

# LOS ALAMOS

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## Parks, Recreation, Open Space Division August 2017 Events

### Aquatics

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**National Friendship Day, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 40 participants:** In honor of National Friendship Day on August 6<sup>th</sup>, anyone that brought a friend to swim with them on this day, their friend was given free admission into the pool. It was a Warm Water Weekend, a fun day for everyone that participated.

**Los Alamos School of Gymnastics' Annual Rafting Adventure, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 20 participants:** The Los Alamos School of Gymnastics returned for another year of rafting fun with their students. The kids took turns paddling around in the boats, playing bumper boats, and splashing each other for fun.



**Annual Maintenance, August 18<sup>th</sup> – September 5<sup>th</sup>:** The pool closed on Friday evening, August 18<sup>th</sup>, for its two weeks of annual maintenance. Pools were emptied, patches were made to the shells and refilled. The mezzanine walls received a fresh coat of paint, the stainless steel was polished, the deck markers repainted around the pool, and much more. The pool reopened on September 5<sup>th</sup>.



## Parks

The Parks Program installed shade structures in each of our three dog parks, East Park, Overlook Park and North Mesa. We will be creating pads beneath each shade structure, as well as placing a picnic table at each shade structure.



## Open Space

### Open Space Trail Map Brochure Update - 90% Complete

In collaboration with the Visual Communication team, we updated the trail map brochures.

**PETROGLYPH CARVINGS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE CANYON**

White Rock Canyon offers some of the best hiking opportunities in Los Alamos. The canyon is 900 deep, but from there to the Rio Grande. The attractions are the river, the springs, the rock—basalt layers exposed from the volcanoes of the Caja del Rio Plateau—and the hundreds of petroglyphs that adorn rocks in the canyon. Two trails lead to the river, the Red and Blue Trails, and both are steep and rugged. On the edge of White Rock is a trail, affording easy access to views into the canyon.

**FINDING THE WHITE ROCK CANYON TRAILHEADS**

For the Red Dot Trail, continue south on State Road 4 from the intersection with Rowley. In 0.2 miles, turn left onto Sherwood. Follow Sherwood 0.5 miles to a intersection with Piedra Canyon. Turn left onto Piedra and find the trailhead on the left in 0.6 mile. There is a small parking lot about 0.5 vehicles at the trailhead.

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE**

The foothills, canyons, and mesas in and around Los Alamos are linked by a 58-mile network of trails. Hikers, runners, horseback riders, mountain bikers, and other trail users delight in the variety of recreation which to choose. The trails offer an outlet escape from the hectic pace in the town, a route for which to continue to work on any trail as a physical challenge, and a chance to observe wildlife or to seek in impressive views. The County Trail Network links with over 100 miles of trails on the surrounding Santa Fe National Forest and the adjacent Valley Grande National Preserve.

**SALMON SPRING ALONG THE RIO GRANDE TRAIL**

**INDIAN PEAR CACTUS BLOSSOM**

**WALL TENSE GRASS**

**THE RIO GRANDE HEADINGS SOUTHWARD COUNTY RESERVE**

**LOOKING EAST TOWARD THE SANGRE DE CRISTOS FROM OVERLOOK POINT**

**USING LOS ALAMOS COUNTY OPEN SPACE**

The Los Alamos County Trail Network is open to non-motorized use only.

**RESOURCE PROTECTION**

All cultural resources such as Ancestral Puebloan blocks, petroglyphs, petroglyphs, and historical conflicts are protected by Federal and State law. Let all cultural resources be undisturbed.

**SHARE THE TRAIL**

These are multi-use trails for pedestrians, equestrians, and bicyclists. Bicyclists should yield to all other users.

**DOGS IN LOS ALAMOS COUNTY OPEN SPACE**

All dogs must be on a leash when within 100 yards of a trailhead. Dogs must be under voice and sight control at all times.

**SAFETY**

When exploring trails, always carry water, sunscreen, chat, extra clothing, a flashlight, and a navigational aid.

Trailhead guides are available at major trailheads, the Los Alamos County Customer Care Center in the Municipal Building, the Los Alamos Chamber of Commerce, and online.

Download maps and trail descriptions to your mobile device at [www.everytrail.com](http://www.everytrail.com)

For more information on Los Alamos County Open Space and trails, visit [www.losalamos.nm.us/parks](http://www.losalamos.nm.us/parks)

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**LOS ALAMOS COUNTY TRAIL NETWORK GUIDE**

**7 White Rock Canyon Trailheads**

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## Golf

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### Los Alamos High School Girls Softball Booster Tournament; August 11<sup>th</sup>, 44 Participants



44 Golfers and numerous Boosters gathered for the Annual LAHS Softball golf outing. Raising funds to help support the LAHS Softball Team.

### ZIA Credit Union Tournament, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 72 Participants



72 Golfers attended the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual ZIA Credit Union Annual Golf Tournament. Funds raised are used to assist the UNM Children's Hospital and various Scholarships

## Recreation

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### Last Movie in the Park Sponsored by Public Safety, "Zootopia," August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 350 Participants

The annual Public Safety Movie Night was a hit as staff from the Fire and Police Departments were out with their trucks and cars, games and give-a-ways, and safety information. View a video of children participating in the Jr. Fireman obstacle course on LAFD's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Los-Alamos-County-Fire-Department-1682968448597994/>.



## Fair & Rodeo Weekend, August 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>: 5,862 Participants

Though a bit stormy over the weekend many people enjoyed the multiple activities offered in and around town. Participant numbers include exhibit entrants, rodeo entrants and volunteers.



## Community Collaborations

### National S'mores Day, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 350+ Participants

CSD and LAFD joined forces on National S'mores Day and offered yummy treats, firefighter role-playing activities, campfire songs and fire safety tips.

