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## Mayor's Report

by Larry Abraham

# Los Ranchos: A Vibrant, Thriving Community

It is hard to believe the holiday season is fast approaching. Los Ranchos continues to prosper and establish itself as one of New Mexico's premier destination cities. Los Ranchos is truly an enclave community that we all can be very proud to call home.

Public safety is an integral part of a vibrant and thriving community.

I am extremely happy to announce that I have appointed Bernalillo County Sheriff's Deputy Robin Hopkins as Director of Public Safety.

Her passion and enthusiasm for Los Ranchos is unparalleled. It is hard to believe that it has been two years since Deputy Hopkins was involved in a life changing event in front of our fire station. She is an amazingly strong and determined individual. Deputy Hopkins gives the residents of Los Ranchos a lot of credit for keeping her spirits high during her recovery and feels even stronger and more passionate now about giving back to the community with which she so much identifies.

Her position is made possible by an agreement with BCSO. Deputy Hopkins remains with the Sheriff's Department but is detailed to the Village and will compliment our strong relationship with BCSO that has been established over the years. I encourage all of our residents to invite Deputy Hopkins to their neighborhood association meetings and/or call her whenever there is a concern for public safety.

Another important part of a thriving community is its business district.

We are continuing to make efforts at redesigning our business corridor to enhance the shopping experience and be more business friendly.

Meanwhile, the merchants along Fourth Street are hosting the annual North Fourth Stop & Shop for the holidays. The dates are December 5 and 6.

This event is always a lot of fun and a great opportunity to meet friends and neighbors while patronizing our own businesses. Take the opportunity to get reacquainted with the diverse merchants that make our Village a special place to shop and dine. You can find that unique gift or gift certificate for that special person for the holidays. From chocolates, ceramics, clothing, jewelry, wine, antiques, collectibles, home decor items, and fine art. There is something for everyone.

It is a great way to shop for the holidays with gifts that have a distinctive Los Ranchos and North Valley feel.

Please accept my wishes for a safe, prosperous, and happy Holiday Season.

# Calendar

## Planning and Zoning Commission Meetings

Tuesday, November 10, 7:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday, December 8, 7:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday, January 12, 7:00 p.m.

## Board of Trustees Regular Meetings

Wednesday, November 10, 5:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, December 9, 7:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, January 13, 7:00 p.m.

## Deadlines: Los Ranchos Vision Magazine

*Advertising and Article Submissions Due*  
 Friday, December 11, Winter (January/February) Issue  
 Friday, January 22, 2016, March Issue

## Growers' and Arts/Crafts Market

Saturday November 7, 8:00 a.m. – noon  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday November 14, 8:00 a.m. – noon  
*Last day of regular market*  
 Saturday December 12, 10:00 a.m. – noon  
*Winter Markets, Holiday Cheer*  
 Saturday January 9, 10:00 a.m. – noon

## Veteran's Day

Wednesday, November 11  
*Village office closed*

## Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, November 26, Friday, November 27  
*Village office closed*

## Los Ranchos Holiday Stop & Shop

Saturday-Sunday, December 5-6

## Christmas Day

Friday, December 25  
*Village office closed*

## New Year's Day

Friday, January 1, 2016  
*Village office closed*

## Municipal Election - Candidate Filing Day

Tuesday, January 5, from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## Municipal Election - Write-in Candidate Filing Day

Tuesday, January 12, from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## Municipal Election - Absentee Voting Begins

Friday, January 29

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# Village at-a-Glance

## North Fourth Holiday Stop & Shop

This year's event will take place Saturday, December 5 and Sunday, December 6. Here is your chance to get your holiday shopping started in the festive holiday atmosphere of the Village. Many of the businesses participating will offer holiday specials and treats. So come out and support our local businesses and get into the holiday spirit!

## Holiday Cheer at the Growers' Market

The Growers' Market will host their holiday market this year on Saturday, December 12, from 10:00 a.m. - noon. There will be lots of goodies and gift ideas available along with holiday music and greenery.

Do not miss out on the festivities. Remember, the winter season for the Los Ranchos Growers' Market is the second Saturday of the month from December - April between 10:00 a.m. - noon.

## Village Business Registration Renewals for 2016

It is November and business owners should have already received their renewal forms for 2016. If not, call the Village's Planning & Zoning Department at 344-6582. Business registrations are due no later than December 31, 2015. For commercial businesses the fee is \$35 and home occupation permits are \$50. After January 1, a late fee will be assessed.

## 2016 Municipal Election

Those interested in running as a candidate in the Village municipal election in 2016 must file a declaration of candidacy on Tuesday, January 5, 2016, between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Village Hall. For more information, please visit [www.losranchosnm.gov](http://www.losranchosnm.gov) or contact the Village Clerk at 344-6582.

## Poll Workers Needed for 2016 Municipal Election

Poll workers are needed for the March 1, 2016 Municipal Election. For more information, please visit [www.losranchosnm.gov](http://www.losranchosnm.gov) or contact the Village Clerk at 344-6582.

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## Fire Corner

by Staffing Division Chief Greg Perez,  
Bernalillo County Fire Department

# Fire Department Rolls Out New Program



Recently, the Bernalillo County Fire Department rolled out a program called “Get Alarmed” the goal of this program is to provide working smoke alarms free of charge to Bernalillo County and City of Albuquerque and Los Ranchos homeowners. Bernalillo County Fire Department and the Albuquerque Fire Department, in cooperation with the New Chapter of the American Red Cross, will install a ten-year sealed lithium battery powered smoke alarm, regardless of income, race, or demographics. We will work together to cover as much of the county, village and the city as possible.

