

September Rains

After a very dry summer, we were surprised with heavy rains last month that stressed why TRNA needs to stay so involved with developments throughout our area and beyond.

These are photos from the Boca Negra Canyon area, reflecting erosion that caused closures all along the escarpment, and will require months to repair.



According to Rene Horvath, who took these photos, a storm water system is being constructed down the old Unser/Atrisco roadway in the canyon, for the mesa top development, and they had not finished installing the pipes when the rains hit. "It appears that not only do we have fugitive dust problems covering the escarpment but now we are dealing with significant flooding and erosion due to new developments encroaching on the escarpment and not taking into consideration the impact it has on the environment."

There was also mudslide damage to yards in Santa Fe Village and others living below the escarpment, as you probably saw on news.

As Rene points out, "Taylor Ranch has raised the concern over the fugitive dust coming off the mesa top during many EPC and LUPZ hearings. Now drainage is a big issue too. We will continue to stay on top of this situation." ®

Social Committee

Ken Newman, TRNA Board Member

Hope everyone plans to attend the **RUMMAGE SALE taking place Sept 28th at the Cross of Hope Church parking lot.** If you have items to donate to TRNA's tables to benefit our scholarship fund, please bring them early that morning! Then stay and shop, and purchase refreshments too. Take time to come out and visit with neighbors and support this very worthwhile cause.

TRNA Holiday Luncheon will be held on Dec 7, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Don Newton -Taylor Ranch Community Center. This is for TRNA members only. Menu will be: Salmon, Steak Kabobs, Ribs, Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Rolls. We will need to know how many want the salmon, so be sure and specify on the reservation form on page 3. We will also be collecting non-perishable items for our Annual Holiday Basket project for Taylor Ranch families in need; please be generous. Bring a dessert to share also. Last year we had some amazingly creative dessert dishes. There will be door prizes also. Here's another chance to visit with your neighbors and meet new ones. ®

Autumn Safety

Rainer Perez, TRNA Director

NREMT-Paramedic Albuquerque Fire Department

The crisp weather and color-changing leaves make it a great time to spruce up your home, go for a drive, walk your pets or cozy up indoors. But with all those things comes the potential for danger. It's important to be aware of your surroundings.

Here are some autumn safety tips for your family, home, and car, for a safe and enjoyable fall season.

Personal

- Get a flu shot. Even though you could still get sick after getting the shot, the vaccine can provide protection against severe complications from the flu.
- Wash your hands. One of the best ways to avoid getting sick is to wash them regularly and thoroughly. Use hot water, plenty of soap, and wash for at least 30 seconds.
- Raking leaves? Prevent back injuries by standing upright while raking and pull from your arms and legs. Don't overfill leaf bags, and when picking them up, bend at the knee and use your legs, not your back, for support.
- Do not allow children to play in leaf piles near the curb. The piles can obstruct the view of drivers and put your child at risk for getting hit, especially since it gets dark outside earlier.

Home

- We tend to plug in a lot more devices in the fall and winter. It's important to test all smoke alarms and have a family fire drill. Remember to replace used and expired fire extinguishers as well.
- Turn your heater on before the temperatures really plummet so you can ensure it works. Contact a technician to inspect that it's operating properly if you suspect it needs servicing. *[If you have swamp cooler, more needs to be done.]*
- Keep all flammable materials away from your furnace. This includes clothing, paint products, toxic materials, cardboard and more.
- If you use a portable or space heater, keep it away from clothing, bedding, drapery and furniture. Remember to shut them off if you leave the house and don't leave them unattended if you have children or pets.
- If you have a fireplace, inspect the chimney to confirm it is free of debris, creosote buildup, and is unobstructed so combustibles can vent. Make sure the bricks, mortar and liner are in good condition.
- Do not warm your kitchen with a gas range or an open

oven door, as this can lead to toxic air that is not safe to breathe.

- Keep matches, lighters and candles out of the reach of children and pets.
- When burning a candle, don't leave them unattended, burning near other flammable items or on an unsteady surface.
- Check all outdoor lighting fixtures to make sure they are working properly. This can safeguard you against falls and neighborhood crime.
- Clean the gutters by removing all debris and leaves.

