

MUSEUM HOSTS VETERANS EVENT AND MORE

The Annual Veterans of Valencia County exhibit at the Village Museum of Heritage & Arts features individuals who served in the Armed Forces from different eras, many of whom were born and raised in Valencia County.

The exhibit includes stories of courage under fire, gallantry, service and honor. There are artifacts from families which have been donated or loaned to the museum.

New for 2025,VFW Post 9678 and Valencia Art Center are hosting the first annual veterans art exhibit and sale, This art show is open to all artists both youth and adults in Valencia County. The theme is Welcome Home patriotic art tribute to our nation's veterans. Information packets are available at the Museum under the downtown water tower, phone 505 352-7720.

Other Museum Events:

- Enjoy hot tea and light refreshments at the Museum Friday December 12, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Reserve your tea time by calling the Museum at 505 352-7720. Space is limited in groups of no more than four. This is a free event for all ages so bring your own cup and saucer, or borrow one of the Museum's. Feel free to dress up!
- The Southwest Model Railroad Club features a traveling exhibit at the Museum from December 6 to December 20.
- The Village Museum is sponsoring a van trip to the Kauau ruins Coronado historic site in Bernalillo on Saturday, November 22. The Kuaua Pueblo was the northern most of the 12 villages visited by Vasquez de Coronado. The Kuaua Pueblo was first settled around 1325 AD and had about 1200 inhabitants.

TAKING CARE OF VILLAGE FACILITIES

The Facility Maintenance Division provides maintenance and repair services for all Village facilities; including Village Hall, Fred Luna Multi-Generational Center, Public Library. Wellness Center, Transportation Center, Fire Department, Street Maintenance Shop, Daniel Fernandez Recreation Center, Museum, and more

The division's three main goals:

- Immediate Response.
- Improve periodic preventive maintenance schedules in reducing short and long-term operational costs.
- Long term maintenance and rehabilitation.

Most responses are to immediate needs. Day-to-day problems require quick responses to get the resources back into operation for citizen use.

Periodic/preventive maintenance is designed to anticipate and prevent likely problems before they occur. Carpentry, electrical, mechanical, lighting, plumbing, HVAC, and hardware are inspected, adjusted, and repaired on a regular schedule to eliminate or reduce the number of emergency repairs.

The three main goals cover the entire spectrum of maintenance and repair needs to public buildings and facilities located throughout the Village of Los Lunas.



LOCAL EVENTS

Thanksgiving Holiday
Thursday & Friday Nov. 27 & 28
Village Offices Closed
Thursday garbage picked up
Wednesday, Nov. 26
Friday garbage picked up
Monday, Dec. 1

Village Christmas Light Parade
Saturday, Dec. 6
Main Street

Christmas Holiday
Dec. 24 & Dec. 25
Village Offices Closed
Wednesday garbage picked up
Tuesday Dec. 23
Thursday garbage picked up
Friday Dec. 26

Attend a Village Council Meeting
6 p.m. Thusday, Nov. 20, 2025
6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4 & 18, 2025
6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 15 & 29, 2026
660 Main St. NW
Main Street and Don Pasqual
Meetings will be virtual and in-person. Check Village website for agenda loslunasnm.gov/agenda center.



HOLIDAY BAZAAR

The 46th Holiday Bazaar will be held at Peralta Methodist Church, 25 Wesley Road in Peralta (off Hwy 47) Friday Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 22 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Crafty Ladies are the creators of all the items that are sold -- home decor, seasonal decor, and more, plus delicious goodies, too!! Methodist men will have yummy burritos, drinks and more for sale. Come see what's available!



UNOFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS

Unofficial results from the November 4, 2025, regular local election showed incumbent Christopher S. Ortiz received 327 votes to retain his seat as District One Village Councilor. Ortiz had 53% of the votes cast while his opponent John B. Walker received 293 votes.

