

# La Entrada News

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Serving the Residents of the La Entrada Community

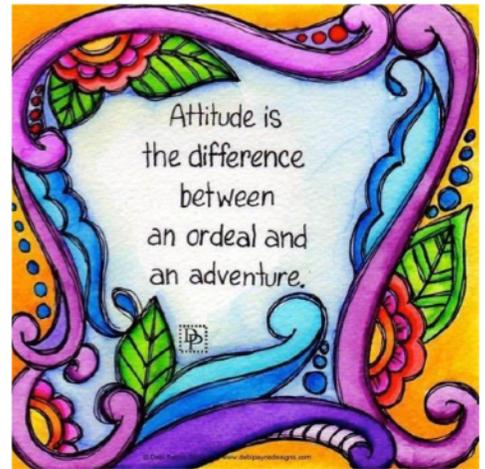


## A Message from the La Entrada Communication Committee

Dear La Entrada Residents,

These are tough times. Whether you are sick with COVID-19, battling the front lines at the testing sites, sitting in a doctor's office, waiting in a hospital, standing in a grocery store line, trying to pickup medications, sit unemployed because your business just closed, just became your child's primary school teacher, or work from home or alone - we felt we could all use a bit of cheer. Beginning soon, watch for the following

*Tidbits of Cheer ~*



1. At the **Message Centers**, we will randomly post funny and uplifting messages and pictures. We are calling this **"A Ray of Sunshine in a Sky of Clouds."**

2. **Rainbow Project:** Place a rainbow in your home's front window, either a printed or handmade one. This is a community-wide project for children and adults that we hope will bring smiles to faces. You can change out your rainbow for a new and different one from time to time. It will be fun to have a neighborhood-wide rainbow hunt - whenever you can get outside and take a stroll, see how many rainbows you can find! If you are on social media, take a selfie with your favorites and share them to the La Entrada Facebook page, an idea already very popular in Italy and the UK.

3. Our upcoming **La Entrada News** newsletter will provide a list on all sorts of resources to help us through these isolating times. We've got everything from virtual museum tours to online education sites, and links to grocery stores with special senior shopping hours, and more. We hope and trust you will find these resources helpful.

# La Entrada Phase 2 Presentation at SFCC

February 13, 2020

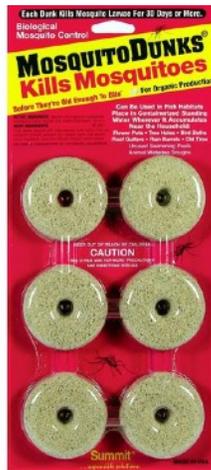
by Sally Dillon

The evening's presentation began with a brief history of Rancho Viejo going back to the late 1990's with landscape architect Joe Porter, who revealed an innovative way for looking at the project by first examining the topography of the land and then determining where houses should be built. Another important aspect discussed was the implementation of the Homework Group or 2014 that, at the end of the day, agreed that input by residents into such development and planning should always, always be included. An Open House was held in March for residents to speak directly with developers. More gatherings will likely occur after the COVID-19 health emergency is over.

## Keep the mosquito population down

by Nancy Brace

Don't forget to put anti-mosquito disks in your rain barrels. Mosquito Dunk is a disk you put in rain barrels so mosquitos can't lay their eggs through the screens. One half of a disk in a barrel lasts for 30 days. Mosquito Dunks are available at hardware stores, usually found in the bug spray aisle.



### FRIENDLY REMINDER

*Please* only flush normal stuff down the toilet because .....

We need to protect our **Ranchland Utilities Sewage Treatment Plant.**  
Thank You!



