

President's Message

Dave Otto, President TRNA

By the time you read this the election will be history. I'd like to thank all of you who attended the candidate forum. Although we did not get into trouble with the fire marshall, we did have more spectators than candidates. (Sometimes it goes the other way). I hope you were able to find out what the state candidates did or did not stand for.

For those of you not at the meeting, I'd like to once again extend some kudos to various members (past and present) of the youth committee. Some of you may know that I am the District 1 representative to the *Community Oriented Policing Steering (COPS)* Committee. One of the things we are currently working on is a federal grant. This grant will provide funds to buy equipment and other policing functions. As part of the grant there will be money to run youth committees. Ms. Torn (Neighborhood Coordination) got up and did a short dissertation on how a good youth committee works and used the **TRNA Committee** as an example. She specifically mentioned the founder **John Hemler** and the current **President Monica Cordova**. After she finished, I wanted to add that we did all that without a federal grant. Anyway, I certainly was proud. And this is not the first time I've heard good things about our youth. They have a good reputation all over the city and were the model for the mid school initiative.

We had about 12 people attend the annual "*Neighborfest*." This is an annual recognition dinner for neighborhood associations. I did not attend but we sent several youth members and other board members. Once again the youth we're the leaders. We submitted several things for awards, but only Monica was recognized as a "future leader". Monica tells me that she has a special project planned for next year that will be a sure winner.

That's about it for now. Our next big event is the **Christmas Party**. This is always a good time. Look elsewhere in this letter for a reservation notice.

God bless your family and see you in next month's newsletter.

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TRNA Annual Christmas Party

6-9 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 7th



One of Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association's most popular events is just around the corner. See the article and reservation form on page four of this newsletter

Important Dates:

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| Until Feb 28th | Call 768-BURN before you light your wood fireplace! |
| 11 Nov - | General Elections |
| 15 Nov all day | <i>Artscrawl</i> self-guided tour of Old Town galleries, 292-7537 |
| 15-17 Nov | Weems Artfest @ Fairgrounds |
| 28 Nov - | Thanksgiving Day |
| 5 Dec - | Albuquerque Biological Park opens |
| 7 Dec - | Holiday Parade |
| 7 Dec 6-9 pm | TRNA Christmas Party. See article and reservation form in this newsletter. Merry Christmas! |
| 22 Nov 9 pm | <i>Mesa Messenger Dec. deadline</i> |

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Editor's Note

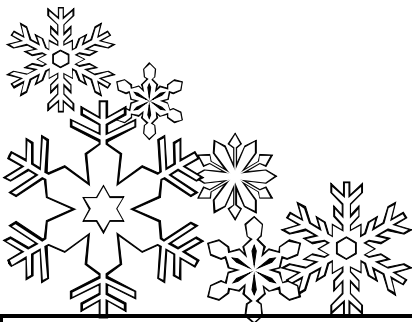
Michael Skroch,
Director TRNA,

Editor Mesa Messenger



Halloween is over and it will be no time until the holiday season will be upon us. All of the TRNA board members hope that your holidays are enjoyable, and to that end they'll be helping at the annual TRNA Christmas party. It's a tradition that they serve you dinner at this function, and Santa always stops by to hand out gifts to the small children of Taylor Ranch. Mark the time on your calendar and send in your registration!

A volunteer has stepped forward to help layout and edit the newsletter. We'll try to switch to each editing every other month's newsletter starting with the next issue. However, I will likely be stepping down as editor completely and would, therefore, like another volunteer to work on the newsletter every other



Mesa Messenger is published just about monthly by the *Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc.* (TRNA) and is distributed to paid TRNA members. Membership information may be found on the last page of this newsletter. **Deadline for articles** and advertisement is the fourth Friday of each month prior to the month of publication; however, it is appreciated if they are turned in earlier. *Mesa Messenger* is distributed by the 15th in the month of publication, usually earlier.

Articles should be submitted to the editor, Michael Skroch, 899-4471 voice & fax, may be mailed to the TRNA post office box. Articles are accepted typed on paper or faxed to the above number; however, they are preferred on a DOS disk as a text, Word, or WP file. Macintosh Word or text files on 1.44 Mb disks are also accepted. You may also email your articles to ambidex@swcp.com.

