

# **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

*Ted Trakas*

The start of another busy year.

Many thanks to the guest speakers at our annual meeting: Mr. Michael A. Amezcuita, Chief Appraiser of Bexar Appraisal District (BAD); Ms. Veronica Moreno, Special Projects Coordinator, Neighborhood Services, City of San Antonio; Judge Peter Sakai; and Ms. Barbara Scharf Zeldes, probate judge candidate.

Northside Neighborhoods for Organized Development (NNOD) is a super-group of neighborhood associations in the northeast corner of District 8. NNOD is reactivating due to concerns over the potential sale of the Voelcker properties. These properties total more than 450 acres and lie astride Wurzbach parkway and Military Highway. Their eventual development will have significant impact in the area. (See the enclosed article.) Historically VJ has been well represented on NNOD.

The VJ board is also starting conversations with the Barrera family concerning their petition (Zoning Case Z2006049 C) for conditional use of residential properties on VJ as an Outdoor Art Gallery, for a limited period each year. Overall the VJ board is impressed with the quality of the events to be stage, but will seek formal language in the permit delineating restrictions.

As always, if you want to make a positive contribution to the association, please contact us. Offer your time and talent.

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