## **IMPORTANT RESOURCES**

<b>State Of New Mexico Website</b>	<a href="https://www.newmexico.gov/">https://www.newmexico.gov/</a>	
<b>State Covid-19 Website</b>	<a href="https://cv.nmhealth.org/">https://cv.nmhealth.org/</a>	
<b>STATE HOTLINES:</b>		
<b>Covid 19 Hotline</b>	<b>1-855-600-3453</b>	
<b>Non-Health Related Hotline</b>	<b>1-833-551-0518</b>	
<b>State of New Mexico, I Need Assistance</b>	<a href="https://www.newmexico.gov/i-need-assistance/">https://www.newmexico.gov/i-need-assistance/</a>	
<b>Senior Assistance</b>	<a href="http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us/">http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us/</a>  <b>1-800-432-2080.</b>	<b>State of New Mexico</b> has a Food Access hotline for <b>seniors</b> and <b>ADA citizens</b> at  
<b>Food Insecurity</b>	<a href="https://www.thefooddepot.org/new-food-distributions-3172020/">https://www.thefooddepot.org/new-food-distributions-3172020/</a>  <i>and</i>  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TheFoodDepot/">https://www.facebook.com/TheFoodDepot/</a>	<b>Follow The Food Depot</b> or <b>Food Depot on Facebook</b> for food distributions
<b>Unemployment</b>	<a href="https://www.dws.state.nm.us/MyWorkforceConnection">https://www.dws.state.nm.us/MyWorkforceConnection</a>	
<b>Low Interest Loans for Small Businesses</b>	<a href="https://www.sba.gov/">https://www.sba.gov/</a>	
<b>Absentee Ballots Primary Election</b>	<a href="https://portal.sos.state.nm.us/OVR/WebPages/AbsenteeApplication.aspx?fbclid=IwAR24nIztMguBLQVL0EjMSz_En89KG8kdjFBwmRcqbWRFOFnaYZpRpLmuELc">https://portal.sos.state.nm.us/OVR/WebPages/AbsenteeApplication.aspx?fbclid=IwAR24nIztMguBLQVL0EjMSz_En89KG8kdjFBwmRcqbWRFOFnaYZpRpLmuELc</a>	

# MARKETS and SPECIAL HOURS for SENIORS

## ALBERTSON'S MARKET

7 AM – 9 PM Everyday

Senior Days: Monday and Thursday, 7 AM - 9 AM

## KAUNE'S NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET

Mon – Sat 8 AM – 6 PM

Sunday for Seniors Only: 60+ or medically fragile, 8 AM – 1 PM

## NATURAL GROCERS

8 AM – 7:35 PM

## SMITH'S FOOD AND DRUG

8 AM – 8 PM

Senior Days - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 7 AM – 8 AM

## SPROUTS FARMERS MARKET

7 AM – 10 PM

## TARGET

8 AM – 9 PM

Senior Day - Wednesday, opens one hour early

## TRADER JOE'S

9 AM – 7 PM Only 50 people allowed in at a time.

Every day between 9AM and 10AM, Crew Members will maintain an additional line outside the front door for our senior customers. This will ensure that those customers in need will have an expedited entrance to the store to help make their experience a more positive one.

## WALMART

7:00 AM – 8:30 PM

Senior Day - Tuesday only, opens one hour early

## WHOLE FOODS

8 AM – 8 PM

Guests 60+ can start to shop at 7 AM

## Restaurant Information For Take Out Orders

**\*Info can change, some restaurants are  
choosing to close.**

**Blue Corn Brewery** – 4056 Cerrillos  
505-438-1800  
11 AM – 8 PM

**Café Castro** – 2811 Cerrillos  
505-473-5800  
11 AM – 2 PM and 4 PM – 7 PM

**Cleopatra's Café** – 3482 Zafarano  
505-474-5644  
M-Sat 11 AM – 9 PM  
Sun 11:30 AM – 9 PM  
Delivery: FETCH, grubhub + postmates

**Dion's** – 4980 Promenade Blvd  
505-501-6060  
10:30 AM – 9 PM  
Delivery via DoorDash = dions.com or  
mobile app

**Firehouse Subs** – 3777 Cerrillos  
505-438-3388  
10 AM – 8 PM

**Harry's Roadhouse** – 96 Old Las Vegas  
Hwy  
505-989-4629  
7 AM – 9:30 PM

**Joe's Dining** – 2801 Rodeo Rd  
505-471-3800  
9 AM – 7:30 PM

**Mariscos Costa Azul** – 2875 Cerrillos  
505-473-4594  
Weekends Only 12 PM – 7 PM

**Olive Garden** – 3781 Cerrillos  
505-438-7109  
11 AM – 9 PM

**Panera Bread** – 3535 Zafarano  
505-471-9396  
8 AM – 9 PM

**Pantry Dos** – 20 White Feather  
505-365-2859  
9 AM – 8 PM  
Closed Tuesdays

**Tia Sophia's** – 210 W San Francisco  
505-983-9880  
7 AM – 1:30 PM

# Resources for La Entrada Residents for Life in a New World

Dear La Entrada Residents,

As we are living and working from home, we thought we would give you a assortment of resources we have compiled to help you navigate our new world. We hope you find these helpful.

Be safe!

La Entrada Communication Committee

P.S. Please note, we are not endorsing any of these resources. You, and only you, need to see if they will work for you personally. This is simply a list to get you started or to add to what you already have. Things are also constantly changing, so some links may change.

