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Mayor's Report

by Larry Abraham

There's a Lot to be Learned

Since this is my first column since the election, I will comment briefly on the electoral process. I think contested elections are a necessary part of our democratic ideal at all levels of government. I learned a lot about the Village during this election. This may not have happened had this been an uncontested election. Congratulations to Don Lopez for mounting a respectable campaign and for caring about the future of the Village.

As much progress as our Village has made in the last twelve years, the next four years will probably be the most important and will set the stage for the long-term sustainability and development of the Village. From talking to our residents and especially our businesses during the election, it is painfully obvious our Fourth Street revitalization project is the most important project facing us. I think revitalization is not the correct adjective to describe what lies ahead of us. Our Village has been at a distinct disadvantage having annexed Fourth Street nearly thirty years after we incorporated. We never have had a main street for business or a downtown. In fact, you cannot tell where Los Ranchos starts or stops. This has been a huge disadvantage in the past; however, it creates a phenomenal opportunity for us to start with basically a blank sheet of paper.

The challenge for each one of our residents is to think of the great small towns you have visited and try to envision how we can turn our fast-paced Fourth Street into a business destination. I would like to think there is more to the Fourth Street project than just slowing down traffic from 50 mph to 25 mph. I think we need to be bold and creative in designing a street that will actually attract people and not only slow them down but stop them to patronize our business community. Over the next couple of months, we are going to visit cities similar to ours and try to adopt their Best Practices and create a vibrant business district that our residents want to live, work, and play in and around.

This is also true of developing the southeast corner of Fourth Street and Osuna Road. We need to set our sights high and

develop a gathering place for our community which might include a grocery store, outdoor cafes, restaurants, retail, and public open space.

We are setting the stage for how we want Los Ranchos to look in twenty years. The goal is to create a sense of place along Fourth Street. It will require taking bold steps to create a community feel that our children and grandchildren will enjoy.

I also heard from our residents that housing was a long-term concern, specifically, creating the opportunity for more affordable housing for all ages. This would include housing for the millennial generation, as well as housing for residents who want to downsize and retire in smaller homes in Los Ranchos.

And, of course, of equal importance is creating a community where everyone feels safe. Nearly every homeowner association I met with during the election had stories of not feeling safe. We are taking several measures to increase security within our community. We have asked the Bernalillo County Sheriff's deputies to increase their patrol within the Village. We are encouraging each neighborhood and/or residents to install security cameras. It is not surprising that most of the burglaries being investigated appear to have been committed by someone familiar with the residence. I cannot caution our residents enough to make sure the people working on their houses and yards are trustworthy and have very good references. Additionally, most burglaries occur when the doors are left open and/or unlocked.

I really want to try and use the technology available to us to deter crime. At this point, I am not sure what it will look like, but I think the use of cameras and possibly a Village-wide application for public safety could be employed in the future. All our residents need to be aware of their surroundings and if something does not look right in your neighborhood, be vigilant and take notes or pictures with your phone and call the sheriff at 798-7000.

Thank you for trusting me to be your Mayor for another four years. I am very grateful and honored.

Calendar

Planning and Zoning Commission Meetings

Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, May 10, 7:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, June 14, 7:00 p.m.

Board of Trustees Regular Meetings

Wednesday, April 13, 7:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.
 Wednesday, June 8, 7:00 p.m.

Deadlines: Los Ranchos Vision Magazine

Advertising and Article Submissions Due
 Friday, April 22, June Issue
 Friday, May 20, Summer/Lavender Issue (July/August)

Growers' and Arts/Crafts Market

Saturday, April 9, 10:00 a.m. – noon
Last Winter Market, Swing into Spring
 Saturday, May 7, 7:00 a.m. – noon
Opening of 2016 Market Season, Mother's Day Celebration
 Saturday, May 14, 7:00 a.m. – noon
 Saturday, May 21, 7:00 a.m. – noon
Spring Greens, Beef and Salmon
 Saturday, May 28, 7:00 a.m. – noon
Canine Celebration
 Saturday, June 4, 7:00 a.m. – noon
 Saturday, June 11, 7:00 a.m. – noon
Old Vehicle Day
 Saturday, June 18, 7:00 a.m. – noon
Sustainability/Solar
 Saturday, June 25, 7:00 a.m. – noon

Memorial Day

Monday, May 30
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Village at-a-Glance

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Join us at Village Hall, 6718 Rio Grande Blvd. NW, on Monday, April 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please visit www.UnitedBloodServices.org to pre-register and set an appointment time.

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Congratulations to all the candidates who ran for office in the 2016 Los Ranchos Municipal Election. Please see page 20 for full results and pictures.

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Public Safety

by Robin Hopkins, BCSO
Director of Public Safety,
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Make a Difference: Donate

I've always considered myself a civic minded person, volunteering for a variety of different causes, supporting anything to do with bettering the community. My favorite aspect of being a Deputy Sheriff is helping others.

It wasn't until I became such a huge recipient of donated blood, that I even thought about being a blood donor. I was aware of blood drives when I saw an advertisement poster, but I guess I assumed enough people were participating.

Like so many things, when you are personally affected by a life changing experience, it makes you see something as simple as a blood drive in a whole new way.

On October 26, 2013 while on patrol, in an attempt to stop an active shooter, I was shot with an AK47 that shattered my femur and femoral artery. I was lucky to have firefighters on scene who applied a tourniquet on my leg and got me to the hospital as fast as they could go.

I had several surgeries to repair my leg and over 100 units of donated blood

(one donation is about 1.5 units) and more blood was sent in overnight from Arizona and Nevada. The surgeons and medical staff who cared for me were outstanding, but the truth is that I wouldn't be alive without donated blood.

I still think about all the anonymous people in the community who helped save my life. I'm blessed to be able to see my kids grow up, return to the career I love, and continue to serve the community that has been so good to me.

Now, when I think about myself as a civic minded person, I add donating blood to my volunteerism. Everyday at the UNM Cancer Center, or the Children's Hospital, someone is in need of life saving blood, not to mention injuries in the emergency room. and other surgeries that require blood product.

United Blood is experiencing a shortage in their blood supply because of the impact the Zika Virus has had on those who are eligible to donate.

I invite you to join the community of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque as we



truly embody the spirit of community service, and making a difference in peoples lives by hosting a blood drive at Village Hall.

Please join me and United Blood Services at Village Hall, 6718 Rio Grande Blvd NW, on Monday, April, 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Donors can schedule their appointment time and complete registration online at www.UnitedBloodServices.org using the "Schedule an appointment" tool on the left side of the page. Locate our blood drive by entering "Village Hall" into the sponsor search.



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Fire Corner



*by Staffing Division Chief Greg Perez,
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Reminders for a Safer Spring

The winter season is over and I hope each of you are coming out of it happy and healthy. As we begin to see trees blooming and flowers blossoming, we are anxious to get outdoors to enjoy the wonders of spring. With the warmer weather comes a number of things we should be aware of when enjoying the outdoors. As many of us reach for allergy pills, remember to put the cap back on nice and tight and keep out of reach of little ones who might be curious. Remember to keep fertilizer and other lawn and weed care in well-ventilated spaces and out of harms way.

Water will begin to flow quickly through both large and small ditches. Regardless of their size, they pose a danger to young children playing in or around them. Please remind your children of the potential danger associated with ditches.

Along with the blooming plants comes the increase of bees to the area, respect the bees and they will respect you, the same is true with other insects that, like us, are beginning to plan for

the warmer weather. All insect bites can pose a number of life threats and should be cared for immediately. If the bite impacts your ability to breath or causes swelling and discomfort, seek medical attention immediately.

As we prepare to start sheading some of our winter weight, remember to warm up your body first before putting it to the test. A light cardio warm up will do wonders for your end result and will prevent you from possible sprains and strains. Also be sure to stretch appropriately. When outdoors remember to apply plenty of sunscreen and drink plenty of water. Those who plan to utilize fire as part of cleaning your yards, please remember to only burn dry weeds in three-foot by three-foot piles with a water source

nearby. You should also check with the Bernalillo County Burn Line prior to burning by calling 468-7200.

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Ditch Writer

An Agri-highlights Column
by Sue Brawley and Lorilee McDowell

Regular Growers' Market Season Begins May 7

April 9 is the last winter market. The 24th regular market season starts Saturday, May 7, from 7:00 a.m. – noon. The season runs for 28 weeks, every Saturday from May 7 through November 12.

Tables for the April and May markets will have an assortment of lettuces, greens such as arugula, chard, kale, sorrel, and micro greens. There should be green onions, spring green garlic, rhubarb, asparagus, eggs, honey, salmon, beef, lamb, various local food products, and breads/pastries.

This is a great time to select locally grown bedding plants, including veggies, herbs, and flowers. Locally grown plants usually adapt better to our growing conditions than plants started in other climates and then trucked here.

Technically, the average last frost date is April 15, but the Village has had



snow and cold weather as late as mid-May. Vegetable and flower bedding plants can be planted with season extenders (row covers, water walls, etc.) or in a sheltered place such as a warm courtyard. Toward the end of May fresh peas start including snow, shelling, and edible pods.

