

LADERA RANCH

ROOTS AND WINGS

LADERA RANCH'S OFFICIAL COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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Membership Cards • LaderaLife Registration
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Common Area Maintenance • Facility Reservations

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To report a non-emergency concern regarding LARMAC property or amenity, a violation of community rules, or an issue with parking on private street areas patrolled by LARMAC, please call or text Titanium Security, 24/7.

FirstService Residential (949) 448-6000

Ladera Ranch is professionally managed by FirstService Residential, California.

Ladera Happenings

LaderaLife.com/newsletter to stay up-to-date with the latest events, announcements, and projects.

LaderaLife

If you have recently moved, check your LaderaLife account to ensure your home address, mobile number, and email address are current.

As a service to Ladera Ranch residents ("Participants"), LARCS makes available various service providers such as instructional and recreation class instructors, sports leagues, social events and others that may be added from time to time (collectively, the "Providers"), which agree to provide classes and other activities to Participants. However, neither LARCS, LARMAC, FirstService Residential CA, DMB Ladera, nor any of their directors or officers (collectively, the "Ladera Parties") recommend or endorse any of the Providers or any classes, activities, information, advice or services provided by such Providers (collectively, the "Products"). The Ladera Parties are not responsible for the accuracy, reliability or quality of any Product provided to Participants by or on behalf of any Provider. Any reliance upon any Products of a Provider shall be at the Participant's sole risk.

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Your attendance at LARCS and/or LARCS Partnership events constitutes your permission to LARCS and/or parties designated by LARCS to photograph you and your family members, including minor children, and to use such photographs in all forms of media and any and all promotional purposes including advertising, publicity, display, audiovisual, exhibition, commercial and editorial use. The term "photograph" as used herein, encompasses still photographs, audio recording and motion picture footage. LARCS reserves the right to reproduce and/or authorize reproduction and use of such photographs for use in all promotional markets. LARCS and any of its associates, affiliates, designated directors, officers, agents, and employees are not liable for any claims of civil violation of privacy as result of photographs taken at LARCS events.

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DISCOVER A
NEW EXPERIENCE



SUNDAY
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
FOUNDERS PARK

LaderaLife.com/FarmersMarket



Goodbye summer. Hello fall!

We are pleased to announce that our joint efforts to enhance community safety this summer were successful. Over the past ten months leading up to this year's July 4th Celebration, LARCS and LARMAC collaborated closely with Fifth District Supervisor for the County of Orange, Supervisor Katrina Foley, the California Highway Patrol (CHP), the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD), Titanium Security, and our event security vendor to ensure a safe and enjoyable celebration for everyone.

Your participation in embracing the See Something, Say Something initiative has been crucial in keeping our community safe. Your phone calls to report issues to CHP and OCSD ensure that resources and staffing are allocated to Ladera Ranch. Thank you for your vigilance.

The Business of Operating Ladera

As we transition from summer to fall, this issue of Roots and Wings Magazine highlights significant aspects of how LARMAC and LARCS manage and uphold Ladera Ranch as a premier master-planned community. We hope you'll enjoy learning more about the place you call home.

LARMAC Annual Election

LARMAC will conduct its annual election in November, with three seats open on the master homeowner association Board. Serving on the Board is an excellent opportunity to contribute to your community, make a positive impact, and shape the future of this community. Interested? See page 19 or contact LARMAC at contact.larmac@laderalife.com for more details.

Fall Events

Mark your calendars for the Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 19. Enjoy family activities, carnival games, crafts, food trucks, and more. Visit the Homemade Craft Fair to discover unique gifts while supporting local small businesses. If you enjoy decorating for Halloween, don't miss the Halloween Decorating Contest for a chance to win and showcase your creativity! Visit LaderaLife.com/Events for more information.

We hope that you enjoy the season and all that fall brings.



Chase Fitzpatrick
CHASE FITZPATRICK
President
Ladera Ranch
Maintenance
Corporation (LARMAC)



Jay Rogers
JAY ROGERS
President
Ladera Ranch
Community
Services (LARCS)

Year-in-Review LARCS PHOTO Contest

LARCS presents a contest to capture families, friends, and neighbors enjoying our community. Photos will be included in the year-end issue of Roots and Wings.

Who can enter?

Any resident over 16 years old

Deadline

September 27 by 5:00 p.m.

Legal

You must own all rights to submitted photos

Categories



SPLASH Enjoying the pools, splash pads, slip-n-slide, water balloons, and anything with water.



PLAY Fun at the parks, playground, neighborhood, and out-and-about in the community.



CONNECT The best part of life is the people we share ours with. Share a pic of you and your bestie, sibling, or someone special who brings out your best.

Enter at
LaderaLife.com/YearInReviewPhotoContest



LaderaLife.com/YearInReviewPhotoContest





Stephanie Jebbia
LARMAC Assistant General Manager

Works with OCFA and landscape vendors; oversees community standards and member services teams.