## **Technology Resources for free to virtually connect with family and friends**

Depending on the site, you will need to set up a free account for these, or you can sign in using your email address or Facebook account if you have one of those. Many of these are available to download on your home computer/laptop, and also have mobile versions/apps for your smartphone.

**Zoom** - <https://zoom.us/> - Online meetings, group video chats

**Google Hangouts** - <https://hangouts.google.com/> - Messaging, voice and video calls

**GoToMeeting** - <https://www.gotomeeting.com/> - Video conferencing with a 14-day free trial

**Skype** - <https://skype.com> Video and voice calling

**FaceTime** – on Mac devices – Video and Voice calling

## **Sources for eBooks, streaming service beyond the well-known ones – Audible, iBooks, Netflix, Amazon Prime, Hulu, Disney+, etc.**

**Book Bub** - <https://www.bookbub.com/launch> inexpensive ebooks

**Robins Read** - <https://robinreads.com/> more inexpensive ebooks

**Chirp** - <https://www.chirpbooks.com/home> inexpensive audio books

**Santa Fe Public Library – E-Resources (with library card)** - <https://santafelibrary.org/e-resources/>

**New York Public Library** - you can access from anywhere with an app - <https://www.nypl.org/>

**45 places you can download tens of thousands books, plays and other literary texts completely legally for free** - <https://nothingintherulebook.com/2017/01/10/55-places-you-can-download-tens-of-thousands-books-plays-and-other-literary-texts-completely-legally-for-free/>

**Broadway HD** – seven day free trial (be sure to read the fine print) - [https://www.insider.com/stream-broadway-musicals-plays-for-free-online-limited-time-coronavirus-2020-3?fbclid=IwAR3bqHHD2dI4KZTPUkqAXbgN3FseiGg3t4\\_o3wR1PDk81WIoSqAEisgU1-o](https://www.insider.com/stream-broadway-musicals-plays-for-free-online-limited-time-coronavirus-2020-3?fbclid=IwAR3bqHHD2dI4KZTPUkqAXbgN3FseiGg3t4_o3wR1PDk81WIoSqAEisgU1-o)

**Met Opera Live Streams** - <https://www.metopera.org/> Nightly Opera Streams

Santa Fe Kanopy Streaming Movies (with library card) - <https://santafelibrary.kanopy.com/>

## **Online virtual tours**

**2500 Museums You Can Visit Virtually** – Google Arts and Culture - <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner>  
This is an awesome resource!

**Kansas City Zoo 24 – Hour Live Stream of Penguins** - <https://www.kansascityzoo.org/> Check other zoos for additional live streams, such as the Atlanta, Cincinnati, Houston, Oregon, and San Diego Zoos, and Georgia, Monterey Bay, National, New England Aquariums and many others.

**Louvre Museum** - <https://www.louvre.fr/en>

**Museo nacional del Prado** - <https://www.museodelprado.es/en/the-collection>

**Hermitage Museum** – [https://www.hermitagemuseum.org/wps/portal/hermitage/panorama/virtual\\_visit/panoramas-m-1/](https://www.hermitagemuseum.org/wps/portal/hermitage/panorama/virtual_visit/panoramas-m-1/)

**Try These Virtual Field Trips and Classes for Educational Fun at Home** - <https://www.today.com/parents/try-these-virtual-field-trips-educational-fun-home-t176105>

**You Tube Videos of Goats in Pajamas** – do a search to find them and enjoy the happiness

## **Online educational resources for parents and kids (Teacher Tip - always preview content first, if possible, to make sure it is appropriate for your child)**

### **Literacy**

**Operation Storytime** - <https://coolprogeny.com/2020/03/operation-storytime/>

**Storyline Online** (always free): Books read out loud by authors / famous people: <https://www.storylineonline.net/>

**Online Literacy Resources** - <https://growingbookbybook.com/online-literacy-resources/>

**Free at Home Writing Videos** - <https://www.ntsowimpyteacher.com>

**EPIC – Digital Library for Age 12 and Under** - <https://www.getepic.com/>

**Audible Stories for 1 -18 years old** - <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

**Brightly –Reading Through it Together** - <https://www.readbrightly.com/>

### **Math**

**Math Activities for at Home Learning** - [https://www.mathcoachscorner.com/2020/03/math-activities-for-at-home-learning/?fbclid=IwAR1mnQRUU-n51VoyPsjYA\\_bJtZktjLykq33bWIWgoVBgg4JoDV97LemKweY](https://www.mathcoachscorner.com/2020/03/math-activities-for-at-home-learning/?fbclid=IwAR1mnQRUU-n51VoyPsjYA_bJtZktjLykq33bWIWgoVBgg4JoDV97LemKweY)