In May, there are several national food/herb related celebrations based on the abundance of fresh produce

and herbs at this time. The first week in May is National Herb Week. This year, Peppers-Capsicum are being honored as the herb of the year. There will be pepper plants for sale, and the market will honor peppers in August during our Peak of the Season Celebration.

May 16 – 22 is National Vegetarian week – there should be lots of delicious choices at the market. May is also National Salad month celebrating the wonderful spring greens, spring onions, and garlic. Guest Chef Kenny, the Fish Hugger, will help us celebrate May as National Bar-be-que month.

We are still in the planning stages for special events during the market season. See the related article about the market season on page 23. Visit our website for product and produce availability at the market. Also visit Los Ranchos Growers Market on Facebook to view pictures.

www.losranchosgrowersmarket.com

From Market to Your Table

by Lorilee McDowell

Roasted Spring Onions With Balsamic

Preheat the oven to 400°. Clean and trim the stems of as many spring onions as desired. If any of the onions are very large, cut them in half lengthwise, so that all are about the same size. Place the onions in a bowl and toss with olive oil, salt and pepper. Add a generous amount of an herb blend – I have one from the Napa Valley that has a little fennel and lemon in it, however, anything similar to Herbes de Provence will work. Be generous with the oil and herbs, and ensuring the onions are well covered. Place the onions in one layer in a shallow roasting pan. Roast for approximately fifteen minutes, or until the onions begin to brown.

While the onions are roasting, mix approximately ¼ cup of balsamic vinegar with ½ teaspoon of sugar. (Depending on the amount of onions, you may need to increase the vinegar and sugar.) The amount of sugar also depends on the sweetness of the onions. Drizzle the mixture over the onions, and turn them gently so that the onions are covered. Put the pan back in the oven and continue to roast them for approximately twenty minutes. If they begin to burn, reduce oven temperature. They should be tender and light brown.

Serve warm as a side dish with any kind of roast or grilled meat. Tip: You may grill the onions briefly for a few minutes, and then finish roasting in the oven for a slightly different taste.

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Finance

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The Role of Dividend-Paying Stocks

No matter your age or your approach to investing, there is one kind of investment that may be considered for your portfolio: dividend-paying stocks. That's the opinion of Scott Wren, Managing Director and Senior Global Equity Strategist for Wells Fargo Investment Institute.

Wren says dividend-paying stocks may offer a difficult-to-beat combination – good quality and a history of typically lower volatility than the overall market. He likens this kind of investment to the slower competitor in the classic fable of the tortoise and the hare. The tortoise is not flashy or speedy, but over the long haul he runs a steady and rewarding race. Wren cites an impressive number in this regard. “During the past 80 years, about half of the market's growth, as measured by the S&P 500®, has come from dividend-paying stocks.”

The essentials

Some investors equate dividend-paying stocks with “blue-chip” stocks, but Wren is quick to point out that these terms are not interchangeable. While there are some longstanding, bellwether firms that pay dividends, such as AT&T

and Johnson & Johnson, any number of large, high-profile social media and tech companies pay no dividends. They might be regarded as blue-chip based on performance and growth potential, but they are not dividend-paying stocks.

Not long ago, these stocks drew little interest and almost no enthusiasm. “From 1995 to the early 2000s, they fell out of favor while the focus was on the tech boom,” says Wren. After that boom went bust, many investors were risk-averse. But with traditional conservative investment vehicles such as Certificates of Deposit (CDs) yielding miniscule returns, investors started looking again at dividend-paying stocks. Wren notes that 5% CD yields are not likely coming back any time soon, so the trend is likely to continue. It's important to note that CDs may offer guarantees and insurance not available in stock investing. Investing in dividend-paying stocks involves the possible risk of principal.

The benefits

While younger investors typically may be better served by looking for greater growth at higher risk, Wren says, they also should consider having

some dividend-paying stocks in their portfolio. The steady growth may have a payoff over time, especially if dividends are immediately reinvested in additional shares. For those approaching or in retirement, the scenario is a little different; and the importance of having this type of asset in your portfolio may be greater.

There is another quality, sometimes overlooked, of many dividend-paying stocks. A large number of corporations that pay dividends have significant interest and investment in emerging and global markets, which gives you additional exposure to that potential growth as well as the risk of these economies. Wren says that the populace's aspirations to reach the middle class in many countries translates to the production of commodities such as better hygiene products, higher-quality food, more modern appliances, and other goods that enable a healthier and more productive lifestyle.

“Many of the name-brand, dividend-paying corporations consistently produce these kinds of goods,” notes Wren.

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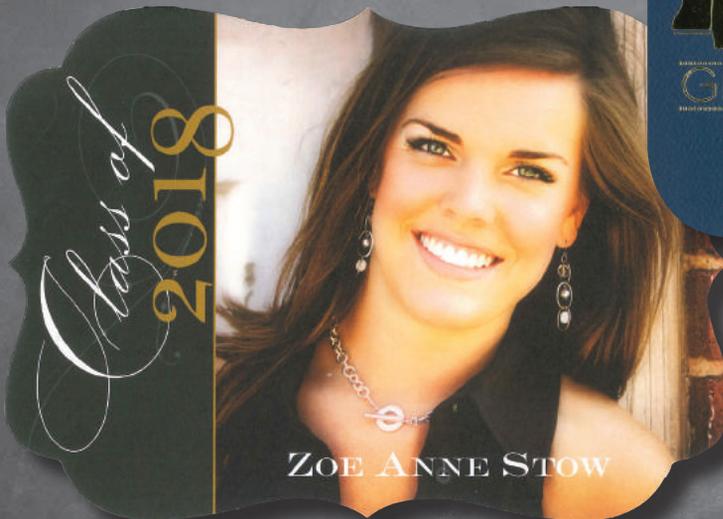
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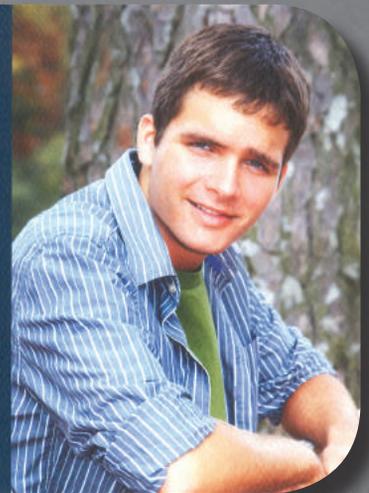
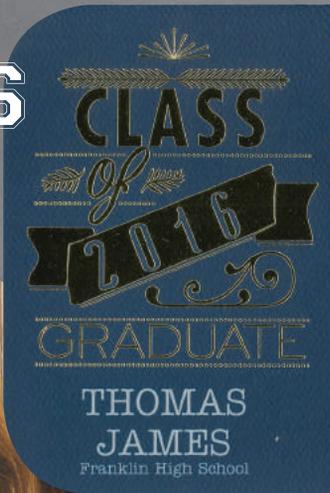


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Speakeasy and
my quest had
officially begun.



Pupusas, the national dish of El Salvador, is the featured delicacy at El Paparturro, the newest restaurant in the Village.

As a rule, the fastest way to get to know any community, I’ve discovered, is with your stomach. So I set about to try to eat my way through the Village, a task that turned out to be a bit more diet-damaging than anticipated. Oh well.

My journey actually started two decades ago when Laura and I moved here from the DC area in our early 20s and we were introduced to Sadie’s. That first bite of salsa was like watching the opening credits roll on Star Wars. You knew something special was in store. Of course, that something special included glass after glass of water—which, I swiftly discovered as a New Mexican newbie, does little to tame the heat. So, I considered just guzzling margaritas instead, but when our friends’ eyes widened to saucers around the table, that wisely was discouraged. Like their salsa, Sadie’s margaritas have a reputation. So, I just ate more, which actually worked. The catch? You just could not stop.

Back to my quest. How was I going to tackle the nearly two dozen restaurants? Methodically. Burgers and fries at Papaburgers (6601 Fourth Street), which recently earned a four star review in the Albuquerque Journal. Check. Homemade pot stickers at Four Joys Chinese Restaurant (6122 Fourth Street). Check. The heavenly pupusas and pasteles (trust me, they are that good) at the brand new El Salvadorian restaurant El Paparturro (6601 Fourth Street, 503-1575). Check and check!

Now I was getting on a roll. Carne adovada at El Camino Dining Room (6800 Fourth Street), green chile chicken alfredo at Prime (6855 Fourth Street), pizza at Pizza 9 (6136 Fourth Street, delivery 345-6463), breakfast burritos on the sublime patio at Casa de Benavidez (8032 Fourth Street), and mole at Eli’s Place (formerly Sophia’s Place, 6313 Fourth Street), which has even been written up in the New York Times.

There were plenty more surprises, like celebrity spotting at Los Poblanos’s highly regarded restaurant La Merienda (4803 Rio Grande Blvd), the fabulous barbacoa burritos wrapped in made-on-site fresh flour tortillas at the permanent food truck El Payaso Burritos y Gorditas (6343 Fourth Street, delivery 610-0822), and the slow-smoked herb-infused pulled pork sandwich at Desert Grows Kitchen (7319 Fourth Street, note this new location).

