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FIRE AT VISTA CLARA

Galisteo Volunteer Fire and Rescue had another chance to prove their mettle on March 27th. Auxiliary member Richard Griscom was driving back from town when he noticed smoke at Vista Clara. He drove in, found no-one around, and called 911 from the lobby. First on the scene were Fire Chief and Assistant Chief Steve and Jean Moya with the engine, and their son Brian Moya (who is a professional firefighter for the City of Santa Fe) with the tanker. The fire in a shed had broken through the ceiling. Jean and Brian opened the windows and pulled in the hose, while Steve operated the pump. "Knockdown" time was an

admirable nine minutes. GVFR members Ted Fleming, Miguel Padilla, and Linda Anaya arrived soon, as did Mutual Aid units from Eldorado and Hondo.

The cause turned out to be a golf cart that may have overcharged or had a faulty battery. The two-story building abutting the burning shed was saved. "It just goes to show that fire can happen to anybody, anytime, anyplace," said Moya. "It was a learning experience and all our training paid off. A lot more could have been lost." We are also lucky to have three paid City and County firefighters in the GVFR: Brian, his mom (Jean), and his aunt (Linda).



The church is spruced up in time for Easter. (Photo: Richard Shuff).



The Fire at Vista Clara left this shed a mess. (Photo: Richard Shuff)

LAND USE SURVEY: COMING YOUR WAY SOON

The steering committee for the Traditional Community Land Use Plan met with the UNM students who are putting the survey together on March 27 at the Fire Station. Those who could not attend offered input by phone and e-mail in the next few days. A lot of work has gone into making this survey. It may look detailed at first, but the questions are multiple choice and easy to understand. We hope you will all do your best to fill it out when it arrives in your mailboxes. A 100 percent reply would reflect the whole spectrum of opinion in Galisteo and surroundings and get the planning off to a solid start—IF, of course, the community does approve going ahead with a plan.

CHIPPING AWAY AT FIRE RISK IN THE BOSQUE

Janice and Richard Griscom

On March 20, 18 people participated in the wood chipping project intended to reduce the risk of fire in the village. Kaye Sandford and the Vista Clara Ranch were extremely generous in donating their chipper and crew for the entire day. Special thanks to Kaye and to Frank Sandoval and David Maestas.

Unfortunately, we were not able to finish chipping all of the material that had been gathered. We have set up another chipping day for April 11. Once again, Vista Clara is making its chipper and crew available. This will be supplemented either by a rented chipper or, if at all possible, a chipper from Santa Fe County. The goal is to finish chipping the three huge piles of brush that have accumulated.

Many thanks to all who have helped with this project.

HERE COME THE HUMMERS

Jan Saunders

Hummingbird feeders should be out by April 15th. Do it right and you're in for a several-month treat. Last year I had four species at my feeder in mid July.

The Broad-tailed and Black-chinned nest here. Last year for the first time my feeder attracted a beautiful little Calliope Hummingbird, the smallest North American bird. The male sports V-shaped, carmine streaks on his gorget (throat feathers). The male Rufous, a handsome pugilistic, territorial little guy, breeds in the Northwest and stops over here on his return trip to fatten up. They can take over an entire feeder.

Hummingbirds' jewel-like colors are prismatic and not pigmented. This is why they appear black in shadow, only to flash their colors when in sunlight. Hummers are capable of moving each feather to catch the light in a display used in territorial disputes. Males perform aerial flight dances in prescribed patterns to attract females.

Feed Hummers one part sugar to 4 parts water and *no food coloring*. Dissolve well and keep extra in the refrigerator. (If you put out jelly for the Orioles, be sure it doesn't bake in the sun and turn to glue, a death trap for hummingbirds.)

Keep the feeders clean. They should be washed every 3 days with hot water and soap. If the sugar water molds, it infects and kills the birds.

PEDACITOS/BITS AND PIECES

Longtime Galisteños **Liz Rose and David Burk**, who met at the Galisteo Rodeo 18 years ago, got married on January 3rd, at the County Office in Santa Fe. Then they took off for India, Sri Lanka and Paris, a long-planned trip not originally intended as a honeymoon. Congratulations!!