**Math Playground (1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>+) -** <https://www.mathplayground.com> Might need to copy into browser

**Math at Home Toolkit** - <https://www.naeyc.org/math-at-home>

### **Science**

**NASA** - <https://www.nasa.gov/> Check the pull-down menus for content

**Mystery Science – Science Lessons for Students** - <https://mysteryscience.com>

**Two Weeks Worth of Fun and Easy Science Experiments** - <https://www.mkewithkids.com> lots of other resources, but scroll down to find this topic

**Science, continued**

**+40 Science Websites for Parents and Teachers** - <https://www.boredteachers.com/resources/40-science-websites-to-keep-kids-engaged-and-entertained-at-home>

**Geography/Socials Studies**

**Field Museum Learning Resources** - <https://www.fieldmuseum.org/educators/learning-resources>

**Theme based Virtual Field Trips** [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZAxvFV2\\_uSk44q75y4odr8XjuZ7KWUDvkSptHi6TVfE/preview#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZAxvFV2_uSk44q75y4odr8XjuZ7KWUDvkSptHi6TVfE/preview#)

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**360 Degree Cities Videos** - <https://www.360cities.net/>

**Art**

**Incredible Art Department – Online Art Activities** - <https://www.incredibleart.org/links/artgames.html>  
Originally for Art Educators, but some good resources

**27 Art Activities and Lessons to Try at Home** - <https://theartofeducation.edu/2020/03/13/27-art-activities-and-lessons-to-try-at-home/>

**Cassie Stephens Art Educator Blog** - <https://cassiestephens.blogspot.com/> Also on Instagram

**Left Brain Craft Brain Activities of Kids** - <https://leftbraincraftbrain.com/40-best-art-projects-for-kids/>

**Art Projects for Kids** - <https://artprojectsforkids.org/>

**Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems** ( author of *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus.* ) -

<https://www.kennedy-center.org/education/mo-willems/> Also - <http://www.mowillems.com/>

**Art at Home – Google Docs** - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EVMQiHhKugF4RQ071DzimkSKn1AuiBNOJ-i6xs1mBts/preview?fbclid=IwAR1ZRBsOIMRemrYCLBiDe2HN4WAzd5VQ8yw9299MJqNZNIa-ykBuIEqdNrl>

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**Music**

**50+ Incredibly Creative Music Activities for Kids** - <https://www.andnextcomesl.com/2015/02/50-music-activities-for-kids.html>

**Music Activities for Kids of All Ages** - <https://www.familyeducation.com/school-learning/music>

**PE**

**PE with Coach Woods** - [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1dtNDz\\_Fd-sb\\_RuGcDew4A](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1dtNDz_Fd-sb_RuGcDew4A)

**Small Space Games: No Gym, No Field, No Problem!** - <https://www.gophersport.com/blog/no-gym-no-field-no-problem/>

**Special Needs**

**Accessibyte** makes fun, funky, fully accessible apps for users who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, dyslexic, or have other reading difficulties: [https://www.accessibyte.com/stay-safe\\_14\\_Day\\_Free\\_Trial](https://www.accessibyte.com/stay-safe_14_Day_Free_Trial)

**Special Needs, continued**

**Twenty 5 Minute Speech Therapy Activities You Can Do at Home** - <https://www.home-speech-home.com>

**Adapted Mind** - <https://www.adaptedmind.com>

**Chrome Extensions for Struggling Students and Special Needs** -

[https://www.controlaltachieve.com/2016/10/special-needs-extensions.html?](https://www.controlaltachieve.com/2016/10/special-needs-extensions.html?fbclid=IwAR3Jkficicy9-nCRMO5vX88WQysDU-JsWXIUP4njSh2W4xQWmYP2AfANbr4&m=1)

[fbclid=IwAR3Jkficicy9-nCRMO5vX88WQysDU-JsWXIUP4njSh2W4xQWmYP2AfANbr4&m=1](https://www.controlaltachieve.com/2016/10/special-needs-extensions.html?fbclid=IwAR3Jkficicy9-nCRMO5vX88WQysDU-JsWXIUP4njSh2W4xQWmYP2AfANbr4&m=1) For Google Chromebooks

**SOCIAL CONNECTIVITY FOR AUTISM** – Facebook Group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2937093836343790> Join Facebook group

