#### GREATER BELEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND VISITOR'S CENTER



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#### **HAPPENINGS**



#### **Ribbon cuttings Galore!!!!**



Anew Boutique is now open!! Just south of Alicia's Hair Salon off Reinken!!! Congratulations Margie Rende!!!



Floressence Floral and Gifts celebrated their grand opening recently!!! Just north of Water King on North Main!!!! Congratulations Daniel and Valerie.

### PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS



Chamber Members,

Can you believe it is already August? I hope this message finds you and your loved ones safe and healthy. With the current Covid-19 pandemic, the Greater Belen Chamber of Commerce has and will continue to provide its members with the latest updates and vital information for you and your businesses. This month we support the Valencia County Schools as they prepare to welcome students for the new school year. We welcome all new educators this year with a free lunch sponsored by State Employees Credit Union.

We remind all to submit your census data for your household. The results of the census affect representation in Congress, impacts federal funding and will be used for communities for the next decade. The census can be completed online, by mail, or by phone. It only takes a few minutes to complete. Please go https://2020census.gov/en.html for complete information.

This annual Tim Lardner Memorial Golf Tournament was a huge success. All practiced Covid Safe Practices and had a great day golfing. We congratulate all winners for this year's tournament. Plans are underway for a possible Rio Abajo Golf Tournament in October. More information to come in the next couple months. Thanks to Rhona and JoElla for putting together a spectacular event.

As our summer continues, we are looking forward to the re-opening more of our businesses. Let's make sure we follow all CDC guidelines, so we can stop the spread of the Covid-19 virus and continue to enjoy our local businesses. Many local businesses are open for all the community to come back and shop local. Continue to support your local business as we safely reopen. Please check your emails for updates on all upcoming GBCC events. Please contact the Chamber office by phone, email, or Facebook should you have any questions, concerns or issues. My best to you and your families during this challenging time for all of us.

Together we will get through this!

Your GBCC President,



Ray Vigil











Rhona Baca Espinoza, Executive Director of Greater Belen Chamber of Commerce

#### Greater Belen Chamber of Commerce Office News

An Awesome August to You!!!

Wow!!!! Where did our summer go? We are definitely creating new ways of doing our work and I have been so astounded by the creativity of our business community!!! You are one resilient bunch!!!! Outdoor seating patios are being created and we are all thinking outside the box when it comes to keeping our businesses open and thriving. Please keep shopping local and supporting our wonderful local businesses.

Our Annual Tim Lardner Memorial Golf Tournament went off without a hitch on July 31st. A big woohoo to its Title Sponsor-Nusenda Credit Union and to the Lardner brothers who created beautiful trophies. Thanks to all the sponsors, teams, donors, and the Tabet brothers-Clinton and Craig at Tierra Del Sol Golf Club for making this one of our best ever. Our Chamber Board and our JoElla Patterson were once again just the very best in working the event. I am so thankful.

Our New Educator's Luncheon was a drive through event on Thursday August 7th. It was hosted by State Employees Credit Union in which State ECU provided lunches for 30 new hires from Belen Schools, St. Mary's and Canon Christian Academy. They also provided a beautiful bag of goodies to each new hire. Janet Montano at La Dos Gringas provided a beautiful combination plate for each with fresh hot sopapillas. We had a lot of fun. We honored our August Member of the Month-Belen Consolidated Schools and also dispersed the scholarship checks to our four scholarship winners. We wish them the best. They are truly the cream of the crop as are all our graduates around our county.

Save the date!! We will be having a Rio Abajo
Golf Tournament on October 23rd to replace our Rio Abajo Becker Street Festival!
More info to follow!!! Finally, THANK YOU for being a huge blessing to our Chamber and our community. You are so loved and appreciated.

Blessings always, Rhona Baca Espinoza Executive Director, GBCC



#### \*New Members\*

#### **Pecos Homes, Inc.**

A special Woohoo to Garth Tallman of Pecos Homes, Inc. as a new member of our Chamber family!!! The company is engaged in the planning, development and marketing of quality and affordable homes in the small towns of New Mexico. The company was formed by brothers Garth and Jock Tallman, whose great grandparents homesteaded north of Fort **Sumer, New Mexico in** 1907. Pecos Homes is presently developing a housing project in the Tierra Del Sol Golf community in Rio Communities. The project includes 12 homesités within the community!!! Woohoo!!! Welcome and we thank you for investing in our beautiful community!

