



COORS BOULEVARD

EPC Hearing on the Coors Corridor Plan (support needed)

When: August 14th, sometime after 1:30 pm

Where: Planning Department

600 2nd Street, basement

Can park free in parking lot

See Rene's article on page 3

President's Message

Jolene Wolfley, TRNA President

What do you want Taylor Ranch to look like in 2020? That was the question the TRNA Board brainstormed at a "visioning session" held June 11th at the Open Space Visitor Center. The beautiful bosque setting stimulated great discussions about what makes our neighborhood desirable, what are threats to those assets, and what we are doing as a neighborhood association to get where we want to be in 2020.

At the top of the list of neighborhood assets was the **abundance of unique open space** we have like the Bosque, Volcanic Escarpment, and Mariposa Park and arroyos. Our conclusion is that we need to promote a few key acquisitions to complete the network: La Cuentista (which is just above the terminus of Calle Norteña) and the Oxbow Daniels property. We also feel we need to work for better transitions from open space lands to development next to them.

Another neighborhood asset we identified was **safety** in Taylor Ranch. We have one of the lowest crime rates in the City. We cannot sit back though, because crime is truly a thief in the night that can quickly infiltrate a neighborhood. We discussed the importance of our neighborhood patrol (which needs more volunteers). We also discussed the value of neighborhood watches; neighbors calling 242-COPS to report suspicious activity; and reporting other problems to 311. We will have the Northwest Area Commander at our August 13th meeting.

We identified the variety of **housing** in Taylor Ranch as an asset. However, we think that asset is being threatened by aging housing and areas of poor property maintenance. We find that our commercial areas are holding their value and we have some remodeling successes like the Homestead Hills Shopping Center by LBJ middle school. We are looking for strategies to get all property owners to maintain and restore their properties to better maintain property values.

In addition, we identified that **medians and streetscapes** are important to maintaining the value of our area. While Golf Course and Taylor Ranch roads have had some recent upgrades to landscaping, we have needs for Montano and Coors to be improved. We also identified Winterhaven (behind the Albertsons store) as a future streetscape project that could greatly contribute to our Taylor Ranch Community Activity Center (northeast and southeast quadrants of Coors and Montano Intersection).

We also have great **schools** in Taylor Ranch: Chamiza ES, Marie Hughes ES, LBJ MS. Maintaining the quality of those schools is important to maintaining property values in TR.

We discussed the increasing **traffic** that is projected for major roads in our area and how super road improvements like a Coors overpass of Montano would hurt our commercial and natural areas. Instead, we think it is important to make investments in our **transit** system. We identified a desperate need for park and ride facilities along Coors. We also see our population is aging and we will need our residents to have a way of getting to local services in Taylor Ranch without a car.

Some things we do not have now that we would like to have in 2020 are: a Civic/Cultural/Outdoor performance space; a Multi-generational center; and a village center as outlined in the Coors/Montano site plan.

It was an exciting and fruitful discussion by board members who care greatly about this community. We know you care, too. If you have any ideas and areas you can help with, please contact me at president@trna.org. A special thanks to Albertsons for providing refreshments for our visioning session.



Albuquerque Joins Cities Nationwide
America's National Night Out Against Crime
Tuesday, August 5, 2014

On Tuesday, August 5th, neighborhoods throughout Albuquerque are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "**31st Annual National Night Out**" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the Albuquerque Police Department (APD) and the APD Crime Prevention Unit, will involve over 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world. In all, over 30 million people are expected to participate in 'America's Night Out Against Crime on August 5th.

National Night Out is an excellent opportunity for neighbors to socialize, renew acquaintances, welcome new neighbors and join fellow citizens in our community's fight against crime and our pursuit of a high quality of life.

Note from TRNA president:

On August 5th, residents in Taylor Ranch are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors. A night out can be as simple as inviting a few neighbors to sit outside together and socialize. Small activities are often as meaningful as something large. The more you know your neighbors, the more you can reduce crime on your street.