**Social/Emotional Learning**

**Covid 19 Social Story** – Explaining Covid 19 to Kids - <https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Product/FREE-Coronavirus-COVID-19-Social-Story-5319239>

**10 SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Activities for Parents and Families at Home** -

<https://www.thepathway2success.com> Scroll down to this topic on the left

**Bright Horizons – Resources for Families** - <https://www.brighthorizons.com/family-resources?categoryFilters=Learning+at+Home>

**ELL – English Language Learners, ESL – English Second Language**

**Activities for ESL Students** - <http://a4esl.org/>

**12 Fun Speaking Games for Language Learners** - <https://www.edutopia.org/discussion/12-fun-speaking-games-language-learners>

**General**

**50 You Tube Channels for Home Learning** - <https://www.teachingpacks.co.uk/50-youtube-channels-for-home-learning/>

**Scholastic** - <https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>

**Learning A-Z** - <https://www.learninga-z.com/>

**70 eLearning Activities, Templates, and Tutorials from Ditch That Textbook** -

<https://ditchthattextbook.com/elearning-activities/>

**PBS Daily Newsletter** - <http://public.pbs.org/PBSKIDSDaily>

**18 Best Podcasts for Kids in Elementary, Middle, and High School** -

<https://www.weareteachers.com/best-podcasts-for-kids/>

**+100 Totally FREE At-Home Learning Printables made by Teachers for All** -

<https://www.boredteachers.com/classroom-ideas/at-home-learning-100-totally-free-printables>

**13 websites for Middle – High School Students** -

<https://theeducatorsroom.com/13-websites-for-middle-high-school-students/>

**Have Fun Teaching Free Relief Packs** - <https://www.havefunteaching.com/resources/relief-packs/>

These are huge files, so download on a computer. It will be a zip file to click and unzip to find the content

**School House Rock** - <https://www.youtube.com/user/SchoolhouseRockTV1>

**Bored Teachers – Resources** - <https://www.boredteachers.com/trending>

**Virtual field Trips**

**Virtual Field Trips** - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/>

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**Discovery Education – Virtual Field Trips -**

<https://www.discoveryeducation.com/community/virtual-field-trips/>

## **Misc. - Online Grocery Ordering, Veterinary, Dry Cleaner and other services**

**Ordering online for Store Pick-Up** – this is a way to avoid going in to the following grocery stores

**Albertson's** - <https://delivery.albertsons.com/help/section/200761964>

**Marketstreet** - <https://www.marketstreetunited.com/> Be sure to change the store to default to the Santa Fe Store

**Smith's** - <https://www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/i/ways-to-shop/pickup> Be sure to set your selected store. Sally and Paul have used this.

**Walmart** - <https://grocery.walmart.com/locations/pickup/Walmart-Santa-Fe-NM-Supercenter-3423> Sally and Paul have used this.

**Dollar General** - Dollar General stores will dedicate the first hour of every shopping day to senior shoppers beginning Tuesday, March 17. Please call individual stores for details.

**Gruda Veterinary** - [www.grudavet.com](http://www.grudavet.com) has a coronavirus protocol: Call, drop off and/or wait in car. Payment processing over phone

**Dry Cleaning – Pick-up and Delivery Service** - <https://www.drycleaningsantafe.com/>

**Wild Birds Unlimited** - <https://santafe.wbu.com/> Curbside pick-up, check website for updates

## **Cleaning, Hand Sanitizer recipes, food recipes**

**Tips on cleaning during the coronavirus** - <https://www.cleaninginstitute.org/coronavirus>

**Hand Sanitizer Recipe** - <https://www.healthline.com/health/how-to-make-hand-sanitizer#how-to-make>

### **Food Recipes**

**Refrigerator Oats:** In a 2 cup container with a lid add = DRY: ½ cup quick oats, sprinkle of pumpkin pie spice (optional), 1 teaspoon chia seeds (optional). Then add WET: ½ cup of your favorite milk (cow, almond or soy), 1 Tablespoon peanut butter or almond butter or sunflower seed butter, 1 Tablespoon maple syrup or your favorite sweetener. Mix well. Pop on the lid. Refrigerate overnight.

You could add fresh berries, banana or other fruit, just before serving. \*TIP: Use a fork to stir the nut butter, transfer the nut butter to the mixture and to stir the mixture.

### **Chicken with Rice & Noodles**

1 large can white meat chicken  
1 can Chicken Noodle Soup  
1 cup Rice  
2 cups Water

Make the rice as you normally would. If using a rice cooker, transfer rice into a large mixing bowl when done. You will want to heat the Chicken Noodle Soup (do not dilute) and the chicken meat in a separate microwavable bowl for about 3 minutes. Add this to the cooked rice. Mix and serve.