Fire can spread rapidly through your home, leaving you as little as two minutes to escape safely once the alarm sounds. Your ability to get out depends on advance warning from smoke alarms. Statistics show that most fire fatalities occur in the home where no smoke alarms are present or those that were

present, did not operate properly. In the past several years, we have seen an increase of fire related deaths. Statistics show that working smoke alarms in homes can greatly increase your chances of surviving a fire.

The American Red Cross’s “Home Fire Preparedness Campaign” and the “Get Alarmed” program main objectives are to install at least two smoke alarms in as many homes as possible. This free-of-charge program allows you to request installation of a smoke detector in your residence according to the manufacturer’s instructions. Fire Department personnel or department volunteers will also provide you education on the maintenance and care of the smoke detector and home fire safety.

Those interested in taking advantage of this program should email [gperez@bernco.gov](mailto:gperez@bernco.gov) to schedule an appointment.

## Smoke Alarms Saves Lives

In the U.S., on average, eight people die every day in house fires, Tragically, about half of these deaths could have been prevented with working smoke alarms, according to Fire Chief Rhonda Mae Keer, International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) President and Chair of the Board. "Smoke alarms are the cheapest life insurance money can buy. They are one of the most successful public health insurance innovations in history, but 71 percent of smoke alarms that failed to operate during the last year had missing, disconnected or dead batteries."

Changing and testing batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors should be done annually either when you turn your clocks back in October or at the end of the year.



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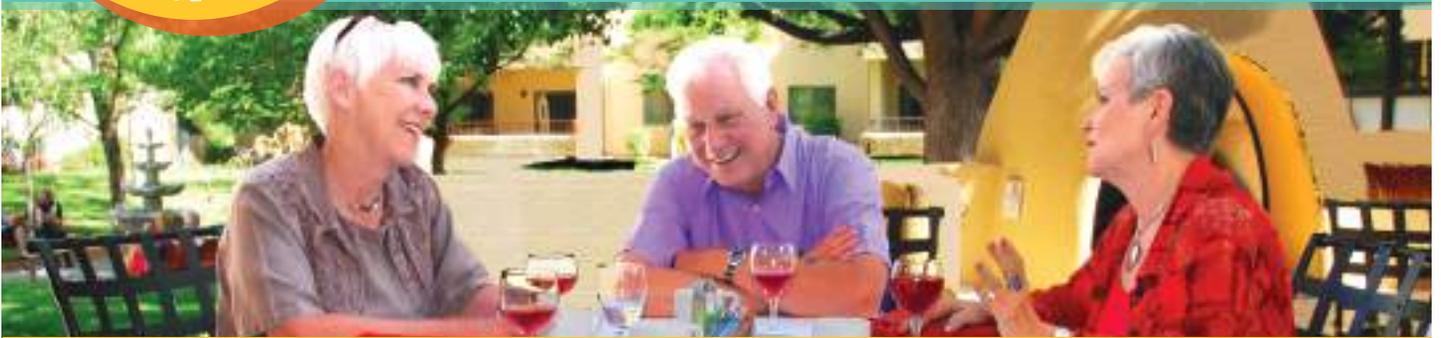
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## Ditch Writer

An Agri-highlights Column  
by Sue Brawley and Lorilee McDowell

# Remember to Check Market Start Times

The winter markets are the second Saturday of each month from December to April from 10:00 a.m. to noon. On December 12, you will find winter squash, greens, apples, carrots and other root vegetables; including dried fruit, herb blends, honey, cold-weather bedding plants, dried flower arrangements, paperwhites, house plants and cacti, gift baskets, ristras, and great gift ideas from the growers, as well as the



[www.losranchosgrowersmarket.com](http://www.losranchosgrowersmarket.com)

arts and crafts vendors. There will be holiday music, hot cider, and sampling of local holiday goodies. For those who would like to place holiday orders ahead of time with some of your favorite vendors, check the market website for contact information. Depending on the weather, the market will either be held in the regular place on the parking lot, or in the barn.

## From Market to Your Table

by Lorilee McDowell

### Hearty Beef Soup

El Nino is expected to return with cold wet weather and there is nothing better than a hearty bowl of homemade beef soup. For this easy toe-warming soup, start with a 2 1/2 pound piece of beef shank, bone-in. Put it in a soup kettle, and barely cover with cold water. Add a large onion, a large bay leaf, a dozen peppercorns, and a large stalk of celery, chopped, including the leaves. Toss in several stalks of parsley. Add a can of consommé, and some chicken broth (optional). Add a minimum of four large carrots, peeled and sliced. If you have some favorite fresh herbs, they may be included. Marjoram is nice. Bring the whole mixture to a slow boil, and skim it. Add about 1/2 cup of washed barley and simmer for one and a half hours. Add approximately



one cup of rice or less, depending on how thick you like your soup. Simmer for another hour. Check seasoning. Like most soups, this one is better the next day. You can then skim off any extra fat, and recheck the seasoning. Good with a green salad and French bread. Nothing like a classic soup on cold, wet, snowy days.

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## L'Amour Baking Company Baking for the Holidays

The wonderful smells of baking are one of the things most people associate with the holidays. The scents of gingerbread, special pies, and cookies of many nationalities fill home kitchens and commercial bakeries alike, and bring on the holiday spirit for us all. At L'Amour Baking Company, recently opened at 6920 Fourth Street, a shopper may settle at one of the tables and breathe in all those warm and spicy odors as they drift from the kitchen.

