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AND VISITOR'S CENTER

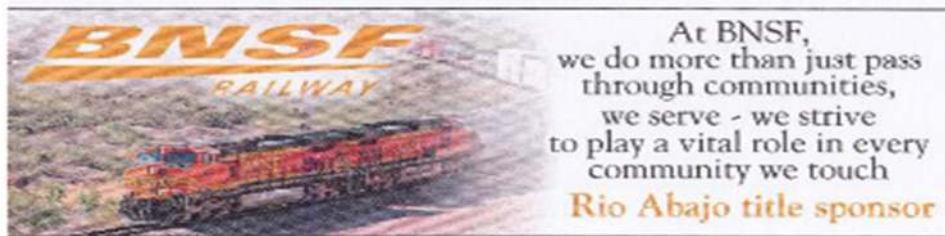


# Chamber Voice

MISSION: *Dedicated to the Growth and Retention of Commerce  
Through Committed Partnerships  
Enhancing Our Quality of Life*

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October, 2020



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we do more than just pass  
through communities,  
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to play a vital role in every  
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PRESENTS:  
**THE 2020  
RIO ABAJO GOLF  
TOURNAMENT**  
**Friday, Oct. 23rd**

TIERRA DEL SOL  
GOLF CLUB IN  
BELEN

8:00AM  
REGISTRATION AND  
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9:30 SHOTGUN  
START

BURGER BAR  
DURING AWARDS

\$125PP  
\$400 PER TEAM

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



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 Ex-Officio, Executive Director, GBCC

**GBCC Office Team**

**JoElla Patterson**  
 Membership Specialist, Office Manager

# HAPPENINGS

## 9 11 Memorial Ceremony



A beautiful 911 ceremony was held at the 911 Memorial Park in Belen. Gloria Sanchez does a wonderful job in organizing the event. The color guard was perfect and professional and the crowd grows larger every year!!!!



The Greater Belen Chamber is seeking hard working and dedicated people to serve on the Board this coming year. Please contact Rhona at the Chamber office if this is something you would like to experience. It is so worthwhile and a great way to give back to your community!!!



Woohoo!!! Bertha Flores from the City's RSVP !!  
 You do an awesome job!!!



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**Chamber Members,**

**Fall is in the air! What a year it's been so far. As we continue 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. Rhona and JoElla are working hard everyday to help you and your business. Let us know how we can help you out!**

**VOTING REMINDER: We remind all to get registered to vote in the November election. This is such an important election year. Visit the Valencia County Clerk's website for all your voting options this year. Get ready for our Rio Abajo Golf Tournament which will be held on October 23, 2020. By following Covid Safe Practices, everyone will have a great day golfing. More information to come this month.**

**Thanks to Rhona and JoElla for preparing another spectacular event. It is great to see the re-opening of more of our businesses. Dining is slowing 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. 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*

Woo Hoo!!!

When life gives you lemons, make lemonade!! I know we are ALL making lots of lemonade these days. This year has been a year of so many challenges, heartaches and discouragement. BUT!! It has also been a year of determination, resilience and thinking outside the box!!! That's the AMERICAN WAY!! We can't give up!!! We need to dig deeper within ourselves and remember this

too shall pass.

We were very sad that our AMAZING Rio Abajo Becker Street Festival had to be cancelled because of COVID-19. BUT!!! We will prevail. Instead we are having a Rio Abajo Golf Tournament on October 23rd!! If at all possible, if you could be a part of this tournament with a \$100 hole sponsorship or ditty bag items, that would be so appreciated. WE are in this together.

We are here for you always. Thanks for being our friends and supporters. Blessings!!!