Dessert? Absolutely, and all were sublime. The macarons from L’Amour Baking Company (6920 Fourth Street) and the truffles at Joliesse Chocolates (6855 Fourth Street) both transport one to the streets of Paris while Celina’s Biscochitos (404 Osuna NW, Suite A) could not be more reminiscent of home. JP’s Custard Cart (338 Osuna) is a creamy frozen taste of childhood. I have more places to visit (like The Ivy Tea Room, 7015 Fourth Street, Blakes Lotaburger, 6210 Fourth Street and 8440 Fourth Street, and Weck’s, 6621 Fourth Street), but I am stuffed. It’s another brilliant day in the Village.



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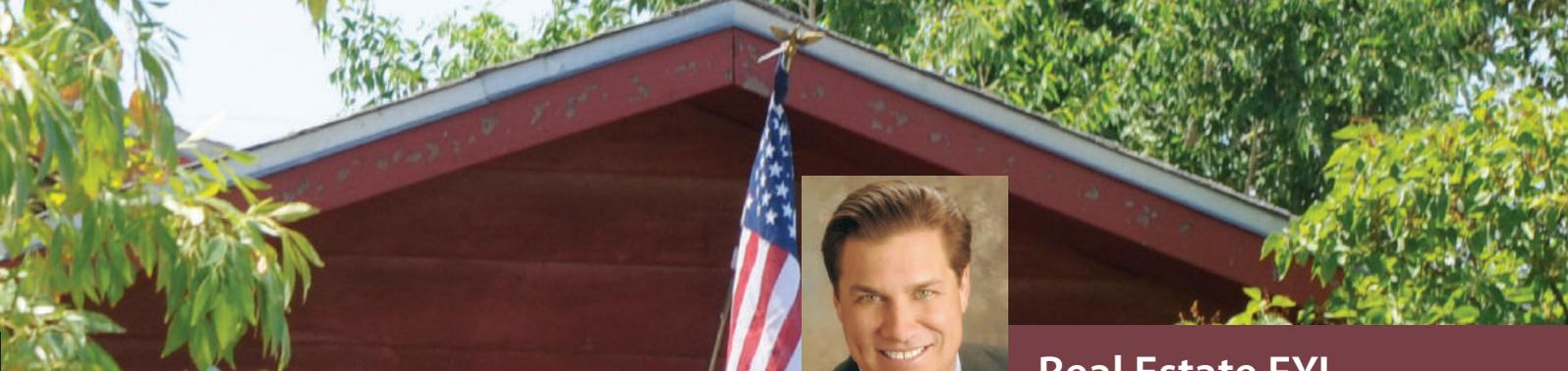
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ADDRESS	MLS#	LIST PRICE	LOT	SF	BR	BA	G	AGENT	COMPANY	PHONE
6930 Rio Grande	851114	\$2,200,000.00	6.92	VACANT LAND				D'Nette Wood	Avio Real Estate, LLC	(505) 463-2910
8202 Guadalupe	852015	\$1,000,000.00	2.54	VACANT LAND				Linda Martinez	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 385-2117
Rio Grande	823985	\$800,000.00	2.93	VACANT LAND				Aaron Sandoval	Advance Realty	(505) 203-1097
2251 Rio Grande	835693	\$720,000.00	3	VACANT LAND				Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 249-1212
7530 Rio Grande	853998	\$499,000.00	2.23	VACANT LAND				Thomas Schroeder	Rafter S Realty	(505) 934-2118
1023 Cottonwood Dr	859138	\$490,000.00	1.08	VACANT LAND				Marlene Vance	Advance Realty	(505) 203-1097
1031 Cottonwood	836962	\$479,900.00	1.09	VACANT LAND				Karsten Associates	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 315-1564
6901 Rio Grande	859142	\$450,000.00	1.52	VACANT LAND				Marlene Vance	Advance Realty	(505) 203-1097
6921 Rio Grande	859140	\$450,000.00	1.22	VACANT LAND				Marlene Vance	Advance Realty	(505) 203-1097
1022 Cottonwood	842895	\$375,000.00	1.2	VACANT LAND				Jeanne Kuriyan	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 249-7666
7725 Fourth Street	860183	\$330,000.00	0.85	VACANT LAND				James Shull	ABQ Properties LLC	(505) 269-2952
719 San Juan	855008	\$325,000.00	1	VACANT LAND				Susan Feil	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 690-2225
6767 Guadalupe	827559	\$275,000.00	1	VACANT LAND				James Shull	ABQ Properties LLC	(505) 269-2952
915 La Senda	859669	\$249,000.00	0.72	VACANT LAND				Mark Thompson	Cauwels & Stuve Realty & Dev.	(505) 263-5350
328 Rancho	846529	\$240,000.00	1	VACANT LAND				Susan Nelson Anderson	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 350-3235
324 Rancho	846437	\$215,000.00	0.8	VACANT LAND				Susan Nelson Anderson	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 350-3235
6502 Fourth Street	846530	\$215,000.00	0.58	VACANT LAND				John Yost	Jackie Fisher Realty & Assoc.	(505) 344-1169
795 Ranchitos	852348	\$189,500.00	1.12	VACANT LAND				Frank Andreone	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 857-2294
1001 Acequia	847825	\$185,000.00	0.49	VACANT LAND				Cathy Olson	EXP Realty LLC	(505) 263-7995
316 Nuevo Hacienda	855724	\$130,000.00	0.22	VACANT LAND				Joseph Maez	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 369-0094
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7200 Rio Grande	845577	\$3,200,000.00	12.29	4780	4	4	0	Timothy Tourville	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 292-8900
7412 Rio Grande	834960	\$2,995,000.00	3.81	6400	5	6	6	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
6828 Rio Grande	845179	\$2,490,000.00	3.67	8045	6	7	11	Silesha Montano Naden	Realty One of New Mexico	(505) 883-9400
7512 Rio Grande	848674	\$2,400,000.00	2	6866	4	6	13	Susan Nelson Anderson	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 828-1000
4701 Rio Grande	858875	\$2,195,000.00	3.06	8234	5	6	4	Michelle Smith	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 828-1000
5201 Eakes	849341	\$1,899,000.00	2.74	5988	5	5	3	Rodger Barton	Structure Services Group	(505) 818-7450
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8904 Rio Grande	860022	\$1,530,000.00	0.8	6154	4	6	3	Leda Cook	Real Estate Professional Serv.	(505) 554-1244
4674 Los Poblanos	842081	\$1,500,000.00	1.2	6140	6	8	9	Dominic Serna	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 271-8200
970 Bonita Rosas	856414	\$1,350,000.00	1.13	4937	4	5	4	Bill Christ	Sunn Quality Homes, LLC	(505) 350-7089
4611 Rio Grande	852690	\$1,298,000.00	2.98	3755	4	4	7	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
8211 Guadalupe	853536	\$1,100,000.00	1.07	3650	4	3	2	David Baird	Achora (ACTH01)	(505) 503-7999
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1422 El Portal	842764	\$999,999.00	1.12	5140	3	5	3	Christine Lohkamp	Signature Southwest Properties	(505) 332-8838
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208 Nico	859469	\$760,000.00	0.77	3805	4	3	4	JoAnn Brown	Brown & Associates, Inc.	(505) 883-1674
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4124 Dietz Farm	856149	\$698,000.00	0.69	3122	5	4	2	Beverly Hilton	Realty One of New Mexico	(505) 883-9400
6769 Guadalupe	838784	\$650,000.00	1.6	3000	5	4	4	Mike Novak	Re/Max Masters	(505) 883-8979
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333 Rancho	860006	\$599,000.00	62	3768	3	5	3	Stella Genero	The M Real Estate Group	(505) 247-1002
937 Green Valley	859381	\$598,900.00	1.03	3893	3	3	4	Peggy Wheeler	Realty One of New Mexico	(505) 883-9400
6012 Redondo	859706	\$550,000.00	0.63	3383	3	3	2	Valerie Almanzar	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 897-1100
801 Ranchitos	858633	\$535,000.00	1	3119	3	2	2	Maria Pumilia	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 271-8200
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625 Sandia View	857925	\$450,000.00	0.3	2233	3	3	2	Deborah Thomas	ERA Sellers & Buyers Real Estate	(505) 296-1500
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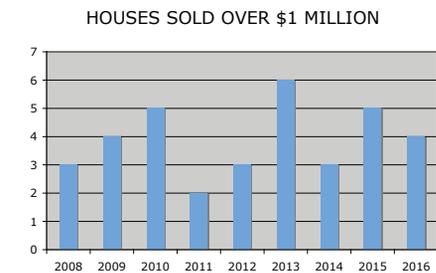
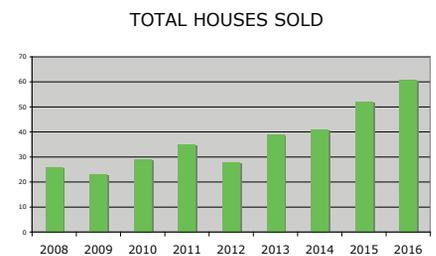
Real Estate FYI

by Tim Tourville, CRS

State of the Village Real Estate Market

It is that time of year again when I share the state of the market for the Village of Los Ranchos. The good news is that over the past 12 months we have seen a 17 percent increase in the number of homes sold and a three percent increase in the average price per square foot. The not so great news is, comparing the numbers to the same 12 months last year, we have seen an eight percent decrease in the average sale price, and a 19 percent decrease in the median sale price. The median being the price at which 50 percent of properties sold are greater and 50 percent are lower. Using averages can skew the numbers by a few high end/low end sales; therefore, the median is typically a more accurate depiction of the market.

