



### COMING UP!

October 1-2, Grand opening of Qigong Center (see p. 3.)

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October 20, 6-8 at the Community Center: **COMMUNITY MEETING FOR GALISTEO REVITALIZATION ACTION PLAN:** Come review new plan, updates, and launch implementation. Refreshments will be served.

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**DON'T FORGET TO SAVE THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>** for the 29<sup>th</sup> GALISTEO STUDIO TOUR, still holding its own against the plethora of later-comers all over the state.

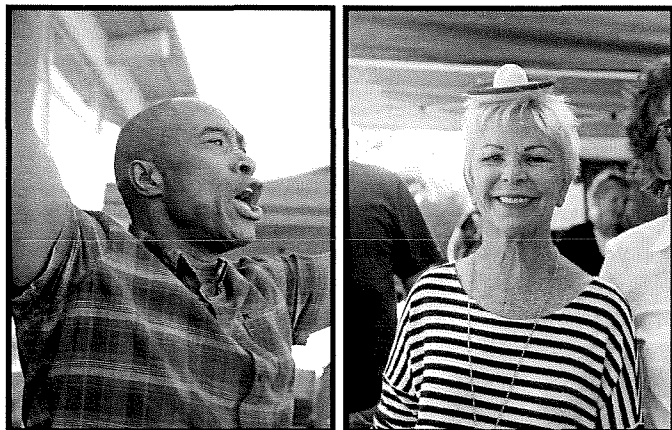
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October 22, 7-9 at La Sala: **LA SALA COMMUNITY CONCERT** with **Spicy Cuban Sounds** by Galisteño Fred Milder's *Havana Son*. Raffle for fun prizes, fingerfoods and refreshments. Suggested Donation \$10, \$15 per couple.

### GALISTEO'S BEST PARTY OF THE YEAR: GUYS RULE IN CHILI (CHILE) COOKOFF

Whoa! For the first time, all the prizes for best chile went to men! The macho prizewinners were: First, Stanley Purdue. Second, Richard Fenker, Third, Steve Moya. Susie Shanklin upheld the honor of Galisteñas by winning Best Margarita.

The side dishes and desserts deserved prizes of their own. As usual, a good time was had by all. (Below: Stanley, Suzie, Richard, Steve, and MC Wayne King. Photos: Judy Tuwaletstiva)



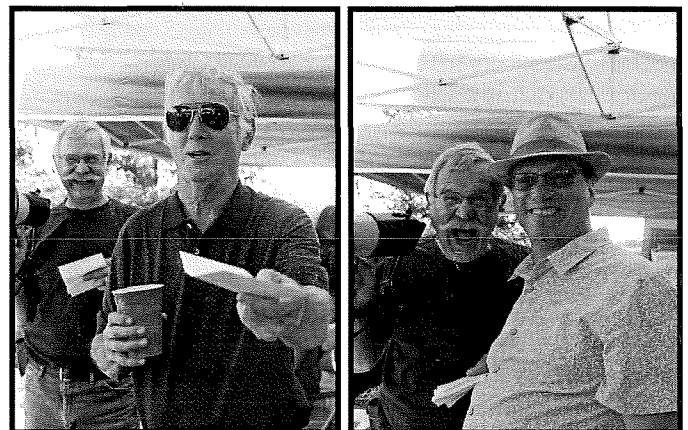
**IF YOU HAVE NEVER SPONSORED AN ISSUE OF EL PUENTE (AND IF YOU HAVE), PLEASE CONSIDER DOING SO (AGAIN) TO KEEP US GOING AS WE COMPLETE OUR 20<sup>TH</sup> YEAR OF PUBLICATION: \$80, check made out to GCA with "newsletter" in memo line; send to El Puente, 14 Avenida Vieja, Galisteo, 87540.**

### MOVIES GALORE

Irritating as it is to have cars speeding down Avenida Vieja and parking across driveways to make "important" phone calls, it's always kind of fun to have movies filming in Galisteo. This month has been an extravaganza, with La Sala and Priscilla Hoback's property as locations, as well as sets and base camps on Cerro Pelon Ranch and on San Cristobal Ranch.