Rhona Baca Espinoza

Executive Director

GBCC

[rhona@belenchamber.org](mailto:rhona@belenchamber.org)

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## *\*New Members\** **Be Wellnm**

**Be Wellnm is the New Mexico health insurance exchange. They are the marketplace where individuals, families and small businesses can compare and shop for health insurance. Let them be your resource. With agents and brokers in nearly every county, it's easier now than ever before to get covered. Because you just never know when you'll need health insurance. Be Wellnm is located at 7601 Jefferson St NE, Albuquerque, and can be reached at 505-0433-3498 or bewellnm.com. So happy to have BeWellnm join our amazing Chamber family!!!**

## **Calvary Chapel Rio Grande Valley**

**We welcome Pastor Ray Jaramillo and Calvary Chapel Rio Grande Valley to our Chamber family!! Located at 19381 Highway 314, Belen and can be reached at 505-864-6411 or info@ccrgv.com. Calvary Chapel Rio Grande Valley exists as believers of Jesus Christ who gather for the purpose of knowing and glorifying Jesus Christ and it is their desire to be transformed to be like Him. They are a non-denominational church and exist with a three fold purpose to: Elevate God, Equip the Saints and Evangelize the community. Thank you Pastor Ray and Calvary Chapel for being a beacon in our community!!**

# GBCC Member News & WooHoos!



**PNM is giving back  
\$2 million  
to residential and small  
business customers.**

Visit [pnm.com/help](http://pnm.com/help) for information

## **Celebrate Valencia County Veterans**

Veterans 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 [cgarci@news-bulletin.com](mailto:cgarci@news-bulletin.com)  
For questions, call 505-447-2722

### **SPECIAL SECTION**



Spec. Daniel D. Fernandez  
1.8.99-2002  
Capt. Tomara Long-Archuleta  
1.8.99-2002  
Ret. Col. John Chavez  
2.8.99-2013

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:		
DATE 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, BELÉN, N.M., 87002 OR EMAIL PHOTO AND INFORMATION TO <a href="mailto:cgarci@news-bulletin.com">cgarci@news-bulletin.com</a>		

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### **Pumpkin Carving/ Decorating Contest**

*Feeling spooky, eerie, original or creative?*

*Share your inspiration in our pumpkin carving/ decorating contest for a chance to win cash prizes and to be featured in the Valencia County News-Bulletin!*

#### **Contest Rules:**

- Carve and/or decorate a real pumpkin
- Only one entry per person; all ages
- Pumpkin photo deadline is 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 22
- Entry must include your name, address, email address and phone number. Submit a photo of your carved pumpkin to [cgarci@news-bulletin.com](mailto:cgarci@news-bulletin.com)
- Prizes will be: First Place: \$100; Second Place: \$50; Third Place: \$25
- By submitting your photo, you agree the Valencia County News-Bulletin may publish your pumpkin photo and your name in the print edition, its website and social media pages
- The winners will be announced and featured on the front page of the Valencia County News-Bulletin on Thursday, Oct. 29; others will be published on a photo page inside



**Pilot Club of Belen is once again selling their beautiful fresh wreaths for the holidays. They are taking orders through October 14th. Wreaths will be available for pick up the week before Thanksgiving or for additional charge can be mailed to out of town addresses. They last at least two months if hung outdoors. They are gorgeous and very inexpensive. Call Kathy: 505-321-1042!!!**

# Special Member Info

## Belen MainStreet Partnership News



Good day and greetings!

On behalf of the Belen MainStreet Partnership (BMSP) board of directors and staff, I want to express our sincerest appreciation to Jim Rende, past president. He accomplished so much in his tenure and set us on a track for success. Although we expect to seek Jim's

guidance here and there, his sage wisdom and professionalism will be missed at the helm.

Although only a meeting one meeting will have been held with me as President by the time you read this, I have been engaged and active in this city for quite some time and my wife is a native. I have been on the Mainstreet board for about 7 years. After the first meeting, our board already understands our mission as we move forward. Toot your horn! You see, we have been great at accomplishing our goals, revitalizing the downtown area, rebuilding some of the building facades, holding events and bringing hundreds of thousands of dollars in grants to the city, but we have not been good at tooting our own horn and telling anyone about them. We will be working hard on branding and communicating our message, successes and mission to the citizens of Belen so they can share in the revelry. Watch for our signs!

