

Mesilla Town Hall
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Hours: Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 6 p.m. (closed Fridays)
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Community Calendar

Community Events

"Vecino a Vecino: Neighbor to Neighbor"

Community Clean-Up

Sat. July 19 (Mesilla Community)

Mariachi Sunday

Sun. July 20 (Plaza)
6-8 p.m.

Argentine Tango

Sun. July 13 (Plaza)
6-10 p.m.

Sun. July 27 (Plaza)
6-10 p.m.

Mesilla Mercado

(Art, Crafts & Seasonal Produce Market)

Thursdays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sundays 12 to 4 p.m.

*Adult Pilates Classes (Community Center)

Mondays 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays 12-1 p.m. **(NEW TIME!)**

Fridays 5:30-6:30 p.m.

***No class held Friday, July 4**

Meetings

Mon. July 7 Planning & Zoning meeting:
(Mesilla Town Hall) 6 p.m.

Mon. July 14 Board of Trustees meeting:
(Mesilla Town Hall) 6 p.m.

Mon. July 21 Planning & Zoning meeting:
(Mesilla Town Hall) 6 p.m.

Mon. July 28 Board of Trustees meeting:
(Mesilla Town Hall) 6 p.m.

Town Holiday Observance Day(s)

Independence Day (Friday, July 4)

Town of Mesilla Administrative Offices to Operate on a Four-Day Work Week

The Town of Mesilla administrative offices will operate on a four-day work week for a six-month trial basis beginning **Monday, June 30**. Following is a schedule of the new office hours:

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| Mondays | 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 6 p.m. |
| Tuesdays | 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 6 p.m. |
| Wednesdays | 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 6 p.m. |
| Thursdays | 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 6 p.m. |
| Fridays | Closed |

**Mariachi Sundays Continues During Summer Months as Part of
15th Anniversary Celebration of the Las Cruces International Mariachi Conference**

Mariachi Sundays began earlier than usual this year. In an effort to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Las Cruces International Mariachi Conference, Mariachi Sundays will take place the third Sunday of the summer months from 6 to 8 p.m. on the Mesilla plaza.

Mariachi Sundays have been held May 18 and June 15. Remaining dates in the summer are July 20 and Aug. 17.

Regularly scheduled Mariachi Sundays will resume Sept. 21, which is the Sunday following the Diez y Seis de Septiembre Fiesta.

For more information about the 15th Annual Las Cruces International Mariachi Conference, visit www.lascrucesmariachi.org.



**Summer Recreation Program
Ends July 18**

The Town of Mesilla Summer Recreation Program will end on Friday, July 18. The program has been held from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at Mesilla Elementary School since June 2.

July field trips planned thus far include the Mesilla Fire Department July 2 and the Border Book Festival/Mesilla Cultural Center July 9.

**Wednesday Pilates Class Time
Will Change Beginning in July**

Beginning July 2, the Pilates class in the Mesilla Community Center on Wednesdays will be held from **12 to 1 p.m.** instead of 12:15 to 12:45 p.m.

Monday class time (4:30 to 5:30 p.m.) and Friday class time (5:30 to 6:30 p.m.) will not change.

There will be no class held Friday, July 4.

Vecino a Vecino ~ Neighbor to Neighbor

The Town of Mesilla and Dona Ana County Teen Court are hosting community clean-up days for the elderly. The kickoff was May 10 at Mesilla Town Hall. Vecino a Vecino Days have been held May 31 and June 21. Remaining days are scheduled for the following Saturdays:

- July 19
- August 16
- September 20
- October 18.

For more information, contact Debbie Lujan, Town of Mesilla Public Works Director at 524-3262 ext. 103; Sam Bernal, Town of Mesilla Board of Trustees member at 640-7302 or Toni Hernandez with Dona Ana County Teen Court at 647-2154.

News from the Mesilla Fire Department

~ Thunderstorms ... Get Ready! ~

Approximately 10% of thunderstorms are considered severe, which means they produce hail at least three-quarters of an inch in diameter, have winds of at least 58 miles per hour, or produce a tornado. Lightning often strikes outside of heavy rain and may occur as far as 10 miles from any rainfall. Most lightning deaths and injuries occur when people are caught outdoors in the summer months during the evening or afternoon. The chances of being struck by lightning are about 1 in 600,000.

Before

- Stay informed—listen to a NOAA weather radio to check local forecasts and news reports regularly. Keep a battery-powered or hand-cranked radio along with extra batteries.
- Buy ground fault protectors for key electrical equipment.
- Remove dead or rotting trees and branches that could fall.
- If a thunderstorm is likely in your area, postpone outdoor activities.
- Shutter windows and secure outside doors and objects. Secure outdoor objects that could blow away.
- Unplug appliances and other electrical items, such as computers, and turn off air conditioners. If you are unable to unplug them, turn them off.

During

- Follow the 30-30 rule: When you see lightning, count the seconds until you hear thunder. If that time is 30 seconds or less, the thunderstorm is within 6 miles and is dangerous. Seek shelter immediately. The threat of lightning continues longer than most people think. Wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder before leaving your shelter.
- If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance for lightning. Seek safe shelter immediately.
- Stop outdoor activities at the first clap of thunder and get inside a large building or an enclosed vehicle. Wait 30 minutes after the thunder to go back outside.
- When inside, stay off corded phones, computers, and other electronic equipment that put you in direct contact with electricity or plumbing. Cordless phones and cell phones are safe to use. Avoid showering or bathing.
- If you are in open water, go to land and seek shelter immediately.
- If you feel your hair stand on end, indicating that lightning is about to strike, squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet. Place your hands over your ears and your head between your knees. Make yourself the smallest target possible and minimize your contact with the ground. Do not lie flat on the ground.

After

- If a person is struck by lightning, call 9-1-1 and get medical care immediately.
- Lightning-strike victims carry no electrical charge; attend to them immediately. Check their breathing, heartbeat, and pulse.

For more information, visit the National Fire Protection Association at www.nfpa.org/disaster.

Developed by NFPA. Funding provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Office of Domestic Preparedness.

Entries for the Diez y Seis de Septiembre Parade are Being Accepted

The Town of Mesilla is accepting entries for its Diez y Seis de Septiembre Parade. The parade is Saturday, Sept. 13 at 11 a.m. and runs along Avenida de Mesilla.

Organizations, businesses and schools are encouraged to enter floats into the parade. Bands, spirit squads, antique vehicles, specialty units and other groups are also welcome. There is no entry fee. Trophies are awarded in the following categories: Best Float, Best Band, Best Spirit Squad, Best Overall Entry and Most Creative Entry. The theme for the parade is "Celebrating Mexico's Independence Day." The parade route is approximately one mile long.

The parade is held in conjunction with the annual Diez y Seis de Septiembre Fiesta, which is Saturday, Sept. 13 from noon-to-midnight and Sunday, Sept. 14 from noon-to-7 p.m. at the Mesilla plaza. The holiday celebrates Mexico's independence from Spain.

For information call Kristie Medina at (575) 524-3262 ext. 116 or email her at kmedina_tom@comcast.net.

The deadline to register is Tuesday, Sept. 2.

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