

Pueblos De Rodeo Road News

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From the Board...

Greetings Neighbors! This is the first issue of a newsletter for Pueblos residents and owners. We are planning to issue our Newsletter as needed to give our members notices and current information of topics of interest, but at minimum, quarterly. It is an all-volunteer effort and is dedicated to sharing information about the neighborhood and making it a better place to live.

While the "Nextdoor" website/app also shares communications, it has a wider audience. Many Pueblos residents are not subscribed to Nextdoor or don't have an electronic means to access it. This newsletter will focus on issues related to the Pueblos de Rodeo Road neighborhood and association.

We want this to be an up and down sharing, so please send in your questions, ideas, and suggestions to Director Lidia Morales at the Pueblos de Rodeo Road email, pdrroa87507@gmail.com. For issues of general interest, we will try and get answers, or maybe even develop an article for the next edition! If you would like to write an article, discuss your idea with Lidia.

We hope to keep this newsletter low cost and deliver it in the neighborhood by volunteers, which is a bit challenging in these COVID times. We are not allowed to put it in mailboxes per USPS regulations. In the future we may offer low cost ads to help defray the newsletter printing expense. If you would like to support this newsletter, and perhaps pay for an advertisement, please send your idea to Lidia at the above email.

Did you know that the 87507-zip code has the highest case load of COVID-19 positive cases in Santa Fe? We hope that you wear masks and social distance as appropriate outside your home. Stay healthy and have a safe fall and winter season!

Bobcats in our Neighborhood?

Bobcats have been observed in various areas of our subdivision, especially in our east-side green areas of the Pueblos de Rodeo Road (*image on page 2*). Some neighbors believe they live there. Bobcats are found throughout the United States and some have adapted to living on suburban fringes. If you see the bobcats in our neighborhood, don't crowd or harass them!

An adult bobcat weighs 15-40 lbs. and is identified by its tufted, pointed ears and short bobbed tail. It has prominent spots on its flanks, legs, and sides. They are about 2-3 times the size of a typical house cat. Mother bobcats are very protective of their young.

Bobcats are predators that typically eat rodents, rabbits, birds, lizards, snakes and the like. They do not attack people, but could be a threat to small unattended pets. They are wild animals and should not be fed, touched or handled; they can bite if cornered. If rabid, a bite or scratch can pose a serious risk to humans.

Minimize Encounters-

- If you see a bobcat, enjoy them from a distance (50 ft. or more):

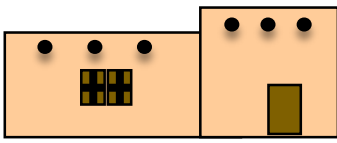
Bobcats continued...

- Protect children and pets. Keep your dog on a leash and away from wildlife
- If close, back away from the bobcat slowly and deliberately
- Avoid running away because that may trigger a pursuit response
- Make a lot of noise (yelling, clapping, banging pans, etc.)
- Don't leave pet food outside in bowls
- Avoid leaving piles of brush and debris around your yard. Those may attract rodents which may attract predators

The Value of Walkable Neighborhoods

Walkable neighborhoods are more sought after among consumers than ever. Sidewalks contribute to community life by enhancing connectivity among people. Sidewalks make people movement safer than walking in the street. Research shows that sidewalks contribute to reducing crime, increasing exercise and health among residents, and increase the resale value of adjacent homes and properties. (Nationally, homes fronted by maintained sidewalks sell for \$4,000 to \$34,000 more than homes without, and they sell in less time).

The Pueblos de Rodeo Road has abundant sidewalks which enhance the walkability of our neighborhood. They are used more than ever in these COVID times as people spend additional time at home.



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Walkable continued...

Our HOA Board of Directors encourages homeowners to maintain the sidewalk on their property on a regular basis.

Please prune your sidewalk corridor of low-hanging and protruding limbs (think about tall adults!), cut back bushes and weeds that encroach, and remove accumulated dirt and debris. During winter it is the responsibility of adjacent residents to clear their sidewalk of ice and snow for safety reasons.

While these actions are required by Santa Fe city ordinances, it is best if we just take any needed actions ourselves. Some homeowners may not have the tools or physical ability to maintain their sidewalk, or funds to pay someone else to take care of it.

We are going to try and coordinate some neighborhood volunteers to help! If you have a real inability to maintain your sidewalk, please contact Lidia Morales, HOA Director and Leader of the neighborhood Beautification Team, at the Pueblos de Rodeo Road email, pdrroa87507@gmail.com



Bobcat sitting on a wall in Pueblos neighborhood. Photo by Amos Romero

Walls & Murals

The HOA has identified two common area walls needing refurbishment. Wall #1 is the sloping retaining wall on the east end of Pueblos and Wall #2 is the "brown wall" on the corner of Pueblos and San Marcos.

The paint on both walls are peeling, and there is also some erosion damage to the concrete. Park Plazas has agreed to pay much of the refurbishment cost for wall #1 and work will occur soon. Other than restoration work on wall #1, no decisions have been made and the HOA Directors are interested in your ideas. It will likely be next spring or later before any more work can be done. More information will be included in our next newsletter.

Board of Directors Quarterly Meeting

(Board and Officers Only)

November 14, 2020

Annual HOA Meeting

Spring 2021

Details will be posted on the website at <https://pdrroa.org>

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A friendly
Reminder...

**Please be a good neighbor
and clean up after your dog.**

The HOA provides doggie bags in several locations surrounding the community.

Wearing is Caring



Mask up. Stay well!