



MESA MESSENGER

Newsletter of the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc.

September 2003

President's Message

Eddie Costello, TRNA President

I have been appointed by the Mayor to serve on the Unser Middle Citizen's Advisory Committee. The design phase of the Unser extension is about 65% complete, and the committee expects to be finished with the design by early December 2003.

The committee will be working on art and landscaping issues. Submission deadline for artists who wish to put in a proposal is September 1, 2003.

I look forward to serving on this committee; I believe this project is about community building not just building another road.

As President, I would also like to ask you to help increase our membership. Please share this newsletter with a neighbor or friend who lives in Taylor Ranch and is not a current member. The cost for a new member to join for the rest of the year is only \$9.00!

Please have them fill out the membership form in the back of this newsletter and mail it in. This is a great way for residents of Taylor Ranch to keep up to date on what is going on in our neighborhood. ☀

TRNA Fall Flea Market

Don MacCornack, Director of Education

The TRNA Fall Flea Market is September 27 from 8:00 AM to noon at the Cross of Hope parking lot. Clean out your attics and garages or bring your arts and crafts. Reserve your booth today. Food and refreshments will be available at the event. Booth rental fees help fund the annual TRNA scholarship awards.



Booth rental is \$5.00 per booth for TRNA members who make advance reservations, \$10.00 per booth on September 27. Booth rental is \$10.00 per booth for non members who make advance reservations, \$15.00 per booth on September 27.

Use the reservation form on page 4 or send your name, address, phone number, number of spaces needed and your payment to: TRNA Flea Market, PO Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6288. ☀

MOSQUITO CONTROL

The City of Albuquerque Bio-Disease Management gives the following mosquito control and bite prevention recommendations:

- Eliminate standing water.
- Eliminate receptacles such as cans, tires, bottles, flowerpots, etc., which may hold water.
- Clean fish ponds and birdbaths regularly.
- Eliminate over-watering.
- Repair or replace broken sprinklers.
- Repair window and door screens.
- Use mosquitofish [in ponds].
- Stay indoors at dawn, dusk, and in the early evening.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks whenever you are outdoors.
- Use insect repellent products with no more than 35 per-



cent DEET for adults and follow the directions on the label for children from ages 2-12. Products containing soybean oil and eucalyptus oil have also been shown to be effective but need to be applied more often.

- Keep windows and doors closed if not screened. If you leave your house doors or windows open, make sure they have screens that fit tightly and have no holes.

Check out the Bio-Disease Management website at www.cabq.gov/bdm for comprehensive information on mosquitoes and mosquito-borne diseases. Mosquito complaints can be filed online at www.cabq.gov/bdm/mosqcomp.html, and mosquitofish can be requested for your pond at www.cabq.gov/bdm/fishreq.html.

Your efforts are vital in helping to prevent mosquito problems in our community. ☀

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Board Meeting — September 17 — 7:00 PM

Vaughan Co. Realtors – 6300 Riverside Plaza, Suite 100 (Bldg just north of Defined Fitness)
If you wish to be on the agenda, please notify the President three (3) days in advance.

Residential Zoning: Did You Know?

Drew Setter, Director/Zoning Enforcement

Allow me to introduce myself. I am Drew Setter, the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association Director for Zoning Enforcement. I am responsible for working with our community to help to keep our neighborhoods clean and litter free.

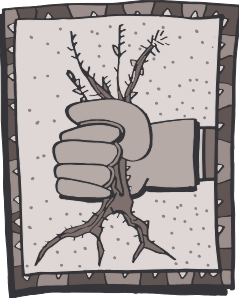
While another committee of the association deals with commercial development and land use, my responsibility is to assist the residents within Taylor Ranch with knowledge on residential zoning issues. If you have any questions regarding residential zoning or would like to report a violation, you can reach me at (505) 792-3316 or by e-mail at drewsetter@yahoo.com. My preference is e-mail.

Try to resolve the issue prior to calling or e-mailing me. My goal is not to become a zoning zealot, but to make sure that everyone is informed about the issues that affect all of our properties.

I will be writing columns for the newsletter on important issues to consider for residents. To kick start things, I've provided three "Did You Knows?"