Call the editor about graphic file formats or images to be scanned.

month. Want to help? The easiest way would be to have an IBM compatible PC and Microsoft Word. That's what I use for layout and I can provide all the templates. With so many people getting Pentium PCs these days, there must be a lot of you out there that could help. Give me a call. ☎

Government Affairs

Bob Woody, Director
TRNA



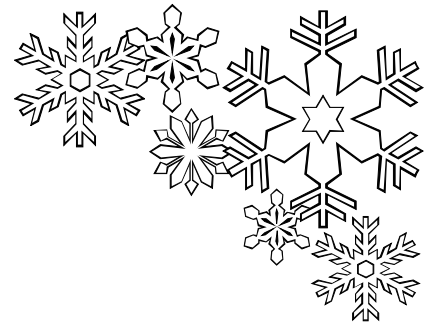
The Circle K Corporation won their appeal for a liquor license at the Golf Course Rd. & Paseo del Norte location.

Phillips 66 has submitted a site base approval plan for a gas station at Coors & Montañño in the NW section. ☎

Eye on Education

Rexanna Jones, Secretary TRNA

The boundary committee is finished with deliberations, the administration has made a recommendation, and now it is up to the Board of Education. On November 20th the decision is scheduled to be made. The middle school boundaries west of the river will not be affected and the high school



proposals offered all include the entire LBJ attendance area. (the Taylor Ranch neighborhoods) in the Cibola High School district.

Kudos to LBJ Principal Marcie Johnson for leading the fight for much needed traffic control near LBJ and her innovative "Crime busters" program to stop vandalism and petty theft.

Site selection is now underway for *two* new middle schools west of the river. These schools would depend on the 1999 general obligation bond election. Thanks to School Board member Robert Lucero for advancing the idea of two mid school sites. ☎

To those readers who have been grinding their teeth over my spelling of "Orthodontist," on and off over the past months, I have typed it one hundred times as punishment and also typed it a couple of times on each page of this newsletter. My apologies to our business member who has been quite good natured about the misspelling! By the way, upon checking I've also been misspelling Lotaburger-ed.

Non-business text-only classified ads such as for-sale, wanted, garage sale, etc. are offered to our paid members at \$5 for up to 50 words, \$0.10 per word extra, tax included. For timely insertion, call the editor. Please advertise early.

Business advertisement is accepted from any business members or resident members who own or operate a business within the borders of TRNA. Business ad rates, payable in advance, are \$10/mo. business card, \$25/mo. 1/4 page, \$50/mo. 1/2 page, \$33/mo. 1/3 page and \$100/mo. full page plus tax. There is a minimum run of three months and there is a 30 percent discount for runs of 6 months or more. *Mesa Messenger* editor and TRNA board reserve the right to refuse any ad or article.



Ad copy in the following sizes only: Full page at 7.5" wide x 9.5" long. Half page at 7.5"x4.75" (3 col.) or 5"x7" (2 col.). Third page at 7.5"x3.2" (3 col.) or 5"x4.75" (2 col.) or 2.5"x9.5" (1 col.). Quarter page at 7.5"x2.5" (3 col.) or 5"x3.5" (2 col.) or 2.5"x7.5" (1 col.). Business card at 3.5"x2".

The editor can help design or lay out your ad and can take camera-ready copy. To place a business ad, please call Michael Skroch.

Many thanks to our newsletter advertisement, production and distribution staff:

