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OUR 25TH ANNIVERSARY



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SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Founders Park

LaderaLife.com/FarmersMarket



LADERA RANCH COMMUNITY SERVICES (LARCS) Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse 28192 O'Neill Drive (949) 388-8300 | contact.larcs@laderalife.com Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Membership Cards • LaderaLife Registration Architectural Plan Submittal • Enforcement Review Common Area Maintenance • Facility Reservations

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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.

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As we step into 2025, we are thrilled to celebrate a momentous milestone—Ladera Ranch's 25th anniversary! Over the past quarter-century, our community has grown and flourished while staying true to the values that make it exceptional: connection, service, and a shared commitment to excellence.

Ladera Ranch was envisioned as a "Connected Community," where neighborhoods inspire friendships, and events and programs bring us closer together. This vision continues to thrive thanks to the dedication of the Ladera Ranch Maintenance Corporation (LARMAC) in preserving our community's beauty and property values, and the efforts of Ladera Ranch Community Services (LARCS) in offering enriching experiences that unite us.

Our mantra, Roots and Wings, embodies this spirit perfectly. Inspired by Hodding Carter's words, it reminds us that Ladera Ranch provides a strong foundation—our "roots"—while fostering the aspirations and dreams of our residents—our "wings." From maintaining our shared spaces to hosting memorable events and delivering high-speed internet that keeps us connected, these values are the heart of our community.

As we commemorate this silver anniversary, we invite you to reflect on what makes Ladera Ranch so unique. For many, it's the enduring spirit of service that defines our neighborhoods. Volunteering has always been at the

core of our community, and we encourage you to get involved join a committee, lend a hand at an event, or simply connect with neighbors in new ways.

Throughout 2025, we will celebrate this milestone in each edition of Roots and Wings and at community events held throughout the year. We invite you to join us in reflecting on Ladera Ranch's rich history, celebrating our journey, and shaping an even brighter future together.

Here's to 25 years of connection and to the exciting possibilities that lie ahead!



Chase Fitzpatrick CHASE FITZPATRICK

CHASE FITZPATRICK President Ladera Ranch Maintenance Corporation (LARMAC)



JAY ROGERS

JAY ROGERS President Ladera Ranch Community Services (LARCS)

Now & Then



April Sather

My husband discovered Ladera by accident on Easter Sunday while looking at real estate and immediately fell in love with the community's energy, amenities, and aesthetics. Three months later, in June 2017, our family moved to Ladera from Vancouver, British Columbia. From the moment I arrived, I was captivated.

During our first year, we moved from a cozy rental in the Oak Knoll area to our new home on Molly Loop in the Avendale neighborhood. It felt like a dream to have schools, clubhouses, pools, and community events all within walking distance. Our children attended Chaparral and Oso Grande Elementary Schools, as well as Ladera Ranch Middle School—all of which provided top-notch academics—where they quickly made friends and lasting memories.

One of the most significant aspects of Ladera for us was the sense of belonging and community fostered by its events. From family campouts to summer concerts at Town Green, holiday celebrations, and the Farmers Market, we became regulars at all of them. We also eagerly anticipated each issue of Roots and Wings magazine in our mailbox, appreciating the sense of



Celebrating our 25th Anniversary

connection it reinforced with our neighbors and the neighborhood.

Our entire family embraced Ladera's many athletic, extracurricular, and volunteer opportunities. I especially enjoyed the chance to serve on Ladera's Technology Advisory Committee. Though my husband's professional journey has temporarily taken us away from Ladera, I remain hopeful that another chapter in this wonderful community awaits us in the not-too-distant future.







Chase Fitzpatrick

There are so many wonderful memories from our time in Ladera Ranch that it's difficult to narrow them down to just a few. The best way to sum it up is that Ladera has not only lived up to but exceeded our expectations from when we first visited the community in 2000. We fell in love with the master-planned community concept and the vision for Ladera's future growth including a middle school, library, additional plunge pools, and tennis courts. It was the perfect fit for our active lifestyle and our young, growing family.

Soon after our visit, we found ourselves standing in the lottery line for a chance to be part of the new Three Vines development in 2001. Once we moved in, everything just kept getting better—the first Fourth of July celebration at Founders Park, parades, the Easter egg dash, the Christmas tree lighting, summers spent enjoying the pools, and

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the opening of the retail center on Antonio Parkway. Every new addition made Ladera an even more incredible place to call home.