# GBCC Member News & Moonoos

Since July, Performance Auto and GoodLife Senior Living have teamed up! Our goal is to reach out and help our community as possible! Performance Auto works countless hours on making sure essential workers vehicles are safely running. As an essential worker, we are going out into the community and expanding our reach to both seniors and veterans. Are stopped last week, was at Los Lunas fire department. Performance automotive donated an oil change and GoodLife Senior Living donated a Starbucks card, homemade brownies, and many more treats to all the crews that work relentless hours. We're hoping that you can post this in your August newsletter!

We have many more great things coming to Valencia County!









### Special Member Info





Belen Main Street

Partnership News

Belen Main Street Partnership Board have been busy

planning their projects for the year. Several beautification projects for our downtown district !!!

BMSP Board Rocks!!!



Our Beautiful Art District is going Strong!!! If you would like to be a part of the exciting projects going on with Belen Main Street, contact Rhona at 505-864-8091!!!

#### Membership Renewals!!!!!!!

Mathews Meat Processing by Cordova's 19484 Hwy 314 Belen, NM 87002 505-864-7314

El Ranchito de Los Ninos P.O. Box 2400 Los Lunas, NM 87031

> Anew Boutique 513 Reinken Ave. Belen, NM 87002 505-515-4661

Christian Faith Chapel 1226 South Main Belen, NM 87002 505-463-5558

Rio Communities Optimist Club 106 San Lucas Ave Rio Comm. NM 87002

P.O. Box 531 Belen, NM 87002

Share N Care Pharmacy 701 Dalies Ave Belen, NM 87002 P.O. Box 342 Belen, NM 87002 505-861-0217

Pete's Pro Truck & Repair 1101 Don Felipe Rd. Belen, NM 87002 5056-864-0500

La Vida Felicidad INC P.O. Box 2040 Los Lunas, NM 87031

Marty's Muffler Shop, INC P.O. Box 2068 Belen, NM 87002

Rick De Rose Photographer P.O. Box 325 Jarales, NM 87023

## **Belen Health Department**

Woohoo!! The Greater Belen
Chamber of Commerce Member
of the Month for July: Belen
Health Department!! Shown with
GBCC Board President Ray Vigil,
staff and manager Melinda Ivey
and Executive Director Rhona
Espinoza!! We Thank them for
their constant and meticulous
work in keeping our area
residents healthy and now with
the Covid testing going on four
days a week at their facility!



President Ray Vigil with staff of Belen Health Department

The Tim Lardner Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament !!! A Special thanks to Nusenda Credit Union as our Title Sponsor!!!

Lots of Social Distancing!! Three Top Teams: 1. C & D Consulting 2. UNM-Valencia 3. Nusenda Credit Union















### AUGUST 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5 Belen MainStreet Partnership Board Meeting	6 New Educator's Drive Through Luncheon	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Our Lady of Belen Fiestas	15 OLB Fiestas
16	17	18	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Chamber Board Zoom meeting		28	29	30
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#### **SEPTEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS**

• September 7th: Labor Day

Rio Abajo Becker Street Festival: Has been cancelled and instead we are planning a Rio Abajo Golf Tournament on Friday, October 23rd in order to attempt to compensate for the lost operational revenues from Rio Abajo Becker Street Festival

#### **July 2019TOURISM CENTER ACTIVITY**

INCOMING CALLS: During the month of JULY we recorded 914 calls

WALK-INS/SIGN-INS: We recorded 40 people from New Mexico and 4 from other States, France, and Canada walking into the Chamber for information about events, services, maps, tourist info and directions to property.

DURING THE MONTH OF JULY: We mailed 5 relocation packages. . There were 6815 hits on the Chamber Web site. And 30 regular visitors on the GBCC Facebook site!!!

Come visit our GBCC Facebook page!!!

#### SHOP THESE LOCAL MEMBERS-GET A DISCOUNT!

Bar Y Pet Hotel: 14 day care for the cost of 13 days Call Bobbie, 864-2251

Bella Vida Healthcare Clinic: Non-insured patients are able to be seen for \$40.00 office visit; sports physicals-\$25 Call 916-5446 for more information Bethlehem Trading Post: 10% discount on store merchandise. Vendor items may be exception.