Roger Suppona Katie Tucker
Sheryl Kearby Tom & Loyda Wright

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Crime Prevention

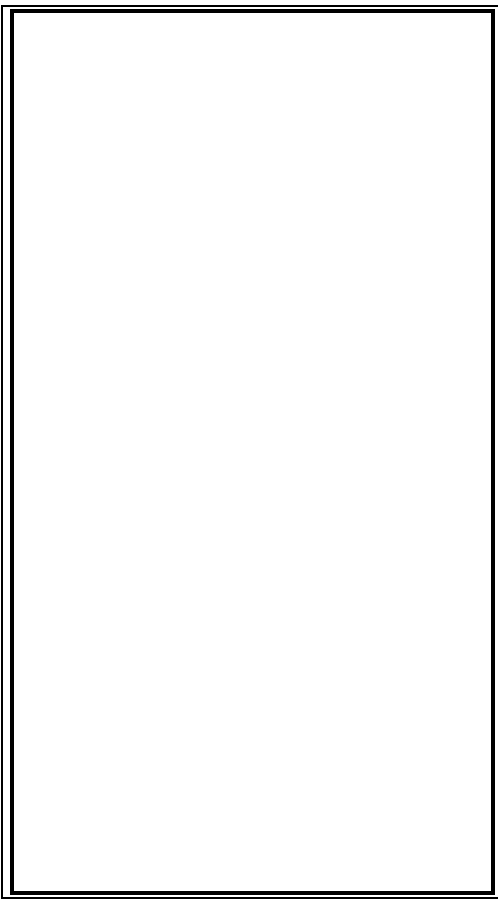
David DeMoss, Director TRNA


On the 18th of September TRNA put on a open forum on crime prevention for all 100 plus block captains in Taylor Ranch. Five captains showed up for the presentation. This is not a good turn out for the area. If we are to keep ahead of crime in this area then we need to be able to have a forum to disseminate information that is received. Meetings such as the on in September are the best way I know to do this. I strongly urge the block captains in Taylor Ranch to attend the next meeting.

On to other information. As of 30 June 1996, there have been 1,772 non-violent crimes committed in the Taylor Ranch area. This information comes from the crime statistics unit of APD. If this trend continues we will see about a one-third increase in crime in this area over last year!

Now the good news. The Chief of Police has informed TRNA that they will be participating in the **Communities On Phone Patrol (COPP)** program. This program brings pre-programmed cell phones into communities so citizen patrols can reach patrol units quicker if they see a crime in progress or someone needs help. We should feel honored to have been chosen out of all the applicants in New Mexico to participate in this program. When we find out how many phones will be distributed, we will select certain areas in Taylor Ranch where they will be used. More on this later.

As the holiday season is coming in like gang busters, we need to be more alert on the things we take for granted such as locking the house when we go shopping, locking the car in a mall parking lot, and being more



attentive to the people and situations around us. These things will slip our minds as we get tied up in the holiday spirit, so be careful and alert. That's all for this issue. Talk to you more in November. 

<p>Business Members </p> <p><i>Our business members support TRNA. Please support them!</i></p> <p>Blake's Lotaburger EduCare of NM Fred van Berkle, Gen. Contractors Travel Trends Dr. Greg Jorgensen, Orthodontist Great Harvest Bread Co. Dr. David B. Greif, D.C.</p>

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TRNA Annual Christmas Party



Rosemary Freelin, TRNA Director, Social Committee Chair

Come out and celebrate the holidays with neighbors, friends, and family. The TRNA Annual Christmas party is will be Saturday December 7th, 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria at the LBJ Middle School on Taylor Ranch Road. It will be catered by Quarters BBQ.

By popular demand, Santa will stop by and hand out presents to the young children in

attendance. Each child in attendance receives a gift which depends on their age.

As a TRNA member this event is free to you and your children. Do you have friends that live outside of Taylor Ranch that may want to come? Ask them. You may host adult and children guests that do not live in Taylor Ranch; however, to offset costs for food and presents please send in \$3 for each non-resident adult guest and \$2 for each non-resident child guest. See the form below.

The Christmas Party Committee needs to have an accurate count and information for gifts to be handed out and food to be provided. We need to know the number of children and adults that will be in

attendance. For the children, we need to know each of their ages. Please fill out a reservation form below and mail it by November 30th. If you'll be hosting non-resident guests, please send in a check.

Oh yes, please bring your favorite dessert to share with others at the party. This is a tradition at the TRNA Christmas party.

Also remember to bring a non-perishable for our food drive. The families that receive these food baskets will be very appreciative.

From the Social Committee, have a great Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. We hope you've enjoyed the parties and activities of the year. ®



Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association Annual Christmas Party Reservation Form

Yes! We will be attending the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association annual Christmas Party on Saturday December 7th! To reserve gifts for the children and food for everyone attending, I am providing the following information for the Christmas Party committee:

Resident's Name: _____ Phone number: _____

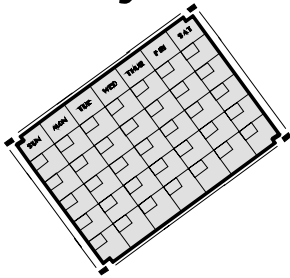
Guests Attending: _____ Child guests @ \$2 each = \$_____ TRNA

Residents Attending: _____ Children: _____
_____ Adult guests @ \$3 each = \$ _____ Adults:

Total of enclosed check made out to TRNA = __\$

For gifts, the age of each child attending is: _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ / _____

It's that time of the year...



to renew your membership in Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association!

