

# "Home....On the Ranch"

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Ground Breaking Ceremony for one of two new Elementary Schools on the Westside was held on May 7, 2008

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### Across The City

#### Metro Court

Submitted By Janet Blair



Each year, the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court hosts Take Your Daughters and Sons to Work Day in late April. This year was the biggest year ever, with close to 110 children registered for activities. They include tours of the court, security presentations made by Sheriff’s Deputies, (photo) mock trials and of course, snacks.

One of the new activities this year was a tour designed for teenagers entitled the “New Drivers Tour”. This was designed specifically to show young drivers and soon-to-be drivers how Traffic Arraignments work and what adult responsibilities are attached to an operators license — including jury duty.



#### NM Museum of Natural History and Science

Submitted By Tim Aydelott  
Public Relations Manager



**DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS: NEW MEXICO’S TRIASSIC**, the only Triassic Exhibit Hall in North America, opened its doors to the public at the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science at 9 a.m. on May 17, 2008. **DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS** explores the plants and animals of the Triassic Period in New Mexico and the world. The Triassic is a

time that saw the extinction of many kinds of plants and animals and the emergence of two types of animals that have dominated the planet ever since – dinosaurs and mammals.

Visitors to **DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS** will meet one of the first dinosaurs, *Coelophysis*, a voracious predator who led the way to dinosaurian dominance of the planet and New Mexico’s official state fossil. In addition, visitors can interact with the scientist who worked for over three years cleaning the fossils from a 2-ton stone slab filled with *Coelophysis* and other fossils.



**DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS** is a highly interactive, cutting edge exhibit hall of paleontology that features living fossils, the most complete database of research into *Coelophysis*, a wall of phytosaur skulls and an interactive sculpture that allows visitors to explore the evidence scientists use to identify evolutionary trends. The underlying theme of the hall is the evolution of species and how at any one time, species can be placed into one of three categories, species that are: first evolving, persisting in a stable environment, or going extinct. Visitors can explore these three components extensively through text panels, interactives and an animation of the concept.

**DAWN OF THE DINOSAURS** is the New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science’s newest, permanent exhibit and is housed in the *Edward and Mary Gavin Family Dawn of the Dinosaurs Hall*. The hall is dedicated to the tireless efforts of the Gavins and their successful quest to establish the Museum in the early 1980’s. Ed and Mary both served as members of the Museum Foundation Board of Directors and on the Museum Board of Trustees.

The Museum is located at 1801 Mountain Road NW near Old Town in Albuquerque and is open daily from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. except on New Year’s Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and non-holiday Mondays in January and September. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors, and \$4 for children ages 3-12. For more information call **505-841-2800** or visit [www.NMNaturalHistory.org](http://www.NMNaturalHistory.org).

Media Contact: Tim Aydelott at **505-841-2845** or by e-mail [tim.aydelott@state.nm.us](mailto:tim.aydelott@state.nm.us) for more information.



Submitted By John Stomp

### The Final Count Down.....

Construction is almost completed on the largest public project in the state's history – the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project. As of this month, construction is 100 percent completed on all of the 15 underground pipelines included in the project.

The Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority's San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project includes 38 miles of transmission pipeline and six miles of raw water pipeline for a total of 44 miles of large diameter pipeline crisscrossing all sections of the metropolitan area. Construction on the first pipeline actually began in 2004, and along the way, tunnels transported some of the pipelines under the Rio Grande, I-25, I-40, Menaul Boulevard NE, Coors Boulevard NW, Central Avenue NE and Central Avenue SE as well as many major residential streets.

Six miles of pipeline will transport San Juan-Chama water diverted from the Rio Grande River to a state-of-the-art Water Treatment Plant. Once it has been treated, 38 miles of pipeline will transport the water to reservoirs throughout the Albuquerque area. Depending on the time of year and drought conditions, the treated surface water will be mixed in varying amounts with underground water. From those reservoirs, the water will then be delivered to Albuquerque area homes and businesses.

In addition to the pipelines, the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water project also includes a diversion facility on the Rio Grande south of the Alameda Bridge, which was completed in 2006; a raw water pump station, scheduled for completion this summer; and a Water Treatment Plant near I-25 and Montañó Road NE, which will be completed next fall.

Crews are continuing minor activity on the final pipeline project, the Burton Pipeline, in Albuquerque's Southeast Heights this month. Activities include general clean-up and landscaping restoration and should be finished in May. Traffic is not expected to be affected by these remaining items.

Beginning in late 2007 or early 2008, the San Juan Chama Drinking Water Project will provide a sustainable supply of drinking water that will allow our underground aquifer to rest and recharge. We are moving quickly to begin using the San Juan-Chama water now because our current system, which relies entirely on pumping groundwater from the underground aquifer, is being seriously depleted. Right now, only about 50 percent of the water pumped from that aquifer is returned. The rest is lost forever.

If you would like more information on the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project, please call Patti Watson or Shannon Zamarrón at **505-293-2000** or visit <[www.abcwua.org](http://www.abcwua.org)>.

### Legal

Submitted By Naomi Parada  
Alternative Dispute Resolution



### Community Mediation Program

The purpose of community mediation is to bring neighbors together to resolve conflict creatively, rather than fighting one another and allowing conflict to get worse.

Mediation helps people reach agreements, rebuild relationships, and find permanent solutions to their disputes. Mediation is a process where neighbors speak for themselves and make their own decisions.

This is a free service to all residents in the City of Albuquerque. To obtain more information please contact the Alternative Dispute Resolution Office at **505-768-4500**.

### Metro Court

Submitted By Janet Blair



### Judith Nakamura Re-elected as Chief Judge

Chief Judge Judith K. Nakamura has been unanimously re-elected to her third term as chief judge of the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court. The vote came on May 13, 2008 at the judges' monthly meeting. Judge Nakamura was not opposed.

