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AND VISITOR'S CENTER**



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Enhancing Our Quality of Life*

September 2020

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BELEN**

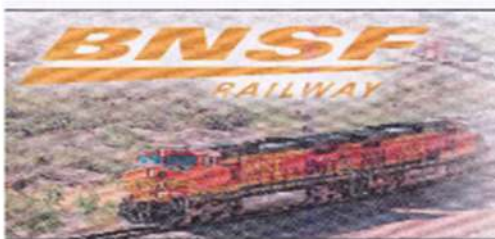
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THE 2020 RIO ABAJO GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, Oct. 23rd



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Ex-Officio, Executive Director, GBCC

GBCC Office Team

JoElla Patterson
Membership Specialist, Office Manager



So this happened today for Enchanted Smiles with and crew! Thank you for having us there to support your business! [#BelieveInBelen](#)



Pat yourself on the back! We can't take full responsibility but we can say we are doing our part. Belen gross receipts higher than the previous year even during the pandemic! Keep shopping local.

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PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS

Chamber Members,

School is back in session! As school gets underway, we want to wish all our students, teachers and staff a wonderful year. 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.



CENSUS REMINDER: 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.

Get ready for our Rio Abajo Golf Tournament which will be held on October 23, 2020. By following Covid Safe Practices all will have a great day golfing. More information to come in the next months. Thanks to Rhona and JoElla for preparing another spectacular event. As our fall approaches, we are looking forward to the re-opening more of our businesses. Dining is slowly starting to open. Go enjoy indoor dining at your favorite restaurant. 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.

Your GBCC President,
Ray Vigil

Greater Belen Chamber of Commerce Office News



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

To Our Dear and Cherished GBCC Family and Friends!!!

First of all, thank you for your great support and friendship. Without your huge support and special connections we have formed through the years, my job would not be so special and enjoyable. Even with the special challenges we have been facing as we cope with this horrible pandemic, I see the beautiful resilience of our business community and its residents. You all are my heroes and I love you so much. I feel so thankful for you, our Chamber family, our dedicated and stellar Chamber Board and my beautiful co-worker, JoElla.

Most of the time I am working from home and will be here at my office by appointment or to get work done that I am unable to complete with my home laptop.

As you might know by now, our beloved Rio Abajo Becker Street Festival was cancelled because of the health directives from the State of New Mexico. So.... We are hosting a Rio Abajo Golf Tournament instead. It is scheduled for Friday, October 23rd at the beautiful Tierra Del Sol Golf Club and registration will begin at 8:00am with breakfast and shotgun start at 9:30am. If you would like to participate, in any way, we would LOVE to have you.

Our networking lunches continue to be cancelled and I don't see us getting together until probably the first of the year. This makes me so sad as I cherish my in person time with each of you. WE will make it up with a great bunch of networking meetings in 2021!!!

Until then my precious Chamber Family, stay healthy, safe and courageous. WE will get through this together!!!! HUGS!!!

Blessings Always,

Rhona

**Rhona Baca Espinoza
Executive Director**

GBCC

505-864-8091

505-463-5558 (cell)

rhona@belenchamber.org



GBCC Member News & Woohoos!

New Members

The Greater Belen Chamber of Commerce is so honored to have new members from Belen MainStreet Board join our Chamber Family as individual members. They believe in the work of our Chamber of Commerce and are so amazing as a Belen MainStreet Partnership Board. Thank you all. You are a blessing to our community.

Jay Peters, President of the Belen MainStreet Partnership Board and founder of Believe in Belen.

Tom Greer, Vice President of the Belen MainStreet Partnership Board and owner and operator of the HUB CITY Brewing Co.

Eloisa Tabet, Secretary/Treasurer of the Belen MainStreet Partnership Board and member of the UNM-Valencia Advisory Board and a 40 year member of Pilot Club of Belen!!!

Yummy!!!!

Mitchell Theaters will have another popcorn and drink sale on Saturday, September 12th from 3:00-7:30pm!!



We are a faith based, nonprofit retirement community located in beautiful Los Lunas. We house both Assisted Living and Memory Care. We provide all services to our residents!

We have relied on our wonderful community and return are giving back. We recently donated backpacks, with all school supplies in each back and a snack pack for school age children to Valencia County Fire Department. We donated Care Pack to LLPD, Senior Care Packs to AmberCare Hospice of Belen, Snacks and Goodies to Los Lunas Fire Department, made a donation to Valencia County Jr. Livestock, nurse appreciation and have many more donations in the weeks to come.

We would like our community know that we're here to help! We have started business of the week to partner with local business.

Please look for us on Facebook at Goodlife Senior Living and Memory Care-Los Lunas.

Rachael Vega-Director
Goodlife Senior Living and Memory Care
1650 Los Lentes Rd NE
Los Lunas, NM 87031
505.866.6100



Special Member Info



**SEEDS FOR
SUCCESS**

Woohoo!!!

Belen MainStreet Partnership is having the best time in preparation for the work planned for our downtown with the Great Blocks Grant on Becker Street and also the Wells Fargo Community Grant money that will be funding wayfinding signs in our downtown!!!

We congratulate the newly elected officers of our Board: Jay Peters, President, Tom Greer, Vice-President, Eloisa Tabet, Secretary/Treasurer and welcome our newest board member: James Sloan, who is our champion historian in Belen!!

