



# OPEN SPACE newsletter



Mayor Richard J. Berry

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## Spring and Summer in Open Space



As of April we've officially kicked off our volunteer event season with the month-long Sandia Foothills Open Space Clean Ups! After April, throughout the spring and summer you can get out and help the Open Space Division and enjoy the warm weather at the same time. Please consider joining us for one of the following events:

**May 21st is National River Cleanup Day** (page 8), where volunteers focus their efforts along the Rio Grande. During this one day event volunteers help clean up trash from various locations along the river in Albuquerque. The event hub for this year is the Rotary Club Park/Picnic Area on the east side of the Central Avenue Bridge. Please register at REI ([www.rei.com/albuquerque](http://www.rei.com/albuquerque)).

**On June 4th, the annual National Trails Day** event will take place. On this day, volunteers maintain trails in various Sandia Foothills Open Space areas and the Sandia Mountain Wilderness. Please register at REI ([www.rei.com/albuquerque](http://www.rei.com/albuquerque)) starting in

late April. Volunteer turnout is always exceptional for this event, so we'd like to make a special petition to all supporters of Open Space to consider giving an extra donation to the Open Space Alliance in support of National Trails Day. The donation form can be found on page 11. Find out more about National Trails Day on page 10.

And don't forget about the **Open Space Summer Series Sunday Hikes and Saturday Sunset Series**, which get started in late May (page 5). The Summer Series is free, family-friendly, and a great way to get out and enjoy *your* Major Public Open Space!

## Paseo del Bosque Trail Renovation

~Jay Lee Evans

The long-awaited, much-needed, and quite welcome renovation of the City-portion of the Paseo del Bosque trail (PdB) is now substantially complete. Considered by many to be the "Jewel in the Crown" of Albuquerque trails, the 17-mile paved trail provides off-street safety combined with the magnificent natural bosque environment to make for a sublime recreational-user or commuter experience.

The scope of the current project covers nearly 11 miles. Surface renovation extends from the popular Alameda Open Space parking-lot at the north all the way south to Marquez Avenue, just north of the Hispanic Cultural Center on Bridge boulevard. Improvements include: re-compaction of sub-grade; a new, smoother and wider asphalt trail-surface; enhanced safety due to the addition of "recovery" zones on either side of the trail; and comprehensive edge- and skip-striping for the length of the renovation project.

The Open Space Division worked closely with the City Department of Municipal Development (DMD) project managers, and the contractor, Star Paving, to ensure the PdB-route stayed open for use with minimal detours, and that trees, habitat, and vegetation along the PdB were impacted minimally. The result is a vastly improved and safer user-experience in one of Albuquerque's most treasured and living habitats-for humans and wildlife both-*your* Open Space Division-managed Rio Grande bosque.

Happy Trails!



## Firewood Distribution Project a Huge Success

~Erik Zsemlye

Bosque fires can have devastating effects on the communities in and around the river - both human and non-human alike. However, there can still be positive outcomes as well. When the fires burn the cottonwoods, most of them are scorched to the point that they can no longer survive, but the trees are still mostly left intact.

These standing dead trees need to be taken down, and can provide quality firewood for those that heat their homes with wood-burning stoves. In the past, the Open Space Division has made this wood freely available to the public, but it often seemed as if the wood was ending up in the hands of those who would sell it for a profit, rather than in the hands of people that truly needed it. Here in Albuquerque and the surrounding communities, many households use wood as their sole or primary source of heat in the winter.



In an attempt to focus our efforts this year on those who would benefit the most from the free firewood, Open Space teamed up with the City's Department of Senior Affairs (DSA), which runs a firewood distribution program of its own. In order to qualify for the program, participants had to be 60 years of age or older, and use wood as their primary source of heat. This was great news to us at Open Space, since those were exactly the members of the community that we hoped to reach.

Burned trees were cut down from two areas that suffered large-scale fires over the past few years - an area just north of I-25 on the west side of the river, and another site just south of the National Hispanic Cultural Center on the east side. For weeks, Open Space maintenance crews - with assistance from the New Mexico State Forestry Inmate Work Camp Program - labored felling trees, bucking the wood into fireplace-suitable lengths, and splitting the firewood. After the wood was readied for the community, it was delivered to a DSA facility on 6th Street, where DSA officials coordinated the pick-up and delivery of the wood to the program's participants.