Black's Smuggler's Winery: Free Wine Tasting for GBCC Members: Call Tony

Black: 388-8117

<u>Floressence Floral Boutique & Gifts</u>: 10% Discount for GBCC Members: 505-702-4025

<u>Images By Rosa</u>: FREE one hour sitting for GBCC members, call 505.250.2982 or email <u>imagesbyrosa@aol.com</u> to make an appointment. View the site at <a href="http://">http://</a> <a href="magesbyrosa.exposuremanager.com/">imagesbyrosa.exposuremanager.com/</a>

H2Academic Solutions: 10% discount for Chamber Members. Holly: 505-453-3621

Jazzercise: GBCC Members first month FREE, call 250-2982 or Jazz-

ercieBelen@aol.com

Johnson Chiropractic Clinic, LLC: 10% discount for military and law enforcement and for payment in full at the time of service. Call 505-565-0548

Marty's Muffler Shop Inc: 10% Discount on all repairs 864-8033.

listing. Call 830-2043 or email info@nmbiz.com

<u>Paradigm Physical Therapy Belen</u>: 10% Discount on One Month Gym Membership, Call 861-1200

**Performance Automotive:** 10% off on all parts and labor for all GBCC Members:

Present card at time of service. Call 505-861-1468 for more information

**Professional Contracting: Senior Discount: 505-859-4220: Laura Rosales** 

Rutilio's: Discounts available depending on service Call 864-0093

Scentsy Independent Consultant: Nichole Shiplet: 505-414-3017: \$5.00 off purchase \$40.00 or more.

Sew What?! 10% discount on multi-piece orders, 565-2677

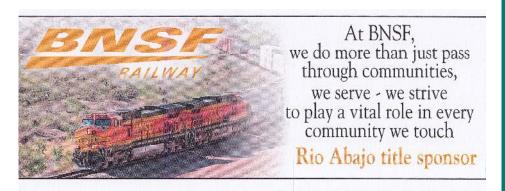
<u>US Bank</u>: 20% off standard checks and reorders. *Belen only*! Call 861-1900

Valencia Animal Clinic: 10% off annual vaccinations, 864-4075

Valencia County News-Bulletin: 40% ad Discount on monthly Chamber Page, 864-4472

<u>Wright Choice Learning Center:</u> Discounts available depending on service Call 864-2530





