



VILLAGE NEWS

Small Community • Big Possibilities

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NEW LLPD DWI AND TRAFFIC UNITS

The Los Lunas Police Department has launched a new DWI Unit as well as a Traffic Unit.

The DWI Unit consists of two officers trained in the field of investigating impaired driving.

These officers are certified Drug Recognition Experts and are able to detect impairment by drugs and substances other than alcohol.

The DWI Unit will arrest and help prosecute drug and alcohol related impaired drivers, and assist other officers with DWI investigations.

A DWI officer will be on duty every night including weekends, and holidays.

The DWI Unit will work closely with local schools to educate youth on the dangers of driving while impaired.

The LLPD Traffic Unit specializes in the investigation and reduction of motor vehicle crashes through education and enforcement action.

The traffic unit has three officers trained in the field of motor vehicle crash investigations and prevention.

The Traffic Unit is dedicated to reducing motor vehicle crashes hereby reducing property damage, injury, and death.



The Main Street / Highway 6 bridge over Interstate 25 now has the Village logo, Small Community, Big Possibilities, as well as decorative graphics on the north and south bound sides. In addition, the metal tree sculpture symbolizing the importance of agriculture in Los Lunas has been installed on Los Lunas exit ramps.

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DRIVER RETIRES FROM VILLAGE



Duane D. Campos

Duane D. Campos has retired from the Solid Waste Division of the Village of Los Lunas.

A transfer station driver, Campos delivered 20 ton trash loads to the landfill five days a week.

He also filled in as a residential and commercial garbage truck driver when needed.

In addition, Campos worked wherever needed in the Solid Waste Division. He worked for the Village from 2002 to 2016.

VILLAGE PROJECTS IN THE NEWS

The Los Lunas Off Highway Vehicle Training Facility in the River Park was recognized in the National Off Highway Vehicle Conservation Council May 2016 newsletter.

See the article at newsletter@nohvcc.org.

Village Administration Office: 505 839-3840

DON'T WASTE WATER!



Sprinklers spraying water into the street is wasting water.

The hot months are upon us. Village residents need to avoid wasting water.

Residents should follow Municipal Ordinance 8.24.040 Water Waste Restrictions through September 30.

Spray irrigation is allowed only between 6 p.m. and 10 a.m.

Water waste must not flow onto adjacent properties or public right-of-way whether served by the municipal water utility or by a private well.

Shut-off nozzles are required on any hoses used for hand watering,

vehicle or equipment washing, or other outdoor uses.

Water waste restrictions do not apply to:

- Outdoor watering performed with permanent drip irrigation system, sub-surface irrigation, harvested water, or greywater;
- Watering of containerized plants and nursery plant stock;
- Repair and maintenance of irrigation systems;
- Single-day irrigation for application of chemicals for landscape maintenance;
- Nonprofit car washes held as fundraisers, if vehicles are washed using handheld buckets and hoses equipped with shut-off nozzles.

Additional restrictions may be applied during declared drought or emergency events.

For additional information call or email the Public Works Office at 505 352-7629 or jaramillom@loslunasnm.gov.



Isabel Alderete of La Cajito sells her pastelitos at the Farmers Market which is open Tuesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. at Heritage Park on Lambros Loop.

TEACHING CHILDREN TO READ

Reading Challenge Plus is a Village-funded program that teaches children ages three to five how to read.

It also includes bilingual activities learning colors, numbers, the days of the week, and more.

The class is taught by Mabel Velasquez who is assisted by her husband, Manuel.

Seven students graduated from the Reading Challenge Plus program this past May.

For more information, call Mabel at 869-9052. Space is limited.

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KNOX HOMEBOX® PROVIDES EMERGENCY ACCESS

The Village Fire Department (LLFD) is the first agency in New Mexico to support a new emergency access program for homeowners within the Village boundaries.

The Knox HomeBox is a heavy-duty secure key vault installed outside a home which gives LLFD access.