For a couple of days the Netflix movie *Godless* (a title which almost lost them access to church parking) crammed downtown Galisteo with gigantic trucks, an outdoor cafeteria, buggies and buckboards, and a kind of 19<sup>th</sup>-century farmer's market on Via La Puente. I was offered some chile peppers as they dismantled, but the other baskets of produce were headed for another (non-southwestern?) set (see page 4).

The typo-ridden "film notice" left at residences for *Woman Walks Ahead*, on San Cristobal, said filming would continue in September-October, 7AM -6PM, with access on Avenida Vieja, La Vega, and La Otra Vanda, so watch your dogs (Cont. p.2)



**Movies cont.:** *on the roads, especially in SoGal.* The film is an independent feature, an 1890s drama starring Jessica Chastain, Sam Rockwell, and Michael Greyeyes.

Netflix gave a very generous donation to La Sala and another is expected for the GCA. *Woman Walks Ahead* will pay \$100 per day to the GCA for access through the village.

## PEDACITOS/BITS AND PIECES

Goodbye to **Nancy Helle**, who has graced Galisteo for decades and had to move to the west coast for health reasons. We miss her already. (See El Puente Sept. 2002 for an account of her long horseback ride with Linda Rice from St. Louis to Galisteo.)

And Hello to Galisteo's newest citizen, who was born on August 4<sup>th</sup> to **Caroline Seigel and Matthew McQueen**. **Catherine Rose McQueen**, with her brother **Jack**, resides on Avenida Vieja, turning it into Avenida Joven (or Mozo). Daddy, of course, is running for re-election as our State Representative for District 50. You can donate to his campaign at his website: [www.mcqueenform.com](http://www.mcqueenform.com).

On August 12<sup>th</sup>, *The New Mexican* published "Village of Galisteo is a happening place" -- a "My View" by **Muriel Fariello**, who should now be appointed our Chamber of Commerce. "The village of Galisteo," she writes, "epitomizes a melting pot of wonderful people who care about their neighbors. Many residents are writers, artists, poets, movie directors, fashion designers, doctors, professors, financial consultants and elected officials, some of whom are well-known around the world. In addition, there are dedicated activists who, over the years, have joined other communities to keep oil companies from drilling in Santa Fe County. We have also prevented development that would have a negative impact on our resources....People here are from all walks of life with a common goal of caring for their neighbors...We are close enough to enjoy the activities of Santa Fe yet far enough away to have that small town feel." And she goes on to praise the GCA, La Sala, and the Bosque restoration project. (Hey, what about the Fire Department and the newsletter?) She ended with a plug for the Studio Tour. Let's see if this sells some of our empty houses.

In early September, *The New York Times* ran a lengthy feature: "**Bruce Nauman**, Art Provocateur, Returns. Are You Ready?" The writer visited him in Galisteo, described as "far from Santa Fe, half an hour out on the sparsely inhabited high desert," where he and **Susan Rothenburg** have lived since 1989 in a "humble and plain...middle-class American" home. Nauman's latest videos (developed with local artist Bruce Hamilton) take off from his 1968 classic, *Walking with Contrapposto*. Also mentioned was the 1987 video *Clown Torture*; the actor was sometime Galisteo resident **Walt Stevens**. This fall Nauman's *Contrapposto Studies, i-vii* will be shown at Sperone Westwater in New York and the Philadelphia Museum.

This summer **Peggy Diggs** showed work in "Of the People," a national exhibition at Smack Mellon Gallery in Brooklyn reflecting "of-the-moment political opinions shaping the 2016 presidential race." Her piece, *Heirloom*, considered the fairness (or not) of ballot design with a handcrafted "cozy."

