

Main Street Intersection Improvements Continue

The village has been working on improvements to the major intersections with Main Street in the village for several years.

This year at least two more intersections will be improved.

Work begins this month on the intersection of Main Street and Los Lentes by Altor Construction of Albuquerque. Altor bid \$131,830 to be awarded the contract.

The biggest change will be the addition of a right turn lane from southbound Los Lentes to westbound Main Street/Highway 6.

Traffic lights will be resynchronized to facilitate traffic movement.

Improvements to the intersection of Main Street/Highway 6 and Highway 314 go to bid this spring with construction expected to start in the summer. Changes include:

- Adding a right turn lane from westbound Main Street on to northbound Highway 314.

- Adding a right turn lane from northbound 314 on to eastbound Main Street.

- Creating two left turn lanes from northbound Highway 314 to westbound Main Street.

- Improving and lengthening the left turn lane from eastbound Main Street to northbound 314.

- Adding a right turn lane from southbound 314 to westbound Main Street.

- Creating two left turn lanes from southbound 314 to eastbound Main Street.

Plans are being worked on for changes to the Carson Park and Main Street intersection. Improvements will include new access to the post office and the bank.

Over the last few years, improvements have been made to the intersections of Main Street with Emilio Lopez/Camelot, Los Cerritos and Highway 47.

Agencies Ban Together To Help in Emergencies

The village has joined the New Mexico Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (NMWARN) so that should there be an emergency with water or wastewater in the municipality then aid can be rendered from other members of the organization.

The purpose of NMWARN is to aid or assist an area having an emergency with personnel, equipment and supplies from outside the impacted area.

NMWARN defines an emergency as a "natural or human-caused event or circumstance causing, or imminently threatening to cause loss of life, injury to person or property, human suffering or financial loss."

Emergencies include fire, explosion, flood, severe weather, drought, earthquake, volcanic activities, spills or releases of oil or hazardous material, utility or transportation emergencies, riot, sabotage and war.

When aid is offered in an emergency, the responding agencies are reimbursed by the agency requesting the help.

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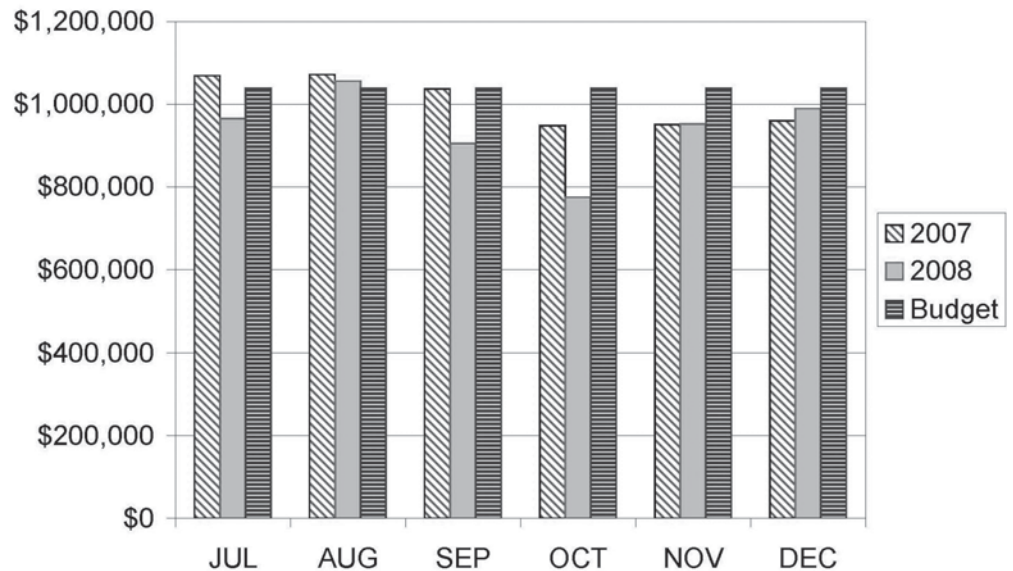
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"Through the Eyes of the Cowboy," a memorial tribute to Western artist Bob Lee, is now on display at the Museum of Heritage and Arts, corner of Main Street and Luna Avenue, under the Water Tower. Also on exhibit is History of Sheep and Cattle Ranching along the Rio Abajo featuring the Otero, Huning, Cordova and Major Families and the Teacher's Discovery Frederic Remington traveling exhibit. Call the museum at 352-7720. Above is a painting by Bob Lee of his father, Oliver Lee.

