

## { ANNUAL MESA YARD SALE }

responded and the number has increased each year.

(if you don't have a lot of items for a sale, get together with neighbors for a collective sale)

**DATE:** One day only, Saturday, Sept. 27

**TIME:** 8:00 am to whenever you want to close

**REGISTER BY:** September 15 by calling Donna Burns at 385-7254

**FEES:** The cost of the three-day ad is split equally between all participants, averaging about \$1.50 plus \$1 per line to advertise your "special" treasures. An additional \$1.50 per participant is required to cover the cost of flyers and maps.

A map, a brightly colored directional arrow, and a listing of each participant (including the special items available at each address) will be distributed when the fees are collected. ■

## HEY, WHO'S THE PIG?

**TRASH ON THE MESA** by David Paul Wyatt Perko

They had been in love for a few years now. And as they walked, hand in hand, to and fro, around the Mesa, it seemed as if the world had stood still. The sun was shining brightly and full, fluffy clouds painted the sky. As if time itself had stopped. Everything was perfect. Like a piece of fine art. Calm, beautiful, a state of bliss. A Bob Ross daydream.

But then they sat down. Under a tree. And just as she repositioned, to lean back and slide into a few minutes of cloud watching, a sharp piece of tin from a discarded Coke can pierced through her hand. As the blood began to gush, from the horrible wound, she had to wonder... "What kind of a pig would litter on the Mesa?"

Although this really didn't happen, the point is - it could. We don't live at a city dump and we don't want to. Trash is ugly. And in many cases, it can be very dangerous. One day that sharp piece of tin from a Coke can might find its way into your child's knee. And if the sharp tin doesn't, maybe broken shards of glass will. What a terrible conclusion to enjoying a beer: throwing your empty beer bottle onto the ground so that it

instantaneously becomes a threat to kids, animals, bike tires, and anything else that might meet up with it.

And it's not just beer bottles and Coke cans. There is too much trash on the Mesa. Period. From McDonald's bags and burger wrappers to who knows what else... There is too much trash on the Mesa. Littering is not only piggish but it is ugly and bad for our beautiful environment - not to mention illegal.

If you are a litter bug - you are a pig. If someone you know is disrespectfully acting like a filthy, snorting, stinking, ugly, foul, worthless pig and littering on the Mesa - now is the time to put a stop to it before their lives are littered with embarrassment, fines and possibly jail-time. ■

## I FEEL ANNEXATED

**ANNEXATION OF THE MESA** by Meg Roberts

The City sent out notices about their planned annexation of the Warm Springs Mesa and Boulder Heights Subdivisions. Some questions were raised regarding fire coverage. The Mesa Board is interested in finding out what kind of benefits we might be due with the increased taxation. A city provided and maintained park was mentioned and members Mike and Meg will look into how we can go about requesting that. Stay tuned for more information regarding what it means to experience annexation and why, even though the big word sounds scary, it doesn't have anything to do with the annoying rash you have on your upper back. ■

## RIDE OF YOUR LIFE

**HOW YOUR RIDE CAN RUIN YOUR LIFE** by Chuck Blair

Did you know that Ada County has an ordinance that prohibits vehicles of any type from being parked on public streets for more than 24 hours? And vehicles that are, can be towed, ticketed or both?

Wouldn't our neighborhood look a lot better if the streets weren't lined with campers, boats, and recreational and commercial trailers parked semi-permanently on the street? Doesn't a trailer full of gravel { [cont](#) }