Car

- With fewer hours of daylight, it can be difficult to see pedestrians or cyclists clearly, so if you don't have automatic headlights, make sure they are on at the onset of dusk.
- Keep an emergency kit in your trunk. Some can be found in stores already pre-made for convenience, but if you want to create your own, be sure to include a flashlight, first-aid kit, jumper cables, windshield washer fluid and basic tools. You might even consider purchasing a car battery charger if you have a long commute each day.

Make the fall season a happy and safe one by being prepared, having a high level of awareness and knowing the right resources to contact if you're in doubt of what to do.

Re-print from *Family Focus; Homeowners Tips. Oct 2011.*

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Land Use Update

Rene Horvath, TRNA Director, Land Use

1. EPC hearing October 10th/ Coors/ Montano 2005 Site Plan/ When does the 7 year expiration date begin? :

On October 10th the EPC will review the question of when does a site plan for building permit expire. Does the site plan for building permit expire 7 years after the EPC approval, or 7 years after all the Development Review Board (DRB) signatures have been obtained ?

This issue came up last spring, during the May 29th facilitated meeting for Community Activity Centers. It was mentioned that the property owner of the Coors/ Montano site was seeking final DRB sign off for their 2005 site plan to build a Walmart grocery store. Meeting participants thought the site plan for building permit had already expired, since the time limit for site plans is 7 years, and it has been 8 years since EPC approval. Meeting participants also expressed concern that the 2005 site plan for building permit does not comply with the Coors Corridor view regulations, especially since the Coors Blvd. grade had changed over the years, and that a 45,000 sq. ft. building backs up to Coors Blvd. Our Attorney feels the clock starts ticking after EPC approval.

This is what was approved in 1994, when City Council formed a task force to determine when Site Development Plans terminate, coming up with a seven year time limit. The zoning code under 14-16-3-11(C) states: If less than ½ of site dev. plan is built or developed then it shall terminate automatically... 7 years after adoption or major amendment of the plan. Generally plan approvals are terminated 7 years after EPC approval. The Planning Dept. feels a site development plan is not valid until after final DRB sign off; that's when the clock starts ticking. But this position also leads to a situation where a site plan requiring a single signature would be invalid indefinitely. It's been over 7 years for the 2005 Coors/ Montano site plan, and the property owner is just now collecting final DRB sign off.

The EPC will decide this issue at their October 10th hearing. Our Attorney is preparing for the hearing. The EPC hearing begins at 8:30am, in the basement of the Planning Dept. on 2nd street. We are # 3 on the agenda. We encourage some audience participation at the hearing. Please let me know if you can attend, and I will give you more details. Thank you.

2. EPC Hearing October 10th/Oxbow Town Center/ Sector Plan amendment/:

The EPC reviewed the applicant's request to amend the University of Albuquerque Sector Development Plan (Oxbow Town Center) on September 12th. The property owner is requesting a Sector Development Plan Map amendment to change zoning from 17 acres of O-1 to RT

Town Homes (8 du/acre). The Site is a total of 47.7 acres between Coors and Atrisco drive, at St. Josephs, across from St. Pius High School. It is currently zoned SU-3 Mixed Use for 30 acres of commercial and a minimum of 17 acres for Office use.

In 2007, the Oxbow Town Center was designated a Community Activity Center. At the same time the property owners rezoned all 47 acres of apartments to commercial and offices. The applicant also submitted a 30 page site plan, which the community liked and supported the zone change from apartments to commercial and offices. Now the applicant says there is no market for offices and wants to change the 17 acres of office use to town homes. There is no site plan with this request. The WSCOA voted to not support the zone change citing that there is a need for more jobs and services for the Westside in order to reduce traffic from crossing the river to get to jobs on the eastside. Also Coors Blvd is a major transit corridor, which lends itself to having jobs and services adjacent to the corridor. Ten letters from several Neighborhood Associations were sent to the Planning dept. in opposition to the zone change. Two letters from adjacent neighborhoods supported the zone change. The Planner's recommended a denial citing that it conflicts with the Comp Plan Activity Centers and Transit Corridor policies, and the Westside Strategic Plan. The WSCOA, Oxbow Neighborhood, and TRNA attended the EPC hearing to support the Planners position.