Matthew D. Chavez received 203 (35%) of the votes cast for a four year term as District Three Councilor. His opponents were Naithan Gabriel , who received 199 (34%) of the votes, and incumbent Cruz Munoz, who received 184 (31%) of the votes.

According to the Valencia County Bureau of Elections, the regular local elections results will be canvassed November 12, 2025, at 5:00 pm, after which a letter will be sent to the Secretary of State with the canvassing results. The Secretary of State will then submit a letter to the State Canvassing Board, and, because the results were so close, the State Canvassing Board will then give direction as to the necessity of a recount, likely around December 3, 2025. The successful candidates will start their four-year terms in January 2026.

LOS LUNAS HAPPENINGS

Learn what's happening in Los Lunas from the comforts of home or an easy chair.

Watch the new In the LLoop video series on Facebook!

This new video series from the Village of Los Lunas brings you closer to what's happening in our community — from project updates and upcoming events to behind-the-scenes looks inside Village departments.

Stay connected, stay informed, and stay in the LLoop!

To give feedback about In the LLoop, email the Village at IntheLLoop@loslunasnm.gov, or message the Village on Facebook! #inthelloop #villageofloslunas #loslunas.

PARADE REGISTRATION

Registration is now open for the Village of Los Lunas Electric Light Parade. The parade will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6 along Main Street.

Call the Parks and Recreation Department if you have parade questions, 505 352-7661.

PACIFIC FUSION CHOOSES LOS LUNAS

Pacific Fusion Chooses Los Lunas for First New Mexico Facility

Launching New Era of Clean-Energy Innovation

The Village of Los Lunas is proud to welcome Pacific Fusion, a company developing low-cost commercial fusion energy, to its fast-growing business community.

The company has selected a site in Los Morros Business Park for its first build center in New Mexico — a strategic move that marks the beginning of a bold new chapter for high-tech manufacturing in the state.

This new facility will serve as Pacific Fusion's New Mexico Build Center, providing space for the team to manufacture many components of its Demonstration System, which is designed to achieve net facility gain – producing more energy from a fusion reaction than the total energy used – by 2030.

The company will operate out of the Los Lunas facility while its larger research and demonstration campus is developed at Mesa del Sol in Albuquerque.

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“We are moving quickly to build the future of fusion energy in New Mexico and that starts with this Build Center,” said Carrie von Muench, Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer of Pacific Fusion. “We’re grateful for the partnership of the Village of Los Lunas. We will begin hiring for skilled roles immediately.”

A Catalyst for Economic Growth

Pacific Fusion’s decision to construct a build center in Los Lunas reflects strong confidence in the region’s ability to support cutting-edge technology and sustainable industry.

Pacific Fusion will be hiring for more than 200 high-quality jobs across its Albuquerque and Los Lunas facilities. Over the next decade, the combined facilities are projected to generate more than \$1.2 billion in economic impact.

“We’re honored to welcome Pacific Fusion to the Village of Los Lunas. Our community takes great pride in creating a place where innovative companies can launch from and thrive,” says Village of Los Lunas Mayor Charles Griego. “As one of New Mexico’s fastest-growing communities, we’re excited to see Pacific Fusion join our family of forward-thinking employers who are shaping the future of technology, opportunity, and prosperity right here in Los Lunas.”

“As the New Mexico State Representative for this district, I welcome industrial growth and economic development that strengthens our region,” said Rep. Brian Baca. “Projects like this bring good-paying jobs, diversify our economy, and reinforce that Valencia County is not just keeping up — we are leading the way in building New Mexico’s future.”

A Vision for Innovation

Pacific Fusion’s presence in Los Lunas signals the rise of a new energy and innovation corridor in central New Mexico — one that positions the state as a national leader in clean energy, advanced manufacturing, and fusion technology.

“New Mexico continues to lead the nation in innovation and clean energy development, and Pacific Fusion’s launch from the Village of Los Lunas is proof of that progress in action,” says Sen. Angel Charley. “Our state’s commitment to technological advancement goes hand in hand with our responsibility to care for the land, water, and people who make that progress possible. This investment represents not only high-wage jobs but also a shared vision for sustainable growth — where economic opportunity and environmental stewardship move forward together right here in Senate District 30, in the heart of Valencia County.”