#### PRESENTS:

# THE 2020 RIO ABAJO GOLF TOURNAMENT

TIERRA DEL SOL GOLF CLUB IN BELEN

8:00AM REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST BAR

> 9:30 SHOTGUN START

BURGER BAR
DURING AWARDS

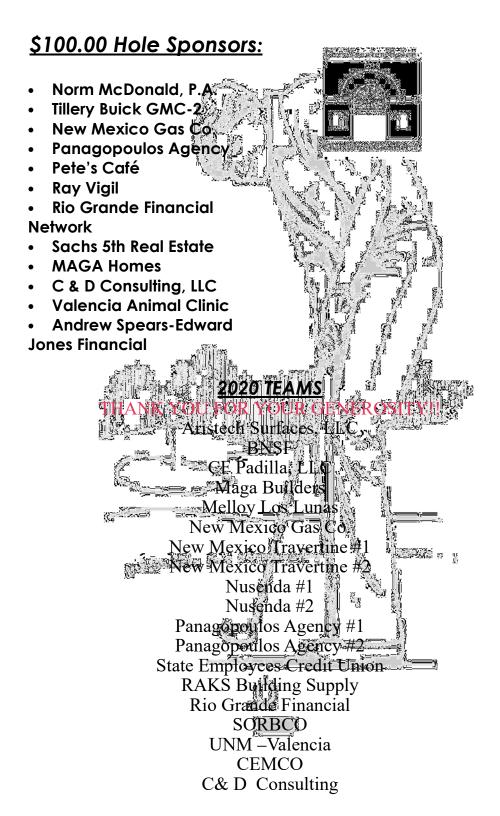
**\$125PP \$400 PER TEAM** 

INCLUDES BASKET OF BALLS, CART, TWO MEALS AND ROUND OF GOLF



Call 505-864-8091

Belenchamber.com for more information





# in in the Fun for a Good

# Greater Belen Chamber of Commerce Tim Lardner Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament

**Proceeds to Benefit:** 

**Greater Belen Educational Assistance Foundation Greater Belen Chamber of Commerce** 

Friday, July 31, 2020

8:00 am Registration & Breakfast 9:30 am Shot Gun—Scramble



#### Tierra del Sol Golf Club

1000 Golf Course Rd. Belen, NM 87002

#### **TODAY'S SCHEDULE**

#### RULES AND FORMAT

Women may hit from forward tees

- 1. Masks must be worn at all times
- 2. All teams must be in at 2:00pm
- 3. **FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE** Each player will hit every shot. The team will pick the best shot and everyone will hit from there. Repeat until the ball is played out
- 2. Game Play All men will play from the White tee boxes and all women will play from the Red tee boxes (unless they choose to play from White tees).
- 3. Mulligans Mulligans can be used anywhere from tee to green. Mulligans cannot be used to win a prize on the Longest Drive or Closest to the Pin holes. They can be used on the prize holes, but you cannot win a prize if a mulligan was used.
- 4. The Gimme Zone \$10.00 per person-The Green Circle surrounding the hole will be counted as the last shot played into it. Example: If a team player takes its second shot and it lands completely inside the green circle, they will count their score of the hole as a 2. The ball must be completely inside of the green circle. The ball cannot be touching any part of the green circle. If Player 1 on a team has paid the fee, then his shot counts, but Player 2's will not. Player 2 must pay the fee as well for them to count. Example: It would be \$40 for a 4-person team for all to use the "Gimme Zone." If three of the players pay the fee, then those three players can use the "Gimme Zone." Etc.
- 5. Longest Drive The prize is a trophy and will be played on Hole 16. The longest drive MUST be completely in the fairway to be counted. Mulligans are not allowed to be used to win a prize.
- 6. Closest to the Pin The prize is a trophy and will be played on Hole 3. Mulligans are not allowed to be used to win a prize.
- 7. **Play Par golf.** Pick up the Ball after a Par score is achieved if you are not already in under par.
- 8. Remember to replace your divots.
- 9. Remember to <u>turn score cards in to the scoring table after play.</u> **MUST BE SIGNED BY PLAYERS.**



#### Title Sponsor: NUSENDA Credit Union

#### \$1000 Platinum Sponsors

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BNSF
NM Travertine
Rocky Mountain Stone
CF Padilla, LLC
UNM-Valencia
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#### \$500 Eagle Pride Student Sponsors

Four Daughters Land and Cattle State Rep. Gail Armstrong Belen Rotary Club

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Plateau Molzen Corbin

#### 2020 Golf Tournament Committee

Ray Vigil-PNM Resources
Sonya Sanchez-Sachs 5th Real Estate
John Ivey-Haloed Solutions
Jennifer Hise-Cemco
Michael Hoodless-NUSENDA Credit Union
GBCC Board and Office Team

# Celebrate

eterans Day is a day set aside to acknowledge those men and women who have served and are presently serving in all branches of the U.S. Military in defense of our country and in preservation of our freedoms. This is your opportunity to recognize a family member or friend for their service with a picture in our Veterans Day Section, to publish on Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020. Please consider honoring your veteran or active service member by submitting a photograph.

There is NO CHARGE for this service and all pictures will be returned.

Please fill out the form below and either bring it by our office or mail it to:

Valencia County News-Bulletin, ATTN: Clara Garcia, 221 S. Main St. Ste. B, Belen, N.M., 87002 or email cgarcia@news-bulletin.com For questions, call 864-4472

#### SPECIAL SECTION







Spec. Daniel D. Fernandez

Long-Archuleta U.S. Air Force, 1999-2003

John Chavez 1986-2013

If you have already submitted a photo and information for your veteran, we have them on file and will be used again this year.

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#### DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PHOTOS IS: 5 P.M., FRIDAY, OCT. 23, 2020

Name Of Veteran & Rank: Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_ DATES OF SERVICE: Person Submitting Information NAME: Address: City: State: Zip: PHONE: EMAIL:

MAIL TO: VALENCIA COUNTY NEWS-BULLETIN, ATTN: CLARA GARCIA 221 S. MAIN ST., STE. B, BELEN, N.M., 87002

OR EMAIL PHOTO AND INFORMATION TO CGARCIA@NEWS-BULLETIN.COM

# FOR EVERYONE'S PROTECTION

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE GOVERNOR'S ORDER MASKS OR FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED TO ENTER

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**CUMPLIENDO CON LA ORDEN DE LA GOBERNADORA** 

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# SATURDAY AUGUST 22, 2020

CARE NET PREGNANCY CENTERS OF ALBUQUERQUE



1100

Virtual Walk with Drive Thru Walk Celebration!