Ashley Blair
LARCS Community Lifestyle Director

Responsible for events, recreation programs, LaderaLife.com, and resident communication.



Ken Gibson
LARMAC General Manager

Oversight of Ladera's entire maintenance and lifestyle operations



Community Management

Ladera Ranch's trusted community management partner since the beginning

FirstService Residential has proudly partnered with Ladera Ranch for 25 years, offering essential guidance, resources, and daily support to ensure the smooth operation and maintenance of the community.

FirstService Residential provides a 40-person team for LARMAC, the master homeowners association. This team includes member services, standards compliance, sports and recreation, janitorial, and maintenance personnel. Additionally, a 5-person lifestyle department manages community events, LaderaLife.com, resident communication, recreation programs, and various outreach and volunteer initiatives.

Beyond Ladera Ranch, FirstService Residential oversees associations for Rancho Santa Margarita, Rancho Mission Viejo, The Great Park, and other large-scale communities. The experience of managing established and new, developing communities provides the expertise, resources, and intelligence that delivers value and trust.

Ken Gibson, LARMAC General Manager, states, "Our mission is to deliver exceptional service and solutions that enhance the value of every property and the lifestyle of every resident."



PARTNERS IN *Landscape Management*

Maintaining the Diverse Landscape of Ladera Ranch

Ladera Ranch Maintenance Corporation (LARMAC), as the master homeowner association, is tasked with a wide range of responsibilities, including the management and upkeep of parks, sports fields, open spaces, trails, and key environmental areas such as the Sienna Botanica riverine system and the Horno and Arroyo Basins. LARMAC also manages landscaping in Special Benefit Areas, which feature unique elements like pocket parks, slopes, front yard maintenance, and trails.

The scale of LARMAC's landscape management is impressive, covering over 70 acres of parks and sports fields, 17 miles of trails, 300 pocket parks, 18 Special Benefit Areas, 20 acres of neighborhood parks, more than 300 irrigation controllers, 600 miles of irrigation pipe, and over 38,000 trees.

Despite the vast scope of these responsibilities, LARMAC consistently aims to deliver high-quality landscape maintenance across Ladera Ranch. According to Ken Gibson, LARMAC General Manager, many large-scale communities and cities that visit Ladera Ranch are often surprised by the extensive planning, resources, and effort required to maintain such a large and complex landscape operation.

A comparison with the City of Mission Viejo, which was named the most tree-friendly city in Orange County in 2019, highlights the significance of Ladera Ranch's landscape. Although Ladera Ranch wasn't included in the study due to its status as an unincorporated area, the comparison reveals that Ladera Ranch has 133 trees per 100 residents, compared to Mission Viejo's 47 trees per 100 residents. This stark difference underscores the enormity of Ladera's urban forest and the challenges involved in its management.

LARMAC also faces additional challenges, such as working closely with the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) to meet defensible space requirements and managing approximately 78 acres of fuel modification zones. Stephanie Jebbia, LARMAC Assistant General Manager, collaborates with OCFA and LARMAC vendors to ensure compliance with these evolving requirements, regularly updating the community on progress through management reports on LaderaLife.com.



Invasive Shot Hole Borer Beetle Threatens Tree Health

LARMAC collaborates with the University of California Cooperative to save trees throughout Ladera Ranch.



Pest management is another aspect of landscape maintenance, particularly with respect to Ladera's tree population. Over the years, LARMAC has partnered with arborist experts to address various pest issues,

COMPLEXITIES IN LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT



Reclaimed Water

Highly treated water contains higher levels of salts, which negatively impacts plant health and longevity.

Clay Soils

Clay soil doesn't drain well and easily compacts, limiting drainage and the ability of roots to grow.



Accessibility

Many slopes in Ladera are nestled in between homes and along major streets, which makes them hard to access. This impacts acacia removal and slope renovation projects which can require road closures.

Other Pests

Currently, there is a Leafhopper infestation of the California Pepper trees throughout the community. If left untreated, this pest can decimate a tree population very quickly.



Agencies

Working with multiple agencies, each with its own priorities and regulatory frameworks, adds another layer of complexity - OCFA, OC Vector Control, County of Orange, CUSD, and SMWD.

Schedules

Coordinating maintenance schedules, projects, and closures and trying to minimize the impact on schools, sports organizations, and resident use of facilities (e.g. dog park, clubhouses, etc.)

including a recent shot-hole borer infestation that has already led to the loss of over 250 trees, which were removed as part of a grant program with OCFA, resulting in a savings of \$200,000 to LARMAC. Currently, more than 800 trees are being monitored by experts from UC Cooperative Extension (UCCE).

Landscape and tree maintenance account for approximately 38% of LARMAC's annual operating budget, and when the cost of irrigation water is included, this figure rises to nearly 50%.

The landscape of Ladera Ranch is its greatest asset, and the time and effort dedicated to its maintenance reflect the high standards that define this master-planned community. It's not perfect, but residents can take pride in knowing that LARMAC, along with the FirstService Residential management team, staff, and experts, remains committed to upholding Ladera Ranch's reputation as an exceptional place to call home.