Just in case you are one of the many that hear about "Mainstreet" but have no idea what in the heck it is or what it does, in each column I write, I will focus on a couple of initiatives, events or accomplishments in more detail. We also invite you to attend every meeting to see if it is for you. We are a small group of dedicated citizens just doing what we can to promote and improve our city.

A couple of examples of events and initiatives you probably had no idea were tied to BMSP:

The Farmer's Market at Anna Becker Park has grown over the last 6 years into an amazing weekly event. From just a few farm stand booths to an entertaining event that is bringing hundreds to the park to enjoy the produce as well as gifts, crafts and a variety of great eats at food truck Fridays. Come check it out! They are doing a great job!

The Corazon de Belen Community Garden is a great place to relax, do a little weeding, enjoy the shade or walk through and check out the produce being grown for the Belen Food Pantry. If you get the chance, check it out across from Buckland's. You will be glad you did.

Yes, our mission centers around the "district" but we believe it brings great benefit to all of the citizens of Belen and hope you think so too!

Looking forward to sharing more of MainStreet with you soon. Toot Toot!

Best,

Jay Peters  
President, Board of Directors  
Belen MainStreet Partnership



## Membership Renewals!!!!!!!

**Bar Y Pet Hotel**  
205 Harrison Road  
Belen, NM 87002  
505-864-2251

**Images by Rosa**  
505-250-2982

**Valencia Animal Clinic**  
1533 E. River Road  
Belen, NM 87002  
505-864-4075

**Rio Grande Financial**  
P.O. Box 3304  
Los Lunas, NM 87031  
505-865-3625

**Valencia County Literacy Council**  
280 La Entrada  
Los Lunas, NM 87031  
505-925-8926

**Nino Trujillo & Co.**  
P.O. Box 948  
Belen, NM 87002  
505-861-5669

**The UPS Store**  
1402 Main Street  
Los Lunas, NM 87031  
505-866-9081



### September Member of the Month:

Valencia Animal Clinic was established in 1965. For almost 50 years, it has been providing high quality, comprehensive, compassionate, health care to the animal residents of central New Mexico.

Valencia Animal Clinic is an AAHA accredited practice. We have been evaluated and accredited by the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA). This means that we have met the highest standards in pet care. Only 15% of veterinary animal hospitals in the United States and Canada are AAHA accredited. Keeping your pet healthy and happy is important to us. From routine, to advanced care, Valencia Animal Clinic is proud to offer the very best in health care for our patients.

Valencia Animal Clinic offers a variety of services that you would expect like vaccinations, routine surgeries, and preventive care. We also offer a few you might not expect like acupuncture, nutrition/weight loss plans, end of life services, and advanced dentistry with state-of-the-art dental X-rays.

Dr. Mack and the staff of Valencia Animal Clinic are a hard-working, close team with a common goal; to educate and guide pet owners who want to provide optimal care for their animals. Dr. Mack and the staff at Valencia Animal Clinic are always ready to greet new patients and their families with a smile. Please give them a call today (505)864-4075.

Congratulations!!!!



**Valencia Animal Clinic**

Feb 26 · 🌐

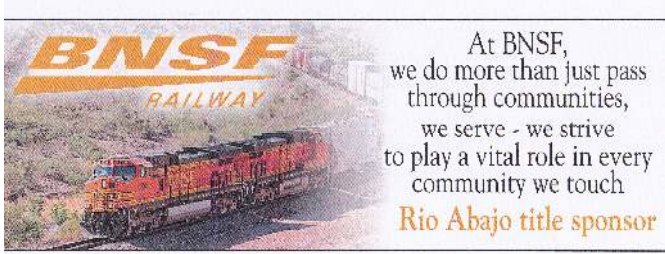


**Valencia Animal Clinic**

Jul 26 · 🌐

Kudos to our PSR Duos Lilly-n-Dre for keeping our hospital clean for YOU.