If you have questions pertaining to this year's NNO celebration, please call the APD Crime Prevention Unit -- Steve Sink at 924-3600 — or contact president@trna.org for more details.

We suggest you might want to post this notice on your bank of mailboxes for your neighbors to see; it might encourage those not members of TRNA to join in this activity also!

Land Use Update

Rene Horvath, Land Use Director

1. Coors Corridor Plan draft/ EPC June 10th hearing: On July 10th the EPC reviewed the proposed 2014 draft revision of the 1984 Coors Corridor Plan. The 1984 Plan is a very important plan to many West side neighborhoods along Coors Blvd. Now the Planning Department wants to revise it. There was a good showing of Westside residents from various neighborhoods that attended the hearing: La Luz, Las Casitas, Villa de Paz, Bosque Meadows, WSCOA, neighborhoods south of I-40, and TRNA. There were a few business owners who owned businesses along Coors that also attended, and a few representatives from the development community, and interested parties from various government agencies.

Here is a summary of the hearing along with questions and comments raised:

(a) According to the web site, the Planning department's reasons for updating the 1984 Coors Corridor Plan is to be consistent with higher ranked plans, reflect current conditions, and avoid duplicating current regulations in the zoning code. It mentions the policies, regulations and project proposals are calibrated to strike an appropriate balance between protecting the transportation function of the corridor and its scenic resources and encouraging development. The transportation component of the 2014 CCP draft is currently advisory to the State since NMDOT controls Coors and Coors By-pass. The EPC's role is to review the plan based on other plans and ordinances, and to make a recommendation to City Council.

(b) A Planner from the County explained to the EPC that the County will not be adopting the new plan. There are only a few undeveloped plots of land left along Coors that are still in the County. The County will continue to use the current 1984 Coors Corridor Plan.

(c) A Traffic Engineer from MRCOG did a presentation to demonstrate that the future traffic forecasts for Coors Blvd. indicated a significant increase in traffic demand on Coors Blvd, especially between I-40 and Coors Bypass road. He said overall, the MRMPO - Metropolitan Planning Organization of MRCOG supports the Coors Corridor Plan update and its efforts to improve all modes of transportation. He said that adding more general purpose lanes will not solve the traffic congestion along Coors; it will only add more congestion at the major intersections that lead to river crossings. Therefore the focus is to add two transit lanes for a BRT (Bus Rapid Transit) system along Coors. The MRMPO also recommends a mix of land uses with higher densities in appropriate locations along the corridor to enable the success of the BRT high capacity transit system.

(d) TRNA testified that the 1984 Coors Corridor Plan designated Coors Blvd. as a limited access Parkway. Many TRNA members worked on it in 1984 and it has served the public well.

(e) When development follows the goals and policies and regulations of the 1984 plan it produces quality development along the corridor. When development ignores the 1984 CCP then the worst looking developments appear along the corridor. TRNA showed pictures to demonstrate this.

(f) Overall, the public has not had the opportunity to fully understand how all the changes being proposed in the 2014 CCP draft will affect the character of Coors Blvd. or the communities and businesses adjacent to it.

(g) Many Westside residents participated in the Coors Corridor update transportation plan two years ago. The 2014 CCP draft is the first time the results have been presented. The neighborhoods have many questions about the proposed changes.

(h) How much density are we talking about along Coors Blvd?

(i) Are we seriously talking about noise walls along the corridor?

(j) Several residents expressed concern about the grade separation at Coors and Montano changing the character of the community. How much ROW will it take? How will it affect adjacent businesses? How will pedestrians get across?

(k) Business owners north of I-40 wanted to know how much ROW will be needed to extend the ramp further north and the addition of two transit lanes. How will it affect their businesses?

(l) Why change the view regulations? The community has expressed how important preserving the views of the mountains and Bosque are to the community.

