



TAYLOR RANCH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INC

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ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

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WHO: Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association
 WHEN: Saturday, April 10, 11:30 am
 WHERE: Bellamah's Park

GAMES
 Relays for all ages, egg toss,
 rope pull between Cibola H.S.
 and West Mesa H.S.

Coupon for free admission
 of TRNA members and their
 families.

VALUABLE COUPON!!!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The annual membership meeting will be held Wednesday, March 24, 1982, 7:00 pm, at Marie Highes Elementary School. This is a very important meeting that needs your attendance. The election of eight Board of Directors, approval of the annual budget, plans for the Easter Egg Hunt, Park Party and the greatly expanded 4th of July event will be unveiled at this meeting.

Of particular interest will be a request to approve the new Corporation By-Laws for the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association. The new By-Laws were formulated after many hours of meetings by the By-Law Committee and reflect our experiences as an association. We will not have much time to cover these By-Laws at the Annual Membership meeting so please obtain a copy from Mike Creusere (897-1464) ahead of time so you will be familiar with them prior to the meeting.

The election of eight Board of Directors needs your interest and participation. The fifteen members of the Board are the governing body of this organization. Although each member of the Board is only expected to give 2 or 3 hours of time the first Wednesday of each month, most Board members put many hours of additional time serving on committees, attending long, boring meetings at City Hall, or in meetings with developers to insure that any planned development will fit in and enhance our community. Anyone wanting to serve on the Board or committees and willing to give the time required is gratefully accomodated... just let us know.

Many of our members are unaware that throughout its history, this organization has always had a good reputation in City Hall and throughout Albuquerque. We are different in that we are active socially as well as politically, yet are willing to sit down and discuss our differences with anyone. This association has always been blessed with having outstanding individuals serving it. Having served on this Board since its beginning, I have been privililedged to have worked with some outstanding individuals, but I am particularly pleased with the people who served during the past year. This was the hardest working Board I have encountered. I would also like to thank the many people who gave their time to various committees, social events, passing out literature, cleaning up after events, and in hundreds of ways that enabled this association to function. These people can appreciate the adage that you get out of something that which you put into it. This association is for and depends upon its members. Those members who were unable to give their time, but contributed to the association financially are likewise appreciated. It takes money to do the many things we undertake to accomplish. At the annual meeting I will summarize what this

association accomplished in 1981 and what we plan to accomplish in 1982.

YOU HAD BETTER NOT BE APATHETIC, MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1982!

This is not a scare tactic...it's for real! The entire West Mesa Guide Plan (WMGP) and Coors Corridor study is in jeopardy due to a recent decision rendered by the City Land Use and Planning Committee meeting, attended by Mike Creusere and Scott Sinnock. The details are too lengthy to cover in this letter, but basically if you throw out the development guidelines you can forget about a parkway concept for Coors Road. Businesses will be strung out along its entire length, as occurs on Montgomery, Menaul and Central instead of being concentrated at well-planned, well-spaced commercial centers as designed in the WMGP. There also will be nothing to prevent placing apartment complexes next to low-density housing, including your home!!!

The councilors on the Land Use Planning Committee are Pat Baca, Nadyne Bicknell, Tom Hoover, Fred Burns and Bob White. Pat Baca, our district representative, was a big disappointment. He's supposed to be looking out for our interests, but said nothing in our behalf. This has been true on previous items we have supported. This will go to the full council on March 29, 1982 and we need your attendance. To express your views or for more information contact Mike Creusere (897-1464), Scott Sinnock (898-6270) or Ellen Adan (898-4450).

Last Tuesday Mike Creusere and Ellen Adan met with Dave Weslet of the Ballamah Corporation to discuss the architectural plans of the new Allsup's store under construction at Homestead Circle near Taylor Ranch Road. So far Allsup's has been agreeable to design changes from their typical store and will use an earthtone stucco, either Buckskin or Terra Mocha, instead of the normal offwhite. Bellamah also wants them to reduce the size and lower the height of their sign. It was suggested by Ellen and Mike that the canopy of the gas pumps be design to fit in with the other changes and red letters above the entryway replace the normal sign on the building front. Final word will come from Allsup's soon.

We now have a new appointee to fill Bob Ali-Carr's unexpired term: Mr. Dale Dunn. Mr. Dunn is employed by the Bureau of Land Management and lives in the Volcano Cliffs area. His primary concerns are in conservation and environment, especially in seeing that pipelines and utilities are in compliance with regulations on public lands. His wife, Lola, is a secretary with the V.A. We are glad to have such a concerned, aware citizen as part of our Board. We also have another Board vacancy for anyone willing to serve. Contact any Board member to express your interest.

Every member is invited to attend the monthly Board meetings at the Bellamah Building. This month, member James Lewis attended. Also attending was Bill Brannin of the Alban Hills area (north of us on Coors). He made a plea that all West Side neighborhoods join together in a coalition to try and force the city to live up to its agreements with us, the residents of this area. Bill has lived here a long time and seen many changes. He was a major developer in Albuquerque until a few years ago...a long time member of the Chamber of Commerce. He's not against progress. He believes that progress should have a plan (in this case the West Mesa Guide Plan and the Coors Corridor Study) and that it is up to developers to implement the plan, not undermine it. Your Board agrees with Bill and others on the West Side and voted unanimously to join such a coalition. The Board needs your help. We must have mass citizen input to be effective.



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Our April 7, 1982, Board of Directors meeting saw the election of new officers. Elected president was Ellen Adad; vice president, Wheeler Green; secretary, Norma Eager; treasurer, Susan Sinnock. Congratulations to these workers. They are sure to do a great job for TRNA this year.

In other action by the Board, it was voted once again to support Dale Dunn and the Volcano Cliffs area in their fight against dust created by the Roberson Construction Co. site on Atrisco with a letter to be read at the Air Quality Board meeting. This was done. The Air Quality Board voted to take stronger measures to clean up this problem. Mr. Roberson was to present a plan for more effective control and given two weeks to comply or have his permit revoked.

Ken Allen attended the EPC meeting Thursday the 15th where he spoke against Roberson constructing a construction shop/office complex on Atrisco behind the Trinity Ranch area. This is a residential area and unsuited for this C-3 type development. As Roberson's people were not present, the matter was deferred until next month.

The Board voted at the last meeting to have our second quarter general membership meeting in May to avoid having many members away on vacations, etc. This meeting on Tuesday, May 18th, Marie Hughes Elementary School, at 7 PM, will give members an opportunity to meet our city councilor Pat Baca and set up a dialogue with him on problems we feel concern our membership. We plan to have additional guests for you to help keep you informed of events of importance. Details will be in our next newsletter.

We would like to thank counselors Pat Baca (District 1), Vince Greigo (District 2), and Mel Aragon (District 3) for their votes against the Lorentzen request for annexation and zone change to apartment and office complexes just west of Coors Road. The City Council defeated this proposal because of their votes supporting our efforts.
