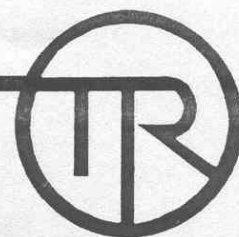




# MESA MESSENGER



Newsletter of the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc.

February 2000

## Proclamation to Councilman Armijo

by Amanda Tatum, Vice-President TRNA Youth Committee

Dear Councilman Armijo:

Thank you for letting me address the purpose of our youth committee. I would like to take the time to explain what the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association Youth Committee is all about.

First, my name is Amanda Tatum, Vice-president of the Committee, and daughter of Deborah Tatum, our youth coordinator. I have been a member since the sixth grade, about four and a half years ago. I am one of the most involved members, alongside Alysia Cordova, our president, and Dana Krill, our secretary and the secretary of the Taylor Ranch Board of Directors. I have won the 1997 Neighborfest Future Leader Award, and I have also been the president of the Youth Committee. I am very well proud of the committee and its achievements. For the years I have been involved, I have seen the Taylor Ranch community prosper.

The Association started the Taylor Ranch Youth Committee in 1991. They discussed it for years to start an organization that targeted teens, and better yet, run by teens within the community. Crime was very prevalent in the Taylor Ranch community, and most of it was caused by youths with nothing to do. This was when the west side was still getting under way, and there was no where to go to have fun in the immediate area. So, a selected few were chosen as the first community members, who were mostly chosen students at local schools. Their goal was to change the community both aesthetically, and to help reduce teen-related crimes. Who would know that the committee would be the first of an epidemic around the city, and one of the largest and most involved.

Now, the youth committee's involvement has spread past the Taylor Ranch boundaries, and into the city. Thanks to the city of Albuquerque, our committee has done more than anyone would dream of for the improvement of our community. Our goal is pretty much the same, but now more diverse in the fact that we are dealing with a lot more than a few community problems.

The committee has grown to a twenty-five member organization. We now take into consideration that many of today's problems are more complex, and the only way to fix them is to get a lot more involvement out of everyone, and involve more age groups. Crime has drastically dropped in the Taylor Ranch community, and we have increased involvement. Still though, education within our community has suffered along the terms of common-sense. The youth committee has expanded it's goals to cover this subject, and it has improved moderately since we started workshops on subjects such as bike-safety and drug se. The committee has done many things, even without such commodities as a local community center and parent involvement. Somehow, though, whatever else is needed is donated by local shops and persons to better our community.

One of the most popular events the youth community puts on is teen dances. We hold them annually at the LBJ gymnasium. Just about every major holiday,  
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**\*\* TRNA General Meeting  
Thursday, March 23  
7pm at LBJ Cafeteria \*\***

### Congratulations!

To the following youth members for their involvement and accomplishments:

Karlyn Sadoris - Placing 1st in her division at the LBJ Science Fair

Susannah Lane - scoring so well on the UNM Math Contest that she will be invited to the Final Round of Competition

Dana Krill - for being recognized for demonstrating outstanding ethical behavior in her curricular and extra-curricular activities

Amanda Tatum and Elena Griego were chosen to be the Taylor Ranch youth delegates for the National Youth Crime Prevention Convention  
**GREAT JOB EVERYONE!!!!**



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April 2000

## To Our Neighbors

As a newly elected member of the TRNA Board of Directors (and one foolish enough to immediately volunteer to write this article with less than twenty-four hours notice), I would like to thank you on behalf of all the Directors for the opportunity to serve you and our community. I know it is often assumed that leaders are people who direct and command, but a bit of research in fact suggests that the root of the word lead means to "show the way". That would imply that it is the leader who takes cues from those being led as to the direction they wish to go.

Where would you like to go? What's on your mind? What concerns do you have for our community? What's not working correctly? Perhaps more importantly, what is working correctly? (Praise will move a collection of people much more readily than complaint.) How would you like us to represent your interests? How would you like to be involved? What new activities should we create? Which of those we currently offer serve you well?

Please contact one of the Directors, whose names are presented herein, to pass on your thoughts on these questions. We can only lead well if we know where you would like to go.

With that said, allow me to suggest an area in which each of you can immediately have a positive impact. At our first meeting I was surprised to discover that membership in TRNA is less than three hundred families. While our neighborhood association is generally acknowledged as the largest and most active in the city, imagine that only 3% of the households are represented. Given the importance that neighborhood associations play in the decision making process in our city's system of governance, it is indeed unfortunate to have such a small representation in TRNA.