Management Reports

Stephanie Jebbia from LARMAC provides updates on landscape and other maintenance projects in the management reports at each LARMAC Open Session Board meeting. You may view these reports on Laderalife.com/YourHOAatWork.



Fuel Modification



Lott Steffey, Mosaic Consulting

"Managing defensible spaces and Fuel modification is an ongoing effort that requires constant communication and management of vendors," says Lott Steffey, Principal, Mosaic Consulting.

Mosaic Consulting team members serve as landscape subject matter experts who consult, guide and support LARMAC in a wide variety of projects - from tree, landscape, soil, pest, irrigation, field management to renovating outdoor, open spaces.

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Acacia Removal in Ladera Ranch



300

POCKET PARKS AND 20 ACRES OF NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS



17+

MILES OF WALKING, HIKING, BIKING AND RUNNING TRAILS



70+

ACRES OF PARKS AND SPORTS FIELDS



600

MILES OF IRRIGATION PIPE RUNS THROUGHOUT LADERA RANCH (EQUIVALENT TO THE LINEAR LENGTH OF LADERA TO DENVER)



1,600

MILES OF IRRIGATION WIRE CONNECT THE EQUIPMENT AND DEVICES (EQUIVALENT TO THE LENGTH OF LADERA TO NEW ORLEANS)

OPERATION LADERA: LANDSCAPE

IT TAKES A Network OF EXPERTS

Managing Ladera's landscape is no easy feat. It's constant. LARMAC works with multiple vendors to manage schedules, budgets, and more.

The balancing act of staying on top of landscape maintenance health, trim and mow schedules, deploying hundreds of workers each day, addressing maintenance requests as they come in requires the expertise of a community management company with the resources and staff to coordinate the work and manage the landscape operations.

Here is a network of expert vendors that LARMAC enlists to help maintain and enhance the beauty of Ladera Ranch.



Landscape Committee reviews and discusses potential future projects, projects in progress, and maintenance challenges. These Board liaisons attend monthly meetings and report back to the LARMAC Board of Directors.



Mosaic Consulting are the experts who directly manage landscape contractors and work closely with LARMAC management and the Board of Directors. The Mosaic team provide oversight, strategic asset planning, tree assessments, irrigation system evaluations, water management, in addition to horticulture and landscape training.



O'Connell Landscape

is responsible for supplying all necessary personnel, supervision, management, vehicles, equipment, tools, materials, and expertise to fulfill the contractual obligations.



JES

JES Engineering is a general engineering contractor specializing in hardscape, drainage, v-ditch repairs, and grading. They frequently work alongside geotechnical engineers and engineering geologists.



Animal Pest Management Services, Inc. is responsible for servicing over 800 landscaped, weeded and irrigated acres in Ladera Ranch for pests such as rodents, gophers, bees, general insects, etc. By using an integrated pest management approach, APM can more effectively manage pest problems in the community.



Diamonds Sports Field Services, Inc. has prepared 20,000 fields for baseball, softball, and flag football field since 2005. This involves both daily maintenance and weekly striping. Additionally, they assist with field striping needs for our community events put on by LARCS.

ARBOR ESSENCE

Arbor Essence provides arborist consultants who perform quarterly monitoring of valued specimen Coast Live Oak Trees.



LANDSCAPE FACTS

OVER
**38,000
TREES**

IN LADERA RANCH – EXCLUDES
THOSE ON HOMEOWNERS'
PRIVATE YARDS.

**TWICE
AS MANY
TREES**

AS CENTRAL PARK IN NYC
WHICH HAS A SIMILAR SIZE
FOOTPRINT OF LANDSCAPING

76
SPECIES OF
TREES

LARMAC MAINTAINS
**800
ACRES**
OF LANDSCAPE

MAINTAINS
**78
ACRES**
OF FUEL MODIFICATION ZONES
PER OCFA REQUIREMENTS

**2
MILLION**
GALLONS OF WATER OF DAILY
USE (AVERAGE PER DAY)

citygreen
URBAN LANDSCAPE SOLUTIONS

City Green is a small landscape contractor focused on projects such as interior trail renovations and landscape enhancements.



BOULDER EARTHWORK INC

Boulder Earthwork, Inc. is a local earthwork and paving contractor focused on drainage, weed abatement/vegetation removal, excavation, perimeter trail maintenance, basin maintenance, and fencing projects.

WENDT

Wendt Landscape Services is a local landscape contractor primarily focused on acacia removal projects in Ladera Ranch.

RPW

RPW Services, Inc. specializes in plant health care treatments and pest and disease control.

**PLANT
PULSE
DIAGNOSTICS**

Plant Pulse Diagnostics, LLC. are plant pathology consultants that provide onsite evaluations and diagnostic services for plant diseases and disorders, as well as ongoing soil and water quality analysis.