"I appreciate having the confidence of my colleagues and their vote of continuing support for this position," said Judge Nakamura. "I will work hard to maintain their trust during this third term in office. My goals for the court remain the same, we must continue to provide courteous and efficient administration of justice for the residents of Bernalillo County."

The Chief Judge of the Metropolitan Court continues to preside over a reduced caseload and has administrative responsibility over the court's budget, personnel policies and all other operational matters. The judges of the court, as individual elected officials, serve under the supervision of the New Mexico Supreme Court.

Judge Nakamura obtained her juris doctorate from the University of New Mexico School of Law in 1989. In December of 2004, she was named Judge of the Year by the Albuquerque Bar Association and in September of 2006 Mothers Against Drunk Drivers honored her with the National President's Award for Judge of the Year for her efforts in the establishment of the Enhanced DWI First Offender's program at Metropolitan Court.

Also in 2006, she was presented with the University of New Mexico Alumni Association's Zia Award, an award given to recognize UNM alumni who have distinguished themselves in our community.

# NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP

## ACROSS THE FENCE

### Farthest Community in Albuquerque - Ventana Ranch

Submitted By Susan Vigil, Planning Intern

I don't know who else believes in prophecies. When I first met Don Newton, former Manager of the Office of Neighborhood Coordination, we spoke about Westside developments, an area he was involved with since the 70's. Don helped orchestrate developments like Volcano Cliffs, a progressive, eco-conscious community, where, as a teenager, I withdrew to follow the wind across empty stretches of mesa. My paradise was intended for development all along; I am consoled, however, that Volcano Cliffs is planned in environmental harmony. Like magic, Don revealed the design of Taylor Ranch to me, with its carefully preserved view sheds, and explained the logic of Ventana Ranch which, when it was built, marked the farthest west community in Albuquerque. We exchanged memories of the Petroglyph Monument. Don and his boys walked the dusty trails of Boca Negra escarpment to chart a quick short route through the park, while I would climb the black basalt only to be startled by an ominous mask, warning "don't climb here." Casually, Don handed me a document one day, explaining it was one of the first of its kind: *Las Imagines: The Archeology of Albuquerque West Mesa Escarpment*, Matthew F. Schmader and John D. Hays; Open Space Division, Parks and Recreation, City of Albuquerque. 1986. While flipping through *Las Imagines*, one petroglyph's fluid design of circles and squares set at the far end of a string leading to a spiral struck me. Perhaps the symbol depicts an ancient insight into the paths and people destined to live beside the sacred drawings.

Though Don passed away in 2006, his cheerful character lingers on. Laura Horton, president of **Ventana Ranch Neighborhood Association**, boundaries, speaks about Don's passing as a call for passionate neighborhood leaders to fill the void. Undeniably, Laura is a powerhouse of advocacy for Ventana Ranch and Albuquerque's Westside neighborhoods. Ventana Ranch is renowned for achieving new schools, roads and community involvement. Laura reasons that a group "can complain or be proactive and work where work needs to be done." Last year, Laura devoted herself to three APS review committees to address overcrowding at Westside schools: The Capital Strategy Task Force; The Capital Master Review Committee; and The New Community Capital Advisory Committee. "Schools can't be built without money", Laura asserts. Her down-to-earth approach paid off with APS's promise of four new schools in the area. A high school and middle school will open in August, 2008, and two new elementary schools are slated to open in January, 2009. One of the two elementary schools, yet to be named, held ground breaking ceremonies May 7, 2008. Start-up meetings for the elementary schools will begin this summer.

CNM's Westside campus located next to Ventana Ranch opened in 2006. "Their location here is a great asset for our two high schools (Cibola and Volcano Vista) that can now partner with CNM's Work Force Training Program." Reflects Laura.

CNM introduced an additional 3500 vehicles daily to the neighborhood. Since the association's inception in 2001, they have worked to create a viable street network to accommodate traffic. Ventana Ranch neighborhood representatives attended approximately 52 meetings in support of the Paseo del Norte extension. "For us, it was the difference between a five minute or 20 minute one way trip to the grocery store," explains Laura, "it's a matter of connecting the dots Paseo, Universe, Unser, Irving and McMahon with a grid system, there can be an accident and traffic can still move through to the other end of McMahan where the hospital is." As someone who has brought peace by the mesa land, I make every effort to travel these roads with respect and harmony for their history as sacred pathways.

Themes of cooperation and harmony run through Ventana Ranch.

The community comes together for cookies and tamales at Christmas as well as a small parade. The Ventana Ranch newsletter, "The Windows", is delivered with coupons and goodies in Welcome Baskets for newcomers. In February, Ventana Ranch hosted an annual Spring Festival gathering over 700 in attendance and offering egg hunts, games, music, bake sales, \$500 in prizes and jumpers for kids. Laura explains, "Community outreach and as many partnerships as possible are important to our association's success." The association's extensive supporting partnerships include The Westside YMCA, APS Schools, Albuquerque Cub Scouts, The Family Church and merchants such as Party City.



