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CONNECTING AND EDUCATING NEW MEXICO'S LEADERS



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Core Class of 2010
Lifetime Member

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are very excited for this time of year, when we kick-off our programs, and more importantly, bring a new group of outstanding New Mexico leaders into the Leadership New Mexico family. The 24th Core Program began with its retreat in Santa Fe earlier in September. The class is a diverse group of 43 individuals from 18 communities across the state. They will no doubt challenge previous Core Program classes as the "best class ever!" Read more about the session in this newsletter. The 13th Connect New Mexico Program also launched in September with its first session in Los Alamos. We are excited to involve these outstanding young leaders from around the state in the program this year.

The Local Government Leadership Program, beginning in February, is now accepting applications. Visit our website for information on all programs including applications, complete class lists, and session updates throughout the year.

As always, we have fun events planned for Alumni and Lifetime Members! On Saturday, October 5, Lifetime Members and guests will join us for the first balloon mass ascension of the 2019 Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. Also, we invite you to attend our annual educational program, the Fall Leadership Update. This year's program is on October 18, at the Marriott Uptown in Albuquerque. Please review the enclosed registration form for a list of topics, speakers, table sponsorship opportunities, and more.

We encourage you to nominate someone deserving in your community, or a fellow alumnus, for the Leadership New Mexico Distinguished Leadership

Award and the Distinguished Alumni Award. You can download an application from our website or call our office. Recipients will be recognized during the Annual Dinner, May 8, 2020, at the Sandia Casino & Resort. Deadline for nominations is January 10, 2020.

If you are not already, we hope you will become an Alumni Member or a Lifetime Member. With your membership, you will receive discounts on all events and the opportunity to attend tours and programs throughout the year. We invite you to join the 245 Lifetime Members of our organization. Please refer to the back of the newsletter or website for more information.

I am honored to be Chairman of the Board of this great organization. Leadership New Mexico is successful because of the remarkable contributions made by so many people. We thank you for your investment of time and resources that allow this organization to continue educating our state's leaders. Leadership New Mexico's success would not be possible without great alumni and friends like you!



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CORE CLASS OF 2020 RETREAT & ORIENTATION

The Core Class of 2020 began with the **Retreat and Orientation Session** September 4-6 in Santa Fe. The program opened with an overview of Leadership New Mexico and dinner at the Santa Fe Opera. The next day, the class participated in group interaction training and a ropes course with Phil Bryson of On the Edge, Ltd. The program closed with a presentation by Dr. Jim Crupi, "Leadership for Changing Times: Forces Changing the Future." This was Dr. Crupi's 24th year to help kick off the Core Program.

The next session will be held in Las Vegas in November with a focus on health and human services. You can view the full class list on the Core Program page on Leadership New Mexico's website. **Thank you to the following Sponsors of the Santa Fe Session:** Phil Bryson - On the Edge, Ltd; Jim Crupi - Strategic Leadership Solutions; Crystal Springs Bottled Water; Greer Stafford/SJCF Architecture, Inc.; Lexus of Albuquerque/Lexus of Santa Fe; Montgomery & Andrews, P.A.; Presbyterian Medical Services; the Lujan Family; Santa Fe Preparatory, and the Santa Fe Opera.



Tour of the Santa Fe Opera



On the Ropes Course at Brush Ranch

CLASS NEWS

CORE

2005

Eileen Grevey Hillson, with Agua Vida Resources, has been elected as a Trustee for The Nature Conservancy (TNC) in New Mexico.

2007

Dave Doyle, President of Enterprise Builders, started a new construction company and is President of Innovate Construction.

2008

Richard Luarkie, has taken the position of Chief Executive Officer at Southern Sandoval Investments, Ltd.

Tim Van Valen, Attorney with Askew Mazel Law Firm, has left private practice and taken the position of Chief Legal Counsel with the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department.

2009

Lou Volk III, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of New Mexico Mutual, has taken the position of President and Chief Executive Officer of Delta Dental of New Mexico.

2011

Scott Stafford, President of Greer Stafford / SJCF Architecture Inc. since 1989, is now Chairman of the Board of the firm.

2015

Denise Madrid Boyea, Attorney with the Denise Madrid Boyea Law Firm, has left private practice and has taken the position of City Attorney for the City of Carlsbad.

Alden Paquin has taken a position as Human Resources Office Manager at Southern Sandoval Investment.

2016

Ireke Cooper, President of Cooper Fire Protection, was recently named to the Citizen's Bank of Farmington Board of Directors.

2017

Benjamin Gardner, Vice President and Principal with Dekker/Perich/Sabatini, was named Chief Executive Officer.

2018

James Brown, Chief Information Officer with Presbyterian Medical Services, has taken the position of Chief Technology Officer with TriCore Reference Laboratories.

CONNECT

2014

Carlos Pacheco, Chief Prosecutor with Laguna Pueblo, has taken the position of Senior Trial Attorney at the Second Judicial District Attorney's Office.

2016

Steve Alano, Architect and Partner at Greer Stafford / SJCF Architecture Inc. has been named President of the firm.

2019

Missi Currier, Community and Government Affairs Advisor with XTO Energy, was named President and Chief Executive Officer at Lea County Economic Development Corporation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BALLOON FIESTA BREAKFAST

Lifetime Member Event

October 5, 2019 | Balloon Fiesta Park

Enjoy a majestic New Mexico morning during Balloon Fiesta in the company of Lifetime Members and their guests. Join us for breakfast, hot air balloon viewing, and socializing with fellow leaders and friends from across the state.

FALL LEADERSHIP UPDATE

October 18, 2019

Courtyard Marriott Albuquerque

Hear the latest from top experts on issues facing New Mexico at our annual educational program, the Fall Leadership Update. Table sponsorships available, please see the insert in this newsletter.

