



MESA MESSENGER

Newsletter of the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc.

June 2004

Thanks to Our Easter Party Sponsors

Editor's apologies: Last month you may have thought it was strange that our "thank you" list started with the D's, instead of the A's. You were right! I unintentionally omitted the first 9 East Party Sponsors. My heartfelt apologies.



Below are the generous contributors that were left off the list. ~Ceil van Berkel (899-2738)☼

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We would like to give a BIG THANKS to the sponsors listed above for their generous donations. They provided coupons, food and prizes for our hunt this year. Let's support them as they have supported us! ~ Lily Andrews (899-9140) ☼

Hat's Off to Prairie Ridge



The secret circuit rider of Taylor Ranch has whispered to the editor that Prairie Ridge is a beautifully kept neighborhood. Congratulations to these neighbors who are keeping their part of Albuquerque beautiful! ~Ceil van Berkel (899-2738)☼

President's Message

It was my honor to have been elected President of TRNA in April.

A strategic planning meeting was held April 26. Your board has ambitious plans for the coming year. Not one but two flea markets, the first June 19. Also planned is a candidate forum in mid October. TRNA will host the Holiday Luncheon and Easter Party as usual.

The biggest event in the planning stages is the TRNA Silver Anniversary. The committee is meeting regularly and is coming up with grand ideas. Stay tuned.

If you would like to get more involved with your community, please come to our next board meeting and learn where you can get plugged in.

~ Don MacCornack (897-1593)☼

Tesuque Bridge Status

During a recent public meeting, many residents supported the bridge, but they wanted it to blend into the surroundings as much as possible.

To address this concern, the TRNA Board requested that the project engineer see that the sidewalk on the bridge be tinted to match aged Cor-Ten steel, that Cor-Ten be used for guard rails, and that the concrete in the arroyo be tinted to match the surrounding sand. ☼

TRNA Flea Market—June 19th

When: June 19th, 7:30—11:00

Where: Cross of Hope Church parking lot
(6104 Taylor Ranch road)

Table fee: \$5 for members, \$10 for nonmembers

Contact: Virginia Klebesadel, 898-9173

Clean out your attics and garages or bring your arts and crafts. Reserve your space today. Food and refreshments will be available at the event. Proceeds from space fees and food sales will benefit the TRNA high school scholarship fund. Items may be donated to the TRNA table. The proceeds from this table will also benefit the scholarship fund. For pickup of donated items, call Brett Lopez (836-7831) after June 13th. ☼

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Board Meeting — June 16, 2004 — 7:00 PM

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

New Announcement Boards

Have you noticed our new announcement board on Golf Course, south of Smith's? Its twin will soon appear on Montaña just west of Coors. These boards were obtained by Eddie Costello using state funding provided by Rep. Eric Youngberg.



Two of our old boards are being refurbished and will soon be installed on La Orilla and on Dellyne. Check them out daily to stay informed of TRNA events. ~ Ceil van Berkel (899-2738) ☼

Farewell to Board Members

Regretfully, your Board has two resignations to announce.

The first is that of Jenifer Russin. Jenifer, having been a board member for one year, brought many skills which complemented those of other members of the board. She served as secretary for the year, and her expertise and willingness to take on diverse responsibilities greatly enhanced many board activities. Now other duties demand her time.

In addition, Jolene Wolfley, the TRNA Land Use Director for over 4 years, has resigned. She will be serving as Children's Program Director in her Church, a responsibility which requires her full attention.

Jolene came to us from Phoenix where she was a City Planner. While serving with TRNA board, Jolene helped set new standards for area developers and such terms as 'garage scapes', 'neighbor friendly site plans', and 'quality-housing-regardless-of-density' became catch words. Currently, when a developer who has experienced the TRNA board scrutiny begins to plan for the Taylor Ranch area he knows in advance the standards which TRNA will expect. Quality development doesn't just happen; people like Jolene make it happen! Jolene's vigilance and determination have benefited this community far more than many realize.