The mother and daughter team of Kathy Morris and Amelia Chavez welcome all visitors to their shop, and offer mugs of Red Rock Roasters coffee, or one of several assorted teas, to accompany their homemade treats, including muffins, scones, a slice of quiche, a homemade granola parfait in the morning, cupcakes, lemon bars, or macarons—those elegant, brightly colored and flavored double-layered cookies from France.

Now that winter is upon us, the menu will include pumpkin and pecan pies, biscochitos, various loaves (cranberry, zucchini, etc.), and gingerbread, festively decorated.

Kathy and Amelia are both trained chefs, and are determined that the food they serve will be fresh including some ingredients from the Los Ranchos Growers' Market, and completely homemade right down to the caramel sauce and vanilla extract. Special orders are welcomed, and the macarons can be made in special colors and flavors for your events. Creampuffs, brownies, or cakes are also available as special orders.

L'Amour Baking Company is located at 6920 Fourth Street. They are open Tuesday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Call 345-0273, email [Lamourbakingco@gmail.com](mailto:Lamourbakingco@gmail.com) or visit the bakery's website at [www.Lamourbaking.com](http://www.Lamourbaking.com).

## 2016 Municipal Election

The next Village of Los Ranchos Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 for the purpose of electing:

- One trustee to a four year-term
- One trustee to a four year-term
- One mayor to a four year-term

Those interested in running as a candidate must file a declaration of candidacy on Tuesday, January 5, 2016, between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Village Hall. For more information, please visit [www.losranchosnm.gov](http://www.losranchosnm.gov) or contact the Village Clerk at 344-6582.

## Manage Expectations During the Holidays

High expectations and money woes can spell trouble for anyone, but especially those prone to depression during the holidays.

We run ourselves ragged buying gifts, cooking, decorating and entertaining. Tempers flare and blood pressures rise as we are thrown together with relatives whom we rarely see and may not enjoy spending time with. Our expectations are high as we try to recapture the magic we felt as children.

According to Mental Health in America, here are a few ways to help manage depression or just the stress of the holidays.

Reduce the stress and the cost of holiday gift buying by organizing a gift exchange with friends or family. Bake gifts, or create unique handmade gifts.

Studies have shown there is a link between sleep loss and depression. As you try to get everything done during the holidays, you need to be extra careful to get to bed and wake up around the same time each day; avoid large meals and physical activity within a few hours of bedtime; and make your bedroom a sleep sanctuary, free from TV or other distractions, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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328 Rancho	846529	\$240,000.00	1	VACANT LOT				Susan Nelson Anderson	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 828-1000
324 Rancho	846530	\$215,000.00	0.8	VACANT LOT				Susan Nelson Anderson	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 828-1000
6502 Fourth St.	846437	\$215,000.00	0.58	VACANT LOT				John Yost	Jackie Fisher Realty & Assoc.	(505) 285-6800
1001 Acequia	847825	\$185,000.00	0.49	VACANT LOT				Cathy Olson	EXP Realty LLC	(505) 554-3873
303 Los Ranchos	846659	\$65,000.00	0.41	VACANT LOT				Juan Romero	Re/Max Alliance, REALTORS	(505) 298-9999
6535 Guadalupe	847168	\$4,000,000.00	9.09	3229	4	3	0	Susan Feil	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
7200 Rio Grande	845577	\$3,750,000.00	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
7512 Rio Grande	848674	\$2,700,000.00	2	6866	4	6	13	Susan Nelson Anderson	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 828-1000
6828 Rio Grande	845179	\$2,490,000.00	3.67	8045	6	7	11	Silesha Montano Naden	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 897-1100
6844 Rio Grande	837252	\$1,990,000.00	1.37	6463	4	6	4	Mike Haley	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
5201 Eakes	849341	\$1,899,000.00	2.74	5988	5	5	3	Rodger Barton	Structure Services Group	(505) 818-7450
5503 Rio Grande	842515	\$1,800,000.00	3.48	6610	5	5	2	Timothy Tourville	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 292-8900
5911 Padre Roberto	842775	\$1,760,000.00	2	6400	6	6	3	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
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	835711	\$1,350,000.00	1.13	4937	4	5	4	Bill Chreist	Sunn Quality Homes, LLC	(505) 350-7089
8117 Rio Grande	840139	\$1,300,000.00	1.24	4557	3	5	3	Joseph Maez	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 897-1100
4611 Rio Grande	838891	\$1,298,000.00	2.98	3755	4	4	7	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
817 Salamanca	842378	\$1,200,000.00	0.68	6473	5	5	3	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
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1620 Francisca	849823	\$650,000.00	1	2807	3	3	2	C. Carlyn Chiado	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
827 El Alhambra	811689	\$650,000.00	0.94	3444	4	3	2	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
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937 Green Valley	844829	\$598,900.00	1.03	3893	3	3	4	Peggy Wheeler	Realty One of New Mexico	(505) 883-9400
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801 Ranchitos	846403	\$575,000.00	1	3119	3	2	2	Maria Pumilia	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 271-8200
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## Real Estate FYI

by Tim Tourville, CRS

# Is My Home Priced to Sell?

### The Right Price Means a Successful Sale

Pricing your home is both an art and a science. Achieving the optimal price is the result both of objective research into comparable Village properties and a gut feeling about your property and the current market.

#### The Right Price Should:

- Attract buyers,
- Allow you to earn the most money possible,
- Help you sell as quickly as possible.