In the past, it was difficult to get statistics on real estate in the Village as the Southwest Multiple Listing Service did not have a means to search for properties exclusively in the Village. About nine years ago, Mayor Abraham and I approached the Greater Albuquerque Association of Realtors and the collaboration resulted in Los Ranchos de Albuquerque's designation as a city in the SWMLS. It has been my



ongoing passion to ensure that listings in the Village are properly identified as Los Ranchos de Albuquerque and not simply Albuquerque. If you list a property in the Village please make sure your agent enters it correctly.

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It is exciting to know that we now have an on-going database for homes sales exclusively in the Village. I hope you find this information useful, and as a Village resident and realtor, I am proud to be able to present it to you.

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May 8th | 9am to 1pm

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LAVENDER DINNER
June 3rd, 4th & 5th | 5 to 9pm

Time to kick off lavender season! Hosted at our Inn restaurant, Chef Jonathan Perno has created a special three-course tasting menu that highlights and explores the dynamic flavor of culinary lavender.

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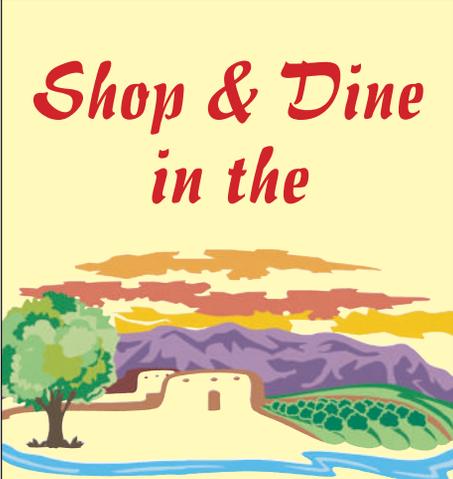
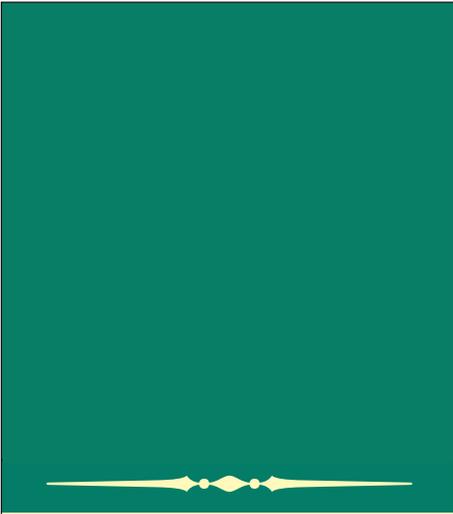
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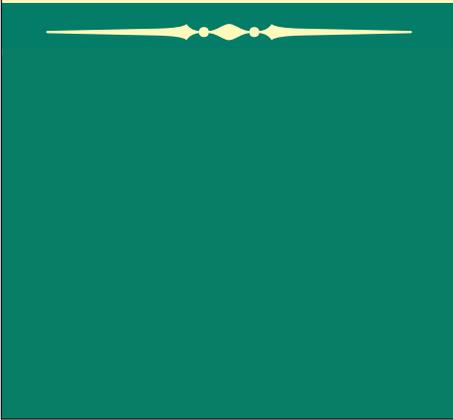
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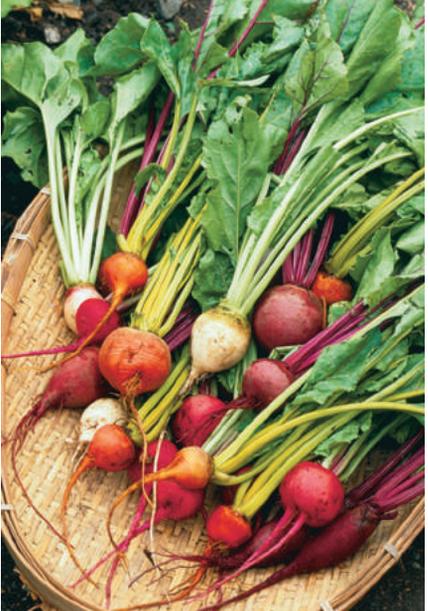
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Municipal Election Results

The Regular 2016 Municipal Election had the highest voter turnout since the Special Election in 2007. A total of one thousand (1,000) votes were cast; the participation rate was 22 percent. The 2016 Regular Municipal Election yielded the following results:

Mayor (Four-Year Term)

Candidate	Total Number of Votes
Larry P. Abraham	587
Donald T. Lopez	412

Trustee (Two Positions; Four-Year Term)

Candidate	Total Number of Votes
Mary E. Homan	670
Diane E. Albert	434
Allen L. Lewis	612

The winning candidates were: Larry P. Abraham (Mayor); Mary E. Homan (Trustee), and Allen L. Lewis (Trustee).

Upcoming Elections

The Primary Election will be held on Tuesday June 7, 2016 followed by the General Election on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. If you need to update your voter registration, please contact the Village Clerk at 344-6582 or visit the Village website at www.losranchosnm.gov. The Village Clerk will also sponsor a voter registration drive at the Growers' Market on Saturday, May 7, 2016.

Photos: (right) Judge Frank Sedillo and Mayor Abraham.(bottom from left to right) Judge Sedillo and Allen Lewis, Judge Robert Maw Jr. and Mary Homan, Judge Sedillo, Mayor Abraham, and Deputy Robin Hopkins.

Submit Your Photos for the Cover of the Village Vision

The Village of Los Ranchos will now be accepting photo submissions for the front cover of the Village Vision Magazine. The Village Vision is published eight times each year and is distributed to each residence in the Village. We feel our talented residents and wonderful scenery are a perfect combination for fantastic photos. We look forward to seeing the Village from your perspective. Submit your photos to losranchosimages@gmail.com.



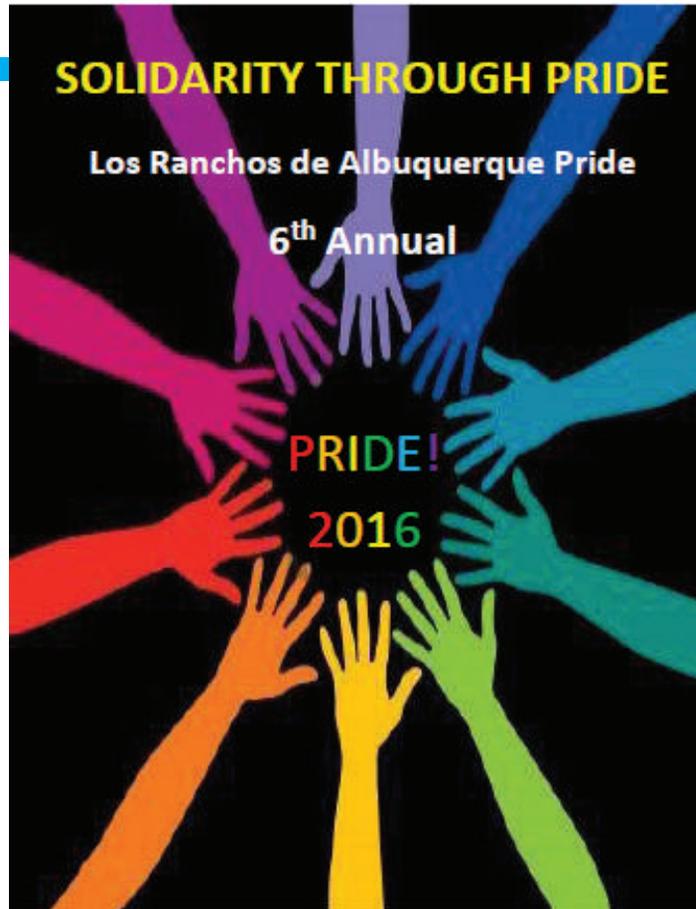
Solidarity Through Pride

by P.J. Sedillo

Different communities come together in June to celebrate Pride. Here in beautiful Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, we as a community, will be celebrating Los Ranchos Pride's 6th Anniversary.

What is the history behind the many Pride Celebrations held throughout the world? Parades, picnics, marches, rallies all honor the Stonewall Riots. This event took place in New York forty-seven years ago. The Stonewall Riots were a series of spontaneous, violent demonstrations against a police raid that took place in the early morning hours of June 28, 1969, at the Stonewall Inn (Bar) in the Greenwich Village neighborhood of New York City. The riots are frequently cited as the first instance in American history when people in the homosexual community fought back against a government-sponsored system that persecuted sexual minorities. The Stonewall Riots have become the defining event that marked the start of the Gay Rights Movement in the United States and around the world.

