

New Police Chief on Job in Los Lunas

The new police chief for the Village of Los Lunas has nearly 30 years of experience in investigative and police work.

Roy E. Melnick takes over the job of police chief in mid-March. He is replacing Police Chief Nick Balido who retired after more than three decades with the department.

Melnick comes to Los Lunas from St. Johns, Arizona, where he served as chief of police since April 2008. Prior to his tenure in St. Johns, Melnick was Chief of Police in Ashland, Massachusetts, for six years and also served as captain and assistant chief in Londonderry, New Hampshire, for twelve years.

Melnick has a law degree from the Massachusetts School of Law and a master's degree of business administration from Rivier College



Chief Roy E. Melnick

as well as a bachelor of science with a concentration in criminal justice from St. Anselm's College.

He is or has been a member of several professional organizations including the Arizona chapter of the FBI National Academy and the International Chiefs of Police Association.

Melnick and his wife Melissa have six children.

**Open House For
New Police Chief**
Village Administration Building
Don Pasqual & Main Street
Thursday, March 19 4 - 5:30 PM

Work Begins This Spring On Carson/Main Street Intersection

Work begins this Spring on a \$381,428 project which will improve the intersection of Main Street, also known as New Mexico Highway 6, and Carson Drive.

Contracting and Management Inc. of Albuquerque was awarded the contract for the job by the Los Lunas Village Council.

The work will be conducted primarily on Carson Drive so that traffic problems on Main Street will be minimal.

Among the improvements are creating additional parking for the United States Post Office on the southeast corner of the intersection, closing the north exit for the post office, making what is now the south entrance for the post office into a combined exit/entrance, and aligning that exit/entrance for the post office with the bank's exit.

The work is expected to take about five months so it should be completed sometime in Fall, 2009.

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of
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Project Updates

The Village's \$4.2 million Interceptor Sewer Improvement Project is about 90 percent complete.

Village Public Utilities Director Betty Behrend said the main portion of the project is finished.

This project includes extending an 18-inch sewer line along Morris Road to serve the new Valencia County Courthouse and then proceeding across Highway 314 to the wastewater treatment plant.

Work will begin on changes to the intersection of Los Lentes and Main Street, (also known as Highway 6) once the final traffic control plan has been approved.

Several paving projects will go to bid this Spring with work to begin in the Summer.

VILLAGE PHONE NUMBERS

Emergency.....	911
Administrative Offices.....	839-3840
Animal Control.....	839-3842
Fire Department (non-emergency).....	839-3847
Keep Los Lunas Clean & Beautiful.....	839-3842
Municipal Court.....	839-3844
Parks and Recreation.....	352-3584
Police Department (non-emergency)	865-9130
Public Library.....	839-3850
Public Works.....	839-3840
Recycling Information.....	839-3840
Senior Citizens Center.....	839-3853
Solid Waste.....	839-3840
Street Maintenance.....	839-3840
Transportation Department.....	352-3595
Water Department.....	839-3841
Wellness Center.....	839-3859

FAX Numbers

Administrative Offices.....	352-3580
Police Department.....	352-7741
Fire Department.....	352-7750

**Help Your Friends!
Help Your Neighbors!
Shop in Valencia County
Keep Our Jobs in
Valencia County
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:

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.

6th Annual

COPS & KIDS FUN RUN & WALK 5 K & 10 K

**Sunday, March 22, 2009
Race begins at 8 a.m.
at Main Street**

**Gym
435 Main St. SW**

*For information contact
Jose Hernandez 991-4564 or
Kathy Gurule 866-0325.*



Village Garbage Pickup Days

HOLIDAY OBSERVED	REGULAR TRASH PICKUP DAY	WILL BE PICKED UP ON
Good Friday	Friday, April 10	Thursday, April 9
Memorial Day	Monday, May 25	Tuesday, May 26
Fourth of July	Friday, July 3	Thursday, July 2
Labor Day	Monday, Sept. 7	Tuesday, Sept. 8
Columbus Day	Monday, Oct. 12	Tuesday, Oct. 13
Veterans Day	Wednesday, Nov. 11	Tuesday, Nov. 10
Thanksgiving	Thursday, Nov. 26	Wednesday, Nov. 25
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday, Nov. 27	Monday, Nov. 30
Christmas Eve	Thursday, Dec. 24	Wednesday, Dec. 23
Christmas Day	Friday, Dec. 25	Monday, Dec. 28
New Year's Holiday	Friday, Jan. 1, 2010	Thursday, Dec. 31, 2009

PLEASE NOTE: We will no longer be able to pick up garbage carts set out late. Therefore, any late garbage carts will be picked up on your next regular scheduled pickup day. **Please place your cart out by 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled pickup day.**

VILLAGE OFFICIALS

**Louis F. Huning Mayor
Councilors**

Cecilia CC Castillo Charles Griego

Gerard Saiz Robert Vialpando

Municipal Judge Jeff Aragon

Village Administrator

Phillip Jaramillo Master Municipal Clerk

Business Licenses Issued Recently

The following new businesses were recently issued licenses by the Village of Los Lunas. All addresses are Los Lunas and phone numbers are 505 unless otherwise noted.