Jenifer and Jolene, thank you for your time and talents; we'll miss you. Please return when you can. ~ TRNA Board ☼



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Zoning Update

HOME BASED BUSINESSES: Home business or "home occupations" are allowed in residential areas, but activities are limited to telephone, mailing services or low-key service businesses. Manufacturing, which includes baking, small machine repair and automotive work, including painting, are not allowed. A residential dwelling may not be used solely for business purposes. Only residing family members may be employed by the home occupation. No stock in trade may be manufactured, displayed or sold on the premises except a small stock of custom sewing or handmade art objects is allowed. All business activities must take place indoors. No more than 25% of the residential floor space including the garage may be used for the home occupation and no more than 5% for storage. Health occupations are not allowed permissively as a home occupation. A one (1) square foot non-illuminated sign attached to the building is allowed to identify the home occupations activity. If in your neighborhood you know of a potential violation please call Zoning Code Enforcement at 924-3850. A little at a time we all can make Taylor Ranch a better place. (taken from Comprehensive City Zoning Code Section 14-16-2-6(A)(2)(g)) ~Brett Lopez (839-4805) ☀

TRNA's Silver Anniversary

The committee planning the celebration for the TRNA Silver Anniversary (TRNASA) has held its first meeting.



Many exciting ideas were proposed. If you have newsletters, photographs or records relating to TRNA or if you would like to help plan the celebration, contact

Fred van Berkel, 899-2738. ☀

Help Wanted

TRNA is hiring for the following positions. The pay isn't good, but the benefits (getting to make a difference in your community) are great.

Director

Newsletter Editor

Youth Committee Chair

Beautification Committee Chair

Land Use Committee Chair

For information on time commitment, skills required, support provided, contact any of the directors listed on page 5. ☀

Parks and Recreation Report

Dog Parks: I have been in contact with the Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department about dog parks and I also, have communicated with Mike Cadigan, the Council and Mayor about this. Although it is not moving very fast, the Council has directed the Park Design Manager to select 6 sites [including the west side] by Dec. 2004. I have suggested Mariposa and Riverview parks. I will try to get this project on a faster track. I will also be talking to the city about a mini skate park and grass/landscaping for Mariposa along the walking/jogging bank.

TR Community Center: This long awaited project is scheduled to be completed by mid August, if everything goes as planned. Besides the construction, a Board of Directors needs to be established, and a site director and staff need to be hired before it can open. The TRNA Board has already been looking at activities that could be held in the building and on its grounds. Don Newton and I will write a more comprehensive article for the next newsletter concerning a working partnership between TRNA and the Community Center and what the community center means for the community. ~ Curtis Smith (899-2696) ☀



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From the desk of Lieutenant Ed Perea . . . APD Westside Area Command

Dear Neighbors and Friends:

I hope everyone is enjoying our spring like weather. I know I am.



I just wanted to let you know what a great time I had working with you out of the Cottonwood Substation. For those who don't know, I have been transferred to the McWethy Substation, now housed out of the temporary offices at the former Esperanza Library.

The phone number is 831-4705. My e-mail address remains the same. Stay safe, ~ Ed☀

Westside Area Command 831-4705

McWethy Substation 831-4705

Paseo Update

Board members have been attending the various meetings and votes on the Paseo extension. We have spoken in favor of extending Paseo west to Unser and in favor of completing Unser. The recent MRGCOG study showed that extending Paseo west would relieve congestion in both the short and long term on Montaño in Taylor Ranch, as well as several east-west roads in Paradise Hills. ☀

COMMUNITY PROBLEM?

Report it!

Send a letter or email with the information described in the form below.

Please be specific and include available details. General complaints lack sufficient information for proper reporting to the authorities.

Send your email to trna.vanberkel@att.net or the form below to Problem Report, TRNA, PO Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM, 87193-6288. ☀

Thank you, TRNA

Business Members -

We appreciate your support!