Here in Los Ranchos, Los Ranchos Pride, too, will be celebrating and honoring the Stonewall Riots with our communities Sixth Annual Los Ranchos Pride. The event is scheduled to be at Hartnett Park (Corner of Chavez Rd. and Rio Grande) on Sunday, June 5, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Los Ranchos Pride will be using the



International Pride Theme Solidarity Through Pride to bring our community together to celebrate our cohesive diversity. A church service sponsored by Metropolitan Community Church of Albuquerque will begin at "The Barn" starting at 10:00 a.m. This all inclusive church service is something not to be missed. The rest of the festivities will start at 11:00 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch or buy something from the wonderful food vendors at the event. There will be booths, a car show, and entertainment, games, and dunk tank. This event is free and open to the public.

hit, will be continued. This contest is a real treat, whether one is participating or watching. Bring a tent and then decorate. These tents will be judged and awards will be given based on the best use of theme Solidarity Through Pride. Los Ranchos Pride thanks the staff and Mayor Abraham for supporting this event each year.

If you are interested in getting a booth, sponsoring the event or needing information, please visit sinatradevine.org or call PJ Sedillo at 505-856-0871. See you June 5, 2016! Happy Pride!

Last year, the games and relays were a hit. This year there will be a "twist" with the water balloon relays, potato sack races, and ring toss. Awards will be given. Come meet our honored dignitaries and hear on our mainstage the reading of the heartfelt Proclamation presented from our Village and Mayor Abraham. Also, this year will be having its second year of Drag Queen Bingo. Finally, the tamale eating contest, always a great

24th Season Of Growers' and Arts & Crafts Markets Open on May 7

by Sue Brawley and Lorilee McDowell



Welcome to our 24th season! The Growers' and Arts & Crafts Markets has been a part of the Village of Los Ranchos every year since 1992, and we are going strong. Our hours, as always, are: May through August: 7:00 a.m. – noon, and September through mid-November: 8:00 a.m. – noon. Our annual Lavender and Garlic Celebration will be open from 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The International Herb Association Herb of the Year for 2016 is Peppers Capsicum. There will be pepper plants at the May markets, ready for you to plant in your garden. Also this year, we are including a Celebration of Peppers in our Peak of the Season event in August.

Rose Thomas, the Los Ranchos 4-H Club coordinator and Master Gardener, is arranging for Master Gardeners to come to the market once a month to answer your gardening questions. Sheriff's Deputy, Robin Hopkins, Village Public Safety Officer, and Jeff Philips, Emergency Management Coordinator for the Village, will be attending the market to distribute information and answer questions. In addition to the annual Canine Celebration by the

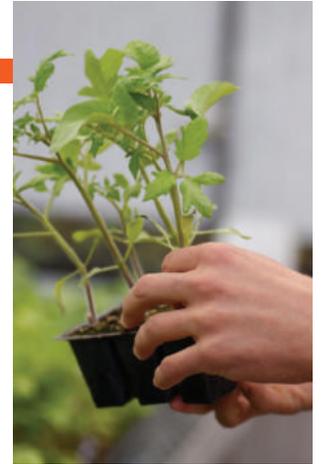
Sandia Dog Obedience Club on May 28, the Turquoise Trail Dog Group will be holding barrel racing demonstrations at the market once a month. Based on the weather, and the availability of water, the market will hold fruit and veggie tastings during the season.

Every week there is music, and plants and products. Arts & Crafts vendors feature creative and unique items, all handmade by New Mexico artists.

Here are some of the events that we have planned so far for this 24th season:

- **May 7:**
Opening Day of the season;
Mothers' Day and International Herb Week
- **May 21:**
Spring Greens, salmon and beef with Kenny, the Fish Hugger
- **May 28 :**
Canine Celebration – Sandia Dog Obedience Club
- **June 11:** Old Vehicle Day – POCO Quatros Model A Club





- **June 18:**
Sustainability Day / Solar Day
- **July 9:**
The Lavender and Garlic Celebration at the Market.
Extended hours: 7:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
Fresh cut lavender bouquets, special lavender products, lavender plants, various types of garlic, and special products featuring garlic. The market will also hold classes and demonstrations.
- **July 23:** Flower Festival
- **August 20:** Peak of the Season
- **September 10:** Fall veggies, salmon and beef with Kenny, the Fish Hugger
- **October 22:** Costume Day
- **November 12:** Last day of the regular season



The Market may present other special events as the season progresses. An occasional new Village business may be featured. We always have ideas, and the weather can help or hinder. We hope that you will all meet us there on every Saturday morning, enjoy shopping, meet friends and neighbors, and, of course, have breakfast. See you at the market!

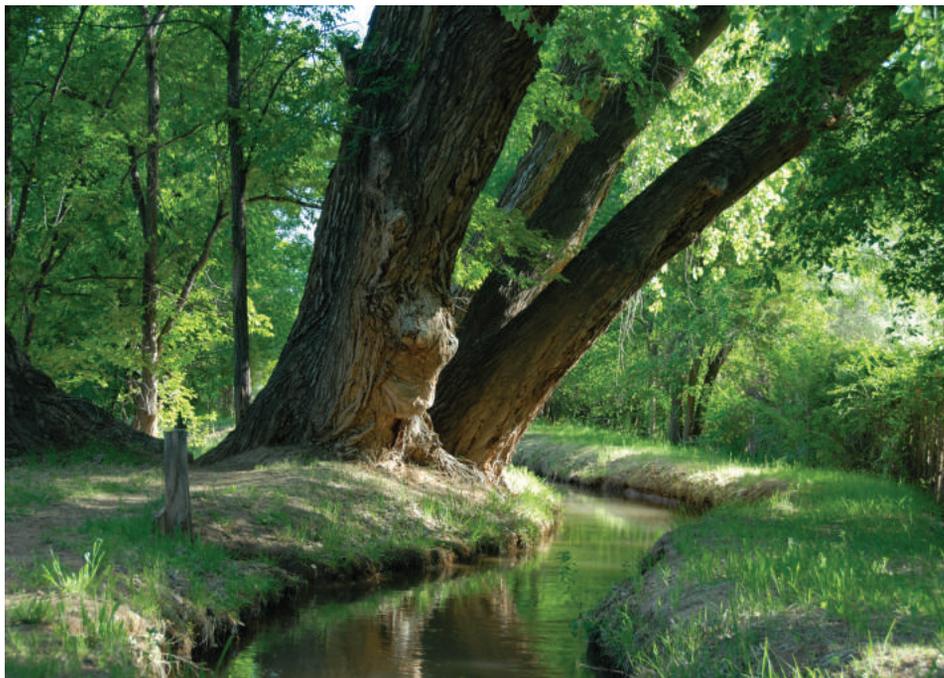


Ditch Etiquette: What You Should Know About Irrigation

By Jim Roberts, former MRGCD Board Member for Bernalillo County

In March, the water starts flowing in the ditches that meander through the Village of Los Ranchos, providing important wildlife habitat, water for irrigating crops and sustaining the greenbelt that makes Los Ranchos such a special place.

Several years ago, Jim Roberts, a former member of the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, wrote the following article for the *Los Ranchos Village Vision*, outlining irrigation etiquette for irrigators to follow to keep the system working and to make sure that everyone who is entitled to water receives it. The article is reprinted here, and all irrigators in the Village are encouraged to review these rules before the irrigation season begins. If you are having problems with issues involving irrigation, contact your ditch rider.



The Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District's irrigation season will begin, and 1,200 miles of ditches on either side of the Rio Grande will run with water from March through October.

We irrigate about 70,000 acres of farmland and pasture in this 150-mile long strip of open space, and because of the water we convey and constantly reuse, the valley turns green in the spring and summer, and explodes with wildlife and recreational opportunities. We expect a full irrigation season this year, despite the drought. But in order to get that full season, the MRGCD needs the cooperation of every irrigator within its boundaries.

That cooperation between irrigators and the District and between irrigators with each other is essential to having a full, successful irrigation season. As MRGCD Hydrologist David Gensler says, "Everybody needs to understand what everybody else is doing!"

So here are some ditch and water-use rules, ditch etiquette, if you will, that can help us all have a great season:

FIRST and foremost, every irrigator in the district is entitled to 36 inches,



or three acre-feet of water per year, per acre. No one should be using more. If you do use more, you wind up shorting your neighbor. Our ditch riders are able to accurately measure water flow. Ask them if you're unsure about how much water you're using.

TWO: Irrigation is now being done on a scheduling and rotation basis. It means that you will have a scheduled time when you can take water out of the ditches. That means you must stay in contact with your ditch riders, who are available on their cell phones from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. throughout the irrigation season. If you can't get hold of your ditch rider, call the Albuquerque Division office. The ditch rider will set up the schedules. The scheduling system is necessary to conserve water. Not all ditches will be full of water at all times. There is a finite value to the water. You will not be able to get as much as you want, whenever you want. You must adhere to your watering schedule.

THREE: Remember that water is delivered when it is available and that Indian lands under cultivation at the present time are considered to have the first right to water.

