



VILLAGE NEWS



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VILLAGE COUNCILWOMAN DIES

Village of Los Lunas Councilwoman Paulette Sanchez-Montoya died April 15, 2018, at her Los Lunas home with her family at her side.

Councilwoman Sanchez-Montoya was first elected to the District Four council seat in March 2014. She was re-elected in March 2018.

A native of Los Lunas, Sanchez-Montoya, 61, graduated from Los Lunas High School in 1974.

She was retired from the Central New Mexico Correctional Facility and had also worked at Walmart.

Sanchez-Montoya is survived by her husband, Arthur Montoya Jr., her mother, Paula C. Padilla; son Steven Walker, wife Sonia and children; daughter Paula Jean (PJ), her husband Noah Aragon and their sons; stepson Jeffery Montoya; stepdaughter, Sheila Knight and her son.

She is also survived by her brothers and sisters; as well as nieces and nephews; and other relatives.



*Councilwoman
Paulette Sanchez-Montoya*

COUNCIL DISTRICT 4 MEMBER

The Village is accepting letters of interest from individuals interested in serving on the Los Lunas Village Council representing Council District 4.

Interested individuals must be at least 18 years of age and registered to vote in Council District 4 in Los Lunas.

To apply, submit a letter of interest to Mayor Charles Griego, Village of Los Lunas, P.O. Box 1209, Los Lunas, NM 87031, by the deadline of May 17, 2018 at 5 p.m.

Appointment to the position is anticipated at the regular Village Council Meeting on May 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Village Administrator Gregory D. Martin at 505 352-7654, or email marting@loslunasnm.gov.

FARMERS MARKET NOW OPEN

The Los Lunas Farmers Market is open from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. every Tuesday, May through October, weather permitting, at Heritage Park on Lambros Loop across from Smiths Grocery Store

The market provides shoppers with fresh locally-produced vegetables, fruit, honey, eggs, meat, bread, and more, in a friendly environment that supports the local economy, agriculture, and community.

Valencia County Extension Service staff will periodically do cooking demonstrations.

Check with vendors on what food cards are accepted such as EBT cards.

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VCC EXPO GOLF TOURNNEY

The Valencia County Community Expo fundraising golf tournament will be Friday, June 15, at Tierra del Sol Golf Course, Rio Communities

Play begins at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start.

The \$125 registration fee includes greens fees, golf cart and staging plus breakfast and lunch.

Sponsorships are available ranging from a \$150-hole sponsorship to the \$5,000 title sponsorship.

The Valencia County Community Expo supports youth 4-H and Future Farmers of America programs throughout the county. Contact Kendra West at 505 280-6510 or kendrawest14@gmail.com.

The 10th Annual VCC Expo runs July 28 - August 4 at the corner of Morris Road and Highway 314 across from the Valencia County District Courthouse.

Visit www.vccexpo.org for more information.

NEW SUBDIVISION IN LL

Westway Homes will build two subdivisions, one in Rancho Valencia in southwest Los Lunas and De La Reina in Belen.

The Rancho Valencia subdivision in Los Lunas will have 69 lots available and Reina will have 92 lots available.

GREAT AMERICAN RECYCLING

April's Great American Recycling event brought 106 vehicles to the recycling site on Don Pasqual to recycle:

- 25 gallons used oil
- 2 gallons antifreeze
- 31 gallons assorted paints
- 1 aerosol can
- 10 4-yard bins cardboard estimated at 2,500 pounds
- 5 4-cubic-yard bins plastic estimated at 700 pounds
- 6 cubic yards metal
- 25 pounds aluminum
- 20 pounds tin
- 2 2-yard bins glass estimated 1,472 pounds
- 12 televisions
- 1,500 pounds electronics
- 15 pounds assorted batteries
- 5 boxes of clothes donated to Bargain Square Center

Village employees who worked were Marcus Montoya, Joshua Chavez, Jesus Montoya, Tommy Gurule, William Minier, Juan Baca-Luna, and David Foreman.



Village workers place cardboard in recycling bin.

2017 LLPD REPORT AVAILABLE

The Los Lunas Police Department 2017 annual report is now available on the Village website, loslunasnm.gov, under DEPARTMENT/POLICE.

The report includes:

- A message from Police Chief Naithan Gurule
- Organizational flow chart
- List of alternative revenues
- Arrest statistics
- Crime statistics
- Citizen complaints
- Response to resistance
- Officer of the Year
- Community Policing
- Acknowledgements/Awards
- New Hires

MEMORIAL DAY RUN

The 7th annual 5K and 10K race and separate kids' fun run will be Saturday, May 26, Memorial Day weekend.

The fundraising event supports the military, veterans, and organizations in Valencia County such as the VFW, Blue Star Mothers, and American Legion. Detailed information can be found at <https://runsignup.com/Race/NM/LosLunas/7thAnnualBelieveinHeroesMemorialWeekendRun>.

BRAZILIAN JIU-JITSU NOW IN LL

Looking for a different exercise routine?

How about Brazilian jiu-jitsu which is now offered in Los Lunas?

Brazilian jiu-jitsu is a martial art and combat sport system focusing on grappling, and especially ground fighting.