TRNA provides numerous benefits for yourself and your community. Help continue to improve our neighborhood and build our community.

Please take the time now to fill out the form on the back of this newsletter and send it in with your membership dues.



**West Side
Family
YMCA
Activities**



Call Anne at 899-8417 for more information. The YMCA is located at 4701 Montañó Rd. NW (at Taylor Ranch Rd.) YMCA membership fees may also apply.

Dance: For boys and girls, creative movement and dance, develop coordination and rhythm through ballet and jazz techniques. Two groups on Tue, ages 4-6 at 6-6:45 p.m., ages 7+ at 7:7:50 p.m., Nov 5 - Dec 10 (6 classes), \$30,

Youth Basketball: for boys and girls kindergarten (in 10 divisions), registration starts Nov 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and every M-F 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. from Nov 4 until teams fill. Practices Dec 2 to Feb 24, eight games from Jan 10 to Mar 1, Friday evenings and Saturdays, \$43.

Tumbling & Gymnastics: two age groups. Ages 3-5, 6-6:45 p.m. Wed or 9:30-10:15 a.m. Thur*; Ages 6-8, 6:50-7:35 p.m. Wed or 10:20-11:05 a.m. Thur*; Session Dates: Oct 23-Dec 11 (8 classes) \$30.

Karate: Shorin-Ryu, ages 5 up, instructor: Bryan Gross, 2nd degree black belt, Mon & Thur, 6-7 p.m. beginners, 7-8 p.m. intermediates, \$45, 4-Dec 16 (12 classes).

Babysitting Workshop: with the YMCA and American Red Cross for kids ages 11 and older. Two Saturdays, Nov 9 & 16, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the YMCA, \$40 per child. Preregister by Nov 6. ®

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Please Renew Now! Help those that volunteer to operate the TRNA by taking a moment now to renew your subscription. Fill out the form at the bottom of this page and send it in along with your check! Thank you.

The TRNA Board of Directors is collecting information on problems requiring police attention and referring them to our APD Substation for you. Just fill out this form printed below and send it in. If we submit the information for you, your problem will receive priority attention. The substation Captain will give priority staffing to problems reported through a recognized community organization such as TRNA. Do yourself and your neighbors a favor; take a few minutes to report dangerous situations, scenes and times of increased vandalism or other criminal behavior!

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

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 of problem (be as specific as possible): _____

(Use an additional sheet of paper if necessary.)

Return this form to any TRNA Director or mail to: Problem Report, TRNA, P.O. Box 75157, Albuquerque, NM 87194

TR Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc. Membership Application

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

Name: _____ Phone number: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Subdivision Name: _____

We can always use your help! Areas of interest in which I will 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, \$37.50 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 75157, Albuquerque, NM 87194

Useful Phone Numbers



Animal Control.....	768-1935
Burn/No-Burn Advisory.....	768-2876
City Information.....	768-2000
County Information.....	768-4000
Garbage Collection Problems.....	761-8100
Gas Leaks (days).....	880-7460
Gas Leaks (nights & weekends).....	880-7300
Graffiti Removal Services.....	857-8055
Graffiti 24-hour Hotline.....	768-4725
Office of Senior Affairs.....	764-6400
Ridepool.....	243-7433
Recycling Information.....	761-8176
State Information.....	1-800-825-6639
Wasted Water Hotline.....	857-8250
Water & Sewer Emergencies.....	857-8028
Weed & Litter Complaints.....	764-1661

Police & Emergency Phone Numbers



Crime Prevention Unit.....	764-1090
DWI Report Line.....	1-800-232-8394
DWI Safe Ride Home (year round).....	242-RIDE
Emergency.....	911
Fire (non-emergency).....	243-6601
Fire Marshal's Office.....	888-8124
Phone-in reports, copy of traffic report.....	768-2020
Poison & Drug Information.....	843-2551
Police (non-emergency).....	242-COPS
Police Substation (Westside).....	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 S. 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 neighbors' 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.



Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, Inc.
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