



VILLAGE NEWS



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EVERY SECOND COUNTS DURING A FIRE

Every Second Counts — Plan 2 Ways Out is the theme for Fire Prevention Week Oct. 8-14.

Los Lunas Fire Chief John Gabaldon says that seconds can mean the difference between people in our community escaping safely from a fire or having their lives end in tragedy.

Everyone needs to have an escape plan from a structure.

Other safety suggestions:

- Draw a map of your home with all members of your household, marking two exits from each room and a path to the outside from each exit.
- Practice a home fire drill twice a year, one at night and one during the day.
- Teach children how to escape on their own.
- Make sure the number of your home is clearly marked for fire department personnel to find you.

• Close doors behind you as you leave — this may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.

• Once outside, stay outside. Never go back inside a burning building.

Chief Gabaldon said the department is working on buying the BullsEye Laser Driven Fire Extinguisher Training System.

The BullsEye allows department personnel to teach people how to fight a fire without the mess of a real fire.

A portion of the funds raised by the September Jubilee Arts and Crafts Fair will go toward the LLFD BullsEye system.

LLFD continues its work with smoke detectors. Personnel will replace batteries and/or detectors.

In 2016 LLFD personnel installed 146 smoke detectors and 100 batteries.

Currently five new firefighters are being trained.

When Fire Station #2 opens in 2018, additional firefighters will be hired.

Call Vivian Lujan at LLFD, 866-2116, for further information.



LOS LUNAS FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017
10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

WALGREEN'S FLU SHOTS

CHILDREN'S CAR SEAT CHECKS
BY SAFER NEW MEXICO

EXTRICATION DEMONSTRATION

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DON PASQUAL ROAD WORK

Work was scheduled to begin in early September on improvements to Don Pasqual.

The Village Council awarded the Don Pasqual Roadway Improvement Project to CBKN Dirtworks, Inc. for \$769,540.25.

The project consists of new storm water ponds, street signage, sidewalk replacement, and a new asphalt road from Main Street to Tondre Road.

The primary purpose of the project is to collect and divert storm water from within the roadway and to re-adjust all water and sewer valves along the road.

Lane closures are planned throughout the 90-day improvement project; however, access will be available to the Recycling Center, Fred Luna Center, and Katherine Gallegos School.

There are no alignment changes on Don Pasqual. The intersection at Don Pasqual and Tondre Road will be widened.

People should continue to take extra care between Main Street and the Recycling Center.

Work continues on the Valencia Regional Emergency Communications Center while the Fred Luna Center renovations are scheduled to be completed soon.

The new Recycling Center is operational. When heavy equipment is in the center emptying the bins, the entry gate will be closed for an hour.

Recycling bins will be placed in front of the gate for use by recyclers while it is closed.

The previous Recycling Center area is the new service road behind the Fred Luna, First Choice, and Village Administration buildings.

Village Administration Office: 505 839-3840

JUBILEE ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

The Jubilee Arts and Crafts Fair returns Saturday, Sept. 23, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free, and funds are raised by vendor booth fees, a raffle, and donations.

More than 50 artists and crafters will display and sell miscellaneous items at 500 Jubilee Blvd SW (off Highway 6, 2.5 miles west of I-25).

Funds from this year's event will be donated to the Los Lunas Fire Department to help purchase a BullsEye Laser Driven Fire Extinguisher Training System.

BullsEye enables personnel to offer fire management classes in comfortable indoor settings.

"It's very important that homeowners, business workers, and schools know how to use extinguishers," said Los Lunas Fire Chief John Gabaldon. "Being able to have this digital training program so we can train indoors will be a valuable addition."

Jubilee residents raised almost \$10,000 last year to help the department upgrade its cardiac monitoring equipment.

More information on the Arts and Crafts Fair is available via email to Mary Morton at mmorton@hoamco.com or 805 794-3388.



Seen at 2016 Jubilee Fair.

LIBRARY HAS 22,503 USERS

Did you know the Los Lunas Public Library has 22,503 registered users?

That's one of the statistics from the Los Lunas Public Library's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Annual Report.

Some other interesting facts from that report:

- Library visits: 100,488
- Museum visits: 5,510

Library and Museum of Heritage and Arts materials use:

- Children's materials checked out: 21,611
- DVDs and videos checked out: 11,510
- Audios: 3,754
- E-book and downloadable audios: 4,795
- Electronic database retrievals: 6,450
- Books and other materials: 40,487
- Total checkouts: 88,607

Computer use is 18,440 which is down from last year's 20,942 due to computers being out of order



HEAD START PROGRAM NOW ENROLLING

The Valencia County Head Start & Pre-K is a free program serving 384 three-to-five-year-old children and families.

The Valencia County Head Start program accepts applications throughout the year.

Services are provided at eight locations — Adelino (main office) plus Belen (4), and Los Lunas (3) public schools.

The curriculum focuses on school readiness goals to prepare a child for kindergarten.

The program encourages community and family involvement through various activities and events.

Nutritious meals and snacks are served daily plus monthly nutrition activities to teach children healthy eating habits.

In addition, the program provides services to families, and meets the needs of special populations, including, but not limited to, children with disabilities.

The main office is located at 2747 Highway 47 Los Lunas, (in Adelino), phone 505 864-6700.

