

President's Message

We held our annual association meeting on January 26th at Colonies House. By popular demand, we repeated and improved on meeting specials: \$0 annual dues for 2011, marked down from \$15; and a bigger variety of *Little Caesar's* pizzas.

I gave a brief rundown of events in 2010 that the VJNI association was involved with:

- A zoning case on Huebner by Sandstone. Based on association and neighbor inputs, the application was rescinded.
- Variance for new fencing of University Health System data center on Callaghan across from Las Palapas. Based on the architect's identification of the type of fencing to be used, the association supported the change.
- Porsche Deed Restriction. Association efforts to obtain the deed restrictions promised at City Council were fruitless.

We discussed maintenance issues for the Esplanade, which is a strip of land on the western side of Vance Jackson near Colonies Drive. (See the "Colonies North Maintenance Fund Issue" article.)

Our proposed slate of 2011 officers was accepted.

Our main speaker was Mr. Arturo Villarreal, Jr., Flood Control Division Manager in the Bexar County Infrastructure Services Department. Mr. Villarreal described current efforts on the Rock Creek project, which is near Callaghan and I-10.

I would like to extend special thanks to a number of persons.

Raul Peralez, President of Colonies House, attended the meeting and supported our use of the banquet hall again this year.

Ruben Lizalde, Chief of Policy, and Adam Trevino, Director of Constituent Services, attended for Reed Williams, District 8 Councilman.

Esplanade committee volunteers were David and Simone Hierholzer, Mary Ann Markovetz, June Kachtik and Phyllis Bowey. Richard Reyna, Good Day Enterprises, volunteered labor to install new timbers.

Our new 2011 association volunteers were Joy Dillon (Newsletter Editor) and Jenny Curfman (Treasurer).

Finally, I would like to thank 2010 Officers and Board members and especially Jimmy Turner for his years of service as Treasurer.

Ted Trakas

2011 Officers:

President – Ted Trakas (The Summit)
Vice President – Norma Wilson (River Oaks)
Secretary – Norma Baird (Charter Oaks Condos)
Treasurer – Jennifer Curfman

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