TOWNE CRIER

November 2020



TOWNE PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
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425 Towne Park DR NE
Albuquerque, NM 87123

2020 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Tim Walker
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Helen Martin

Adam Valdivia

Building and Grounds Manager

Jim Smith
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In October we had our first official Towne Park board meeting since the shut-down. We used the Zoom online meeting platform provided by HOAMCO but only had a few residents tune in for the meeting. It was probably for the best though since we had an uninvited guest to our meeting. Predictably, we were the victim of a hacker who apparently had nothing better to do than to interrupt our meeting with a few seconds of very vulgar video. Cherish was able to shut it down right away then reconnect everyone who was supposed to be with us. We did get through the meeting with no other issues.

One of our new board members, Johnelle Gurley, had to resign earlier this year since she moved out of Towne Park after getting married. She is still a homeowner here though. Congratulations, Johnelle! The board voted to re-place Johnelle with a long time resident and previous board member Adam Valdivia. Adam has extensive experience in accounting and finance so he will be a huge asset to Towne Park over the next few years. We're all thrilled to have Adam on the team.

Thanksgiving is just a few short weeks away so I hope all of you are able to enjoy a good turkey dinner in the company of your close friends and family.

Tim Walker
President

Rather than asking a neighbor or posting on Next Door, use this contact information for all questions pertaining to Towne Park:

Towne Park Website: towneparkabq.com/contact/

Cherish Jaramillo: CJaramillo@hoamco.com

Jim Smith: Jimsmith@towne-park.com

Towne Park Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, November 17th, 6:30 pm
Zoom link will be provided.



MANAGER'S CORNER

Hello Towne Park,

Cooler weather is arriving so the leaves are turning into beautiful colors and are dropping! The landscapers will continue picking up leaves as they fall and will need to make several rounds until they have all fallen off the trees.

With the COVID numbers spiking again it is important to stay safe and healthy. Please remember to wear masks, use sanitizer, wash your hands and keep a safe distance (at least 6 feet). Hopefully we can BEAT this pandemic sooner than later.

Cherish Jaramillo
Towne Park Community Manager/HOAMCO
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2021 Annual Election

The term for three of the directors on the 2020 Board of Directors (Mr. Bottorf, Ms. Farmer and Mr. Walker) will expire at the conclusion of the 2020 board year. These director vacancies will be filled during the Association's 2021 annual meeting of members, by vote of the members. Each position will be for a three-year term (2021 – 2023). Any member who is interested in being elected to fill one of these positions must meet the Association's qualifications that are required in order to serve as a director. These qualifications are identified in the Association's By-Laws, Article VI, Section 6.3, Director Required Qualifications. In addition, no later than December 15, 2020, the member volunteering to be elected to a director position must submit a completed "Volunteer for Election to Director Position" Form and a "Towne Park Code of Ethics" Form to the Election Committee. These forms may be obtained in the clubhouse's foyer area or by requesting the Property Manager to deliver or mail these forms to the member.

Glen Witt
Election Committee

HOAMCO

FINANCIAL SUMMARY
September 30, 2020

TOWNE PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

ASSETS		
Cash in Bank - Operating	$	22,884.31
Cash in Bank - Reserve	$	396,191.12
Cash in Bank - Land Lease	$	26,618.64
TOTAL CASH	$	445,694.07
Accounts Receivable	$	39,854.33

	Current Period	Year to Date	YTD Budget	Variance
Income	$ 121,103.42	$ 1,018,414.00	$ 1,001,083.19	$ 17,330.81
Expenses	$ (97,404.19)	$ (742,508.27)	$ (641,744.16)	$ (100,764.11)
Reserve Transfers	$ (35,556.44)	$ (350,223.91)	$ (346,639.50)	$ (3,584.41)
Net Profit/Loss	$ (11,857.21)	$ (74,318.18)	$ 12,699.53	$ (87,017.71)

Social Committee Update

Our Medicare event outside was a nice social gathering with all the guidelines recommended for safety of our residents and a beautiful day for residents to get information on 2021's Medicare changes and plans available for those that want to make changes. We had residents take packets of information and ask questions. Any one who missed this outing can still get information from Ginger Rodgers at Rodgers Insurance at 505-699-4045 and remember you can make changes up to December 7, 2020. If your not of Medicare age, you will get there someday!!!

AARP is still offering the defensive driving course that will refresh your driving stills from home and can reduce your auto insurance costs by most insurance companies. This offer which is done online and does take a few hours is being offered with a 25% discount (promo code DRIVINGSKILLS) and good through December 31, 2020! This might help you reduce the rising cost of auto insurance and we look forward to sometime in 2021 to again present this in person to our residents.

Least we don't forget to comment on our beautiful Fall here in the Land of Enchantment and Towne Park. Our trees in the community showed their colors and grateful we could still enjoy a walk and visit from afar to a friendly neighbor or two! Hoping you enjoy your Thanksgiving holiday with close members of your family, stay safe, keep your distance and wear a mask to save a life……

Jeanne Breck

Social Committee Co-Chair

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Neighborhood Watch, of course, has been put on hold during these hard times. Hopefully we'll be able to meet again by the first of the year because Neighborhood Watch is such a vital part of the community. It is a way to get to know your neighbors, and watch out for our community.

