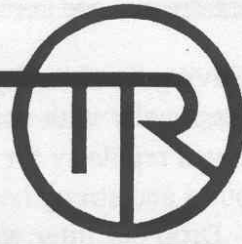




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Newsletter of the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc.

September 2000

Fellow Neighbors,

Yes, you are correct, your President is actually writing a newsletter article. When I was re-elected President in March I had one request: that the vice-president be responsible for the monthly newsletter article. As you will quickly discover, Ron Chapman is a more prolific writer. Unfortunately, Ron has had to step down from his director post. For now you are blessed (not stuck!) with me.

During our last board meeting, the architect for our new community center and John Rupley, with the city, presented to the board members a preview of what is to come. (More info on page 5) It's exciting to know the center is being built! When?? That is up to us. If we, the citizens of Taylor Ranch, push, plead and beg our elected officials to support this project (by providing the additional funding) we can have it built in 2002. If we don't push, etc., it will be 2004. If you do not call them, who will?? (Contact names and numbers are also on page 5) Take some initiative!!

Virginia Klebesadel has formed a new membership committee. Our strength is in the numbers. Please ask a neighbor to join, become active yourself, or write an article for the newsletter.

Have you noticed Riverview Plaza is beginning to develop and Furr's is building at Paseo Del Norte and Golf Course Road? Another developer is planning a 25 acre center at Paseo Del Norte and Eagle Ranch Road. TRNA has a voice in these and other developments.

On closing I will try to offer some good advice - Do Not Speed!! The city is planning to set up radar traps along Homestead Circle. We are part of an experiment to slow down the traffic.

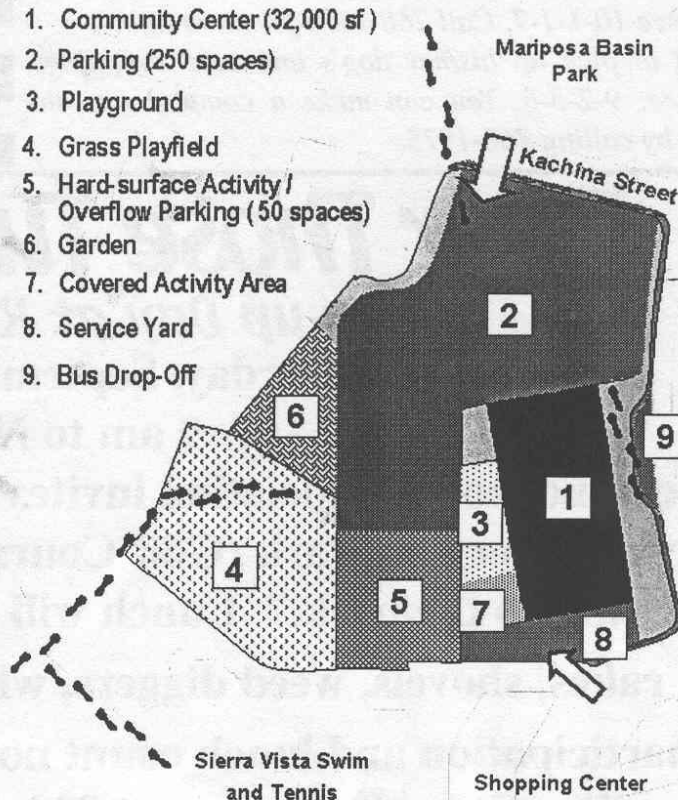
Please give myself or any Director a call if you can help create a better neighborhood!® Until next time,

Rick Lackey, President

Taylor Ranch

Community Center

1. Community Center (32,000 sf)
2. Parking (250 spaces)
3. Playground
4. Grass Playfield
5. Hard-surface Activity / Overflow Parking (50 spaces)
6. Garden
7. Covered Activity Area
8. Service Yard
9. Bus Drop-Off



Kells + Craig
Architects, Inc. AIA



Site utilization plan for proposed Taylor Ranch Community Center. (Inset photographs of Cesar Chavez Community Center.)

TRNA Flea Market

Saturday, October 21
Cross of Hope Church
Parking Lot

\$10/space non-member
\$5/space for members

More info next month.
Questions? Call June
Newman at 898-5447

Letter to the Editor

Having lived in Taylor Ranch for nearly eleven years, having worked professionally with children for over twenty years, and having used Mariposa Basin regularly for walking since its development, I'm wondering how we build and strengthen our children's and our community's character if we:

- Drop our litter when and where we choose?
- Choose not to yield the right-of-way to pedestrians while driving in the Basin?
- Walk our dogs unleashed despite the city ordinance that requires leashing?
- Allow our dogs to defecate on the public pathways and playing fields and make no effort to remove it?
- Are unwilling to politely remind others of the "rules" and accepted courtesies when using Mariposa?

