# Four Hills Village Neighborhood Association

2015 Annual Meeting Saturday, December 5th, 1 - 2:30 pm Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center

#### Welcome and Introductions

## 2015 Leadership Team Elections

To facilitate voting, we used three methods: e-mail, postal mail, online form. The results are:

- President
  Rebecca Loring
- Vice-president
  Sarah Psaledas
- Treasurer Victoria Godwin
- Secretary
  Sade Wolf
- LT Advisors Ed Barsis, Charlene Baldwin, Terry Loring

Guest Speaker - Lt. Eric Jordan, APD, Foothills Area Command

- Lt. Jordan announced that two of the suspected offenders in a string of golf-courseadjacent burglaries have been apprehended.
- He noted that there has been a City-wide spike in crime, usual for the holiday season
- When asked how best we can help them, he had three suggestions:
  - 1. Become more involved in your neighborhood--know your neighbors, so you can better identify people out of place
  - 2. Form a Neighborhood Watch
  - 3. Realize that neighborhood associations are more powerful than individuals
- APD regularly trains for active shooter calls and they are involved with a joint federal task force for these kinds of events
- When asked how we can help prevent thefts:
  - $\circ~$  Don't leave the keys in your car to warm it up
  - Don't leave visible items in your car, even in your driveway
  - $\circ$  Ask neighbors to bring in packages, and ask if you can bring in their packages
  - $\circ\;$  Share information with your neighbors if you have out-of-town visitors or other people not usually there
- Helpful links:
  - o <u>foothillsareacommand.com</u> (their website; you can sign up for daily crime alerts)
  - o <u>crimemapping.com</u> (shows real-time crime statistics)

## Past Activities

This was a challenging year for the FHVNA--founder and long-time president, Ed Barsis, resigned for medical reasons. Vice-president Cathy Loveday assumed the presidency, but resigned. Herb Wright then became president--he attempted to merge the FHVNA with the FHVHA, without approval, then illegally dissolved the Association with the City of Albuquerque.

On the plus side, the new Four Hills Village park opened!

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### Current State of the Association

- An election was held, voting in the above officers. Paperwork was filed with the City of Albuquerque to again register our Association as a Neighborhood Association.
- Our treasury is depleted, because former president Herb Wright refused to return Association funds when he dissolved the Association.
- New Bylaws were ratified, including some to prevent unscrupulous behavior of officers.
- About three hundred people have said they'd like to actively participate in this Association.

#### Future Plans

- A general meeting in January to discuss the upcoming year and how we can best help the neighborhood (neighborhood clean-up, Neighborhood Watch groups, etc.)
- Fund drive to replenish treasury
- Better outreach to new residents

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