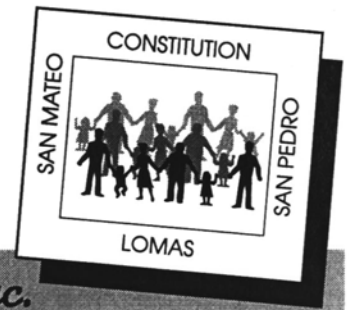




# FAIR HEIGHTS

*Neighborhood Association, Inc.*



May 2007

**President's column**

*-Sharon Eastvold*



To celebrate Spring, prepare for Summer crime problems and stay posted on the pipeline, come to our May 19th meeting.

Bring questions and concerns to Captain Murray Conrad about any crime problems. We are very honored to have Captain Conrad of the APD as our main speaker.

We are getting though the San Juan/Chama Pipeline project pretty well. The crews have been quite efficient, helpful and polite. They're also moving pretty fast.

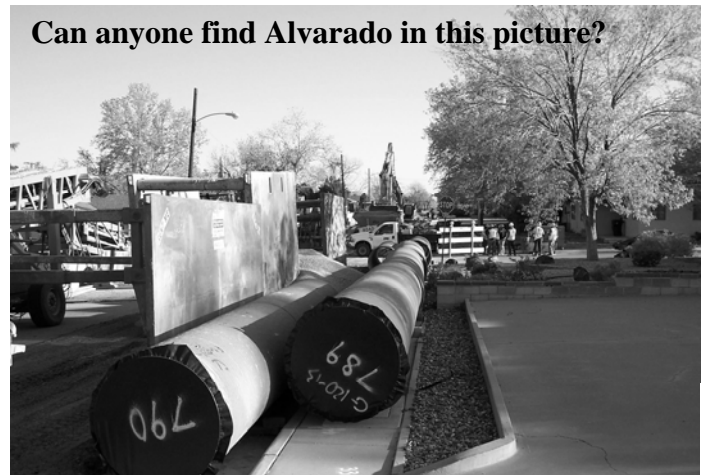
Just for the fun of it we will have native plant door prizes for members. We're also having a Spring Hat Fling!! This is for kids, ladies and daring men. Wear a hat with a Spring theme: flowers, bugs, sunshine, lollipops, rainbows, whatever. Spring comes but once a year, so celebrate it with a flair this year!

We will be presenting a special award to John Stomp, San Juan/Chama Project Manager (see article on page 4).

See you there!



**Can anyone find Alvarado in this picture?**



*Marble*



*Alice*

**Union Hall  
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*Lomas*

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**Fair Plaza  
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*San Pedro*

**“Crime Prevention. Pipeline, Plants and Spring Hats!”**

**Saturday, May 19th, 1-2:30 pm, Carpenter's Union Hall, 1021 Cardenas NE**

Captain Murray Conrad, APD SE Area Command, will address the following topics: 1) Alleys and what is being done about crime there, 2) Speeding and cut through traffic and how “traffic calming” may or may not help, 3) Crime statistics in our area, 4) Crime prevention through environmental design, and 5) Crime crackdowns to the east of us and how to keep it from pushing into our area. There will be **DOOR PRIZES** of native plants for members! Come to our May 19th meeting and wear your Spring Hat!!!



**FHNA Calendar**

**General Membership Meetings:**

Saturday, May 19th, 1-2:30pm  
Carpenter's Union Hall  
1021 Cardenas NE

**Future General Membership Meetings:**

August 18, 2007, Topic TBA  
October 27, 2007 Fair Heights Fest  
February 23, 2008, Plan. & Zoning