The simple fact is, price is the number one factor that helps home buyers determine which homes they want to view. It is important to remember that, although the list price is set by you, the value of the home is determined by the buyer. Try to avoid allowing your enthusiasm to impact your better judgment—overpricing is a common mistake that can cost you in the end.

With that in mind, here are some reliable guides to use when pricing your home, all of which comes recommended by a national organization of which I have been a member for the past 15 years. The Council of Residential Specialists is a select group of realtors with

significant experience and advanced training in residential sales.

#### Factors That Affect Your Asking Price:

- How quickly you need to sell,
- Amount of competition in your price category and area,
- Availability, flexibility and affordability of financing,
- Sale prices of similar homes sold in your area during the past six months to one year.

#### Factors That Should Not Affect Your Asking Price:

- Original cost of the property; price is determined by today's market,
- Any investments you have made in improvements,
- The cost to build your home today.
- Emotional attachment,
- Opinions of friends and neighbors.

#### Problems That Can Arise from Overpricing:

- May help sell similar homes that are priced lower,
- Home may stay on the market longer,
- Could lose market interest and qualified buyers,

- May create a negative impression of the property,
- Could lose money as a result of making extra mortgage payments while incurring taxes, insurance and unplanned maintenance costs,
- May have to accept less money,
- Potential buyer may face appraisal and financing problems as a result of the inflated price.

### An Experienced Professional Can Help You Price Right

Knowledgeable realtors have the tools necessary to compute the fair market value of your home based on both the Village marketplace and personal considerations, such as your must-sell date. Remember, the right price is the key to a successful sale. To price your home accurately the first time, work with an experienced realtor familiar with the Village of Los Ranchos.

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6610 Las Casitas	845938	\$254,000.00	0.08	1600	2	2	2	The Fairchild Team	Encore Ventures, LLC	(505) 967-4790
6602 Elwood	849692	\$249,000.00	0.42	2266	4	2	1	Chris Lucas	Century 21 Unica Real Estate	(505) 293-8400
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by Jeff Copeland

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## Manage Expectations

Be realistic about what you can and cannot do. Families change and grow; traditions and rituals change as well. Try something new by celebrating the holidays in a new way, establishing new family traditions.

Enjoy free activities: take a drive to look at holiday decorations, or go window shopping

Watch your alcohol consumption. Excessive drinking increases feelings of stress.

Exercise has been shown to improve mood. Taking a brisk walk for 35 minutes five days a week, or 60 minutes three times a week can do the trick

Stress and depression can ruin your holidays and hurt your health. Being realistic, planning ahead and asking for support can help ward off stress and depression and result in a truly happy holiday season.



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## Finance

by Clarissa Krinsky  
Evelyn Carter, CFP®, CIMA®  
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# Tips for Year-end Planning

The holiday season is busy, but it is also time to do your year-end planning, along with all of the festivities. This is a great time to review your portfolio and meet with your tax and investment professionals to prepare for the next year. For families in Los Ranchos, and all of the many small businesses, proper planning can lead to a smoother end-of-the-year and greater chance of starting 2016 on an organized note.

The first step is to analyze your investment portfolio. As the year unfolds, it is important to ensure your allocation still aligns with your short and long-term goals. This is particularly important given recent market volatility and movements. This is also a good time to assess tax consequences if you have sold assets earlier in the year and discover tax-loss selling strategies to consider if you have capital gains but wish to keep exposure to a depreciated sector or security. For each account, review your beneficiary designations and make any necessary adjustments due to life changes.

Secondly, you can manage taxes by reviewing how you can defer taxable income if you expect to be in the same or a lower tax bracket next year and think about increasing your tax deductions going forward.

Lastly, year-end is a great time to consider increasing your retirement savings for the year and maximize other tax-saving opportunities. This may include maximizing contributions to an employer-sponsored plan, contributing more to your SEP or SIMPLE IRA, or creating a new retirement vehicle that is best for your situation. Another tax-advantaged route is to create or add to a college savings plan. This is also a good time to review your charitable donations and complete those or family gifts by year end. It is important to be mindful of all of the different contribution deadlines, as some are at the end of the year and others correspond with your filing deadlines. So, use the cold weather to settle down with a warm drink and tackle your finances.

### Year-End Planning Checklist

- Review the asset allocation of your investment portfolio
- Prepare for filing taxes by organizing records, receipts, and other expenses
- Consult with your tax advisor to determine if you should accelerate deductions or defer income to save on your tax return
- If applicable, review securities to claim capital gains or losses on taxes
- Complete charitable gifts
- Think about establishing a plan to accumulate tax-advantage savings for a child or grandchild.

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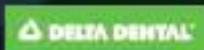
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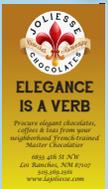
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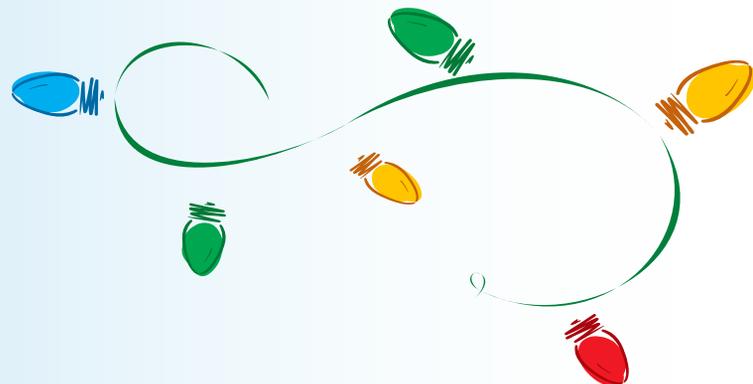
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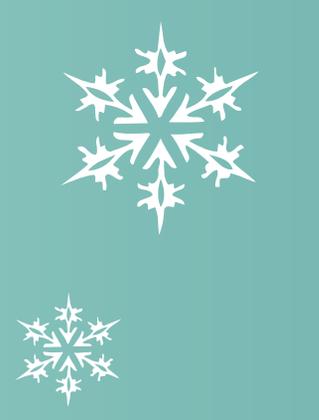
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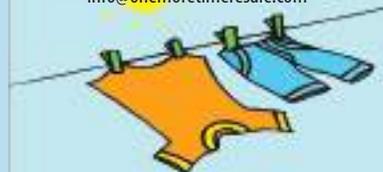
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## Public Safety