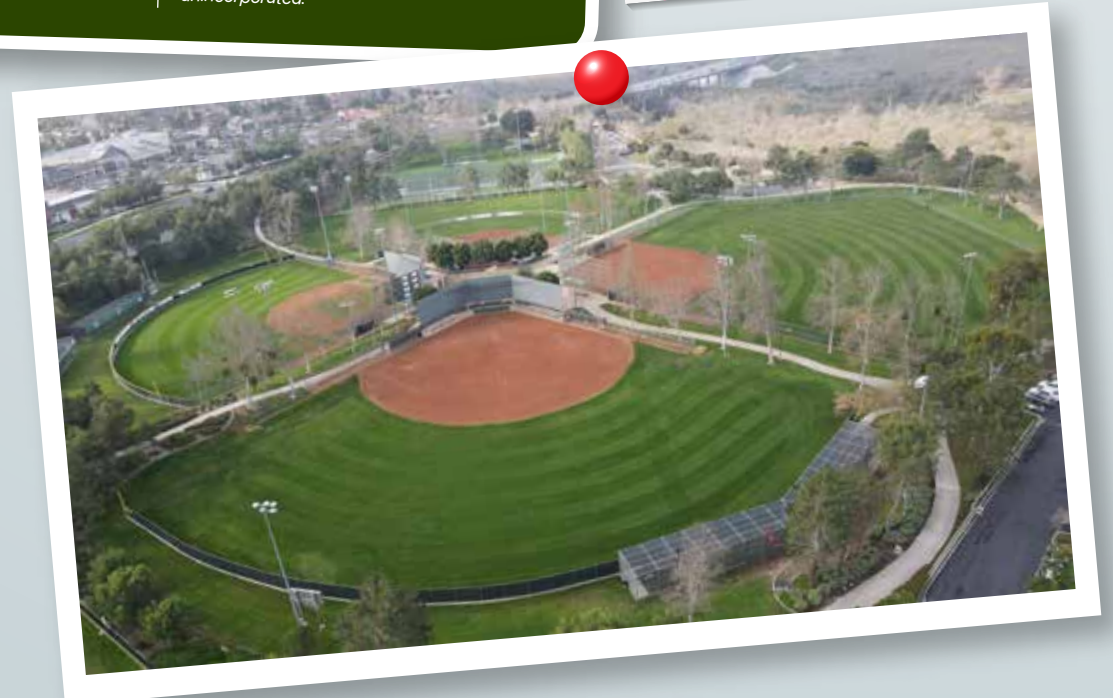
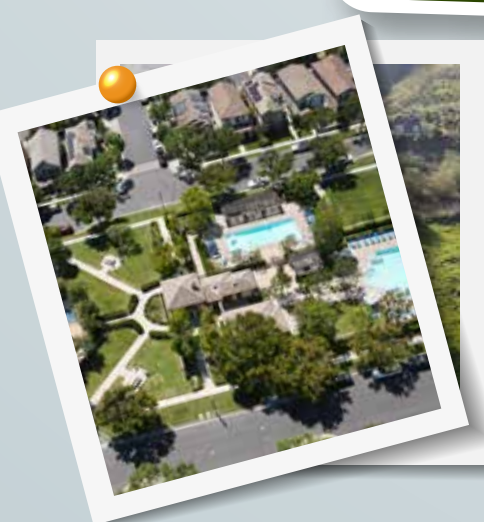
**DID YOU
KNOW**

Ladera Ranch has
133 TREES
per **100**
RESIDENTS



Mission Viejo has **47:100**

A 2019 study named the City of Mission Viejo the most tree-friendly of 30 Orange County cities. Ladera Ranch did not qualify since it is unincorporated.



Harvest Festival

Saturday, October 19
12:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Founders Park

Enjoy a lively afternoon filled with music, games, activities, photo ops, costume contests, crafts, recreation program demonstrations, a handmade craft fair, delicious food trucks, and so much more!

Don't miss the Kids Imagine Nation Halloween show at 1:30 p.m. where everyone can sing along and participate in an interactive spooky story.



\$10



**CHILDREN ACTIVITY
WRISTBANDS \$10**

Purchase early and save!

Wristbands are available on LaderaLife beginning Tuesday, October 1, through 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 16. Wristbands will be available at the event for \$18. Activity lines will close at 3:30 p.m.

Visit [LaderaLife.com/Events](https://www.laderalife.com/events)





COSTUME CONTEST

Enter the annual Costume Contest to win prizes and bragging rights. Registration opens at noon, with judging at 2:00 p.m. Categories include Best Kid 0-6 years old, Best Kid 7-12 years old, and Best Group.



HANDMADE CRAFT FAIR

It's an ideal time to start your holiday shopping and find a unique gift for your family and friends.

Showcase and sell your unique handcrafted items during the festival. For more information and to be considered, email contact.larcs@laderalife.com.

