



SGANA

San Gabriel Area Neighborhood Association

September 2006

YOU Are Invited

**San Gabriel Annual Neighborhood Social
Sunday, September 17 from 2 - 5 p.m.
Mitchel Elementary Park on the Comanche
Street side; parking is available.**

**The Association will provide sandwiches,
soft drinks, snacks, ice cream treats,
ice, cups, plates, napkins, etc.**

**YOU bring YOURSELF, a chair, card
table, board games, playing cards,
basketball, soccer ball and anything else
you'd like to share.**

**Let's take time to have fun together,
enjoy our park and the gorgeous weather.**

**Please contact Mark Webb at 299-6675
or Carol Driscoll at 332-8038 if you can
provide a tent-type sun shade.**

Dates To Remember

- Annual Neighborhood Social - September 17
- Annual General Meeting - Mid to Late October

SGANA MISSION STATEMENT

To promote and protect the interests of the neighborhood residents. We do this by providing a link to city government activities, maximizing property values, and helping make the neighborhood a safe and enjoyable place for all of us to live.

An Open Invitation

Your SGANA Board of Directors is "officially" extending an invitation to you to get involved in neighborhood activities, both the social and "business" type. The Annual Social is coming up in just a few days (see notice at left). We'd love to have you come and hang out and play. The Annual General Meeting is planned for mid to late October and there's lots of need for your ideas and participation. At that meeting we will be taking an in-depth look at the Association By-Laws and making some specific recommendations for amendments. We want your input! We will also be electing officers and directors for the coming year. Maybe you would like to be part of the Board but have been reluctant to step forward or get involved. We URGE you to come and see how things work.

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Those of us currently serving on the Board often hear great ideas from neighbors. We've heard about a program where PNM will work with neighborhood associations to replant our side walk areas with drought and sidewalk tolerant trees. We need a point person to explore this opportunity. We've had offers to build "doggie bag" dispensers for the Mitchell Park. We need help in getting those dispensers installed and maintained. Several people have spoken about Block Watch teams. We even have templates that have been developed by others in the area. We need people to come forward and do the work of collecting and maintaining the necessary information.

We would really like you to come to the meetings, share your ideas, strengths and willingness to be part of "helping make the neighborhood a safe and enjoyable place for all of us to live." (Quoted from our Mission Statement)

Editor's note: I wish to acknowledge that the valuable information about Identity Theft that appeared in the May 2006 newsletter was provided by Ray Elosua. Thank you again, Ray, for being an ongoing model of neighborhood involvement and support.

Carol Driscoll, Editor

Another Invitation

Do you have an interesting piece of history about the San Gabriel area that you would like to share? When did you move here? What was it like? I've heard that when one of my neighbors moved here Montgomery Blvd was a dirt road. I've also heard that there were no walls dividing the properties and the summer rains caused mud to wash down from the foothills and came up to the back door sills. Imagine what that would have been like this year! Do you have some old photos or stories you can share? We'd love to publish your short story in this newsletter. Perhaps we could create a photo display for the October Annual Meeting.

Please contact Carol Driscoll at 332-8038 or caroldriscoll01@Comcast.net.

This issue of the SGANA newsletter is sponsored by Pat Maher of Coldwell Banker. Thank you, Pat, for your generosity and your helpful hints.

Homes sales are still good here in Albuquerque. We are in a more balanced market. Houses in the \$150,000 to \$200,000 range are now in 6 weeks supply .Last year there were two weeks supply on the market. Homes in the \$200,000 to \$250,000 range are now at about an 11 week supply. These two price ranges encompass most of the homes in the San Gabriel Village area with some homes now moving above the \$250,000 price range.

For a free market analysis with no obligation please contact me.

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