WEEDS & LITTER

According to city residential zoning regulations, "any growth of weeds to a height greater than four (4) inches, or any accumulation of weeds and/or debris, is prohibited on occupied or unoccupied land within the city." This includes:



- the area of any curbs or sidewalks located adjacent to the property;
- the area between the property line and the middle of the alley adjacent to the property;
- the area located between the property line and the curb; and
- the area ten feet outside the property line where there is no curb.

Some examples include the sidewalk on the other side of a wall going to the curb along Golf Course or Montano. Some residents may assume that it is the city's responsibility, but it is actually the responsibility of the home or land owner because the private property extends all the way to the curb.

YARD/GARAGE/TAG SALES

An important reminder as people start to clean out their garages and closets in preparation for the coming fall and winter, City zoning ordinances allows for only ONE garage or yard sale every 12 months.

Said sale may not exceed three days in length and only normally accumulated household goods may be sold. Placement of advertising signs may NOT be placed on medians or other city property.

JUNK CARS

For all you car buffs, any vehicle that is parked in a residential area, must be operable. If it is not operable, it must be parked inside a building or garage. All work on said vehicles must be conducted indoors. Even cars stored in rear areas must still be licensed and operable. ☀



Boyd's Bear Headquarters

**Camille Beckman
Hand Therapy Crème**

**Willow Tree Angels
Platinum Dealer**



**Brownell's Hallmark
in Petroglyph Plaza
8201 Golf Course Road NW
890-3909**



**7 am - 3 pm Mon—Sat
Closed Sun**

**Featuring
New Menu Items!**

**Homestead Hills Shopping Center
6961-D Taylor Ranch Road NW
890-6696**

Rose Ortiz, Proprietor



Gary & Marie Smith promise that at **Water To Go +** you will enjoy our clean friendly atmosphere and personalized service.

See us for a complete selection of vitamins, herbs, low carb bars, skin care, cell food and much more.

Our water is processed with our own 12 Stage system to provide the best tasting purified water in the state! We carry crocks, coolers, sports bottles, accessories and more!

Water To Go + in Petroglyph Plaza
9201 Golf Course Rd #A-4
792-9778

Mention this ad
and receive 25%
off any bottle
purchase during
the month of
September

Hours:
Monday-Friday 9-6
Saturday 9-5
24 hour Water Teller

*Professional Custom Framing
In Taylor Ranch*

**Locally Owned
Conservation Methods**

We carry:

**Original Art
Limited Editions
Prints**

We offer:

**Canvas Transfer
ColorPlak**

The Great Frame Up

Where Picture Framing is an Art™

In Petroglyph Plaza
Tue-Fri 10-7 Sat-Mon 10-6
Sunday By Appointment
890-8173

Land Use and Transportation Updates

Jolene Wolfley, Director/Land Use & Transportation

Southwest Corner of Coors and La Orilla: TRNA will maintain its opposition to the proposed commercial and residential project at the southwest corner of Coors and La Orilla. The EPC will hear the case September 18th.

Northeast Corner of Coors and La Orilla: The TRNA Board voted unanimously to support a proposal by Hoffmantown West Church to expand the zoning at the northeast corner of Coors and La Orilla to include church related uses. The EPC will hear the case September 18th.

Taylor Ranch Road and Homestead: The City Planning Department approved the placement of a 50-foot cellular tower (with 8-foot panels on the array) at the Homestead Hills Shopping Center. Based on a TRNA request, the pole will be painted an almond color.

Montano 4-Lane Proposal: In its August meeting, the TRNA Board voted to support Councilor Cadigan's proposal to restripe Montano (from the Bridge to 4th Street) to have four lanes of travel instead of two. ☀

News Flashes For Neighborhoods

By Deborah Nason [From the *Neighborhood News*, Aug/Sept 2003]

104 Neighborhood Associations and Block Captains registered events for the 20th Anniversary of National Night Out held this year on August 5, 2003. There were some very creative events that took place across the City and this is one we thought you should hear about and consider for your association/organization for next year. This event was put on by Vista Magnifica Neighborhood Association, the brainchild of board secretary Marybeth White.