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# Presents:

# The Rio Abajo Golf Tournament

**Friday, October 23rd**

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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## **Tournament Sponsorship**

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Player Registration**

**Team Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Player 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

# **Rio Abajo Golf Tournament**

## Sponsorship Levels

### **Title Sponsor....\$7500.00: SOLD**

Provide Hole Sponsor Sign and Hang Your Banner  
All posters, flyers, program will include your logo as the Title Sponsor  
All Newspaper advertising designates Title Sponsorship  
2-Teams of 4 Players

### ***Platinum.....\$2000.00***

Provide Hole Sponsor Sign and Hang Your Banner  
Newspaper Advertising  
Team of 4 Players

### **Gold.....\$1000.00**

Provide Hole Sponsor Sign and Hang Your Banner  
Newspaper Advertising  
2 Players

### **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:**

Greater Belen Chamber of commerce

712 Dalies Ave.

Belen, NM 87002

864-8091

Rhona@belenchamber.org

www.belenchamber.org

### **Raffle and Goody Bag Items Needed.**

# October

*Breast Cancer  
Awareness Month*



<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
				1	2	3 Drive In Movie Night Eagle Park
4	5	6	7 BMSP Meets	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Drive In Movie and Concert and Concert at Eagle Park
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 GBCC Meets	28	29	30	31

**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

Florescence 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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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## SPECIAL SECTION



**Spec. Daniel  
D. Fernandez**  
*U.S. Army,  
1962-1966*



**Capt. Tamara  
Long-Archuleta**  
*U.S. Air Force,  
1999-2003*



**Ret. Col.  
John Chavez**  
*U.S. Army,  
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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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](mailto:CGARCIA@NEWS-BULLETIN.COM)

WHERE DO YOU GET  
GREAT BEEF JERKY  
OR THE BEST SALSA?



WHO DO YOU TURN TO WHEN  
YOU NEED HELP? WHO IS  
YOUR FAVORITE HAIRDRESSER?

The News-Bulletin is putting together a list of the people and places, nearest and dearest to the hearts of folks here. We're offering a prize as an incentive for filling out this ballot. If you'd like to enter the drawing, fill in your name and address below:

## FORM

Fill out this form and send it to the News-Bulletin and you will be eligible for a drawing for a dinner for two at the Best Restaurant:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Be specific in your answers and use first and last names, and locations for your selections. Each person can vote only once. Include your name on the ballot or it will not be accepted. The deadline is 5 p.m., **Friday, Oct. 30**. Bring in your ballot or send it to Best of Valencia County, c/o Valencia County News-Bulletin, 221 S. Main St., Suite B, Belen, N.M., 87002, or email [cgarcia@news-bulletin.com](mailto:cgarcia@news-bulletin.com).

The results will be featured in the **Thursday, Dec. 17**, edition of the News-Bulletin.

## BEST FOOD

1. Best beef jerky \_\_\_\_\_
2. Best breakfast \_\_\_\_\_
3. Best breakfast burrito \_\_\_\_\_
4. Best chile relleno \_\_\_\_\_
5. Best French fries \_\_\_\_\_
6. Best green chile \_\_\_\_\_
7. Best green chile cheese burger \_\_\_\_\_

8. Best ice cream \_\_\_\_\_
9. Best pizza \_\_\_\_\_
10. Best red chile \_\_\_\_\_
11. Best salsa \_\_\_\_\_
12. Best sopaipilla \_\_\_\_\_
13. Best tacos \_\_\_\_\_

## BEST COUNTY FOLK

14. Best artist \_\_\_\_\_
15. Best attorney \_\_\_\_\_
16. Best barber \_\_\_\_\_
17. Best contractor \_\_\_\_\_
18. Best dentist \_\_\_\_\_
19. Best electrician \_\_\_\_\_
20. Best financial advisor \_\_\_\_\_
21. Best firefighter \_\_\_\_\_
22. Best florist \_\_\_\_\_
23. Best hairdresser \_\_\_\_\_
24. Most helpful elected official \_\_\_\_\_
25. Most helpful public employee \_\_\_\_\_
26. Best insurance agent \_\_\_\_\_
27. Best minister \_\_\_\_\_