It is often said that many hands make light work. You can add to those hands by taking your copy of this newsletter and sharing it with

a neighbor, someone whose participation and involvement you would value. If you were to also take a few minutes to invite them to join, chat about the benefits you have garnered from TRNA, and show them the membership form that is included in the newsletter, we could easily and quickly build our overall involvement. Three hundred of you can generate three hundred new members much more readily than any one elected person. As we grow we have the opportunity to inform more of our neighbors through this newsletter. That can only serve to benefit Taylor Ranch.

So consider yourself challenged. First, seek us out and tell us where you wish to go. Second, find a new member by sharing this newsletter. No one has ever designed a better system than participation. It's too good to miss. Take advantage of it. ☺

Regards,

Ron Chapman  
Vice-President

## Annual TRNA Easter Party

Saturday, April 22 at Mariposa Basin Park

Begins at 9:30am - 1st Egg Hunt at 10am

\*4 Egg Hunts - Designated by age groups\*

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\*\*Have any of these questions crossed your mind lately? \*\*

How do I know if an investment is suitable?

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What can I do to reduce my federal income taxes?  
What kind of trust should I set up to protect my assets?

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This 5-week, one night per week class will provide an in-depth look at the different types of investments available to and suitable for investors who are working, or who have already retired. Whether you are interested in maximizing your long-term investment returns, your investment income, or reducing your income taxes, you should plan to attend these informative classes.

Week One - Foundation

Week Two - Debt

Week Three - Equity

Week Four - Mutual Funds

Week Five - Wrap Up

Call 897-7295 to reserve a seat.  
Seating is first-come, first-served.

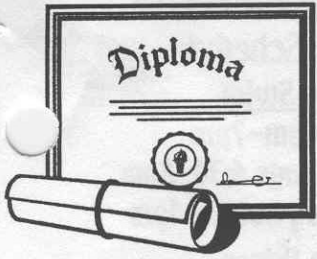
**Bill Kushlis,**

**Investment Representative**

**Tuesdays, May 2 thru May 30, '00**

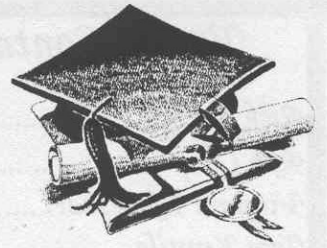
**5:45pm - 7:00pm.**

**6200 Coors Blvd, NW, Suite C-4  
(Montano & Coors)**



# TRNA Youth Scholarship Winners Announced

*Peggy Minich, Education Director*



*Congratulations to Julia Hartmann and Christine Ortiz! They are this year's recipients of the TRNA Youth Scholarships. They are both seniors at West Mesa High School and they will each receive \$500 for their post-secondary educational expenses.*

*The seven members of the Scholarship Committee reviewed each application and rated the applicant's letters of reference, grade point average, community involvement, participation in extra-curricular activities and actual application. Applicants were also required to meet a deadline for submission of materials and to reside within the TRNA's boundaries.*

*The Review Committee was very impressed with all of the applications, particularly their significant and numerous contributions not only to their schools but to our community! Our sincere thanks to all who applied and participated. ®*



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*Looking for things to do in May?  
Here are a few ideas!*

- *Mother's Day Concert at the Rio Grande Zoo •  
Sunday, May 14*


*Concert performed by the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra.  
Call 764-6200 for more information.*

- *FRGBG Home Garden Tour •  
Aquarium/Botanic Garden  
\$10 each*

*The Friends of the Rio Grande Botanic Garden tour will be in May. This is an opportunity to visit private gardens in the Albuquerque area and to support the Botanic Garden too. The exact date and ticket information can be obtained by calling the FRGBG office 78-7233.*

We're Happy to be  
Your Neighbor!

**Happy Easter**



**Brownell's**

8201 Golf Course Rd, NW  
Petroglyph Plaza

890-3909

### TRNA Contacts / Board of Directors

- Rick Lackey.....President . . . . .897-2259
- Ron Chapman.....Vice-President . . . . .899-8904
- Virginia Klebesadel.....Secretary . . . . .898-9173
- Tom Knutilla.....Treasurer . . . . .897-2751
- Don Newton.....Director/Government Affairs . . .898-2185
- Diana Manning.....Director/Crime . . . . .898-6547
- Peggy Minich.....Director/Education . . . . .899-8590
- Dana Krill.....Director/Youth Committee . . .898-9117
- Christine Dillow.....Director/Newsletter . . . . .899-2270
- Jolene Wolfley.....Director . . . . .
- Vacant.....Director . . . . .