Due to the large amounts of wood that were removed from the two sites, additional distribution locations were set up. Wood was delivered to the Pajarito Senior Citizen Meal Site, which serves economically disadvantaged seniors in the South Valley area. Even more wood was stacked at various locations along the bosque and made available to the general public on a first-come, first-served basis. In total about 120 cords of wood were delivered to the Department of Senior Affairs, about 35 cords were delivered to the Pajarito Meal Site, and another 130 cords were made freely available to the public. When these arrangements were made in the early fall, no one could have foreseen the near-Arctic temperatures that hit the Southwest this winter. When the temperatures plummeted, this source of heat became even more precious to those who so desperately needed it. "I think this program probably saved a couple of lives," said Larry Moya, who oversees the wood distribution at DSA. By Mr. Moya's estimates, 64 households benefited from the DSA's program. Of those 64 households, 15 of them heated their homes exclusively with burning wood.

The Open Space Division would like to thank the maintenance crews and the NM State Forestry Inmate Work Camp Program for all of their hard work preparing and delivering the wood. Since many of the recipients of the wood would have been unable to cut and split the wood on their own, their work was crucial. In addition, we would like to thank Larry Moya of the Department of Senior Affairs and Noelle at the Pajarito Meal Site for their efforts in actually getting the wood into the hands of those members of the community who needed it the most. We look forward to continuing these partnerships in the future, and continuing to serve the community of which we are all a part.



## The Visitor Center Gallery Presents....

**THROUGH APRIL 30th: "A Good Place to Stumble Upon" Traditional Haiku and Senryū, and "Intriguing Clouds" by Clancy Frances and Sharon Winget.**

These poems from the community embody Open Space. We received poems from well known poets, hobbyists, elementary students and volunteers. Each poem is an image which samples the unique attributes of a time and place. Lettered by calligrapher by calligrapher, Jay Lee Evans and decorated with water color, these poems are perfectly simple. On display March – April 30th. A very special thank you to GINA MARSELLE for her vision, passion, and tireless energy coordinating **A Good Place to Stumble Upon** and working to connect the people of Albuquerque to our vibrant poetry community.

Also on display in the Visitor Center reception area at this time: **"Intriguing Clouds"** by Clancy Frances and Sharon Winget.

**Clancy Frances** resurrected her interest in visual arts when she moved from the Midwest. Initially she focused on screen printing spacious mountain views and brilliant flowers. More recently she extended her vision to the incredible cloud formations and creates images of them with paper cut outs.

**Sharon Winget** pursues numerous crafts reflecting her love of creating objects showing the beauty of nature, such painted rocks and gourds. Her recent photographic endeavors capture the magnificent southwestern skylscapes and demonstrate her unique touch for capturing the beauty of the skies.

**MAY-JUNE 2011:  
"Urge to Wander,"  
Kirk Gittings:  
Photographs of  
New Mexico**

A dedicated photographer since 1970, Gittings has taught and written regularly about photography and become one of the most widely published and exhibited

architectural photographers in the Southwest. His commercial architectural photography has appeared on over 125 magazine covers and in 35 books, while his black and white art photography is represented in many museum, corporate and private collections in the US. Gittings has taught widely including UNM and the Art Institute of Chicago. The photographs featured in the gallery are a collection of black and white New Mexico landscapes.

"I have always found the greatest sense of presence in abandoned and unpopulated places. This feeling of 'presence' comes upon me even in places that have no obvious evidence of past or current occupation. It is a great irony to me that places which feel so desperately lonely are also where I feel the most alive."

**Where:** Open Space Visitor Center

**Contact:** Joshua Willis, jrwillis@cabq.gov

whiz pop spring up! pow  
mushrooms push out of the ground  
the Bosque is wet



*Haiku by Adrian B., a 5th grader at a local elementary school*



## APRIL 2011

**\*ONGOING: FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, 7:30 AM. *Guided Bosque Nature Walk*.** Registration is recommended one month in advance.

**Every Sunday, 9:00am -10:30am, Every Wednesday, 5:30-7:00pm. *Yoga with a View*.** Yoga with instructor Jenny Dominique. \$15.00 donation. A portion of the donation benefits the Open Space Alliance.

**\*April 2 - September 17. *Beekeeping Workshop Series with Les & Heather Crowder*.** See [www.fortheloveofbees.com](http://www.fortheloveofbees.com) for more details. Registration required.

**\*April 9, 10:00 AM. *Build a Backyard Wildlife Habitat*.** Landscape designer Wes Brittenham will give an indoor presentation on creating a wildlife habitat wherever you live in Albuquerque. FREE.