by Robin Hopkins, BCSO



# Safety and the Holidays

It is a privilege, an honor, and truly a blessing that I return to public service as your Public Safety Director. I have been a Deputy with the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office for more than 17 years. I spent several of those years patrolling the North Valley. The Village of Los Ranchos is a special place that I always enjoyed working in.

It has taken me two years to recover from an on duty injury, and a great source of support throughout that challenging road to recovery has been the Village community. I will never forget when Mayor Larry Abraham and Kelly Ward came to visit me at the Rehabilitation Hospital, and told me how the Village was pulling for me.

I want to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, well wishes and monetary support that my family and I received from this community.

My office is in Village Hall, please feel free to drop in, or call first to make sure I am available. Any questions or concerns you have, no matter how small, please let me know so I can help.

As the holidays are approaching there is always an increase of theft and other criminal activity.

Here are three of my favorite personal property safety tips.

1. This is one that I still have trouble getting my Mom to do. Please lock your home - even when you are home. Your vehicle doors too. Recently, Deputies arrested a man that admitted to burglarizing vehicles in the Village by riding his bike throughout the neighborhoods and getting into unlocked vehicles. If the vehicle was locked, he would move on. The suspect stated he sometimes found up to 10 unlocked vehicles a night.



2. During the holidays and at all times, be aware of your surroundings.

With the joys of the season and the to-do list to accomplish, we sometimes forget to simply be aware of what is going on around us. Criminals are very good at reading body language, knowing when you are not paying attention, and picking their victims accordingly.

3. Leave an outside light or motion detector light on at night, and a small light on in the inside of your home. Nothing is 100 percent fool-proof but the idea is to reduce the criminal's opportunity, and make your home less attractive for burglary and other crimes.

If you would like a crime prevention assessment of your home, I would be happy to do that. I can do an assessment of just the outside, or both inside and outside. Just call and make an appointment.

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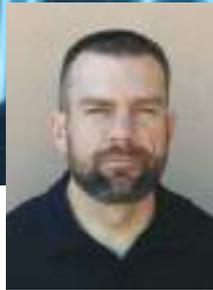
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## Fitness/Health Column

by Dustin Melville

# How to Stay on Track During the Holidays

The holidays are just around the corner; this typically means excess food, drink, and socializing. We all know that it is hard to abstain from the extra treats everyone puts in front of us so here are a few tips to help you stay on track while still enjoying this time of year.

### **Keep those workouts going strong, even if the diet takes a dive.**

It is easy to get trapped in the mind set of “If I cannot eat clean and stay on my diet during the holidays then what good is it to keep working out?” The truth of the matter is we should look at the holidays as a time for maintenance as opposed to progress. Enjoy some of the foods that only come around once a year but maintain a strict workout schedule. In fact, this is actually a good time of year to ramp up your training to burn the excess calories and minimize the damage done by excess eating and drinking.

If you indulge in a large meal at night, make sure to train extra hard in the morning.



### **So you decided to eat an extra serving of mashed potatoes and maybe two pieces of pie instead of one.**

Obviously, your body has absorbed an excess number of calories and carbohydrates which will store as fat unless you burn them off. Plan to wake up earlier in the morning and incorporate a high intensity training session, preferably on an empty stomach. This session can either be a difficult cardio workout or a high intensity interval training session. Whatever your choice, make sure you train with enough intensity to burn through those extra calories and get the metabolism back on track.

### **Make sure you weigh yourself on a consistent basis to avoid any surprises.**

Even if you don't like to weigh yourself regularly, this is an important time of the year when our diets typically become increasingly inconsistent. Weighing yourself at the same time every couple of days will help you track any major fluctuations. Remember, ingesting extra carbohydrates will inevitably be accompanied by an increase in water retention so make sure you do not get

too frustrated with a one or two pound gain at any given time. Your main goal here is to avoid major weight swings, so shoot for a three to five pound maximum variance during this time of year.

### **Try drinking a protein drink before you eat that cheat meal.**

What many people do not realize is that it is much easier to avoid indulging in those high fat, high sugar foods if our hunger is already satisfied. Many times we attend holiday parties or gatherings at night without properly fueling the body during the day. It is even more critical during this time of year to adhere to a consistent eating schedule of four to five small meals to ensure we don't walk into a party absolutely starving. One of the best techniques I have found to be successful is the well-timed protein drink. Try drinking your protein about an hour prior to that holiday meal and not only will you be more satisfied but your reduced hunger may help you avoid those extra desserts.