(m) The 1984 Plan emphasizes the preservation of the views and for new development to blend with the built and natural environment. What is the justification of leaving out or weakening the design regulations that promote quality development?

(n) Why does the 2014 draft have so many exceptions and deviations to the rules?

(o) Why take out or weaken the language from the 1984 plan regarding architecture design, grading and drainage, signage regulations, screening rooftop equipment, etc.?

(p) The development community expressed support for changes to the view regulations.

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(q) Is it really safe to locate an 8 ft. bike lane between the vehicle lanes and transit lanes?

(r) While the neighborhoods do not oppose making Coors more multi modal for bicyclists, transit services and pedestrians, it is unclear how the proposed changes will accomplish this.

(s) Winterhaven resident expressed concern that the proposal to connect Winterhaven to La Orilla would create cut through traffic for the Winterhaven neighborhood.

(t) Sometimes a community needs to decide if all the roadway changes are really necessary or effective in solving the traffic problem. Perhaps what exists now is as good as it gets.

(u) Since a large part of the draft plan involves transportation, why is this plan considered quasi judicial? Why can't the neighborhoods talk with their City Council representative?

(v) It was difficult to ask all these questions and make additional comments before the EPC on a plan within the 2 to 5 minute time limitation for each presenter. There are so many details in the plan that needs to be addressed. Note: Facilitated meetings were not offered to help the community understand the proposed changes.

(w) Why is this being rushed? A request was made by the WSCOA president to defer the plan review for 180 days to give the community more time to review and understand the plan. He also pointed out that the neighborhoods south of Central along Coors were not notified about the plan.

The hearing lasted from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. The EPC discussed whether to defer the hearing for 60 days but decided to hear it again in August.

The **Next EPC hearing is August 14th after 1:30pm.** There will be several other agenda items for the EPC to review prior to the Coors discussion. Call 924-3860 to check on the status of the agenda items to determine the best time to arrive. **Please come and show your support for TRNA's position.**

2. La Orilla and Coors Blvd.: The Taylor Ranch, Alban Hills and Rio Oeste Neighborhood Associations were recently contacted by a small group of developers who are interested in purchasing the land at Coors and La Orilla. They want to revise the approved site plan which has a 40,000 sq. ft. - Walmart grocery store building, 4 smaller retail buildings, and single family residential in the plan. They are proposing to change the Walmart building into a small retail strip, and to make the four other buildings, drive through restaurants. They also want to change the single family residential lots to apartments. They feel that if the Neighborhoods agree they could get an administrative amendment from the County. The

neighborhoods are in the process of hearing their proposal. No commitments have been made. If you have any comments or questions let me know.

3. Land Use Planning and Zoning (LUPZ): A LUPZ hearing will be held for the Volcano Mesa Plan amendments on August 13th starting at 5:00pm.

4. Santolina Development/ County Planning Commission (CPC) hearing July 30th/ City Council Chambers/ 9:00am: The CPC will hold another public hearing for the proposed Santolina development. Last May the CPC reviewed whether there was water availability for the proposed development. This time the CPC will examine how public services such as public safety and community facilities will be acquired for the proposed 13,700 acre Santolina master plan development.

Ed note: We recently received this email expressing appreciation for all that Rene Horvath has been doing on behalf of not just Taylor Ranch but all of the west side. I think we can all say we share this sentiment of gratitude!

"Rene, I am guilty of not praising your efforts on behalf of the West Side enough. Thank you for wading through the mountain of information and making testifying easy when one is on solid ground. I think we will get all of the time we need to make the CCP the right document for today's needs. The EPC members seemed to say as much when they agreed to 30 days with a commitment to extend further. I think they want to keep it on the front burner, fresh in their minds. As long as we keep coming up with solid reasons I believe we can get the time we need to do it right. When you are ready to get this to the West Side Coalition for a resolution, please let me know. As you know, we don't meet until Sept 3; therefore, if you need something sooner we will have to do it via email to the members. Joe Valles might also want to bring this to the other Coalitions attention. I will keep Swan and South Valley in the loop."