Though today we take it for granted the ideal of democracy was revolutionary in the 18th century, though today we take it for granted. Community organizations and planning efforts are centrally tied to the paradigm of democracy. The recently formed Neighborhood Association Task Force of which Laura is a member, is acting to revive an Albuquerque Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Associations to be called "*One Albuquerque*." The group aspires toward a democratic representation of recognized neighborhood associations. Laura foresees an apolitical force of community leaders organized to mentor and advise Albuquerque neighborhoods. Membership will require volunteer hours committed to the Albuquerque's Office of Neighborhood Coordination. The group will offer rewards for associations that follow a democratic process. For instance, is neighborhood support for a development found through public input or board consensus? *One Albuquerque* wishes to dedicate themselves to great leadership in Albuquerque communities, honoring citizens like the late Don Newton of the Taylor Ranch Neighborhood Association, the late Mrs. Alvorn Clifton of the Trumbull Village Association, and the late Larry Weaver of the Paradise Hills Civic Assication and the Westside Coalition of Neighborhood Association's. "We want to keep them in our hearts and philosophies" Laura reflects, "to work toward the positive and get things done in our communities." In this spirit, let us cherish the healthful directions bequeathed to us by our land's elders and leaders.







Patrick Montoya

From The Manager's Desk

Help Us  
Help You

Contrary to popular belief, things are not slowing down in City Government. While building permits are down from last year there is still a considerable amount of activity going on in the construction industry to keep staff from the Planning Department busy. In addition, the number of calls that are recorded by 311 for the Planning Department has increased over the year. The number of citations issued by code enforcement staff has also increased.

As a result, the number of people that visit or call the Office of Neighborhood Coordination has also increased slightly over the past year. Our staff has adjusted work schedules and the workload has shifted some among the staff. All of this has been done in order to better serve the general public as well as the many neighborhood associations throughout the city.

We are experiencing monthly changes to the list of contacts we have recorded in our office. There are some months that the number of changes exceeds fifty (50). Dalaina does an excellent job of keeping the list updated and current. In recent months some associations have lost their "Recognition" (R) status for failure to submit the evidence for their Neighborhood Association Annual General Meeting. The notifications, meetings, officer elections, and other formalities have happened months before a report is turned into our office. Remember you have 60 days from the date of your annual meeting to submit a report to us

without jeopardizing the (R) status of your association. We will continue to call and remind you if we have not received your report within the timeframe it is due.

I am here to serve you. So are Stephani, Dalaina and Deborah. As a division of the Planning Department we are focused on detailed record keeping. We take pride in the work we do and the level of service we provide to you and the community at large. But, in order to accomplish our goal we need you to HELP US so that we can HELP YOU.

It's almost mid-year so maybe your mid-year resolution could be to send in your annual report or any changes in your organization to our office on time. It would surely save you time and effort, additional postage and hours of duplication of effort on your behalf.

As a general reminder we have eliminated the Neighborhood Workshop Corner from this newsletter. Our office will not conduct any workshops throughout the summer months. Keep your eyes open for the fall schedule.

**Parks and Recreation**

*Submitted By Jodi Hedderig*

**2008 Open Space Summer Series**

Mayor Martin J. Chávez and the City of Albuquerque's Parks and Recreation Department, Open Space Division, invites you for a summer of family fun during our 2008 Open Space Summer Series. All Saturday Series programs take place at the Elena Gallegos Double Shelter Amphitheater and are free with a \$2.00 entry fee.

We're taking a new direction with the Sunday Hikes by partnering with the Nicodemus Wilderness Project to offer "Leave No Child Inside" programs in the hopes of getting whole families to experience greater aspects of the outdoors. The Sunday Hikes will occur in many different Open Space locations. View our website <[www.cabq.gov/](http://www.cabq.gov/)

[openspace](#)> or call Bill Pentler at 505-452-5222 for more information.

**Saturday Sunset Series at Elena Gallegos Picnic Area**

The Saturday Sunset Series will feature talks, demonstrations and shows by some of Albuquerque's best speakers, teachers and performers at the Elena Gallegos Picnic Area Amphitheater on Saturdays at 7 p.m.

**May 24 Elhazar "The Flowers"** – Middle Eastern Dancing by students of Millie Achramovitch.

**May 31 Capture and Care – Animal Services** – A Field Officer will give an educational talk and discussion about animals and job experiences.

**June 7 Weather or Not – Meteorology** – An educational talk by Deidre Kann of the National Weather Service.

**June 14 Two Roses: Flute and Harp** – Performance by Bonnie Schmader and Donese Mayfield.

**June 21 NM Reptiles and Amphibians** – Animal demonstration and talk by Scott Bulgrin of the NM Herpetological Society.

**June 28 History and Hauntings** – Facts and stories of the area by the Southwest Ghost Hunters Assoc.

**Sunday Hikes - From varied areas of Open Space.**

On Sundays, starting at 9 a.m. unless stated otherwise, knowledgeable guides and members of our community lead explorations and offer demonstrations in an assortment of fields and specialties. Hikes with an \* will be included in our partnership with the Nicodemus Wilderness Project's Apprentice Ecologist Initiative. We hope that those who attend most or all of the designated hikes will follow through with an Apprentice Ecologist Project and essay. The young, student author of the best essay could win a \$500 scholarship. Our wish, for those who don't want to participate in the full program, is to nudge you and your family to widen your horizons and begin a lifelong ritual of returning (continued on page 6)

to your newly discovered favorite Open Spaces.

**May 25 \*Wild About Wildflowers** – Pearl Burns, National Forest Service. Meet at the Elena Gallegos Pino Trailhead. This is a two to three hour hike.

**June 1 Butterfly and Bird Hike** – Rebecca Gracey. Meet at the Elena Gallegos Cottonwood Springs Parking Area. This is a two hour hike beginning at 8 a.m. **Bring Binoculars.**

**June 8 \*Map and Compass for Families** – Paul Daily. Meet at the Open Space Visitor Center for a two to three hour hike and demonstration.

**June 15 \*Bosque Bird Hike** – Verne Huser. Meet at the Open Space Visitor Center. The hike will be two hours and begin at 8 a.m. **Bring Binoculars.**

**June 22 Bees and Bee Hives** – Jerry Anderson. Meet at Candelaria Farms for a two hour demonstration and talk.

**June 29 \*Family Mountain Bike Ride and Clinic** – Chuck Malogoti. Meet at Pueblo Montañño for a two hour session. **Bring your bike** for a light to medium ride. Poblanos Fields for a two to three hour talk and hike.