**April 16 & 17, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. *RECYCLED ART FAIR*.** Join 30 + Recycled Artists, three bands and our kids' creativity table leaders and learn about upcycling, re-use, repurposing and recycling at the 3rd Annual Recycled Art Fair!

**\*April 16th, 9:00 - 10:30am. *An Off-mat Yoga Survival Guide for Hikers*.** Join Instructor Jennifer Dominique for a gentle walk into the Bosque, and a unique yoga session using the environment as inspiration, and support.

**April 23, 1:30pm. *Rachel Carson: The Wonder of Nature*.** A New Mexico Humanities Council Chautauqua Series: Great Women in History, as Performed by Ann Beyke. FREE.

## MAY 2011

**\*ONGOING: FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, 7:30 AM. *Guided Bosque Nature Walk*.** See April listing.

**Every Sunday, 9:00am -10:30am, Every Wednesday, 5:30-7:00pm. *Yoga with a View*.** See April listing.

**\*ONGOING through September 17. *Beekeeping Workshop Series*.** See April listing.

**\*May 7, 10:00 AM and May 21, 10:00 AM. *Francisco Vazquez de Coronado Presentation and Ancient Pueblo Tour, presented by Matt Schmader, PhD*.** This program is part of the Department of Cultural Affairs New Mexico Heritage Preservation Month honoring El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro or The Royal Road to the Interior Lands.

**\*May 14, 10 am. *WILD FOR WEEDS!*** Plant Identification and Cooking Demonstration. FEE: \$25.00.

**\*May 29, 9:00 - 2:30. *Mineral Paints Workshop with Scott Sutton*.** Pre-registaration required. Limit of 10 people. FEE: \$20 per person.

## JUNE 2011

**\*ONGOING: FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, 7:30 AM. *Guided Bosque Nature Walk*.** See April listing.

**Every Sunday, 9:00am -10:30am, Every Wednesday, 5:30-7:00pm. *Yoga with a View*.** See April listing.

**\*ONGOING through September 17. *Beekeeping Workshop Series*.** See April listing.

**June 19th, 12:30 - 2:30. *Meet a Friendly Wolf with the Wanagi Wolf Fund* ([www.wanagi-wolf-fund.org](http://www.wanagi-wolf-fund.org)).**

**June 26 1-4 pm. *Pollinator Event*.** Annual event with honey tasting and beekeepers Q&A. Stay tuned for more details!

**\*This event requires pre-registration. Call 897-8831 or email [openspace@cabq.gov](mailto:openspace@cabq.gov) to register.**

*The Open Space Visitor Center is located at 6500 Coors Blvd NW between Montaño and Paseo del Norte at the end of Bosque Meadows Rd.*

## Open Space Summer Series

~By Bill Pentler

Tired of subzero weather, gas shortages and outages, and school closings? Let's talk about the 2011 Summer Series instead! I'm very excited with how the Series is shaping up so far. This year New Mexico Taiko will put on a sure to be impressive display of drumming; the Magic and Juggling Shop has stepped up to offer a teaching and juggling demonstration; Bob Meyers of the Rattlesnake Museum will inform us all about snakes and hopefully dispel many misconceptions. Plus, the Hongell-Darsees will be back with music and storytelling, as will Kevin Caffrey and Friends to play Bob Dylan tunes.

Bill Carter and his trio, "Carter Orr Higgins," are bringing us an offering of their original music, and Survivalist, Mike Bochnia will give us the basics on Tracking. I may have finally managed to get a line on an African dance group and possibly an amazing musician that plays a traditional African instrument with a history dating back 800 years. Keep your fingers crossed but don't hold your breath because the Summer Series is no place to be blue. I want you all to come and experience new wonders, old favorites, and information that will widen your perspective of the world around you.

Our Sunday Hikes will continue to explore the Open Space outlying properties with trips to the Gutierrez and Placitas properties but will also include trips to our new property the 66 acres on Hwy 66 (or the 66 for short) and the North Geologic Window in the Petroglyph National Monument. There will still be hikes in the Bosque and foothills, a demonstration on Survival by Mike Bochnia, an instruction of the Qigong Five Healing Sounds by Dug Corpolongo, potentially another Boulderizing session, and, of course, a Wildflower hike with Pearl Burns.

Check the full schedule on our website at [cabq.gov/openspace](http://cabq.gov/openspace) or feel free to contact Bill Pentler at 452-5222 or [wpentler@cabq.gov](mailto:wpentler@cabq.gov) if questions arise or you have suggestions of talks or performances for future Series. So come explore with us, expand your views and discover the joys of Open Space.