FOUR: There shall be no partiality shown in distribution of water

regardless of personal feeling, race, creed, relationship, political, or social standing or previous grievances.

FIVE: Pay your water service fees and your MRGCD taxes. No water will be delivered to water users who are delinquent in the payment of Conservancy District assessments.

SIX: Make sure that your ditches are clear and weed free. This is because ditch riders are not required to deliver water to silt-laden and weed-clogged community ditches, field ditches, or laterals.

SEVEN: Understand how our system works. It was built in the 1930s to drain marshland, irrigate reclaimed farmland, and prevent flooding. It is a gravity fed system that does not require the use of pumps. There are four divisions in the District: Cochiti, Albuquerque, Belen, and Socorro. You are in the Albuquerque Division. Water is delivered to ditches at the upper end of each division and will be supplied progressively toward the lower end of the division. Irrigation will be completed in each area before transferring the water to another area. Irrigation deliveries will be started at the upper end of each ditch, and each tract served by that ditch will be irrigated progressively downstream

upon request from the water users. No deliveries will be made without the express permission of the ditch rider.

EIGHT: Don't build fences across MRGCD rights of way. Generally, the land on either side of our ditches is used for maintenance roads. That means you can't build fences across them. Fences, of course, would restrict our access to the ditches.

NINE: If you see anybody dumping trash near the ditches, try to get a license plate number. Dumping trash is illegal. If we can find out who the dumpers are, we can report them to the proper authorities and they can be ticketed and made to clean up their mess.

Remember, cooperate with each other, use only the amount of water to which you are entitled, and respect your neighbors and fellow irrigators.

The names and phone numbers of the Village ditch riders are:

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 Mike Gonzalez (505) 288.6732 (cell)
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 Bernalillo County:
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 P.O.Box 581, Albuquerque, NM 87102
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Cordelia Sanchez: A Special Los Ranchos Resident

By Judy Griego

Cordelia Sanchez, age 89, passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, February 17, 2016. The following article appeared in the May 2006 issue of the Village Vision. It is reprinted here in memory of Mrs. Sanchez.

While on a recent drive through Los Ranchos and environs with Cordelia Sanchez, I had the pleasure of hearing her vivid memories of growing up in this area. She reminisced about the very rural North Valley, many years prior to the incorporation of the current Village of Los Ranchos.

Cordelia was born to Gregorita Martinez and Elfido Ghavez, in a small terrone home which her father built just north of where Luigi's Restaurant now stands at Fourth Street NW and Solar Road. She was the eldest of four children, and has two brothers, Armando and Americo who still live close by. A little sister died at two years old, of what was then explained as "summer complaint." Cordelia's family dates back to the very early settlers of the Village of Los Ranchos. Her paternal great grandfather was Jose de la Luz Chavez, who was a member of the Territorial Legislature.

Her maternal grandfather was Guillermo Martinez from the Village of Corrales. His home in Corrales, where Cordelia's mother, Gregorita, was born, still exists today as an art gallery across from Perea's Restaurant.

Cordelia recalls the numerous dairies in the area, including Seebinger Dairy on Fourth Street (where LotaBurger is today), and Lindeman Dairy at Fourth and Vineyard NW. In the 1930s, when Cordelia was a youngster, she remembers

that east of Fourth Street, on Vineyard Road, there was a development of "upscale" homes which were inhabited primarily by families of various ethnic roots, such as Italian, Greek, German, and Lebanese. She particularly remembers the Haggerty family. It was from playing with those neighborhood children that Cordelia learned to speak English before starting first grade at the Los Ranchos Elementary School. In addition to school studies, the many winding paths, free-flowing ditches and stately cottonwoods were a significant part of a child's life in the valley in those days.

Also in the 1930s and 40s, there was excitement of watching traffic on north Fourth Street which was old Hwy 66... the main north/south thoroughfare through New Mexico. The children loved watching as big busses passed by on their way to Santa Fe and Denver. Cordelia even recalls seeing the Wendell Wilke entourage driving through the valley when he was running for US president against Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1940. It was also on Fourth Street that she was able to learn to drive, when the road was temporarily closed to traffic due to a widening project.

Cordelia has vivid memories of the many years when her father awakened early each morning to ride his bicycle from Los Ranchos to work downtown at the Santa Fe Railway yards. Most of the men living here during those years either worked on the railroad or were farmers, ranchers, or had dairies. Life changed significantly after the death of her father in 1941, at the age of 47. Her mother had to help support the family



by delivering milk daily to small grocery stores in the area, and she took over the chore of hooking up the horses to plow the vegetable fields. Cordelia relates that she was somewhat embarrassed at the time, because none of her friends' mothers did this type of "man's work." With the arrival of the large Creamland Dairy, it wasn't long before most of the small local dairies, including their own Prairie Dairy, had to close. In 1942, Cordelia's mother sold their home and land to Albert Simms, who had the fields fertilized and planted with abundant crops of corn and alfalfa. Following the property sales, Mrs. Chavez built a new home for the family on Fourth Street where Applebee's Restaurant stands today.

After completing the eighth grade at Los Ranchos Elementary School, Cordelia moved on to Washington Junior High and Albuquerque High School, where she was senior class secretary/treasurer in 1943. She received her B.A. degree in Education from the University of New Mexico. Her first teaching job was at Longfellow Elementary School, which lasted for five years.

After her marriage in 1951, she and her husband built their home on Rio Grande Blvd., south of Chavez Road. The home is located on land that was part of the original Chavez family acreage.

Albert Anthony Anella



Long time Village resident, Albert Anella, died on Tuesday, March 3, 2016 at the age of 93. He was born in Greenwich Village the youngest of seven children. He grew up in Bensonhurst, then an Italian and Jewish neighborhood within the borough of Brooklyn, City of New York. Upon America's entrance into WWII, he joined the Army and was assigned to an artillery regiment. He fought the entirety of the war chasing Rommel across North Africa achieving the rank of 1st lieutenant. Returning home with the benefit of the GI Bill he graduated from Syracuse University. After a brief career in Journalism at the *Times of Calumet* in Chicago, he was called back into service during the Korean Conflict. He was assigned to the Judge Advocate Corps which changed the path of his life. Upon receipt of his honorable discharge, he applied to and was accepted at three law schools: UCLA, ASU and the University of New Mexico. Arriving in New Mexico first, he fell in love with the State and proceeded no further. He was a member of the second graduating class of the UNM School of Law and elected to only practice pro bono law for civic causes he believed in. He met his wife while in law school, and had two sons and a daughter, who died before her time.

He pursued real estate as a profession; forming Anella & Co, Real Estate Investments in 1957. Spending his career brokering and developing land, shopping centers and hotels. He was active in local politics, helping future Senator Pete Domenici to be elected to his first political office as City Manager of Albuquerque. He was appointed to the Albuquerque Airport Commission where he was elected and served two terms as chairman. It was during his tenure as chairman the master plan for today's Albuquerque International Airport was designed and its multi-phase construction initiated. He was very active in New Mexico's art community, assembling a wonderful collection of local artists which he gave to the UNM Children's Hospital in memory of his daughter. In 1987 he proudly gave a significant collection of 16th to 18th century Italian paintings to the UNM Art Museum establishing the Anella Collection also in honor of his daughter. He was a charter member of the Tom L. Popejoy Society and an honored benefactor to the Syracuse University Museum of Fine Art.

While born a New Yorker, he died a New Mexican. Albert lived 65 of his 93 years in Albuquerque and participated fully in the dream of America with all its contradictions.

As we drove through the Caballero South, Cordelia noted one of the majestic old cottonwood trees that still stands in the midst of the modern homes, and pointed south to where the Poulson Dairy once stood. This is all part of the land that Albert Simms had planted years back and sold to developers. It was also home to the former Chavez Dairy, which was appropriately named Prairie Dairy due to the large population of prairie dogs in the area.

In 1957, Cordelia and her family rented their home, moved to Washington, D.C. for three years, where she continued her teaching career.

Upon returning to Los Ranchos, she taught at La Luz and Hodgin elementary school for 20 years—a total of 31 years for this dedicated teacher!

In addition to this career, Cordelia was a volunteer on the State Committee for Children and Youth; was for several years on the juvenile parole board; was vice-chair of the Democratic Party of New Mexico for several years, and for seven years volunteered at the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in the RCIA program. She also taught catechism classes at the church.

Cordelia was one of the most dedicated volunteers who worked diligently on the Village of Los Ranchos Master Plan for almost a year. She enjoyed having input to help out the Village community, but admits (with a smile) that she's definitely not a morning person, and didn't like the many early morning meetings! She feels strongly about retaining the valley acequias and the general rural atmosphere of our Village.



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Planning & Zoning Meeting

The next regular meeting
will be held on
Tuesday, April 12, 2016

January 12, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call-there was a quorum present.
- B. Agenda
 - 1. Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved unanimously 7-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Approval of minutes – December 8, 2015

The minutes were approved as amended with a vote of 7-0.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

- A. SDP-15-05 A request for a Preliminary Site Development Plan Review for new commercial development in the Retail Commercial Zone of the Fourth Street Commercial Character Area. The property is located at 7108 4th Street NW and is legally known as Parcel A-1 Lands of Anita Dimas being comprised of Parcels A & B, Lands of Anita Dimas, Village of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, Bernalillo County, New Mexico, filed in the Office of the Bernalillo County Clerk on June 23, 2015. The property contains 0.9070 acres more or less.