**FHNA Board Meeting:**

July 30, 2007  
October 1, 2007  
February 4, 2008



## In Our Midst: Wright's Indian Art

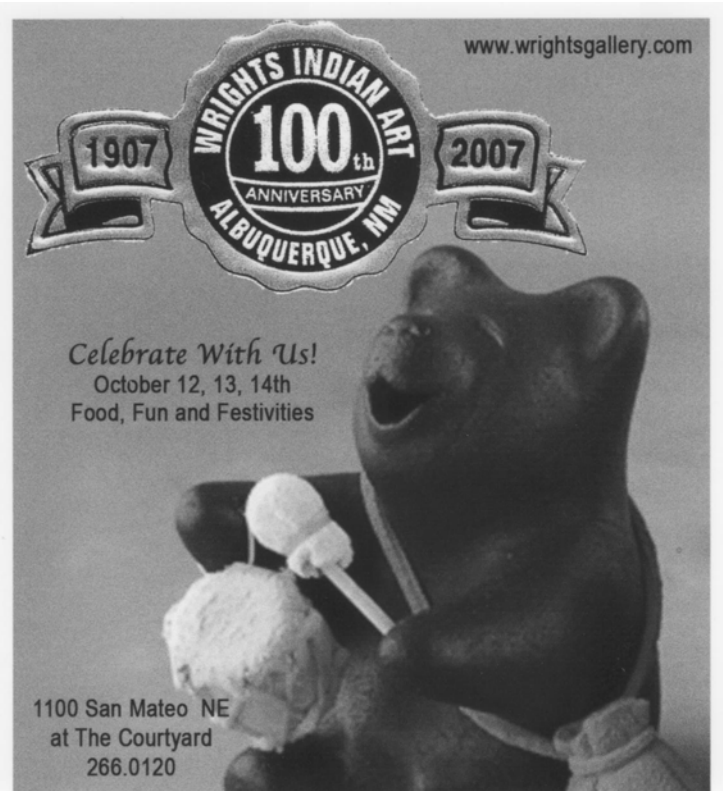
By Betty Muench, FHNA Treasurer

For all of you who like to explore our neighborhood, you've undoubtedly discovered the many wonderful shops in the Courtyard at the corner of San Mateo and Lomas. And on the lower level is a stunning gallery filled with beautiful Indian jewelry, pottery, rugs, and much more. You have discovered Wright's Indian Art!

Although they have been at this location in the Courtyard since 1998, they started downtown as Wright's Trading Post around the turn of the century. This year they are celebrating a full 100 years in business!

Everyone is invited to this festive celebration next October 12-14. There will be Indian food, music, dancing, and even demonstrations of weaving, beadwork, and sand painting. We will update everyone in the next newsletter as the date draws closer.

Those of us who shop at Wright's are proud to have one of Albuquerque's oldest and finest businesses in our neighborhood. It is a real pleasure to browse through the store and talk with Wayne Bobrick and his knowledgeable staff. My cousin raves about Wright's layaway plan that makes everything fit neatly in your budget. And purchase of one of the art pieces is a treasure to take home and enjoy for years to come.



## Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)

By Ike Eastvold, FHNA Vice President

What do burglars and other criminals look for when they choose a home or business for a break-in? How can we "harden our targets," so to speak, to cut down any crime appeal?

CPTED guidelines are used for just this purpose by police and building design experts all over the country. Use the two guidelines below to evaluate your own property.

> **Natural Surveillance** - Landscaping, porches, and walls or fences should be located and designed to provide maximum visibility from and to your property from the street or by neighbors. Keep trees trimmed six feet up, and shrubs below windows.

> **Target Hardening** - Exterior doors, and interior doors that connect a garage to a building, should be solid core, hinged on the inside, and should have a single cylinder dead bolt lock with a minimum one-inch throw. All windows should have locks. For more information:

- 1) [www.cpted-watch.com/Dwellings.html](http://www.cpted-watch.com/Dwellings.html);
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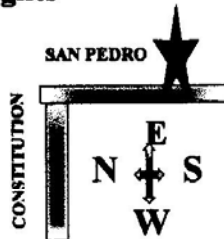
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## San Juan/Chama Pipeline Progress

By Ike Eastvold, FHNA Vice Pres.

For those of you who attended our Feb. 24th meeting, you will recall the shock of hearing from Project staff that, after construction, they intended to repave only half of Alvarado, and only replace sidewalks, curbs, and driveways where damaged.

I am pleased to report that we have managed to turn this around. We now have a commitment to repave Alvarado curb-to-curb, and bring all the concrete work up to standards meeting the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

On March 13th, Project crews marked in bright orange spray paint all the ADA concrete work that will be done along Alvarado. The commitment includes everything from Haines on the north side of Alvarado Park to Marquette on the south side of Fox Park. All of Haines from Alvarado to San Pedro is also covered.

Consequently, I am proud to say that our intervention will benefit not only Fair Heights, but also the Alvarado Park Neighborhood north of Constitution, and the Fair West Neighborhood south of Lomas.