During the hearing it was brought up that the applicant asked code enforcement to interpret the zoning code for commercial and office use. Code enforcement said that C-2 zoning now allows apartments, and O-1 allows 25% of the premises to be town homes. The EPC questioned why then were they asked to review a zone change. Some commissioners questioned the zoning enforcement's interpretation and two commissioners noted that the Westside does have traffic issues and therefore needs areas to be set aside for jobs. The EPC decided to defer the case for 30 days and to get more clarification from code enforcement in regards to what is permissible under the C-2 and O-1 zoning. Also note the property owner in the future will want to take the 30 acres of commercial area and do 13 acres of apartments. This undermines the Comp Plan's intent in which Community Activity Centers are to provide areas for jobs and services for the surrounding community. This will be heard by the EPC on October 10th.

Coors Corridor Plan: The Planning Department is revising the Coors Corridor Plan in order to add the Coors Corridor Transportation Plan that was approved by the EPC a year ago.

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The WSCOA has invited the Planner, Carol Toffaleti, who is working on the plan to attend the October 2 WSCOA meeting and to explain some of the revisions being made to the Coors Corridor Plan. There are concerns about any changes being made to the view regulations.

4. Fugitive dust/ Explosions/ and now flooding at the Petroglyphs: TRNA has commented over the years about fugitive dust blowing off the mesa top especially when the land is graded to build houses. The fugitive dust is burying the escarpment and creating a dust bowl situation for the nearby residents. TRNA also expressed a need for more open space buffer to be purchased along the escarpment. This was brought up many times during the Volcano Mesa Plan public hearing process. Last May, a Board member from TRNA organized a meeting between the consultants for the Volcano Cliffs mesa top development and the Taylor Ranch and La Cuentista residents. The residents are very upset with the explosions that were taking place on the mesa top and the blowing dust damaging their property. Now the residents are experiencing flooding below the escarpment due to the rains in areas where the mesa has been most disturbed from grading and blowing dust.

TRNA continues to push for the purchase of more open space adjacent to Petroglyph National Monument in order to provide a buffer along the escarpment. Using single loaded streets along the perimeter of the escarpment is the best approach to separate development from open space areas. TRNA also encourages trenching utility lines on the mesa rather than using explosives, and the reduction or elimination of fugitive dust during construction. These are all good reasons to support the purchase of the La Cuentista open space. It would not only preserve the natural resources but it would be very helpful in preventing these kinds of disasters. ®

A Family Tree in the Bosque

Dan Shaw, TRNA Secretary

My great, great, great grandfather, Thomas Meehan was a prominent 19th century botanist. He was a member of the American Academy for the Advancement of Science and a correspondent with Charles Darwin. In addition to writing scientific papers, conducting research, and putting some genes into the next generation he ran a nursery business.

Meehan and Sons was a prosperous Philadelphia, Pennsylvania operation. They shipped plants all over the country. As I have researched my family tree I discovered a number of his scientific publications, nursery catalogs, and other materials. In them I found a skeleton in my closet.

One of the plants he sold was listed in his catalog from the late 1800s as, "Beautiful, soft green feathery foliage. Bears soft pink blossoms in August. Loose branching stems give it an added artistic value. 2 to 3 feet 35 cents each. Large size 50 cents each." The skeleton in my family tree is in fact a tree. It was **tamarisk** or as it is often known now, **salt cedar**.

I knew that tamarisk was brought into the United States and promoted widely as an ornamental with added benefits of controlling erosion. I know the plant as a water hungry exotic that burns hot and is the bane of many bosque and southwest water managers. Until recently I didn't know that my own grandfather was selling the plant and shipping it all over the country. A hundred and fifty years later, along the Rio Grande and elsewhere, millions of dollars are spent on the eradication of the invasive tamarisk plant.

But family trees are funny things. As a researcher and educator in the bosque my students and I spend quite a bit of time learning about and removing tamarisk from local riverbanks. In our forays into the field, these days I am just as likely to call tamarisk, "Grandpa Meehan's curse," as anything else.

Here in North America, tamarisk has no natural checks on its population. Most every kind of animal that might keep its numbers in check rejects it. So tamarisk spreads quickly and densely and replaces miles of diverse native plants along waterways with monoculture stands of itself. Back in its home countries in places like Turkey it has a small, defoliating beetle that chomps away on its leaves; although really most of the chomping is done by the beetle when it is in its larval stage.

This summer that beetle arrived in Albuquerque. Captured in Europe and Asia where the tamarisk evolved, many of the tiny beetles were transported back to the United States by government officials in Colorado and Texas.

