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THE VILLAGE OF TIJERAS NEWSLETTER

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IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO PREVENT FIRES

Fire Chief Juan Hernandez

Fire season has come and here are a few tips to keep your home and structures safe.

- Remove all dead plants, grass and weeds at least 30 feet from buildings, structures, decks, etc.
- Remove dead or dry leaves and pine needles from roofs and rain gutters.
- Remove branches that hang over your roof and keep dead branches 10 feet away from your chimney.
- Relocate wood piles away from your home and structures.
- Remove or prune flammable plants and shrubs near windows.
- Remove vegetation and items that could catch fire from around and under decks.

These are a few things you can do to keep your home and structures safe, if you would like the fire department to take a look at what can be done to your home feel free to call (505) 269-2128.

Additionally, we would like to thank the anonymous donor who made a significant contribution to fire station. Donations like these support the ongoing efforts to prevent fires in our community.



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IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO CONSERVE WATER

With water usage being calculated more accurately than it has in the past, the Village would like to remind residents of how much water is used in various household activities. This way, we can all be more vigilant of our water usage and understand the monthly water bill better!



A full bathtub is typically 36 gallons of water, while a shower uses about 2 gallons every minute, making a 10 minutes shower typically 20 gallons of water.







Each flush of the toilet requires about 3 gallons of water. The average person flushes the toilet 5 times a day, meaning they are using 15 gallons of water each day.

We are pleased to provide the community with our report on drinking water quality, also known as the "Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)". We provide this report every year, pursuant to federal law, in an effort to keep you informed about the water and services we delivered during the previous year.

The Village of Tijeras water system meets or exceeds all federal and state standards for drinking water quality. To view the report, go to tijerasnm.org/depts/water.



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MASKS ARE REQUIRED IN VILLAGE HALL BEGINNING 5/16. PLEASE VISIT TIJERASNM.ORG FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON THE REOPENING OF VILLAGE HALL.

Business License Renewal Update: This year the business license renewal process will look a little different than it has in the past, with incentives for businesses to renew early and perks for all businesses registered with the Village. Business owners will receive communications about in this new and improved process the coming weeks. As always, feel free to reach out the Clerk or Deputy Clerk with any questions or concerns at 505-281-1220.

IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO OPERATE AN AWARD WINNING MVD

Clerk Mike Wismer

Greetings Village residents. I hope everyone is staying safe. I wanted to let you know we recognize the problems created when the State closed all the MVD's as result of the COVID-19 Pandemic. As such, our award winning MVD team has developed a plan for opening the Village of Tijeras MVD that not only complies with CDC guidelines but, offers an enhanced customer service model. You will be able to schedule an appointment via our website at https://tijerasmvd.timetap.com or by calling 281-1220 beginning on Tuesday, May 19, 2020. Once you schedule an appointment, the MVD specialist who will see you during your appointment will call you in advance to check-in with you and make sure you have everything you need to complete your transaction. We've tested the model and we're confident this method will improve your experience and eliminate waiting in line. Give it a try!









TIJERASNM.ORG WILL BE GETTING A NEW LOOK AND FEEL BY THE END OF THE

MONTH. A MORE USER FRIENDLY WEBSITE IS ON ITS WAY. MORE INFORMATION TO COME!



Meet Our New Intern:

On Monday, May 11, the Village Council approved the hiring of Madison Kelsh as an intern for the summer months. We are looking forward to having Madison on board. "Hello! My name is Madison Kelsh and I am very excited to work with the Village of Tijeras. I graduated East Mountain High School this spring and I plan to attend UNM in the fall to study business. I have lived in the East Mountains my whole life and I love spending time on the mountain."

IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO KEEP OUR Environment clean

With more people spending time outside due to the Stay at Home order, it is more critical than ever that we respect our community's outdoor spaces. This past week, our Senior Maintenance Technician picked up a load of trash from an unofficial dumping site in the Village. We ask you to please respect our beautiful surroundings and only place trash in your personal cans or take it to the Bernalillo County Transfer Station. This way we can ensure that residents of the Village are able to take full advantage of our landscape and outdoor spaces.



