



Miracerros Addition ♦ Indian Plaza ♦ Netherwood Park

*Netherwood Park Neighborhood Association Newsletter* May 2018

### **From the Board**

**Susan Bennett, NPNA President, 350-3848**

The NPNA Board met on Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> for their regular monthly meeting and to enjoy the food and music provided by the food trucks. About forty neighbors were in the park enjoying the event. The Board asked that the music be turned down to a background level so that neighbors could enjoy their conversations and their food.

Tony Prosser reported that the methodology used in the crime reports has recently changed. The most recent crime report for our area included twenty disturbance of the peace incidents, one burglary and one vehicular break in, one auto theft and one robbery in the park. There were also reports of shots fired on Morrow and also on Cutler. Tony mentioned the popular Ring app (<https://ring.com/>) that is part of the Ring doorbell or Ring security light system. Tony invited neighbors who own these products to participate in Ring social network and its cloud service to compare observations about neighborhood safety.

Richard Martinez is an instructor who offers classes on concealed weapon safety. He has offered to conduct a free class about personal safety, with or without the gun safety info. The Board is investigating an indoor location and time for this event. Watch the next NPNA newsletter for more details.

The Nikle Farm to Table restaurant and Distillery (the old Alpine Sausage building) was the subject of a neighbor-generated appeal before the City Zoning Board on April 24<sup>th</sup>. This appeal focused on the City's approval of parking waiver filed by Nikle. The appeal was denied and the parking waiver granted to Nikle as originally proposed and approved remains in effect. The restaurant could open sometime this summer or early fall.

The Board approved funds for four APD patrols sometime in June.

Have you noticed the road signs leading everyone to the food trucks? The NPNA publicity committee has been hard at work spreading the news about Wednesday nights at the park. The Board thanked Angie Steward for these great signs.

The house on Harold Place NE still remains a big concern. The present owner says that he is making progress on his remodeling project.

Please be aware that the dumpsters adjacent to apartment complexes are for the exclusive use of the residents of that apartment complex. Large tree trimmings were put in the Cedar Apartments' dumpster and recycle bin by an unknown "contributor". The manager of the Cedars called NPNA president Susan Bennett to help with the trimmings mystery.

The NPNA Board heard a presentation by Valerie Hermanson, Program Manager, Pace Bike Share. This program is a city-wide effort to provide rental bikes and bike stations and is sponsored by the Rio Metro Regional Transit District. The program has a federal grant. In the first three weeks of operation, there were over 1000 trips by over 800 users in Albuquerque. Valerie is meeting with associations and business groups to introduce the program and take suggestions for new stations from which the public can rent bikes for \$1 per half hour. Board members suggested the Tennis Club. Other suggestions were an area near Whole Foods or perhaps near Padilla's on Girard. Valerie provided a map that showed, currently, the closest station is designated at Summit Park. Future updates will be posted in the NPNA newsletter.

### **Netherwood Park 2018 Membership Application**

**Join or renew your membership in NPNA. Dues are \$10 per household.**

Thank you to all who have already sent in their membership dues.

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