Village of Los Lunas Gross Receipts Tax Collected July - December 2008



A large part of the Village of Los Lunas's budget is derived from Gross Receipt Taxes paid when people make purchases in the village. The graph above shows the amount of GRT received from July through December of 2007 and 2008. The bar to the right is this fiscal year's budgeted amount. Village officials are tightening their belts in the last six months of the 2008-2009 fiscal year due to reduced GRT being collected. Shoppers can do their part to maintain the level of services in the Village by shopping locally. Your Gross Receipts Tax dollar needs to stay in Los Lunas!

Senior Citizens Addition Enlarges Dining Area

JDavies Builder is working on building an addition to the south end of the Senior Citizens Center located on Don Pasqual just north of the village Administration Building.

The addition will enlarge the dining hall area and will also add a new courtyard adjacent to the dining hall addition. The courtyard will have shade.

The contractor is also making enhancements to the entire building's electrical system and is redoing

all the doors which are the original doors.

JDavies Builder of Albuquerque was the low bidder on the project with a bid of \$235,176 for the dining hall addition which will almost double the current capacity.

The village council then voted to award an additional \$15,000 for the courtyard with shaded area and \$14,000 for the electrical work.

The project is expected to take about 120 days.

Attend A Council Meeting!

The Los Lunas Village Council meets twice monthly in the council chambers located in the administration building at 660 Main St. NW.

Meeting dates for 2009 are:

February 19

March 5 & 19 April 9 & 23

May 7 & 21 June 4 & 18

July 9 & 23 August 6 & 20

September 3 & 17 October 8 & 22

November 5 & 19 December 3 & 17

Meetings begin at 6 p.m. Once in a while meetings are canceled or rescheduled so check with village officials at 839-3840 or check the village website at www.loslunasnm.gov.

Brass Quintet Performs Feb. 16

The Dallas Brass Quintet performs Monday, February 16, at the Valencia High School Gymnasium under the sponsorship of the Valencia High School Band.

The show is entitled American Musical Journey and begins at 7 pm.

Contact the Valencia High School Arts Department at 565-7100 for more information.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

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Gerard Saiz *Robert Vialpando*

Municipal Judge Jeff Aragon

Village Administrator

Phillip Jaramillo Master Municipal Clerk

Businesses Issued Licenses Recently

The following new businesses have been issued licenses by the Village of Los Lunas since September 1. All addresses are Los Lunas and phone numbers are 505 unless otherwise noted.

4 N 1 Design, 07 Sheba Place, 917-7315
Al & Kat Enterprises, 1842 Heaton Lp. SE, 220-9249
Amanda Vigil Insurance Agency, POBox 1268, 865-6472
Angels & Artists, Inc., 250 Main St. NE, 565-5577
Anthony's Elecrical Service Co., 1303 Drake SW, 865-7312
Artistic Tape & Texture, POBox 1323, 865-7214
Blain Painting, 1141 Los Nardos Dr., 865-5092
Bright Ideas Promotional Products Galore, 7210 Menaul NE, Albuquerque, 837-9646
BW Racing, 2961 Desert Sage Ave., 440-6437
Carlson Distributing, 1117 Santistevan Ct., 688-7497
Dennis Auto Restoration, 3480 Lone Tree St. SW, 550-4921
Digital Image, P.O. BOX 3046, 435-0166
Doug's Dogs, 93 Logan St., Belen, 864-6756
Dycoda Graphics, 267 Los Lentos NE, 866-4800
Eagle Transportation, 2600 Crimson Clover, 321-4655
Ebba Jane, 498 Sandia Ave SE, 217-4275
Elite Structures, POBox 1725, 350-1326
Flashing Wireless 3, LLC, 1930 Main St. #4, 933-0914
Heart Line Trucking, 3 Orilla Rd., 865-3224
J & S Legacy Builders, POBox 2427, 363-2296
Jer's Magic Carpets Inc., 300 Washington NE, Albuquerque, 249-6002
Jibber Jabber, 1211 Colibri Ave. NW, 550-4063
Las Nortenas, 3415 Highway 47, 565-8142
Life of the Party, 1936 Los Lentos NE, 227-7882
Luis Brown Consulting, 639 Reeves Pl. SW, 410-1863
Luna Enterprises, 221 Calle Consuelo NE, 865-7992
Maxwell Mechanical Service, 7432 Cienega NW, Albuquerque, 890-7194
Mink Price, 170 Big Sky Ave., 565-0617
New Mexico Data Services, POBox 1626, 261-1271
Performance Wheel, 1200 Pandora Dr. SE, 573-3038
Regalado Industries Inc., 1126 Cordova Ct., 866-8881
Samantha's Fashions, 1930 Main St NE Ste #2

