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SUMMER CALENDAR

June 12: NACHA MENDEZ, HOUSE CONCERT, fundraiser for new CD, 2-4, 6 Marcellina Lane.

June 26: READING AND BOOK SIGNING for *Down Country: The Tano of the Galisteo Basin, 1250-1782* by Lucy Lippard, 5PM. Community Center.

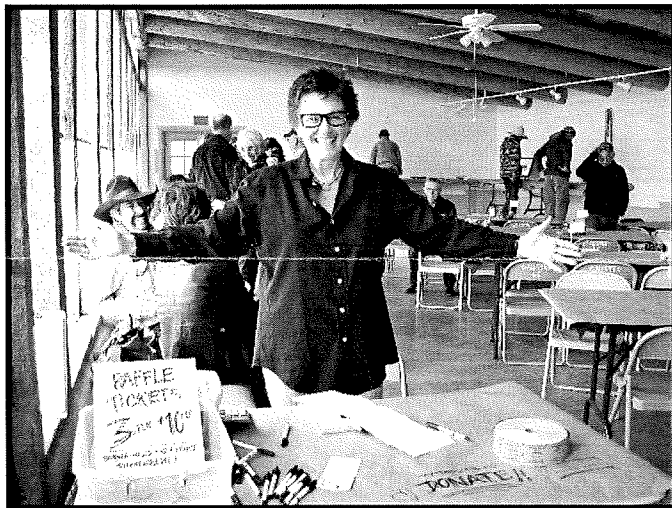
July 17-18: RODEO DE GALISTEO, Parade, Saturday 11AM through town center; events Sat. and Sun, 1PM at the Rodeo Grounds.

August 28: FLEA MARKET/GCA BENEFIT, 9AM, Community Center. There will be a table for folks who will be out of town who want to donate articles. For details, call Muriel Fariello (466-4763) and watch community e-mails. **September (date to be announced): CHILE/MARGARITA CHALLENGE.**

Answer to last month's "What Nobody Knows About Us": Reigning Rodeo Queen **KEVAN SAUNDERS** was kissed by Johnny Cash in front of thousands at the 1984 State Fair. **NEXT:** Who designed the logo found on every Brinks truck in the world?

The Board of La Sala apologizes to Martha Anaya for using her wedding photos in last month's insert without her permission.

All community and personal announcements for the GCA e-mail list should be sent to gcabarb@gmail.com.



Muriel Fariello, organizer of the breakfast fundraiser on April 24, which netted \$6,500 through the auction of donated artworks and services. Altogether, \$17,500 has been raised to cover our legal expenses on the Saddleback Ranch Estates case. Our attorney, Chris Graesser, filed an appeal with District Court against the County Land Use Department for failure to follow codes. He was paid \$4,100 which leaves us a good balance with which to continue to protest. (Photo: Florence Sohn)



BCC Candidates (l to r): Angelica Ruiz, David Bacon, Robert Anaya (Photo: Nancy Burton).

CONGRATULATIONS TO ROBERT ANAYA

On June 1st, Robert Anaya won the race to succeed his brother Mike as County Commissioner for District 3 —comprising 51% of Santa Fe County, almost 1050 square miles, including Cerrillos, Madrid, San Pedro, Stanley, Galisteo, Agua Fria, Edgewood and La Cienega. He will run unopposed in November. The Galisteo votes were: Anaya 24, Bacon 44, Ruiz 2, not counting early and absentee votes. (For the first time I can recall, the returns were not posted on the Community Center door.) The numbers for the whole district were Anaya, 743 (39.9%); Bacon, 587 (31.4%); Ruiz 535 (28.7%). Daniel Mayfield will represent District 1. (Cont.p.2)

While the election is over, the issues discussed at the May 13th Candidates Forum at the Community Center continue to be pertinent. Angelica Ruiz (President of the Santa Fe School Board) began by saying that although she had four young children, it just proved her "ability to take care of others. ... The more time I give the more time I have."

David Bacon cited his local activism, his work on the Board of Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety and on the Buckman Diversion, Save Buffalo Mountain, against oil and gas and for sustainability and wind power. He said he was impressed by how much the County communities knew and how hard they fight for their rights. He vowed to create "an economy that doesn't just pass through" the County, and cited the second article of the New Mexico Constitution: "All political power is vested in the people and solely for their good."