LOS LUNAS CHAMBER MEETS

The Los Chamber of Commerce continues to meet on the third Thursday of the month from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The September 21st luncheon will be at Teofilio's Restaurant in Los Lunas.

VETERANS DAY AT DANIEL FERNANDEZ PARK

A Veterans Day commemoration will be held at Daniel D. Fernandez Park on Saturday, Nov. 11, beginning at 11 a.m.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the free event sponsored by L.I.V.E., Inc., (Los Lunas Invest in Veteran Events), a non-profit organization; the Village of Los Lunas; Blue Star Mothers; Daniel D. Fernandez VFW Post 9676; and other area businesses and organizations.

Military veterans, especially Vietnam and Vietnam-era veterans, will be honored.

Following a short program, refreshments will be served.

Organizer Jim Schnitzler encourages people to attend to thank those who have served and still serve our country.

DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is Saturday, Oct. 28, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Los Lunas Administration Building, 660 Main St. NW.

The Drug Take Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the public about the potential for abuse and medications.

LITERACY TUTOR TRAINING

Several sessions will be held for literacy volunteers through the Valencia County Literacy Council.

Orientation for volunteers will be Sept. 27 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Basic Literacy Training will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 29.

English as a Second Language training will be Oct. 6 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This free training takes place at the University of New Mexico-Valencia Campus.

For more information contact Cecy Rodriguez at 505 925-8935 or crodriguez@valencialiteracy.org.

DASH ON THE DITCH RUN OCT. 14

La Vida Felicidad will host its 6th Annual Dash on the Ditch Fun Run on Saturday, Oct. 14, at Heritage Park.

The event includes a 10k run, 5k run/walk, and a one-mile family fun walk.

Kids can come out and join the fun by taking advantage of the \$15 student discount rate!

To register for the event, go to www.active.com.

Bring out the entire family from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a day of fun with kids' craft tables, face painting, rock wall climbing, giveaways, music, and lots of food!

To learn more about La Vida Felicidad, visit www.lvfnm.org or call Adria Duran, Director of Outreach & Development, at 505 565-1614.

EUROPA COFFEE. TEA.BAKERY NOW OPEN

The structure housing the newly opened Europa Coffee.Tea.Bakery served as a produce shed for decades as part of the George Sichler Farm.

That produce shed has been transformed into a cozy nest.

George's grandson and his wife, Thomas and Amanda Dollahite, feature a wide variety of flavors of coffee and tea, both hot and cold, at the eatery.

To go along with the drinks there are pastries and breads.

Europa Coffee.Tea.Bakery also sells produce from the George Sichler Farm including onions, cucumbers, tomatoes, green chile, and green beans as well as eggs.

Thomas said he and Amanda opened Europa based on the concept of bringing a community market to the area.

Hours for Europa Coffee.Tea.Bakery are 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Saturday with extended hours on Fridays to 9 p.m.

Phone number is 505 328-3874; address, 2105 Highway 314 NW.

Check out Europa Coffee.Tea.Bakery on Facebook too.



Village Administration Office: 505 839-3840

MUSEUM HAPPENINGS

Put the Los Lunas Museum of Heritage & Arts on your to-do list this fall because there is a lot going on there.

The museum will host the 5th annual Juried Art Show with the theme of "The Way It Was."

The show is an opportunity for local artists to display their work based on the theme.

Entries must be postmarked by Sept. 30.

Entries may be entered online at form.jotform.us/71044303079146.

Printable forms are available at loslunasnm.gov/DocumentCenter/View/9338.

Stop at the museum for a form and information at Main Street and Luna Avenue.

Check out the museum's Facebook page for the form.

The Historic Maps of New Mexico exhibit is up at the museum through Dec. 30.

The maps on display show the subtle, sometimes not so subtle, cartography changes of the state.

The Pastel Society of New Mexico exhibit will be Oct. 7 through Nov. 4.

The museum is sponsoring —

- Salinas Pueblo Mission Tour Saturday, Sept. 30, includes Abo Mission and the ruins at Abo Mission, Quarai and Grand Quivira missions.

- Saints & Sinners Tour Friday, Oct. 13 includes historic churches, Camino Real Historic Winery & Tap Room and the museum.

LOCAL EVENTS

Village Offices Closed for

Columbus Day Monday, Oct. 9
Garbage Pickup Tuesday, Oct. 10

Subdivision Ordinance Revision Meetings

October 18, 2017 Full Review of Draft Subdivision Ordinance
6 p.m. Village Council Chambers
660 Main St. NW

Farmers Market

Tuesdays, 4-7 p.m.
Heritage Park on Lambros Loop

Los Lunas Public Library 460 Main St. NE

Adult Coloring Night
Every Tuesday 5-6:30 p.m.

Wii Games
Every Friday 3 p.m.

Open Mic Night for All Ages
Thursday, Oct. 12 5:30 p.m.

Friends Used Book Sale
Saturday, Oct. 14 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Attend a Village Council Meeting

Sept. 21 October 5 & 19
660 Main St NW
Main Street and Don Pasqual
Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

- The museum tour of the Very Large Array Nov. 4 has a guided tour of the facility west of Socorro.

There is a minimal charge for the tours.

For information call the museum at 505 352-7720.