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**Directions To Events:**

**Elena Gallegos Park** - The Elena Gallegos Park is located at the end of Simms Park Road NE, east of Tramway Boulevard NE, just north of Academy Road NE.

**Open Space Visitor Center** – Located at 6500 Coors Boulevard NW between Montañño Road NW and Paseo Del Norte NW. Look for the brown signs saying “Open Space Visitor Center” and turn east on Bosque Meadows Road NW.

**Candelaria Farms** – Located off of Rio Grande Boulevard NW on Arbor Road NW. Arbor Road NW is about four blocks north of Candelaria Road NW. Arbor Road NW dead-ends at the gate to the farm.

**Pueblo Montañño** – Located on the southeast corner of Coors Boulevard NW and Montañño Road NW. It’s the park that has all the, wonderful carved sculptures by Mark Chávez.

**A Message From  
Your City Council (cont. from page 7)**

**Debbie Stover is the Council’s Senior Policy Analyst / Planning.** She joined the Council staff in January 2007 but has worked for the City for 22 years. Just prior to coming to Council Services, Debbie was the manager of the Advance Planning Division in the Planning Department. She has also served as the Environmental Planning Commissioner for District 6.

Debbie’s main responsibilities as the Council’s Senior Planner include coordinating planning matters for the City Council, overseeing the development and adoption of new plans, and working with neighborhoods and the community on specific planning issues. She is currently assisting Councilor Benton with the development of the West Downtown Corridor Plan, Councilor Jones with the District 8 Overlay Zone, and Councilor Mayer with the Uptown Sector Development Plan. In the near future, she will be working with Councilor O’Malley on planning initiatives for District 2.

Asked what she likes most about the Council office, Debbie said the councilors, the staff, and the vibrant, active atmosphere of the office. In her spare time, Debbie enjoys tending to her lavender farm outside of Albuquerque and traveling the world.

**Bruce Thompson is the Council’s Senior Policy Analyst,** a position he has held since January 2006. Prior to joining the Albuquerque City Council staff, Bruce was the City Attorney for the City of Santa Fe, an Assistant City Attorney for the City of Albuquerque, and an Assistant Attorney General for the State of New Mexico. Bruce earned both his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Washington, Seattle.

As the Council’s Senior Policy Analyst, Bruce deals with an array of legal issues, most of which are related to land-use and zoning matters. He is responsible for analyzing proposed resolutions and ordinances to make sure they are

consistent with State and Federal law, drafting new legislation, and reviewing issues coming before the Council for their legal implications.

What Bruce likes most about working in Council Services is the opportunity to work with individuals who are sincerely dedicated to public service. In his spare time, Bruce enjoys hiking in the Sandias and trekking in other countries around the world.

**Jon Zaman is the Council’s Senior Policy Analyst / Budget.** He worked for the City of Denver, first as a Budget Analyst in the Finance Department, then as a Senior Budget Analyst for the Denver City Council, for six years. He also held the positions of Director of Marketing and Intergovernmental Relations for the New Mexico Finance Authority and Director of Development for the Albuquerque Rescue Mission prior to joining the Council Services staff three years ago.

Jon’s major responsibilities include overseeing all of the Council’s budgetary and fiscal matters (annual, capital and office budgets), analyzing legislation that is brought before the Council, drafting original legislation that has a fiscal or budgetary impact, and working on special projects such as Public Improvement Districts, tax increment financing and other revenue-generation issues.

Jon likes being where important policy decisions that affect the future of the city are being made, and he enjoys having the opportunity to help councilors make good, informed decisions. In his spare time, Jon likes to spend time with his family, play tennis, golf and ride his bike.





**City Council**

Council staff may be reached at **505-768-3100**. The agenda for an upcoming council meeting may be checked by calling **505-768-3100** after 1 p.m. on the Friday immediately prior to the council meeting. The City Council's fax number is **505-768-3227**. Agendas, Action Items and Summaries are available on the Council's webpage at <[www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html](http://www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html)>.

**Your City 2007-08 Councilors:** (L to R, back row) Isaac Benton, District 3; Michael Cadigan, District 5; Rey Garduño, District 6; (L to R, middle row) Sally Mayer, District 7; Trudy Jones, District 8; Ken Sanchez, District 1; (L to R, seated) Don Harris, District 9; Brad Winter, President, District 4.; Debbie O'Malley, District 2

**A Message From Your City Council**

*Submitted By Kara Shair-Rosenfield*

**Meet the City Council's Senior Policy Staff**

The City Council's Senior Policy Staff consists of seven members who support the councilors and their assistants on legislative drafting and analysis, budgetary and fiscal matters, and planning issues. Much of the work they do is "behind-the-scenes" and while you may never interact directly with them, you should know that they are an integral part of the Council office, each serving an important role and helping carry out the work of the City Council. This article will introduce you to each of them and explain their respective areas of expertise.

**Andrew Garcia is a Planning Policy Analyst** and the newest member of the Council staff, having started on April 28, 2008. He has worked for the City for 14 years, primarily in the Planning Department where recently he was a planner in the Land Development Division.

Andrew will be working with Debbie Stover on carrying out the planning initiatives of the councilors and the Council office. This will include working on the development of new sector plans and updating old sector plans, such as the Los Duranes Sector Development Plan.

Though Andrew is new to the Council office, he is looking forward to the opportunity to work on land-development issues from a different perspective and interact more closely

and directly with neighborhoods and community members. In his spare time, Andrew enjoys biking, golfing, gardening and spending time with his family.

