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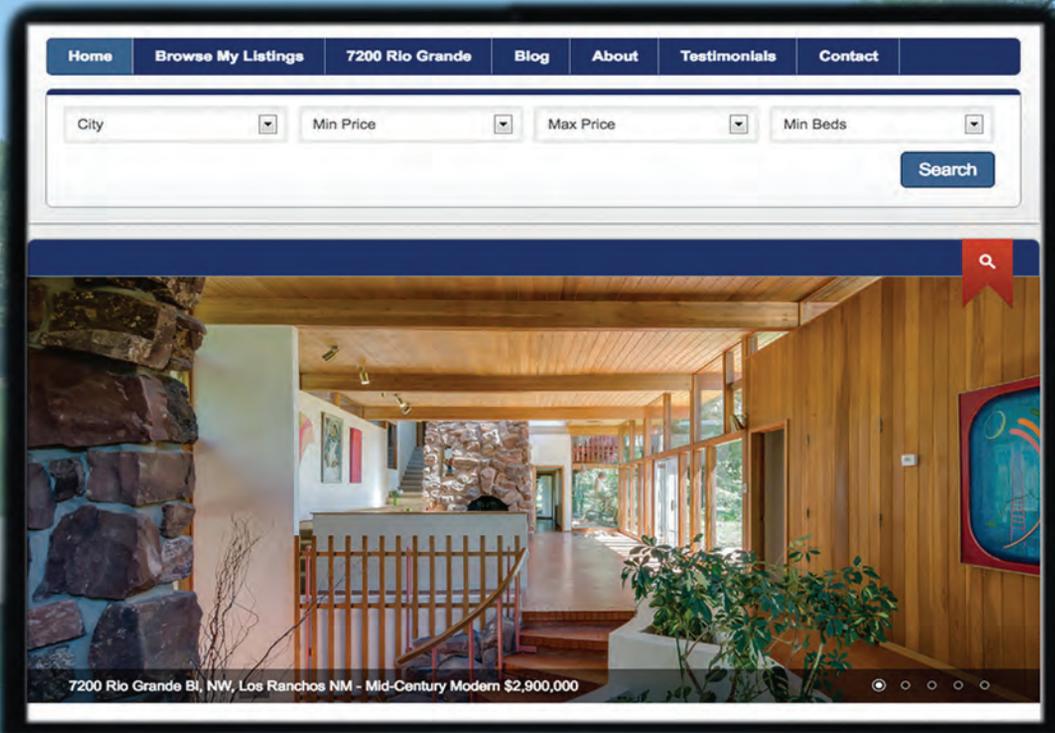


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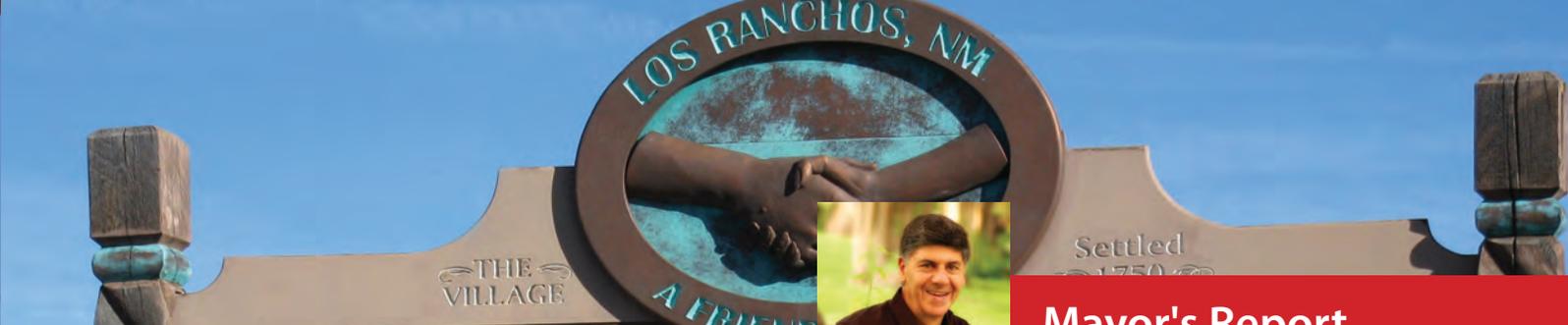


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## Mayor's Report

by Larry Abraham

# Everything is Lavender in the Village in July

The Village is, once again, proud to be a focal point for all things lavender. July marks lavender season in the Village. This year will be quite special.

Kicking things off will be the Los Ranchos Growers' and Art Market. The markets are again hosting a Lavender and Garlic Celebration on July 8 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. In addition to the fresh produce, lavender plants and lavender and garlic products, do not miss the demonstrations and educational classes. The Art Market has stepped things up this year with additional vendors and a fresh vibe that they are bringing to each Saturday morning. Come check out all the fine lavender themed, hand-made crafts and art. More detail about the Growers' Market and the Art Market can be found in this issue of the Vision.

This year we are excited to welcome nineteen businesses along Fourth Street who will offer specials, discounts, drawings, free gifts, and the sights, smells and flavors of lavender during the week and into the Lavender in the Village Festival weekend. See the listing and individual offers for each of the businesses participating on page 23 of this issue.

Next up is the Lavender Festival hosted by the Lavender in the Village non-profit organization. This one-day event will take place on July 15 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. As you would expect, there will be plenty of lavender products to sample and purchase. There will also be local food and drink, kids' activities, live music and educational seminars. Last year's return of the festival was a great success and we are looking forward to a continued tradition at the Los Ranchos Agri-Nature Center.

We cannot talk about lavender in the Village and not mention Los Poblanos Inn and Organic Farm. They are in the throws of a major renovation and expansion and still very much in the lavender business. I encourage you to check out their website for information on the farm and lavender events

during the month of July. There will be quite the variety of lavender oriented events throughout the month.

Get out and about Los Ranchos during the month and surround yourself in all things lavender.

I would also like to mention and complement Julie Hirshfield. Julie is the Village's Farm Camp manager. The Village has been home to the farm camp for six years and Julie has directed each one. As I write this, she is finishing up week one of the Summer Farm Camp. The photos she posts on our Facebook page are a source of inspiration and joy. The kids are having a great time learning about growing and sourcing their food, cooking, nature, and so much more. Congratulations and thank you to all who have made the Los Ranchos Farm Camp such a success and truly one of the special things we do here in the Village.



# Calendar

## Planning and Zoning Commission Meetings

Tuesday, July 11, 7:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday, August 8, 7:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday, September 12, 7:00 p.m.

## Board of Trustees Regular Meetings

Wednesday, July 12, 7:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, August 9, 7:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday, September 13, 7:00 p.m.

## Deadlines: Los Ranchos Vision Magazine

*Advertising and Article Submissions Due*  
 Friday, July 21, September Issue  
 Friday, September 1, Fall Issue (October)

## Growers' and Arts/Crafts Market

Saturday, July 1, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, July 8, 7 am – 1:00 p.m.  
*16th Lavender & Garlic Celebration (extended hours)*  
 Saturday, July 15, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, July 22, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Flower Festival*  
 Saturday, July 29, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, August 5, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, August 12, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, August 19, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Peak of Season*  
 Saturday, August 26, 7:00 a.m. – noon:  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, September 2, 7:00 a.m. - noon  
*Fall Veggies, Salmon & Beef w/Guest Chef Kenny, the Fishhugger*  
 Saturday, September 9, 7:00 a.m. - noon  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, September 16, 7:00 a.m. - noon  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*  
 Saturday, September 23, 7:00 a.m. - noon  
*Chili Celebration*  
 Saturday, September 30, 7:00 a.m. - noon  
*Growers' and Arts/Crafts Markets*

## Independence Day (Fourth of July)

Tuesday, July 4  
*Village office closed*

## Lavender Celebration in the Village

Saturday, July 8 - 15  
*Beginning with Lavender & Garlic Festival, local businesses participation and Lavender in the Village*

## Labor Day

Monday, September 4  
*Village office closed*

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# Village at-a-Glance

## Growers' Market

The 25th season of the Growers' Market is off to a great start. Join us at Village Hall every Saturday for a wonderful selection of produce, baked goods, homemade food items, handcrafted items, and so much more. The market begins at 7:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. In the event of inclement weather, the market will be held in the barn located south of the tennis court parking lot. We are looking forward to another great season at the market.

## Lavender Events

This year the Village will celebrate lavender for an entire week! On Saturday, July 8, the Growers' Market will host a special Lavender and Garlic Event with extended market hours. Los Ranchos businesses will celebrate lavender with their own special shopping events on July 8 and during the week. Then on Saturday, July 15, Lavender in the Village will conclude the week-long celebration with a full day of lavender themed events at the Los Ranchos Agri-Nature Center. Mark your calendars! Updates will be posted as they are received.

Summer 2017

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## Public Safety

by Robin Hopkins,  
Director of Public Safety,  
Village of Los Ranchos

# Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Strategies in the Village of Los Ranchos

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Strategies have evolved over time. While many techniques have been in use for hundreds of years, it has only been in the last few decades that urban planning experts such as Jane Jacobs and Oscar Newman have explored the relationship between the built environment, and criminal behavior.

I encourage residents to learn more about CPTED from a basic Google search, there is a lot of material out there as well as the art of Feng shui or fengshui, a Chinese philosophical system of harmonizing everyone with the surrounding environment.