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## Board of Trustees Meeting

### September 4

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Abraham called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Abraham amended the agenda to include a tour of Sarabande Bed and Breakfast located at 5637 Rio Grande Blvd NW, Los Ranchos, NM 87107, from 3:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Transportation to Sarabande will be provided by the Village, and any member of the public is invited to attend.

#### 2. DISCUSSION OF DEVELOPMENT IN THE VILLAGE CENTER ZONE AND FOURTH STREET

Attorney Chappell facilitated the discussion of residential and commercial development related topics in the Village Center Zone and Fourth Street.

*No action was taken.*

#### 3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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The next regular meeting  
will be held on  
Wednesday, December 9, 2015

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### September 30

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Lopez called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

*The agenda was approved as presented.*

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

*None.*

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2015-9-1 ADOPTING THE 2017-2021 INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN.

*The Board moved to approve Resolution No. 2015-9-1 Adopting the 2017-2021 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

#### 4. TRUSTEES INFORMAL DISCUSSION

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

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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# Board of Trustees Meeting

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Wednesday, December 9, 2015

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## October 14

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

*The agenda was approved as presented.*

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

*None.*

### 3. PRESENTATIONS

*None.*

### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. MINUTES – AUGUST 12, 2015 – REGULAR MEETING.
- B. MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 4, 2015 – WORK SESSION.
- C. MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 – SPECIAL MEETING.

*The consent agenda was approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

### 5. REPORTS

#### A. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Abraham reported on the following:

- The purchases of property at 311 Osuna is moving forward.
- Working on developing an improvement plan for the Agri-Nature Center.

#### B. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Ward reported on the following:

- The Village has hired two new employees: Ashely Stokes and Dominic Tomba
- Working with Planner McDonough on the Alameda drain project in conjunction with MRGCD

#### C. PLANNER'S REPORT

Planner McDonough reported on the following:

- Completed the annual storm water permit report, which is available for review on the Village website.

- Received several site development plans throughout the month for projects on Fourth and Second street.

D. LEGAL REPORT

Attorney Chappell reported on the following:

- Reviewing a franchise agreement with Comcast.
- Working with Planner McDonough to address various planning and zoning issues and assessing ordinances.

6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS

A. CASH REPORT – AUGUST 2015

B. CASH REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2015

*The Cash Reports for August and September were approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

A. A REQUEST FOR A DISTANCE WAIVER FOR A LIQUOR LICENSE(S) BY STEEL BENDER CORPORATION, LLC AND SECOND STREET HOLDINGS, LLC AS THE PROPERTY IS WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE ALAMEDA BIBLE CHURCH AND THE VICTORY SCHOOL PROPERTY LINE, IN THE GATEWAY DISTRICT (GD) ZONE OF THE FOURTH STREET COMMERCIAL CHARACTER AREA AND CORRIDOR. STEEL BENDER CORPORATION, LLC AND SECOND STREET HOLDINGS, LLC INTEND TO APPLY FOR A SMALL BREWERS LIQUOR LICENSE, A RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE, AND POTENTIALLY A PACKAGE SALES LICENSE FROM THE NEW MEXICO REGULATION AND LICENSING DEPARTMENT. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 8305 2ND STREET NW AND IS LEGALLY KNOWN AS LOT A, PLAT OF LOT A, EL PORTAL AT PASEO, VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NM FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE BERNALILLO COUNTY CLERK ON JUNE, 9, 2013. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS 5.1402 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

*The Board moved to approve the distance waiver for a liquor license (s) by Steel Bender Corporation, LLC and Second Street Holdings, LLC located at 8305 2nd Street NW, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

8. OLD BUSINESS

*None.*

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2015-10-1 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE AND THE COUNTY OF BERNALILLO FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES.

*The Board moved to approve Resolution No. 2015-10-1 Authorizing the Mayor to execute an addendum to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Village of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque and the County of Bernalillo for law enforcement services. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.*

10. TRUSTEES INFORMAL DISCUSSION

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

11. ADJOURNMENT

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.*

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\* Minutes pending final approval from the Board of Trustees.



Joe Craig, Tom Riccobene, Joe Brawley, Deborah Seligman, Jeff Phillips, Debra Colman, and Tim Tourville

## Planning & Zoning Meeting

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The next regular meeting  
will be held on  
Tuesday, December 8, 2015

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### October 13

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

##### A. Roll Call

*There was a quorum present.*

##### B. Approval of Agenda

*The agenda was approved as presented unanimously 7-0.*

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

*There were no comments*

#### 3. CONSENT AGENDA

*There were no consent agenda items*

##### A. Approval of minutes – September 08, 2015

*The minutes were unanimously approved as amended unanimously 7-0.*

#### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

- A. SDP-15-06 A REQUEST BY CREI, LLC FOR A SKETCH SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW FOR A NEW COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE FOURTH STREET COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR AND CHARACTER AREA. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 6145 SECOND ST. NW (AKA 208 EL CAMINITO NW) AND IS LEGALLY KNOWN AS A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND WITHIN PROJECTED SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 11 N, RANGE 3 E, N.M.P.M., ALBUQUERQUE, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO BEING IDENTIFIED AS TRACTS 74B-1-B, AND 74B-2-B OF THE MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY PROPERTY MAP NO. 29. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS 9.977 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