**Marti Luick is a Policy Analyst II** who works with Jon Zaman on budget matters. She has been with the Council office since December 2007, but many of you may know Marti from the 18 years she spent with the City's Department of Family and Community Services, where she was involved with program development for affordable housing. Prior to coming to the City of Albuquerque, Marti was the deputy director of the St. Vincent Hospital Foundation and also served as the first executive director of the Santa Fe Community Foundation.

Since coming to the Council office, Marti has been working on a variety of budget-related issues. She reviews and analyzes proposed legislation, works with councilors on special initiatives, such as Councilor Garduño's Growers' Market Study, and is responsible for reviewing portions of the City's annual budget.

Marti says what she likes most about working in Council Services is the great group of people – councilors and staff – who work together and support each other. In her spare time, Marti enjoys working out, gardening and cooking.

**Laura Mason is the Director of Council Services** and has been with the Council office for fourteen years. Prior to coming to Council Services, Laura was an Assistant City Attorney in the City's Legal Department; before that, she was in private practice. She earned her BA from the University of Michigan and her

law degree from the University of New Mexico.




Laura works with the councilors to develop and implement Council policies and oversees the Council Services staff and budget.

Laura enjoys being involved municipal government and working daily on issues that will improve the quality of life for Albuquerque citizens. In her role as director, she doesn't get to draft legislation as often as she would like, but one of her favorite aspects of the job is working with the professional and enthusiastic Council Services staff. In her spare time, Laura enjoys spending time with her family, doing home improvements, reading and doing the Wall Street Journal crossword puzzle.

**Tom Menicucci is a Policy Analyst II** who has been with Council Services for seven years. Prior to working in the Council office, Tom spent over five years with the City's Department of Municipal Development, working on traffic calming and sidewalk projects. Tom's area of specialization is transportation planning. In addition to being the Council's liaison to the Mid-Region Council of Governments, Tom's responsibilities include overseeing the Council Neighborhood Set Aside funds, drafting legislation, working on design regulations and assisting with transportation and traffic issues that arise in each district.

What Tom likes most about the Council office is that things are interesting and always changing, and that there are many challenges to resolve. In his spare time, Tom coaches soccer, gardens and rides his bike. **(continued on page 6)**



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<b>Thursday, May 22</b> •District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m.	<b>Monday, June 2</b> •City Council – 5 p.m.	<b>Thursday, June 12</b> •GWPAB – 8:30 a.m. •TAB – 9 a.m. •Feedback Forum – 11:45 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 3 p.m. •POC – 4 p.m. •South Valley Coalition – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Thursday, June 19</b> •EPC Hearing – 8:30 a.m.
<b>*Monday, May 26</b> City Offices Closed Memorial Day*	<b>Tuesday, June 3</b> •SWAN – 6 p.m.	•EPC Pre-Hearing – 3 p.m. •POC – 4 p.m. •South Valley Coalition – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Tuesday, June 24</b> •BOA – 9 a.m.
<b>Tuesday, May 27</b> •BOA – 9 a.m.	<b>Wednesday, June 4</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •PAB – 10 a.m. •Westside Coalition – 7 p.m.	<b>Monday, June 16</b> •City Council – 5 p.m.	<b>Wednesday, June 25</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •LEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, May 28</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •LEPC – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m.	<b>Thursday, June 5</b> •AAB – 9 a.m. •North Valley Coalition – 6:30 p.m.	<b>Tuesday, June 17</b> •ZHE – 9 a.m. •GARTC – 4:30 p.m.	
	<b>Monday, June 9</b> •GABAC – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Wednesday, June 18</b> •ADC – 3 p.m. •DRB – 9 a.m. •District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m.	
	<b>Wednesday, June 11</b> •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m. •AQCB - 5:15 p.m.		

**2008 CALENDAR/LEGEND**

**AAB** - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room  
**ACTMI** - Advisory Committee on Transit for the Mobility Impaired - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE  
**ADC** - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room (Basement Level), Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW  
**AQCB** - Air Quality Control Board, Council Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall  
**BOA** - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second Street NW  
**City Council** - Council/Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall  
**District 4 Coalition** - Fire Station 20, 7520 Corona NE  
**District 6 Coalition** - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn SE  
**District 7 Coalition** - Sandia High School, Teacher's Lounge, 7801 Candelaria NE  
**District 8 Coalition** - James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery NE  
**DRB** - Development Review Board, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW  
**East Gateway Coalition** - Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center, 501 Elizabeth SE  
**EPC** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second Street NW, Basement Level  
**EPC Pre-Hearing** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW, Third Fl. Conference Room  
**EPC Study Session** - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW, Third Floor Conference Room  
**FF** - Feedback Forum, Planning Department, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room, (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW  
**GABAC** - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302  
**GARTC** - Greater Albuquerque Recreational Trails Committee - Locations vary, call **505-768-5308** for information  
**GWPAB** - Ground Water Protection Advisory Board - Room 302 City/County Building, 400 Marquette NW  
**LEPC** - Local Emergency Planning Committee - 11510 Sunset Gardens SW, **505-833-7300** or <[www.lepcbqbernco.org](http://www.lepcbqbernco.org)> for more info.  
**LUCC** - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol, Hearing Room (Basement Level), 600 Second Street NW  
**North Valley Coalition** - Los Griegos Multi-Service Center, 1231 Candelaria NW  
**PAB** - ParaTransit Advisory Board - Alvarado Transportation Center, 100 First Street SW  
**POC** - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, Fifth and Marquette  
**SEPC** - Special Events Permitting Committee - 6th floor, Cultural Services Department Conference Room, City Hall, Fifth and Marquette  
**SVCNA** - South Valley Coalition of Neighborhoods Associations, Rio Bravo Senior Center, 3910 Isleta Boulevard SW  
**SWAN** - South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Alamosa Multi-Service Center, 6900 Gonzales SW  
**TAB** - Transit Advisory Board - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE  
**Westside Coalition** - Don Newton/Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina NW  
**ZHE** - Zoning Hearing Examiner Offices- 200 Third Street NW, Suite 735, **505-924-3918**; ZHE Hearings are held in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, basement level, 600 Second Street NW



**EPC Hearing Notice**

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** if you have questions.