We love Ladera, and I tell everyone I genuinely believe it is the best community in California-if not the entire country. The beauty of the community catches your eye immediately, and the fantastic amenitiesparks, playgrounds, fields, pools, sports courts, disc golf, a putting green, and more-offer endless opportunities for activity without ever having to leave our "little bubble." But what truly makes Ladera special is the people. Despite its size, our community maintains a small-town feel, and the thoughtfully planned activities—from block parties to parades—create countless opportunities to build new friendships. Ladera is an amazing place where people are open to making lasting and meaningful connections, leading to the cherished memories that make life truly special.

One fun fact that amazes me most about Ladera is the incredible amount of landscaping we have. Ladera maintains over 800 acres of landscaped areas and has more than 38,000 trees (excluding those in homeowners' yards)—which is twice as many as Central Park in New York City, despite having a similar footprint.

Georgette Shrake

We rented in Irvine before moving to Ladera and when we were ready to buy our home one of the most important things for us was community. We told our agent exactly what we were looking for and she drove us to Ladera. It was the last day of school for the middle school and the kids were on the grass playing games at Founders Park. We sat in the parking lot and I just watched them have fun and laugh. I couldn't believe what I was seeing. It was like old fashioned fun. She then drove us around different neighborhoods and I fell in love with the quaintness of Surrey Farms. There happened to be a giant blow up movie screen in one of the green belts so I told our agent I wanted to get out and walk around. I met the woman who put out the blow up

and asked what they were doing. She explained that since it was the last day of school, they were having a neighborhood movie night. My son was 3 at the time and I called his name as he was running around. The woman exclaimed, "my son's name if Harrison too!". The agent joked that she had the whole afternoon planned and

staged for us. We were sold!! We ended up buying in Surrey Farms and landed on a street that was filled with fun.

In the early years there were weekends where our cars didn't leave the driveway because there was so much to do on our some of them have become traditions we hold dear to us. Every season in Ladera has its special events and we look forward to almost all of them. Ladera has a small town feel that I didn't think existed in Southern California. I'm so glad we found it and so happy to call it home. The picture I'm attaching makes me smile when I look at it. It was taken on a random Friday night at Cox. We went to Selma's for dinner with some of the families who play on our son's flag football team. After Selma's we walked to Cox so my husband and the boys could watch the team we would be playing the week after. The boys ended up running around and having fun...looking at these hats and shoes screams FUN to me.



street or around town. We would either walk or ride our bikes around. That all changed once our son started playing sports. We hit the ground running with sports and through sports we (and he) have met some of our best friends. We moved to Ladera for community but never in a million years could we have imagined the special bonds we would make here.

Another thing that was important to us was getting involved in the community in which we lived and we have done just that. We try to attend most events around town and

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VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARDS

Volunteerism and giving back to the community is a core value that Ladera Ranch was built upon. Ladera Ranch Community Services (LARCS) invites you to nominate those you know who make a difference through their service to others.



Resident volunteer who has demonstrated leadership in a volunteer role providing a positive impact to the community throughout the past year. • Teen Category (13-18)

Adult Category (18+)

RANCH HAND OF THE YEAR

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Ladera Ranch resident who has consistently demonstrated an extraordinary commitment of time and talent to the LARCS Board, a LARCS Committee or in any other capacity to support LARCS community events as a Ranch Hand.

FAMILY/COUPLE OF THE YEAR

A family/couple that has volunteered their time as individuals and as a family to demonstrate positive impact to the community.

NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE YEAR

Neighborhood that has consistently demonstrated connecting neighbors, building friendships, and encouraging resident involvement in the community.

GROUP/CLUB OF THE YEAR

Volunteer led club or community group that has demonstrated a commitment to the community through a volunteer service project or projects.



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Covenant Hills Village Clubhouse

Covenant Hills Clubhouse offers a stunning Spanish resort-style setting for weddings, graduations, family reunions, and social gatherings. The venue features a great room with hardwood floors, a cozy library, a newly renovated kitchen, and a furnished sitting room with movable tables and chairs (90 for Option 1, 120 for Option 2 with event coordination services). The picturesque outdoor space includes a large patio, courtyard with a fountain, two gas BBQs, a fire pit lounge, tree-lined walkways, and a citrus grove. An ambient sound system and exterior mood lighting enhance the warm, inviting atmosphere.



