



TAYLOR RANCH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INC.

October 1988

MESA MESSENGER

Membership: 226

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear neighbors and friends:

It was my great pleasure to present the TRNA Quarterly Award along with a \$50 check to the Taylor Ranch Branch Library at our General Meeting held September 30. Toni Osburn, branch manager, was on hand to accept the award. She told us the money will be used to provide special books for our library. These quarterly awards are presented to people and organizations who have contributed outstanding service to the community. Our little library, though small, has certainly done a great job for us and certainly deserves the award. If you wish to nominate an individual or organization, please give me a call.

Candidates for the State Senate and House offices from our district were on hand at the General Meeting. The discussion of issues was informative and lively, too, at times. I wish we could have had a larger turnout for them, but we advertised every way possible and had about 50 people present. On the other hand, that's about 25 percent of our membership which is better than most associations get at their meetings.

Thanks to Frank Jackson for playing the piano for us; to Reverend Chuck Bader of Mesa View Methodist Church for the invocation; and to Delores Gonzales for the refreshments at the meeting. As always, we thank Marie Hughes School for providing our meeting place.

We welcome Delores Gonzales who was appointed as a director at the regular board meeting held October 4. Delores has been our Social Activities Committee Chairwoman for some time now. Delores replaces Jane Parks who has found her life getting very busy. Jane has faithfully served the association as director and newsletter editor for over two years, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to her. Jane will continue as newsletter editor/publisher.

Along with electing our officials on November 8, we will be voting on a number of bond and other complicated issues, i.e., the method of selecting our judges. The Albuquerque Journal is running a series of articles on these issues to help us make an informed vote. I recommend reading them to help you make up your mind.

We have a new "General Store" in Montano Plaza. Take a minute to check out their wares. Best not take your children with you on the first visit. Have an opinion? Give me a call.

Hope to see you all at the polls Tuesday, November 8.

God bless,

EDUCATION

The APS School Board has appointed a 25 member committee to begin the process of selecting a few pilot schools to participate in a year-round schedule. TRNA wishes to provide our neighborhood with the information needed to make an educated decision about year-round schools. We will also be setting up meetings to discuss the issues involved. Please call Karlene Rodgers, Education Committee Chair, at 898-5357 for material and information.

TRNA STANDING COMMITTEES

Crime Prevention	John Hemler	897-3763
Education	Karlene Rodgers	898-5357
Governmental Affairs	Don Newton	898-2185
Membership	Virginia Roberts	899-1061
Public Relations	James Bennett	897-1305
Social Activities	Delores Gonzalez	897-0967
Parks and Recreation	Alan Davis	898-9178

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

'Tis the season, from now to the end of the year, to get NEW members for our association. Renewals will be the focus from December to February. We ask each member to clip the application below and take it to your neighbors to sign them up. They will receive membership from the date of application through all of 1989 for \$12. In other words, they get the rest of '88 free. This includes the newsletter each month and the Christmas Party. Thanks for your personal support of the association!

-----Clip and Take To Your Neighbors-----
TRNA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Adult Names:

Address _____ Phone _____

AREAS OF INTEREST IN WHICH I WILL HELP THE ASSOCIATION:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime Prevention | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Voting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks/Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Control | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Activities | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Willing to help | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calling | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | | |

THINGS YOU THINK WE SHOULD DO OR SHOULD DO BETTER FOR YOU:

Membership dues are \$12.00 per family per year.

Signature

Send to: TAYLOR RANCH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 75157, Station 14
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VOLCANO CLIFFS

The huge Volcano Cliffs Master Plan was approved in 1962 -- long before Taylor Ranch existed. The 542 acres of the master plan below the escarpment abuts Taylor Ranch. Density zoning in these 542 acres is quite intense for residential (lots of R-2, R-3), apartments, and medium office and commercial complexes with a 60 acre shopping center site. TRNA has been and is currently opposed to the heavy impact of this area.

On September 15, the Volcano Cliffs Property Association and the City Planners proposed removing the 542 acres below the escarpment from the master plan. We adamantly opposed the idea for many reasons.

