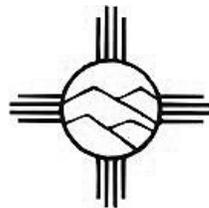


Tierra Grande Tales 'n' Trails

JUNE 2012



**Tierra
Grande
Improvement
Association**

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You, the Members, Decide TGIA's Future!

Only you, the members, can decide the future of the Tierra Grande Improvement Association. How? By signing or not signing the Amended Covenants that have been mailed to you.

When 51% of the member owners in a Unit have signed the Amended Covenants – the new Covenant will apply to all member/owners in that Unit.

Have you been weighing the value of signing the covenants? Have you wondered what you receive in return for your annual assessment? Here are just a few examples of how your assessment dollars have benefited the Tierra Grande community at large:

- Your assessments offset the cost of building the Tierra Grande Fire Station;
- You helped to pay for the extension of power/phone lines;
- You contributed toward installing fencing around the Tierra Grande community;
- Your money was put to work to improve roads/culverts/signs/archways;
- You assisted in purchasing the reversionary right to the Open Space and pay the ongoing related costs such as property taxes;
- Your assessments are used to protect property values by paying for covenant enforcement/oversight/community clean up and maintenance costs; and
- The majority of your assessment funds the day-to-day business operating expenses of the Association;

Without you, without your financial support, none of this would have been possible. The TGIA board and staff will make every effort to ensure that the votes cast in favor of continuing the Association prove beneficial to the entire Tierra Grande community.

Contact TGIA Administrator Sue Moran at 505 864-2345 or via email at info@tierragrande.org if you have questions.

Tierra Grande Improvement Association Board Candidates

MIKE SUMNER

- Senior Vice President of New Mexico Bank & Trust Los Lunas Branch
- Has worked for other Valencia County financial institutions
- Currently secretary, he has served in all capacities on board

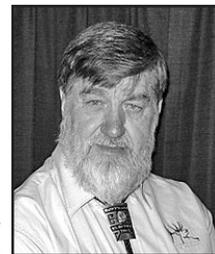
My financial knowledge is an invaluable asset to the TGIA board. My multi-year board experience and years living in Valencia County give me an understanding of the Tierra Grande community. I want to continue to serve Tierra Grande.



JOHN HOFFMAN

- Owner of a commercial electric company in ABQ since 1973
- Construction Industries Board Member
- Life member, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation

As a TGIA property owner since 1985, and with many years of experience in both the private and public sectors, I am capable of recognizing all sides of a situation to find the best outcome. My expertise will help land owners and the Board face the challenges ahead of us.



TGIA Annual Meeting July 21, 2012 11 AM - 1 PM
Tierra del Sol Golf Club 1000 Golf Course Road Belen

This 'n' That Around the Tierra Grande Community

Approximately 25 people attended the April Tierra Grande Neighborhood Watch meeting organized by Mary Cate. Ernie Nagy, resident of Unit 23, volunteered to serve as Coordinator while Jerry Brodmarkle and Pat Gallagher agreed to serve as Block Captains.

No one reported thefts or vandalism. The Valencia County Sheriff's Department has increased patrols. Community awareness and communication seems to have effectively deterred crime - that and perhaps the gas prices.

Sue Moran announced Tierra Grande has worked with Valencia County to provide a dumpster for the the May cleanup weekend. If the "spring cleanup"

We Salute Our Residents Who Passed Away Recently

Over the past few months the Tierra Grande Community has experienced the difficult loss of beloved resident members.

Leonard Feller, a 25-plus year resident of Unit 2, died Feb. 2. Lenny and his wife Beatrice (Bea) worked together to design and build their dream retirement home in Tierra Grande. He was a natural carpenter/engineer/mechanic who could figure out how to build or repair just about anything. Lenny enjoyed the peace and quiet of his home's courtyard as well as Bea's wonderful cooking.

Christopher Bailey, a newer resident of Unit 1, died April 26. He was the loving son of Dr. Barbara and Colonel Arthur Bailey of Tierra Grande. He had lived and toured in Europe, the Middle East and lo-

Notice of Annual Meeting of the Membership of Tierra Grande Improvement Association Inc.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Bylaws of Tierra Grande Improvement Association, that the annual meeting of the membership will be held at the

Tierra del Sol Golf Club

1000 Golf Course Road, Belen, New Mexico 87002

11:00 A.M. -1:00 P.M. on Saturday, July 21, 2012

The following business will be transacted:

1. Closure of Balloting
2. Board President will address members
3. Treasurer's report
4. Open Space
5. Fire Prevention
6. Status of Amended Covenants
7. Election Results
8. Meeting Adjourned
9. BRUNCH will be served beginning at 11 a.m.

Please sign, date and complete the attached Ballot before mailing as per the instructions. The Ballot must be returned no later than July 20, 2012.

dumpster event is successful, it is hoped Valencia County will provide dumpster service annually.

Valencia County Wildland Fire Prevention Coordinator Ron Barr talked about fire safety. He urged everyone to be sure there is defensible vegetation free space so grassland fires do not spread. He talked about a proposed joint project between Tierra Grande and other communities to map open space areas. Maps will be analyzed for potential fire hazards before beginning work to thin hot spots and organize other related activity.

