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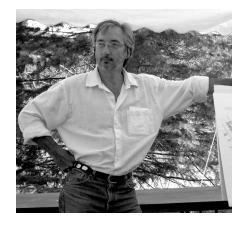
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VIOLA FISHER was honored at last year's picnic as the 2008 recipient of the CNA's Annual "Friend of the Canyon Award," in recognition of the contributions she has made to the neighborhood over her many years residing in Santa Fe.





STATE HERITAGE PRESERVATION AWARD GIVEN TO ASSOCIATION MEMBERS Canyon Neighborhood Association Directors, Richard Ellenberg (above left) and Rad Acton (above right), each received "Rita Hill" Heritage Preservation Awards from the State of New Mexico Cultural Properties Committee "for tireless efforts devoted to raising awareness of and preserving the historic streetscape and character of downtown Santa Fe." This award is a gratifying testament to how civic responsibility for one's own neighborhood ultimately extends to include the broader context of the City.

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A WORD ABOUT WILDLIFE

One of the real benefits of living in the Canyon Neighborhood is that residents share the area with wildlife. The ability to view wildlife that frequents this part of Santa Fe is something most residents enjoy and want to preserve.

Sightings of bear,

bobcat, coyote, cougar, raccoon and beaver are common along the Santa Fe River, which serves as a natural corridor from the mountains through town. In order to ensure that those wildlife interactions do not become a nuisance it is important to take some precautionary measures.

Do not feed wildlife or leave compost, refuse, seed or other attractants in locations accessible to wildlife. The newly distributed municipal refuse bins are not bear proof, and can be easily overturned and accessed by bear and raccoon. A "fed bear is a dead bear" in most instances, as the animals quickly become habituated to foraging around homes and rapidly lose their fear of humans.

A mother bear (sow) will teach her cubs similar foraging techniques. Ultimately the bears must be relocated or killed and the neighborhood loses its wildlife. If a bear visits your property but is not a nuisance, observe it from inside your home and do not approach it. Gather fruit from any fruit trees as it ripens, to keep it from accumulating. If possible, store garbage inside until your scheduled pick up day. All this will help to avoid converting a wild bear into a nuisance bear.

When hiking with dogs obey leash laws. A mother bear with cubs will defend them aggressively and a loose dog will often lead an aggressive bear right back to you. Please remember dogs are not permitted on either the Nature Conservancy's Santa Fe Canyon Preserve loop trail or on the Audubon Center trails.

Beaver are becoming more abundant in the canyon and young beaver often disperse seeking new territory. If you see beaver or observe beaver activity on your property and would prefer that they not set up shop, consider installing fencing around trees you want to protect. Tree protection ideas can be accessed on line at http://www.beaversww.org/Protect%20 Trees.html. If beaver do set up shop on your stretch of the river and you don't think you can tolerate another neighbor, contact David Blagg at jdblagg@ cybermesa.com or call (505) 660-6645. David has a wealth of experience in managing beaver, which he is willing to

share. He is also permitted by the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish to live trap and relocate beaver if no other solution can be found.

If you feed birds, locate feeders so they can not be easily accessed by other wildlife. Keep feeders a safe distance from your house. If you see bear or other animals using the feeders, remove them. It's also a good idea to stop feeding birds if you can't seem to keep mice out of your house as spilled bird seed rapidly attracts large numbers of rodents.

A last word of precaution: As we enter fire season, create and maintain defensible space around your home. Do not stack firewood against your house or leave brush piles where a wildfire could place your home at risk. A homeowner guide to reducing wildfire risk can be accessed at: http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/FD/documents/



Bobcat in the snow near Upper Canyon Road. Photo: Albert Duran

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NEIGHBORHOOD BULLETIN BOARD

We are putting together a neighborhood web-based bulletin board to share the names of exceptional service people that we have used and liked.

Examples of services to be offered are:

ANIMALS

Animal Sitting / Walking Pest Removal and Control

BUILDINGS

Electricians

Finish Carpenters / Cabinetry

Floor Installers

General Contractors

Locksmiths

Masons

Metal Workers

Painters

Plasterers

Plumbers Roofers

Stucco

Security Systems

Waterproofing

GROUNDS

Excavators

Gardeners

Pond Maintenance

Tree Maintenance

Yard Cleanup

OTHER SERVICES

Appliance Repair

Baby Sitters
Day Laborers

Drain & Sewage Maintenance

Firewood

Handy Man

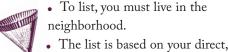
House Sitting

House Cleaning

Snow Removal

Trash Removal

Window Washers



personal experience. Do not recommend someone unless you

have used them yourself.

• Only two things will appear in the

listing: 1) the name and telephone number and/or email address of the person you are recommending, by category. 2) your name, telephone number and/or email address. Fellow neighbors can then contact you if they want more information.

• As a courtesy, please ask the service person if they want to be included in the listing before recommending them.

