



LA ENTRADA COMMUNITY NEWS

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EVENTS COMING UP

October 9-19..... Large Dumpster Fall Pickup

December 5 Holiday Party

HOA-Sponsored Event



Winning photo of the Flora and Fauna photo contest was submitted by Diane Darby.

La Entrada Development Update

Phase 1, Subphase 3.

This is the phase of La Entrada that has been most recently built. There are only two more lots to sell. Everything that is under construction are pre-sold units and a mixture of affordable and market rate housing.

Phase 1, Subphase 4.

This is the property west of the Subphase 3 housing on Via Orilla Dorado, where the land is being cleared and the lots will be. These lots should be available for sale beginning in late November or December. There will be a total of 49 homes. It is anticipated

that somewhere around 20 will be sold and or built next year. It is currently taking about 11 months from sale to closing on each home. With higher interest rates, sales may be slower than in the past. The building of Subphase 4 homes is anticipated to take around three years.

To see a map of the entire Rancho Viejo community, go to <https://www.ranchoviejo.com/> and click on community map. This map is also on display in the sales office at 26 Calle Ancla.

The construction between the fire station and Hwy. 14 is a Santa Fe County utilities project to serve local developments.

From the Communication Committee by Tess Harris and Pamela Villars

COMING SOON! New HOA Community Portal

La Entrada has had many resources to ensure you have a clear understanding of the community's rules and restrictions. The information was available on the website, but what was missing was a place to find all your HOA business easily. Soon you will have a one-stop shop to view all your HOA and community information.

In several weeks, you will receive an invitation from FRONTSTEPS. It will contain an invitation to access the La Entrada at Rancho Viejo official resident portal. The portal will allow you to:

- View community documents (everything that was previously available on the website)
- Make payments
- Contact management
- Stay up to date on community happenings
- And more

You will have private access to additional information such as:

- Payment history
- Violations
- Architectural requests
- Delinquencies

You can choose your communication preferences and how much of your information you want (if any) listed in the community directory.

To make your life even easier, you will be able to download the HOAMCO app (for Apple and Android devices), so that you can access all the same information on your phone or tablet.

The La Entrada public website will allow you to sign into the portal or make a payment but will no longer contain documents and resources.

This new portal creates a brand-new world of convenience for La Entrada residents and Management.

**Look for the FRONTSTEPS
email and sign up!**

Summer Highlights

RV Ladies lunched at Pantry Dos in July with thirteen attending. The desserts are always tempting but this time I passed. Everyone was enjoying their summer. Some of the ladies discussed upcoming travel and projects.

In August we had a picnic-themed potluck at my home. Red and white checkered tablecloths set the tone. We had all sorts of salads, sliders, snack-box goodies and many desserts. About fifteen attended. We discussed changes in places to gather. Jan Y. offered to host a gathering in October. I'm really looking forward to that.

Our September meeting was at Santa Fe Bite. I planned ahead and had a small salad so I could enjoy a slice of Cinnamon Almond cake. It was delicious, of course. We had 12 ladies lunching.

RV Ladies Book Club meeting in August was moved at the last minute to Liliane's lovely home. Much thanks to her for allowing the group to gather there to discuss *Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid. Next up is *Shadows on the Rock* by Willa Cather. Arrangements are being made to meet at the Southside Library. Our last book of the year will be *Breakfast at Sally's* by Richard LeMieux. Very soon we will be voting on



our reading list for 2027. If you would like to join us, please email our new coordinator Linda Anderson at rvladiesbookclub@gmail.com

Rancho Viejo Supper Soirées continued in July at Pantry Dos and Piazza Caffé in August. I have made a reservation at the new La Fogata Table at Sendero Marketplace for September 29th. I have eaten there twice now. I would encourage everyone in Rancho Viejo to go check it out and support our local restaurants so we have wonderful places close by to enjoy the company of our neighbors. We have one more supper scheduled for October. No suppers in November or December due to holidays.

I learned in early August that one of our favorite restaurants, La Plancha Latin Grill, closed permanently on Tuesday, July 28th after sixteen years. We are so very sad to hear this. They were very good to my family, the Ladies Group and our RV Supper Soirée group.