**Neighborhood Alert** – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. The **48-Hour Rule of the EPC**: All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **Tuesday** of the Public Hearing week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

**In order to make maximum use of the following information please note:**

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda). All staff may be reached at **505-924-3860**.
- On the day of the Hearing, call Planning at **505-924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **Thursday** prior to the EPC Hearing.

**On the 2nd Thursday of each month**, the EPC has a Study Session to review the applications scheduled for the all-day Public Hearing which occurs on the **3rd Thursday of each month**. As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions; however, Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC. Study Sessions regularly begin at **3 p.m.** in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at **505-924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, June 19, 2008 at 8:30 a.m.** in the **Plaza del Sol Hearing Room (basement level), 600 Second Street NW** for the following cases:

**Northeast**

**Academy Acres North, Albuquerque Meadows (neighborhood/homeowner association); 08EPC-40045 and 40046, Project #1002455 (case #'s)**; Approximately 2.73 acre(s) located on the south side of San Antonio Drive NE between San Pedro Drive NE and I-25 Freeway (**location of request**); E-18 (**zone atlas page #**); Timothy M. Ott at **505-250-4675 (applicant or agency and phone #)**; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit and Subdivision for a proposed two story office building for the New Mexico State Engineer, Albuquerque District Office (**action requested**); Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**, e-mail: cgtoffaleti@cabq.gov (**city staff planner**)

**Quail Springs; 08EPC-40043, Project #1007266**; Approximately .866 acre(s) located on the north side of Alameda Boulevard NE between Wyoming Boulevard NE and Eagle Feather Drive NE; C-19; Jarrod Cline at **505-246-0870**, agent for James Twohig, DDS and Mary Roser Twohig, DDS; Request a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed single story dental office building – “Twohig Dental Office Complex”; Randall Falkner at **505-924-3933**, e-mail: rfalkner@cabq.gov.

**South Los Altos, Indian Moon, La Mesa; 08EPC-40044, Project #1000171**; Approximately 6.1 acre(s) located on the south side of Lomas Boulevard NE between Wyoming Boulevard NE and I-40 Freeway; K-20; Garrett Smith, Ltd., at **505-766-6968**, agent for City of Albuquerque, Animal Welfare Department; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed remodel and expansion of the existing Eastside Animal Services Center; Catalina Lehner at **505-924-3935**, e-mail: clehner@cabq.gov.

**Northwest**

**Eagle Ranch, Paradise Hills Civic; 08EPC-40041, Project #1001907**; Approximately 1.6911 acre(s) located on the west side of Irving Boulevard NW and Congress Avenue NW; B-13; Consensus Planning, Inc. at **505-764-9801**, agent for Med West 2008, LLC; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed multi-tenant medical office building; Maggie Gould at **505-924-3910**, e-mail: mgould@cabq.gov.

**Alvarado Gardens, Rio Grande Blvd.; 08EPC-40048 and 40053, Project #1004413**; Approximately 1.22 acre(s) located on the west side of Rio Grand Boulevard NW between Oro Vista Road NW and Campbell Road NW; G-12; Consensus Planning, Inc. at **505-764-9801**, agent for Peter Paregg; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit and a Zone Map Amendment from RA-2 to SU-1 for Professional Office for a proposed one and two story professional office building; Carol Toffaleti at **505-924-3345**, e-mail: cgtoffaleti@cabq.gov.

Northwest (continued)

La Luz Landowners, Taylor Ranch; 08EPC-40049, 40051 and 40052, Project #1000901; Approximately 47.11 acre(s) located on the east side of Learning Road NW between Coors Road NW and Rio Grande Bosque NW; F-12; Consensus Planning, Inc. at 505-764-9801, agent for Bosque School; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit and Subdivision and a Zone Map Amendment for Bosque School for new buildings, etc.; Carmen Marrone at 505-924-3814, e-mail: cmarrone@cabq.gov.

Southeast

Barelas, Broadway Central Corridors; Citizen’s Information Committee of Martineztown; Downtown, Huning Highland Historic District, Raynolds Addition, Santa Barbara-Martineztown, South Broadway, Downtown Action Team; 08EPC-40042, Project #1003224; On or near Central Avenue and Broadway Boulevard between Coal Avenue and Central Avenue; K-14; City of Albuquerque, Planning Department at 505-924-3860; Requests a Text Amendment to the Huning Highland Sector Development Plan – Revision of Development Guidelines Huning Highland East Downtown UCOZ; Maryellen Hennessey at 505-924-3891, e-mail: mhennessey@cabq.gov.

Mountain View; 08EPC-40047, Project #1004075; Approximately 3012 acre(s) located on the east of Broadway SE and south of Los Picaros SE; Q-16-17; R-14-17, S-14-17, T-14, U-13; Denish + Kline Associates at 505-842-6461, agent for Forest City Covington NM, LLC; Requests a Amendment to the Mesa del Sol Level B Community Master Plan regarding the development of a wireless telecommunication system; Catalina Lehner at 505-924-3935, e-mail: clehner@cabq.gov.