SLAC Property Management, 311 Los Lentos Rd., 865-4623
Soilhydrology Associates, LLC, POBox 897, 565-9211
Superior Sign & Lighting, 11445 Cedar Oak, El Paso, Tx., (915) 629-9100
The Band Loaded/Unwound, 400 Main St., 350-0884
Thunderhead NM, 675 Highway #314, 974-6372
T-N-T Boxing River Card Gym, 18A Gurule Rd., Peralta, 440-3872
Triple Check Enterprises, 711 Avenida Pastoral NW, 779-9435
Triple T Interlock LLC, POBox 936, 924-2929
Valencia Family Dental, LLC, POBox 1298, 865-9788
WG Promotions, 1302 Vista Centro Dr., 720-2304
Witty Bit LLC, 1190 Festival Rd., 850-5719
Yalch Grounds Keeping & Maintenance, 522 Blaylock Ln., 620-7738

Have You Renewed Your Business License?

It's time to renew your business license. All businesses, whether Mom and Pop or multi-national, pay the same fee, \$25.

A license is required for "all persons, firms, corporations or associations of any character engaged in any of the various pursuits, businesses or occupations" in the village before March 15 every year at the latest.

In the event that any license fee is not paid by the fifteenth day of March, a penalty in the amount of ten percent of the license fee due shall be added for late filing, according to the village ordinance.

13.2 Tons of Electronics Collected

What do you get when you hold an electronic recycling day in the Village of Los Lunas? The people who conducted the January recycling day got 26,537 pounds, or 13.2 tons, of recycled items.

Included in the 13.2 tons were 139 computers, 148 monitors, 96 printers, 8 UPS units, 62 televisions, 23 phones, 6 cell phones.

Also, 4 lap tops, 121 keyboards, 530 pounds of computer components, 42 stereos/DVD players, 55 mice and 37 pieces of assorted electronics.

Another electronic recycling day behind the village administration building at Don Pasqual and Main Street will be announced soon.

Not Too Late to Keep New Year Resolution To Exercise; Seniors Can Try Senior Olympics

We're now in the second month of a new year. Have you kept your New Year's resolutions that might have included a new exercise regime?

If you haven't kept that New Year's resolution to improve your health and body then take advantage of the Village's facilities.

The Daniel Fernandez Youth Center is a public recreation facility located inside Daniel Fernandez Park at 1103 Highway 314 on the south end of the village..

Equipment includes four treadmills, two ellipticals, and one stationary bicycle. Certified fitness trainers are on hand to handle questions about working out.

Step Aerobics takes place Monday through Friday evenings. The gym is open to play basketball and even to walk laps.

Hours of operation are Monday through Thursday, 5 AM to 9 PM, Fridays 5 AM to 5 PM and Saturday 7 AM to 5 PM. The facility is closed Sunday.

The center charges \$2 per day to use the facilities with no membership fees. Seniors 65 and older get fifty percent off.

And speaking of seniors, folks older than fifty

might consider participating in the New Mexico Senior Olympics. The state games are May 27-31 in Las Cruces and this year qualifying is not required..

Senior Olympic events include archery, bowling, cycling, golf, race walk, swimming, power walk, road race and miscellaneous field events as well as other sports.

For more information about Senior Olympics visit the website at nmseniorolympics.org or call Veronica Gamboa at the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, 864-8630 or 864-2663.

IT'S COMING IN APRIL! GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP DAY

Call Marie or Josie for Details 839-3842

Or Check the Village Website www.loslunasnm.gov

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