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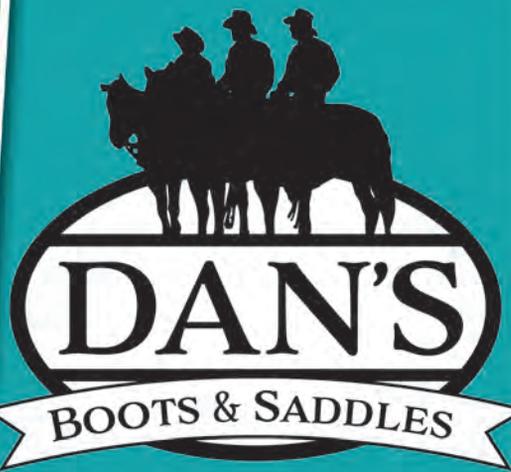
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## Fire Corner

*by Deputy County Manager,  
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# Safely Enjoy the Outdoors

As we begin to see trees in full bloom and flowers full of colorful blossoms, we are anxious to start getting outdoors to enjoy the wonders of the season. With the warmer weather come 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 out of reach of little ones who might be curious. Remember to keep fertilizer and other lawn and weed care in well ventilated spaces out of harm's way.

Along with the blooming plants comes the increase of bees to the area; respect the bee 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.

When outdoors, remember to apply plenty of sunscreen and drink plenty of water. Those who plan to utilize fire as part of cleaning their yards, please remember to only burn dry weeds in three foot by three foot piles with a water source near by. You will also want to check with the Bernalillo County Burn Line at 468-7200 prior to burning.

Lastly, please remember to keep children away from ditches. If you have a swimming pool make sure it has been child proofed. When near open waters remember to wear your life jackets. And last but not least remember that alcohol and boats do not mix, as is true with any motorized vehicle.



Well, that about does it for the "dos and don'ts." Now sit back, relax and enjoy what promises to be a great summer.

On behalf of all the men and women of the Bernalillo County Fire and Rescue, we wish you a safe and enjoyable summer season.



## Check Your Fire Extinguishers

A recent news broadcast brought to our attention the need to regularly check home fire extinguishers. The reporter visited a local neighborhood asking residents to locate their extinguishers and to demonstrate that they knew how to use them in an emergency. Many did not know where their fire extinguisher was and had to look for it. Many others did not know how to use it. More concerning was the discovery that

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## Ditch Writer

An Agri-highlights Column  
by Sue Brawley

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# July and August at the Market

In July and August, try some of the various types of tomatoes, green and purple beans, potatoes, various types of summer squash: patty-pan, zucchs, zephyr, and roly-polly, fresh garlic, green onions, sweet peppers, radishes, carrots, and rutabagas. Different types of basil will be available for pesto, stir-fries and salad uses. Blackberries and raspberries and potentially some other fruit will be available. Bouquets are beautiful and you can select from cosmos to sunflowers to lavender and more. August marks the arrival of wonderful sweet corn and tasty melons, such as sugar babies, crimson sweets, Crenshaw's, and cantaloupes, as well as the first of the hot chiles.

Celebration with extended hours to 1:00 p.m. This 16th annual event will kick off the week of lavender events in the Village. The market will feature fresh cut lavender bouquets, lavender plants, special lavender products, various types of garlic, and special products featuring garlic. The classes and demonstrations will be held in a large tent by the handball courts. In addition to the classes, various arts/crafts vendors will be demonstrating or discussing various techniques used to produce lavender and garlic themed art at their booths. Below is a tentative schedule of the classes and demonstrations. The times and/or topics may vary.

demonstration

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.:

Cooking with Lavender

10:15 – 10:45 a.m.:

Growing Lavender & Companion Plants

11:00 – 11:30 a.m.: Lavender Products

11:45 – 12:15 p.m.: Cooking with Garlic

Check out our website for more information about what local produce and products will be at the market. Visit our Facebook page (Los Ranchos Growers' Market) for local product information and to view pictures.

### The 16th Lavender and Garlic Celebration

On July 8, the Growers' and Arts Markets will have a Lavender and Garlic

8:00 – 8:30 a.m.:

Growing Garlic / Garlic braid demonstration

8:45 – 9:15 a.m.:

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## From Market to Your Table

by Lorilee McDowell

### For Spinach Lovers

If you love the spinach available now at the market, here is a quick and easy treat. Unwrap a large bar of cream cheese, and leave at room temperature to soften. Wash and remove stems of two bags of fresh spinach. Dry it thoroughly and slice it coarsely. (You can use chard, kale, or other summer greens but may need to adjust the cooking time and seasonings.)

In a large pot, cook two very large shallots, sliced thin (about ¼ c.p) until soft in 3 tablespoons of melted unsalted

butter. Add 2 garlic cloves, minced, and cook briefly. Off the heat, toss in the spinach, some red pepper flakes, and freshly ground pepper and salt. Add the cream cheese to the spinach in large spoonfuls, mixing well after each addition.

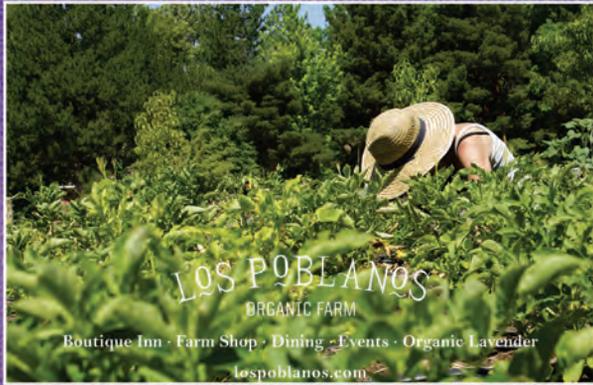
Pour the whole mixture into a baking dish, sprinkle the top with Panko crumbs and grated Romano cheese. Bake at 375° for 15 minutes or until it is warm and browning. This dish is good with a roasted pork tenderloin and sweet potato tots.

Change the flavor of the spinach by using less garlic and red pepper, and adding freshly ground nutmeg.

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# Parvo Present in the North Valley

by Dominic Tomba, Animal Welfare Officer

The Village of Los Ranchos has come across a positive carrier of the Parvo Virus.

PetMD.com describes Parvovirus symptoms, what causes this virus to occur in canines, and how to prevent your canine from contracting Parvo and becoming ill.

“Canine Parvovirus Infection in Dogs: The canine parvovirus (CPV) infection is a highly contagious viral illness that affects dogs. The virus manifests itself in two different forms. The more common form is the intestinal form, which is characterized by vomiting, diarrhea, weight loss, and lack of appetite (anorexia). The less common form is the cardiac form, which attacks the heart muscles of very young puppies, often leading to death. The majority of cases are seen in puppies between six weeks and six months old. The incidence of canine parvovirus infections has been reduced radically by early vaccination in young puppies.

Symptoms and Types of Parvovirus in Dogs: The major symptoms associated with the intestinal form of a canine parvovirus infection include severe, bloody diarrhea, lethargy, anorexia, fever, vomiting, and severe weight loss. The intestinal form of CPV affects the body’s ability to absorb nutrients, and an affected animal will quickly become dehydrated and weak from lack of protein and fluid absorption. The wet tissue of the mouth and eyes may become noticeably red and the heart may beat too rapidly. When your veterinarian

palpates (examine by touch) your dog’s abdominal area, your dog may respond with pain or discomfort. Dogs that have contracted CPV may also have a low body temperature (hypothermia), rather than a fever. Causes of Parvo in Dogs: Most cases of CPV infections are caused by a genetic alteration of the original canine parvovirus: the canine parvovirus type 2b. There are a variety of risk factors that can increase a dog’s susceptibility to the disease, but mainly, the virus is transmitted either by direct contact with



an infected dog, or indirectly, by the fecal-oral route. Heavy concentrations of the virus are found in an infected dog’s stool, so when a healthy dog sniffs an infected dog’s stool, it will contract the disease. The virus can also be brought into a dog’s environment by way of shoes that have come into contact with infected feces. There is evidence that the virus can live in ground soil for up to a year. It is resistant to most cleaning products, or even to weather changes. If you need to clean up a parvovirus-contaminated area, first pick up and safely dispose of all organic material