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A Family Tree in the Bosque — Dan Shaw

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The beetles did not recognize state lines and jurisdictions so they headed south from Colorado and north from Texas and arrived in mass this summer.



Chomping their way from tree to tree the newly arrived beetles have decimated the foliage grandpa Meehan called beautiful and feathery.

Throughout Albuquerque's bosque students and researchers in the Bosque Ecosystem Monitoring Program (BEMP) spent much of this summer documenting the arrival of the salt cedar beetle and its impact on the tamarisk. The short summary is that the animal is now throughout the region and defoliating entire tamarisk trees. Some of the trees, if they were already stressed from the drought or other causes, are likely to die. Others might be able to put out new leaves next year, but it is likely the beetles will do what they have done elsewhere such as in Colorado, Texas, and Utah and that is to successfully eat themselves out of house and home leaving many tamarisk dead in their wake. The beetle is believed to be host specific and will likely not impact other plants, but

nature is not always linear in its approach to human expectations. The battle wages on.

As a teacher, I tell my students we breathe the air of our time. We hope that the legacy we leave our own great, great, great grandchildren will not burden them too much. But we all make mistakes. There are often unintended consequences even when we do something with the best of intentions; this is true for both individuals and societies. Therefore, I start my teaching year by asking students for their help. I know that I will make mistakes, say things with unintended consequences, and otherwise be human. I ask them to kindly point out my mistakes and to look at our assumptions for errors and limitations. I tell my students I would rather not my great grandchildren, or for that matter their great grandchildren, carry any unnecessary burdens or have to yank out my mistakes by their roots some years hence. Humility in the face of the future is prudent.

Capturing beetles around the Tamarisk (salt cedar) in the Bosque.





Library Update

Ceil van Berkel, Library Advisory Board

Taylor Ranch Library

5700 Bogart St. NW

Albuquerque, NM 87120

(One block west of Unser Blvd and two blocks south of Montaña Road)

Sue Heitz, Manager

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Hours: Mon. – Thurs.: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

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Featured Database

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The library provides free access to this database. You'll need your library card number to register so you can create a student name and password. On the library home page, select EResources and then click on the Pronunciator icon or go directly to http://learning.pronunciator.com/getstarted.php?library_id=7927

Recurring Events

The Taylor Ranch Branch Reading Group: 2nd Saturday of each month, 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. This month is William Shakespeare's *Macbeth*. Join us to discuss this famous book.

Taylor Ranch Lego Club: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 3:30-5:00 p.m. Love Legos? Every meeting we will have a new inspiration and some creations will be displayed at the library! Legos provided! Please leave your Legos at home. We don't want you to lose your favorite pieces.

A Good Yarn! Fridays @ 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. If you enjoy knitting, crocheting or other needle craft, join our drop-in stitch group. All ages and skill levels welcome. A skilled knitter will be on hand for instruction and questions. Feel free to come when you can and leave as needed.

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Returning for Fall

Tuesdays, 10:30 am, Sept. 10 through Nov. 19. Preschool Storytime, ages 3-5. Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, and finger plays.

Saturdays, 10:30 am, Sept 14 through Nov. 23. Baby Storytime, ages 0-2. Lapsit storytime, learning games, songs, puppets, movement activities, and fun for everyone!

Special Events

October 24, Thurs, 3:30—5:30 pm — Gizmo Garage. Register for Gizmo Garage to learn how to borrow eBooks and eAudiobooks from the Library. Please call 897-8816 to register for this session, then remember to bring your device.

October 26, Sat, 2:00—4:00 pm — “Day of the Dead” Face Painting Event. Ages 12-17. Join face painting artist, Janet Dominguez, for a two-hour celebration of “*Day of the Dead*” and have your face painted for this traditional holiday.

FUNDING UPDATE:

The Albuquerque Public Library Foundation was recently founded by several long-time library volunteers who envisioned more opportunities for the Albuquerque Public Library System than could be provided by bond issues and other public monies. The volunteers particularly wanted to improve Albuquerque’s poor ranking among cities of comparable size for per capita library expenditures.

Through donations from the public, the Foundation can help the library in the following ways:

- Accept donations for the specific benefit of the library system.
- Reduce gaps in services caused by shortages in public funding.
- Provide resources to meet the needs of a changing economy, diverse workforce and growing community.
- Implement programs to introduce families to their public libraries.
- Fund opportunities to encourage the public’s pursuit of knowledge.