—Jerry Worrall

And another one:

"Thank you so very much for your dedication and work on the CCP. You are very much appreciated."

—Candelaria 'Candy' Patterson



Ed note — Here's Rene volunteering at our Holiday Luncheon. A hard-working member of TRNA for many years.

Home Security Tips

Art Retberg, Crime Prevention Director

Experts generally agree that one of the best ways to prevent crime in your neighborhood is to organize a Neighborhood Block Watch (NW) with training from the Albuquerque Police Department.

Formation of a NW is a way for neighbors to get to know each other better, their work hours and the cars they drive. Do you know the names of your neighbor's children? Their dogs? It is easier to note suspicious activity when a small group (20-40) of neighbors commit to 'looking out for one another'.

The information below is taken from APD's website. This is the link: <http://www.cabq.gov/police/crime-prevention-safety>

The "cornerstone" of APD's crime prevention effort is our Neighborhood Watch Organizing Program.

We have over 2000 neighborhoods in Albuquerque participating in the program, and we would like to organize (or "reorganize") your neighborhood on a block-by-block basis.

Initially, we look for someone who would be willing to host in their home an organizing meeting for their block. If you would like to be a host, follow this procedure:

Talk with some of your neighbors on your block to see if there is general interest in participating in a Neighborhood Watch.

If so, and if you are willing to host the initial organizing meeting, call us to schedule at 924-3600.

We will then work with you to set up the meeting. (Toward the end of the organizing meeting, the neighborhood will officially select someone to be the Block Captain, who is our contact person with the group from that point onward.)

We have a wide variety of activities for organized Neighborhood Watch groups, ranging from participation in the annual National Night Out celebration the first Tuesday of each August, to your Block Captain's option to join the Albuquerque Block Captain's Association (ABCA).

The Albuquerque Block Captain's Association was formed on June 1, 1985. Any block captain of a Neighborhood Watch group organized through APD Crime Prevention is eligible to join. The ABCA conducts two informational/business conferences each year and publishes its own newsletter, "The ABCA Alert." The ten-page twice-per-year publication is sent ABCA members and contains a variety of crime prevention information. For more information, please contact APD Crime Prevention at 924-3600.

Note: Based on personal experience from organizing a NW, you can also contact Steve Sink, APD, who administers the

program at ssink@cabq.gov. If you request information on the NW Program you will be mailed an information packet with forms for signing up your neighbors. Information re the responsibility of a Block Captain is in packet. APD encourages the size of the Block Watch to be not more than 20-40 neighbors who are contiguous to one another. And at least 50% of those neighbors must commit to be part of the watch. NW signs can be purchased for \$45 each and are installed by the City of Albuquerque street department. If you are in a Home Owners Association they may pay for the signs. Block Captains are asked to have two meetings per year with members to update cell phone/email contact info and introduce new members.

Get involved! A neighborhood is a reflection of those who live there.

TRNA Civilian Security Patrol

Kathi Ingley, (Interim) Patrol Coordinator

I am writing to you as a member, former member, or supporter of the TRNA Neighborhood Patrol. The patrol is desperately in need of **ACTIVE** volunteers. At the moment, the patrol is being covered by just a handful of volunteers, and is, therefore, not fulfilling its potential as an asset to our community's safety and security.

I urge you to consider giving just **two hours** of your time each month to patrol our neighborhoods. Taylor Ranch, despite being the largest neighborhood association in the City, also has the lowest crime rate in town. That is due, at least in small part, to the vigilance and dedication of an ever-smaller cadre of volunteers who provide extra "eyes and ears" to our Police force. I think it would be a shame if our neighborhood association were to lose the benefit of this patrol.

If you were previously involved with the patrol, please consider becoming an active member again. Our calendar can easily accommodate your preferred dates and times each month.