Flintridge Village Clubhouse

The Flintridge Village Clubhouse features a reservable great room, along with two intimate side rooms, making it an excellent venue for smaller gatherings such as parties, baby showers, or other private events. The furnished great room includes movable furnishings with five 48-inch round tables, two banquet tables, and 20 chairs, while a furnished open lounge area and a cozy fireplace room provide additional comfortable spaces for guests. The clubhouse also includes a kitchen, making event hosting even more convenient. Additionally, a patio with BBQ grills offers a great outdoor space for grilling and casual gatherings.



Avendale Village Clubhouse

The Avendale Village Clubhouse features a spacious great room with a fireplace, a fully equipped kitchen, and moveable furnishings, including four round tables, four banquet tables, and 25 chairs, making it a great venue for events of all sizes. The outdoor area is just as inviting, with a patio featuring a gas fire pit, a gas BBQ grill, and a covered seating area for comfortable outdoor entertaining.



Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse

Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse offers a spacious great room, a cozy fireplace room, and a catering kitchen with a refrigerator, ice machine, and warming oven. The great room opens to a covered patio with seating. Reservations include six round tables, three banquet tables, and 70 chairs, while BBQ grills and grass areas remain open for community use.

CELEBRATION



12:00 - 4:00 p.m. Founders Park



CHILDREN ACTIVITY WRISTBANDS

Make the most of the day! Activity wristbands will be available for purchase online starting Monday, March 10, for just \$10.

Be sure to purchase yours by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9.

Only children need wristbands, so there's no need to get one for yourself!



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EVENT ATTRACTION

Egg Scrambles

- Photos with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rabbit
- Spring Photo Opportunities

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- ᅝ Face Painting
- 🔶 Balloon Art
- 📐 Giant Slide
- 🔫 Laser Tag
- 🐮 Carousel
- Dook Climbin
- Rock Climbing Wall
- ՝ Carnival Games
- 🗧 Air Brush Tattoos
- 👑 Train Rides



SCHEDULE OF Events

11:45 am	Ticket Booth Opens
12:00 pm	Event Begins
12:15 pm	Tikes and Toddlers Egg Area Opens
3:30 pm	Ticket Booth Closes
4:00 pm	Event Concludes







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EGG SCRAMBLES 📌

To ensure everyone enjoys the fun, passes for the Egg Scrambles will be distributed starting at noon near the scramble area. Passes are required for children ages 4 and up, and children must be present to receive a pass.



TYKES AND 📌 Toddlers Egg Area

This special area is designed for children 3 years old and under. A limited number of children and parents will be allowed in at a time to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience. The zone will close once all the eggs have been collected.







SATURDAY, MARCH 22

7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Spring cleaning is good for the soul! Declutter your home and turn unused items into cash at Ladera's annual Community Garage Sale.

Seller Details

Registration opens on Monday, March 3, and closes at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 19. You'll receive:

- Directional signs
- Donuts courtesy of participating realtors
- Inclusion on the interactive map on LaderaLife, viewable by the public

Shopper Tips

Prefer to shop instead? Bring a variety of cash for easier transactions and drive cautiously. Remember to park only in designated areas avoid double-parking or blocking fire lanes.

Covenant Hills Reminder

Access to Covenant Hills during the event is exclusive to Ladera Ranch residents with valid access cards. Entry will be granted exclusively through the Sienna gate.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:00 – 8:00 P.M. | Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse | \$45 per person (21+)

Create a beautiful and unique pressed flower lantern to light up your space. You'll learn how to incorporate pressed flowers into a stunning lantern design. We'll guide you step by step as you carefully arrange flowers and preserve their natural beauty. It's perfect for beginners and will allow you to be creative while you work with nature's beauty. All materials are provided, and you'll leave with a glowing lantern that is uniquely yours.



THURSDAY, MARCH 13

6:00 – 8:00 P.M. | Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse | \$40 per person (21+)

Learn how to craft beautiful paper flowers to create a stunning bouquet. We'll explore various paper flower-making techniques, including cutting, shaping, and assembling different blooms. You'll be guided through selecting colors, arranging your flowers for a balanced composition and creative flair. Your unique handmade bouquet will brighten your home. All materials will be provided.