- ARCA 332-6700
- Balancing Act, Jane Volock..... 897-9847
- Brownell's Hallmark 890-3909
- Family Dentistry, Dr. Mark Johnson..... 922-9611
- J L Aspin Group 898-6823
- The Keller Agency..... 898-8565
- Paper Pusher Bookkeeping 898-9539
- Reliable Maid Service 899-8417
- Taylor Ranch Family Chiropractic..... 899-6600
- The UPS Store..... 792-0917
- Westside Family YMCA 899-8417

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

Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association Membership Registration

Name: _____ Phone #: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ E-mail address: _____

- I'm interested in the following:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining Member (Newsletter Only) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime Prevention | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Calling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment |
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| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

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

Resident: \$18.00 (1 yr, Jan-Dec 2004)	\$34.00 (2 yrs)	\$48.00 (3 yrs)
Business: \$50.00 (1 yr, Jan-Dec 2004)	\$90.00 (2 yrs)	\$125.00 (3 yrs)

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

If you have already renewed, pass this on to a neighbor!

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

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| Police/Fire/Rescue (Emergency) 911 | Parks Mgmt. – Reservations for parks 857-8669 |
| <i>Albuquerque Police Department</i> | Poison & Drug Information 1-800-222-1222 |
| Police (non-emergency).....242-COPS | <i>Public Works Department</i> |
| Police – Westside Area Command 831-4705 | Pothole Repair..... 857-8025 |
| Police Substation – Cottonwood Mall 897-8802 | Wasted Water Hotline 768-3640 |
| Telephone Reporting Unit.....768-2030 | Sidewalk Obstructions..... 857-8000 |
| Animal Control (Westside).....768-1935 | Ridepool 243-7433 |
| Burn/No-Burn Advisory.....768-2876 | Sheriff's Department (non-emergency) 768-4160 |
| City Council Hotline (Mtgs., agendas)768-4777 | Solid Waste Department |
| City Council Office 768-3100 | Recycling Information..... 761-8100 |
| City Councilor Michael Cadigan.....830-2076 | Large Item Pick-up 761-8100 |
| City Information..... 768-2000 | Garbage Collection Problems 761-8100 |
| Crime Stoppers.....843-7867 | State Information 1-800-825-6639 |
| Dumping on Vacant Lots 924-3850 | State Police 841-9256 |
| Fire (Non-Emergency/Illegal Fireworks) 833-7390 | SunTran Information (Bus)..... 843-9200 |
| Gas Leaks (24 hrs, seven days a week).....246-5700 | SunVan Information (Bus/handicapped) 764-6165 |
| Graffiti 24 Hour Hotline & Removal.....768-4725 | Vehicle Information |
| Household Hazardous Waste Collection Ctr345-1650 | Abandoned Vehicles on Public Streets 768-2277 |
| Keep Albuquerque Beautiful (KAB)761-8334 | Inoperable Vehicles on Private Property 924-3850 |
| Library (Information & Reference) 768-5140 | Pollution Hotline 247-2273 |
| Mayor's/CAO Office 768-3000 | Vehicle Emission Testing 764-1110 |
| Neighborhood Crime Prevention924-3600 | Water & Sewer Emergencies 857-8250 |
| Neighborhood Coordination (ONC)924-3914 | Weed & Litter (Major streets and medians) 857-8060 |
| Parks Mgmt. – Maint., Vandalism, Volunteers...857-8650 | Zoning Violations..... 924-3850 |

TRNA Board of Directors and Other Contacts

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|---|---|
| President: <i>Don MacCornack</i> 897-1593 | Director/Land Use & Transportation: <i>vacant</i> |
| Vice-President: <i>Brett Lopez</i> 839-4805 | Director/Parks & Rec (Comm.Center): <i>Curtis Smith</i> ...899-2696 |
| Secretary: <i>Virginia Klebesadel</i> 898-9173 | Director/Education : <i>Gene Stone</i> :897-4615 |
| Treasurer: <i>Ceil van Berkel</i> 899-2738 | Director/ Beautification: <i>vacant</i> |
| Director/ Zoning Enforcement;Social.: <i>Brett Lopez</i> ... 839-4805 | Director/ At large: <i>Eddie Costello</i>362-6700 |
| Director/Education: <i>Lily Andrews</i> 899-9140 | Historian: <i>Fred van Berkel</i>899-2738 |
| Director/Governmental Affairs: <i>Don Newton</i> 898-2185 | Membership Chair: <i>Susan Sisson</i>897-4684 |

Newsletter Email Address: trna.editor@att.net

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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Happy Father's Day!

West Side Coalition Meeting:
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