*No action was needed.*

- B. SDPA-15-07 A REQUEST FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE LOS POBLANOS INN AND CULTURAL CENTER, SU-1 (SPECIAL USE ZONE). THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 4803 RIO GRANDE BLVD. AND IS LEGALLY KNOWN AS TRACT A1, LANDS OF ALBERT SIMMS III, FILED 7/6/67. VOL. B4 FOLIO 97 AND WARRANTY DEED FILED 9/16/78 VOL. D14A FOLIO 811-813 AND PLAT OF TRACTS A2A AND A3A, A REPLAT OF TRACTS A2 AND A3, LANDS OF ALBERT SIMMS II, VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, DECEMBER, 1998. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS 25.6371 ACRES, MORE OR LESS

*Forwarded a recommendation for approval to the Board of Trustees with a unanimous vote (7-0).*

- C. Z-15-01 A REQUEST BY JJM PROPERTIES, LLC FOR A ZONE CHANGE AND ZONE MAP AMENDMENT FROM R-2 TO C-1 IN THE FOURTH STREET COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR AND CHARACTER AREA. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 7216 FOURTH STREET AND IS LEGALLY KNOWN AS A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND WITHIN PROJECTED SECTION 21, T11E, R3E, NMPM, LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO BEIGN IDENTIFIED AS TRACT 157A OF THE MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT PROPERTY MAP NO. 29. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS 1.395 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. THE REQUESTED ZONE CHANGE IS FOR THE REAR (EASTERLY) 395 FEET OF THE NAMED TRACT, AS THE FRONT (WESTERLY) 300 FEET IS ZONED C-1.

*Forwarded a recommendation for approval to the Board of Trustees with a vote of (5-2) Commissioner Brawley and Commission Seligman voting nay.*

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business

**7. REPORTS**

A. Planning Department Report

Planner McDonough gave the Planning Department Report of activities for the month.

- Stormwater management
- New business registrations
- Zoning review permits

**8. COMMISSIONER'S INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

*There was no informal discussion*

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.*

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**Bosque School**  
4000 Learning Road NW  
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898-6388  
www.bosqueschool.org

- Upcoming Events:
- November 24 - Grandparent Day
  - November 27 - All Bosque Alumni Luncheon
  - December 3 - 7 p.m. Band Concert
  - December 8 - 7 p.m. Strings Concert
  - December 9 - 7 p.m. Choir Concert
  - December 14 - Finals Week
  - December 19-20 - Bosque Cantate and Treble Ensemble perform with the N. M. Philharmonic
  - Oct -Feb - Daily Admission Visits-call to schedule 505-898-6388
  - December 5 - Admission Testing-call to register 505-898-6388
  - February 6 - Admission Testing-call to register 505-898-6388
  - January 12 - Admission Information Night at 6:30 p.m.

**Los Ranchos Elementary School**  
7609 Fourth Street NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
898-0794  
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**North Valley Academy**  
7939 Fourth Street NW  
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998-0501  
www.nvanm.org

- Upcoming Events:
- November 24 - Annual "Amass the Grass" campaign to raise funds for reseeding our playing field - TURKEY TROT!
  - December 10 - First semester recitals. Center for Performing Arts
  - December 16 - Last day of school for students. "Over the Top" holiday sweater contest
  - December 17 - Regular Governance Council meeting
  - January 6 - Students return for second semester
  - January 21 - NVA Science Night Judges are needed
  - January 21 - Regular Governance Council meeting
  - February 10 - Jump Rope for Heart "Jump Party"
  - February 18 - Regular Governance Council meeting
  - February 24 - "National School Choice" Open House, 2:30 - 4:30

**Sandia Preparatory School**  
532 Osuna Blvd. Rd. NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87113  
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www.sandiaprep.org

- Upcoming Events:
- November 25-27 - Thanksgiving Break
  - December 11 - Last Day for Middle School before Winter Break
  - December 14-17 - Upper School Exams
  - December 18 - January 4 - Winter Break

**Taft Middle School**  
620 Schulte Road NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
344-4389

- www.taftms.org  
Upcoming Events:
- November 18 - Humanities Night. 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.
  - November 25-27 - Thanksgiving Break, No School.
  - November 30 - Students return to school
  - December 9th - Family Math Night. 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.
  - December 10 - Winter Orchestra Concert. 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.
  - December 16 - Band Concert. 6:00 p.m. in the gym.
  - December 21- January 4 - Winter Break.

**Taylor Middle School**  
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**Victory Christian School**  
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- Upcoming Events:
- December 4 – Choir Christmas Concert
  - December 11 – Elementary Christmas Program
  - December 18 – End of First Semester
  - December 19-January 3 – No School – Christmas Vacation
  - January 8 – No School – Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
  - January 12 – VCS Spelling Bee
  - January 18 – No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
  - January 22 – Homecoming Coronation
  - January 29 – ACSI NM State Spelling Bee
  - January 30 – Homecoming Banquet
  - February 5 – Culture Night – Fractal Friday
  - February 10 – Drama Tryouts
  - February 12 – Day of Prayer
  - February 13 – MATHCOUNTS
  - February 15 – No School – Presidents Day
  - February 19-20 – Choir Retreat

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## Theater News

by Marcelle Garfield Cady

# The Game's Afoot at The Adobe



While *The Miss Firecracker Contest* continues until November 11 (see October issue), waiting in the wings is *The Game's Afoot or Holmes For the Holidays*. Yes, that is the title of one of Ken Ludwig's hilarious comedies which will be directed by Kathleen Welker. Kathleen recently moved to Albuquerque and The Adobe is thrilled that she is directing for the first time at our theatre.