SATURDAY, MARCH 22

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Ladera Ranch Elementary/Middle School Parking Lots

Join us for Go Green Ladera, the community's most convenient, one-day drive-thru recycling, shredding, and donation event.

Services include:

Goodwill Collections: Donate electronics, gently used clothes, toys, and small household items.

Shredding Services: Safely shred up to five banker boxes of documents.

Make a difference in your community while simplifying your life.

CREATE AND CONNECT WORKSHOP CLAY CATCHALL

SATURDAY, APRIL 26

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.| Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse | \$35 per person

Work with clay in this hands-on workshop to create your personalized catchall dish. It's perfect for holding keys, jewelry, or other small items. Your catchall will be both functional and stylish. You'll decorate your piece with textures, patterns, and paints. All materials will be provided, and you'll leave with something uniquely yours! Ages 7+ when accompanied by an adult.



SATURDAY, MAY 3

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | Town Green

Get ready for a paw-some time for pets and their families at this event! Explore exciting pet-related vendor booths, meet rescue groups, and dive into crafts and activities your furry friend will adore. There's plenty to wag, purr, and bark about—don't miss it!

Most Photogenic Pet Photo Contest

Entry deadline is Wednesday, March 19

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Enter your fur baby in our Most Photogenic Pet Photo Contest. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners—one entry per household.

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RED, WHITE, AND SING: July 4th National Anthem Auditions

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

Calling all young stars! Children and teens, this is your chance to shine and share your talent with thousands! Be part of this year's LARCS National Anthem Singing Competition for a shot at performing at the spectacular July 4th Celebration or the inspiring Freedom Run. Only 10 audition spots are available, so don't wait! Auditions will be held on the evening of Wednesday, May 14, at the Avendale Village Clubhouse. Reserve your audition time or learn more by contacting us at larcs@laderalife.com. Participants must be Ladera Ranch residents.

STAY CONNECTED

Stay in the loop with everything happening in our community by visiting LaderaLife.com! From upcoming events and activities to important neighborhood updates, LaderaLife is your go-to source for staying informed and engaged.

Want updates sent straight to your phone? Opt in for LaderaLife text messages and receive important community news, event reminders, and more—right at your fingertips!

It's quick & easy! Simply log in to LaderaLife. com, go to My Profile, and update your Communication Preferences to ensure you receive the latest updates in the way that works best for you.

GET FUNDS TO HOST AN UNFORGETTABLE BLOCK PARTY – BECOME A NEIGHBORHOOD ACTIVITY COORDINATOR!

ant to throw an amazing block party without breaking the bank? Ladera Ranch is expanding its Neighborhood Activity Coordinator (NAC) program, giving residents access to funds to help host neighborhood events!

Ladera Ranch is expanding its Neighborhood Activity Coordinator (NAC) program, giving residents the opportunity to host fun neighborhood events with financial support. As an NAC, you'll be the go-to person for organizing block parties and community gatherings that bring neighbors closer together.

What You'll Get

Plan a block party and receive funds to help offset expenses
Strengthen your neighborhood by fostering friendships and connections

- Make your community safer by encouraging neighborly bonds

- Access exclusive resources like event ideas, vendor recommendations, and borrowable party supplies

Don't miss this chance to turn your street into the place to be this summer! Sign up to be a Neighborhood Activity Coordinator and start planning your next block party! LARCS loves bringing neighbors together! To make hosting neighborhood social events even easier, we provide funding to help cover the costs. Neighborhood Activity Coordinators can get reimbursed for food and other approved items so you can focus on the fun while we help with the rest!

No. of Homes	Max
in a Neighborhood	Reimbursement
12 - 25 Homes	\$100
26 - 49 Homes	\$200
50 - 74 Home	\$300
75 - 99 Homes	\$400
100+ Homes	\$500







Garage Sale 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Go Green Ladera 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Register to participate in Ladera's largest, one-day community-wide garage sale with over 500 homes.

Community Garage Sale Saturday, March 22 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

What You'll Get

- Directional signage
- Delicious donuts courtesy of participating Realtors
- Inclusion in the interactive map on LaderaLife

Convenant Hills gated neighborhood is exclusive to Ladera Ranch residents with an activated Access Card.



