

## From the President

*Board Updates by Donna Burns*

By the mounds of limbs and multitude of bags by the curb side, many of you are already well into your spring outdoor cleaning. In relation to that, you will want to check our website, [www.warmspringmesa.org](http://www.warmspringmesa.org), for information about the upcoming changes in trash collection program Curb It, how to choose your new trash receptacles, recycling, cost and deadlines.

Your annual meeting on April 16, was packed with information. The attending members approved the revised MNA by-laws bringing us into compliance with City of Boise requirements for neighborhood associations.

Your 2009 Board was approved as well. Homer Wise discussed development on the Mesa. Heinrich Wiebe displayed our event signs and T-shirts with our fabulous logo, telling the story of their creation. Watch for the signs announcing upcoming Mesa events.

Finally, Adam Zaragoza, Project Manager for the Park Center Bridge Project presented an update on the bridge, timelines for completion, details on final stages, and access for Mesa residents. More details are available in the

meeting notes on our website, [www.warmspringmesa.org](http://www.warmspringmesa.org) and through the link to the ACHD website on our site.

Your Board will be very active this year. See the calendar of events and articles in this letter. We hope that you will support the events through your attendance, volunteering to assist, and if you haven't already done so, sending your volunteer dues to Mike Lechner, treasurer, 2114 S Rockridge.

This is not Homeowners dues. Our only funding source to support our activities is your voluntarily paid dues. We suggest \$35 but whatever your budget allows. We offer a free Meet You on the Mesa T-shirt with each paid \$35 dues. Additional shirts are available for \$6, 2 for \$10.

Feel free to contact me though the address-link on our website, [president@warnspringmesa.org](mailto:president@warnspringmesa.org).

Hoping to "See You On the Mesa!"

## Mesa Neighborhood Calendar 2009

- May 16: Spring Community Clean Up
- May 17: Spring Social
- August 4: Neighborhood Night Out
- September 19: Annual Community Yard Sale
- September 20: Annual Community Picnic
- October 10: Fall Community Clean Up

## Hey You Twitters Out There

*By Heinrich Weibe*

Welcome to another way to keep up with Mesa news. We have created mesahood on Twitter as another means of Mesa connectivity. Log on to [twitter.com/mesahood](http://twitter.com/mesahood) to see whatsup and to add your tweet.

## ★ Spring Social ★

We had so much fun at the Neighborhood Night Out Last August that we created a spring event. The MNA Board invites you to a Spring Ice Cream Social, Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 2241 Ridgeview Way, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. We will have the ice cream and toppings. You bring your favorite baked good to share. Bring the kids and the neighbors and drop by for a while.



## MNA BOARD MEMBERS

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| <b>President:</b>      | <b>Donna Burns</b>    |
| <b>Vice President:</b> | <b>Debbie Arnhols</b> |
| <b>Secretary:</b>      | <b>Richard Carter</b> |
| <b>Treasurer:</b>      | <b>Mike Lechner</b>   |

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| <b>Dan Arnhols</b> | <b>Mike Chapton</b>   |
| <b>Becky Crum</b>  | <b>Doug Erdman</b>    |
| <b>Bill Morse</b>  | <b>Tom Burns</b>      |
| <b>Jeff Enrico</b> | <b>Heinrich Weibe</b> |

## PROJECTS / COMMITTEES

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| <b>By-Laws:</b>            | <b>Mike Lechner</b>                    |
| <b>Clean-up:</b>           | <b>Richard Carter</b>                  |
| <b>Comprehensive Plan:</b> | <b>Valerie Loge</b>                    |
| <b>Firewise:</b>           | <b>Dan Arnhols</b><br><b>Tom Burns</b> |
| <b>Neighborhood Watch:</b> | <b>Aaron Hassemer</b>                  |
| <b>Newsletter/Flyer:</b>   | <b>Teneale Chapton</b>                 |
| <b>Picnic:</b>             | <b>Debbie Arnhols</b>                  |
| <b>Signage:</b>            | <b>Heinrich Weibe</b>                  |
| <b>Website:</b>            | <b>Nancy Barrera</b>                   |
| <b>Yard Sale:</b>          | <b>Donna Burns</b>                     |

## Call to Action—Fire Season is Approaching

By Charlene Miller

Your Board is adamant about fire protection for the Mesa and is sending out a call to action for all Mesa residents. We cannot prevent wild fire, but we certainly can be proactive in eliminating as much fuel as possible.

The project is two-fold; open spaces around the Mesa and individual residences.

To that end, we encourage all residents to create green space around the home, remove low limbs from trees, and follow fire safety procedures.

The Board is working with BLM, City of Boise, Fire Department to organize open space clean up programs.

Your assistance will be greatly appreciated. Contact [president@warmsspringsmesa.org](mailto:president@warmsspringsmesa.org) to volunteer.



## Spring Cleanup

By Richard Carter



Grab your gloves, garden tools, and sunscreen and join us for the Spring Clean Up, scheduled for May 16. We will meet at 9 am at the Starcrest Entrance for coffee and a snack. ACHD will provide safety vests and trash bags.

We also encourage home clean up. The City of Boise is sponsoring Spring Clean Boise.



They have created a Resource List of Organizations accepting Reusable Items, Recycling locations, City and County offices, and Cars & Tires, as well as helpful hints, garbage collection, hazardous waste, and bulky items. You can find them on [warmsspringsmesa.org](http://warmsspringsmesa.org)

In conjunction with clean up, we remind you of our fire protection efforts in an article in this letter and our annual Yard Sale. See calendar for date.



## Neighborhood Watch

By Aaron Hassemer

Burglaries are up around the city and the Mesa is not exempt. We have experienced a sharp rise in automobile thefts in the last few weeks. We urge all residents to keep eyes and ears open to any suspicious activity and report immediately. Lock your vehicles, don't leave items in view. This includes in view of your home windows. While delivering the spring newsletter, one Board member reported seeing a woman's purse hanging within arm's reach of the front door.

Our neighborhood still has captainless areas. The Block Captain simply collects



phone numbers and email addresses of those in their Watch Area and calls or forwards alerts from Aaron. Please call Aaron at 869-8093 to volunteer.

The Board has added a tab on the homepage of [warmsspringsmesa.org](http://warmsspringsmesa.org), where alerts are posted. Check this regularly to stay updated. Boise Police Department has also set up a site so residents can stay updated directly. See the article and link on [warmsspringsmesa.org](http://warmsspringsmesa.org). Citizens signing up will get direct reports on a variety of public safety topics.