We're fortunate to have Mariposa Basin as a resource in our community. We teach our children to become caring and responsible citizens who are fair, trustworthy, and respectful by what we do and how we behave. We are all powerful in our example.

Peggy Minich

Editor's Note: Dogs are permitted in public places of the city (with the exception of public playgrounds and swimming pools) only if on a secure leash and in a person's control. Any animal found running at large on public property can be declared a public nuisance and can be impounded by an Animal Control Officer. The owner may be cited with violation of misdemeanor. The exception is Roosevelt Park where dogs may be exercised without a leash on certain days and times. Animal Control Ordinances, 9-2-2-3, 9-2-3-2 and Park Ordinance 10-1-1-7. Call 768-1975 for more info.

Pet owners are required to pick up his/her dog's and cats' droppings. Animal Control Ordinance: 9-2-3-8. You can make a complaint to the Animal Services Division by calling 768-1975.

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Clear Those Tumbleweeds!

Clean-up Day at Riverview Park

Saturday, September 23, 2000

9 am to Noon

Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association invites those households who live in the vicinity of Riverview Park (Golf Course and Butterfield) to a morning of "clean-up the park." Lunch will be provided by TRNA.

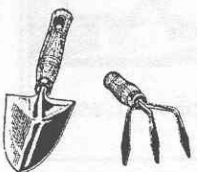
Bring: Gloves, rakes, shovels, weed diggers, wheelbarrows, brooms, etc.

Register your participation and lunch count no later than Tues., Sept 19

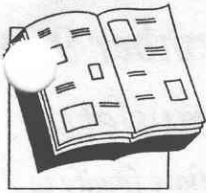
by calling Steve & Frances at 898-4979 or

Mary at 897-9022.

Come join us and make it a family affair!



****Volunteers Needed!!!!****



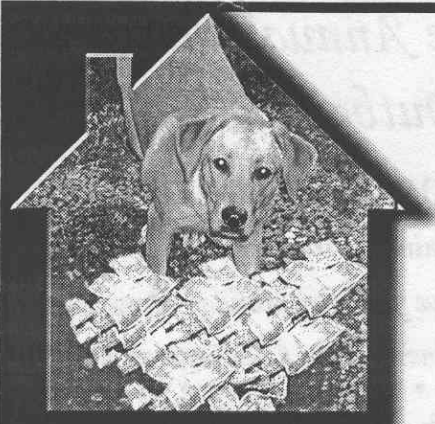
for Reading Programs
at Marie Hughes
Elementary
1:45pm - 3:45pm and
4:00pm - 5:00pm

If you can help, please call
Deborah Tatum at 897-5071.

Middle School Initiative

Anyone interested in having input in the Middle School Initiative or who has an interest in working with students after school, we would love to hear from you. The Middle School Initiative is a program where students have the opportunity to stay after school in programs that strike their interest. We have a high percentage of "latch key" students here in Taylor Ranch. This program is at our middle and elementary schools. If you have a talent or idea you would like to share with our neighborhood kids for a couple of hours one or several days a week, please give me a call at 897-5071. You don't have to commit to all year, just four to six weeks, plus there is compensation.

Deborah Tatum
LBJ Cluster School/Community Liaison



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6961 Taylor Ranch Rd., Suite #D
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890-6696

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Rick Lackey.....	President	897-2259
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The Annual TRNA Holiday Party will be held at Outback Steakhouse this year on December 9. More information coming in the next newsletter.

Reminder: You must be a paid up member for you and your immediate family to receive your free Holiday dinners! New members are encouraged to join now for \$6 and renewals are \$12. (Date on your newsletter address label must be 2000 or greater.)

◆Frequent Neighborhood Concerns◆

Q: What can I do to see that the traffic laws are enforced in my neighborhood?

A: Call your local substation and ask to speak to the traffic unit. Give them information about the specific violations (e.g., speeding, running stop signs) and peak times, if any, that these violations are occurring. The police will evaluate the nature of the problem and have traffic and patrol officers monitor the area as well as provide stepped up enforcement. Since they pursue these reports on a first come, first served basis, they may not get to your neighborhood immediately. *While the police may increase enforcement to catch violators, they cannot install stop signs or speed bumps in your neighborhood. (To find out the process for making physical changes in neighborhoods to deal with traffic problems, such as cut through and high volumes of speeding traffic, contact the Traffic Engineering Operations at 857-8680.)*

Q: What do I do if my neighbor's home or car alarm goes off?

