



MESA MESSENGER

Newsletter of the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc.

January 2002

President's Message

By Virginia Klebesadel

Happy New Year! May this new year bring you peace and prosperity and a renewed appreciation of our great community. Following are updates on works in progress.

Taylor Ranch Road medians are under construction and TRNA has been instrumental in obtaining landscape design, which was not included in the City's original plans. The Public Works and Parks & Recreation Departments, the City's landscape contractor Morrow, Reardon, Wilkinson Ltd., and a Taylor Ranch resident volunteer landscape architect are working together to produce a design for the current construction area. The goal is to retain the trees and the maximum amount of green growth acceptable within the prescribed parameters. They've had two meetings with a third planned in early January. Thanks to all who are working on this project.

The Parks & Recreation Department will hold a public meeting which will include information and discussion of neighborhood parks and skatepark development. We will publish the meeting notice when that information is available.

At the December 8th General Meeting, the membership voted 53-4 to raise the annual residential dues to \$18.00. Thank you for this important investment in your community.

The Board will soon be discussing plans for TRNA in 2002, including reactivating dormant committees such as Beautification, etc. Write, call, or email me with your ideas and comments concerning Taylor Ranch needs and concerns. (vmkinabq@aol.com, 898-9173) ☀

Zoning and Land Use Update: Upper Mesa, The Trails, & Equestrian Center

By Jolene Wolfley, Director

Upper Mesa

What appears as wilderness on the upper mesa above Taylor Ranch is actually a bed of planning activity. Much talk is occurring at City Hall regarding the extension of Paseo del Norte and Unser Blvd through the Petroglyphs and onto the mesa. Developers and landowners are proposing residential developments for the land immediately above Taylor Ranch on the upper mesa. The TRNA Board is tracking these projects along with our new Councilman, Michael Cadigan, to do our best to ensure that these projects promote and do not detract from the quality of life in Taylor Ranch.

On December 19th, the Design Review Board renewed approval for a 237-acre Master Planned Community called La Cuentista on the upper mesa above Calle Norteña. Legacy Sustainable Development has designed the site so the homes are clustered in pods of eight. Each pod is along a loop road. The result of clustering is that fifty percent of the land will be maintained in open space, including several wetlands. The High Desert Community in the eastern foothills of the Sandias is an example of this style of development. These environmentally sensitive communities tend to be very desirable neighborhoods to live in and have high property values. TRNA would like this community to be the prototype of what is developed on the upper mesa.

At this point, access to the development is Lyon and the project will not be required to connect to Calle Norteña through the Petroglyphs. Thus, traffic from the project will not enter Taylor Ranch neighborhoods. La Cuentista is approved, but you will not likely see the land developing for a year or so.

Land south of La Cuentista, called Volcano Cliffs or 'the Thumb' is held in small parcels by several owners. A consortium of owners has petitioned the City Council for a special assessment district (SAD) to finance

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TRNA Board Meeting — January 16 — 6:30 PM

Vaughan Co. Realtors – 6300 Riverside Plaza, Suite 100 (Bldg just north of Defined Fitness)

2002 Street Rehabilitation Program
From the Planning Department, Office of Community and
Neighborhood Coordination and the City of Albuquerque Street
Maintenance Division

The Street Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department is beginning their annual Street Rehabilitation Program. Following is a list of streets planned for repair. About a week before work begins on a street, the contractor will attempt to contact all immediately affected residents. During the actual project, a City Inspector from Street Maintenance will always be available to deal with emergency access problems, etc.

The Rehabilitation process can best be described as a two-stage program. The first stage consists of street surface preparation including crack sealing and milling of the street edge to provide a smooth gutter line transition. The second stage consists of applying a new two-inch layer of asphalt pavement. Rehabilitation includes the removal and replacement of damaged curb and gutters, construction of wheelchair ramps, sidewalks, and the adjustment of manholes and water valves.

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MOJAVE		HOMESTEAD
SPINNING WHEEL		
MONTANO PLAZA		MONTANO

Congratulations to LBJ Students and Their PTSA!
By Peggy Minich, Director

To raise money for food for the children of Afghanistan, 543 LBJ students read at least 100 pages during the focus week—and 354 of those students read even more! Because of their efforts, the PTSA will send \$1200 to their humanitarian cause.

The students also had projects to provide holiday gifts for several places in the Albuquerque area. The PTSA has agreed to provide up to \$1000 to families in need in the LBJ community.

Thanks LBJ and its PTSA! ☀

Happy New Year!



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8201 Golf Course Road NW
 Petroglyph Plaza
 890-3909

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the infrastructure needed. In December, the City Council deferred its consideration of the SAD. There is interest to explore opportunities for this land to develop similar to La Cuentista.