Motion to approve forwarding to the Board of Trustees was unanimous 7-0.

5. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

6. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

7. REPORTS

- A. Planning Department Report
- B. Planner McDonough gave the Planning Department report of activities for the month.



8. COMMISSIONER'S INFORMAL DISCUSSION

- A. Revisions to the Village Center Zoning Code.

No action was taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

February 9, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call-there was a quorum present.
B. Agenda
1. Approval of agenda

The agenda was approved unanimously 7-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Approval of minutes – January 12, 2016

The minutes were approved as presented with a vote of 7-0.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

There were no hearings or applications scheduled

5. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

6. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

7. REPORTS

- A. Planning Department Report
B. Planner McDonough gave the Planning Department report of activities for the month.

8. COMMISSIONER'S WORKING SESSION

- A. Informal discussion of the Retail Commercial (C-1) Zoning Code.

Discussion was centered on setbacks, heights, and densities. No action was taken.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

* Minutes pending final approval from the Planning & Zoning Committee.



Board of Trustees Meeting

February 10, 2016

The next regular meeting
will be held on
Wednesday, April 13, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Abraham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: Trustee Rael moved approval of the agenda. Trustee Lopez seconded the motion.

The motion carried, 4-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Troy Simmons stated his family moved to the Village a year ago. I would like to address the issue of speeding on El Pueblo. We are an active family and we are always outside and daily I see someone going 60 mph. I am concerned for the safety of my family.

Sarah Chudnoff, Bernalillo County Hydrogeologist, extended the invitation to Village of Los Ranchos residents to attend the Bernalillo County Water Fair to be held April 8, to April 9, 2016 at the McGrane Safety Complex in Tijeras. The fair will provide free water testing and offer free well education courses.

3. PRESENTATIONS

- A. North valley Academy Charter School Located at 7939 Fourth Street - presented by Ray Barton, Chief Operating Officer. Ray Barton Jr. discussed the North Valley Academy Charter School.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. MINUTES – JANUARY 13, 2016 – REGULAR MEETING

The consent agenda was approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

5. REPORTS

A. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Abraham reported on the following:

- Discussing a potential location for a grocery store with a developer.
- Met with PNM on a possible upgrade to power lines on Fourth Street.

B. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Ward reported on the following:

- Will travel to Santa Fe to discuss legislative priorities.

C. PLANNER'S REPORT

Planner McDonough reported on the following:

- The storm water permit is moving forward.

- A conditional use was approved for a drive-up window for Southwest Federal Credit Union on Fourth Street.

D. **LEGAL REPORT**

Attorney Chappell reported on the following:

- Working on a number of issues with Planner McDonough and Administrator Ward.

E. **Public Safety Report**

Deputy Hopkins reported on the following:

- Crime is down in the Village of Los Ranchos.

6. **FINANCIAL BUSINESS**

A. **CASH REPORT – JANUARY 2016**

The Cash Report for January 2016 was approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS**

- A. A REQUEST FOR A FINAL SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN APPROVAL FOR NEW COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE C-1 ZONE OF THE FOURTH STREET CORRIDOR AND COMMERCIAL CHARACTER AREA. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 7108 FOURTH STREET NW AND IS LEGALLY KNOWN AS PARCEL A-1 LANDS OF ANITA DIMAS BEING COMPRISED OF PARCELS A & B, LANDS OF ANITA DIMAS, VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE BERNALILLO COUNTY CLERK ON JUNE 23, 2015. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS 0.9070 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

The Board moved to approve the final site development plan for the property located at 7108 Fourth Street NW. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 2 DEFINITIONS §9.4.2., SECTION 3 ZONE REVIEW AND BUILDING PERMITS FOR MRGCD TRACTS §9.4.3., MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVATION DISTRICT TRACTS, TO THE 2013 CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE.

The Board moved to approve the ordinance. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE 2016 FARM PLAN FOR THE PASEO DEL NORTE OPEN SPACE BY ALAMEDA FARMS (DAVID MONTOYA).

David Montoya presented the 2016 Farm Plan. The Board moved to approve the 2016 Farm Plan. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

- B. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6518 FOURTH STREET NW, LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87107, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY.

The Board moved to approve the purchase of property located at 6518 Fourth Street, NW, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, NM 87107, authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and execute the purchase of the property. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

10. **TRUSTEES INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

Members of the Board discussed various informal topics. No action was taken.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

* Minutes pending final approval from the Board of Trustees.

Life in Images

by Staff Writer

Life in Images is a new column in the *Village Vision* that reflects life in the Village through the lens of the camera and through the eyes of the many visitors and residents of Los Ranchos.

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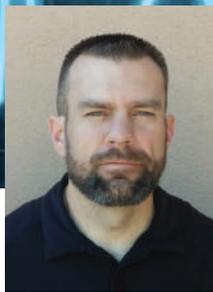
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Fitness/Health Column

by *Dustin Melville*

The "Biggest Losers" Biggest Fitness Myths

If you have ever watched the hit fitness television show "The Biggest Loser," you probably have an opinion or two about how the show portrays weight loss and body transformation success. Some of the methods used are effective while others would never be prescribed to the average out of shape beginner. Here are two of the biggest misconceptions portrayed in the show and why you should never rely on them exclusively to gauge your own results.

Myth #1 - Exercise has to be excruciating in order to be effective.

The show perpetuates the idea that unfit people must go to extremes in order to transform their bodies. This is why you see grown adults laying on the ground crying, having rage-filled outbursts, falling off treadmills, puking, and getting injured. Remember, this is a contest meant to shock and entertain the audience. The problem is that unfit viewers assume that this is what they will actually have to do to lose weight and get healthy. The program advocates an all-or-nothing approach. It tells the viewer you must either have an agonizing workout with medical supervision or do not bother trying. You must train on the brink of injury or it is not worth the

effort. This is obviously false. There are always going to be days when you don't quite have it during a workout...either you are too tired, too stressed or maybe even completely disinterested. It is okay, not every workout will yield the same intensity and sometimes it is just a matter of getting it done.

The best way for overweight people to transform is to weight train regularly, walk every single day, and gradually start replacing sugar and obvious junk with home cooked meals rich in protein, vegetables, and healthy carbohydrates. Only after these strategies have been successfully implemented should you consider increasing workout intensity or making additional dietary changes.

Myth #2 - Scale weight is the ultimate barometer for success.

The television program is a game of who can lose the greatest percentage of weight on a week-to-week basis over six months. Success is determined by nothing but the scale. This all-or-nothing mentality results in ill-advised choices in order to see the scale go down temporarily.

Remember, as you build muscle, your body composition improves. As you lose fat, your body composition improves. You become a leaner person.

But if you build muscle at the same time you are losing fat, the scale may take its time going down, and it may even momentarily stay the same. Does that mean that you're making zero progress? Absolutely not. The scale should not be the only device used for measuring progress. Behavioral changes as well as body composition changes should be emphasized equally when determining overall success.

Even though the show portrays these misconceptions about working out and weight loss, it does have a few redeeming qualities. The show does a good job teaching people about the dangers and personal struggles associated with obesity. It also emphasizes camaraderie among those undertaking this difficult journey, as well as the satisfaction associated with making a complete body, mind, and lifestyle change. Just remember that no matter your goal, make sure to stay focused and celebrate the small successes along the way. Workout consistently without killing yourself, eat healthy, and stop weighing yourself every day. Trust me, the results will follow and you might just enjoy the journey a bit more.

*Dustin Melville, Owner
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Upcoming Events

- April 29 – Doorway to the Arts, 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. Highlights of the evening include live music from Richmond Street Jazz, chocolate fountain and dessert buffet, student artwork - available for purchase through donation, and our traditional Silent Auction. All proceeds directly benefit our PTO and individual classrooms.
- Regular, monthly Governance Council meetings, the third Thursday of the month, 4:30 p.m., Saylor Center for the Arts.
- May 26 – Last day of school for NVA students and staff.
- June 22 - August 4 - NVA will again host their K3Plus program for students kinder through 2nd grade. The program is free of charge for NVA students and runs from June 22 through August 4 with no school on Fridays. This summer the theme for K3Plus is “Camp Cooks-a-lot!” as we integrate all of our core learning into a comprehensive program including our gardens, cooking and community relationships. Call 998-0501.