It is December 1936 and Broadway star William Gillette, admired the world over for his leading role in the play *Sherlock Holmes*, has invited his fellow cast-members to his Connecticut castle for a weekend of revelry. But when one of the guests is stabbed to death, the festivities in this isolated house of tricks and mirrors quickly turn dangerous. Then it is up to Gillette himself, as he assumes the persona of his beloved Holmes, to track down the killer before the next victim appears. The danger and hilarity are non-stop

in this glittering whodunit set during the Christmas holidays.

A couple of reviews: "an inspired whodunit...a snappy, clever drawing-room mystery. There are twists in playwright Ken Ludwig's *The Game's Afoot* that cause the audience to gasp." -*Cleveland Plain Dealer*. "A hilarious, quirky and thrilling alternative to your standard holiday entertainment. *The Game's Afoot* is the perfect gift for the holidays....a fantastically fun night out at the theatre." - ClueintoCleveland.com

The cast includes familiar faces: Steve Zamora (Gillette), Tim Riley (Felix), and new faces: Holly Deuell Gilster (Inspector Goring), Sari Jensen (Martha), Abriana LeValley (Madge), Amy Cundall (Aggie), Samantha Conrad (Daria).

*The Game's Afoot or Holmes For The Holiday* opens December 4 and plays through December 20. There will be two performances on Sunday December 6

and 13. Evening performances at 7:30 p.m., Matinees at 2:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. 'Pay What You Will' performance to benefit the cast and crew, Thursday December 17 at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are \$17, seniors and students \$15. Reservations 505-898-9222 or online at [www.adobetheater.org](http://www.adobetheater.org).

In 2016, The Adobe Theater will present classic plays, and two world premieres - beginning with Ira Levin's *Deathtrap* in January, followed by *Caesar's Blood*; Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple* (female version!!); Horton Foote's *Dividing The Estate*; *The Whiteheaded Boy* by Lennox Robinson; John Patrick's *The Curious Savage*; *The Gavones of Philadelphia*; Gore Vidal's award-winning political play *The Best Man*; and Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman's Pulitzer Prize winner *You Can't Take It With You*.

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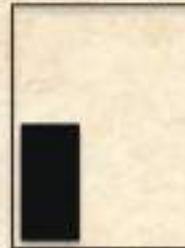
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by Staff Writer

# Biscotti: Twice Baked Italian Cookies

Biscotti look like a challenge to bake, but if you can shape a meatloaf and slice a loaf of bread, you have all the skills you need to make delicious, gorgeous biscotti. This version is very mildly scented with lemon and almond. Ideal alongside fresh fruit, they are also wonderful crumbled and layered with whipped cream or flavored mousse and berries, for a splashier, dinner-party or holiday dessert.

Yield: about 2 dozen biscotti.

## Dough

6 tablespoons butter  
 ⅔ cup sugar  
 ¼ teaspoon salt  
 grated rind of 1 medium lemon  
 ¾ to 1¼ teaspoons almond extract\*  
 1½ teaspoons baking powder  
 2 to 3 tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice  
 2 large eggs  
 2 cups King Arthur Unbleached All-Purpose Flour

\* ¾ teaspoon will give you a hint of almond; if you like almond, use the greater amount of extract.

## Glaze (optional)

½ cup confectioners' or glazing sugar  
 1½ teaspoons lemon juice powder  
 2 to 3 teaspoons milk



Preheat the oven to 350°F. Lightly grease (or line with parchment) one large 18" x 13" baking sheet.

In a medium-sized bowl, beat the butter, sugar, salt, lemon rind, almond extract, and baking powder until the mixture is smooth and creamy. Beat in the lemon juice and eggs; the batter may look slightly curdled. At low speed of your mixer, add the flour, stirring until smooth; the dough will be sticky.

Plop the dough onto the prepared baking sheet. Shape it into a log that's about 13" long x 3" wide x ¾" thick. Straighten the log, and smooth its top and sides; a wet spatula or wet bowl scraper works well here.

Bake the dough for 25 minutes. Remove it from the oven, and allow it to cool on the pan anywhere from 10 to

25 minutes; just work it into the schedule of whatever else you're doing in the kitchen. Reduce the oven heat to 325°F.

Using a spray bottle filled with room-temperature water, lightly but thoroughly spritz the log, making sure to cover the sides as well as the top. Softening the crust just this little bit will make slicing the biscotti much easier.

Wait another five minutes, then use a serrated knife to cut the log crosswise into ½" slices. As you are slicing, be sure to cut straight up and down, perpendicular to the pan; if you cut unevenly, biscotti may be thicker at the top than the bottom, and they will topple over during their second bake.

Set the biscotti on edge on the prepared baking sheet. Return the biscotti to the oven, and bake for 30 to 35 minutes, until they feel very dry and are beginning to turn golden around the edges. Remove the biscotti from the oven, and transfer them to a rack to cool.

For glazed biscotti: Combine the confectioners' or glazing sugar with the lemon juice powder and milk; drizzle over cooled biscotti.

*Serving Size 1 biscotti (25g), Servings Per Container 24 Amount Per Serving: Calories 90, Calories from Fat 30, Total Fat 3.5g(5% DV), Saturated Fat 2g(10% DV), Trans Fat 0g, Cholesterol 25mg(8% DV), Sodium 55mg(2% DV), Total Carbohydrate 13g(4% DV), Dietary Fiber 0g(0% DV), Sugars 6g, Protein 2g, Vitamin A (2% DV), Vitamin C (2% DV), Calcium (2% DV), Iron (4% DV)*

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Poll workers are needed for the March 1, 2016 Municipal Election. For more information, please visit [www.losranchosnm.gov](http://www.losranchosnm.gov) or contact the Village Clerk at 344-6582.

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