A SUMMER OF FUN!

Alumni events and tours are a fun and engaging way to stay in touch with your classmates. Below is a recap of some of the events we did over the summer. Make sure to check in frequently for upcoming opportunities, and to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn to see photos from the events!



Los Poblanos Historic Inn and Organic Farm Tour

Alumni and Lifetime Members kicked off the summer with an exclusive tour of the Los Poblanos Historic Inn and Organic Farm. On this behind-the-scenes tour, participants learn firsthand from Matt Rembe, Executive Director, about the property's unique architectural history, organic farm, business operations, and vision of preservation and sustainability. The group also enjoyed refreshments and networking at onsite field-to-fork restaurant, Campo.

Penguin Chill Exhibit Tour & Social at the Albuquerque BioPark

In July, Alumni and Lifetime Members had a private, sneak peek tour of the Albuquerque BioPark's brand-new Penguin Chill exhibit. Participants experienced the specially-designed habitat that is home to Macaroni, Gentoo and King penguins. Their new home is a boat-themed exhibit with an underwater viewing deck, glass flooring in some areas, and features to emulate a real penguin habitat.



Behind-the-Scenes BioPark Zoo Tour

Alumni and Lifetime Members had an exclusive behind the scenes tour of the ABQ BioPark Zoo. They heard from Julie Miller Rugg, Core Class of 2013 and Executive Director of the New Mexico Bio Park Society, before getting up close and personal with some furry friends. Participants gained insight into the Zoo's history and operations, as well as its successful conservation and captive breeding plans.



SAVE THE DATE!



Annual Dinner & Golf Tournament May 8-9, 2020 | Sandia Resort & Golf Club

Honor our state's top leaders and reconnect with classmates and friends at the Annual Dinner and Golf Tournament! Mark your calendars for next year's big event, and begin thinking about who to nominate for the 2020 Distinguished Leadership & Alumnus Awards. **Register today!**

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Please welcome our new and returning Board Members!

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Hobbs

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Lifetime Member
Assistant Commissioner/Director
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New Mexico State Land Office
Santa Fe

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Chief of Staff
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Carlsbad

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Haverland Carter Lifestyle Group
Albuquerque

RENEE ENNIS – Core 2015
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TriCore Reference Laboratories
Albuquerque

PAUL FARLESS – Core 2019
Lifetime Member
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Lifetime Member
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New Mexico
U.S. Bank
Albuquerque

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Commandant of Cadets
New Mexico Military Institute
Roswell

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Lifetime Member
Vice President of Marketing
Pioneer Bank
Roswell

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Financial Advisor
Edward Jones
Roswell

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Director of Financial Services
City of Rio Rancho
Rio Rancho

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Development Officer
Hillcrest Bank
Taos

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Albuquerque

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Relations Manager
Bank of Albuquerque
Albuquerque

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Centerra
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DaVita Medical Group/
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VP Customer & Support Services
New Mexico Gas Company
Albuquerque

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Lifetime Member
Physical Scientist
U.S. Department of Energy - National
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Senior Financial Analyst
U.S. Eagle Federal Credit Union
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Regional Director, Marketing
Enterprise Bank & Trust
Santa Fe

MISSI CURRIER - Connect 2019
President & Chief Executive Officer
Economic Development Corporation of Lea
County
Hobbs

JENNI DEGREEFF - Connect 2019
Lifetime Member
Manager of Integrity Management
New Mexico Gas Company
Albuquerque

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Manager, Executive Strategic Planning
Sandia National Laboratories
Albuquerque

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Social Services Coordinator
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Ardent Health Services
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New Mexico Military Institute
Roswell

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AVP Relationship Manager
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NICK VELASQUEZ - Connect 2017
Technical Business Development Specialist
Sandia National Laboratories
Albuquerque

MICHAEL WALLACE - Connect 2015
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Albuquerque

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Executive Director
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LEADERSHIP NEW MEXICO ALUMNI PROGRAM

The Leadership New Mexico Alumni Program was launched in September 2001. In the twenty-three Core Program, seventeen Local Government Leadership Program, and twelve Connect New Mexico Program classes, more than 1,650 participants from 85 communities have explored the issues facing our state. The goal of the Alumni Program is to continue the education of Leadership New Mexico graduates in a meaningful and dynamic way. Interaction with graduates from other programs and classes expands networks, exposes leaders to a diversity of perspectives, and fosters professional and personal relationships. As a graduate, you have the capability to be a powerful voice for change in New Mexico.

Learn more about the Alumni Program or pay dues for the 2020 calendar year!
www.leadershipnm.org/leadership-programs/alumni-program/

LEADERSHIP NEW MEXICO LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

In 2009, Leadership New Mexico established an Endowment to secure the future of the organization. The purpose of the Endowment is to provide a permanent source of income to offset administrative expenses, which serves as a financial cushion against lean times to ensure that Leadership New Mexico's mission will be sustained in perpetuity. Gifts to Leadership New Mexico's Endowment are made through Lifetime Memberships and are fully tax-deductible. Currently, 245 Lifetime Members have contributed to the Endowment. It is not necessary to be a graduate of Leadership New Mexico to become a Lifetime Member.

All contributions are tax-deductible charitable donations, and may also be made through your United Way commitment. Visit our website for more information.

NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS*

Mike Crossey - Core 2019
Jenni DeGreeff - Connect 2019
Nick Ganjei - Connect 2019
John Gulas - Core 2019
Russel Hiller - Core 2019
Mary Homan - Core 2019
Albert Jiron - Core 2019

Jim McBurney - Core 2019
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Carly Newlands - Connect 2019
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Kenneth Trujillo - Core 2019

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