### Call for Volunteer Help!

Sandia Foothills Volunteers: Are you an early riser? Do you enjoy watching the sun rise over the Sandias and seeing wildlife? If you have some extra time on your hands in the mornings and you don't know what to do with it, we can help you! Volunteers are needed to assist our Park Attendant staff with opening the Elena Gallegos Picnic Area and the Sandia Foothills Trailheads. All of these facilities are open by 7:00AM.

Opening procedures take about 1 – 1.5 hours to complete. Rewards include beautiful sun rises, wildlife and our gratitude.

Call 452-5200 or email [jsattler@cabq.gov](mailto:jsattler@cabq.gov) for more information.





## Get Your Kicks On the New Route 66 Open Space

By Jim Sattler



The Open Space Division is pleased to announce the acquisition of 66 acres of land near the Four Hills area, right on old Route 66 at the mouth of Tijeras Canyon. The new land is called the Route 66 Open Space and is accessed from old Route 66 about ½ mile east from Four Hills Road.

Old time Albuquerque residents might remember this as the site of an old west theme park called Little Beaver Town, which operated from the late 1950's to the mid 1960's. The name was derived from Little Beaver, a character in the Red Ryder cartoon strip drawn by Fred Harman who wintered in Albuquerque.

Little is left of the theme park other than foundations and memories, but what makes this piece of land a prized addition to the Open Space system is a perennial stream flowing out of

Tijeras Canyon and a ribbon of cottonwood bosque. The Route 66 land also connects with the Manzano Four Hills Open Space to form 332 acres of contiguous Open Space.

On March 19 volunteers assisted Open Space staff with a cleanup of the property. This was one of the first steps in protecting the land as Open Space. At the moment there are no developed facilities, but visitors can park on the side of old Route 66 and hike into the property. Future projects will include additional signage, fencing, erosion control, trail development and a trailhead parking area. Like many Open Space areas, the Route 66 land will be open to the public for hiking, mountain biking, horse back riding, environmental education, and as a place to escape the city and return to nature.



*Photos courtesy of the City of Albuquerque Museum Photo Archives*

### SANDIA FOOTHILLS OPEN SPACE CLEANUP!

Join us for our annual Spring Clean-up in the Sandia Foothills from 9:00AM to 1:00PM. Tasks include trash clean-up, graffiti removal, and trail maintenance. Bring water, work gloves, and dress for the weather. Arrive early for snacks and registration. Call 452-5200 or email [kswanson@cabq.gov](mailto:kswanson@cabq.gov) for more information.

- April 2 – Copper Trailhead
- April 9 – Embudo Canyon (Indian School)
- April 16 – Menaul Picnic Area
- April 23 – Piedra Lisa Open Space (south of the east end of Candelaria)



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## Open Space Volunteer Update

~By Jodi Hedderig

Open Space Volunteer badges for current volunteers should be in your mailbox if not already on your lanyards!

Current volunteers are those who have completed the minimum program requirements in the previous year: 25 hours and two projects or trainings. All volunteers who began service in the previous year automatically receive a badge regardless of whether they satisfied the requirement or not.

If you did not receive a badge, and you are certain you contributed the minimum requirements, please forward your logsheets from 2010 to [jhedderig@cabq.gov](mailto:jhedderig@cabq.gov). Your records will be updated and a badge sent to you.



Thanks to the hard work of volunteer Jan Wilson, we are getting the glitches out of the volunteer databases; however, we are still getting feedback that our records are incorrect. There are several things that can go wrong on our end, but one detail of logsheets I'd like all volunteers to adopt is a consistent way of recording minutes.

There is a range of practices for recording the minutes of volunteer time. When we translate that on the Open Space record keeping side, total time contributed may vary between Open Space and the volunteer. Therefore, I would like all volunteers to practice recording volunteer minutes in quarters, rounding up to the next quarter.

For example, one hour and thirty-seven minutes of volunteer time will look like this on your logsheet: 1.75; and three hours and seventeen minutes will be recorded as 3.50. This gets you closer to the Mountain Pin and this helps us keep more accurate records.

If you like to fax your logsheet to me, please send it to 897-0572; however, I do recommend e-mail first, then post mail, using fax as a last resort to send in logsheets. Faxing, unfortunately, has consistently been a source for lost documents.

Thank you for your cooperation and your good work! Please don't hesitate to call or email me if you have any questions.

Happy Trails!