Your favorite pasta tastes great with just Butter, Parmesan & Black Pepper!!

## **Wellness strategies for life at home**

**Staying Physically Active During the COVID 19 Pandemic** - <https://www.acsm.org/read-research/newsroom/news-releases/news-detail/2020/03/16/staying-physically-active-during-covid-19-pandemic>

**CDC –Mental health and Coping during Covid 19** - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/managing-stress-anxiety.html>

**Mental Health Guide during Covid 19** - <https://www.channel3000.com/psychologist-offers-mental-health-advice-amid-covid-19-outbreak/>

### **Things you can do**

- ♣ Take a walk outdoors.
- ♣ Walk your dog. Use the Walk for a Dog app by wooftrax.com
- ♣ Play a game on your phone or computer. Rummi (windows) and Pup Rummy (Mac) are challenging and fun. It's the digital version of Rummikub.
- ♣ Try something crafty. Doing creative activities may reduce anxiety, stress and depression.
- ♣ Make a healthy lunch and watch a movie.
- ♣ Do some Spring Cleaning and organizing.
- ♣ Read or listen to a new book on Audible. Listen while you draw, paint, etc.
- ♣ Phone a friend and catch up.
- ♣ Try Skype with you friend(s).
- ♣ Watch funny animal videos online.
- ♣ Lots of companies are offering FREE books and movies online.
- ♣ REMEMBER: You are not alone. You have neighbors who care. Please reach out and communicate with us.

### **And, Finally**

**Chatterpack** – A list of free, online, boredom-busting resources - [https://chatterpack.net/blogs/blog/list-of-online-resources-for-anyone-who-is-isolated-at-home?fbclid=IwAR1KuAotaA\\_QBOrEErmcloAAg\\_YvdxtT8gHyTwGVKZ\\_EiO1woVT5ly6bzws](https://chatterpack.net/blogs/blog/list-of-online-resources-for-anyone-who-is-isolated-at-home?fbclid=IwAR1KuAotaA_QBOrEErmcloAAg_YvdxtT8gHyTwGVKZ_EiO1woVT5ly6bzws)

**We hope that everyone does his and her part  
to get to that flattened curve!**



## La Entrada Communication Committee Report

### February 2020

by Sally Dillon

We hope that you are ALL doing well during your time at home, and that you have maybe had an opportunity to get outside to enjoy some fresh (albeit highly pollen filled) air. As you walk around our neighborhood, start to look for 'rainbows' in residents' windows. We are implementing this idea as an uplifting 'bit of happiness.' The more rainbows we display, the more interesting our walks will be too! See "A Message from our Communication Committee" that was e-Blasted out, put in the Message Centers, and added to our website. Seek out the uplifting pictures and/or messages of the written word posted in Message Centers. And finally, be sure to check out the list of resources in this newsletter for ways to keep us all busy while we are in isolation.

If you haven't noticed, usually by this time of year we already have events planned for the summer, but we are waiting until we get the "all clear" before planning anything social. We can't gather in groups of more than 5 now anyway, so now is not the time to bring us all together so stay tuned as things improve.

If you have an article you would like to be included in the newsletter, please send it to Sally Dillon [arttrek@prodigy.net](mailto:arttrek@prodigy.net) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of Jan, March, May, July, Sept, and Nov. It needs to be in Word or Pages and completely ready for publishing. "Completely ready for publishing" means formatting, editing, captions, logos, active web links, etc. The photos and article need to be attached in an email to Sally by the 15<sup>th</sup> at the very latest. The Communication Committee works as a team in assisting publication of the newsletter and will determine if there is room for an article depending upon space constraints and content. The editor and the committee reserve the right to edit and/or include submitted articles. If approved by the Communication Committee, the article will go in the next newsletter. If it is submitted after the deadline, it may be placed in the next following issue of La Entrada News unless it is time sensitive content that is now after the fact or not approved. The reason we have these deadlines is to align the work with our schedule for publishing. We have specific tasks to accomplish and events to plan. If a submission is late or not "completely ready for publishing," it throws off what we need to get done for publishing.

