



VILLAGE NEWS

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OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE TRAINING CENTER NOW OPEN

In partnership with the New Mexico Game and Fish Department Off-Highway Vehicle Program, the Village of Los Lunas Open Space Division obtained \$30,000 in grant funding to plan, design, and construct the Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Training Center in River Park, 1601 Main St. SE.

This now-open facility is the first in New Mexico. The OHV Training Center duplicates outdoor terrain or obstacles found in New Mexico.

OHV safety classes begin with hands-on outdoor classroom certified instruction.

Then students can ride the course using the lesson learned to navigate through the obstacles while being evaluated by an instructor.

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way motor vehicle recreation that recognizes the importance of New Mexico's cultural, historic, and resource values while also ensuring public safety.

New Mexico has new requirements for OHVs designed to protect the safety of users and ensure responsibility and sensitivity in OHV use.

New Mexico State Law requires an OHV rider under 18 years of age carry an OHV safety permit to ride

on New Mexico publicly-owned land which includes state parks. Participants completing the class and passing the final exam will be issued an OHV safety permit.

For more information and to pre-register for OHV safety classes, visit www.wildlife.state.nm.us/ohv/ohv-education or call 505 222-4712.

Online training is also available that provides the required safety permit upon successful completion.

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The Christmas Electric Light Parade will be held Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015, beginning at 6:30 p.m., and begins at Main Street and Highway 47.

VILLAGE HOLIDAY EVENTS

Holiday events coordinated and presented by the Village Community Services Department are:

The Christmas Electric Light Parade

Spread holiday cheer Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015, beginning at 6:30 p.m. for the Christmas Electric Light Parade.

The parade travels Main Street from Highway 47 and Lambros Loop to Don Pasqual.

Anyone interested in participating in the parade can register on the village website at loslunasnm.gov.

Santa In The Park

Santa Claus will be at Daniel Fernandez Park Saturday, Dec. 12, 2015, 1103 Highway 85 SW, at 6 p.m.

That night's events at the park include sipping hot chocolate, watching a classic holiday film, and meeting Santa as well as receiving a free gift.

FIRE DEPT. COLLECTING NON-PERISHABLES

The Los Lunas Fire Department members and volunteers are collecting non-perishable food items for holiday boxes for the less fortunate in the Village of Los Lunas.

Be sure to check the expiration date on donated food. Expired food cannot be given to those who need it.

You can drop items off at 465 Main St. SE. Call Vivian Lujan 352-7616 or email vlujan@loslunasnm.gov for more information.

Your donations can help provide families with a complete meal for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

SHOP HERE IN THE VILLAGE

Shop for the holidays in Los Lunas and help your community thrive.

New Mexico municipalities, including Los Lunas, depend on the gross re-

ceipts taxes collected within the limits of the communities to fund services such as fire and police protection.

More than fifty percent of the village's general fund revenues are generated through gross receipts tax and property tax revenue.

The general fund pays for the services people depend on including the police and fire departments, municipal court, library and museum, parks and recreation, community development, and streets, as well as many others.

Whether it's special gifts for special people, dining with friends and family, or preparing to visit people and places, buy what you need and want in the Village of Los Lunas.



RENEW YOUR BUSINESS REGISTRATION NOW

Doing business in the village?

Then you need to purchase or renew your registration for that business, says Community Development Director Christina Ainsworth.

All businesses, whether multi-national or Mom and Pop, pay the same fee, \$25.

A registration is required for "all persons, firms, corporations or associations of any character engaged in any of the various pursuits, businesses or occupations," says the Village Municipal Code.

Renew or purchase your registration before Dec. 31.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SPONSORS KID EVENTS

The Los Lunas Police Department will host the annual Winter Ball Friday, Dec. 4, from 6-9 p.m. at Daniel Fernandez Recreation Center, 1103 Highway 314 SW.

This event is open to the public and every child will meet Santa and receive a gift.

In 2014 food and a toy were provided to more than 300 children.

The police department is accepting donations, new toys, and gift cards



During the Cops and Kids event, officers take local kids out for lunch and a shopping spree.

for the event.

In addition, police officers will participate in Cops and Kids this holiday season. Officers take kids out for lunch and then a shopping "spree" for the holiday.

More information is available from Treena Saavedra at 505 352-7648. Donations can be made through her also.

EVENTS FOR KIDS AT THE LOS LUNAS LIBRARY:

- Wii Gaming Tuesdays and Fridays at 3-5 p.m.
- LEGO Club Building Challenge First & Third Thursdays at 5 p.m.
- Crafts on Early Release Wednesdays Afternoon crafts begin at 12:15 p.m. at the library on these early release dates: February 3, 2016; March 2, 2016; April 13, 2016; May 04, 2016

Los Lunas Public Library
460 Main St NE 505 839-3850

75 POUNDS OF MEDICATION COLLECTED

Approximately 75 pounds of prescription medication were collected during the National Take Back Initiative in Los Lunas at the end of September.

The Los Lunas Police Department partnered with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration with one designated drop-off site.

The service was free and anonymous; officers were not allowed to ask questions or log any information.



WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

Route 66 Smoke Shop is located at the northwest corner of Main Street and Highway 314, which is part of the original route for the iconic Route 66.

The building was once the Otero's 66 Service. Recently a driver plowed his vehicle into the building causing extensive damage which resulted in the business being closed for a few weeks.

Route 66 Smoke Shop has re-opened, selling shisha products, items made of glass, t-shirts, body jewelry including earrings and piercing items, and various tobacco products such as cigars and cigarettes.

In addition, the store carries a wide variety of flavors of e-juice. Route 66 Smoke Shop is open every day from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., phone 505 865-9009.

The Hearing Group of New Mexico can be found at 2060 Main Street NE Suite A, Contact: Crystal Baca, Au.D, CCC-A, Doctor of Audiology. Hearing Group's e-mail is crystal@hearing-groupnm.com, phone 505 916-5977, fax 505 916-5976.



The Route 66 Smoke Shop building was one the Otero's 66 Service Station.

Village Administration Office: 505 839-3840

LOS LUNAS BUSINESS OPENINGS

Nicole Bradshaw Photography, owned and operated by Nicole Bradshaw, focuses on documenting special moments in people's lives through a combination of photojournalism and posed shots.

Nicole primarily shoots families and weddings, using a combination of film and digital photography.

Working out of her Los Lunas home-based business, she shoots on location throughout Valencia County. Nicole aims to cultivate individual relationships with her clients, so she can customize each experience.

Nicole can be reached at: www.nicolebradshawphotography.com or nicolebradshawphotography@gmail.com or 505 414-4973 to schedule a session or event.

Gatherings Hall at 3415-A Highway 47 is a reception/party space that can be rented out for special events, such as wedding receptions or birthday parties. The phone number is 505 480-8999. Check it out.

LOCAL EVENTS

LOS LUNAS MUSEUM OF HERITAGE & ARTS

3rd Annual Juried Art Show, Through December 30, 251 Main Street S.E.
Under the Water Tower
505 352-7720

HANDEL'S MESSIAH AND NATIVITIES EXHIBIT

Sunday, December 13
Displays Open 6 p.m.
The Messiah Program 7 p.m.
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 160 James Street NW

VILLAGE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED

Wednesday and Thursday, November 26 & 27 for The Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday trash pickup Wednesday, Nov. 25, Friday trash pickup Monday, Nov. 30

ATTEND A COUNCIL MEETING

November 19, December 3 & 17
660 Main St NW
Main Street and Don Pasqual
Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.



A child at the Hearing Group of New Mexico.