Anaya introduced his wife Linda (our Assistant Fire Chief), his mother, and other relatives, noting that he grew up in Galisteo: "The village has always done what they need to do," as when his father, Joe Anaya, initiated the village water system. As a "feisty, loud young guy," Robert learned from community meetings that each community is different: "one size doesn't fit all." When new people came in, "we embraced them as part of the community."

Moderator Roger Taylor then asked about development and a wildlife corridor. Anaya said he would listen to the entire community; all decisions would be collective. Bacon criticized the new Sustainable Landuse Development Plan (SLDP) for continuing to favor developers over communities and individual rights. Ruiz observed that development doesn't belong in every part of Santa Fe County and if we choose not to have growth, it shouldn't be imposed on us.

In response to a question on the SLDP, Anaya said he would begin working on it right after the election and the BCC should not rush into it. Bacon said it was a good plan but the legal rubber hits the road in the code: "County legal does not seem to approve of community power. It's scary." Ruiz said the County's natural resources must be protected.

Taylor asked about Commissioner Kathy Holian's proposed zoning ordinance to slow down development, which replaced an actual moratorium. Anaya said her new proposal was good, but wait for the plan: "I'm not anti-development but I'm for community responsibility. La Cienega and Aqua Fria have local review boards and I'm for that, to empower communities." Bacon said the County should adopt Holian's ordinance, to slow things down.

Taylor asked how we could control the results of big ranches breaking up. Bacon suggested, "Make them working ranches again for food supply lines...Protect agricultural land in the code." Anaya said cluster development could be good but he would "respect Edgewood's and Stanley's desire for ordinary development." Concerning the possibility of making NM 41 into a Scenic Byway, Anaya said he works for the DOT and our bridge is "one of the worst. It has to be fixed"; he would do it "cautiously" for the village, adding "Don't brush off concepts like a bypass for Galisteo." On the question of the County's strict gas and oil ordinance, all supported it, though Bacon thought "the brakes could have been put on earlier" and an alternative energy program could have been laid out. Anaya said he was proud of it: "The County rose to the occasion."

To a question by Dora Anaya about how to reach consensus on the BCC, each candidate assured the audience that they could do it because of their various experiences in public service and working with individual commissioners.

Rod Hall, President of the Galisteo Water Association, demanded to know why the County kept on promising water to new developments when our own water quantity and quality were diminishing: "Subdivisions are not the only way to get jobs." "Rod, you've worked so hard," Anaya replied, "and you're sitting next to people who took that water" (e.g. residents of Ranchitos). Bacon called for a County-wide hydrology study and a water moratorium since the aquifers are not recharging.

FAREWELL GALISTEO

Have you ever walked down a lovely city street and wondered what it would be like to live inside one of the buildings? Or driven through a small town, all charm and beauty, and been tempted to dream What If? That's what happened to us and so we made our dream come true and moved to Galisteo.

There is a common knowing of what it is like to live in the village: the sound of coyotes in the night, after a kill, the strange smell of the blossoming olive trees, adobe walls that turn orange in the light of sunrise, cotton drifting in the air, the beautiful singing birds, barking dogs, turkey vultures swirling above or drying their great wings in the bare branches of dead trees, the river, the precious river and its bosque, ablaze in the fall. Snow falling. The wind.

Red and I like to sit on the bench on the front portal, yellow roses abloom, and listen to the wind. It can be so quiet here. And dark. I will miss the Milky Way.

The house was beautiful for a time. And so was our life. When I knew that we would have to leave, I felt a blow like that of death, enormous loss, a sadness that will never end but will get lighter, hopefully. Hope. We lived on hope for a while. And kindness. Thank you for your kindness.

With love from me and Sam and Red, **Kristen Siemon.**

CHIEF OF CHIEFS

Jean Moya, one of only two women fire chiefs in Santa Fe County, has been elected President of the County Chiefs Association. We are proud to have her in the GVFR!

The Fire Department also thanks all its donors so far this year.