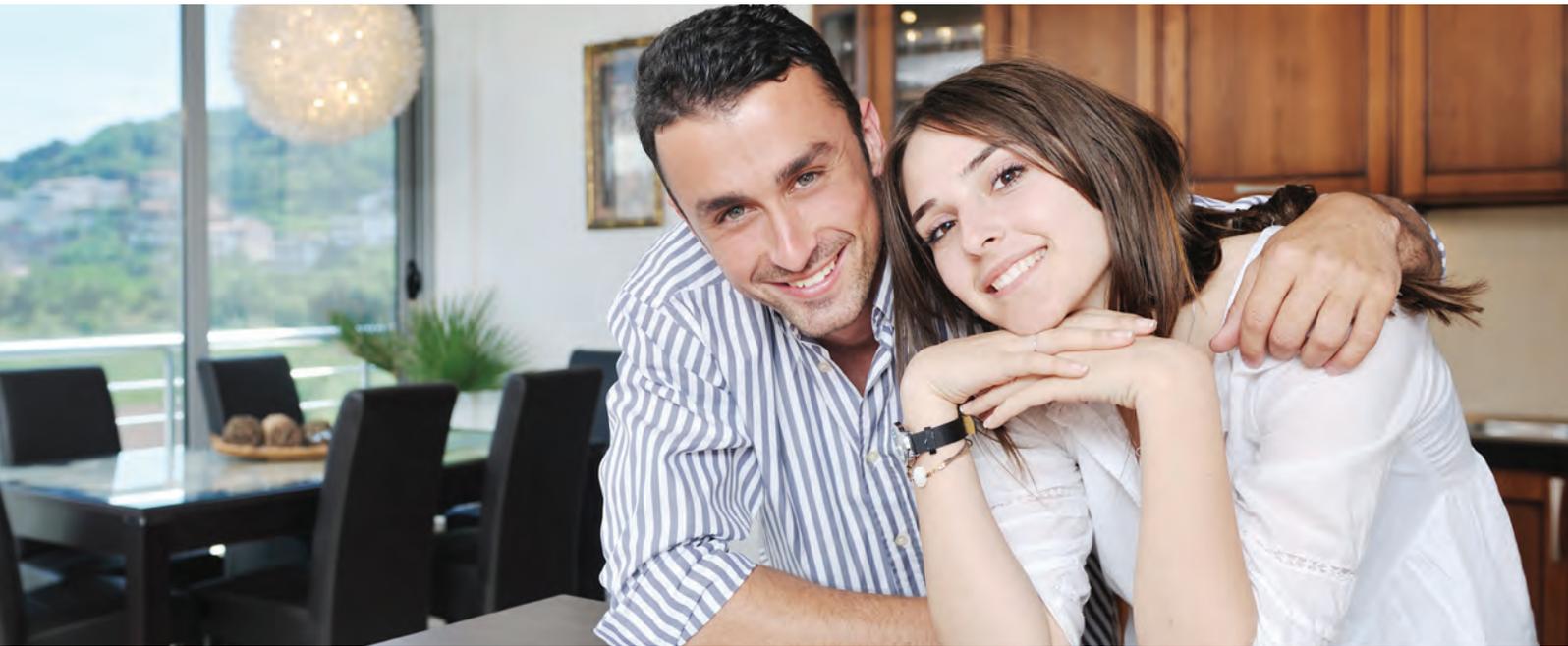


(vomit, feces, etc.), and then thoroughly wash the area with a household bleach solution, one of the few disinfectants known to kill the virus. Improper vaccination protocol and vaccination failure can also lead to a CPV infection. Breeding kennels and dog shelters that hold a large number of inadequately vaccinated puppies are particularly hazardous places. For unknown reasons, certain dog breeds, such as Rottweilers, Doberman Pinschers, Pit Bulls, Labrador Retrievers, German Shepherds, English Springer Spaniels, and Alaskan sled dogs, are particularly vulnerable to the disease. Diseases or drug therapies that suppress the normal response of the immune system may also increase the likelihood of infection.

Prevention of Parvo in Dogs: The best prevention you can take against CPV infection is to follow the correct protocol for vaccination. Young puppies should be vaccinated at six, nine, and twelve weeks, and should not be socialized with outside dogs until at least two weeks after their last vaccinations. High-risk breeds may require a longer initial vaccination period of up to 22 weeks.”

In short, if you ensure your animals are properly vaccinated, you should have no issues dealing with the parvovirus. If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to this article, please contact me directly. Let’s keep our animals safe.

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## Rediscover the Village

## Waskilly Wabbits and Other Varmints

by Dave Bexfield



"And then around 2:00 a.m. we heard something—something large and animaly—clunking around on our roof. Oh hecky doodly, we were definitely in the country. What have we gotten ourselves into?"

Our first night in the Village could not have been much more memorable. Nothing was unpacked, boxes and boxes were everywhere, and we had lost the X-ACTO knife. But none of that mattered. Laura and I were aglow with happiness on our first night "in the country" and we had found the sheets. That and a bottle of wine (and corkscrew). How different could country living be?

And then around 2:00 a.m. we heard something—something large and animaly—clunking around on our roof. Oh hecky doodly, we were definitely in the country. What had we gotten ourselves into?

I immediately started going through my mental varmint checklist based on all the creatures that had previously run across the roof of our old west side home. A squirrel, and uh, other squirrels. Maybe a roadrunner. But this sounded larger, like a coyote. Or a wild boar. Or a cheetah that had escaped from the zoo, travelled stealthily up the Rio Grande Valley using the plentiful trees as cover, and was now waiting to maul the weakest in our household.

Me. Unless I am opening a stubborn jar or serving overly frozen ice cream, my physical prowess pales next to Laura (alas, the MS does not help).

At this point my creative imag-

ination was not my friend. So, I bravely did the only thing I could think of to save my family. I put in earplugs and went back to sleep. Crisis temporarily averted. Well, until the morning.

When we woke up, our faith in nature's benevolence was reinforced. There, in the middle of our backyard, sat a cute little bunny. Laura: "Aww, cute little bunny." She wondered of its providence, where it made its home. Well, she did not have to wonder long. Using her keen sense of deduction (she is a scientist after all), it was apparent that the rabbit was from the property behind our house. It was also apparent that a portion of our coyote fence was flat on the ground—felled during the night by a strong gust of wind—and our backyard was now an open gateway to critters Village-wide. Word had clearly spread that we were the newbies. City folk. Suckers.

We girded ourselves for the other shoe (or fence) to fall. But it never did. We were told by Critter Control that the roof invader was just a normal-sized raccoon and they proceeded to point out a normal-sized pile of raccoon poo. Definitely not cheetah poo. That family of raccoons moved on, our rabbit reunited with its siblings (we think), and the fence got fixed. Now, two years after we have moved in, not even a random coyote can ruffle our feathers.

Are we countrified? Not quite. But we are getting there. It's another brilliant day in the Village.



*Coyotes no longer faze us. After all, we are neighbors.*



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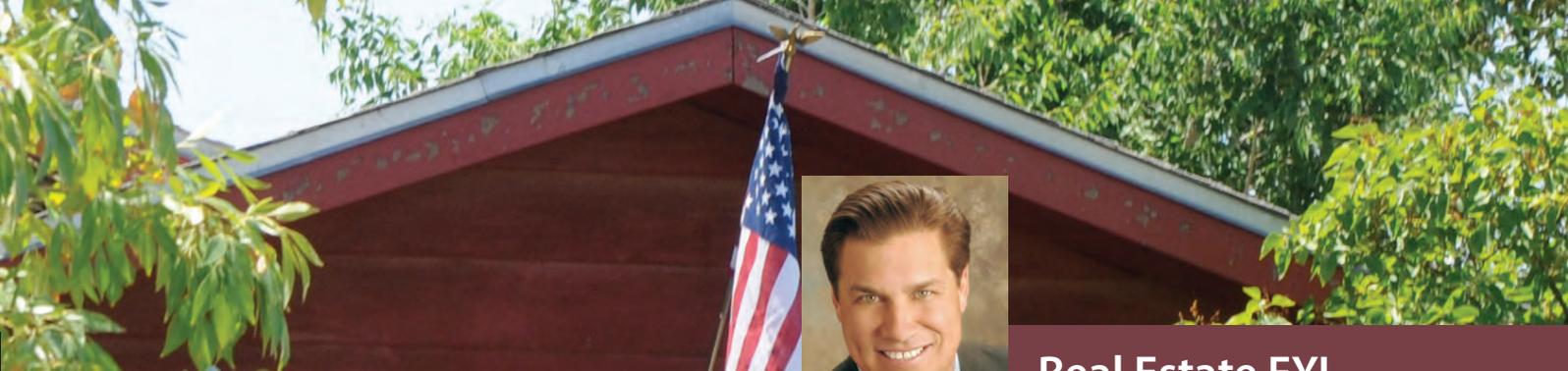
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6930 Rio Grande	851114	\$2,200,000.00	6.92	VACANT LOT				D'Nette Wood	Avio Real Estate, LLC	(505) 463-2910
8721 Rio Grande	880539	\$825,000.00	3.66	VACANT LOT				Janis Fensterer	Realty One of New Mexico	(505) 883-9400
2251 Rio Grande	880775	\$720,000.00	3	VACANT LOT				Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
8637 Rio Grande	887852	\$403,000.00	1.81	VACANT LOT				Feil Cabinet	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 271-8200
8633 Rio Grande	887851	\$399,000.00	1.58	VACANT LOT				Feil Cabinet	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 271-8200
1002 Cottonwood	888912	\$380,000.00	1.13	VACANT LOT				Valerie Almanzar	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 897-1100
585 Alma Encantada Ct.	861098	\$329,000.00	1.55	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 Rlty & Assoc.	(505) 285-6800
520 Calle Del Pajarito	882857	\$200,000.00	0.79	VACANT LOT				Angela Lang	Q Realty, Inc	(505) 750-0059
8830 Fourth St.	866842	\$185,000.00	0.63	VACANT LOT				Jeanette Raver	Realty One of New Mexico	(505) 554-2213
1001 Acequia	887789	\$179,000.00	0.49	VACANT LOT				Cathy Olson	EXP Realty LLC	(505) 554-3873
7412 Rio Grande	882776	\$2,750,000.00	3.81	6400	5	6	6	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
5415 Eakes	880134	\$2,550,000.00	2	6153	6	7	4	Jeannine DiLorenzo	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 271-8200
5425 Eakes	871425	\$2,000,000.00	2	6800	3	6	4	Joseph Maez	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 897-1100
5005 Rio Grande	877309	\$1,750,000.00	3	4800	3	3	4	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
8635 Rio Grande	887858	\$1,672,000.00	5.7	4773	4	4	1	Feil Cabinet	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 271-8200
5911 Padre Roberto	887316	\$1,495,000.00	2	6400	6	6	3	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
5503 Rio Grande	877004	\$1,495,000.00	3.48	6610	5	5	2	D'Nette Wood	Avio Real Estate, LLC	(505) 463-2910
1703 Edwardo Y Juanita	888905	\$1,380,000.00	1.03	5184	4	5	3	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
8714 Rio Grande	876653	\$1,100,000.00	2.19	3815	5	5	3	Donald Martindell	American Realty	(505) 897-3657
921 Chamisal	888712	\$1,079,000.00	1	4472	5	5	3	Susan Nelson Anderson	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 828-1000
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6400 Avenida La Cuchilla	883646	\$725,000.00	0.74	3700	4	3	2	Jessica Beecher	Re/Max Select	(505) 265-5111
707 Alondra	889461	\$699,000.00	0.5	3186	3	3	3	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
8203 Guadalupe	879256	\$699,000.00	1.04	4096	5	3	2	Max Sanchez	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
937 Green Valley	886139	\$685,000.00	1.03	4541	4	5	4	Crystal Sadowski	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 292-8900
8312 Guadalupe	862787	\$680,000.00	2.73	2208	5	1	0	Daniel Martinez	Keller Williams Realty	(505) 897-1100
1924 Ave Las Campanas	876649	\$650,000.00	0.9	3516	4	3	2	Bridget Hazen	Nest Realty	(505) 977-4719
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827 El Alhambra	861123	\$629,000.00	0.98	3444	4	3	2	Suzanne Kinney	Coldwell Banker Legacy	(505) 293-3700
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## Real Estate FYI