Brazilian jiu-jitsu promotes the concept that a smaller, weaker, person can successfully defend themselves or another against a bigger, stronger, heavier, assailant by using proper technique and leverage, and taking the fight to the ground.

Once the fight is taken to the ground, then joint locks and chokeholds are applied to defeat the opponent.

All ages can participate in Brazilian jiu-jitsu as a sport, or a method for promoting physical fitness.

It can also build character in young people and eventually become a way of life.

The Los Lunas Brazilian jiu-jitsu is located at 3476 Main Street NE on Highway 47, phone 505 440-2310.

You can also find them on Facebook.

The facility is open seven days a week and a free introductory lesson can be arranged.

Several students participated in a recent tournament and earned medals

CHAMPION EXPRESS CAR WASH COMING TO LL

Champion Xpress Car Wash is a family owned business operating in New Mexico and Texas.

They currently have a total of seven express car wash tunnels in Roswell and Clovis, New Mexico, as well as Plainview and San Angelo, Texas.

The company is excited to announce the opening of its 8th car wash and 1st in Los Lunas.

The location is expected to open 4th quarter of 2018 at 250 Main Street NE.

Champion Xpress Car Wash will begin interviewing for positions in Los Lunas in September 2018.

Champion Xpress Car Wash is looking forward to becoming a part of the Los Lunas community!



Tammy Griego teaches at Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu.

CELEBRATING 90 YEARS

(Historical info in honor of the 90th anniversary of Los Lunas as a municipality in 2018.)

Electricity came to the Village of Los Lunas in the early 1930s. The New Mexico Power Company supplied the power first which was later replaced by the Public Service Company.

Water and sewer facilities came to the Village in the late 1930s when the population was listed as 513.

During the 1950s and 1960s, the Village welcomed various businesses, service and social clubs, modern school buildings, and parks and recreation areas.

MAGAZINES AVAILABLE THROUGH LIBRARY

Now you can read some magazines from home or anywhere.

The Los Lunas Public Library purchased the tool Flipster and chose several magazines that library patrons can read (and print pages from) on any computer, tablet or smart phone.

To access Flipster log on to <http://search.ebscohost.com/> and enter the following values:

User ID: s9152873

Password: password

From there you can access either Flipster or the Flipster mobile app.

Flipster provides on-line help. Look for "help" in the upper right of the screen once you log on.

PLATEAU NOW OFFERING SERVICE

Plateau Communications is now offering services over an advanced fiber optic network in Los Lunas.

These services include an ultra-fast one gigabit per second (Gbps) internet connection, paired with crystal clear high definition TV and home phone service.

One gigabit per second (Gbps) is a 1,000 megabits per second (Mbps) connection.

For the service, Los Lunas has been divided into zones. Residents in zones need to pre-register for Plateau fiber services.

When a zone meets 100% of the pre-registration goal, Plateau will build fiber throughout that zone.

Zone 1 in Los Lunas has already qualified. Construction is in progress, with service available in the near future.

A \$10 fee is charged when pre-registering, which will return a \$20 credit on the first Plateau invoice after service begins.

To pre-register and find answers to Frequently Asked Questions about these services, go to plateaufiber.com.

The website also offers the opportunity to chat with a Plateau representative and/or send an email.

The Plateau toll free number is 1 877 PLATEAU (1 877 752-8328), Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



MUSEUM OF HERITAGE & ARTS HAPPENINGS

Main Street and Luna Avenue
505 352-7720

EXHIBITS

Pastel Society of New Mexico
Through Saturday, June 2, 2018

Juried Art Show Winner Exhibition

Works by Charles "Bud" Edmundson and Friends
Saturday, June 9 –
Saturday, July 21, 2018
Opening Reception Saturday,
June 9 2-4 p.m.

Spirit and Beauty
Works by Katherine Morris Soskin
Saturday, June 16 – Saturday,
July 28, 2018
Opening Reception Saturday,
June 16 2-4 p.m.

TOURS

Call Museum 505 352-7720

or stop by to sign up

Saturday, May 26, 2018

Los Lunas Mystery Stone

Saturday, June 23, 2018

Field trip to Tent Rocks

SPEAKERS

Saturday, June 9, 2018

John Taylor

Museum Open
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Tuesday - Saturday

LOCAL EVENTS

May 19, 2018
Baca Family Historical
Conference
Village Transportation Center
101 Courthouse Rd. SE

Memorial Day
Village Offices Closed
Monday, May 28
Monday garbage pickup on
Tuesday, May 29

Last Wednesday of the month
Business Watch
Cops and Business Folks
meet at
Benny's Restaurant 8:30 a.m.
1503 Main St. SW
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Los Lunas Public Library
460 Main St. NE

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

**Attend a Village
Council Meeting**

May 24 June 7 & 24
660 Main St NW
Main Street and Don Pasqual

ONLINE BILL PAY

Your Village water-sewer-garbage bill can be paid on line which gives you flexibility in paying and could be easier for you.

You need an Internet connection and an email address to pay your bill online.

Paying online can be fast and easy and means you don't have to write a check or find a stamp when it's time to send in your payment.

Go to the Village website, loslunasnm.gov, and find out how to pay your bill online.