Fall

EVENTS
2024



OCTOBER 17 - 29

HALLOWEEN HOME DECORATING CONTEST

Entry Deadline: Wednesday, October 16

It's the time of year that Ladera transforms into a ghoulishly spooktacular place with cobwebs, cauldrons, and carcasses in your front yard. Unleash your bone-chilling creativity and imagination for the Halloween Decorating Contest!

Watch for the Ladera Happenings newsletter for details on prizes and the interactive map that will guide your neighbors to visit decorated homes.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

LADERA PRIDE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

3:00 – 6:00 p.m. | Town Green

Come join the vibrant community celebration, offering a safe and welcoming space for LGBTQ+ members, allies, and friends to gather and have a blast! Enjoy games, entertainment, delicious food, and plenty of hugs. This is a LARCS Partnership with the Ladera Pride Club in collaboration with the Wellness and Prevention Center. Let's celebrate together!



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | Town Green

Join us for a heartwarming family event to honor our local veterans and their families and to express our heartfelt thanks for their service. Organized by Lion's Heart Group 2025, this celebration is a wonderful way to come together as a community and show our gratitude!

TEEN MOVIE NIGHT & HAUNTED MAZE



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

7:00 – 10:00 p.m. | Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse
Grades 6 – 12 | \$7 per teen



Get ready for Ladera's most thrilling teen event of the year - brought to you by the LARCS Teen Leadership Council!

Registered teen residents will navigate a spine-chilling haunted maze, watch Hocus Pocus, snap fun photos at the photo booth, and indulge in the Nacho Bar and Candy Buffet. Bring your low-back chair or blanket for a comfy movie experience. This is one event you won't want to miss.

Visit LaderaLife.com/events

TEEN SCHOLARSHIPS



Congratulations to the 2024 LARCS Teen Scholarship and Saddleback College Scholarship Award recipients. This LARCS program recognizes the efforts of outstanding Ladera students who will grow up to be our future leaders.

TEEN SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



Nathan Bensadoun
University of Utah



Emma Gibson
Colorado State University



Trenton Bradley
University of Georgia



Jackson Tiengtum
University of California, Santa Barbara



Cassie Nero
Nursing School
Saddleback College





The new modem from Cox is available for a monthly rental fee

Ladera, Your Internet Just Got (Much) **FASTER**

LARMAC Increases Internet Service Speed to 2 Gig for Residents

LARMAC has renewed its contract with Cox to provide Ladera residents with faster 2 Gbps internet service. To get the fastest speeds available, residents need a modem capable of 2 gigs.

The new Beyond Fast service includes:

- Up to **2 Gbps** download speeds
- Up to **100 Mbps** symmetrical upload speeds
- **1.25 TB** monthly data

This plan, Beyond Fast, seamlessly powers multiple video conferences, multi-player 4K/8K streams, virtual reality, and more across all your devices. It is subject to Cox's terms and conditions.

LARMAC President, Chase Fitzpatrick said, "With our residents increasingly working remotely from home, the proliferation of ubiquitous services such as video conferencing, video home security systems, video gaming, and other streaming services, our internet service became an increasingly important issue over the past four years. It was time to take a comprehensive look at our internet service partnership, which we did. We also considered feedback that residents shared through multiple community-wide surveys."

To view a list of 2 Gig compatible modems visit LaderaLife.com/Cox.

Customers may visit a Cox retail location or contact Cox at (855) 512-8876 to rent a compatible modem or inquire about the compatibility of the existing modem they rent from Cox.



Cox held five Modem Upgrade Events in Ladera Ranch



Keeping Ladera Connected Since the Beginning

Through all seasons of life, Cox keeps Ladera Ranch connected with more than just robust, fast, and reliable internet service with our fiber network. We also offer:

- Home Automation and Security: Our app allows you to manage smart thermostats, lighting, and security cameras, which can give you peace of mind when you're not home.
- Parental Controls: Cox prioritizes child safety. Parental controls allow parents to monitor and control their children's internet usage, set screen time limits, and limit access to websites.

- Tech Support: The Cox app enables you to troubleshoot issues while Cox is ready to provide customer support services for any technical issues or questions about your service.
- Streaming Services: Cox service bundles, with streaming services like Netflix or Hulu, allow customers to access a wide array of entertainment content.

Cox has remained a reliable community partner in Ladera Ranch for almost 25 years. We're committed to creating meaningful moments of human connection through technology.



Opt-in for a Chance to Win a \$500 Amazon Gift Card

RECEIVE OFFICIAL NOTICES BY EMAIL



Enhance your HOA experience by opting in for email-only correspondence. Enjoy convenience and security, reduce paper waste, and minimize your environmental impact.

1

Login to the resident portal

Visit the resident portal at portal.connectresident.com and enter your login credentials. New user? Select "Create Account" and follow the prompts using your property address as it appears on your welcome letter.

2

Access your account settings

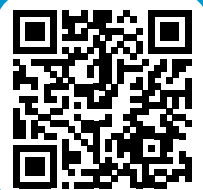
Once logged in, navigate to "My Account" by clicking the menu on the top left.

