



NEXT MEETING DATE: January 7, 2009

PLACE: RIVER PARK INN

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

Barrio Kroeger Lane Association

UPDATE—DRACHMAN INSTITUTE

The Drachman Institute works with neighborhoods to provide a base of information so that they can develop principles to help them plan for the future. Funds are provided by an endowment from the Drachman family. Corky Poster, Director of the Institute, and Sharayah Jimenez, a senior student, attended the December 3, 2008 Neighborhood Association meeting. Corky explained what they had learned about the neighborhood from public records. He showed maps of the development of the neighborhood over time, current land use, and land ownership. Most houses are occupied by owners; about 20 percent are rented. The area is mostly zoned R2. This zoning allows two houses owned by one person on a lot 6000 square feet or larger. The western part is zoned R1 and requires more space per house. A few landowners hold large sections, mostly consisting of vacant lots. Their decisions about what to do with their land will have a major impact on the future of Barrio Kroeger Lane. There may be problems with the sanitary sewer. It does not have much slope and sometimes residents may experience back-up. Most of the Barrio is in the 100-year flood plain, with a water level of one foot possible.

The Drachman Institute has no capital resources to fund projects. But they can help us develop a neighborhood plan. Such a document can help us get grant money when it is available. Corky Poster and Sharayah Jimenez will be at our February Neighborhood Association with further information about the neighborhood. This will include a look at the official neighborhood plan adopted by Mayor and Council in the 1970s.

Before then, residents are asked to think about and discuss the following questions:

1. What are your concerns and values?
2. What should be the future of Barrio Kroeger Lane?
3. How do we get to that future?

January 7, MEETING AGENDA

Drachman Institute
Weed & Seed Program
Parkwise—Gem Show
18th Street Underpass
Report from Raquel

There may be other items added to the agenda.

MEETING OF NEIGHBORHOOD

LEADERS WITH REGINA ROMERO,

November 19, 2008

Council Member Regina Romero hosted a meeting of neighborhood leaders from Ward 1. The topic of the meeting was the financial situation of the city and county. City Manager Mike Letcher, Assistant City Manager Richard Miranda, Transportation Director Jim Glick, and Council Member Romero spoke about the City budgets for fiscal years 2008 and 2009. Over half the revenue comes from sales tax. With the slow economy, sales are down and the City income has suffered. Special funds assigned to the Regional Transportation Authority cannot be used for day-to-day operations. In 2008, vacant positions that were not related to public safety were not filled, travel and training were cut back, controls over purchasing were put in place, and improvements and maintenance (such as roads) were reduced. Since July 2008, there have been \$15.6 million in cuts without having had a serious impact on public safety and core services. However, still more cuts will need to be made.



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Kroeger Lane Association

Dated Material

UPDATES

MEETING OF NEIGHBORHOOD—CON'T

People working in social help organizations are worried that budget cuts will mean they cannot provide assistance when it is needed. We can expect a slowdown on street repairs, park maintenance, and some recreation programs.

Richard Elias, Chairman Pima County Board of Supervisors, spoke about partnerships between the county and the city.

Supper was provided by local restaurants, who were acknowledged. We were urged to support local businesses, especially in these hard times.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP

On November 14th we had roll offs placed in the neighborhood for everyone to dispose of unwanted items. I hope everyone found it to be of good use to have them in the neighborhood before the holidays. I saw the roll off on 19th and Kroeger and it was full. They were accidentally picked up early and had them out again for everyone to use if they didn't get a chance the first time. We hope that all the roll offs were full. This will determine how many we actually need for when we request them again. It was noticed that some things were left outside of the roll offs. Please remember we need to fill the roll offs. Asked family members to help with loading the roll offs or a neighbor. In January the city will have bulk pick up. If you would like to see the roll offs in other locations, please attend our monthly meetings and share your ideas.

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Historian: Raquel Mogollon - 620-0480

Please keep in mind that we have people to translate in Spanish at the meetings.

CALL OUT FOR KIDS

REQUEST FOR BARRIO KROEGER LANE

CHILDREN'S ARTWORK

(IDEAS: HOME, FAMILY, ANIMALS, PLANTS, MOUNTAIN, RIVER, PARK)

TO BE PART OF RECUERDOS DE MI BARRIO STORIES

(NO AGE LIMIT)

Please Contact: Cynthia Dominguez #991-4076

or bring to next association meeting

November 5th, 2008.

HAPPY NEW YEARS TO EVERYONE!