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Watch | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising and Fundraising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting Arrangements | <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification/Clean-up Day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Telephoning Neighbors | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity and Signs | <input type="checkbox"/> Web Site Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Events (Movie Night etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Please make checks payable to OPNA and mail or deliver to:
 OPNA Membership
 c/o Penny Hoe
 9412 Dona Rowena NE
 Albuquerque NM 87111

Questions?
opna@cnsf.com



Osuna Park NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Next Meeting Date To Be Announced Soon!

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Autumn Clean-Up Day
Saturday, December 1st!
 By: Gary Hoe

As we did in the spring, we will have a couple of City roll-off Dumpsters on Osuna Street near the school parking lot on the first Saturday in December. The first Dumpster

should be in place about 8:00am, and the last one will be towed off at 11:00am. We will have neighbors directing traffic and helping with your off-load, and we could use some more help sweeping up the street after the last Dumpster leaves. Also we *hope* to have access to the school's Cafetorium were we can warm up and enjoy some hot chocolate or spiced cider. We will

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President's Message

By: Jackie Loftus



Hello Everybody,
Let me start out by saying how excited I am to be the new President. We've got a great board assem-

bled, and we're all ready and willing to go! Our new board members are: Gary Hoe, Marca de la Porte, Barbara Rosazza, Beverly Cuyler, Mike Roberts, Ellen Interlandi, and Patsy Stell. Laura Bernd and I are the only two from the previous board. I'd also like to say a few thank you's. I'd like to thank Laura for doing such a great job as our previous President, I'd like to thank everyone who was on the previous board for working so hard, and I'd like to thank everybody who's involved in the neighborhood association. I am

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<http://www.osunaparkna.org>

thrilled about the new things coming up in the next year, especially the first Fall Clean-Up day! The Spring Clean-Up days have been so successful; we've decided to try it in the fall. I think it's a great idea because it will be after pruning season and before in-law season! We've also got a few surprises up our sleeves, so keep posted!

On a personal note, I'd like to encourage everybody to please be careful this holiday season, because holiday season is also fire season. I've been through it, and there's nothing that can change your life faster. Having a fire in the fireplace can be cozy, so be sure to dispose of the ashes properly. Always put ashes in a fireproof container, and be sure to put the container away from anything flammable. Be sure that you turn off your appliances and disconnect your Christmas tree lights before you leave the house. Also be sure not to leave any candles burning when you're gone-even if you think it will be fine. I am also asking that you make sure your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are in working order, but most importantly, have a plan. Make sure your most precious commodity, your kids, know what to do in case this ever happens. Be sure you get fire extinguishers and know how to use them. Make sure they are properly pressurized too. A fire during the holiday season is the last thing you want. Let's all be careful this Holiday season.

Wishing you many blessings,
Jackie



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Rebates are limited to two of each installed item per customer account.

Information taken from
<http://www.pnm.com/rebates/home.htm>



Easy Dream Cookies!

By: Jackie Loftus



1 cup ground walnuts
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup maple syrup or honey
pinch of salt (optional)

Preheat oven to 300 degrees F. Line cookie sheet with foil-shiny side up and spray lightly with cooking spray. In a bowl, combine ingredients, then drop by rounded half-teaspoons onto cookie sheets. Place about 2" apart. Bake for 12 minutes or just until light brown. Let cool completely, then peel off foil.

You can use any kind of nuts you like.

These can burn easily so keep an eye on them.



(Editor's note: Not being a great cookie baker, I questioned Jackie about the lack of flour. She assured me this is correct and the cookies are really more like candy and are delicious.)

Welcome New Members!

By: Penny Hoe

OPNA now has 137 members as of the end of October, 132 residences and 5 businesses. Are you a member? Support your Neighborhood Association and help make the Osuna Park neighborhood a better place to live. Get email notices of events and news from the City. Hear speakers on many topics at our periodic meetings and pick up informative handouts. "Ask Opie" if you need an answer to something about City ordinances, services, animal control, or anything else. And enjoy each other's neighborly company (and the pot-luck refreshments!) whenever we get together.

Look for the membership coupon on the back page of this Newsletter and :



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warm air. Check it often for wetness, since your pet will bring in a lot of moisture and then the bedding won't be able to keep them warm. If your pet loves spending time running around outdoors in the cold, make sure you increase his supply of food, particularly protein, to keep him in tip-top shape.

• Keep your cat indoors. Outdoors, cats can become lost, injured or killed as well as be exposed to infectious diseases. Before getting into your car, bang loudly on your hood to ensure that a cat is not sleeping under the hood, to get out of the cold.