by Tim Tourville, CRS

# A-1 Zoning - Time for a Change

In my last article, I wrote about the growing global and local demand by both Baby Boomer and Millennial buyers for quality houses on smaller lots. The challenge for the Village is how to satisfy this demand while maintaining its agricultural heritage. The current A-1 zone was created to help keep agriculture in the Village. But, has it? A-1 stands for agriculture and 1-acre, and the zone was intended to promote agricultural type properties on a minimum lot size of one acre. Take a look at some of the subdivisions in the A-1 zone such as El Caballero, El Caballero Norte, Tinnin Farms, Los Poblanos Orchards and most recently, El Prado. The lot sizes are at least one acre, but where is the agriculture? Agriculture in the Village is mostly dependent on water from the river via the MRGCD ditches. Do these subdivisions still have MRGCD water rights, or did the developers sell the water rights when they created the subdivision? In addition,

the Home Owners Association's Codes, Covenants and Restrictions for these subdivisions, you will note, impose restrictions on what types of agriculture can be maintained.

One solution to satisfy this new demand might be, for example, to take a 10-acre parcel of land, build 10 houses each on half acre lots, and use the other five acres to create a community garden owned by the subdivision's homeowners. This would meet the one dwelling unit per acre per the A-1 zoning regulation. The owners would have smaller, more manageable lots, and a garden they could utilize for themselves or for others to farm. The subdivision would retain and utilize the MRGCD water rights. The owners could establish the garden as a conservation easement with the state of New Mexico and receive a reduction on their individual property taxes. The garden itself could produce grapes for our local wineries, hops for our local breweries, fruits and veggies

for our Growers' Market, lavender for the Village's blossoming lavender industry, etc. This would accomplish several things. The Village would have happy homeowners on smaller lots, retention of MRGCD water rights, and provide property tax benefits from the state all while maintaining the Village's agricultural heritage. Most Village residents I have talked to like this idea. How about you?



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## Art Market Celebrates Lavender



Have you checked out the new Art Market? If you have been a regular, you will see some changes. We have grown! If you are new to our neighborhood, you will be pleasantly surprised by what you find. Each Saturday morning you will find a wide selection of hand-crafted products made by New Mexico artists. About 30 artists are showcasing their talent and creativity each week. A sampling of the types of things that you will find on a typical Saturday include soap and personal care products, painted glass, jewelry in a variety of styles and materials, metal work, wooden products, decorated gourds, crocheted hats, shawls, scarves, toys, and other goodies, candles, glass mosaics, quilts and other fabric personal and home accessories, pottery, tee shirts decorated in various styles and techniques, children's books, paintings, terrariums, upcycled furniture, various products made from found materials, and photography. The artists change from week to week and so do the products. Creative people are

always working on something new.

The Art Market is a wonderful place to shop for fun, interesting, and unique gifts for all occasions and all types of recipients. You might even find a great one of a kind treasure just for you. Everything you



see is made by the person presenting it. Each artist has been juried into the market to assure a great mix of quality products to choose from. You can ask questions and find out exactly what materials and processes were used to create a piece that interests you. Many artists are happy to create a custom piece to your specifications.

A number of artists will be showcasing special lavender themed products for the Lavender and Garlic Festival on July 8. Lavender is a beautiful flower, a great color, and a wonderful ingredient. You will find it used as an ingredient in soaps and candles, both by itself and mixed with other complementary scents. You will also find images of lavender flowers carved into wood, painted on canvas, glass, wood, and found objects and sewn into quilts, aprons, table runners, potholders, fabric wall art, trivets, glasses cases and small cell phone purses. Lavender jewelry in various styles, tee shirts, tea towels and pottery will also be available. There is also likely to be a lot of products in shades of purple and lavender. These are all great ways to enjoy lavender throughout the year.

Please visit our Facebook page to see images of the types of treasures that you will find at the Art Market.



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- Allen Lowery - Acrylic Painter*
- Barbara Nahler - Mixed Media Artist*
- Mikki Roth - Photography*
- Randy Landavazo - Photography*



Hand Painted Silks  
By Anne Gorden Fritz



Everything is lavender in the Village of Los Ranchos in July. From the fields at Los Poblanos to the home gardens throughout the Village. The growers' market will be full of lavender-based products. Businesses will offer lavender-infused goodies, while vendors will stretch your imagination with unique lavender creations and inspire you with "how to" demonstrations.



## Local Businesses Join in the Lavender Celebration

This will be the first year that local businesses will formally participate in the lavender celebration in the Village. Each listed business has elected to offer discounts, product specials, and/or drawings and products featuring lavender on Saturday and Sunday, July 15 and 16 in conjunction with the Lavender in the Village event.

The annual celebration kicks-off with the Lavender & Garlic Festival at the growers' market on Saturday, July 8. Market hours will be extended to 1:00 p.m.

The week-long event will conclude with Lavender in the Village Festival on Saturday, July 15, at the Los Ranchos Agri-Nature Center, where festival goers will have a myriad of choices from lavender products, fine art, food, hand-crafted local wines and beer to on-site classes and demonstrations.

Participating local businesses are listed on the following pages.



*"A Fragrant Break" by Diana Monte (above) is the full image of the cropped version shown on the cover of this issue of the Village Vision. The oil painting was selected as the poster for this year's Lavender in the Village Festival. Monte has lived in the Village with her family for 18 years. She is self taught painter. Over the past six years her youngest daughter has both interned and worked as a full-time employee at Los Poblanos. The painting is Monte's vision of a field worker with a strong appreciation of the fields taking a break, admiring the beauty of his labor. Posters are available for sale at the festival. Anyone who buys tickets online, in advance, will get a complimentary poster when they arrive at the festival.*



### B Firm Toning Gym

6601 Fourth St NW Ste. M  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
505-345-1394

Hours:

Monday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 8:00 a.m - 6:00 p.m.

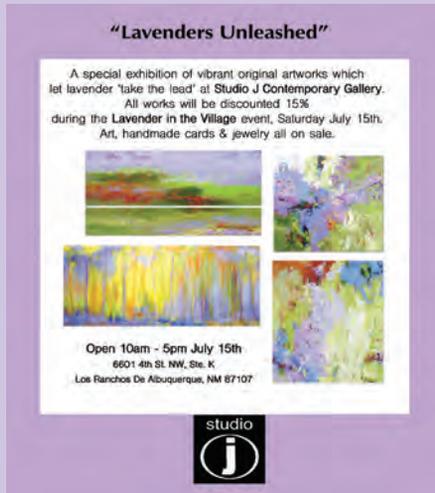
Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sunday CLOSED

www.bfirmnm.com

B Firm is Albuquerque's one and only toning gym. We offer motorized tables that use an isometric range of motion to tighten and tone. We are offering a \$20 discount on the day of the festival. Normally \$50 a month membership selling for \$30.



### Studio J Contemporary Gallery

6601 Fourth St. NW, Suite K & L  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
310-666-1944

Hours: (the day of the event will be 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

www.studiojcontemporary.com

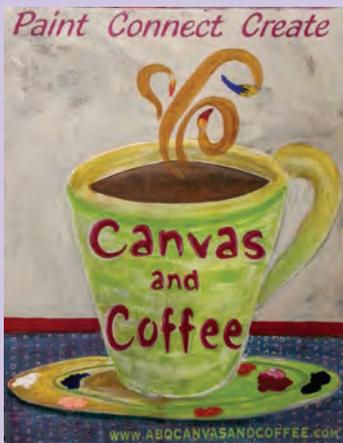
www.janetbothne.com

### Canvas and Coffee

6700 Fourth St. NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
505-803-4230

www.abqcanvasandcoffee.com

We are a Paint and Sip with Coffee and Dessert. We offer adult, kids and toddler classes, as well as Summer Art Camp. We also have a DIY Wood Sign Workshop and other creative services. We will be offering "Buy One Class Get One Free" to the first 25 customers. This is a \$35 value. First time customers only.