Please email or send your bulletin board listings to:

fdiemoz@mac.com

505 983 4139

Frances Diemoz 1330 Canyon Road

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Please include:

1. The kind of service

2. The name, telephone number and/or email address of the person you are recommending

3. Your name and telephone number and/or email address.
Thank you!

ANNEXATION AND REZONING

Annexation and rezoning is being undertaken throughout Santa Fe in an attempt to eliminate "donut holes" of county land surrounded by city property. County property on Upper Canyon Road, above the intersection of Cerro Gordo Road will be annexed by the city and zoned as R-1, with a historic district overlay. As a result, property in that area will now be governed by City ordinances and building permits will be issued by the City.

THE CONTINUING SAGA OF THE GREVEY TRACT

In 2002, a 496-acre property between Hyde Park Road and the Santa Fe Watershed was put up for sale and CNA began to track the development of what is referred to as the Grevey tract.

Ralph Brutsche purchased the property, as an expansion to his adjacent Summit development, and in 2003 entered into an agreement with CNA and the Audubon Center. The agreement prevents new homes from being visible from the Upper Canyon Road/Santa Fe River watershed area; it also calls for approximately 300 acres in the Aztec Springs Creek drainage to be donated to The Nature Conservancy for an expansion of the Santa Fe Canyon Preserve. After years of effort and thousands of dollars in legal fees, restrictive covenants for what is now named the South Summit development have been signed and recorded.

Unfortunately, only 20% of the property that was to be donated to The Nature Conservancy has been conveyed. CNA and the Randall Davey Audubon Center have now asked the County to cease issuing building permits for this development until the donation obligation is fulfilled.

LORETTA LANE

Her family has lived in our small compound, off Apodaca Hill, for more than 130 years. Now Loretta Sena de Roybal, our resident oldest descendant and Matriarch of the Lopez de Lujan clan is being honored by her neighbors by naming our road Loretta Lane. Tomas Arrey, himself a relative of Loretta and a noted local blacksmith artist, will produce the sign and a celebration will mark the installation.

COMMENCEMENT FOR HYDRO-PLANT PARK

After three years of planning, funding, designing, and bidding, the Hydro-Plant Historical Park (aka: Water History Park, Power Plant Historical Park) is about to graduate into the real world — i.e. to the beginning of construction. The winning bid ultimately came from AIC, an Albuquerque general contractor chosen after Lockwood Construction, which had submitted the lowest bid, pulled out after conceding that it had under bid the work. The project will be paid for by \$700,000 from the CIP Parks Fund and a \$150,000 General Fund allocation and includes a new pitched roof for the Hydro-Plant building, replicating the original, and a new rural-style latilla fence around the three sides of the park. Also included is the construction of a pedestrian pathway between the fence and Upper Canyon Road. The pathway should greatly contribute to the safety of those using that highly congested section of Upper Canyon Road. A small parking lot with two handicapped spaces will accommodate a total of 10 cars and five picnic table seating areas will be built amidst the tall pines.

neighborhood steering committee consisting of CNA President Rad Acton, CNA Director Richard Ellenberg, and neighbor Mac Watson, has been meeting with the various City staff and design professionals involved in the project to make certain that it reflected the interests and concerns expressed at neighborhood meetings. Serious attention was given to ensuring that the park serves to illuminate the unique historical role the property had in providing one of the earliest sources of electricity to Santa Fe.

Over the past year, a small but persevering

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please join or renew your Canyon Neighborhood Association membership

CATEGORIES		Name
	Individual: \$15	Address
	Family \$25	
	Gray Fox \$50	City
	Red-Tailed Hawk \$100	State/Zip
	Brown Bear \$500	
	Mountain Lion \$1,000	Phone
	Bald Eagle \$2,000	
		Email

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It has been a very good year for your neighborhood association, however, we need your continued support. If you have not already made your donation, please give it consideration, our commitment is to continually improve the quality and unification of our neighborhood.

Phase Two, hopefully occurring in the not too distant future, will include the completion of the interior renovation of the hydro-plant building as a "historic museum" with an "interpretive history" of the site on display. The City Water Department is also considering the feasibility of constructing a small demonstration hydro-electric power plant on or near the park grounds. "All options are being looked at regarding funding for Phase Two projects, including private sources," says Rad Acton.

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"The CNA is extremely grateful to City Water Company staff for their continual cooperation in making this park happen, as it was their turf originally." Acton said. "The steering committee was also happy to see that they voluntarily relocated all the aging water lines running through the park to areas where maintenance will be less disruptive to the park landscape."

ANNUAL CNA BOARD MEETING AND PICNIC

The annual meeting of the Canyon Neighborhood Association will be held on Sunday, September 20 at 11:30am at the Hydro Plant Park on Upper Canyon Road and Camino Cabra, across from Cristo Rey Church. New board members will be elected and attendees will be updated about current issues and events in the neighborhood. If you would like to join the board, or have a suggestion for a new member, please contact Jim Gollin at Jgollin@aol.com.

Following the meeting at 12 o'clock, please join us for the annual picnic. Once again this year, hot dogs and pony rides will be offered. Please bring a side dish or dessert.