28. Best musician \_\_\_\_\_
29. Best nurse \_\_\_\_\_
30. Best optometrist \_\_\_\_\_
31. Best pet groomer \_\_\_\_\_
32. Best pharmacist \_\_\_\_\_
33. Best plumber \_\_\_\_\_
34. Best primary care provider \_\_\_\_\_
35. Best principal \_\_\_\_\_
36. Best police officer \_\_\_\_\_
37. Best real estate agent \_\_\_\_\_
38. Best teacher \_\_\_\_\_
39. Best veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_
40. Best volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

## BEST BUSINESS & SERVICE

41. Best auto shop \_\_\_\_\_
42. Best art gallery \_\_\_\_\_
43. Best bakery \_\_\_\_\_
44. Best barber shop \_\_\_\_\_
45. Best child care \_\_\_\_\_
46. Best community service/nonprofit organization \_\_\_\_\_
47. Best financial institution \_\_\_\_\_
48. Best food truck \_\_\_\_\_
49. Best funeral home \_\_\_\_\_
50. Best grocery store \_\_\_\_\_
51. Best gym \_\_\_\_\_
52. Best hair salon \_\_\_\_\_

53. Best hardware/lumber store \_\_\_\_\_
54. Best home furnishings \_\_\_\_\_
55. Best landscaping company \_\_\_\_\_
56. Best local social media site \_\_\_\_\_
57. Best local website \_\_\_\_\_
58. Best locally-owned business \_\_\_\_\_
59. Best park \_\_\_\_\_
60. Best place to get a tasty treat \_\_\_\_\_
61. Best place to work \_\_\_\_\_
62. Best restaurant \_\_\_\_\_
63. Best retail store \_\_\_\_\_
64. Best thrift/consignment store \_\_\_\_\_
65. Best tourist spot \_\_\_\_\_

# 50% OFF SALE

**Thursday  
October 15, 2020**



**Save 50% OFF our  
already low prices on:**

- Halloween costumes/decor
- Fall clothing for the whole family (jeans, sweaters, etc)
- Furniture & electronics
- Boots & shoes
- Housewares
- Books & toys
- Blankets & pillows
- Christmas trees & decor



Sales across the entire store  
except on items we purchase new!  
(mattresses and sunglasses are excluded)

**Adelante  
ENTERPRISES**

**BARGAIN  
SQUARE  
THRIFT STORE**

**NEW LOCATION! 19554 HWY 314 S, BELEN, NM 87002**









**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** September 29, 2020

**Contact:** Sara Yingling; (717) 319-2861 cell; [Sara.Yingling@pnmresources.com](mailto:Sara.Yingling@pnmresources.com)

## PNM donates computers to Belen Consolidated Schools



(Belen, N.M.) – Schools across the country have been faced with the difficult task in getting this year’s most crucial back-to-school supplies: laptops and other equipment needed for online learning. Belen Consolidated Schools is no different. To help students get the tools needed to learn, the Public Service Company of New Mexico donated dozens of retired laptops.

“PNM is committed to supporting our communities and continually seeks ways to help fulfill the many needs abroad. We are proud and grateful that we can re-purpose equipment that we no longer can effectively use but remains beneficial for others,” said Sara Ross, Client Services Supervisor.

PNM donated 40 Surface Pro 3 laptops to Belen Middle School to assist with students’ virtual learning. These laptops will be used to support students in the remote learning environment.





“During these unprecedented times we have continuously found ourselves trying to leap over unimaginable obstacles. It is encouraging and empowering when amazing acts of community togetherness and support of our students is displayed. Time and time again PNM has shown their intentional effort in the wellness and success of our students,” said Diane Vallejos, Superintendent, Belen Consolidated Schools.

PNM is proud to partner with public education institutions in New Mexico. We recognize that the future of our industry is technology, and we want to support this use of technology to train the next set of power engineers, cybersecurity defenders, and technologists. PNM Resources takes this social commitment to heart and looks forward to welcoming these new technologists to begin their careers supporting clean, sustainable and environmentally friendly power to our communities.