7-UP/RC Bottling Co. 2101 Claremont Ave., Albuquerque, 884-0911

A & R Recycling, 468 Vista Larga SW, 565-1536

AEMA Enterprises, 325 Cloud View SW, 865-9049

Applause Janitorial, P.O. Box 327, 363-8748

Avada Hardwood Floor Co., 540 Silver Creek Rd. NW, Albuquerque, 833-4022

Builders Blinds of New Mexico, 3720-B Hawkins St. NE, Albuquerque, 944-7000

C & L Cleaning Service, P.O. Box 1427, Peralta, 866-8937

Caliber Construction LLC, 1300 Vargas, Rio Rancho, 261-4760

Caskey Drywall NM, LLC, 4120 Ellison Rd. NE, Albuquerque, 897-1790

Central Alarm Inc. P.O. Box 6040, Las Cruces, 592-5276

Custom Grading Inc., 7916 Ranchitos Loop, Albuquerque, 897-4225

Friend Climate Control, 8500 Washington NE, Albuquerque, (719) 550-1697

Gardner Plumbing & Heating, Inc., 520 Wheeler Ave. SE, Albuquerque, 830-2969

Harper Rentals DBA: Outback Self Storage Units, 3507 C Highway 47

Have You Renewed Your Business License?

It's time to renew your business license. All businesses, local or 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.

Licenses are renewed annually.

**PAY YOUR WATER BILL
ONLINE — Go To
WWW.LOSLUNASNM.GOV**

Village of Los Lunas

Honey Do Plumbing & Heating, 4310 Edith Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, 352-2915

JLC Investing LLC, 3621 Wagon Wheel SW, 866-1501

Monarch Builders Inc., 10804 Olympic St., Albuquerque, 897-3616

Mountain West Sales, Inc., 2718 University Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, 888-4464

Navigantes Construction LLC, P.O. Box 2273, 450-1111

Palsce Enterprises Inc., P.O. Box 6647, Albuquerque, 345-1915

Rising Phoenix Concepts, 1273 Redondo Ct., 865-7991

Route 66 Pest Control/Hometeam Pest Defense, 2835 Pan American Frwy, NE, Albuquerque, 265-1113

Southwest CM, LLC, 500 Alcalde SW, Albuquerque, (623) 535-7225

Speech Angel, 1836 Applewood Lane, 866-1796

Squeaky Clean Janitors LLC, 501 Blue Sage Ave., SW, 916-0481

Surv-Tek Inc., 9384 Valley View Dr. NW, Albuquerque, 897-3366

Territorial Landscape Co., P.O. Box 66870, Albuquerque, 898-9199

SAINT PATRICK'S BALLOON RALLYE

STARTING AT 7 AM WEATHER PERMITTING

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

Los Lunas Sports Complex

1660 Hwy. 314 SW

**MUSIC, ARTS AND CRAFTS, FOOD,
ENTERTAINMENT AND HOT AIR BALLOONS**



**Presented by the
Valencia Flying &
Retrieval Society
and Los Lunas Parks and
Recreation Department**

For information call 352-3584

Easter Egg Hunt

Wednesday April 8

Noon 1-5 year olds

Carson Drive

Neighborhood Park

4 PM 6-11 year olds

Daniel Fernandez Park

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

www.loslunasnm.gov

RECYCLING DAY
SATURDAY APRIL 25
10 AM - 2 PM

The Village of Los Lunas & Tierra Bonita have partnered to host a recycling day April 25 from 10 AM to 2:00 PM. Items accepted:

- Electronic Parts • Cell Phones
- Cardboard – boxes must be flattened
- Paper – Must be bagged • Aluminum • Glass
- Oil – must be free of water or other substances
- Batteries • Metal • Old Bicycles
- TV – Minimal charge for 24" - \$5.00 and anything above is \$10.00

Televisions are the only items with a charge. The event will be held behind the Village of Los Lunas Administration Building at Don Pasqual and Main Street.

Bins and other receptacles will be at the location for this drive-through event. Volunteers will be available to assist.

4th Annual Health

& Wellness Fair

Friday, April 24th

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Daniel Fernandez Youth Gym

South Highway 314



50+ vendors/health participants will be on hand

(American Cancer Society, Human Services Division, United Blood Services to name a few)

Any questions, contact Debra Sanchez, Ginny Adame or Rhonda Sanchez at 839-3840 for more information