If you have not been involved to date, patrolling is not difficult, and can be a great way to meet new people in Taylor Ranch. Donate just two hours a month, we'll pair you up with a trained neighborhood patroller, and you can help us maintain the safety and security of our neighborhoods.

If you cannot volunteer to patrol, please encourage your friends and neighbors to do so. If you are looking for a way to contribute, but cannot patrol, we are in need of a permanent coordinator to schedule patrols and maintain patrol equipment. You can contact me for further information on either function. PLEASE consider this worthwhile community volunteer activity. Thanks.

(505) 550-5619/pkingduckley@yahoo.com

Mark Your Calendar!

TRNA SCHOLARSHIP FLEA MARKET/RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday, September 27, 7:00 am—1:00 pm

Cross of Hope Church Parking Lot

It's that time of year! Clean out the closets, garage, shed, storage unit, and start putting your sale items together. As you are probably aware, we hold this semi-annually, to fund two scholarships we award each year to deserving Taylor Ranch high school seniors.

OPTION 1: RENT SPACE TO SELL YOUR OWN GOODS!

Space rental for members is \$6.00 and for non-members \$12.00. Just fill out the form below and mail it along with your check made payable to TRNA. A "space" is one parking space, so if you've got lots of "stuff" you'll probably want to rent at least two spaces. This has become a popular event with good crowds and lots of buyers, so get your space reserved quickly.

OPTION 2: DONATE YOUR GOODS TO THE TRNA SCHOLARSHIP TABLES!

TRNA will have spaces and will sell your donations to benefit our fund if you choose. Please bring them to us that morning. Of course we will always be grateful if you wish to simply send a cash donation to probably the most worthwhile thing we do each year!

FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE! As always we will have light breakfast items such as chili dogs with jalapenos (if you have not had one for breakfast you don't know what you are missing) and a host of other TRNA favorites.

Many volunteers are needed to make this happen — people to help set up, work the food booth, man the TRNA tables. Contact **Terri Spiak at 505-899-0898 or email secretary@trna.org for questions or if you are willing to help.**

Once again we are indebted to Cross of Hope Church for allowing us to use their parking lot. For those who may not know, Cross of Hope is located on Taylor Ranch Road, between Montaño and Golf Course/La Orilla, across from the Don Newton Taylor Ranch Community Center. Let's be good neighbors and be sure the lot is clear and clean by 2:00 p.m.

Fill out the form below to secure space(s). Detach and mail.



Yes, I want to reserve space for the TRNA Rummage Sale on September 27, 2014!

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

TRNA Member? _____

Spaces Needed? _____

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to the approaching emergency vehicle. Look to the front, both sides and toward the rear of your vehicle, signal your intention to pull over well in advance and begin to adjust your vehicle's speed to merge with any traffic to the side you are pulling to. Once you have moved your vehicle to the side, brake gradually as required and bring your vehicle to a safe stop. Avoid any sudden changes in direction or excessive braking and be aware of any vehicles approaching fast to the rear of your vehicle.

If you are in an intersection and preparing to make a turn when an emergency vehicle is approaching, you should abandon the turn and clear the intersection by proceeding straight when safe to do so, then pull to the right and stop. This will clear the intersection and minimize the possibility of a collision with the emergency vehicle should it be passing you on the side you intended to turn towards.

When the emergency vehicle has passed, check to make sure the way is clear and signal before merging back into traffic. Remain vigilant for additional emergency vehicles, and remember it is illegal to follow within 500 feet of a fire vehicle responding to an emergency.

Pull to the Right and
Stop! We could be
responding to your love
one, your friend, your
home.



Reacting to an Approaching Emergency

Rainier Perez, TRNA Director

NREMT-Paramedic Albuquerque Fire Department

In an emergency, seconds count. Emergency response vehicles utilize sirens and alternating audible tones to alert drivers that they are in need of a clear path to safely and efficiently respond to a reported fire, medical response or police matter. It can be extremely stressful when an emergency vehicle approaches you from behind and startles your normal commute home. When an emergency vehicle is approaching your vehicle from any direction with its flashing red or red and blue lights, or siren or bell sounding, you are required to bring your vehicle to an immediate stop.