A: Call the police non-emergency number, 242-COPS, unless you think there is a life-threatening situation going on. In that case, call 911. If your neighbor keeps having false alarms, they can be cited and fined. Call the APD Alarm Ordinance Unit at 768-2059 if repeated false alarms are becoming a nuisance.

Q: What can I do if a neighbor is making too much noise (loud music, loud muffler, loud motorcycle)?

A: To voice a noise complaint during business hours, call 768-2600. After hours you may call the Albuquerque Police Department at 242-COPS.



Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc. Membership Application



This is a: new membership
 renewal membership

Type of membership: Resident/Landowner
 Business

09/00

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 Membership, P.O. Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6288

Dear Friends,

At our last Board of Directors meeting, we were fortunate enough to view a lengthy presentation on the Community Center which is to be built at the southwest corner of Taylor Ranch Road and Kachina. Presently, funding is being requested in the General Obligation Bonds currently undergoing review by the City Council.

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO CONTACT OUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES AND URGE THEIR SUPPORT OF FUNDING FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER! Reality in the world of government and politics revolves around vocal strength. While Taylor Ranch is next in line for such a facility and there are many reasons why the project is justified, without your voice it may be deferred. Approval now will result in the facilities probable completion by sometime in 2003, otherwise it will be 2005 or later. Contact the following:

Mayor Jim Baca
 City County Building, 11th Floor
 PO Box 1293
 Albuquerque, NM 87103
 E-Mail: mayor@cabq.gov

Councillor Alan Armijo
 City County Building, 9th Floor
 PO Box 1293
 Albuquerque, NM 87103
 E-Mail: aarmijo@cabq.gov

Lawrence Rael, Chief Administrative Officer
 City County Building, 11th Floor
 PO Box 1293
 Albuquerque, NM 87103
 E-Mail: rrael@cabq.gov

Commissioner Ken Sanchez
 One Civic Plaza
 Albuquerque, NM 87102

Additional information on the Community Center is included in the newsletter, but here is a brief overview. The facility will be intended for intergenerational use with programming for seniors, youth, and families. It's 32,000 square feet will include a gym and fitness center, classrooms, computer rooms, and senior dining as well as outdoor play facilities. The projected cost is approximately \$7 million with \$4.2 million slated for specific bonding and another \$1 million to be provided by senior affairs bonding funds. Additional funds may be solicited from Bernalillo County monies or legislature.

Meetings with the community will held this fall, though these will be principally addressing usage and functionality. In the meantime, please do your part to encourage our elected representatives to support the project.

On a final and unrelated note, it is with sadness that I advise you that I will resign from the Board of Directors by the time this newsletter reaches you. I am moving outside the bounds of Taylor Ranch and will no longer be eligible for membership.

Since 1990 I have been involved in TRNA. In some cases my activities were peripheral, but I had the great pleasure to spend two years revitalizing and rebuilding the Youth Committee as well as this short tenure as a member of the Board. This is a fine community with some extraordinary volunteers. Keep up the good work!®
 Warmest Regards, Ron Chapman, Vice President

TRNA Community Problem Report

Your name: _____ Your phone number: _____ Date: _____

May we give your phone number to the police? Yes No

Would you like to be contacted by a TRNA Director? Yes No Only if necessary 09/00

Location of problem (street, address, building, etc.): _____

Date(s) and time(s) of occurrence (days of week and time of day most often occurs): _____

Description or problem (be as specific as possible): _____

Return this form to any TRNA Director or mail to: Problem Report, TRNA, P.O. Box 66288, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6288

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Animal Control (West side)768-1935
Burn/No-Burn Advisory768-2876
City/County Information768-2000
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 Hotline768-3640
Water & Sewer Emergencies857-8250
Weed & Litter Complaints924-3850

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PHONE NUMBERS**



Crime Prevention Unit924-3600
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DWI Safe Ride Home (year round)242-RIDE
Emergency 911
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

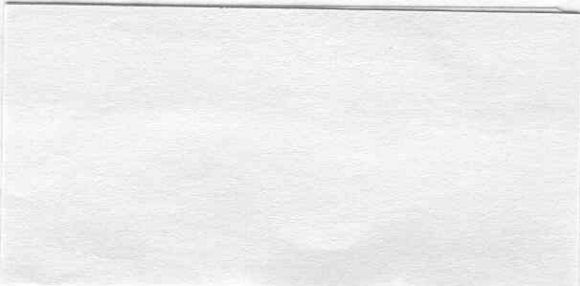
Please pass this on to your neighbor and suggest they join TRNA to receive their own copy of this newsletter. TRNA needs all our neighbor's support to keep improving our neighborhood, planning social events, watching zoning changes, assisting with community policing, and informing you of what's going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



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