All are invited and welcome to these mixed group suppers: neighbors in all parts of Rancho Viejo, friends in Santa Fe, couples and singles.

To receive announcements about RV Ladies Group events or for RV Gents to be included for suppers, please email Audra at Mauied85@AOL.com

Rancho Viejo Brunch by Freddie Quagliana

After taking a winter hiatus, our monthly brunch outings are back in full swing. We now meet on the first Friday of the month at 11:00 am. So far we have met at Crepas-oh and most recently the newly opened La Fogata Table in the newly rebranded Sendero Marketplace that used to be the outlet mall. This was the largest turnout we've had in a long time or perhaps ever. We will most likely patronize just a few select family-owned restaurants from now on, except of course if a new establishment opens and we want to try them out. My goal is to patronize locally-owned places and help them prosper in the small way we can by working with them to have a wonderful meal and good camaraderie. So please plan on joining us for our next brunch.



**Contact Freddie at fquag63@gmail.com
if you'd like to be added to the email list.**



The La Entrada annual Raptor Event took place Sunday, September 20th at The Hogan on the IAIA campus with educational birds from the Santa Fe Raptor Center, handled by Programs Director Mario Garcia and Executive Director Lori Paras. This is always such a special event where we learn so much about the birds and the work of the center, whose mission is to rescue, rehabilitate, and, if possible, release to nature these wonderful creatures. The birds that visited us are some of those that, due to lasting effects of injuries, cannot hunt for themselves and thus cannot be released into the wild. After surgery and care they are now teaching birds and some, such as Leche the Barn Owl, make great foster parents. Accompanying Leche were Horus, a regal Peregrine Falcon, and BBoy, a Great Horned Owl. All very different but equally fascinating. We are grateful to Mario and Lori for sharing their wealth of knowledge with us.

Please check them out on Facebook and Instagram, www.thesantaferaptorcenter.org.

If you find an injured bird or one you might think is orphaned, please give the Raptor Center a call at 505-699-0455 or a wildlife facility in your area. In the meantime, please put the bird in a dark, warm, dry box. This is the best thing you can do for the bird and is the first treatment for shock.



LA ENTRADA FALL CLEANUP

This is the perfect time to clean up your yards and dispose of your trimmings and yard waste!

**NEW LOCATION FOR
THE LARGE ITEM
PICKUP DUMPSTER
IS ON
CAMINITO DE LAS
ROSITAS**



OCTOBER 9 - 19

NO

- **Tires**
- **Paint**
- **Electronics**
- **Oils**
- **Batteries**
- **Appliances**

La Entrada Neighbors Enjoyed the Annual BBQ



I think that our summer barbecue is our most popular neighborhood event. Held at the sales office in August it always draws a crowd. Once again about 70 of our La Entrada neighbors packed the spacious living areas of the model home. Despite the heat a lot of people enjoyed the patio where Chris Alspach manned the grill. Our Communication Committee made sure everyone had plenty to eat and drink and that name tags were displayed. We had a fantastic cake from Chocolate Maven, too.

This year our photo contest was a little different. The theme was Flora and Fauna of Santa Fe. We had lots of great entries, featuring birds and flowers and local scenery. The winning entry was by Diane Darby who won a \$50 gift card to Barnes and Noble.

The Communication Committee would like to thank Cass Thompson and Peter Kempf for letting us use the sales office and for all their other help. We would also like to thank everyone who helped clean up afterwards and a special thanks to Chris for grilling in such hot weather.

See you at our next event!



Guidelines to Submit Newsletter Articles

Would you like to write an article for the newsletter? What about concerns or suggestions for the Communication Committee? See below for the guidelines for submissions.

If you have suggestions, ideas, or concerns for the Communication Committee, please send them by email to Serenity Lucero, SLucero@hoamco.com. She is the contact person for repairs, DRC approvals, traffic, pet issues, complaints, and suggestions for improvement.

If you would like to submit an article for the La Entrada newsletter, please send it directly to Serenity Lucero, our HOA Manager at SLucero@hoamco.com.

Please submit the article in the body of an email, ready for publishing, including proofreading, editing, captions, logos, and active web links. If you have a photo with your article, please submit it separately. Attach both the article and photo to an email to Serenity by the 15th of the month prior to the publication month at the very latest.