Trumbull Village, La Mesa; 08EPC-40050 and 40054, Project #1007267; Approximately 1.34 acre(s) located on the south side of Central Avenue SE between Texas Street NE and Tennessee Street SE; K-19; John A. Myers, Myers, Oliver and Price at 505-247-9080, agent for Elderly Housing Development and Operation Company; Requests a Site Development Plan for Building Permit and Zone Map Amendment from C-2 to SU-1 for Senior Living for a proposed “affordable” 40 unit, four story elderly housing building; Randall Falkner at 505-924-3933, e-mail: rfalkner@cabq.gov.

Cultural Services, Library Division

Submitted By Riann K. Powell

Catch the Reading Bug!



With summer vacation just around the corner, the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System is gearing up for the 2008 Summer Reading Program *Catch the Reading Bug*. This year’s program runs from **May 30 to July 25**, with five kick-off events on Saturday, May 31, 2008.

During this **FREE** eight week program, children, teens and adults are encouraged to register, read and attend any of the programs that the libraries offer. As an incentive to read for fun during the summer, children and teens can collect a prize each time they visit the library. For every ten hours of reading all participants can also enter their name into a raffle for additional prizes. Throughout the summer, participating libraries will feature free entertainment by magicians, musicians, storytellers and more!

This year the Library is offering additional programs and entertainment for teens. We’re also looking for great teen volunteers to help out during the summer with registration, prize giveaways and other activities. If you’re a teen that’s interested in becoming a Summer Reading Program Volunteer, visit your local library or call **505-768-5136**.

For additional information about the Summer Reading Program, including the entertainment lineup and kick-off party details, visit the library website at <[www.cabq.gov/library](http://www.cabq.gov/library)> or call **505-768-5136**.

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# CITY SCOOP

## News From City Departments

### Cultural Services

Submitted By Linda Hubley,  
Events and Operations Manager

#### 2008 Summer Concert Band Series



**The Albuquerque Concert Band**

The Albuquerque Concert Band has been elevating the Albuquerque cultural community with fabulous performances of band music for over 40 years.

This summer the band will present five **FREE** performances at various parks throughout the city giving folks an opportunity to enjoy an evening of wonderful music in their own backyard.

Join us on Wednesday evenings, with chairs, blankets, picnic/coolers, etc. and relax, dance and listen to an array of concert band presentations.

#### Concert Dates and Locations

**Wednesday, June 11, 2008**  
Burton Park, 7 - 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 25, 2008**  
Roosevelt Park, 7 - 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, July 9, 2008**  
Heritage Hills Park, 7 - 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, July 23, 2008**  
Montano West Park, 7 - 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, August 6, 2008**  
Academy Hills Park, 7 - 8 p.m.

Call **311** for more information or visit:  
<[www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html](http://www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html)>



*Martin J. Chávez*, the *Cultural Services Department* and the *Parks and Recreation Department* proudly present Civic Cinema, an outdoor film series featuring five free classic films from days of yore. Offered on Friday evenings, folks can come out to *Harry E. Kinney Civic Plaza* and watch a classic film under the stars, on a giant picture screen.

Start popping that popcorn and please plan to join us this summer. Movies will start at approximately 8:30 p.m.

**Friday, June 20, 2008: *Viva Las Vegas*,**  
1965 - Elvis Presley and Ann-Margret

**Friday, June 27, 2008: *Vertigo*, 1958 -**  
Hitchcock directs, James Stewart and Kim Novak

**Friday, July 18, 2008: *Rebel Without a Cause*,**  
1955 - James Dean and Natalie Wood

**Friday, July 25, 2008: *Breakfast at Tiffany's*,**  
1961 - Audrey Hepburn (Two Oscars-Song and Score)

**Friday, August 1, 2008: *Young Frankenstein*,**  
1974 - a Mel Brooks classic, Gene Wilder and Madeline Kahn





## **Parks and Recreation**

*Submitted By JoLynn Maestas*

### **Summer Junior Tennis Program – Take a look!**

#### ***National Junior Tennis League (NJTL)***

**June 16 – July 24, 2008**

**Cost: \$40**

The National Junior Tennis League (NJTL) is a non-profit organization created for the purpose of reaching out to those who may not otherwise have the opportunity to play the sport. The NJTL program provides a strong foundation of positive attributes such as sportsmanship, self-esteem and respect. Through tennis, the organization seeks to develop the character of young people and instills in youngsters the values of leadership and academic excellence and gives them the opportunity to develop skills they can enjoy for a lifetime. This nationwide program has grown to over 950 chapters and programs servicing approximately 275,000 children under the structure of the USTA (United States Tennis Association). NJTL programs are conducted at six sites in Albuquerque for kids between the ages of 7-14. Youngsters are grouped according to their ability, within their age group. Participants meet four days a week from **9:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.** for instruction and match play. Six weeks of top-notch tennis instruction, team match play and citywide competition.

- A fun, structured activity for boys and girls at six locations throughout Albuquerque.
- Jobs and training for Junior Instructors.
- Racquets, balls and lots of fun.

### **Locations**

Aztec Park, Jerry Cline Tennis Complex,

Los Altos Park, Los Ranchos Park,

Sister Cities Park and Valley High School.

**For more information call 505-764-1510.**

## **Animal Welfare**

*Submitted By Rick De Reyes, Marketing Manager*

### **An Ambitious May Planned For The Department Of Animal Welfare**

Every day is a busy day at the Department of Animal Welfare; what with all the adoptions, intake and caring for pets at the Eastside and Westside shelters and Lucky Paws store in Coronado Center. But May will test the mettle of employees even more, when Animal Welfare embarks on two ambitious ventures.

On May 2, 3 and 4, Animal Welfare participated in the Spring Fling Adoptathon, a cooperative venture between the department, Animal Humane/New Mexico and Watermelon Mountain Ranch in Rio Rancho.