RECREATIONPROGR

EARLY CHILDHOOD



MUSIC TOGETHER Register at musicmovesacademy.com

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 / Mar 31 / 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. / \$20 Demo Class / Flintridge Mon / Mar 31 / 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. / \$20 Demo Class / Flintridge Mon / Apr 7 - Jun 16 / 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. / \$235 / Flintridge Mon / Apr 7 - Jun 16 / 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. / \$235 / Flintridge Mon / Apr 7 - Jun 16 / 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. / \$235 / Flintridge

MAGIC STEPS MUSIC

Register at magicstepsmusic.com

Age 0 - 5

Magic Steps Music is an interactive music class for infants, preschoolers, and toddlers. Join us as we sing, dance, and learn basic music skills together! All sessions feature original music and unlimited classes.

Tu / Apr 7 - Jun 10 / 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. / \$325; \$200 Siblings / Chaparral Park Tu / Apr 7 - Jun 10 / 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. / \$325; \$200 Siblings / Oak Knoll Wed / Apr 8 - Jun 11 / 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. / \$325; \$200 Siblings / 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 3/12.

Tue / Feb 19 - Apr 2 / 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. / \$145 / Avendale





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, we promote fun! Parent participation is required for ages 2 to 3.5 years. No class 5/26

Mon / Mar 10 - Apr 7 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Mon / Mar 10 - Apr 7 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Mon / Mar 10 - Apr 7 / 5:40 - 6:20 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5

Mon / Apr 28 - Jun 2 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Mon / Apr 28 - Jun 2 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Mon / Apr 28 - Jun 2 / 5:40 - 6:20 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5

Wed / Mar 12 - Apr 9 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Wed / Mar 12 - Apr 9 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Wed / Mar 12 - Apr 9 / 5:40 - 6:20 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5

Wed / Apr 30 - May 28 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Wed / Apr 30 - May 28 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$89 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Wed / Apr 30 - May 28 / 5:40 - 6:20 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 to 3.5 years.

Fri / Mar 14 - April 18 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Fri / Mar 14 - April 18 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Fri / Mar 14 - April 18 / 5:40 - 6:20 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5

Fri / May 2 - Jun 6 / 4:00 - 4:40 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Fri / May 2 - Jun 6 / 4:50 - 5:30 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 2 - 3.5 Fri / May 2 - Jun 6 / 5:40 - 6:20 p.m. / \$109 / Oak Knoll / Age 3.5 - 5

RECREATIONPROGRAMS



LADERA RANCH TENNIS – JUNIORS PROGRAM Register at laderaranchtennis.com

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



STROLLER STRIDES Register at laderaranch.fit4mom.com

Age 18+

Age 10 - 16

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



EVOLUTION SWIM ACADEMY Register at evolutionswim.com

Age 3+

Evolution Swim Academy is the premier learn-to-swim program in Orange County and the official swim lesson programmer in Ladera Ranch. For more program information, schedule & pricing information, please visit our website.

Apr 7 / on-going / Oak Knoll

One-Week Spring Break Private Accelerator: April 7 - 11 Two-Week Sessions April 14 - August 14



EVOLUTION RACING CLUB Register at evolutionswim.com

Age 5+

The Evolution Racing Club is a competitive swim club, offering year-round and seasonal swim team options. For more program information, schedule, and pricing information, please visit our website. Seasonal programs are Mon - Thu at Avendale Clubhouse Pool, which are below.

EVO Spring Swim Team April 14 - June 5

Pre-requisite – Swimmer must have a working knowledge of the freestyle and backstroke. Great for: summer swim team prep, fitness, future competitive swimmers, and Junior Lifeguard prep.

EVO Summer Swim Team June 9 - July 31

Pre-requisite – Swimmer must have a working knowledge of the freestyle & backstroke. Great for: Swim team experience, future competitive swimmers, summer programming, and fitness.



Love Tennis Summer Camp

Register at laderaranchtennis.com Age 5 - 12

School's out! Campers will be introduced to the game of tennis, while playing fun games and enjoying summertime social activities. Each day campers will learn basic tennis fundamentals in a fun atmosphere and then head to the pool for some fun in the sun.