If approved by the Communication Committee, you will be notified and the article will go in the next newsletter. If it is submitted after the deadline, it may be placed in the next issue of La Entrada Community

News. Any questions about writing or submitting articles should be directed only to Serenity at SLucero@hoamco.com.

Newsletter publication: La Entrada Community News is usually published around the beginning of the publishing month. It will be announced in an email from Serenity and posted on the La Entrada website at <http://www.laentradaatranchoviejo.org/home.asp>. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Serenity, our HOAMCO Manager of our HOA at SLucero@hoamco.com.

NEW DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING ARTICLES FOR LA ENTRADA COMMUNITY NEWS

- By December 15th for the January newsletter
- By March 15th for the April newsletter
- By June 15th for the July newsletter
- By September 15th for the October newsletter

Stay Connected

Has someone new moved onto your block? Have you just arrived? Here are a few resources that will help you or your neighbors stay up to date with La Entrada alerts and activities.

1. Our HOA has its own website: <https://www.laentradaatranchoviejo.org/home.asp>. You can find local resources, announcements, and past newsletters here. You can also sign up to receive website and community alerts by contacting Serenity Lucero, our HOA manager, at SLucero@HOAMCO.com or 505-924-5978 x2415.

2. Stay in the loop with safety and emergency alerts by using Alert Santa Fe at <https://www.smart911.com/smart911/registration/registrationLanding.action>. Alerts include notifications about wildfires and smoke, traffic and road closures, and severe weather. Alerts may also include water advisories, road closures, power outages, evacuations, and lock down situations, etc.

3. Finally, if you are on Facebook, you can request to join our private HOA group where members post about their recent outings. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/laentradarv/>

2026

La Entrada Recycling Schedule

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Important dates

Road Runner Waste Service is pleased to provide you with recycling services. Recycling will take place every other week, please refer to the weeks highlighted in green on the calendar above for weeks that recycling service will take place. The day of service will be on WEDNESDAY, same as your regular trash pickup day. If you have any questions regarding your trash and recycling service contact

Serenity Lucero, RVN Community Manager at slucero@hoamco.com or 505-924-5978 ext. 2415. You may also check roadrunnerwastemn.com for additional trash and recycling information.

TRASH SERVICE IS EVERY WEEK ON WEDNESDAY UNLESS WEDNESDAY IS A HOLIDAY. THEN SERVICES WILL BE MOVED TO THE FOLLOWING DAY.

Recycling Weeks

Holiday - Closed (Service that falls on this day is moved to next day and all other days in that week are moved one day)

All recycle items can be placed freely in your recycle cart (not bagged).

Tip: NO LIQUID/FOOD IN ITEMS (REDUCES ODOR)

Allowed Recycling

Metals

- Tin Cans
- Steel Cans
- Aluminum Cans
- Aerosol Cans

Plastic

- Plastic Two Liter Bottles
- Plastics Labeled #1 through #7
- Rigid Plastics (i.e. Toys, Hampers)
- Laundry Detergent Bottles
- Shrink Wrap/Plastic Film
- Plastic Bottles/Jugs

Paper and Cardboard

- Soda Boxes
- Milk Cartons
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Cereal/Cracker Boxes (Chipboard)
- Paper Egg Cartons
- Juice Boxes
- Computer Paper
- Shredded Paper (Item Accepted in Clear Plastic Bags)
- Manila Folders
- Catalogs & Brochures
- Books (Hard & Soft Cover)
- All White and Colored Paper
- Newspaper – Including Inserts
- Magazines & Junk Mail
- All Envelopes (Window OK)
- Phone Books

NOT ALLOWED Hazardous Waste

- Medical Waste
- Carbon Paper
- Blue Print (Old Style, Blue Ink)
- Scrap Metal (Hangers, Wires, Auto Parts)
- Napkins/Paper Towels, Plastic Grocery Bags, Pizza Boxes, Construction Debris, Food Waste/Liquids
- NO Ashes
- Fluorescent Paper
- Green Waste (Grass/Branches)
- Kitchen Utensils
- Food Service Items (Cups/Plates)
- Fast Food Containers/Wrappers, Styrofoam (Egg Cartons/Cups)
- GLASS