



For your calendar

February 1, 2017

Ongoing: Daffodils for Hospice

Purchase a single bunch, small vase, or large vase of daffodils to support Los Alamos Visiting Nurse Services. Flowers will be delivered on Saturday, March 11. See lavns.com for details.

February 1: Cooperate NM

The Credit Union Association of New Mexico, Real Clear Politics, and The Washington Post team up to host the Credit Union Association's [annual legislative event](#), which is a series of focused panel sessions at La Posada de Santa Fe. Attendees are provided with insight and strategies for working together to reach actionable solutions. The event will be capped by a keynote focused on the 2017 political landscape from a media perspective by journalist Caitlin Huey-Burns.

February 1: Steps to Starting a Small Business

Topics include feasibility, planning, budgeting, and forming your company. [The event](#) runs from 9–11 a.m. at SBDC in Santa Fe.

February 1: VAF info session

Join representatives from the Regional Development Corporation and the Feynman Center for Innovation at Los Alamos National Laboratory for a discussion and information session on the [Venture Acceleration Fund](#) (VAF). VAF is a funding source for early stage technology and manufacturing startup companies in Northern New Mexico that are on track to add jobs, grow revenues, or attract follow-on investment. [The session takes place at ProjectY from 5:30–6:30 p.m.](#)

February 1–28: Project Prom

Pojoaque Valley Schools and Buffalo Thunder Resort are collecting gently used or new formal attire for boys and girls. Every formalwear donation will be entered into a drawing to win a night stay and dinner for two at Buffalo Thunder Resort. Drop-off locations include Buffalo Thunder and the Lab's Community Partnerships Office. Text 505-690-1166 or email pvispac@gmail.com for details.

February 2: Proposals due for Professional Book Group Grant

[Professional Book Groups](#) for Los Alamos Public Schools teachers and instructional assistants are a rewarding and low-cost way for the LAPS Foundation to provide professional development.

February 2: Santa Fe Public Schools' STEM Expo

More than 200 students from 26 schools are expected to participate—by preparing and presenting projects—in [this event](#) at Santa Fe Community College from 9:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m. The community is invited to view student projects from 6–7 p.m., and an awards ceremony takes place at 7:15 p.m.

February 3: Deadline to register for BioEnergizeMe Infographic Challenge

This [U.S. Department of Energy event](#) engages ninth–12th-grade high school teams to research one of five cross-curricular bioenergy topics and design infographics to share what they have learned through various social media channels.

Learn video marketing skills at ProjectY.

February 7: Video Marketing

Learn how to use videos to sell your products and services, drive traffic to your site, and get more exposure for your business. This [marketing workshop](#) takes place at 7 p.m. at ProjectY.

February 7, 14, 21, 28: Ted Talk Tuesday

Every Tuesday at noon, bring your lunch to ProjectY, watch a TED talk, and discuss. See each week's topic [here](#).

February 10–12: Women's Weekend at Pajarito Mountain

This [fun-filled weekend](#) includes on-hill clinics, demos, a silent auction, and a “women who rock the world” dinner and dance party. All abilities welcome to ski and/or snowboard. Proceeds from the weekend support the Anita Salas Memorial Fund, which provides financial assistance to New Mexicans in the Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program.

Learn more about supercomputing at the Bradbury Science Museum.

February 11: Scientist in the Spotlight—machine learning & supercomputers

From 11 a.m.–1 p.m. [at the Bradbury Science Museum](#), Diane Oyen will show how computers can be taught to recognize things, and Teri Roberts will discuss how computers “know” what they’re doing.

Kingdom Come Radio Show by Joni Wallace.

February 14: LA Historical Society Lecture Series

Award-winning poet Joni Wallace talks about her experiences growing up in Los Alamos and how geography, history, and ecology of place inform her work. Wallace will sign and read excerpts from her latest book, [Kingdom Come Radio Show](#), which highlights the history and landscape of the Manhattan Project and life of J. Robert Oppenheimer. [The event](#) takes place at Fuller lodge at 7 p.m.

February 14: Valentine’s Day

February 16: Science on Tap—when antibiotics fail

During [this event](#), Sofiya Micheva-Viteva, of the Lab’s biosecurity and public health group, will talk about some of the approaches researchers are taking to use existing drugs in new ways and how original antimicrobial therapies might help stem the tide of potentially lethal pathogens. The event takes place at Unquarred in Los Alamos from 5:30–7 p.m.