The Trails

The Trails, a small subdivision off of Montano between Pojoaque and White-man, was approved at the Design Review Board on December 19th. The Plan is for a one street cul-de-sac as presented in the neighborhood meeting in September.

Equestrian Center

The owner of the land occupied by the Equestrian Center has proposed to rezone the land to allow for a single-family subdivision. Discussions are ongoing regarding the potential to keep the land as an equestrian facility or, if developed as a residential, regarding the density and design of the subdivision. Contact Don Newton to get up-to-date information on this project. ☀

From the desk of Sergeant Paul Romero . . . **Westside Area Command, Cottonwood Substation**

Happy New Year! I hope everybody had an enjoyable and safe holiday. Here are a couple of tips on how to prevent a burglary after Christmas.

- After Christmas is over, it is window-shopping time for burglars. They window shop by driving down your street, looking at the thrown out boxes that contained the gifts you received. To deter this activity, avoid placing your boxes (especially from electronic items) out on your curb for trash pickup. Take the boxes to a recycling center or one of the City's solid waste satellites for disposal.
- Do not leave your garage door open and unattended (not even for a couple of minutes).

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact me by leaving a message at the Cottonwood Mall Substation (897-8802).

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IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS (TTY Users call through Relay NM 1-800-659-8331)

Abandoned Vehicles on Public Streets	768-2277	Neighborhood Crime Prevention	924-3600
Animal Control (Westside).....	768-1935	Open Space or Bosque	873-6632
Burn/No-Burn Advisory.....	768-2876	Parks Mgmt. (Maint., Vandalism, Volunteers)	857-8650
City Council Hotline (Mtgs., agendas)	768-4777	Poison & Drug Information.....	272-2222
City Council Office.....	768-3100	Police (non-emergency).....	242-COPS
City Councilor Michael Cadigan	830-2076	Police – Westside Area Command	831-4705
City/County Information	768-2000	Police Substation – Cottonwood Mall	897-8802
Community and Neighborhood Coordination	924-3914	Police Telephone Reporting Unit	768-2030
Community Planning	924-3860	Police/ Fire/ Rescue (Emergency)	911
Crime stoppers	843-7867	Pollution Hotline	247-2273
Dumping on Vacant Lots	924-3850	Pothole Repair	857-8025
Environmental Health Offices	768-2600	Recycling Information and Hotline	761-8176
Fire (Non-Emergency/Illegal Fireworks).....	833-7300	Ridepool.....	243-7433
Garbage Collection Problems	761-8100	Sheriff's Department (non-emergency).....	768-4160
Gas Leaks (24 hrs, seven days a week).....	246-7474	Sidewalk Obstructions	857-8685
Graffiti 24 Hour Hotline.....	768-4725	State Information	1-800-825-6639
Graffiti Removal Services.....	857-8055	State Police.....	841-9256
Household Hazardous Wasteline	345-1650	SunTran Information (Bus)	843-9200
Housing Code Enforcement	764-3959	SunVan Information (Bus/handicapped).....	764-6165
Inoperable Vehicles on Private Property	924-3850	Wasted Water Hotline.....	768-3640
Keep Albuquerque Beautiful (KAB).....	761-8188	Water & Sewer Emergencies.....	857-8250
Large Item Pick-up	761-8113	Weed & Litter (Major streets and medians).....	857-8060
Library (Information & Reference).....	768-5140	Zoning Violations	924-3850
Mayor's/CAO Office.....	768-3000		

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Send your items of community interest to the Mesa Messenger! Submissions must be received by the 25th of the month. Digital media preferred (email) / Please include author and phone number / Include SASE for photo returns. Copyrighted material can be used only with written permission. TRNA reserves the right to edit or reject any submissions.

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Attention TRNA High School Seniors!

Be sure to read the February issue of the Mesa Messenger for details of the TRNA scholarship program. If you meet the criteria and submit all required application materials by the deadline, you could win a \$500 scholarship for your post-secondary education!

Northwest Optimist Club of Albuquerque
meets every Tuesday night at 7 pm, Paradise Hills Community Center, 5901 Paradise Blvd NW.
Guests always welcome.
Correction: The telephone numbers for information are 830-1667 or 873-0415.

City Parks & Rec Programs For Kids Ages 10-18
\$10 fee. Register by calling 857-8627; provide your name, address, zip code, and phone number. Lessons include equipment rental.

Beginning Ski or Snow Boarding Lessons (3-week sessions)

Session I: January 12, 19, 26

Session II: February 2, 9, 16

Participants meet at the Pino Yards security gate, 5501 Pino NE, at 8 am and return at 5 pm.