Josephine Anaya of the Tienda Anaya fell and broke her hip a couple of weeks ago. She is recuperating at Santa Fe Care on Herkel Road off Galisteo Street. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Many words were exchanged at the April 6th **Community Book and Video Swap** at the Community Center, sponsored by the GCA Board. A great idea and relatively non-labor-intensive. Let's do it again!

In **Greg O'Byrne's** April 2nd wine column in *The New Mexican*, he quotes "**Andy Lynch**, one of New Mexico's best wine educators." That makes two experts on the fermented grape in town. Galisteo's cup runneth over.

Amy and Arthur Lynn called our attention to a passage introducing William Lumpkins's classic, *La Casa Adobe*: "In the mid-twenties he visited **Galisteo, the Athens of New Mexico**, as it has often been called. He remembers vividly the old town before the depression of the thirties almost destroyed it through neglect when the inhabitants moved on to find work."

Barbara Seiler's show at the Klebau Photography Gallery in Santa Fe --"A Living Legend: Photographs of the Spanish Mustang" -- consisted of beautiful, peaceful images of horses in the landscape, a nice contrast to TV fare at the moment.

April 12th sees the **Galisteo Spring Classic** bike race coming through on a wind-blown, 71-mile course with some 200 bikers coming from several states to take part. The founder of this road race distinguishes it from the Santa Fe Century, which comes through town in May, because the Century is "a bike ride" and the Galisteo is "clearly a competitive race."

There has been a lot of activity at the **Silverado Movie Set** south of town in the last few weeks. Rumor has it that it's related to the Ron Howard project being filmed in the area. And Tommie Lee Jones was seen with his family in March at the Photogenesis Gallery, admiring **Nicholas Trofimuk's** photographs.

Chef and cookbook author **Deborah Madison** got bumped from NBC's Today Show by the outbreak of the war on Iraq.

Linda Durham wrote a column in *The New Mexican* on March 9 about her month in Burma, where she spent time in a rural culture unaware of and (for the time being) unaffected by crises in the Middle East. **Muriel Fariello** spoke her mind on a divorce law before the Legislature, in a letter on March 12.

NO BURN by Order of the County Fire Marshall

APRIL CHURCH CALENDAR

April 13: **Palm Sunday**, normal Mass, First Communicant Review after Mass.

April 17: **Holy Thursday**: 7:00 PM.

April 18: **Good Friday: Pilgrimage**, 10AM at St. Joseph's (Cerrillos); carpool to starting point. Benediction Service: Reading of the Passion: 2:00 PM.

April 19: **Easter Vigil**, 9 PM.

April 20: **Easter**, 9 AM.

April 26: **First Communicant's** (First Confession).

April 27: **Divine Mercy Sunday**.

April 30: **Healing Mass**, Galisteo.

May 2: **First Friday**.

May 11: **First Holy Communion** for First Communicant Candidates.

NB: *El PUENTE* apologizes for listing a noon mass as midnight in the last issue. (When is 12 PM, anyway?)

ALL ABOARD FOR THE STUDIO TOUR

Time and Space are running out to sign up for the 2003s Galisteo Studio Tour. Our deadline is April 30 and we only have a few stops left before fulfilling our 25-stop maximum. We currently have three food vendors on board. We could use one or two more. Please Contact Barbara Holloway at 466-2118 if you have any questions about the Studio Tour or would like a registration form. As always, we expect this tour to be the best ever, and we would love to have you and your artistic endeavors included.

EL PUENTE SPONSOR THIS MONTH: BOBBIE AND CHUCK MILLER

Galisteo Volunteer Fire and Rescue is looking for someone to do a small construction job at the Fire Station. Call the station for details, 466-0396.

GALISTEO CLASSIFIED

ADS ARE FREE, AND FOR GALISTEO RESIDENTS ONLY. Contact: Box 77 (Rte. 41 at Avenida Vieja) or call 466-1276 by MAY 5th for next issue.

WANTED

Kitchen helpers and servers at Vista Clara Ranch. Call 466-4772 for interviews.