3

Opt-in for email delivery

Navigate to "My Communications Preferences," ensure your email is properly entered, select all checkboxes under "Email," and unselect all checkboxes under "Letter."

OPT IN TODAY



The contest ends September 30.

Support Ladera's Marine Battalion 1ST LAR

Ladera Ranch Community Services (LARCS) adopted 1ST Light Armored Reconnaissance (1ST LAR Battalion), a Marine Battalion from Camp Pendleton.

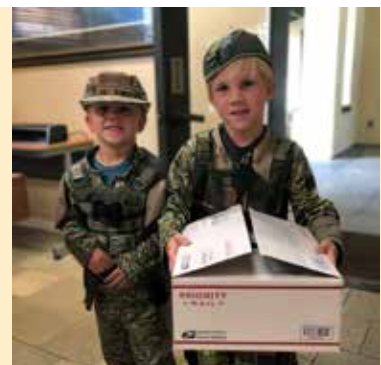
Working with residents and community partners year-round we host collection drives and give much-needed items to the brave men and women serving our country.

Collection Drives

Snacks: chips, salsa, nuts, cookies, beef jerky, non-melting candy, and trail mix. Lip balm and shaving cream.

Newlywed Shower

New or gently used household items, such as small appliances, dishes, utensils, pots, and pans.



Baby Shower

Diapers, shampoo, lotion, wipes, new clothes, towels, hats, blankets, pacifiers and nursery furniture.

To donate to any of these collections, or inquire about additional opportunities, please email LARCS at contact.larcs@laderalife.com.

RECREATION PROGRAMS

EARLY CHILDHOOD



MUSIC TOGETHER

Register at svmusictogether.net

Age 0 - 4

Music Together is the gold standard in early childhood music and movement. Families participate in songs, rhythmic activities, movement, and instrumental jam sessions. We create a fun, informal, musically rich social setting that supports the different learning styles of children and adults.

Mon / Sep 2 / 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. / \$20 Demo Class / Flintridge
Mon / Sep 2 / 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. / \$20 Demo Class / Flintridge
Thu / Sep 5 / 9:15 - 10:00 a.m. / \$20 Demo Class / Flintridge
Mon / Sep 9 - Nov 11 / 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. / \$235 / Flintridge
Mon / Sep 9 - Nov 11 / 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. / \$235 / Flintridge
Mon / Sep 9 - Nov 11 / 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. / \$235 / Flintridge
Thu / Sep 12 - Nov 14 / 9:15 - 10:00 a.m. / \$235 / Flintridge



MAGIC STEPS MUSIC

Register at magicstepsmusic.com

Age 0 - 5

Magic Steps Music, formerly Ladybug Music OC, is a hip-shaking, head-bopping interactive music class for infants, preschoolers, and toddlers! The program is designed to be fun, teach your child basic music skills, and help with early childhood development.

Tue / Sep 17 / 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. / \$35 Demo Class / Chaparral Park
Tue / Sep 17 / 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. / \$35 Demo Class / Oak Knoll
Wed / Sep 18 / 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. / \$35 Demo Class / Chaparral Park
Tue / Sep 17 - Nov 19 / 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. / \$325 / Chaparral Park
Tue / Sep 17 - Nov 19 / 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. / \$325 / Oak Knoll
Wed / Sep 18 - Nov 20 / 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. / \$325 / Chaparral Park

ENRICHMENT



MANNERS, CHARACTER, AND SOCIAL SKILLS

Register at theetiquettefactory.com/msjenn

Age 5 - 10

This unique learning experience helps children understand why integrity, respect, empathy, and charity help our lives personally and professionally. Over 50 different etiquette skills are taught using games, role play, and activities. A one-time supply fee of \$20. No class 9/24.

Tue / Sep 3 - Oct 15 / 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. / \$145 / Avendale



RHYTHM KIDS

Register at svmusictogether.net

Age 4 - 6

Children have fun making music with their friends - drumming, singing, moving, and playing to rhythms inspired by musical traditions worldwide. Students learn to compose and conduct as they play various musical instruments and use their voices and bodies. Children will develop the facility, repertoire, and creativity to be confident music students. Excellent as a stand-alone music class or as a companion to private lessons.

Mon / Sep 9 - Oct 21 / 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. / \$185 / Flintridge

SPORTS AND FITNESS



SKYHAWKS SOCCERTOTS

Register at skyhawks.com

Age 2 - 5

This soccer-themed motor skill class is very easy for youngsters to get into. Younger age groups focus on developing motor skills and self-confidence; older classes focus more on developing core soccer skills and personal focus and introduce an element of light competition. The instructor-to-student ratio is kept small to maximize individual development; above all else, we promote fun! Parent participation is required for ages 2-3.5 years. No class 11/27.