### Angels Secret Collection

6703 Fourth St. NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
505-695-1504

Hours: 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Facebook: Angels Secret Collection

Specializing in Antiques, Seacret Skin Care from the Dead Sea, and local art.

### Kelly Jo Designs/ Kelly Jo Designs by Wine

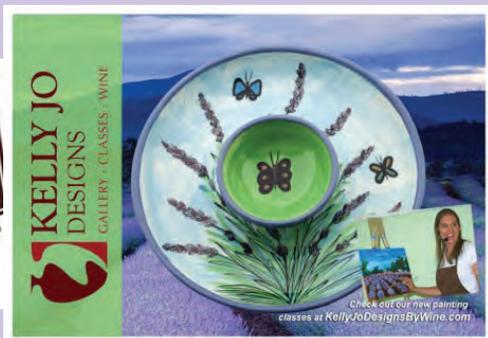
6829 Fourth Street NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
kelly@kellyjodesignsbywine.com  
505-341-1893 ph

http://kellyjodesigns.com

Festival Weekend Studio Hours:

Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Sunday noon - 7:00 p.m.

Lavender canvas painting classes at the studio. Featuring Lavender spritzer drinks on our new patio! 40% off of our classic Lavender collections. Come see us at our booth at the Agri-Nature Center. Free tile painting activity for the kids, Lavender Spritzers, pottery and more!





### **Frenchy's Beauty Boutique**

6855 Fourth St. NW

Suite C-2

Los Ranchos, NM 87107

505-341-0071

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

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (typically)

Come in and take a few minutes to relax with a 10 minute lavender oil scalp massage for \$15. We will also have a professional Lavender shampoo for purchase.



### **Los Ranchos Bakery**

6920 Fourth St. NW

Los Ranchos, NM 87107

505-345-2225

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Saturday-10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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

Los Ranchos Bakery opened in mid-February making Challah, wheat, honey wheat, country white, begets and brioche breads. Also on the menu are scones, assorted Danish, cakes, cupcakes and pies. Stop by on Saturday July 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for a chance to win a 8" double layer cake or a dozen cupcakes.



### **Alumenart Gallery**

7200 Fourth St. NW

Los Ranchos, NM 87107

505-897-9967

Hours: Tuesday thru Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Alumenart Gallery on Facebook



### **Porch & Twig**

7201 Fourth St NW

505-899-8981

Wednesday - Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., or by appointment

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

[www.facebook.com/porchandtwig](http://www.facebook.com/porchandtwig)

[www.instagram.com/porchandtwig](http://www.instagram.com/porchandtwig)

FREE Lavender Lemonade for all! Original chalk based paint and products 30% off! Free tote bag with purchase of \$25 or more.



### **Copper Bell Antiques**

7425 Fourth St. NW

Los Ranchos, NM 87107

505-828-0595

Hours:

Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

[copperbellantiques.com](http://copperbellantiques.com)

We will be having a Lavender in The Village three day sale. Friday-Sunday, July 14-16. Store-wide sales and specials along with refreshments.



### Legacy Antiques

7809 Fourth St. NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87107  
505-265-5827

Hours: Tuesday thru Saturday 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.  
Closed Monday

Legaceantiqueshop.com

We are located in the historic Juan Chavez house and offer quality antiques at reasonable prices. A full line antique shop with constantly changing inventory. Stop by during Lavender weekend for discounts and refreshments.



### Simply Socks

7901 Fourth St. NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87114  
505-301-5201

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Men's, women's and children's socks in fun, quirky styles. Includes DC, Marvel, Disney, Harry Potter and others. Pamper your feet in comfort and style!



### A Few Old Things Antiques & Collectibles

8833 Fourth Street NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87114  
505-922-1209

Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

www.afewoldthingsantiques.com

Come visit our three stores with one stop. We carry a unique collection of furniture and collectibles. Discounts of 20% through out, excludes firm, clearance and sale items. Refreshments provided.

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### Steel Bender Brewery

8305 Second St. (just south of Paseo de Norte)  
505-433-3537

Hours: Sunday-Thursday 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Friday-Saturday 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m.

www.steelbenderbrewyard.com

Steel Bender Brewery is so excited to be part of The Village! Make sure to stop by our taproom on July 15, where we'll be tapping a cask conditioned ale commemorating the Lavender in the Village Festival.



### Found on 4th: Vintage Curated Goods

8909 Fourth St. NW  
Los Ranchos, NM 87114  
505-508-2207

www.foundon4th.com

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

With your ticket from Lavender in the Village and a purchase at the shop that Saturday or Sunday, enter your name in a drawing for a fabulous gift basket created by Found on 4th.



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9131 Fourth St. NW

Albuquerque, NM 87114

505-433-3556

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Closed Sunday and Monday Come join us for fun

snacks. Great sales on selected items!

**Rustic Home**

9304 Fourth Street NW

Albuquerque, NM 87114

505-345-3669

www.rustichome.net

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**Cravin' Cookies... and More!**

10420 Fourth St NW

Albuquerque, NM 87114

505-298-2597

Hours: Thursday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

cravincookiesandmore.com

An assortment of Lavender Cookies and goodies, and lavender tea all made fresh here in our bakery will be featured! Enter drawing to win FREE Lavender Shortbread Cookies!



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# Lavender

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JULY 15, 2017  
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Village of Los Ranchos



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# Socially Responsible Investing

Socially responsible investing, or SRI, is the use of noneconomic factors to develop an investment strategy. This is usually done in the hopes of promoting a societal good. It is often described as appealing to millennials, but I have had numerous older clients express interest as well. Thus, I think it is an important topic to review.

While SRI sounds like a great goal, SRI has been fraught with two issues, the difficulty in defining social responsibility and the belief that SRI requires lower returns for higher costs. Let us examine them both.

First, socially responsible investing is a large umbrella. Investments that are considered to fall under SRI can focus on a wide range of issues from diversity, corporate governance, the environment, or other social and political factors. For example, an SRI fund may exclude companies with poor labor practices, those that are involved in fossil fuels, producers or sellers of alcohol, or ones with a poor carbon footprint. Figuring out which fund is in line with your own values is terribly important, and no one fund will be a perfect match.

So, an investor concerned with the environment may choose a mutual fund or ETF that focuses on companies that are leaders in alternative energy production. Alternatively, if gender diversity is key, a mutual fund or ETF that screens for companies with females in key leadership roles would be more appropriate. Usually a blend of funds is the best way to address your likely diverse social concerns.

Next, it has long been held that to participate in SRI means to sacrifice returns. Is this the case?

A 2016 article in the Wall Street Journal<sup>1</sup> notes that your return on SRI is somewhat intangible. We can look at the returns, but the impact on society cannot be measured for any given investment. And, companies that focus on good governance, eco-efficiency, employee satisfaction often over perform because it indicates good business sense.

Another recent article by Investopedia<sup>2</sup> found that a review of more than 50 studies published in peer-reviewed journals found that SRI strategies performed just as well as non-SRI approaches. In addition, Indexes made

up of companies screened by SRI criteria compared with those that did not. In this same article, it was reported that the MSCI KLD 400 Social Index saw returns of 13.05 percent over 10 years while the S&P 500 saw returns of 11.27 percent.

Returns may be improved if an SRI fund builds a diverse portfolio and focuses on positive screening for companies who are leaders in their sector. And, ETFs that passively track an SRI index can keep costs down, which helps overall returns.

In conclusion, there are numerous ways to create a portfolio that is in line with your own values and investment goals. Individual stock selection, mutual funds, and ETFs can all play a role but carry the usual risks associated with each. Careful discussion with your investment professional is important.

<sup>1</sup>Edmans, A; Vogel, D. Does "Socially Responsible Investing Make Financial Sense?" Wall Street Journal. Feb 27, 2016. Web. May 18, 2017

<sup>2</sup>Macdonald, L. "Socially Responsible Stocks: do Good Deeds Punish Profits?" Investopedia. May 1, 2017. Web. May 18, 2017.

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Joe Craig, Tom Riccobene, Lynn Eby, Joe Brawley, Jeff Phillips, Debra Colman, and Tim Tourville

## Planning & Zoning Meeting

The next regular meeting  
will be held on  
Tuesday, July 11, 2017

### April 11

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. ROLL CALL- THERE WAS A QUORUM PRESENT.
- B. AGENDA
  - 1. Approval of Agenda

*The agenda was approved as presented (6-0).*

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Residents may address the Planning and Zoning Commission to comment on issues, problems, or successes on topics that do not appear elsewhere on the agenda. Audience members will be given an opportunity to comment on agenda items as they come up. Speakers must register with Village Staff prior to the beginning of the meeting.

*There was no public comment.*

#### 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 – MARCH 14, 2017

*The minutes were approved as amended with a vote of 6-0.*

#### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS

*There were no hearings or applications.*

#### 5. OLD BUSINESS

- A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMERCIAL ZONING CODE.

SUMMARY: After lengthy discussions the following motions were voted on.

MOTION 1: Commissioner Craig moved to allow agriculture as a permissive use in the C-1 Zone.

SECOND: Commissioner Tourville seconded the motion.

*VOTE: was carried with a vote of (4-2) with Commissioners Phillips and Eby voting no.*

MOTION 2: Commissioner Phillips moved to prohibit single family residential detached.

SECOND: Commissioner Brawley seconded the motion.