Once installed, the homeowner can contact LLFD at 505 866-2116, to arrange a meeting, to place a house key inside the HomeBox and lock it.

Only the Los Lunas Fire Department can lock or unlock the HomeBox.

To learn more, visit KnoxHomeBox.com, call 855 GET-KNOX (855 438-5669), or contact LLFD at 505 866-2116.

ONLINE FORMS & APPLICATIONS

The Village website, loslunasnm.gov, has a section devoted to online forms and applications.

Online forms include those for community development, community service, police department, and public works.

Application forms include those for land use, business registration, new water/sewer services, and sign permits.

Many other forms and applications are available.

Go to the village's home page at loslunasnm.gov and then go to RESIDENTS.



Knox HomeBox Unit

EXHIBIT COMMEMORATES SAN CLEMENTE LAND GRANT

The San Clemente land grant is one of the oldest land grants in the Rio Abajo, or lower Rio Grande Valley.

Before the Pueblo Revolt of 1680, Mateo de Sandoval y Manzanares owned the tract.

His daughter, Ana de Sandoval y Manzanares, petitioned Governor Juan Ignacio Flores Mogollón for the restoration of her father's land claim in 1712.

Mogollón's successor, Governor Felix Martinez, validated her claim as Mateo's heir and granted her petition on July 13, 1716.

The Los Lunas Museum of Heritage and Arts, the Rio Puerco Rangeland Trust and Adelante Consulting, Inc., have joined together to commemorate the 300th anniversary and educate visitors about this natural beauty.

The Tercentennial Exhibit will be held at the Museum, from July 9 through Sept. 17, at the corner of Main Street and Luna Avenue.

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VILLAGE CAFÉ NOW OPEN



Village Café Serves Breakfast Burritos

If you are looking for a breakfast burrito and more, try the Village Café, located at 223 Highway 314 SW.

Anthony Ferraro and Henry Sanchez open the café's drive up window from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. offering breakfast burritos Thursday through Tuesday, closed Wednesday.

The restaurant will be open for inside dining from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. same days. The menu features New Mexican and American dishes.

LL CHAMBER RETURNS

The Los Lunas Chamber of Commerce is back in business with the next meeting July 21, 2016, at Teofilo's Restaurant at 11:30 a.m.

For information, contact Theresa Montoya at the Flyer Press, 505 865-6365 or visit the website at loslunaschamber.com.

The website has information about upcoming chamber events.

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SHOPPING CENTER OPENS THIS FALL



Village Economic Development Manager Ralph L. Mims stands with Maurice's area sales leader Chelsea Engel and Los Lunas store manager Margie Pena in the under-construction store.

A fall opening date is anticipated for the stores in the new shopping center located at Los Cerritos Road and Main Street which include:

- **Maurice's**, a specialty women's clothing store with an array of styles in sizes ranging from 1-24.
- **Famous Footwear** with styles for women, men, and kids from brands like Nike, Converse, Vans, Sperry, Madden Girl, Skechers, ASICS and more.
- **Hibbett Sports** which has 1,000 stores in 33 states, with each location specifically designed to serve its community and its customers.

LOCAL EVENTS

Saturday, July 23

El Camino Real Heritage Center And Fort Craig Tour Sponsored by the Museum of History and Arts Call 505 352-7720 for info and reservations

Friday, July 29 6 p.m.

The Wooly West: An Environmental History of Sheep in the Southern Rockies Andrew Gulliford Museum of History and Arts

Tuesday, August 2

National Night Out 6-8 p.m. Daniel Fernandez Park Sponsored by Los Lunas Police Department

Attend a Village Council Meeting

July 28 August 11 & 25
660 Main St NW
Main Street and Don Pasqual
Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

PLANET FITNESS OPENING

Planet Fitness will have a grand opening at the end of July.

The facility is located on Ken Haynes Drive just southwest of the intersection of Emilio Lopez / Camelot and Main Street.

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