Wed / Sep 18 - Oct 16 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5
Wed / Sep 18 - Oct 16 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5
Wed / Sep 18 - Oct 16 / 5:40 - 6:20 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5
Wed / Nov 6 - Dec 11 / 3:30 - 4:10 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5
Wed / Nov 6 - Dec 11 / 4:20 - 5:00 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5

SKYHAWKS MULTI-SPORTSTOTS

Register at skyhawks.com

Age 2 - 5

Introduce your little superstar to sports in our most popular program! This soccer and baseball class uses age-appropriate games and activities to explore balance, hand/eye coordination, fitness, sports skills, and child development. Parent participation is required for ages 2-3.5 years. No class 11/29

Fri / Sep 13 - Oct 18 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5
Fri / Sep 13 - Oct 18 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5
Fri / Sep 13 - Oct 18 / 5:40 - 6:20 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5
Fri / Nov 1 - Dec 13 / 3:30 - 4:10 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5
Fri / Nov 1 - Dec 13 / 4:20 - 5:00 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5

RECREATION PROGRAMS



LADERA RANCH TENNIS – JUNIORS PROGRAM

Register at laderaranchtennis.com

Age 10 - 16

Ladera Ranch offers a top-quality tennis program that has trained students in firm foundations and excellent technique, instilling the skills to break into competitive tennis. There is an unwavering commitment to helping students reach their highest tennis potential and have fun. Beginner, adult, and live ball clinics are available weekly.

Red /Orange Ball / M-Th / 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. / Covenant Hills / Age 5-10
 Green /Yellow Ball / M – Th / 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. / Covenant Hills / 11-15
 Yellow Ball+ / M – Th / 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. / Covenant Hills / Coach Approved

Program Pricing Red/Orange	Program Pricing Green/Yellow/Yellow+
1 Day per week \$240	2 days per week \$540
2 days per week \$420	3 days per week \$720
3 days per week \$540	4 days per week \$840
4 days per week \$720	Drop-in: \$50 per class
Drop-in: \$45 per class	



STROLLER STRIDES

Register at laderaranch.fit4mom.com

Age 18+

FIT4MOM is the nation's leading prenatal and postnatal fitness program, providing fitness classes and a network of moms to support every stage of motherhood. From pregnancy through postpartum and beyond, our fitness and wellness programs help make moms strong in body, mind, and spirit—unlimited monthly classes.

Mon – Fri / ongoing / 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. / \$79 month / Cox Sports Park



YOGA IN THE PARK

Register at tanyasimpleyoga@gmail.com

Age 5+

Outdoor yoga class designed for all levels. Led by certified yoga instructor Tanya, each session focuses on harmonizing the body and mind through various poses and breathing techniques. No prior experience is needed! Just bring your mat and a good mood.

Wed / Sep 4 – Nov 27 / 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. / \$120 / \$15 drop-in / Boreal Park

AQUATICS



EVOLUTION RACING CLUB

Register at evolutionracingclub.com

Age 5+

Evolution Racing Club is a competitive swim club offering year-round and seasonal swim team options at the Avendale Clubhouse. Please visit their website for program information, schedule, and pricing.

EVOLUTION RACING CLUB FALL SWIM TEAM

August 19 - November 7

Age 5+

Twelve-week, seasonal swim program. This program meets Monday–Thursday and swimmers may attend up to four days a week. Prerequisite – Swimmer must have a working knowledge of freestyle & backstroke. Great for: Swim team experience, future competitive swimmers, overall fitness.

2024 EVOLUTION RACING CLUB YEAR-ROUND TEAM

Year-round

Age 5+

Our year-round swim team trains and competes year-round. We offer a one-week free trial for any and all swimmers to see if they are ready for team. Prerequisite - Swimmers must have working knowledge of all four swim strokes. There are no limits, EVO finds the perfect swim group for every swimmer.

DANCING



LINE DANCING WITH LAUREN

Register at linedancingwithlauren.com

Age 16+

Line dancing is an excellent exercise for your brain and body, and it's so much fun! We dance to pop, rock, R&B, country, and more. Beginners learn basic steps and popular dances. Intermediate students learn more complex steps and more challenging dances.

Beginners

Sun / Sep 8 – Oct 13 / 6:30 – 7:25 p.m. / \$93 / \$20 drop-in / Oak Knoll
 Sun / Oct 20 – Dec 15 / 6:30 – 7:25 p.m. / \$93 / \$20 drop-in / Oak Knoll

Intermediate

Sun / Sep 8 – Oct 13 / 7:35 – 8:30 p.m. / \$93 / \$20 drop-in / Oak Knoll
 Sun / Oct 20 – Dec 15 / 7:35 – 8:30 p.m. / \$93 / \$20 drop-in / Oak Knoll



2024 Volunteer Service Award Recipients

Ladera Ranch Community Services and Ladera Ranch Maintenance Corporation hosted the annual volunteer appreciation event at the Terramor Aquatic Park, where the 2024 volunteer service award recipients were named. Volunteers had the opportunity to enjoy a day at the water park with their families. Learn more at LaderaLife.com/2024VolunteerAwardRecipients.