**Also, if you have suggestions, ideas, or concerns for the Communication Committee to address or take on, please send them in writing to Serenity Lucero [Slucero@hoamco.com](mailto:Slucero@hoamco.com). She will send them to the HOA Board, who in turn, will send them to the Communication Committee, if applicable. This procedure streamlines the processes for the Communication Committee and is effective immediately.**

La Entrada News is published generally around the beginning of the publishing month, and it is also posted on the La Entrada website at <http://www.laentradaatranchoviejo.org/home.asp>. An email blast from HOAMCO is then sent to residents with the website URL and directions how to locate the newly published newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Serenity, our HOAMCO Manager of our HOA at [Slucero@hoamco.com](mailto:Slucero@hoamco.com)



## “3” HOA Reminders

by Paul Dillon

- ★ Please do not park on any landscaping and do not park to block sidewalks.



- ★ Spring winds are here – If you put your trash and recycling bins out the night before pick up, **please make sure the lid is closed tight**, so that your trash and recycled materials are not blowing about in the community the next morning.



- ★ Please pick up your packages from the limited number of large mailboxes, so that the mailman has a place to put the new packages.





## Rancho Viejo Ladies Group

### February & March 2020 Activities

by Audra Hansche

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***“When action meets compassion, lives change”*** is an inspirational saying that I found on the internet recently. It says so much about volunteering, charity and service to others. I am happy to report that our Ladies Group has been so very generous in the last few months.

The Ladies Group service project for the month of February was a generous donation of over 600 items to Casa Familia Emergency & Transition Shelter. Jeanne Pschorr coordinated this effort and made the deliveries. Lots of clothes, outerwear, underwear for women and men. There were also sheet sets, bath towels and toiletries. The clothing was gently used or new. Jeanne shared a special Thank You message from the supervisor and other staff members. I believe this was a very successful project.

Our Ladies Lunch for February was on Wednesday, 2/12. We met at Joe’s Dining on Rodeo Road. As usual we had a large group and were seated in the side room. There were a few new ladies who joined us that day. I hope we are able to see them again very soon.

RV Book Club met on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> to discuss [A Brief History of Everyone Who Ever Lived](#) by Adam Rutherford. The ladies enjoyed the subject matter and most had a much better understanding of the science than I did. The authors approach was thorough and I liked listening to him on Audible.

Another service opportunity came up and we decided to accept the project for March. “Portfolio Resident Services seeks to improve communities, enrich the lives of residents and improve the financial performance of housing properties through our comprehensive “Good Neighbor Program”. We were asked if we could help with donations of toiletries, cleaning supplies and food for the residents of Stage Coach Apartments, Soleras Station Apartments and Village Sage Apartments.

I decided to cancel our March luncheon planned for Los Amigos due to the coronavirus. I hope to reschedule in April. This may not be possible as we now have community spread and we are all on stay-at-home orders.

Since the school is closed I will not collect recyclables for the Amy Biehl Art Department. You can store them if you have the room or add them to your recycle bin.



## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH UPDATES

*by Kathy Brown*

Rancho Viejo is quite safe. We can all help keep our neighborhoods that way by being watchful, always keeping homes & vehicles locked, & using the following information.

### **ALERTS from RANCHO VIEJO NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

The most recent alert as of March 15 was emailed on 3/3/2020. The incident was in Rancho Viejo, but not in La Entrada.

The alert, based on a Hot Sheet from the County Sheriff's Department, described an "attempted forced entry into the residence by forcing open the garage door. Entry was unsuccessful, however, the garage door was damaged during the incident."

If you want to be added to the email distribution list for alerts from RVNW, email your request to [carolath@msn.com](mailto:carolath@msn.com) (the RVNW Area Coordinator, Carol Thompson).

### **SEE SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS?**

Do NOT CONFRONT any suspicious person.

OBSERVE & REPORT to the County Sheriff's Dept. at 505-428-3720 with the location & description of the situation.

If you wish to remain anonymous, you can call Crime Stoppers: 955-5050.

Your call can help law enforcement to prioritize problems and to build a big picture to see when there might be patterns to investigate.

AFTER CONTACTING THE SHERIFF, you can summarize the situation in an email to Carol Thompson. Include the problem you saw & any relevant information from the Sheriff. Carol will consider emailing an Alert to the RVNW distribution list.

FYI The Regional Emergency Communications Center (Regional Dispatch for short) processes all the calls to 428-3720, including calls to the Sheriff's Dept. & Animal Control.

### **CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY**

The next Citizens Academy will start in the Fall of 2020. The usual Spring academy is not being



## Recycling Reminders

Paper, clean plastics and cardboard can be mixed together in the cart. However, No **GLASS** should ever be put into the recycle bin. If you wish to recycle glass, you can do so at the Rancho Viejo Recycling Center.