**About PNM**

*With headquarters in Albuquerque, PNM is the largest electricity provider in New Mexico, serving more than 530,000 customers in dozens of communities across the state. PNM is a subsidiary of PNM Resources, an energy holding company also headquartered in Albuquerque. For more information, visit [PNM.com](http://PNM.com).*

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## Pumpkin Carving/ Decorating Contest

*Feeling spooky, eerie, original or creative?*

*Share your inspiration in our pumpkin carving/  
decorating contest for a chance to win cash prizes and  
to be featured in the Valencia County News-Bulletin!*

### **Contest Rules:**

- Carve and/or decorate a real pumpkin
- Only one entry per person; all ages
- Pumpkin photo deadline is 5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 22
- Entry must include your name, address, email address and phone number. Submit a photo of your carved pumpkin to [cgarci@news-bulletin.com](mailto:cgarci@news-bulletin.com)
- Prizes will be: First Place: \$100; Second Place: \$50; Third Place: \$25
- By submitting your photo, you agree the Valencia County News-Bulletin may publish your pumpkin photo and your name in the print edition, its website and social media pages
- The winners will be announced and featured on the front page of the Valencia County News-Bulletin on Thursday, Oct. 29; others will be published on a photo page inside



WHERE DO YOU GET  
GREAT BEEF JERKY  
OR THE BEST SALSA?



WHO DO YOU TURN TO WHEN  
YOU NEED HELP? WHO IS  
YOUR FAVORITE HAIRDRESSER?

The News-Bulletin is putting together a list of the people and places, nearest and dearest to the hearts of folks here. We're offering a prize as an incentive for filling out this ballot. If you'd like to enter the drawing, fill in your name and address below:

## FORM

Fill out this form and send it to the News-Bulletin and you will be eligible for a drawing for a dinner for two at the Best Restaurant:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Be specific in your answers and use first and last names, and locations for your selections. Each person can vote only once. Include your name on the ballot or it will not be accepted. The deadline is 5 p.m., **Friday, Oct. 30**. Bring in your ballot or send it to Best of Valencia County, c/o Valencia County News-Bulletin, 221 S. Main St., Suite B, Belen, N.M., 87002, or email [cgarcia@news-bulletin.com](mailto:cgarcia@news-bulletin.com).

The results will be featured in the **Thursday, Dec. 17**, edition of the News-Bulletin.

## BEST FOOD

1. Best beef jerky \_\_\_\_\_
2. Best breakfast \_\_\_\_\_
3. Best breakfast burrito \_\_\_\_\_
4. Best chile relleno \_\_\_\_\_
5. Best French fries \_\_\_\_\_
6. Best green chile \_\_\_\_\_
7. Best green chile cheese burger \_\_\_\_\_

8. Best ice cream \_\_\_\_\_
9. Best pizza \_\_\_\_\_
10. Best red chile \_\_\_\_\_
11. Best salsa \_\_\_\_\_
12. Best sopaipilla \_\_\_\_\_
13. Best tacos \_\_\_\_\_

## BEST COUNTY FOLK

14. Best artist \_\_\_\_\_
15. Best attorney \_\_\_\_\_
16. Best barber \_\_\_\_\_
17. Best contractor \_\_\_\_\_
18. Best dentist \_\_\_\_\_
19. Best electrician \_\_\_\_\_
20. Best financial advisor \_\_\_\_\_
21. Best firefighter \_\_\_\_\_
22. Best florist \_\_\_\_\_
23. Best hairdresser \_\_\_\_\_
24. Most helpful elected official \_\_\_\_\_
25. Most helpful public employee \_\_\_\_\_
26. Best insurance agent \_\_\_\_\_
27. Best minister \_\_\_\_\_

28. Best musician \_\_\_\_\_
29. Best nurse \_\_\_\_\_
30. Best optometrist \_\_\_\_\_
31. Best pet groomer \_\_\_\_\_
32. Best pharmacist \_\_\_\_\_
33. Best plumber \_\_\_\_\_
34. Best primary care provider \_\_\_\_\_
35. Best principal \_\_\_\_\_
36. Best police officer \_\_\_\_\_
37. Best real estate agent \_\_\_\_\_
38. Best teacher \_\_\_\_\_
39. Best veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_
40. Best volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