Small place to rent and accommodations for two horses (there or nearby): Barbara, 970-590-0749.

FOR RENT

Modern furnished apartment/studio, wonderful views, no smoking, no pets. \$750 mo. Call 466-1668.

SERVICES

Tractor with implements and operators for hire. 466-0392 or 466-0204.

S.B. Lejo/ Sina Brush is taking special orders for original antique Mexican furniture. Call 577-4045.

Galisteo Caretaking Services: For the Chores You Ignore! short notice, small jobs, housesit, have truck. Richard, 466-7723. Call **Beth** for **housesitting/ petcare/vet runs/odd jobs/studio assistance/party help/you name it...** in Galisteo, 660-6012.

Galisteo Woodworks: for your custom woodworking needs. Furniture and furniture repair. Antonio Chavez, 466-3601.

Astanga Yoga (a fun and sweaty form of Hatha Yoga) Monday nights at the Galisteo Community Center, 5:45-7:15 PM; call Lee (a.k.a. Yoga Blue Sky) at 660-0611.

I will take **care of your pets**. I can also **watch children** when needed. (I am thirteen years old.) Simone Montoya, at 466-1518

Nizhoni School: High School, grades 9-12, **College of Divinity, Academy of the Media**. Some classes open to public. Info:466-4336 or 466-1975. For **Soul-Centering Clinic:** 466-2316.

Electrical Concepts: Residential/Commercial/Industrial. Hansi Mohn and Michael Anaya, 988-8853.

Native Bloom, Landscape design/maintenance. Linda, 466-4658.

Free instant pain-relief sessions. Learn the Japanese healing system of *seimei* from certified practitioner. Sheila Hewitt: 505-577-3842.

Restore your old photo: We copy, repair, and reprint your favorite damaged or fading photos. Richard/Cara 466-7723.

Private exercise and Yoga Training with Ron Helman. 34 yrs. experience. All levels and conditions welcome. 466-1919.

Linda Vista Stables: Beginner western riding for children and adults; 1-2 hr. trail rides; short-term boarding. 466-8930.

Carpentry: Closets, hand-carved dining room tables, patio benches, custom gates, doors, etc.35 years experience, local references. Onesimo Montoya, 466-1430.

Common sense, gentle dog-training: house manners, management problem-solving at your home; also limited boarding. Twenty years experience. Call Evelyn, 466-1875.

Galisteo Dream Group: presented by Ann Yeomans, M.A. Join us for a weekly Jungian/ archetypal approach to dream work, beginning Tues. Nov. 20 from 6-8 PM, Call 466-6070.

Acupuncture, herbal medicine, feng shui, nutritional counseling, massage. Connie Fisher, Doctor of Oriental Medicine, 470-9314.

Ben Merrick (15 yrs old):occasional **babysitting** weekends and some evenings; 466-9040.

Passive Solar Builders: Locally owned general contractor since 1980. Quality home construction, renovations: Charlie, 466-2118.

One of a kind sterling silver jewelry/ decorative art in wood and tin. Barbara & Joe Cooper, El Estudio, 18 the Hill. 466-0133.