Here's what they put on the flyer that went out to all their residents: "This year we are trying something new with a sense of adventure to help you get to know your neighbors. Attached to this newsletter is a short list of clues for a 'treasure hunt.' The answers to this puzzle are found within the neighborhood. All you have to do is canvas the neighborhood on Tuesday evening and gather signatures from neighbors who satisfy the clues. Then, drop by for refreshments in front of 1725 Cliffside Dr. Remember, it is the responsibility of all of us to look out for each other and report any suspicious activity in the neighborhood. Thus, it is essential that we show criminals looking for easy targets in our neighborhood that the people of Vista Magnifica are united against crime. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday evening!"

The questionnaire required people to approach their neighbors between 7 - 8 p.m. and ask questions like: Find someone you've never met before; find someone who is a past president of the neighborhood association; find someone with the same birthday as you; find someone who lived in Silver City; find someone with lots of grandchildren. Each question required the signature of the person giving the answer. Here's the idea, adapt it to fit your needs for next year's event. It sounds like a great icebreaker!

Thanks to all of you who held events. Thanks to PNM for providing \$100 prize money to each of the winners. Here are the Albuquerque 2003 National Night Out winners: Albuquerque Block Captains, Laurelwood NA, North Campus NA, Altura Park NA, Stardust Skies North NA, Thomas Village Patio HOA, Valley Gardens NA, Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo NA, Desert Spring Flower NA and La Cueva Village NA. Congratulations!

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TRNA Welcomes Our Newest Business Members:

**The Great Frame Up
Water To Go +**

We appreciate your support!

TRNA Business Listing

Brownell's Hallmark.....	890-3909
Coffee Sensations	890-6696
Davis Bros. Plumbing & Heating	792-2234
Family Dentistry, Dr. Mark Johnson	922-9611
Pack & Mail.....	899-6065
Paper Pusher Bookkeeping.....	898-9539
Sensé Skin Care.....	890-8913
The Great Frame Up	890-8173
The UPS Store	792-0917
Water To Go +	792-9778
Westside Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo.....	898-1313

FYI: People who are interested in crime statistics can check the Public Safety home page on the City's website: *http://www.cabq.gov*. The TRNA boundaries are approximately the same as Sector 12. This sector has one of the lowest crime rates in the city.

Flea Market Reservation Form

Advance Reservation Fees:
\$5 per space, Members \$10 per space, Non-members

Space Rental Fees without advance reservations
(walk-in on Sept. 27):
\$10 per space, Members \$15 per space, Non-members

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Member: Yes___ No___

Number of spaces: _____ Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Mail reservation with payment to: TRNA Flea Market,
PO Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6288



TRNA COMMUNITY PROBLEM REPORT

Your Name: _____ Phone #: _____ Date: _____

May we give your phone number to the police? Yes No

Would you like to be contacted by a TRNA Director? Yes No

Location of problem (street, address, building, etc.): _____

Date(s) and time(s) of occurrence (days of week and times of day most often occurs): _____

Description of problem (be as specific as possible): _____

Return this form to a TRNA Director or mail to: Problem Report, TRNA, P. O. Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6288
You may also email your report to: ecsold@aol.com, jenifer@russinreporting.com

Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association Membership Registration

Name: _____ Phone #: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ E-mail address: _____

I'm interested in the following: Active Participation Sustaining Member (Newsletter Only)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors | <input type="checkbox"/> Calling | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime Prevention | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Voter Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

I'm enclosing my check made out to TRNA in the amount of:

Resident: \$9.00 (6 mo, July - Dec 2003) \$27.00 (July 2003 - Dec 2004)

Business: \$25.00 (6 mo, July - Dec 2003) \$75.00 (July 2003 - Dec 2004)

(Regular annual dues are \$18 resident and \$50 business. The above has been prorated for partial year membership.)

Our mission is to Promote, Preserve, and Improve the quality of life in Taylor Ranch.

Call 897-4684 if you have questions or need more information.