Jun 9 - 12 /Jun 23 - 26 / Jul 7 - 10 / Jul 21 - 24 / Aug 4 - 7 Mon - Th / 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. / \$325 per week

The Etiquette Factory-Manners, Character & Social Skills "Foundations"

Register at theetiquettefactory.com/msjenn Age 5 - 9

This unique learning experience helps children understand why integrity, respect, empathy, and charity enrich our lives. Over 50 etiquette skills are taught using games, role play, music, activities, stories, and discussion. Some skills include introductions, dining etiquette, kindness, tact, communication, being a guest, sharing and borrowing, \$20 supply fee.

Mon - Th / Jun 16 - 19 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$145 Mon - Th / Jul 15- 18 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$145

Life Skills for Pre-Teens

Register at theetiquettefactory.com/msjenn Age 9 - 13

Our exclusive program helps pre-teens understand why integrity, respect, empathy, and charity help our lives both personally and professionally. Through interactive lessons, we teach essential life skills that will help them succeed in all areas of their lives. Some of the lessons covered include: Introductions, Dining Etiquette, Peer Pressure, Valuing Ourselves & Others, Communication, Social Media, Character Counts and more! \$20 supply fee.

Mon - Th / Aug 4 - 7 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$145

Skyhawks: Mini Hawk Camp

Register at skyhawks.com Age 4 - 6

This multi-sport program was developed to give children a positive first step into athletics. Soccer, baseball, and basketball are taught in a safe, structured environment with encouragement and fun. Through exciting games and activities, campers explore balance, hand/eye coordination, and develop skills at their own pace.

Mon - Fri / Jul 7 - 11 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189

Skyhawks: Soccer Camp Register at skyhawks.com

Age 4 - 6

Young athletes will gain the technical skills and sport knowledge required for their next step into soccer. Areas of focus are dribbling, passing, shooting, and ball control. By the end of the program, your child will have learned new life skills such as teamwork and sportsmanship, made new friends, and improved their soccer skills.

Mon - Fri / Jun 9 – 13 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189 Mon - Fri / Aug 4 - 9 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189

Skyhawks: Beginning Golf Camp

Register at skyhawks.com Age 5 - 8

Participants will learn the fundamentals of swinging, putting, body positioning, etiquette, and keeping score. The program is specifically designed for the entry-level player, simplifying instruction so that young players easily and effectively transition onto the golf course. All equipment is provided.

Mon - Wed / Jun 9 - 13 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189

Skyhawks: Flag Football

Register at skyhawks.com Age 7 - 12

Flag Football is the perfect introduction to "America's Game." Participants learn skills on both sides of the football - including the core components of passing, catching, deflagging and defense - all presented in a safe, fun and positive environment.

Mon - Fri / Jun 23 - Jun 27 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189 Mon - Fri / Jul 7 - Jul 11 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189

Skyhawks: Basketball Camp

Register at skyhawks.com Age 7 - 12

This fun, skill-building intensive program is designed for beginner to intermediate players and focuses on the whole player, teaching sportsmanship and teamwork. Boys and girls will learn the fundamentals of passing, shooting, ball handling, rebounding, and defense through skill-based instruction and small-sided scrimmages.

Mon - Fri / Jul 14 - 18 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189 Mon - Fri / Jul 28 - Aug 1 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189

Skyhawks: Volleyball Camp

Register at skyhawks.com Age 7 - 12

The energy and excitement of this fun team sport come together in this fun-filled program. All aspects of the game are taught through drills and exercises that focus on bumping, setting, spiking, hitting, and serving. This program is designed for beginning to intermediate players.

Mon - Fri / Jun 9 - Jun 13 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189 Mon - Fri / Aug 4 - Aug 8 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189

Skyhawks: Baseball Camp

Register at skyhawks.com Age 7 - 12

Swing for the stars with Skyhawks Baseball! This program teaches young sluggers essential skills like fielding, catching, and hitting, all while fostering teamwork and responsibility. Each fun-packed session aims to develop athletic prowess and character. Step up to the plate and become a star on and off the field!

Mon - Fri / Jun 16 - 20 / 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. / \$189

Playtime in Spanish Language Camp

Register at april@aprilsonnenberg.com Age 5 -8

This week-long class is designed for students to spark their love for Spanish while having fun with friends! Providing a guided experience with a structured curriculum participants will learn about the Ocean and the animals that live there. Students will enjoy literature, songs, games and movement activities. Research shows learning two or more languages has benefits for cognitive development and new learning in general.