Currently the Foundation is asking for donations to help cover the damages caused by the July 3rd fire at the North Valley Library. \$25 will purchase at least one book, \$500 will fill a shelf with 20 or more books. Donations of any size are welcome and will make a positive difference.

Also, On Tuesday, October 1st at 7 pm at the KiMo Theatre, the Foundation is hosting a fundraiser to aid the public library. The engaging and talented daughter of author Tony Hillerman, Anne Hillerman, will present her fresh new Navajo Country mystery, *Spider Woman’s Daughter*. Celebrate the national launch of this *Leaphorn and Chee* novel with Ms. Hillerman. Tickets are only \$7, available at the KiMo box office or online at www.kimotickets.com. Bookworks will have copies of the novel available for purchase at the event.

Be sure to vote in favor of Library Bonds on the October 8th ballot! Support to continue and improve library services and resources.





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Eagle Scouts Help Taylor Ranch

Jolene Wolfley, TRNA Vice President

Eagle Scout Candidate, Andrew Morgan, recently completed an Eagle Scout Service Project here on the Westside. On Saturday, August 10th between the hours of 7 am and 1 pm, Andrew invited neighborhood and church members to participate in a Nature Walk Restoration in the Mesa Antigua subdivision. Thirty-four volunteers helped clear twenty years of over-growth with over 100 bags of debris and leaves, including a huge pile of branches and tree limbs. He directed and organized the volunteers to restore this area to a more park like feeling. The Clean City Division compact truck from the city came and picked up all the debris at the end of the project. Andrew would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time to come help make his Eagle Scout Project a huge success.

The Boy Scout Troop is 337, sponsored by the Taylor Ranch Ward LDS Church. The area the cleaned is inside the wall where Taylor Ranch Road meets Golf Course.



Before and after photos



Open Space Visitor Center

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Tuesday—Sunday, 9 am—5 pm

Colloquial Goods Exhibit — now through October 29th — featuring Traditional Arts of the Southwest. Wood sculpture, tin punch arts, pottery and weaving are all a means of taking the resources that are provided by the New Mexico landscape and carvings, piercing or shaping them into something that communicates beauty, pride and skill. Or, more simply put, these are “colloquial goods.” Contributing artists include Mark Chavez, Michael Kanteena, Tyra Preston, Matt Schmader.

Other October special events include *Food Forest Course Series*, showing how to create ecosystems found in natural forests in your garden. Also their popular *Urban Beekeeping Series* will resume. For more information on either one, or other open space events, go to cabq.gov/openspace or call the center at 897-8831.



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TRNA Annual Holiday Luncheon

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11:30 am—1:30 pm

Food service: 12:00—12:30



Don Newton - Taylor Ranch Community Center

Buffet Luncheon provided by **Outback Steakhouse**

Choice of BBQ ribs, steak kabobs, or salmon — with all the trimmings

Please bring a dessert to share

There is no charge for the lunch, but please note that this event is for **TRNA Members ONLY**. All immediate family living at the member’s residence are considered members.

We will be collecting non-perishable food items or toiletries for our annual Holiday Basket project for Taylor Ranch families in need. In the past TRNA members have been very generous to this worthwhile project. Boxes will be available at the door for your donations.

Reservations are required. Please send in the following form no later than Nov. 21.

Any questions, contact Ken or June at 898-5447 or 974-5469 or Juken1964@q.com.

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TRNA Holiday Luncheon

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Reservation Form — TRNA Members Only

Deadline Nov. 22nd

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Phone: _____ Number of persons attending : _____

Please specify number of salmon dinners: _____ (no need to specify any other choices)

We will bring a **dessert to share and a non-perishable item** for the needy in the area.

Mariposa Basin Park Clean Up

“Once upon a time” TRNA members adopted Mariposa Park and once a month would gather at the park on a Saturday and pick up trash. This went on for years, although we often had a very small turnout (sometimes only two). Other times, various groups have volunteered to help in a particular month.

One of those was Cub Scout Pack 121. The original plan was that it would be a co-sponsored event, but over time it became just Pack 121 doing the task. They continued to do so for over two years, but recently had to drop the project.

