

Oñate Neighborhood Association

Know your Neighbors and be a Good Neighbor

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ONA Event

OÑATE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (ONA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH, 6:00 PM, AT THE CHELWOOD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH, 2200 CHELWOOD PARK BLVD. NE, ALBUQUERQUE.

We welcome your ideas and input!

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JOIN US FOR ONATE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSN'S

Community Meeting

Wednesday, March 19
 Dinner & speaker 5:30 pm
 Welcome & information 6 pm

Chelwood Christian Reformed Church
 2200 Chelwood Park Blvd. NE, Albuquerque

- You're invited to attend...all residents welcome!
 - Free pizza and refreshments
- Guest speaker on safety at home and in the neighborhood
 - Meet your neighbors!
 - Door prizes

Please cut out and mail the form below with your dues/other payments. ✂

Much of our funding and donations go toward security patrols to help prevent crime in our neighborhood.
 Thank you!

Annual Membership Dues/Payment Form

Date:

Name:

Address:

E-Mail and/or Phone:

Membership Dues (\$20/Year): \$ _____

Security Patrols: Please donate for security hours/shifts that you feel comfortable with.

\$30 = ½ hour

\$60 = 1 hour

\$120 = One, 2-hour shift (all patrol shifts are 2 hours)

\$240 = Two shifts

\$360 = Three shifts

Other \$ _____

Make checks payable to: ONATE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, and mail to P.O. Box 13731,
 Albuquerque NM 87192

Please email me a receipt for my donation.

**JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR FREE PIZZA
AND A NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY
UPDATE ON MARCH 19**

ONA's community meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 19, 5:30 pm at the Chelwood Christian Reformed Church. We invite all residents to join us for free pizza and to meet and socialize with your neighbors.



ONA recently contracted with Aeternus Security to provide patrols in our neighborhood and has asked owner Bradley Nelson – an ONA resident – to join us. He will offer safety and awareness recommendations based on observations during patrols. Aeternus Security's core principles are safety, visibility, and security and are the foundation of Aeternus' approach. Brad says his team aims to prevent issues before they occur, enabling them to focus on customer service rather than just responding to problems.

Brad offers these tips for crime prevention at home:

- motion sensing lights are invaluable – even the screw-in smart bulbs are possibly the greatest deterrent,
- check your mailbox regularly, and
- make sure your vehicle is free of valuables in view.

ONA's mission is to keep our neighborhood safe. Together, we can create a safer environment for everyone.

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 2025, Beginning Balance:	\$6,011.20
2025 YTD Income:	1,510.00
<i>Thank you for your donations!</i>	
2025 YTD Expenses:	655.98
February 19, 2025, Balance:	\$6,865.22

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Neighbors:

January 2025 jolted me out of holiday and vacation mode and the year just took off! Then I noticed that the sun has been shining much longer and realized daylight saving time is just around the corner! Lately, I have been dealing with some uncertainty and decided to remain aware of what I can control, lean on my family, friends, and neighbors for support, and focus on maintaining my well-being. I hope you all are doing well.

Our ONA Board is busy planning for our community meeting. Please join us on Wednesday, March 19, 5:30-7:00 pm at Chelwood Christian Reformed Church for free pizza and light refreshments followed by an informational meeting. Bradley Nelson, owner of Aeternus Security, is presenting on neighborhood patrols and will be available to answer questions. *See the article on this page for details.*

City Councilor Renée Grout's office submitted a legislative capital outlay request for Brentwood Hills Park. Our playground was built in 2001 and is due for a refresh. Based on recent cost proposals for other parks, the Albuquerque Parks & Recreation Department estimates the cost of renovating this play structure will be \$300,000. Councilor Grout has \$150,000 in 2023 General Obligation (GO) Bonds set aside for this project and the City is requesting \$150,000 in matching funding to replace steps, decks, and play features on the existing posts. We will provide updates as the process continues.

I recently learned that the Onate Elementary School food bank and Chelwood Christian Church will be accepting nonperishable food items beginning March 5 when Lent begins. We will have more information to share at the community meeting on March 19. Hope to see you there!

Be safe, be well. – Sharon Ruiz

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- March 19 – ONA community meeting
- April 16 – ONA meeting
- May 21 – ONA meeting
- June 18 – ONA meeting