The Environmental Planning Commission voted in our favor. VCPOA is now required to bring TRNA and the EPC a site development plan for subdivision purposes. In our view, this will entail lower densities, lower impacts, and major replatting.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

This year for the first time, the Capital Improvement Program of the City's Planning Department has asked neighborhoods to submit projects to the City. following is a list of projects we submitted:

1. Mariposa Retention Basin Recreation Facility
2. Taylor Ranch Park on Homestead Hills NW
3. Sidewalks along many major streets in Taylor Ranch
4. Landscaping of numerous medians in Taylor Ranch
5. Community Center for Taylor Ranch
6. Street lighting at major intersections
7. Pedestrian walkway over Coors Boulevard at Montano
8. Northwest Mesa Police Substation

COORS CORRIDOR PLAN

TRNA has been involved with the rewriting of the Coors Corridor Plan. We do not want Corrs Road from St. Joseph's to Corrales to end up like the Coors in the Ladera area.

LIBRARY

Our new library is coming soon; construction starts in October with the "groundbreaking ceremony" in a couple of weeks. Phase 1 is a 12,000 square foot library with 35,000 books. Phase 2 (three to ten years) is a 25,000 square foot regional library with 120,000 books. Albuquerque's Parks and Recreation Department will build a seven acre landscaped park adjacent to the library building.

On the November 8 General Election ballot, there will be three General Obligation Bond issues which concern libraries. One of them is asking for a \$1 per capita tax for books statewide. This would raise \$1/2 million each year for the purpose of obtaining books. Please vote YES on all library items.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

We are currently beginning work on the Christmas Party. If you are interested in helping out, please call Delores at 897-0967. We can use help with decorations, menu, program, and various other items.

CRIME TIP OF THE MONTH: VEHICLE SECURITY

October is Crime Prevention Month. Let's all get involved and not only work on prevention measures for our own homes and possessions but also look out for our neighbors as well.

In the month of September alone, five vehicles were stolen from Taylor Ranch. In two cases, thieves crossed wires in the vehicles after forcible entry; but in the other three cases, keys were left in unlocked vehicles. To assist in preventing such crimes, vehicle owners should:

* Never leave vehicles unlocked, even in your own driveway, inviting would-be thieves to take your vehicle.

* Make certain that the vehicle registration number, license plate number, and other identifying marks are recorded and that this information is kept in a separate place.

* Aside from registration number, make your own identifying mark on some obscure part of the vehicle. Record and photograph this mark.

* Never leave your vehicle, anywhere or anytime, with the motor running because you just have a short errand to do. You would be asking for problems.

TRNA FALL FLEA MARKET

TRNA's Fall Flea Market held on September 17 was a success! We sold a total of 15 booths and had a steady stream of customers all day. Everyone seemed to enjoy the event -- it was a beautiful fall day. Our next flea market will be held in the spring.

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

TRNA's Governmental Affairs Committee has been busy this year. There have been many zoning change requests, wall height or building height requests, sidewalk variance requests, and much more.

Two months ago, we won a four-year battle we have had with City Hall. The northwest corner of Montano and Taylor Ranch Road had been zoned for seventeen three-story apartment buildings for twelve years. TRNA has been opposed to that density for many years. The Environmental Planning Commission, per the City Planning Department's recommendation, voted to retain the zoning for apartments. TRNA appealed that decision to the full City Council which voted 9-0 in our favor. The new zoning is O-1 (office), C-1 (very light commercial), and park.

A developer must have approval of the site plan from TRNA and the Environmental Planning Commission

TRNA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

8 November	Election Day
9 November	Board Meeting
6 December	Board Meeting

TRNA OFFICERS

President	Dan Curtiss	897-1700
Vice President	Steve Gabaldon	898-0951
Secretary	Don Newton	898-2185
Treasurer	John Hemler	897-3763
Board Members	Ken Allen	897-4248
	Alan Davis	898-9178
	Delores Gonzales	897-0967
	Virginia Roberts	899-1061
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OCTOBER IS CRIME PREVENTION MONTH

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