*VOTE: was denied with a vote of (2-4) with Commissioners Tourville, Eby, Riccobene and Craig voting no.*

MOTION 3: Commissioner Phillips moved to strike duplex, single family, triplex and townhouses from the residential category and use the recommended residential density of 10 Dwelling Units an Acre (DUA) as a minimum and 20 DUA as a maximum.

SECOND: Commissioner Eby seconded the motion.

*VOTE: was carried with a vote of (6-0).*

MOTION 4: Commissioner Eby moved to remove both categories of assisted living facilities and daycare facilities and not include them in any kind of list.

SECOND: The motion died for lack of a second.

MOTION 5: Commissioner Eby moved to keep the assisted living facilities under residential and move the daycare facilities to the institutional category. And keep as a permissive use.

SECOND: The motion died for lack of a second.

MOTION 6: Commissioner Craig moved to keep as it is.

SECOND: Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

WITHDRAWN: Commissioner Craig withdrew the motion with support from Commissioner Phillips.

MOTION 7: Commissioner Eby moved to remove the daycare adult facilities from the residential category.

SECOND: Commissioner Tourville seconded the motion.

*VOTE: the vote carried (5-1) with Commissioner Craig voting no.*

MOTION 8: Commissioner Riccobene moved to move the daycare facilities to the service category as a conditional use.

SECOND: Commissioner Phillips seconded the motion.

*VOTE: was carried unanimously (6-0).*

MOTION 9: Commissioner Phillips moved to take a portion of the retail in its entirety and replicate it for the C-1.

SECONDED: Commissioner Riccobene seconded the motion.

*VOTE: carried unanimously (6-0).*

## **6. NEW BUSINESS**

*There was no new business.*

## **7. REPORTS**

### **A. PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The department report included an end of year from code enforcement by Keen Heinzelman, business and planning department charts of zoning reviews by Marcy Bissell, and finally Planner McDonough's annual report on zoning actions.

## **8. COMMISSIONER'S INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

*There was no informal discussion*

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.*



Pablo Rael, Donald Lopez, Mayor Larry Abraham, Mary Homan and Allen Lewis

## Board of Trustees Meeting

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The next regular meeting  
will be held on  
Wednesday, July 9, 2017

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May 10,, 2017

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Abraham called the meeting to order at 6:58 P.M.

*The Board moved approval of the Agenda as presented. The motion carried, 4-0.*

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

*None.*

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

- A. AGRICULTURAL RESOURCE WORKING GROUP: SHOULD LOS RANCHOS VIGOROUSLY SUPPORT AGRICULTURE? PRESENTED BY JOE BRAWLEY.

*Joe Brawley provided an overview of the agriculture resource working group's presentation.*

- B. PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING JUNE 4, 2017 AS GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDER PRIDE DAY.

*The Mayor and Trustees recognized June 4, 2017 as Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Day.*

\*8. **OLD BUSINESS \* SPECIAL PLACEMENT OF AGENDA ITEM 8.A**

- A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE FOURTH STREET REVITALIZATION AND REDESIGN PLANS AT ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) COMPLETE, AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO ADVERTISE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2017-5-1 FOURTH STREET REVITALIZATION AND REDESIGN CONSTRUCTION.

*The Board moved approval of the one hundred percent design with the discussed corrections, authorizing the Village to advertise request for proposal 2017-5-1. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

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. MINUTES – APRIL 12, 2017 – REGULAR MEETING.

*The board moved approval of the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

*Meeting in recess from 8:15 p.m. to 8:19 p.m.*

**5. REPORTS**

A. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Abraham reported on the following:

- 25th Anniversary of the Growers' Market.
- Closed on the purchase of property at 6530 Fourth Street (AAA Storage).
- Business activity in the Village is increasing.

B. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Ward reported on the following:

- We are working on creating a redevelopment plan in the VC Zone.
- The property owner of 6780 Fourth Street is not interested in selling the property now, but is willing to lease the land with an option to purchase.
- The water line replacement on Fourth Street currently underway encountered some issues. The water line on the eastside of the street was installed in the wrong place, which will delay the project.

C. PLANNER'S REPORT

Planner McDonough reported on the following:

- Working with Maria to provide Fourth Street updates to Fourth Street businesses and property owners.
- Working on revising multiple ordinances that we will present to the Board over the next few months.

D. LEGAL REPORT

Attorney Chappell reported on the following:

- Working on several property purchase and numerous interpretations of ordinances.
- Working on several ordinance amendments
- Completed the conversation easement agreement with Los Poblanos.

E. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Public Safety Liaison Hopkins reported on the following:

Public Safety Liaison Hopkins was absent.

**6. FINANCIAL BUSINESS**

A. CASH REPORT – APRIL - 2017.

*The Board moved approval of the April 2017 Cash Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

B. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF INTERIM BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018.

*The Board moved approval of the April 2017 Cash Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

**7. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPLICATIONS**

- A. AN APPEAL BY ROBERT E. MARTIN OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF VARIANCE V-2017-01 ON MARCH 14, 2017: VARIANCE V-2017-01, A REQUEST BY ROBERT E. MARTIN & JERI H. COOK MARTIN FOR A VARIANCE FROM §9.2.7(H)(2) NO SOLID WALL OR FENCE LOCATED IN THE REAR OR SIDE SET BACK AREAS SHALL BE MORE THAN SIX (6) FEET IN HEIGHT. APPLICANTS REQUEST A VARIANCE TO ALLOW FOR AN EIGHT (8) FOOT IN HEIGHT REAR FENCE. PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 1007 COTTONWOOD PLACE NW AND IS LEGALLY KNOWN AS LOT 18 OF THE PRADO SUBDIVISION, WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP 11 N, RANGE 3 EAST, N.M.P.M., VILLAGE OF LOS RANCHOS DE ALBUQUERQUE, BERNALILLO COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS 1.1578 ACRES.

Mayor Abraham requested any individual who be speaking for any public hearing be sworn in by Attorney Chappell.

*The Board moved to deny the appeal. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

- B. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE 2017 FARM PLAN FOR THE PASEO DEL NORTE OPEN SPACE BY ALAMEDA FARMS (DAVID MONTOYA). \*DEFERRED FROM THE APRIL 12, 2017 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

*The Board moved to approve the 2017 Farm Plan. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.*

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

*None.*

**10. TRUSTEES ROUND TABLE (INFORMAL) DISCUSSION**

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

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.*



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# Los Ranchos Tidbits & Tipoffs

by Dave Bexfield



Casa Rondeña (733 Chavez Rd, 344-5911, casarondena.com) is now hosting Pilates and yoga classes, two fantastic ways to get fit in a serene setting. Indeed, it is so serene you will not even realize that you are exercising (well, at least until the next day when you cannot get out of bed). These classes, held at various locations throughout the grounds depending on the season, are open to anyone of any skill level. A glass of wine—served afterward, not during, I am told—is included in the class price: \$15 for public, \$10 for Founders & Clarion wine club members, and \$5 for 1629 Club members. Reservations can be made by contacting Colleen Constance Franco at 452-7208 or colleen@casarondena.com. Refer to their website for the full class schedule—be sure to bring a mat. ... In April, Pizza 9 (6136 Fourth St, 345-6463, pizzanine.com) donated a day of profits, nearly \$5,000, for kids' sports and after-school activities across the state. Incidentally, the founder and CEO Hasan (Hass) Aslami and his family call Los Ranchos home. ... Based on the large “coming

soon” banner, it appears Star Bright drycleaners is returning (or by the time you read this, has already returned) to their corner location in the Los Ranchos Villa mall (6601 Fourth St, starbright-nm.com). ... Earlier this year Los Poblanos Historic Inn & Organic Farm (4803 Rio Grande Blvd, 344-9297, lospoblanos.com) wowed the LA Times, who called the inn “blissfully serene” and “ideal for guests who enjoy taking bucolic walks, riding bikes on the nearby 16-mile-long trail along the Rio Grande and dining on fresh field-to-fork cuisine.” Read the full article at latimes.com. ... This writer recently stumbled on a 2015 feature of Los Ranchos de Albuquerque in the popular travel magazine Afar. And boy does it make us look good. “Los Ranchos is as much a state of mind as it is a village. It is all about the cottonwood-lined roads and footpaths winding throughout the river inlets. On these paths, you come upon a mix of old and new: classic New Mexican brunch joints (red or green, a n y o n e ? ) , mid-harvest vineyards and farmlands,



Instagram-worthy hacienda style courtyards, and a growing collection of boutique agri-tourism villas—not to mention plenty of places to sip a glass of wine or tequila.” Well said, Nick Pachelli, the article’s author who once lived in these parts. He continues, “It’s easy to catch yourself thinking about how perfect and secret the village is. What was one of the

first settlements of central New Mexico, Los Ranchos remains wildly verdant, full of rural character, and touts a sustainable, eco-friendly model for agri-tourism. It truly is New Mexico’s capital of charm, and it’ll stay that way.” Check out the full article at afar.com.



Have a Los Ranchos happening you would like to contribute? Send your news to Dave at losranchostidbits@gmail.com or call 505-890-1764.

# Los Ranchos Elementary School Students Participate in National Dance Institute Event



For the second year in a row, the fourth and fifth grade students from Los Ranchos Elementary School participated in the National Dance Institute of New Mexico End-of-Year Albuquerque Event 2017 "Broadway Bound!" More than six hundred students from APS participated in the show, which was performed in the exquisitely renovated Hiland Theater in southeast Albuquerque. Every week, an instructor from the National Dance Institute (NDI) New Mexico met with Roadrunners from Mrs. Marchiondo, Mrs. Berg, Mrs. Munson, and Mrs. Marquez's classes to accentuate their "CORE FOUR: Work Hard, Do Your Best, Never Give Up, and Be Healthy." During these sessions our Roadrunners also learned the dance routines for the six performances they performed in May.