## BEST BUSINESS & SERVICE

41. Best auto shop \_\_\_\_\_
42. Best art gallery \_\_\_\_\_
43. Best bakery \_\_\_\_\_
44. Best barber shop \_\_\_\_\_
45. Best child care \_\_\_\_\_
46. Best community service/nonprofit organization \_\_\_\_\_
47. Best financial institution \_\_\_\_\_
48. Best food truck \_\_\_\_\_
49. Best funeral home \_\_\_\_\_
50. Best grocery store \_\_\_\_\_
51. Best gym \_\_\_\_\_
52. Best hair salon \_\_\_\_\_

53. Best hardware/lumber store \_\_\_\_\_
54. Best home furnishings \_\_\_\_\_
55. Best landscaping company \_\_\_\_\_
56. Best local social media site \_\_\_\_\_
57. Best local website \_\_\_\_\_
58. Best locally-owned business \_\_\_\_\_
59. Best park \_\_\_\_\_
60. Best place to get a tasty treat \_\_\_\_\_
61. Best place to work \_\_\_\_\_
62. Best restaurant \_\_\_\_\_
63. Best retail store \_\_\_\_\_
64. Best thrift/consignment store \_\_\_\_\_
65. Best tourist spot \_\_\_\_\_



Dear Health Provider,

Familia Dental is preparing for our 2020 Drive-Up Health Fair. Our Fair will take place on Saturday October 10th, 2020 from 10 am to 3pm at The Starlight Cinema Movie Theatre Parking Lot.

Please take a moment to look over information on this page(s) as it contains all information regarding registration and booth options.

Booth Details: Vendor booth space will be enough for a 10x10 popup. Please bring your own table, chairs, and pop-up (with appropriate brick/sand tie downs in-case of wind).

Booth Details: **Your booth can have a maximum of two attendants at it to stay in compliance with social distancing protocols and safe event practices.**

Set Up Time: Saturday October 10th, 2020 9:00-9:45am (We will begin promptly at 10am)

Tear Down Time: 3pm

**We are requesting a door prize from each vendor. (this is optional, but encouraged to help bring some joy to the citizens of Valencia County)**

<b>Vendor Information</b>		
<u>Date:</u>	<u>Representative Name</u>	
<u>Company Name</u>		<u>Phone Number</u>
<u>Mailing Address:</u>		<u>E-Mail Address</u>
<u>What types of info giveaways for your booth (200+ attendees expected)</u>	<u>Door Prize Description (if applicable)</u>	<u>Please specify if you plan to display large poster boards</u>  Yes   No

**Please complete and return this form by: Friday, September 25th, 2020**

If you would like additional information, if you would like to sponsor, or donate please contact: Alejandro Coronado at (505) 819-0398 email: [acoronado@familiadental.com](mailto:acoronado@familiadental.com)

Thank you

Familia Dental – Los Lunas  
1620 Main St NW, Ste D, Los Lunas, NM 87031  
(505)-819-0398 or (505)-565-0651 or (505)-753-0546 Fax



### Social Distancing Policies for the Drive-Up Health Fair

- 1) Maximum number of workers per booth sign up is 2
- 2) State Social Distancing Protocols must be adhered to.
  - a) Masks must always be worn during the event
  - b) Please try to maintain 6ft rule when interacting with other health fair providers
- 3) Cleaning and Disinfecting Protocols as outlines by the CDC should be followed for your booth.
  - a) <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cleaning-disinfection.html>
  - b) Hand sanitizer should be available at your booth
  - c) If possible, please use disposable gloves when cleaning your booth.
- 4) We will be doing a COVID screening questionnaire and temperature check to insure all booth attendants are safe within the event.
- 5) We want to make this as safe and comfortable as we can for all involved. We understand these are unprecedented times, so we are also open to any and all suggestions to make this event as safe as possible for everyone involved. Please reach out if you have any ideas.

I have read and understand these policies-

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(Signature)

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AND ROUND OF GOLF



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