When bringing your vehicle to a stop, you are required to bring your vehicle as near as is practical to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway. When on a one-way road or divided highway having more than two lanes of traffic, move to the closest curb or edge of the roadway. Your vehicle should be parallel to the roadway and clear of any intersections, including highway on/off ramps. Do not move onto or stop on the shoulder of the roadway, as emergency vehicles may be travelling along it.

Use extreme caution when stopping your vehicle because other drivers may not yet be aware of or are already reacting

TRNA Notes & News

The TRNA Board authorized a payment of \$150 to support the summer recreation program at the DN-TRCC. Terri Spiak led the charge and purchased and got donations for multiple items needed for the summer students. Purchased items will stay at the center and be used over the year.

An Audit of Treasurer's Records for both TRNA General Fund and the Land Use Fund for FY13 was recently conducted by TRNA members Ray Shortridge and Ceil van Berkel. Finding everything in order and reconciled, they concluded their report with: *"We highly commend the Treasurer, Terri Spiak, for maintaining accurate records and providing a clear audit trail for expenditures for both funds. TRNA benefitted greatly from her diligence and the enormous investment of her time in keeping the financial records for the past two fiscal years."*

Our Taylor Ranch children return to school on August 13th. Please watch out for them walking/riding on their way to school. Some may be new to the area and unsure of their routing, so drive extra cautious. SLOW IN SCHOOL ZONES.

No It's Not a Chipmunk

Dan Shaw, TRNA Vice President



There is a squeal and active pointing. "Look at the chipmunk!" I overhear someone excitedly telling someone else. It happens on a regular basis along the Mariposa and especially the Boca Negra arroyos. Scurrying about in rocky habitat and darting from the shelter of one boulder or bush to the next I join in the watching as my neighbors, out for a walk, spot the small mammal. This scenario repeats for me on a regular basis. It seems that every week or so my path crosses with some new group of folks or another who at the same time are crossing paths with what they call a "chipmunk."

I always figure that it is more important to watch a wild animal than it is to know its proper name. So I don't generally intrude on a family's pleasure as they are spotting and watching one of Taylor Ranch's most charismatic species. I am just happy to see people enjoying wildlife.

But I will let you in on a little secret. There are no chipmunks known to live in Taylor Ranch and Petroglyph National Monument. What we do have, and what I do see when those folks are pointing at what they think is a chipmunk, is the **White-Tailed Antelope Squirrel** (*Amnospermophilus leucurus*). This stripy ground squirrel is a close cousin to the chipmunks, but the white on the underside of its tail and a lack of facial striping set it apart.

The White-Tailed Antelope Squirrel and its closely related Texas Antelope Squirrel (*Amnospermophilus interpres*) are both found in New Mexico. What divides them is the same obstacle that makes morning and afternoon commutes a chore - the Rio Grande. So we are at the very eastern edge of this species' range.

Antelope ground squirrels are active during daylight hours so coyotes, hawks, and free roaming cats and dogs pose most of their predator hazard. Their squeals alert their companions to hazards. But even still, keeping dogs on leash and cats

indoors will help protect these animals in our midst.

So next time you are out along the arroyos or watching the back wall or rock garden of a neighbor. Keep your eye out for the quick darting White-Tailed Antelope Ground Squirrel. Watch for them as they hold their tails over their backs, pointing towards their head as they run for cover.

And if you happen upon a family enjoying their time watching a Taylor Ranch "Chipmunk," you can share in the quiet knowledge that, call it what they will, it is in fact a White-Tailed Antelope Ground Squirrel.