The Los Ranchos Roadrunners, costumed in pajamas, performed choreographed dances to two songs from the Tony Award winning musical *Peter Pan* as part of the show. Liam Taylor, a fourth grade Roadrunner, was a featured soloist, singing as Peter Pan in the song "I've Gotta Crow," where his authentic rooster crowing sounds wowed all of the audiences. Roadrunners then took flight on the stage to the show tune "I'm

Flying." Los Ranchos was also proud to have nine Roadrunners perform in the "Super Wonderful Advanced Team" during the performances. We are proud of all the extra work that these nine dancers have done, attending extra practices outside of the school practices all year, and doing phenomenal dances to "Musical Comedy Man" from *George M!* and "76 Trombones" from *Music Man*.

Los Ranchos grandparent, Liz Gallegos, once again participated in the Parent/Teacher act to the tune "There's No Business Like Show Business" from the musical *Annie Get Your Gun*.

We were also pleased to have our very own Deputy County Manager for Health and Public Safety here in Bernalillo County, Greg Perez with us. He was joined by officers from the Albuquerque Police Department and fire fighters from the Bernalillo County Fire Department as special guests during the show.

Last year, with the Roadrunners being new to the stage, there was a nervous excitement that moved through the "runs and jumps" lines as our performers got ready to go on stage. This year, with an experienced fifth grade class, the lines were filled with giggles and encouragement. NDI New Mexico brings a positive confidence to our Roadrunners that could be seen through their smiles as they danced during the finale, singing the popular Broadway show tune "Nothing Can Stop Me Now!"

For more information about NDI New Mexico please go to [www.ndi-nm.org](http://www.ndi-nm.org) or call 872-1800.



Photos: Top left: Roadrunners with special guest, Greg Perez; top right, Roadrunners dressed in their pajamas for their performances; below top, Liam Taylor dressed as Peter Pan; below middle, Gentleman Roadrunners on "SWAT": Jorge Ramirez, Liam Taylor, and Noe Acosta; below bottom, Lady Roadrunners on "SWAT": Jada Bingham, Elliana Segovia, Adrenna Sanchez, Marissa Gallegos, Arianna Hernandez, and Aaliyah Salazar.



## LifeLong Learning Offers Variety in Fall Courses

by Janet Long Ford

Feeling a bit shaken these days? It may be more than current events.

"New Mexico has thousands of tiny earthquakes every day," says John Shaw, explaining that our state is home to one of only five active rift zones on earth—the Rio Grande Rift—and its spreading gives us these quakes. "Better tiny ones than the big one!" he adds.

Learn more about our shaking state this Fall when Shaw, who has Bachelors and Masters degrees in Geology, teaches a three-session course on New Mexico geology and paleontology for The Institute for LifeLong Learning for New Mexicans.

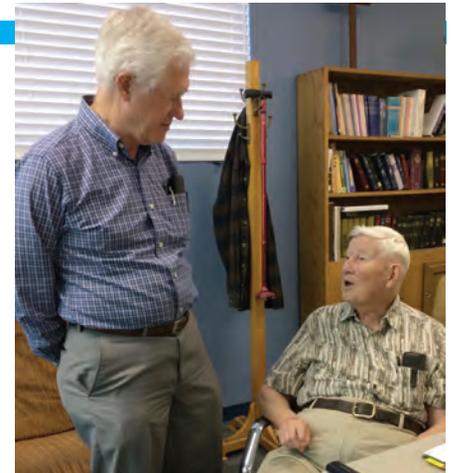
For some background on current events, join David Dixon, a UNM Visiting Lecturer in Economics, in examining the basics of public economics, including what government provides and how it is paid for, tax reform proposals that have come and gone, and some of the powerful forces that prevent change. Or hear Noel Pugach, UNM Professor Emeritus of History, discuss how government regulation of our economy developed.

Step back into 19th-century arts in several of LLL's fall courses. With Kathleen

Waymire, who has a Masters and PhD in Art History, enjoy a taste of The Gilded Age in the United States, a period of extreme wealth, blatant corruption, and artistic brilliance. In music-related courses, discover Czechoslovakian operas or explore the multi-faceted Richard Wagner and his influence on music of that time.

Since 1992, LLL, a private, nonprofit organization, has offered academic-style courses of up to five two-hour sessions, providing members with intellectual stimulation, expanded horizons, and camaraderie with like-minded adults. Courses are offered at locations in Albuquerque and Rio Rancho. Class size is limited, allowing for meaningful exchanges with instructors. LLL's member-driven, volunteer-run structure enables it to keep quality high and fees low. There is no membership or processing fee.

Fall courses, which start throughout September, October, and November, also include: "Six Inventions that Changed the (Digital) World," "Rights Guaranteed by the Bill of Rights," and "Vanished Civilizations: Olmecs to Aztecs in 3000



LLL Treasurer Dave Waymire (standing) and Bob Fosnaugh discuss upcoming fall courses. Bob is hoping to take, including "Discover Czech Opera" taught by Julius Kaplan, a lifelong opera enthusiast who has a PhD in art history from Columbia University and is vice president of the Board of Directors of Opera Southwest.

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The full schedule of courses and field trips will be on the website in mid-July, and the catalog and registration forms will be available the first of August at: [www.LifeLongLearningNM.org](http://www.LifeLongLearningNM.org). If you are not a member, you may request a printed catalog on the website by going to "Contact Us," or call 888-7370.

## Viva La Vida: Los Ranchos Pride

by PJ Sedillo

Different communities come together in June to celebrate Pride. Here in beautiful Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, we as a community celebrated the 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Los Ranchos Pride.

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-eight 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.

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## Fitness/Health Column

by Dustin Melville

# Two Lessons Every Lifter Should Learn

**Lesson 1:** It seems that everything you do in the gym tends to work in the beginning.

No matter what “new” program we follow or design it seems inevitable that progress follows swiftly during the first two weeks or so. However, it seems as though nothing will work and progress typically stalls after about six weeks. There are tons of magazine articles out there that promise things like 10 lbs. of muscle gain or 10 lbs. of fat loss in just two weeks. As we all know, crash diets and training programs never produce sustained results and often lead to overtraining and/or injury. Things always need changing in order to see consistent progress. You do not have to throw everything out of your training program and diet but occasionally you must change things up.

When you change a program after two weeks, you must learn the most unused concept in training....be subtle. Do not demolish your program with a sledgehammer, just incorporate a touch of variation. During your next workout try changing your grip or the angle of the exercise, reduce your

overall rest time, or maybe just change the order of exercises. Always change it up, but just by a little at a time.

**Lesson 2:** It is difficult to measure strength if you do not establish a baseline first.

Always strive to build a foundation of basic strength, especially if your primary goal is to get progressively stronger each and every time you enter the gym. For example, if healthy and fit, experienced lifters should be able to do a double bodyweight deadlift and a bodyweight bench press. Although these are not the only exercises you can use when measuring overall strength, they tend to be good indicators of progress. So why measure strength with the deadlift and bench press? A strong deadlift means that the posterior chain has been built up enough to begin the process of adding something to the rest of the frame. The movement itself requires the entire body to engage simultaneously in order to complete a repetition. The bench press is basically a reverse push-up which I believe everyone should be able to do at some

point in their training. The ability to press weight from a lying position with excellent form is a good indicator of overall upper body strength. Once you have established a solid strength baseline then you will definitely see more consistent progress in other areas of your training as well. Good luck!

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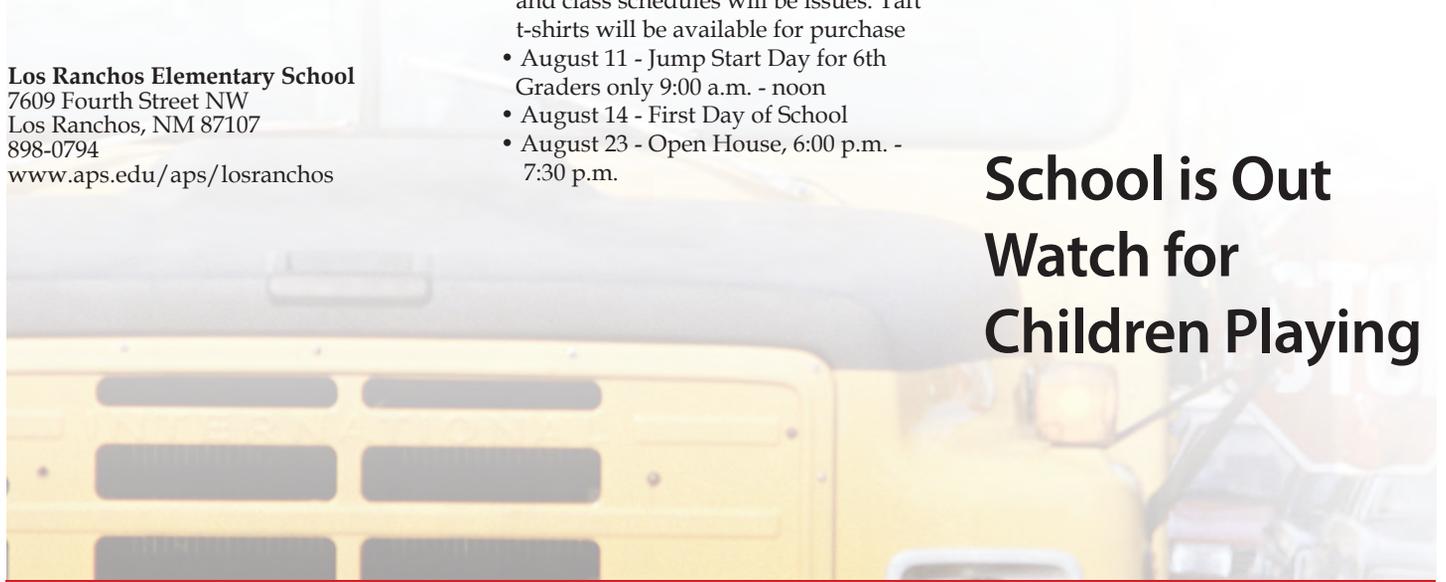
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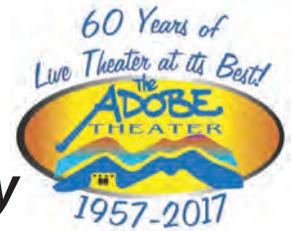
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## Theater News