April

**8  
and  
22**



May

**6  
and  
20**

If a specific homeowner does put glass into his recycling cart on a regular basis they will be warned, and, should that practice continue, MCT will no longer provide recycle pick-up at the home. Also please note that the garage cart and recycle cart need to be placed at least 3 feet apart.

In **April**, recycle pick-ups will be on **April 8 and 22**, and **May** pick-ups will be on **May 6 and 20**.

If you have any further questions, you can call MCT at 505-345-8651 or check out their website at [www.mctwaste.com](http://www.mctwaste.com).



### La Entrada Calendar

Board Meeting, 6:00pm  
 Thursday, **TBA**  
 RV Fire Department  
 Community Room  
 37 Rancho Viejo Blvd.

### Neighborhood Watch Local Contacts

Carol Thompson  
 Area Coordinator RV  
 Neighborhood Watch  
 Home: 471-9044  
 Cell: 603-0833  
 Email: [carolath@msn.com](mailto:carolath@msn.com)

**See anything Suspicious?**  
 Call County Sheriff's Office:  
 428-3720.  
 If you wish to remain  
 anonymous, call Crime  
 Stoppers: 955-5050.

## Please Pick Up After Your Pet!

It doesn't take much to remember that we have pets in our community. In fact, if you don't watch your step, you are liable to step in one such reminder. Besides being unsightly and smelly, animal waste can be hazardous to the health of our children who play in the community and other pets. One of the most common forms of disease transmission between dogs is through fecal matter.

When walking your dog in our community, remember that it should be leashed. Also, it is important to remember to immediately clean up after your pet. Take along a baggie with you or get one from the "doggie stations" to pick up waste and then dispose of it properly.

By taking a few simple steps to clean up after your pet, you can contribute not only to the beautification of our community, but also towards the elimination of one of the most irritating nuisances in our community. Thank you for your cooperation!



### Large Item Pickup

The date for large item pick up within La Entrada residential areas is the third Friday of each month. The next date of service will be **Friday, April 17 and May 15, 2020.**

Residents must call Serenity Lucero at 505-954-4479 before the date to arrange for large item pick up. Please provide your address, telephone number and description of item(s). Remember to sign up no later than the Monday prior to the Friday pick up date.

Types of items allowed: furniture, yard waste, appliances.

Not Allowed: Most electronics, oil or household chemicals.

# Trailblazers' Times

The Amy Biehl School

## Santa Fe Public Schools Resources and Information for Families

by Staci Stevens

Per guidance from the Public Education Department, all public schools across New Mexico will be closed **through the end of the academic year** to combat the spread of COVID-19. While students are at home, the district is providing essential resources for distance learning and student nutrition:

### **REMOTE LEARNING**

**\*The SFPS Pilot Distance Learning Program will officially begin on Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. Stay posted to <https://www.sfps.info/> for the most up to date information.**

PreK-12 Remote Learning Resource Guide for Parents that includes grade level and bilingual resources for each subject area can be found at:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1V5NhJFwXfg09oGYqz4tDL-WnBLNQczj46TrxcAbVTc/edit?ts=5e753b96>

### **MEALS FOR STUDENTS**

The district will provide breakfast and lunch grab and go bags between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. free of charge, to any child 18 and younger. Children must be present to receive a meal, and parents are asked to remain in their vehicle when pulling up to one of the distribution sites: Chaparral Elementary School, Kearney Elementary School, Ramirez Thomas Elementary School, Sweeney Elementary School, Aspen Community School, Capital High School, Santa Fe High School

Also, on Tuesday and Wednesday only, free meals will be available for children at Hope Unlimited Church, 6700 Cerrillos Road, from noon to 5 p.m.

New Mexico School for the Deaf will provide drive-up breakfast and lunch bags for pre-k through 12th grade students from any school from 7 to 8:30 a.m. through April 3. Cars should enter through the James A. Little Theater entrance at 1060 Cerrillos Road.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S CHALLENGE**

SFPS's Superintendent launched a challenge to keep young minds engaged in creative and constructive activities throughout the closure of schools. The challenge includes \$25,000 in cash prizes raised from private donors. Students can compete in 10 categories, ranging from Lego/building block sculpture creation to writing one-act plays to submitting art projects from recycled materials. Winners will be chosen at every grade level, with students taking home cash prizes.

Here's a video that explains the challenge: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YXZJEYy-lpl&feature=youtu.be>  
Students can submit entries to [superintendentschallenge@sfps.k12.nm.us](mailto:superintendentschallenge@sfps.k12.nm.us) beginning Monday, March 23rd, until further notice.