Don't forget that our responsibility to our neighbors is not on hold, IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING, and if you need help call 242-COPS or 911.

Helen Martin
271-4847



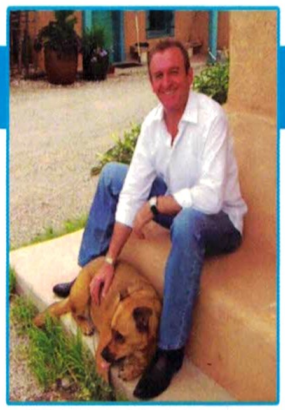
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YOUR BEST-EVER CHRISTMAS

Starting around September of each year, I get requests to present programs on how to get through the Holidays using time and stress-saving techniques. I would like to share some of these ideas so you can enjoy this December 25 and all the preparations more than ever.

First, decide what you really want out of the holidays: peace and quiet, time to make homemade gifts, attend parties, visiting friends or family. Determine what is important to you and what you want to accomplish. Have a family meeting and include everyone in planning. Non-communication is usually the biggest problem between family members. Remember, their wants and needs are important too. You will relieve a lot of stress by asking a few question during a short meeting.

Post a large family calendar in a central area of the house so everyone can write in appointments, parties and activities. Consider even writing down what day you want to trim the tree or bake cookies. This way, all family members can make the effort to be home and help. Be sure to mark some days off to do absolutely NOTHING so you won't overdo.

Plan menus by deciding what recipes you will be cooking and check all necessary ingredients. Don't forget the supplies for eggnog or Christmas punch.

Have a list and budget in mind BEFORE you shop. Spend the same amount on your parents as you do on your spouse's parents and an equal amount on all sisters, brother, etc. Need gift ideas? Ask family members and friends for ideas during the year. Create your own WISH LIST questionnaire to give/send to people. Make it silly and fun with some serious questions too. For instance, ask their favorite colors, if they wear gold or silver jewelry, ask about their sizes and styles. If you enclose a self-addressed envelope, they will return it to you.

Use catalog shopping for most of your purchases. The shipping amount is worth it to save stress, time and standing in lines. Have the entire family participate buy shopping pages and marking what they want. Imagine having everything delivered to your door. If you MUST go out to shop, don't shop the malls. That's where the crowds and long lines will be.

Gift ideas for hard-to-buy people might include gift certificates from a restaurant, phone company coupons or a manicure. A relaxing, nurturing massage is always welcome. A healthy, shiny plant is a great gift – especially in a ceramic pot that is just the right color. Shopping drug stores, hardware stores and office supply stores translates into a unique gift. Be creative!

Wrapping presents is simple once you learn faster ways to get it all done. HINT: Do all your wrapping at one time. If you wrap a gift here and there when you need it, you will go bonkers with set-up and tear-down. Ask a friend to wrap with you or have the entire family get involved. Kids love to decorate packages. Make a memory by creating special gifts: wrap a salesman's gift with a roadmap, wrap some gifts with fabric or wallpaper. Instead of a regular bow for a little girl's gift, place a new beret or fancy comb on top. For a little boy, place a toy car on top. Men, for that special gal, tie her favorite candy on top. This way, frustration is eliminated!

After Christmas is all over, make index cards for each person you gave to – both friends and family. On the card list the year, the gift and cost of the gift. This way you'll have a record to refer to next year, and so you don't forget what you've already given them. Oops! – before you take the tree down and put everything away, don't forget to take inventory of your wrapping supplies, cards, tree lights and decorations. Now you can buy what you need at after-Christmas sales for next year.

Our God is a God of peace and not disorder. Being organized will bring calmness and peace into our families *1 Corinthians 14:33*. To take on a project, we must first know what we have and what we need to complete a project *Luke 14:28-20.* All things must be done decently and in order *1 Corinthians 14:40*.

Happy Holidays!

Sharon Carr has been a professional writer for over 30 years. She is a published author on TIME, STRESS, CUSTOMER and DOMESTIC MANAGEMENT. If there are topics you would like addressed in this newsletter, e-mail her: sharon@onthewritepath.biz. Sharon attends the Towne Park Bible Fellowship group on Mondays where everyone is welcome.

Constance Zell

Condolences

Constance was 89 years old and died in rehab on October 10, 2020. She was not married. She had a brother, Stewart Zell, and she was preceded in death by 2 sisters and a brother. She lived in Southern California for many years before she moved to Albuquerque and then lived in Towne Park for 30 years. She retired from Southern Gas Company of California. She loved to travel to other countries and had many wonderful memories. She was a member of Palo Duro Senior Center for many years. She had several hobbies: Rock Hounding, Camera Club, Tennis, Swimming, Cross-stitching and she was an avid reader and loved to cook. She was a great friend and will be dearly missed.



Towne Park Calendar of Events

November 2020

Daylight Saving Time Ends: Sunday, November 1

Election Day: Tuesday, November 3

Veterans Day: Wednesday, November 11

Thanksgiving Day: Thursday, November 26

The Clubhouse, Library and Gym are open during regular weekday business hours.

All Clubhouse Events Canceled until further notice.

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Check out the Towne Park Homeowners Association Website at www.towneparkabq.com.

If you are a Facebook user, check out the link to our Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/towneparkabq/

For suggestions and comments, please contact:
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