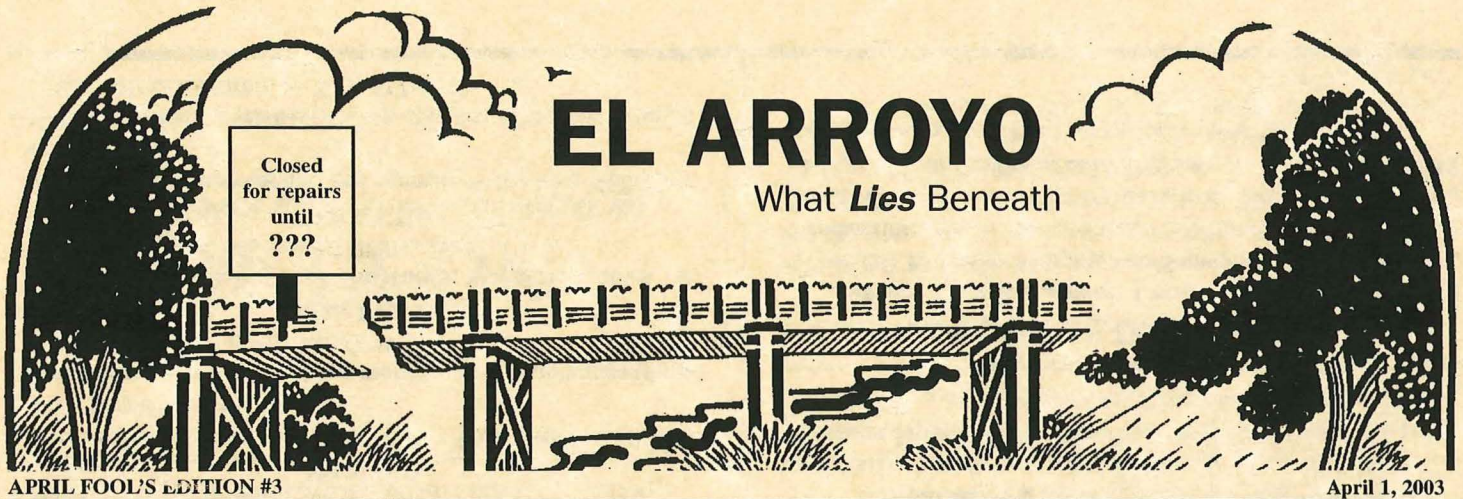
Barbara Holloway Fine Handweaving: scarves, shawls, vests, jackets, coats, handwoven of luxurious chenille. 466-2118.

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IT'S NOT A COMMUNITY... WITHOUT GOSSIP.

Mission Statement

GCA TO IMPLEMENT HOMELAND SECURITY MEASURES

In accordance with our nation's on-going yellow (orange? red? but certainly not green) alert status, the Galisteo Community Association will be issuing survival kits containing the following items:

- duct tape for taping windows or your spouses's mouth shut
- a box of wood chips from the Bosque as an emergency fuel source
- pancake mix and a tape recording of the GCA choir singing, "I Hear You Knocking But You Can't Come In"
- candles – in the event of a black-out, an impromptu channeling, or an anti-war vigil
- a packet of fliers to add to the other 150,000 you get in your mailbox every month - handy as kindling
- a fire extinguisher in case of an unwanted (although impressive), movie star quality fireworks display
- your choice of mind-numbing substances

Please note: In the event of an invasion of the Patriot Act Police, the community center will be opened as a homeless shelter – *all are welcome!*

YOU KNOW YOU LIVE IN GALISTEO IF:

- you wore a sport coat to the Joan Baez concert.
- you thought that "Homeland Security" was a new brand of adult diapers or a new way of acquiring neglected land.
- the exercise video you checked out at the community center sat on top of your VCR for at least 6 months.
- you sat through 9½ hours of old westerns hoping to catch a glimpse of Rudy or Cerro Pelon.
- you go through the Galisteo directory at least once a month and think about whose mail box you'd like to run over or whose paper you'd like to steal.

- you've grown inordinately attached to the neatly sorted piles of rusted bailing wire in your back yard.
- you count putting on body lotion after a shower as an aerobic workout.

FITS AND TEASES

Lucy (La Luz) Lippard, writer and anti-light activist recently took on one of the largest motel chains in America for their insistence on "leaving the lights on". A spokesperson for the chain stated in an interview last month, "If Lippard gets her way, you may be able to see more stars but good luck finding the keyhole."

Richard and Janice Griscom have been selected as the national spokesperson for "Chips Ahoy". Congratulations!

In an effort to diversify the services offered by the Galisteo Fire Department, Steve Moya will be offering a class in rescue techniques combined with crochet lessons, called "Hooks and Ladders." (Dates and times to be announced.)

Participants in the Studio Tour are re Cooperating after an exhaustive search for hidden agendas of mass self-destruction. To date, none have been found.

Coming in next issue: Up-dates on up-dated up-dates will be up-dated concerning land use meetings, the cemetery, and road surfaces.



Members of the Galisteo Community Plan steering committee discuss Galisteo boundaries.