“As one of New Mexico’s fastest-growing communities, Los Lunas is proud to be the launchpad for Pacific Fusion’s expansion,” said Victoria Archuleta, Senior Economic Developer for the Village of Los Lunas. “This investment represents more than just jobs — it opens the door to a future of technological innovation and sustainable growth for our region.”

2026 COUNCIL MEETING AND HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

JANUARY

Council Meetings: 1/15 & 1/29
Holiday(s): 1/1 – New Year’s Day
1/19 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

FEBRUARY

Council Meetings: 2/12 & 2/26
Holiday(s): 2/16 – Presidents’ Day

MARCH

Council Meetings: 3/12 & 3/26

APRIL

Council Meetings: 4/9 & 4/23
Holiday(s): 4/3 – Good Friday

MAY

Council Meetings: 5/7 & 5/21
Holiday(s): 5/25 - Memorial Day

JUNE

Council Meetings: 6/11 & 6/25
Holiday(s): 6/19 – Juneteenth

JULY

Council Meetings: 7/9 & 7/23
Holiday(s): 7/3 – (In observance of July 4th Independence Day)

AUGUST

Council Meetings: 8/6 & 8/20

SEPTEMBER

Council Meetings: 9/3 & 9/17
Holiday(s): 9/7 – Labor Day

OCTOBER

Council Meetings: 10/8 & 10/22

NOVEMBER

Council Meetings 11/5 & 11/19
Holiday(s): 11/11 – Veterans Day
11/26 & 11/27 – Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER

Council Meetings: 12/3 & 12/17
Holiday(s): 12/24 & 12/25 – Christmas Holiday

START GETTING FIT NOW

Now is a great time to begin a Fitness Class. A great variety of classes are available at Daniel Fernandez Recreation Center.

Group fitness classes designed to support people of all ages, backgrounds, and fitness levels. Whether you’re recovering from an injury, just starting out, or looking to stay active and energized, classes offer a welcoming, inclusive space where you can move confidently and comfortably. Explore the diverse offerings:

Enhanced Fitness

The Enhanced Fitness program is a well-rounded class that combines cardio conditioning, strength training, balance work, and flexibility exercises.

It’s ideal for individuals managing arthritis, joint pain, or those returning to physical activity after a break. All movements can be performed standing or seated, ensuring everyone can participate safely and at their own pace.

The supportive, judgment-free environment helps you stay motivated while building strength and confidence.

Yoga

Experience the physical and mental benefits of yoga, no matter your experience level.

These gentle yet effective sessions focus on mindful breathing, guided movements, and stretching to promote core strength, flexibility, and improved posture.

Yoga is also a powerful way to reduce stress, increase body awareness, and support overall well-being.

Zumba

Dance your way to better health with Zumba – a high-energy, full-body workout that feels more like a party than a fitness class.

Set to infectious music, Zumba improves cardiovascular endurance, tones muscles, and boosts coordination. Absolutely no dance experience is needed. Instructors break down every routine, to follow along, have fun, and move at your own pace.

Fusion Exercise

Fusion is a dynamic, fast-paced workout that blends elements from strength training, cardio, core conditioning, and flexibility work all in just one hour.

Each session is designed to keep you engaged and challenged while targeting all major muscle groups.

Whether you’re looking to tone, increase endurance, or just mix up your routine, Fusion offers a fresh, energizing experience every time.

Stop by Daniel Fernandez Recreation Center at NM Highway 314 SW or call 505 352-7661.

DON’T WASTE WATER!

Soon it will be winter and not wasting water will be just as important as any other season of the year.

Residents should follow Municipal Ordinance 8.24.040 Water Waste Restrictions.

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

The water waste restrictions do not apply to the following:

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

For more information, call the Public Works Department at 505 839-3857.