To learn more about the local mammals of Taylor Ranch consult, "Mammal Inventories for Eight National Parks in the Southern Colorado Plateau Network," by Michael A. Borgen and colleagues, for the United States Geological Survey, available for viewing at: <http://digitalcommons.unl.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1001&context=natlpark>



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Family Dental Center, 898-4504, 4801 Montano Rd NW, Ste A-3 (at Taylor Ranch Rd).

Karmen Perez, Realtor, Keller William RE, 897-1100

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Show your support by utilizing their services!

Taylor Ranch Library

897-8816

Special Event — Job Search Workshop

Wednesday, August 20th, 11 am to noon.

Registration is required.

This class will focus on:

- Making your resume effective — proofreading and formatting
- Finding the jobs you want to apply for through various websites
- Learning how to apply to those jobs through sending a resume via email or using online job applications

Seats are limited! Bring a digital Word version of your resume. Call 897-8816 to register or for more information.

Ongoing Events:

A Good Yarn — Fridays, 2:00—3:30 pm

If you enjoy knitting, crocheting, or other needle craft, join our drop-in stitch group. Ages 12 and up. Intermediate skills and above, please. Feel free to come when you can and leave as needed.

Master Gardeners at Taylor Ranch — Saturdays, Aug 9 & 23, 10 am—3 pm. Get answers to all of your gardening questions from the experts! We will have ABQ Master Gardeners here to help you make your garden grow.

Pajama Storytime — Thurs, Aug 21, 6:30—7:15 pm



Put on your PJs, grab your teddy bear, and join us for stories, rhymes, and songs.

Book Reading Group — Sat, Aug 9, 2:00—3:30 pm

This month's book is *Seabiscuit: An American Legend* by Laura Hillenbrand. Seabiscuit was one of the most popular attractions in sports history, and the single biggest newsmaker in 1938. Author Hillenbrand re-created a universal underdog story, one that proves life is a horse race.

Open Space Visitor Center

30th Anniversary Celebration

**Saturday, Aug 9,
5—8 pm**

Much of what defines Albuquerque and makes it unique are its "open" and undeveloped spaces such as the cottonwood *Bosque* of the Rio Grande Valley, the Sandia Foothills, and the volcanic escarpment and grasslands of the City's West Side. "Since its beginnings in 1984, the Open Space Division has been



working to preserve environmentally and culturally important lands throughout the Albuquerque area," says Parks and Recreation Department Director, Barbara Baca. "This city would not have the unique landscapes and diverse recreational opportunities that it offers without the dedication of its citizens to the preservation of Major Public Open Space."

Most people living in Albuquerque are aware that the Open Space program exists to preserve culturally and environmentally important areas in and around the City, but many people do not know everything we do. For example, the Division also manages farms, wetlands, archeological sites, and hundreds of acres of Major Public Open Space in Sandoval County and in the Manzanos and Sandia Mountains.

The 30th Anniversary Celebration is a great way to learn more about the Division and the varied lands we manage, while taking in a festive environment of music, birthday cake, and family activities at our beautiful Open Space Visitor Center.

Bring a picnic dinner, a blanket or chairs and enjoy the gorgeous back drop at the Open Space Visitor Center while listening to great local music. We'll provide the dessert!

Scheduled activities include:

- 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Juniper Hill Band
- 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM: Cake and Anniversary Recognition
- 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM: A Band Named Sue

There will be kids activities too, as well as displays of poems, photos, essays, and other Open Space stories submitted by the public during the past several months. Parking is limited so we suggest you team up with friends or neighbors and carpool to this unique family event. Call 897-8831 if you need directions or more information.

Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association Membership Application or Renewal



Name: _____ Phone #: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ E-mail address: _____

I'm interested in helping in the following areas of participation:

- | | | | |
|---|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors | <input type="checkbox"/> Crime Prevention/Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
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School registration dates:

July 25th and 28th Marie Hughes ES
(new and returning students)

July 30th Chamiza ES (new students only)

Aug 5th Volcano Vista HS (for pre-
registered students)

Aug. 6th LBJ MS (for pre-registered
students)

Aug 13th FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!



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