Register online at carenetabq.org/events

Drive Thru details available online by 8/15/2020

Hope to see you there!

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Questions? (505) 880-8373 or carenetabq.org



# REGISTER FOR FALL CLASSES!

\*ADVISORS ARE HERE FOR YOU\*

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AND APPLY AT APPLY.UNM.EDU. FALL SEMESTER
BEGINS AUGUST 17, SO REGISTER NOW!

For registration information, please call 925.8580



# Nominate an Unsung Hero

Perhaps someone you know has given his or her time and energy to an organization, a church or a cause. Maybe he or she has volunteered at a school, worked one-on-one to make a little part of Valencia County a better place. Maybe it was a one-time-only effort, such as saving someone's life.

We'd like to hear their stories! Nominate someone as an Unsung Hero.

Stories about those chosen will be featured in the News-Bulletin's annual Locals section in October.

One of these nominees will be selected as our Citizen of the Year. We're looking for people who give of their time and whose motivation is to make Valencia County a better place.

#### **HOW TO NOMINATE**

To nominate someone, call
Clara Garcia at 864-4472. You
can also send a nomination in
writing, with your name and
telephone number, and details
about your nominee, to
cgarcia@news-bulletin.com, or
Valencia County News-Bulletin,
Attn: Clara Garcia,
221 S. Main St., Ste. B,
Belen, N.M., 87002.
The deadline for nominations is

12 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25, 2020.

# **Shop Local**

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Bobbi Chandler · bchandler@news-bulletin.com

#### SATURDAY - AUGUST 8 - 3:00-7:30PM



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Roadrunner Food Bank is so excited to announce that because of a wonderful partnership with Wells Fargo, they will be co-hosting a series of no-contact, drive-thru mobile food pantries for our neighbors in need in the Bosque Farms, Peralta and Los Lunas area. We are hoping you can help spread the word about this wonderful opportunity, including helping Roadrunner Food Bank recruit volunteers, especially for the first two dates that are coming up quickly! Please feel free to share/distribute the information below. Thanks, Pat

Sign up here to help during these dates!

- Saturday, August 1st from 7am to 12pm
- Saturday, August 15th from 7am to 12pm
- Saturday, August 29th from 7am to 12pm
- Saturday, September 19th from 7am to 12pm

The four contact-less mobile distributions will ALL take place at the Wells Fargo Branch in Bosque Farms located at 970 Bosque Farms Blvd, Bosque Farms, NM 87068.

Volunteers will greet clients, gather some information from clients, and load the clients' cars with 50 to 60 pounds of healthy, nutritious food. Hand sanitizer and gloves will be supplied. A brief orientation will include how and when to change your gloves and use hand sanitizer. We do require that volunteers wear a mask for their safety and the safety of clients. Unfortunately, the food bank is not able to supply the masks, so we do ask that you bring your own.

As always, advance registration is required through this online system. Look for the volunteer activity on our online registration portal called "Food Distribution at Wells Fargo." Questions about volunteering during the pandemic? Visit this link for helpful information and tips. Need more information? Please contact Candace Baca at candace.baca@rrfb.org or call 505-349-8837.

#### **NEED TO BUY OR SELL REAL ESTATE?**

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Contact: Lorraine Sachs Garcia - Owner/Realtor® 505.864.8081 - LorraineSachsGarcia@gmail.com

STAY SAFE!

Covid-19 has affected all of us.

Sachs 5th follows Government Guidelines as well as those set forth by the Greater Albuquerque Association of Realtors® (GAAR). Contact us for more information.

### HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!





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### **Urgent Care**In Rio Communities

Anticipated Opening Date
July 15, 2020

Please Call

(505) 899- 5570

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386 Rio Communities Blvd. Rio Communities NM 87002

Hours of operation:

Monday-Friday 10am to 6pm Saturday and Sunday 10am to 4pm



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\$150 Cash<sup>3</sup>

Purchase or Refinance<sup>4</sup>

Meet or Beat Your Rate<sup>1</sup>

#### Apply Online.

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