The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be in October with a potluck.

cations in the United States. Christopher specialized in information technology and was very talented in mathematics and abstract logic. He was an author, English tutor and athlete.

Norris Nims, a three year resident of Unit 13, died May 1. He was one of those people you instantly liked. He had something nice to say about everyone. He shared his time between Alaska and Tierra Grande and was an avid outdoorsman and hunter. He is survived by two sons, Seth and Joshua. Joshua will make Tierra Grande home with his family.

Dorothy Linke, almost 90 and a 34-year resident of Unit 23, died May 4. Dorothy and her husband Al moved to the community when there was no telephone service and only two other homes occupied the area - eight miles away. They traveled the world until Al's passing. An accomplished pianist, Dorothy loved New Mexico. She was glad every day that she and her husband moved to Tierra Grande.

A Very Simple Map to Tierra del Sol Golf Club



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TGIA Annual Meeting Ballot

Fill out the ballot on the other side and fold on the dotted line so the Tierra Grande return address is out, seal (no staples) and mail it. Postage is free.

Tierra Grande Members Have Vehicle Access Into Sand Canyon

The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad (BNSF), in collaboration with the Tierra Grande Board of Directors, has worked out an agreement that allows Tierra Grande members to have vehicle access into Sand Canyon.

You must pass through a series of three gates. Each gate has multiple padlocks. The smaller gold colored combination lock belongs to Tierra Grande. The combination to each lock is 1225. Please lock the gates behind you and be very careful how you reconnect the lock to allow for future access. Here are the directions:

- South on Highway 47
- Left onto Highway 60
- Left on first road on the left (a house is on the right)
- The gravel road bends to left – follow it for a bit –

you will reach the first gate

Cross the gravel area to the second gate
Stay to the right toward the bridge
Cross the arroyo

Immediately look to your left to see the third gate
That is the entrance to Sand Canyon.

If you plan to hike, you can park near the wash on TGIA land. At this time Tierra Grande is not going to do any development or improvements to the area.

Drive carefully, especially when you cross the arroyo, as the topography changes almost daily.

If you find the gates open or any damage to the gates or surrounding fencing, please contact the TGIA office at your earliest convenience 505-864-2345. Enjoy!

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YOU'LL FIND WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Mail your ballot and comments by removing this entire page from the newsletter, then fold and seal accordingly.

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**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP TO BE HELD
SATURDAY, JULY 21, 2012, AT 11:00 a.m.
TIERRA DEL SOL GOLF CLUB BELEN, NEW MEXICO 87002
PROXY**

The undersigned hereby appoint (s) George Hobbes, Dave Tibbetts, Judi Magnussen and Janie Earthman, each of them, as proxy agents with full power of substitution and with discretionary authority, to vote the number of votes to which I (we) am (are) entitled to vote at the annual membership meeting of TGI A to be held at the time and place set forth above, and at any adjournment thereof, as fully and with the same effect as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, and to vote upon the election of directors, the propositions listed on the Ballot, and any other matter which may properly come before the meeting, subject to any direction indicated on the Ballot.

THIS PROXY REVOKES ALL PROXIES PREVIOUSLY GRANTED BY ME FOR ANY PURPOSE. I UNDERSTAND THAT UNLESS I GIVE OTHER INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS PROXY, THE PROXY AGENTS INTEND TO VOTE THE LOTS OR LIVING UNITS REPRESENTED BY THIS PROXY AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIRECTORS FOR THE MATTERS LISTED ON THE BALLOT.

Signature (s) of Member (s)

Date: _____, 2012

Belen Recycling Station Changes Hours
The Belen Recycling Station is open to all Valencia County residents. The hours are now Monday 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to noon. It is located on North Main Street near the North Belen railroad overpass. Call the City of Belen at 505 966-2730 for additional information.

Just a note to thank the Tierra Grande residents who attended the Socorro Electric Cooperative annual meeting Saturday, April 14th. At least 28 Tierra Grande residents were there. What a fantastic turnout from the community! You made a difference!

- TGI A Board**
- President — Judi Magnussen
Tierra Grande resident
Term expires 2014
 - Secretary — Michael Sumner
Valencia County banker
Term expires 2012
 - Director — Dave Tibbetts
Surveyor/Los Lunas resident
Term Expires 2013
 - Director — Howard Snell
Professor & Curator/UNM Biology
Term expires 2013
 - Administrator — Sue Moran
Assistant Administrator — Janie Earthman
Newsletter Editor — Sandy Schauer

BALLOT

Please sign and return ballot so that it is received by July 20, 2012. To return ballot, fold on the dotted line on the other side. Fold ballot in half so this side is inside and seal with tape. Do not use staples.

You may also cast your ballot just before the start of the July 21, 2012 meeting. There is one vacancy to be filled for a five-year term on TGI A's Board of Directors.

- FOR: JOHN HOFFMAN
 - FOR: MIKE SUMNER
 - FOR: _____
(Print name of write-in candidate, if desired)
- VOTE
FOR
ONLY
ONE**

If the proxy is executed but no direction is given as to how this ballot shall be voted, the proxy confers discretionary authority to the named proxy agents to vote as to all matters which come before said meeting of the membership including those listed on this Ballot. Ballots must be received by July 20, 2012.

SIGNATURE (S) OF MEMBER (S): _____
DATE: _____
DATE: _____