That's when the state's three largest animal rescue and care groups brought adoptable pets to two, metro area locations 6100 Paseo del Norte (at I-25, near Lowe's) and 10248 Coors Bypass NW (next to PetSmart at Cottonwood Mall) to try to find them loving and ultimately permanent homes. When the three groups, plus other animal shelters and rescue groups from around the state tried a similar adoptathon last December, the results were wildly successful. More than 500 pets adopted; over 220 by Animal Welfare alone. The goal in May was to exceed that amount. "We found that when we put our expertise and resources together, we can accomplish great things" says Jeanine Patterson, Director of Albuquerque's Animal Welfare



**"Popular KOB-TV Weatherman Steve Stucker interviews Sophia Di Clemente (L) of Watermelon Mountain Ranch and Jeanine Patterson (R), Director of Albuquerque Animal Welfare at December's Home For The Holidays adoptathon."**

Department, "Over the weekend, we're hoping to accomplish even greater results that will benefit the loving pets in all our care."

Two weeks later, Animal Welfare embarked on another ambitious venture when it adopted out pets at a venue that's never adopted pets before. On Sunday, May 18 at 1:35 p.m., employees were at Isotopes Park for the game between Albuquerque and the Omaha Royals. They had pets available for adoptions in the area behind the right field fence and at the top of the grass outfield berm. The event also coincide with an appearance by Rockin' Ray and the Amazing Skyy Dogs to entertain the crowds. If baseball fans showed enough interest in the pets, another adoption event could be organized before the end of the season.

## Parks and Recreation

Submitted By Jodi Hedderig



### OPEN SPACE PRESENTS: Chainsaw Carving Demonstration

**What:** Mark Chávez, Chainsaw Sculptor, Art Show and Demonstration

**Where:** Open Space Visitor Center  
6500 Coors Boulevard NW (Between Montañero Road NW and Paseo del Norte NW at Bosque Meadows Road NW) **505-897-8831**

**When:** Demonstration on Sunday, May 25, 2008 from **9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Free Admission**

**Contact:** Joshua Willis, Parks and Recreation Department, Open Space Division, **505-897-8831** or e-mail: [jrwillis@cabq.gov](mailto:jrwillis@cabq.gov)

*"I am so pleased to see Mark Chávez, first responder to the 2003 Bosque fire, return to this site in his retirement from the Albuquerque Fire Department to revive the Pueblo Montañero Open Space for all of our enjoyment." Mayor Martin Chávez*

Open Space visitors on the Westside have been enjoying the sculptures of local artist and retired City of Albuquerque fire fighter **Mark Chávez** for a few years now. Chávez has been busy converting Pueblo Montañero, an Open Space Bosque site located on the southeast corner of Montañero Road NW and Coors Boulevard NW, into a homage to the local flavors of the Southwest. The Bosque at the Pueblo Montañero site was overtaken by fire in 2003, but Chávez has done a remarkable job reviving the scorched Cottonwood trees and giving them a second life as sculptures. Chávez's sculptures depict native flora and fauna such as Prickly Pear Cactus and Great Horned Owls as well as folklore character, La Llorona (The Weeping Woman).

More recently Chávez's work can be seen at the Open Space Visitor Center (OSVC) and perhaps the most grand and detailed sculpture he has done thus far. Mark named this piece "Arbol De Vida" or Tree of Life. The Tree of Life renders the diverse collections of animals indigenous to New Mexico in a totem style wood carving. We are honored to host a collection of his remarkable works from **April 22 through June 28, 2008**.

The public is invited on **Sunday, May 25, 2008, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.** to witness a carving demonstration. The Open Space Division invites you to come and enjoy this unique opportunity at the Open Space Visitor Center located at 6500 Coors Boulevard NW between Montañero Road NW and Paseo del Norte NW on Bosque Meadows Road NW.

## Parks and Recreation

Submitted By Jodi Hedderig

### Nature Journaling For Beginners

During the course of our busy day we may not notice the first spring bloom at the sidewalk edge or the return of the robin's urgent song. We may not even notice that the river has swollen with melted snow or that a winged insect zigzags through the air. Yet, if we take just a few moments to observe the natural world we may be surprised by the profound impact it has on our quality of life.

Nature journaling demands that we slow down, observe, and take note of the color, shape, detail, poetry, and prose of a moment in nature in drawings and words. Artist, Margy O'Brien, says, "My own journals and sketchbooks allow me the pleasure of discovering something for myself, reading directly from nature." She continues, "I gain insight into myself, sharpen my senses and recover from the desensitization of modern life."

Join celebrated artist, Margy O'Brien, on **Saturday, May 24, 2008 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 Noon** and learn how to begin your own nature journal. Prior art experience is not necessary. You will need a blank sketch book of your choice, pencils and any art supplies you enjoy using. Please prepare for the outdoors and bring sun protection, water and a portable stool or blanket for your comfort. Workshop fee is **\$10.00** per person. Space is limited to twenty people, 10 years old and above. Call **505-897-8831** to register.

Margy O'Brien's artwork can be viewed at the Open Space Visitor Center, at the outdoor wildlife viewing blind, Rio Grande Nature Center State Park, and at the Elena Gallegos Picnic Area, along the 'Cottonwood Springs' ADA/interpretive trail.

The Open Space Visitor Center is located at 6500 Coors Boulevard NW between Montañero Road NW and Paseo del Norte NW at the end of Bosque Meadows Road NW. The Center is open Tuesday through Sunday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and closed Mondays. Call **505-897-8831** for more information or visit [www.cabq.gov/openspace/visitorcenter](http://www.cabq.gov/openspace/visitorcenter).



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**Ventana Ranch NA  
Easter Egg Hunt 2008**

**Related ONC Links**

- URL for neighborhood association maps:  
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