Armando Rutledge
Spirit of Community Services



Diana and Chris Weber
Family Volunteers of the Year



Heather Redd
Neighborhood Representative of the Year



Anur Narayan
Teen Volunteer of the Year



Steven Bova
Ranch Hand Volunteer of the Year



Kim Diaz
Adult Volunteer of the Year



Ladera Pride Club
Community Group of the Year

Volunteering Builds Community

The Ranch Hands is a volunteer organization comprised of Ladera Ranch residents who give their time in various ways to the community.

To volunteer at an upcoming event email us at contact.larcs@laderalife.com.



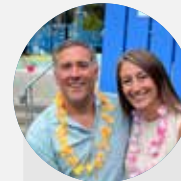
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Amy Griffin
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Heather Redd
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Tom De Bellis
10 years



Kelly Hallbeck
10 years



Mark Hallbeck
10 years



Feeroozah Rangrazha
10 years



Kathryn Ririe
10 years



Bohdanna Witiuk
20 years



Heidi Anne Duerr
21 years



Call for Candidates: LARMAC Board of Directors

Thriving communities are built on the active participation of their residents. LARMAC welcomes you to help Ladera Ranch remain a premier master-planned community with strong property values through hands-on leadership. As a LARMAC director, you will shape the future of our community.

Consider running for the Ladera Ranch Maintenance Corporation (LARMAC) Board of Directors. There are three open seats on the master association board. Visit LaderaLife.com/LARMAcelection



2024 LARMAC Election Dates

- September 6** Close of Nominations
- September 19** Meet the Candidates Night
- November 1** Close of Balloting
- November 6** Annual Meeting and Election

Bringing Passion and Dedication to Community Service

Joya Celik and **Anne Marie Yuhas** ran in the Ladera Ranch Community Services (LARCS) Board election earlier this year. Each enthusiastically campaigned for one seat and the opportunity to serve their community on Ladera's lifestyle division governing Board.

During the Meet the Candidates night at Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse, it was refreshing to see two intelligent candidates engage respectfully, have fun while being themselves, and passionately convey their vision to foster a strong sense of community, which is LARCS' mission.

Anne Marie and her husband, Jim, moved to Ladera Ranch in 2003 as many neighborhoods were being built. Eventually, their jobs took them out of state, so they rented their home and were happy to return to Ladera in 2020. Their years away from Ladera gave them a greater appreciation for the lifestyle here.

Joya Celik has served on the board as a non-voting member for the past four years. She has witnessed the positive impact that community engagement can have on shaping the quality of life in Ladera Ranch. Joya has also served on the LARCS Technology Advisory Committee, as a Neighborhood Representative, and as the PTA President for Ladera Ranch Elementary.

On June 5, Joya was elected to the LARCS Board of Directors as a voting officer. Later that month, Anne Marie was appointed by the Board of Directors as the second non-voting officer.

Joya says that in her role, she will strive to foster unity, promote transparency, and encourage open dialogue between residents and the board. "I believe in the power of collaboration and actively seek

input from residents to make informed decisions that reflect the collective interests of our community," she said.

Ashley Blair, LARCS Community Services Director notes, "The community, as well as the LARCS Board, was impressed with these remarkable women's caliber and dedication to serving our community. Ladera Ranch is comprised of many talented individuals and families. When we come together with a positive aim to make our community the best it can be, great things happen."



Joya Celik and Anne Marie Yuhas



Ladera Ranch Community Services

Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse
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Ladera Ranch, CA 92694

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Year-in-Review PHOTO Contest

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Helping Ladera Businesses Thrive



By C. Todd Stearns, President
Ladera Rancho Chamber of Commerce

The Ladera Rancho Chamber of Commerce helps Ladera businesses thrive. Chamber President, Todd Stearns notes, "Our residents are the reason our business community continues to thrive and grow. It's that support and patronage that Ladera Ranch has seen the interest from prospective businesses. It's exciting to see an almost 100% occupancy of our business centers."

The Chamber hosts a morning business networking event on the third Thursday for small businesses that want to collaborate and expand their connections.

"Thank you for keeping your spending local and visiting our businesses weekly," Stearns says.

Visit laderaranchochamber.org



Working for a Better Community



By J Ocana
Chair, Ladera Ranch Civic Council

The Civic Council works with elected county leaders like Supervisor Katrina Foley and Sheriff Don Barnes to promote the social welfare of our residents, addressing issues that impact our community.

John Gresko, LRCC Vice Chairman says, "While we acknowledge the unique challenges of being an unincorporated area, we remain steadfast in our commitment to obtaining the support we rightly deserve."

Residents are invited to join LRCC in its efforts to make Ladera Ranch an even better place to live. "Your involvement and support are crucial as we continue to advocate for our community's well-being," notes Gresko.

Visit lrciviccouncil.org

Community Partners Supporting the Ladera Ranch Community

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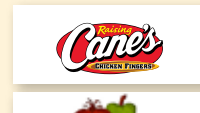
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