Mariposa Park attracts more than just Taylor Ranch residents, some of whom do not share our desire to keep our park picked up and looking good. The heavy usage leads to overflowing trash cans, especially on weekends — and often trash left throughout the park. There used to be a dumpster on site, but it too got overused and abused to the point of overflowing with items that should have been taken to the land fill.

While the City Parks and Recreation Dept does its best to maintain this facility, they only have limited resources. It's time we “took back” some responsibility on how our neighborhood looks.

Won't you consider volunteering to start up this program again? We need a coordinator who will set up the date and time each month, and get that info to the editor so we can publish it in the newsletter. Gloves and trash bags are available for our use in doing the cleanup.

Contact Ray Shortridge if interest: president@trna.org ®

Albuquerque Elections

October 8, 2013

Please exercise your right and your obligation to vote in this important election. Early voting can be done until October 4th, 9:00 am—6:00 pm. Closest polling place for early voting is Don Newton—Taylor Ranch Community Center. On October 8th, you can also vote at Chaparral Elementary, Cibola High School, LBJ Middle School. You can vote at any polling location in the city. Polling locations will be open from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm on that day.

This election is being run by Albuquerque City Clerk, not Bernalillo County Clerk, so there are several differences to keep in mind. A photo ID is required; any number of cards may be used, as long as they contain your photo and your name.

A list of acceptable photo IDs and additional locations can be found at the city clerk's website: cabq.gov/clerk, as well as other voting information.

There are three candidates running for Mayor: current Mayor Berry, and Pete Dinelli and Paul Heh. For the two districts that split Taylor Ranch, in District 1 the current counselor Sanchez is running unopposed. In District 5, counselor Dan Lewis is being challenged by Eloise Gift.

To learn more about the candidates and their position on various issues, we suggest you go to the League of Women Voters of Central NM website: lwvabc.org. They also have a wealth of information about the many bond issues that are up for approval.

There are ten General Obligation Bonds listed on this ballot. Proposed capital projects total \$115,556,000. Bonds are debt incurred by the city on behalf of its residents to cover the costs of these projects and are ultimately paid for by property tax owners. Voting in favor of any of the bonds on this ballot will NOT result in property tax increases. A detailed list can be found at either website listed in this article. ®

Weeds Out of Taylor Ranch Road Median

Jolene Wolfley, TRNA Vice President

Summer rains helped all the new plants in the re-landscaped Taylor Ranch Road median get well established. The rains also grew weeds that quickly were taking over. TRNA emailed Citizen Contact Center 311 -- yes, you can email in addition to calling. Within about two weeks time, the Parks and Recreation Department sent out several workers. They weeded the median during the morning of August 20th. Thanks Parks and Recreation for a great median and thanks to a great 311 system. ®

Coffee with Councilor Lewis, District 5

Friday, Oct 4, 7:30—8:30 am

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This month's guest will be Matthew Jaramillo with Public Service of New Mexico. Bring your neighbor and join Dan Lewis for breakfast. Come hear updates about city projects impacting District 5. Get your questions and concerns addressed. Let the city councilor know what's happening in your neighborhood and where you think he could help.

If possible, please RSVP to Sara Mancini 768-3189 or saramancini@cabq.gov no later than 4:30 pm on Oct. 3rd, Thursday, so they can make sure there's enough seating, coffee, etc.

Taylor Ranch is now divided between District 1 (southern section) and 5 (north of Montano). ®

Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association Membership Application or Renewal



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(Already a member? Give this to a neighbor & get them to join!)

10/2013

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Important Dates

Sept 28 — Flea Market
 Oct 8 — VOTE!
 Oct 9 — TRNA Board Mtg
 Oct 10 — EPC Hearing (*on Coors/Montano ... again!*)
 Oct 31 — Halloween
 Nov 3 — Daylight Savings time ends
 Nov 13 — TRNA Board Mtg
 Nov 22 — Reservations deadline for Holiday Lunch

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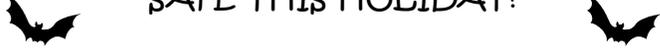
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Don't miss it!

TRNA RUMMAGE SALE

September 28, Sat — 7:30
am—12:30 pm

Cross of Hope Parking Lot
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HAVE A HAPPY
HALLOWEEN!

Oct 31st

KEEP THOSE KIDDIES
SAFE THIS HOLIDAY!