by George Williams, Board  
President, Adobe Theater



# Money Has Never Been Funnier! Adobe Theater Presents Ray Cooney's *Funny Money*

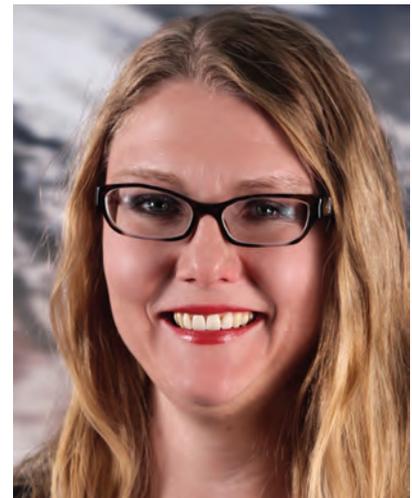
Henry Perkins is a mild mannered accountant who - up to now - has lived a pretty routine life. It is his birthday, and he is looking forward to a quiet dinner with his wife, Jean, and their good friends Vic and Betty Johnson. Just a nice, simple celebration perfectly suited to a man who has little excitement in his life. That plan goes right out the window, though, when Henry discovers the briefcase he is carrying is not full of his papers, pencils, memos, etc., but stuffed with cash! Lots of cash! Lots and lots of cash!

That is the setup for Ray Cooney's wonderful comedy *Funny Money*. The show delighted London audiences for two solid years, and then charmed French audiences for over three years more. Since being made available for general performance, *Funny Money* has entertained audiences wherever it has played. It is, after all, a situation just about everyone has wondered about... what would you do if you picked up the wrong briefcase on your way home from work? You would take it to the police, of course (right?). But what

if the briefcase held almost a million dollars in untraceable cash? Henry decides he wants to keep it and get out of town. Of course, that is easier said than done.

First, there are his dinner guests, the Johnsons. How to get them to go home so Henry and Jean can disappear? Who's that knocking at the door? The police? What else could possibly go wrong? A lot! A man carrying Henry's briefcase is fished out of the river, a bullet hole in his head, so more police arrive to give Jean the 'bad news.' Then, of course, there are the bad guys...'Mister Nasty' and 'Mister Big.'

*Funny Money*, directed by Andrea Haskett, recently seen in *Dancing at Lughnasa*, *The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail*, and *The White-Headed Boy*, opens Friday, July 7, 2017 and runs through Sunday, July 30. Friday and Saturday performances begin promptly at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday matinees start at 2:00 p.m. There is a special 'Pay What You Will' performance on Thursday, July 27, at 7:30 p.m., where all proceeds benefit the cast and crew of the show.



Andrea Haskett

Tickets are \$17 General Admission \$14. Discount Admissions offered for Seniors, Students, Albuquerque Theater Guild/Theater Lovers Community members, Active/Retired Military Personnel, and First Responders, may be purchased at [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com) or [www.adobetheater.org](http://www.adobetheater.org). The Adobe Theater also offers a 'SelecTicket' - six shows for the price of 5- no expiration, for \$75. The theater is located at 9813 Fourth Street, NW in Albuquerque.

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## Food Column

by Staff Writer

# Grilled Shrimp and Sausage Skewers with Dirty Rice

Be adventurous and try something different on the grill this Fourth of July. Cajun-style shrimp and Dirty Rice is the perfect summer dish. It is fast and easy and has just the right amount of spice to wow your taste buds.

In addition to serving with fresh from the garden green beans, you can easily add diced red and green peppers to the dirty rice, as well as chopped onion and celery for a more traditional recipe. Switch up the rice to a brown or long grain for more variety. Replace the cardamom, curry, ginger and coconut milk with cayenne, paprika and Worcestershire sauce for a totally Cajun dirty rice flavor.

### Ingredients

#### Skewers

- 1 tablespoon chopped cilantro
- 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
- 2 large garlic cloves
- ½ cup olive oil
- juice from 2 limes
- 1 tablespoon yogurt
- 1 jalapeño
- 12 uncooked extra-large shrimp, peeled
- 4 pieces andouille (or other fully cooked smoked sausages), cut into 2-inch long pieces
- 2 tablespoons unsweetened shredded coconut, toasted
- cilantro , for garnish

#### Dirty Rice

- 1½ cups basmati rice
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon garam masala
- 2 cardamom pods
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 2 tablespoons blanched, chopped almonds
- 1 cup coconut milk
- 2 cups chicken stock
- 1 teaspoon minced ginger
- 1 garlic clove, chopped
- kosher salt

#### Cilantro Yogurt

- ½ tablespoon chopped cilantro
- ½ tablespoon chopped parsley
- 6 tablespoons yogurt
- juice from 1 lime
- Tabasco sauce

### Directions:

#### Skewers:

Turn the grill on to medium heat. In a blender, puree the garlic cloves, olive oil, cilantro, parsley, lime juice, yogurt and the jalapeño. Thread the shrimp and sausage pieces on skewers, alternating between the shrimp and sausage. Put completed skewers on a plate and pour the puree on top. Grill skewers for 4 to 5 minutes, until they



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are fully cooked and the shrimp is bright pink. To serve, spoon the Dirty Rice onto a serving platter and top it with the shrimp and sausage.

#### Dirty Rice:

Soak the rice for 30 minutes, and then strain into a medium pot. Add 2 tablespoons olive oil, spices, almonds, garlic, ginger and cook for 5 minutes on medium heat. Add the liquid and let it simmer for 10 minutes. Turn off the heat and add a teaspoon of salt. Let the rice sit for 25 minutes.

#### Cilantro Yogurt:

In a medium bowl, whisk together the yogurt, lime juice, cilantro and parsley with a dash of Tabasco sauce.

# Viva La Vida: Los Ranchos Pride

Los Ranchos Pride used the International Pride theme "Viva La Vida" to bring our community together to celebrate our cohesive diversity. A church service sponsored by Metropolitan Community Church of Albuquerque began at "The Barn" at 10:00 a.m. The rest of the festivities began at 11:00 a.m. Attendees brought a picnic lunch or purchased something from the wonderful food vendor at the event. Booths, a car show, entertainment, games, and dunk tank filled Harnett Park.

Last year the games and relays were a hit. This year there was a "twist" with the water balloon relays, potato sack races,

and ring toss. Awards were given and our honored dignitaries took the main stage to recite a heartfelt proclamation presented from our Village and Mayor Abraham.

This year was the third year of Drag Queen Bingo and those who participated won some fabulous prizes. Finally, the tamale eating contest, always a great hit, was held again this year. This contest is a real treat, whether one is participating or watching.

Attendees and vendors were encouraged to bring a tent and decorate. The tents were judged and awards were given based on the best use of theme Viva La Vida.



Los Ranchos Pride wants thanks the staff and Mayor Abraham for supporting this event each year. Los Ranchos Pride is a free event and open to the public. If you need information, please visit [sinatradevine.org](http://sinatradevine.org) or call PJ Sedillo at 505-856-0871. See you next June.

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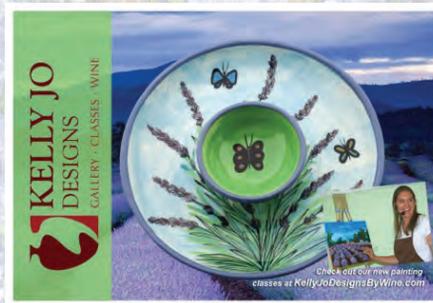
# happenings

Celebrating lavender is a tradition that started in the Village generations ago. This year, the celebration will kick-off with the annual Lavender & Garlic Festival at the growers' market, and conclude with Lavender in the Village. More than 50 vendors will convene at the Los Ranchos Agri-Nature Center.



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Businesses in Los Ranchos will participate in the Lavender events in the Village. They will open their doors the weekend of July 15 in celebration of the week-long Lavender in the Village celebration and offer discounts, store-wide sales, drawings, refreshments and lavender products.



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For the second year in a row, the fourth and fifth grade students from Los Ranchos Elementary School participated in the National Dance Institute of New Mexico End-of-Year Albuquerque Event 2017 "Broadway Bound!" The students and more than six hundred students from APS participated in the show performed in the renovated Hiland Theater in southeast Albuquerque.



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