Mon - Fri / Jul 7 -Jul 11 / 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. / \$175

AR Workshop: Paint Portfolio Camp

Register at arworkshop.com/events/orangecounty/479771 Age 7+

Campers will spend the week creating their very own portfolio, exploring and practicing a variety of painting techniques. By the end of camp, they'll leave with a completed portfolio showcasing their unique creations and artistic growth! No need to make design decisions at registration, campers will select their designs during camp, making the process easier for parents and more fun for kids.

Mon - Thu / Jun 23 - 26 / 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. / \$289

AR Workshop: The Sew Good Camp

Register at arworkshop.com/events/orangecounty/479772 Age 7+

Kids will learn the basics of sewing and embroidery through hands-on projects that spark creativity and build confidence. Campers will master three foundational stitches—straight, cross, and whip stitch—while creating unique items like embroidery hoop wall hangings, felt stuffies, and personalized canvas pieces. No need to make design decisions at registration—campers will select their designs during camp, making the process easier for parents and more fun for kids.

Mon - Thu / Jul 28 - 31 / 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. / \$289

AR Workshop: The Favorites Camp

Register at arworkshop.com/events/orangecounty/479773 Age 7+

Dive into a summer of artistic delight as we revisit the most beloved projects from our talented campers. This week features a series of artistic adventures, filled with the joy of creating your favorite works of are, from personalized wood signs to trendy canvas projects.

Mon - Thu / Aug 11 - Aug 14 / 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. / \$289



THE BEAUTY OF SPRING by connor mai

Member of the LARCS Teen Leadership Council

he saying "March winds and April showers bring May flowers" rings true as spring arrives with its lush greenery and fragrant blooms. It's the perfect time to step outside and immerse yourself in nature's beauty. If you're wondering where to find stunning flowers in full bloom, look no further than the Huntington Library.

The Huntington Library, an art museum and botanical garden, boasts 16 themed exhibits spread across 130 acres. These gardens showcase rare plants from around the world, offering a unique and ever-changing experience with over a thousand varieties of flowers. Spring is especially magical here, with lilacs, lilies, lavender, and the

charming Forget-Me-Nots in full bloom.

One highlight is the Japanese Garden, featuring cherry blossoms, cascading wisteria, and a serene bamboo forest. For planning your visit, the Library's website includes a bloom calendar to ensure you catch your favorites.

Whether you're a flower enthusiast or simply looking to enjoy spring's splendor, the Huntington Library promises a delightful experience for all. Come and see the season in full bloom!



LARCS Scholarship

The LARCS Board of Directors offers scholarship opportunities for Ladera Ranch teens who will be attending a university, 4-year college, trade school, or junior college in the fall of 2025.

Visit LaderaLife.com for more information. The deadline to apply is 5:00 p.m. on May 16.





COX BUSINESS SHIFTS WITH THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE

Each year, thousands of organizations nationwide suffer from cyber-attacks in various forms. Orange County organizations are ripe targets.

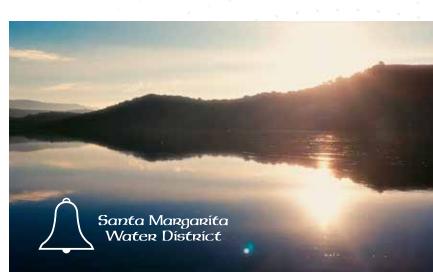
Cox Business has expanded its range of services to meet these challenges head-on. Cox enables organizations to move to the cloud and leverage managed IT services, which allows IT staff to focus on organizational priorities while keeping critical data and information safe.

Whether virtual machines, scalable infrastructure as a service, or migrating to a private or public cloud, Cox Business has the expertise and resources to support and enable any organization's technology goals - expertise accelerated by the acquisition of RapidScale in 2018.

Jodi Duva, Vice President of Cox Business, says, "We handle our clients' IT infrastructure on a managed basis, as well as cloud services, both private and public." "We help navigate when they want to use AWS, Azure, or Google Cloud, which helps them reduce costs and leverage processing power they never could before."

Sister company Segra is focused on expanding Cox's fiber network across our nationwide footprint, while Cox Private Networks and Hospitality Network provide Wi-Fi services to large stadiums and arenas, including the Honda Center in Anaheim.

"From a Cox Business perspective, it's a tremendous opportunity to offer our elevated services and support new businesses. We're excited to be a part of this great community for startups and businesses at all stages and sizes," said Duva.