# NATIONAL RIVER CLEANUP 2011

**WHEN:** May 21st 2011 from 8:00am – 1:00pm

**WHERE:** The event hub is on the northeast side of the Central Avenue Bridge. Parking is available on the east side of the river across from Tingley Drive and at the BioPark. Parking spaces are limited, so please carpool!

Please pre-register with REI online at [www.rei.com/albuquerque](http://www.rei.com/albuquerque) or call 247-1191.

All volunteers are invited for a delicious donated meal and prize drawing at the east side of the Central Ave Bridge starting at 12:30pm. For more information about this or other volunteer opportunities in Open Space, please contact Jim Sattler or Kent Swanson at 452-5200 or email [kswanson@cabq.gov](mailto:kswanson@cabq.gov).



## RIVER CLEANUP ACTIVITIES:

- 1. Community Bosque cleanup at the Central Avenue Bridge:** Cleanup activities for all ages in the bosque along the Central Avenue Bridge including trash pickup and graffiti removal.
- 2. Organize your own Bosque Cleanup:** Have a favorite area of the bosque? Consider hosting a cleanup of your own! The Open Space Division will supply trash bags and dispose of the collected trash. Those wishing to organize a cleanup must contact the Open Space Division at 452-5200 or email [kswanson@cabq.gov](mailto:kswanson@cabq.gov).
- 3. Clean the River in a Guided Raft:** On the day of the event, Kirtland Outdoor Recreation will provide a limited number of guided rafts that help remove trash from the river starting from Montañito Bridge and finishing at Central. Rafts are on a first come first serve basis and space is limited. Arrive early at the Central Avenue Bridge to reserve a space on the rafts. Children 7 years and older may ride on the rafts, but children under 18 must have a parent/guardian (at least one parent per 4 children) with them.
- 4. Clean the river in your own boat:** People with their own rafts, kayaks, and canoes are encouraged to clean up the river on this day. You must provide your own transportation and shuttle for your boat. The Open Space Division will provide you with trash bags and will dispose of the collected trash. Call the Open Space Division at 452-5200 or email [kswanson@cabq.gov](mailto:kswanson@cabq.gov) for more information.
- 5. Quiet Waters Paddling Cleanup:** Quiet Waters Paddling Adventures (QWPA) are looking for 24-26 volunteers to help clean additional sections of the river (TBD). They are looking for people who are comfortable handling load-ed canoes on moving water. If you'd like to involve your family and children, the minimum age requirement for this event is six years-old, with adult supervision. Please contact Michael Hayes at QWPA for reservations and more details. 771-1234 in the ABQ metro area, out-of-area can call toll free at (877) 45-FLOAT (877-453-5628), or email to [mhayes@quietwaterspaddling.com](mailto:mhayes@quietwaterspaddling.com).

**A NOTE ABOUT BOATING SAFETY:** It is legal to float down the Rio Grande in kayaks, canoes, rafts and other non-motorized water craft. Home-made craft do not qualify as legal water craft. Volunteers who bring their own canoe, kayak or raft must also follow all New Mexico State Parks boating regulations. Please call State Parks at 1-888-NMPARKS or see [www.emnrd.state.nm.us](http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us) for more information.

**THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!** National River Cleanup is sponsored in part by the City of Albuquerque Open Space Division, American Rivers, the West Central Alliance of Neighborhoods (WeCAN), the Rotary Club of Albuquerque, Kirtland Air Force Base Outdoor Recreation, and the Open Space Alliance.



## Sweet as Honey

By James Lewis, Associate Planner and Open Space Beekeeper

This is going to “bee” one exciting year with honeybees. The Open Space beekeeping program officially starts this spring. This will be the first time in the City of Albuquerque’s history an official beekeeping program has been created. You really can’t ask for a better place to have it than Open Space.

By autumn, Open Space will have two certified beekeepers on staff. Though we are going through tough economic times we have found beekeeping is relatively inexpensive. Honeybees are wild creatures and if we let them do their job everyone benefits without much cost. We just have to ensure they stay healthy so they can keep doing their job!



Honeybee news stories have increased over the past years and we are just now starting to find out the truth behind “colony collapse disorder” or CCD. Although not completely proven or publically “released,” the evidence of the the negative effects of nicotine-based pesticides on honeybees is quickly stacking up. The loss of millions of colonies of bees throughout the world has, in a sense, awakened people to the importance of these creatures. This is one of many reasons Open Space has partnered with one of New Mexico’s foremost authorities on beekeeping, Les Crowder, to start our City program.