This represents a significant victory for quality of life and property values all along the pipeline route. Just imagine how degraded our neighborhoods would be otherwise.

FHNA volunteers handed out two separate informational flyers to over 100 affected residents, letting them know what to expect and when.

Work has proceeded efficiently and pretty much on schedule. However, a drenching rain on May 1st turned Alvarado into a morass of mud for several days, and more rain may be coming.

As we go to press, work is beginning on installation of a new 6" water line from Summer to Lomas. Residents on the east side of Alvarado will be connected and receive new water meters.

Also, the ADA concrete work is beginning from Constitution south. Any additional concrete damage from water line construction will be repaired. We have asked that heavy equipment damages to intervening streets also be repaired.

At the end of all this work, Alvarado will be repaved curb-to-curb with a new 3" coat of asphalt. Hopefully, our neighborhood will emerge looking even better than it did when construction began!



*Construction on Alvarado had a marked "traffic calming" effect: no speeders, stop sign scofflaws or drag racers have been seen or heard!!!*

## John Stomp to Receive the FHNA Outstanding Public Servant Award

By Ike Eastvold, FHNA Vice Pres.

It has been a real pleasure to work this all out with Project staff. We are grateful for each staff person's contribution.

However, the Project Manager, John Stomp, was the key catalyst in making it happen. We are especially pleased to present him with our FHNA Outstanding Public Servant Award at our May 19th membership meeting.

John works for the new Albuquerque-Bernalillo County Water Authority (ABCWUA), which is funding the pipeline project. But the cooperation and shared funding from Peter Chang, City of Albuquerque Department of Municipal Development, was essential to make this happen, and John worked hard to achieve this inter-agency cooperation.

On March 13th, John emailed us as follows: "This is to confirm our conversation this afternoon that Peter Chang and I will coordinate the sidewalk, curb and gutter and other concrete work (that is needed for ADA, drainage, or tripping hazards) on Alvarado and Haines in addition to full width paving on both streets."

Thank you, John! Come to the May 19th meeting and express your own thanks.

## Volunteers Needed for FHNA Committees

By Ike Eastvold, FHNA Vice President

If you want to help keep Fair Heights a great place to live, raise children, and retire, then volunteer a little of your time.

Several of our Board Committees could use your help. You can volunteer at the May 19th meeting, or call 255-7679.

Margaret Young, Civic Betterment Committee Chair, is looking for volunteers to take care of limited "neighborhood housekeeping" duties: reporting graffiti, litter, inoperative or abandoned vehicles, and weeds to the City's 311 number. A volunteer is also needed to walk the San Mateo Sound/Art wall once a week, pick up litter, and report any new vandalism.

John Vaughan's Planning and Zoning Committee has met and decided to start gathering information on two issues: 1) "traffic calming" to curb speeding, cut-through traffic, and drag racing; and, 2) making it safer for pedestrians and bicyclists to cross the major streets surrounding Fair Heights, ie, San Mateo, Lomas, San Pedro, and Constitution.

Susan De Rosa's Fund Raising Committee is doing a great job getting ads for the newsletter, but can always use some more help.

And Tim and Wendy Ashby would like to hear from anyone interested in being a street captain to distribute our newsletters quarterly.

Finally, two Board positions currently are vacant: Social and Public Education Chairs.

Let us hear from you! Thanks.

## FHNA OFFICERS & VOLUNTEERS

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### Street Captains

Wendy & Tim Ashby are the Coordinators for signs and newsletters

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## Fair Heights Neighborhood Association Membership Form

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Resident—Resident Memberships per voting member is \$5.00.  Business—Business Membership per business is \$15.00.

...Please make check payable to "Fair Heights Neighborhood Association" or "FHNA." Enclose with this form and mail to the address below. **Thank you!**

## Fair Heights Neighborhood Survey

Your comments and concerns will be the basis for the direction this Association takes over the months to come.

1. What are your main neighborhood concerns? \_\_\_\_\_
2. A Street Captain is responsible for distributing information in a timely manner to one street (2-3 blocks). Would you be willing to be a Street Captain for your street?  Yes  No
3. Please check the Committees which you would be willing to help:  
 Social  Zoning & Planning  Public Education  Civic Betterment  Fundraising
4. What are some topics for general membership meetings that would be of interest to you? \_\_\_\_\_







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