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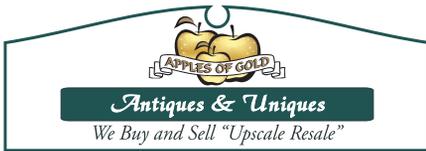
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- April 15-16 – NMAA State Choir
- April 18 – No School – Frey Day
- April 19 – Middle School Track Meet
- April 21 – Student Council Elections
- April 21-23 – Centurion Players Drama Production, 7:00 p.m.
- April 27 – Middle School Bike Trip through the Bosque
- April 29 – NMAA District Track Meet
- April 30 – Annual Spring Choir Concert, 7:00 p.m.
- May 3 – Sports Banquet, 5:30 p.m.
- May 6-7 – NMAA State Track Meet
- May 7 – Mother Daughter Banquet, 5:30 p.m.
- May 12 – Kindergarten, 7:00 p.m.
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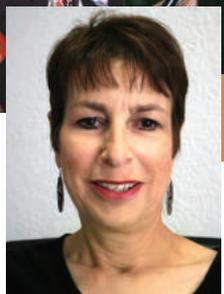
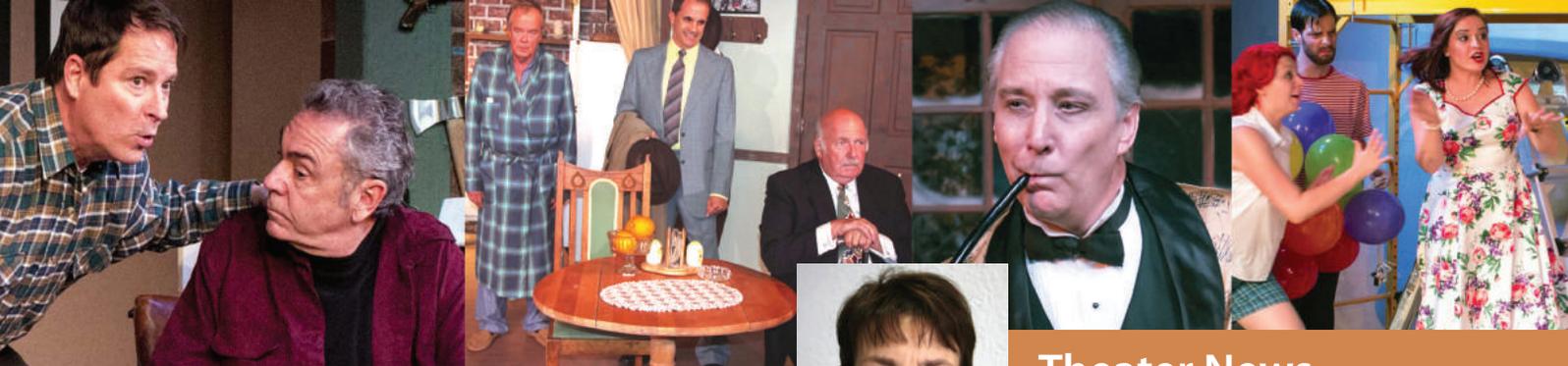
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Theater News

by Marcelle Garfield Cady



Dividing the Estate Next Production at The Adobe

Caesar's Blood continues at The Adobe until April 17. Do not miss the opportunity to see this remarkable production of Rich Rubin's new play based on one of the most memorable historical events in American history. Tickets may still be available for the Pay What You Will performance on Thursday, April 7, and the additional performance on Thursday, April 14, which happens to be 151 years since that historical event.

Dividing The Estate is the next production, which begins on April 29. Director Brian Hansen "readily admits to a lingering case of "Horton Foote Disease." He became infected four years ago when he directed a production of *The Trip to Bountiful* at the Adobe Theatre. The production was both demanding and well-received; but most of all, it introduced him to the world of a largely-ignored playwright, Horton Foote." Better known for his screenplays for the 1962 film *To Kill a Mockingbird* (Academy Award for adapted screenplay) and the 1983 film *Tender Mercies* (Academy Award for original screenplay), Horton Foote received the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1995 for his play *The Young Man From Atlanta*, and in 2000, he was awarded the National Medal of Arts.

Unlike many other playwrights, Albert Horton Foote Jr. (more commonly known as just Horton Foote) has created a single, fictional but wholly recognizable, town: Harrison, Texas. Having been born in Wharton, Texas, it is a world he knows so well that his characters always ring true, even when they are unforgettably eccentric. And, his plots grow naturally out of those wonderful characters.

Hansen says "Horton Foote's long career is remarkable for its commitment to realistic theatre. At a time when many American playwrights were forcing us to confront the dry mock of Absurdist theatre or endlessly deconstructing classics, Foote created a world of people that he really likes. And so do we. In *Dividing the Estate*, there are no villains, only people who have let their fantasies cloud their futures. Caught between their hopes for a giant inheritance and the economic downturn of the Texas economy in the 1980s, we see them respond to the emerging reality of their lives. Gradually, they come to see the true nature of the estate they will have to divide."

The play follows the fortunes of a south Texas family which has

allowed itself to engage in magical thinking. Like many families, the children are spending money they have not yet inherited. The matriarch, Stella, is played by Carolyn Wickwire, most recently seen in The Adobe's acclaimed *Deathtrap*. Performing as Stella's three children are Adobe veterans Clifton Chadwick, Carolyn Hogan, and Linda Williams. Stella's grandson, the manager of the estate and the one who sees clearly the problems ahead, is played by Micah Linford, most recently seen in *The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail*. (Micah will be directing *The Curious Savage* at The Adobe this summer.) Steve Suttle, another face familiar to Adobe patrons, will portray Bob, a son-in-law who sees the larger problems on the horizon.

Dividing The Estate opens on Friday, April 29, and runs four weekends through Sunday, April 17. Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m., with a special Pay What You Will performance, to benefit the cast and crew, on Thursday, May 12th, at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are \$17, seniors and students \$15. Reservations 505-898-9222, or online at www.adobetheater.org.

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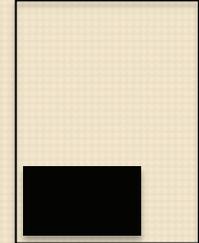
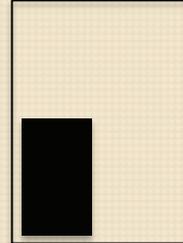
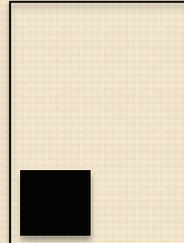
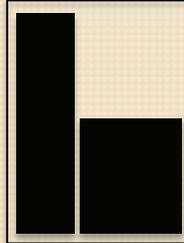
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Food Column

by Staff Writer

Comfort Food with a Twist: Berry Bread Pudding

Almost everyone raised during the 1950s and 60s knows that the best way to use up old stale bread was to make bread pudding. And, everyone's grandmother had a favorite recipe that we couldn't wait to taste. What a rich, sweet treat it was, especially after playing outside all day or after school.

Here's a new twist on the grandma's old favorite recipe. The richness comes from homemade ricotta. You just need three ingredients to make this rich and creamy ricotta, which yields two cups.

Creamy Ricotta Ingredients

8 cups whole milk
Kosher salt
3 tbsp. distilled (white) vinegar
2 tbsp. lemon juice

In 4-quart saucepot, combine whole milk and 1 teaspoon salt. Heat on medium until temperature of milk reaches 185 degrees F to 190 degrees F on candy thermometer (about 20 minutes), stirring occasionally.

Remove from heat. Stir in vinegar and lemon juice. Let stand 20 minutes. Line

colander with two layers of cheesecloth and set over large bowl. Ladle curds into colander. Let drain 5 minutes. Use ricotta immediately or refrigerate in container up to 1 week.

For Spiced Citrus Ricotta use 1 cup of the ricotta from above, stir in 2 tbsp. honey, ½ tsp. orange zest and ½ tsp. ground cinnamon, then follow directions below.

Berry Bread Pudding Ingredients

8 c. toasted cubes brioche
2 c. frozen mixed berries or any fresh berries
1 ½ c. milk
3 large eggs
1 c. Spiced Citrus Ricotta

Directions

Arrange brioche in 2-quart baking dish. Whisk berries and milk with eggs; pour over bread, pressing down to soak. Dollop all over with Spiced Citrus Ricotta.

Bake in 375 degrees F oven 40 minutes or until set.



Recipe <http://www.goodhousekeeping.com/food-recipes/easy/a36638/classic-ricotta>

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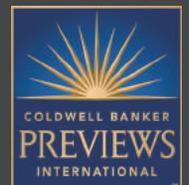
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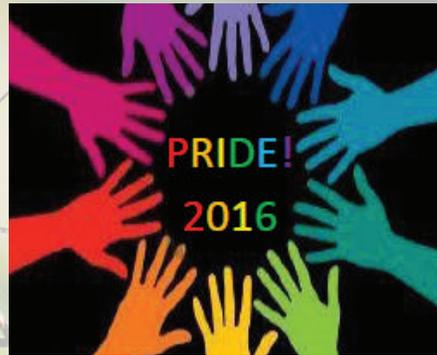
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The 24th season of the Los Ranchos Growers' and Arts & Crafts Markets opens May 7. The Market runs from May through August, 7:00 a.m. – noon, and September through mid-November: 8:00 a.m. – noon.



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You are invited to join the community of Los Ranchos in making a difference. A blood drive will be held at Village Hall, 6718 Rio Grande Blvd NW, on Monday, April, 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Learn more about the importance of blood donation on page 29.



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