James Lewis and Jodi Hedderig of the Open Space Division will have the opportunity to participate in the seven classes that will be taught by Les at the Open Space Visitor Center. Les will be teaching and certifying approximately 20 people about natural top bar beekeeping. The classes will start in April and end by October. At the time of this printing there are roughly eight spots left. If you are interested in bees, beekeeping, and honey then you won’t want to pass up this incredible opportunity.

For more information visit either of the following websites: [www.fortheloveofbees.com/registration](http://www.fortheloveofbees.com/registration) or [www.cabq.gov/openspace/visitorcenter](http://www.cabq.gov/openspace/visitorcenter).

Our next segment of “Sweet as Honey” will discuss the progress of our newly set up hives and how the classes are progressing with Les. Stay tuned and before you know it, there may be honey to purchase from our very own bee hives. Open Space must also thank volunteer beekeepers Chantal Foster and Alex Sielicki for their continued support and generosity.

Visit the following website if you are interested in the Albuquerque beekeeping community:  
<http://abqbeeks.ning.com>

**Tip o’ the quarter:** Never swat at a bee. Rapid movements such as swatting signal the bee to attack and sting! Staying calm and relaxed is the best thing you can do if a bee is flying around you.

## NATIONAL TRAILS DAY 2011

Calling all hikers, mountain bikers, horseback riders, and all those who love the Great Outdoors! National Trails Day is just around the corner!

The Open Space Division, along with the National Forest Service, REI, other local organizations and businesses, are hosting this great family-friendly event on June 4th, 2011!

The theme for National Trails Day 2011, **Made With All Natural Ingredients**, encourages all Americans to get outside and connect with your community to experience, appreciate and celebrate the natural places where we can all enjoy wildlife, peace and quiet, and reap the benefits of happiness and health.



**WHEN:** June 4th, 2011  
starting at 8:00am until about 1:00pm.

**WHERE:** The Elena Gallegos Picnic Area/Albert G. Simms Park in Albuquerque. The Elena Gallegos Open Space is located east of Tramway at the end of Simms Park Rd., just north of Academy. Parking is limited so please carpool!

**REGISTRATION:** Registration starts in late-April through Recreational Equipment Inc (REI). Check [www.rei.com/albuquerque](http://www.rei.com/albuquerque) for online registration information or call 247-1191.

**ACTIVITIES:** There will be activities for all ages and fitness levels. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers will work on over 10 different conservation projects including trash cleanup, land restoration, trail maintenance, and new trail construction in the Sandia Mountains and Open Space trail systems.

**WHAT TO BRING:** A hat, water bottle, snacks, sunscreen, work gloves, and lots of enthusiasm! The Sandia Ranger District and Albuquerque Open Space will provide all tools and instructions. Please leave your pets at home!

**AFTER EVENT PICNIC AND PRIZES!** At the end of the event, we reward our volunteers with a free lunch and lots of prizes donated by our generous sponsors!

*Los Duendes, Unidos, Jamás Serán Vencidos!*

## OPEN SPACE RECYCLED ART FAIR!



What is the difference between upcycling, re-use, repurposing and recycling? And did you say ART?

Join us April 16th & 17th and find out more at the Third Annual Recycled Art Fair at the Open Space Visitor Center. We will have 30+ Recycled Artists, educational booths, kids' creativity centers, workshops on how to create your own recycled art, food and festivities as well as music from Bluegrass, Western and rousing tunes by the Heaters! This year we celebrate the Open Space Spring Foothills Clean-ups throughout April with a prize for most interest-

ing trash found. You have never had so much fun learning about sustainability! You can find an updated schedule at [www.cabq.gov/openspace](http://www.cabq.gov/openspace).

**WHEN:** April 16 & 17, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**WHERE:** Open Space Visitor Center | 6500 Coors Blvd NW between Montañño and Paseo del Norte at the end of Bosque Meadows Rd., 505-897-8831

## Get involved in the Open Space Alliance *today* and contribute to the future of YOUR Open Space!

Your generous contribution to the Open Space Alliance supports OSA's mission of enhancing our quality of life through: heightening public awareness of Open Space lands; building and strengthening partnerships with groups who share Open Space values; promoting conservation, acquisition, and stewardship of Open Space lands; strengthening volunteerism and community outreach programs, and providing financial support.

For information about our current activities, contact Steve Hamp, OSA Board President, at [shamp7@comcast.net](mailto:shamp7@comcast.net), or 247-2523.

**To join**, please fill out the information and return the form with your check or money order.

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\$1.00 weekdays / \$2.00 weekends

(505)897-8814

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