



June Newsletter



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Letter from NMPTA President

Last year we made great strides to reach more transit agencies through outreach and training. This year our goal is to actively involve these agencies in our planning process. With the upcoming state elections just around the corner we need to keep member organizations informed of the candidates' positions regarding transit and transit funding.

Our annual conference was successful because of your attendance and participation. We are excited to be able to bring seminars for drivers and managers such as: driver skills, wheelchair securement, grant writing, ADA compliance, and others that you see as important. We want to hear from you to make sure that the training offered meets your agency's needs as well as those of agencies around the state. Please contact us at any time to give us your suggestions and requests. This will help us in meeting your needs.

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Upcoming Conference and Training Sessions:

- **Rural Transit Conference and Expo**
July 13th & 14th 2010
Embassy Suites, Albuquerque NM
Cost: Free for Members to attend
(see enclosed conference information)
- **Trainings:**
Train the Trainer
July 28th & 29th 2010
Atomic City Transit Training Room, Los Alamos NM
Cost: Free for Members
Email: Sheree@nmpta.com if you would like to attend

- Train the Trainer
August 9th & 10th 2010
Ruidoso, NM
Cost: Free for Members
Email: Sheree@nmpta.com if you would like to attend

With new transit legislation being proposed at the federal level, and the election of a new Governor and Congressman, public transit providers throughout New Mexico need to move to capitalize on new opportunities. New Mexicans expect safe, dependable transportation and to continue to provide this we need the support of the state as well as the federal government. For this reason we ask that you get involved, join NMPTA, contact your local officials, and let us know how we can help.

NMPTA's fiscal year begins in July so keep your membership current and if you're not a member join NMPTA today. This will help to ensure we have manpower and finances to meet your goals.

Gary Manley