### West Mesa Aquatic Center Spring 2000 Schedule



Recreation Swim  
 Monday 4:30pm-7pm  
 Wednesdays & Fridays 4:30-8pm  
 Saturday & Sunday Noon - 4pm

#### Admission Prices

5 & under \$.50 (must swim with an adult)  
 Child 6 - 12 \$2.00  
 Teen 13 - 19 \$2.50  
 Adult 20 - 61 \$3.00  
 Senior 62 & over \$1.00



#### Water Exercise

Mon, Wed, Fri 9am to 10am  
 or Mon, Tue, Thurs 7pm to 8pm

**The Albuquerque Police Department Westside Area Command invites you to attend a Community Engagement Meeting. This meeting is a planning project to discuss your concerns and perceptions regarding Crime and Quality of Life issues in our Community.**

**Thursday, April 27 at 6:30pm in the Cibola High School Cafeteria  
 1510 Ellison Road N.W.**



**Contact Person: Lieutenant Greg Sanchez - 831-4705**



## Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc. Membership Application

This is a:  new membership  renewal membership  
 Type of membership:  Resident/Landowner  Business

04/00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Subdivision Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*We can always use your help! Please check off any areas of interest in which I can help the Association:*

- |   |                                       |   |   |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crime Prevention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Education    | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership     | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation | <input type="checkbox"/> Library      | <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Environment        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations   | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning       | <input type="checkbox"/> Voting         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Activities  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Center      | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic      | <input type="checkbox"/> Calling        | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Parties |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Directors | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |   |   |

*I am enclosing a check made out to TRNA in the amount of:*

Resident:  \$12, 1-year  \$22, 2-years  \$30, 3-years

*New resident memberships only: You may pro-rate your dues for the first year you join TRNA as follows:*  
 \$12 if join Jan-Feb-Mar  \$9 if join Apr-May-Jun  \$6 if join Jul-Aug-Sep  \$12 if join Oct-Nov-Dec

Business:  \$50 1-year  \$90 2-year  \$125 3-year

*New business memberships only: You may pro-rate your dues for the first year you join TRNA as follows:*  
 \$50 if join Jan-Feb-Mar  \$40 if join Apr-May-Jun  \$25 if join Jul-Aug-Sep  \$50 if join Oct-Nov-Dec

*Please mail this application with a check to: TRNA, P.O. Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6288*



# Calendar of Events



West Side Family YMCA • 4701 Montano N.W.  
(at Taylor Ranch Road) • Phone: 899-8417

For further information,  
call 899-8417.

## Shorin-Ryu Karate for Beginners

Karate is a means of shaping personality. It is a physical, mental and moral culture. Karate is an ideal exercise for anyone, it teaches skills and discipline, and increases self-esteem and overall fitness.

Mon - Thurs 6 - 7pm  
Session: April 3 - 27, 2000  
\$27.00 for six classes.

## AIKIDO for Adults + Teens

Enjoy the beauty, grace, and power of this purely defensive and non-competitive martial art.

Tue & Wed, 6:30 - 7:30pm and  
Fri 6:30 to 8:00pm.  
Session: April 3 - 28, 2000  
\$40 a session.

## Tee Ball

All children going into K-1st Grade. Each child receives a team shirt and cap, and each gets a turn at bat every inning. Registration begins April 17 and will continue until all teams are filled. Games run June 3 - July 29 (8 games)\$49 per person.

## Beach Waterpark Tickets

The West Side Family YMCA is selling discounted Beach Water Tickets.

A portion of the sales will directly benefit the YMCA. You can enjoy those hot summer days lounging by the poolside or cool yourself off on a daring water slide! Don't miss out on the best way to beat the heat! You can buy your tickets now until May 26.

## Pre-School Gymnastics

Children ages 3 - 5.  
Mondays 6:15pm - 7pm  
and/or Wednesdays 6:15pm - 7pm  
and/or Fridays 7:15pm - 8:15pm  
Session: Weeks of April 3 - May 5  
Registration takes place at the West Side Family YMCA but the actual classes take place at a neighboring elementary school.

\$20 for the one day a week option,  
for a 4 week session.  
\$40 for the two day a week option,  
for a 4 2week session.

## School Age Gymnastics

Children ages 6 and over.  
Mondays 7:15pm - 8:15pm  
and/or Wednesdays 7:15pm-8:15pm  
and/or Fridays 6:15pm - 7:15pm  
Session: Weeks of Apr 3 - May 5

## Multi-Generational Hike

Who: For people of all ages and abilities, who want to enjoy the outdoors, make new friends.

Thursday April 20, 2000  
La Bajada Hill. (Easy 3 mile hike.)  
Bring lunch. Show up at West Side Family YMCA at 9:00am on the day of the hike. Those meeting at YMCA will carpool to the destination. Bring water and a trail lunch or high energy snack. Due to weather changes, come dressed in layers, with sunscreen and a hat.