Please mail this form with your check to: TRNA Membership, P. O. Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6288

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police/Fire/Rescue (Emergency)..... 911

Albuquerque Police Department

Police (non-emergency) 242-COPS

Police – Westside Area Command..... 831-4705

Police Substation – Cottonwood Mall..... 897-8802

Telephone Reporting Unit 768-2030

Animal Control (Westside)..... 768-1935

Burn/No-Burn Advisory..... 768-2876

City Council Hotline (Mtgs., agendas) 768-4777

City Council Office..... 768-3100

City Councilor Michael Cadigan 830-2076

City Information 768-2000

Crime Stoppers..... 843-7867

Dumping on Vacant Lots 924-3850

Fire (Non-Emergency/Illegal Fireworks)..... 833-7390

Gas Leaks (24 hrs, seven days a week)..... 246-5700

Graffiti 24 Hour Hotline & Removal 768-4725

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Ctr..... 345-1650

Keep Albuquerque Beautiful (KAB)..... 761-8334

Library (Information & Reference)..... 768-5140

Mayor's/CAO Office..... 768-3000

Neighborhood Crime Prevention 924-3600

Neighborhood Coordination (ONC)..... 924-3914

Parks Mgmt. – Maint., Vandalism, Volunteers 857-8650

Parks Mgmt. – Reservations for parks 857-8669

Poison & Drug Information..... 1-800-222-1222

Public Works Department

Pothole Repair 857-8025

Wasted Water Hotline..... 768-3640

Sidewalk Obstructions 857-8000

Ridepool..... 243-7433

Sheriff's Department (non-emergency)..... 768-4160

Solid Waste Department

Recycling Information 761-8100

Large Item Pick-up..... 761-8100

Garbage Collection Problems..... 761-8100

State Information 1-800-825-6639

State Police..... 841-9256

SunTran Information (Bus) 843-9200

SunVan Information (Bus/handicapped)..... 764-6165

Vehicle Information

Abandoned Vehicles on Public Streets 768-2277

Inoperable Vehicles on Private Property 924-3850

Pollution Hotline..... 247-2273

Vehicle Emission Testing..... 764-1110

Water & Sewer Emergencies..... 857-8250

Weed & Litter (Major streets and medians) 857-8060

Zoning Violations..... 924-3850

TRNA Board of Directors and Other Contacts

President: *Eddie Costello* 362-6700

Vice-President:

Secretary: *Jenifer Russin* 899-7604

Treasurer: *Virginia Klebesadel* 898-9173

Director/Crime Prevent. & Zoning Enforce.: *Drew Setter* 898-1495

Director/Education: *Don MacCornack* 897-1593

Director/Governmental Affairs: *Don Newton* 898-2185

Director/Land Use & Transportation: *Jolene Wolfley* ... 890-9414

Director/Youth Committee: *Dana Davis*..... 792-2234

Director: *Gerald Gallant*..... 899-9046

Director/Social Activities:

Director:

Historian: *Fred van Berkel* 899-2738

Membership Chair: *Susan Sisson* 897-4684

Newsletter Editor: *RayeAnn Tucker*..... 898-5262

Newsletter Email Address: trna.editor@aol.com

Send your items of community interest to the Mesa Messenger! Submissions must be received by the 22nd of the month. Digital media preferred (email) / Please include author and phone number / Include SASE for photo returns. TRNA reserves the right to edit or reject submissions. Copyrighted material requires written permission.

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Return Service Requested

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Albuquerque, NM
Permit # 734

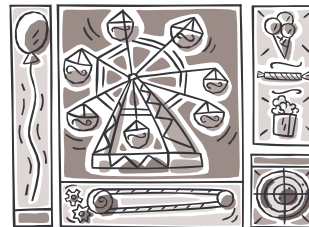
It's A-Mazing!

Rio Grande Community Farms presents
6th annual Maize Maze
Crane In The Corn

Weekends **Saturday, August 30**
through **Sunday, October 19 from 11**
a.m. to 6 p.m., including Labor Day.

Moonlight Maze Walks
Friday, October 10, and Saturday, October 11
from 7-9 p.m.

Admission on weekends is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 5-12. Children under 5 are free. No reservations are required. Group discounts are available on weekdays only for groups of 12 or more. Group admission is \$3 per participant, and requires reservations by telephone; call 345-4580.



**New Mexico
State Fair
September 5-21**

TRNA Flea Market
September 27
8 am to Noon
Cross of Hope
Parking Lot



Sept 3 Westside Coalition Meeting
Sept 7 Youth Committee Meeting
Sept 17 Board Meeting
Sept 27 Fall Flea Market
Sept 30 Voter Registration Deadline for Oct 28 Election