February 16–April 13: Business Tools for Entrepreneurs

This nine-week program, held from 5:30–8 p.m. on Thursdays, helps entrepreneurs learn and explore to help optimize their business potential. [Register here](#).

February 17–April 14: Reach your Etsy potential

This four-week program helps you optimize your selling potential on Etsy. [Register here](#).

February 18: High School Regional Science Bowl

This [Jeopardy-like event](#) is for high-school students who have a strong interest in mathematics and science. Teams consist of four students; National Science Bowl rules apply. The event takes place at Highland High School in Albuquerque.

February 20: Presidents Day

February 21: Proposals due for Great Ideas Grant

The purpose of the [Great Ideas Grant program](#) is to support Los Alamos Public Schools teachers who have ideas for enriching the curriculum or providing students with unique

learning experiences. The program enables the purchase of special materials or resources for the classroom, which are not typically available through the schools' budgets.

February 21: Proposals due for Professional Development Grant

For [Los Alamos Public Schools teachers](#) to attend training or to provide training to others in the district.

February 21: Relationship Marketing

Learn easy and inexpensive ways to tap into your existing network to get more business. This [marketing workshop](#) takes place at 7 p.m. at ProjectY.

February 21: Social Media for Small Businesses

From 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m., discuss social media and marketing and figure out the next steps to get your product or service in front of your idea customer. Email rperea@wesst.org to register.

February 21—March 31: VAF applications accepted

[Learn more here.](#)

February 23: Science Café

Dr. Scott Baldrige presents a talk on geology in collaboration with the Santa Fe Alliance for Science. [The event](#) takes place at the O'Keeffe Education Annex in Santa Fe.

February 28: What are CRS Taxes?

From 5:30–7:30 p.m. at the Santa Fe Business Incubator, learn about New Mexico's often-confusing gross receipts taxes from an expert. [Register here.](#)

March TBD: Frontiers in Science

This free lecture series shares the Laboratory's cutting-edge research with surrounding communities.

March 2, 16, 24: VAF workshops

Three EDA-funded workshops for VAF applicants have been scheduled for March: Marketing Strategy and Assessment (March 2), Finance for Startups (March 16), and Pitch Workshop (March 24). More details TBA.

March 4: Middle School Regional Science Bowl

This [Jeopardy-like event](#) is for middle-school students who have a strong interest in mathematics and science. Teams consist of four students; National Science Bowl rules apply. The event takes place at Highland High School in Albuquerque.

March 7, 8, 9: MSA Partnership School info sessions

Sessions in Taos, Española, and Santa Fe, respectively, about opportunities to become or work with [the new MSA partnership school](#). Time and locations TBA.

March 9: Expanding Your Horizons 2017 Student Technical Workshop

A Laboratory-sponsored event for fifth- through eighth-grade girls in Northern New Mexico, Expanding Your Horizons aims to cultivate an interest in professions such as science and math. Participants build connections with role models as they attend workshops and presentations with women working in traditionally male occupations. The [event](#) takes place at the Santa Fe Convention Center.

March 25: Chili Bowl Cookoff

The 11th annual event takes place at Santa Claran Casino Special Events Center from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. The day of entertainment and chili tasting benefits the [San Martin de Porres Soup Kitchen](#).

ProjectY is a collaborative coworking space located in Los Alamos that offers many events every month. Photo: Samantha D'Anna Photography.

Lab volunteers

Los Alamos National Laboratory's participation in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) events is made possible with support from the Department of Energy through the Laboratory's Science Education Community Service Time Program. To request STEM experts, complete a brief online [request form](#).

Los Alamos experts and volunteers can also be requested through the Laboratory's [Volunteer Program](#), which partners with the national [Volunteer Match](#) initiative.

Speaker's bureau

The Laboratory has speakers with experience in a wide variety of subjects who can tailor their content for a range of audiences. Call 505-667-7000 to be matched with the right person for your audience.

Calendar submissions

Los Alamos National Laboratory and the Laboratory's management company, Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS), help support the above events, programs and campaigns. To include your event or application deadline in upcoming calendars, email connections@lanl.gov with a brief description of your event and how the item is connected to the Laboratory or LANS.

Community Connections features news and opportunities that grow out of the Laboratory's Good Neighbor Pledge: "To partner with our neighbors on strengthening math and science learning, diversifying the economy, and expanding community giving in Northern New Mexico."

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