THE JOURNEY OF WATER

Transforming Water from Source to Tap with Santa Margarita Water District.

Meet the heroes in the story of delivering safe, cool-tasting water and managing the infrastructure to ensure the service we can count on in South Orange County.

Embark on the journey of water in Southern California, brought to you by Santa Margarita Water District.

Discover how every drop is precious, from traversing over 300 miles of terrain to employing advanced treatment processes and embracing water recycling for community irrigation. Learn about the district's commitment to surpass health standards, its role in environmental stewardship, and the groundbreaking projects that ensure sustainability for future generations. Join us in exploring how Santa Margarita Water District is not just supplying water but nurturing a community's lifeblood.

Learn more about how Santa Margarita Water District is leading stewardship, accountability, and innovation.





LADERA RANCHO Chamber of Commerce



Bowling Finally Arrives in Ladera



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

For over twenty years, a bowling alley has been at the top of Ladera Ranch's wish list—and this holiday season, that wish finally came true! Lucky Strike Lanes officially opened its doors on Saturday, December 21, bringing an exciting new entertainment hub to our community.

Hopefully, you've had a chance to check it out by now! Let's recap: state-of-the-art bowling with automatic scorekeeping (no cheating!), a thoughtfully crafted, chef-inspired menu with delicious food, a HUGE bar featuring fun signature drinks beyond just beer and wine, plus an arcade packed with modern updates of classic favorites (Space Invaders!), POV shooters, racing games, stuffed animal claws, quarter-style games of chance, and a prize vault loaded with toys, electronics, and other musthaves.

But wait, there's more! The entire venue is lit like Hollywood on Premiere Night, with energetic tunes playing in the background and movies, sports, and music videos projected above the lanes. This is definitely not your typical, sleepy Midwest bowling alley!

Lucky Strike truly has something for all ages, making it a game-changer for our community. Looking for late-night fun? They're open until midnight on Fridays and Saturdays, complete with a DJ. Planning a birthday bash? If little Katherine is turning 12, book the party at Lucky Strike and invite the whole LRMS crew—because they'll all fit! The venue has a capacity of 1,700 people.

Bowling is the main event, and with 42 lanes, there's plenty of room for all you fingerless spin doctors. You can reserve a lane online in advance or drop in for an impromptu game. Feeling down about those gutterballs? Flip up the bumpers! More of a Kingpin? Start a weekly league.

Sign up for MVB Awards to earn points and save 15-25% on reservations when you subscribe to Lucky Strike emails.

Lucky Strike's investment is by far the largest of any business in Ladera Ranch history. If opening week is any indication of its future success, Ladera out-earned the Beverly Center's first-week numbers... in Beverly Hills!

Dude, it's awesome!

Still looking for that New Year's resolution?



By Matt MacDougall Ladera Ranch Civic Council

Getting involved in your community is one of the most rewarding ways to make a positive impact while fostering connections with others. Whether through volunteering, supporting local businesses, or participating in civic activities, contributing to

your community helps build a stronger, more cohesive environment for everyone.

Engaging with the Ladera Ranch Civic Council is one specific way to get involved. Attending town hall meetings ensures your voice is heard through our advocacy efforts with Orange County governing boards. We have representation from the Orange County Sheriff's Department, California Highway Patrol, and California state and local legislators at our meetings who provide updates on current happenings in the area and hear feedback directly from the community. This civic dialogue and advocacy ultimately shape policies and initiatives to improve your and your family's overall quality of life.

Mark your calendar for 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 18, at the Oak Knoll Village Clubhouse, and the third Tuesday every other month thereafter. Also, be sure to follow us on social media, Instagram: Irciviccouncil, Facebook: LaderaRanchCivicCouncil.

By getting involved, you not only help others but also enrich your own life. Shared efforts create a sense of belonging and pride, ultimately contributing to a more vibrant, supportive, and connected community.



Your support is crucial-help us continue

hosting valuable town hall meetings for Ladera Ranch by donating on our website at lrciviccouncil.org/donate.







LARCS Annual Board of Directors Selection Meeting Wednesday, June 4 at 7:00 p.m.

If you are interested in serving on the Ladera Ranch Community Services Board of Directors, complete the candidate form on LaderaLife.com by 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 21.

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