If you would like to be a part of the exciting work of Belen MainStreet Partnership, contact Rhona at 505-463-5558.

Whatever capacity of volunteering you are able to offer is greatly appreciated!!!!

Membership Renewals!!!!!!!

**State Employees
Credit Union
19390 N. HWY 314
Belen, NM 87002
505-864-0335**

**Facebook
4250 Messenger
Loop
Los Lunas, NM
87031**

**Center for Ageless
Living
3216 Highway 47
Los Lunas, NM
87031
505-865-8813**

**Friends of the
Whitfield WCA
P.O. Box 170
Belen, NM
87002**

**United Way of
Central NM
2340 Alamo SE
2nd Floor
Albuquerque,
NM 87106**

**Edward Jones
Andrew Spears
3459 C
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87031
505-865-0303**



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Silver.....\$500.00

Hang Your Banner

Hole Sponsor...\$100.00

Provide Hole Sponsor Sign

All Sponsors

Listing on Program and Promotional Ads

To register or for more information contact:

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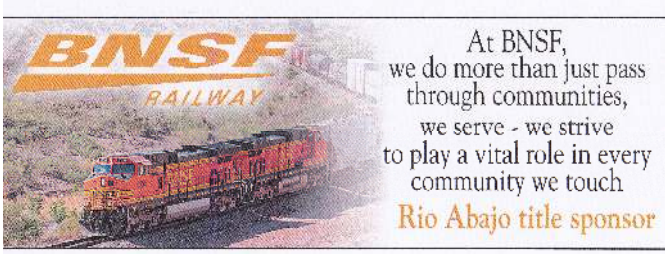
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Raffle and Goody Bag Items Needed.



Presents:

The Rio Abajo Golf Tournament

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8:00 am Registration

9:30am Shotgun - Scramble

\$125.00 per person/\$400.00 Team of 4

Includes golf with cart, range balls and Breakfast Bar AND burger bar lunch

Prizes

1st, 2nd and 3rd place and Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive custom awards sponsored & created by Aristech Surfaces

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Player Registration

Team Name: _____

Player 1 _____

Player 2 _____

Player 3 _____

Player 4 _____

Contact Name _____

Address: _____

Telephone: Home _____ Cell _____

E-mail _____ Check # _____

SEPTEMBER 2020

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
		1	2 BMSP Board Meeting	3	4	5
6	7 Belen Schools HYBRID instruction begins	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 GBCC Board Meeting	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 CENSUS Deadline!!!			

OCTOBER UPCOMING EVENTS

- GBCC Board Meeting on October 20 at 5:30 pm Chamber Office

August 2020 TOURISM CENTER ACTIVITY

INCOMING CALLS: During the month of August we recorded 862 calls

WALK-INS/SIGN-INS: We recorded 35 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 AUGUST: We mailed 7 relocation packages. There were 737 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!**MEMBER TO MEMBER DISCOUNTS**

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

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

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

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

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

Paradigm Physical Therapy Belen: 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

US Bank: 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

Wright Choice Learning Center: Discounts available depending on service Call 864-2530



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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.

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Green House Bistro Food Menu

Menu effective July 2020 PickUp and Picnicn Online ordering only at GREENHOUSEBISTRO.COM

Garden or Classic Caesar Salad - \$7.50

Dressings: Balsamic Vinaigrette, Raspberry Vinaigrette, Ranch or House Caesar

Served with homemade croutons.

Add on dill chicken salad, a grilled 6 oz chicken breast or salmon fillet for only \$2.50 more

SANDWICHES - \$9

All sandwiches served with a side dish salad (changes daily based on what is coming in from the garden: beets, salad greens, cabbage, carrots etc.) + chips and homemade bread and butter pickles

Dill Chicken Salad - served on sourdough, with lettuce and tomatoes

Vegetarian Panini - mushroom, zucchini, tomatoes, bell peppers, onions and provolone cheese with a basil mayo

Cuban Panini - sliced roasted pork loin, lean ham, Swiss cheese, dill pickle and red onion served with mustard mayo & Cuban dressing

Bistro Burger - grilled 5 oz US Choice beef served on a sesame seeded Kaiser bun with lettuce, tomato, onions, pickles *Add Swiss, Provolone or Cheddar Cheese for \$1 more*

Triple Decker Grilled Cheese - three cheeses grilled on sourdough

Grilled Chicken - marinated 6 oz chicken breast, sautéed garlic mushrooms, bacon and Swiss cheese. Served on a Kaiser bun with a basil mayo

Picnic Box \$12

Warm Five Olive Blend, Manchego Cheese, Roasted Almonds, Salami, Fruit Garnish and Warm Bread

Rotisserie Chicken Dinner - \$29.99 (feeds 4-6 people)

Dinner includes Organic Green Salad, choice of dressing & Oven-Hot Bread

Rotisserie Chicken (6-7lb)- order with your choice of rub using fresh from the garden herbs

Rosemary & Garlic

Tarragon & Lemon

Herbs de Valencia (thyme, rosemary, oregano and lavender)

Salt & Pepper

Deserts \$5

Lemon Lavender Pound Cake

with fruit compote

Chocolate Flourless Torte

SIDES

Green Chile \$1

Pomme Frites \$4

parmesan cheese, thyme & salt

Sweet Potato Fries \$4

Regular Fries \$3

Potato Salad 8oz \$1.50 16oz \$3

Cole Slaw 8oz \$1.50 16oz \$3



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