• Never leave your dog or cat alone in a car during cold weather. A car can act as a refrigerator in the winter, holding in the cold and causing the animal to freeze to death.

• Antifreeze is a lethal poison for dogs and cats. Be sure to thoroughly clean up any spills from your vehicle when using this product.

• Most importantly, do not leave your pets outdoors unattended when the temperature gets below freezing!

For more information on the services and programs of the City of Albuquerque [Animal Care Center](#), or dial 311 or 505-768-2000.



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have some new information on the Neighborhood Watch program available, along with some City litter bags and a new handout on the municipal water conservation effort.

So hurry on down to the school on Saturday the 1st, and get rid of all your junk. Remember - there will be only 24 days from then until Christmas, when you will need that extra space for your holiday loot !!



Support your OPNA Business Members !!

Ameriplex Mortgage

Dr. Steven J. Traub,
Dental Surgeon

Kindercare Learning
Center

Patisserie C - Specialty
Cakes

Sun Vista Enterprises,
commercial property

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Mike Roberts
 Senior Certified Loan Originator
 Direct: 505-217-2670
 Office: 505-293-9300
 Cell: 505-463-7912
 Fax: 505-294-1974
 TollFree: 800-687-3545
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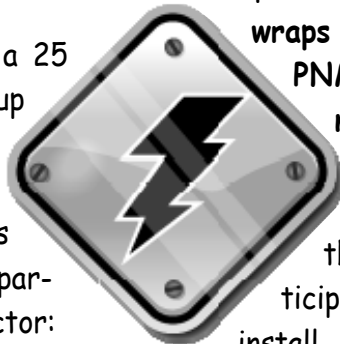
Energy Rebates!

PNM residential natural gas customers can get rebates by having a participating contractor insulate and weatherize their home.

You can receive a 25 percent rebate (up to \$500) for having the following services performed by a participating contractor:

- Attic, roof, wall, crawl space or duct insulation installed
- Ductwork leakage testing and sealing
- Air infiltration testing and sealing

PNM is offering residential natural gas customers rebates when they purchase



and install water heater wraps and Energy Star®-qualified programmable thermostats.

Rebates

- \$25 for Energy Star® qualified programmable thermostats
- \$10 for water heater wraps

PNM residential natural gas customers can get rebates when they have a participating contractor install energy efficient products in their home.

- \$40 per Energy Star® qualified thermostat
- \$15 per water heater wrap
- \$8 per low-flow shower head
- \$5 per 10 feet or less of pipe insulation

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Landscaping is Coming to Eubank!

You voted for it, and it's finally here! The landscaping for the Eubank Medians will begin this month. In August those members present at the Annual Meeting voted almost unanimously for the "dry streambed" design which includes larger gravel for the river, small gravel around, and plants disbursed throughout.



There will be crews cutting the street to bring power and water to the areas they'll be working. It might be a headache for a little while, but when you drive by, you'll always know you had a part in it! Good job!

Non-Emergency Police # 242-COPS

Slow Down Albuquerque!
By: Barbara Rosazza

The city's "Slow Down Albuquerque" campaign is a positive traffic awareness



campaign to remind citizens to be aware of their driving habits and to slow down on city streets!! The OPNA has obtained some signs to post in neighborhood yards. You may have already noticed some and we still have a few more. If you would like to post a sign in your yard, please e-mail opna@cnsf.com

Cold Weather Precautions for Pet Owners

By: Ann Marinez
(from www.cabq.gov)

Cold weather is around the corner and pet owners need to take extra precautions when the temperature begins to drop. Here are six helpful tips that will ensure your pet will still be comfy when it is cold outside.

- Puppies do not tolerate the cold as well as adult dogs and may be difficult to house-break during the winter, so try paper training inside.
- For older dogs, they may be sensitive to the cold weather due to age, illness or breed type, so make sure you take him outdoors only to relieve himself.
- If your pet spends a lot of time outdoors, make sure he has a sheltered place that is well bedded with dry straw, blanket strips or other insulating material that traps



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Federal Communications Commission Do Not Call Registry

Want to reduce the number of unwanted phone calls to your home or cell phone? The FCC established a national Do-Not-Call Registry. Commercial telemarketers may not call you if your number is on the registry. Customers may register their residential telephone number, including wireless numbers, on the national registry website <https://www.donotcall.gov/> or by calling: 1-888-382-1222 (TTY 1-866-290-4236).