## Chuckwagon Dinner

Come and enjoy a Bar-b-que style meal from an authentic chuckwagon while getting the chance to meet with active members of the community to discuss future events. Friday, May 5, 2000 from 4:30 - 6:30pm at the Duck Pond & Park. \$11 includes a wide array of food and drinks with a country feel. Tickets may be purchased at the West Side Family YMCA Mon thru Fri from 7am to 6pm. until May 1.

## Coaches Pitch

All children going to 2nd -3rd Grade. No try outs and each child receives team shirt and cap and each gets a turn at bat every inning. Registration begins Apr 17 until teams are filled. Games run June 3 - July 29.

### Note from Gerald T. Galvin, Chief of Police

*This is just a quick note to let you know the Westside Area Command has just gone through a personnel re-assignment. We now have new faces working as patrol officers and sergeants on the Westside.*

*Every year to 18 months, depending on the contract, we have what we call a bid. Based on seniority, officers can choose which part of town they work in, what days off they have and what hours they work. Although we have some officers new to the Westside, I can assure you there should be no disruption in the police service you receive. We have divided the area command into three zones so that you have only one person to call.*

- Taylor Ranch/Paradise Hills (north of Western Trail) - Lieutenant Kyle Baxter - T-F 5pm to 3am. Cottonwood Station 897-8802.
- Ladera - West Bluff - Westgate - Lieutenant Ed Perea - F-M 7:30am to 5:30pm. McWethy Substation 831-4705.
- West Mesa (Lavaland), Pat Hurley, Alamosa, Five Points, Valley Gardens - Lieutenant Conrad Candelaria - F-M 5pm to 3am. McWethy Substation 831-4705.

**You may leave a message for any of these individuals anytime at 831-4705.**

**USEFUL  
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Animal Control (West side) .....	.768-1935
Burn/No-Burn Advisory .....	.768-2876
City/County Information .....	.768-2000
Community Planning .....	.924-3860
Garbage Collection Problems .....	.761-8100
Gas Leaks (days) .....	.246-7474
Gas Leaks (nights & weekends) .....	.880-7300
Graffiti Removal Services .....	.857-8055
Los Volcanes Senior Center .....	.836-8745
Office of Senior Affairs .....	.764-6400
Pothole Hotline .....	.768-4653
Ridepool .....	.243-7433
Recycling Information .....	.761-8100
State Information .....	.1-800-825-6639
Wasted Water Hotline .....	.768-3640
Water & Sewer Emergencies .....	.857-8250
Weed & Litter Complaints .....	.924-3850

**POLICE &  
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PHONE NUMBERS**



Crime Prevention Unit .....	.924-3600
DWI Report Line .....	.1-800-232-8300
DWI Safe Ride Home (year round) .....	.242-RIDE
<b>Emergency</b> .....	<b>.911</b>
Fire (non-emergency) .....	.243-6601
Fire Marshal's Office .....	.888-8124
National Fraud Info. Center .....	.800-876-7060
Phone-in reports, copy of traffic report ..	.768-2030
Poison & Drug Information .....	.272-2222
Police (non-emergency) .....	.242-COPS
Police Substation (West side) .....	.831-4705
Police Substation (Valley) .....	.761-8800
Sheriff's Department (non-emergency) ..	.768-4160
State Police .....	.841-9256
Urgent Care, Presbyterian @ Atrisco ....	.224-7575
Urgent Care, St. Joseph West Side Hospital ....	.893-2000
Urgent Care, Lovelace @ Coors .....	.839-2300

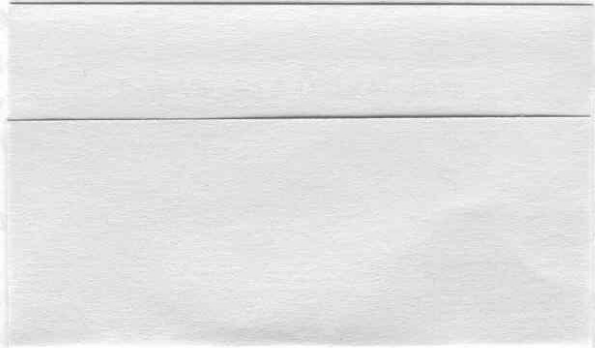
Please pass this on to your neighbor and suggest they join TRNA to receive their own copy of this newsletter. TRNA needs all our neighbor's support to keep improving our neighborhood, planning social events, watching zoning changes, assisting with community policing, and informing you of what's going on in and around your home in Taylor Ranch.



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