HIKING TRAILS

If you haven't yet tried the 14 miles of new hiking trails at the Galisteo Basin Preserve (west side of 285 just below Lamy Hill), get a dose of lovely scenery with striking high views of both sides of the Galisteo Basin. It's a great place to get a sense of the invisible history of the area, and to identify familiar landmarks from an unfamiliar perspective. Dogs are welcome. Download a trail map at GalisteoBasinPreserve.com, or call 982-0071 x105. These trails, open to the public, are part of 13,000 acres of open space provided by Commonweal Conservancy.

PEDACITOS/BITS AND PIECES

At least one interminable lawsuit is over: At long last **Morgan Gafford and Peirce Clayton** have given up their land claims. Our counterclaims for legal costs and malicious abuse of process are pending.

Woody Gwyn is one of ten recipients of the 2010 Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts, which will be formally awarded on September 24th. In a letter supporting his nomination, Sharyn Udall wrote that Gwyn's paintings open to us "a larger vision of the West and of humanity's place in it."

In early May, the word "RAPE" was graffitied on the **Saddleback** gate and on the sign for the **Galisteo Basin Preserve**.

Frankie Sandoval may be Galisteo's last farmer. It's always good to see his chile patch coming up and we miss **Manuel Anaya's** little garden on The Hill.

Bill Lyne from Lamy wrote a letter to *The New Mexican* (5/7) describing his 30 years of research on ancient petroglyphs in which he claims to have discovered "irrefutable proof that ancient Egyptians, Minoans, Libyans and **Galesteans** (the Cycladic Island of Santorini was originally named 'Galeste') founded a colony in the Galisteo Basin c. 1626 BC." Archaeologists disagree and Lyne says they won't allow him on the San Cristobal Ranch to replace photographs that were stolen from his home "by professional burglars." "Is the archaeology community so weak," he asks, "that it cannot tolerate dissident views?"

Wayne King's article on carbon monoxide poisoning, first published in *El Puente*, appeared with illustrations in the May issue of *Connection*, the County Fire newsletter.

Tim Willms's application for construction at La Tienda de Anaya has been held up by errors in the State Land Office lease.

County Commissioner Kathy Holian's recent newsletter warned that there has been an **increase of break-ins** in the County. The Sheriff's Office is not adequately staffed to patrol almost 2000 square miles and some 60,000 houses, but Holian would be glad to help implement a neighborhood watch in our area.

FOLLOW THE RIVER

This is the story of how the Tano, or Southern Tewa, around 1782, finally left the Galisteo Basin where they had lived some 500 years (as told to ethnographer J.P. Harrington by Tewa people of San Ildefonso Pueblo in the early 1900s).

The ancient people of Galisteo had a snake, a big one and black one, which they kept in the kiva. When they went hunting and got game of any kind, they fed it to him. Mule-deer, buffalo, white-tailed deer, antelope, elk, rabbit, jackrabbit, birds – all these they fed him. In return he gave them anything that they wanted. Corn, squashes, chokecherries, berries, yucca fruit, cactus fruit, Tewa berries, moccasins, leggings, deerskin shirts he gave them. One morning they went to look at him and did not find him. At midnight he had gone out. Nobody had seen him issue, nobody knew in which direction he had gone. They found tracks leading to the arroyo, big tracks, and they followed them. They followed his track along the Galisteo Creek, where he went along the bed. They followed him to the mouth, where the tracks went into the waters of the Rio Grande.

They went back to their pueblo and they held a meeting that next night. And the old men said to the old men: "The snake has gone. What are we going to have of those things which he gave us? He has gone away. Now we also must be going away." And they all went down to Santo Domingo Pueblo, where they settled."



Exhibitor **Judy Tuwaletsiwa** chats with **Amy Tremper** at **La Sala's** opening party for the photography exhibition at the "Galisteo Museum Historical." The **Gwyn hacienda's** big trees provided welcome shade on a day (June 5) when temperatures hit 100 degrees. (Photo: **Tom Morin**).



Max Murphy at the party on June 6th at the Community Center to raise money for his trip to Australia. (Photo: **Tom Morin**)



Bullfight poster in a restaurant in Sevilla, Spain.

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