A show of **Woody Gwyn's** virtuoso realist paintings titled "American Vista" was at the LewAllen Galleries until Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>. In the catalogue Kenneth R. Marvel calls Gwyn "this extraordinary interpreter of the poetic possibilities of landscape" who "transcends mere description" to take us into "the realm of meditative imagining."

**Judy Tuwaletstiya's** glass show at the William Siegal Gallery in August was reportedly the usual hit.

**Harmony Hammond** was interviewed at length in *The Brooklyn Rail* (July-Aug.). On Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>; she and Lucy Lippard (old feminist activist pals since the early 1970s) spoke together on artist's archives at a Georgia O'Keeffe Museum symposium.

**Arthur Lynn** won two First Place awards at the Denver Custom Knife Show: Best Damascus Knife and Best Hand-forged Primitive Knife.

From *the New Mexican*, August 31, 1966: "**Senator José Ortiz y Pino** to the [Republican] David Cargo for Governor camp" after being defeated in the Democratic Primary for re-election to his State Senate seat.

*Nocturnal Animals*, **Tom Ford's** new film, "an art world thriller" starring Amy Adams, premiered at the Venice Film Festival.

The **Galisteo Basin Preserve** is just completing a new mile-long, multi-use trail linking the Cowboy Shack trail with Leona's Loop and Glenn's Way, forming a continuous 7-mile loop.

State Rep **Matthew McQueen** was quoted in *The New Mexican*, as being worried about the revolving door between public servants and industry (since Environment Secretary Flynn quit to join the fossil fuel industry). He said the turnover of top state workers is "certainly not good for the health of the agency, but if you have professional state employees who are allowed to do their jobs, then the impacts should be muted." However, he added, "whether or not they have been allowed to under past leadership [at the Environment Dept.] is up for question."

**Eric Thomas**, a Rhode Island Narragansett, and ten-year Galisteo resident, had "a dream come true" when his figure of a Native American scout (c.1870's), complete with Union army coat, rifle and guns, beaded moccasins, and fringe leggings, was accepted by SWAIA for a juried contemporary show in the Santa Fe Convention Center in the August Indian Market. All the costumes and accessories for this 20" ball-jointed figure with resin cast head were made from scratch. His work is said to defy categories of traditional doll making and modern sculpture.

## OPENING OF QIGONG CENTER

The Center for Wisdom Healing Qigong has a new home. Internationally recognized teacher and healer Master Mingtong Gu purchased the magnificent Vista Clara Ranch and Spa in Galisteo this past spring and will be opening the new center on October 1. A manifestation of Master Gu's long-held dream, this new qigong retreat center will be a place where people from around the world gather to awaken and heal body, mind, and heart. It is a continuation and expansion of the world's largest medicine-less qigong center, the venerable Huaxia Zhineng Qigong Training and Recovery Center in China.

Situated on seventy-nine acres with ancient cottonwood trees, a fishpond, labyrinths, and a striking circular building set into the earth, reminiscent of sacred underground ceremonial kivas, this healing center will be a powerful energetic gateway to health, promoting peace, harmony and love for generations to come.

Master Gu fell in love with New Mexico during his first trip here in 2013. He explained his life-changing decision to buy Vista Clara: "New Mexico is still a relatively new experience for me. From my very first trip here, I felt the magic of the high desert. The historical energy of Native American and Spanish cultures are very much alive on this property, and it fills me with awe. The union of heaven and earth is tangible, there is a deep primal life force at work here. This is the ideal place to honor ourselves, our community, our ancestors, and our kinship with the Earth. The kiva and land in Galisteo connect us with the reciprocity of the natural world, and is a gift for everyone's benefit."

Inaugural Grand Opening festivities begin with *An Evening of Wisdom Healing Qigong with Master Gu* on Friday, September 30, at the Santa Fe Community College. The *Grand Opening Ceremony* takes place the next day, Saturday, October 1, followed by a community potluck, world kirtan music by the Bhakti Boogie Band, and Dances of Universal Peace. Completing the weekend on Sunday, October 2, Master Gu will be teaching an all-day qigong workshop at the new center: "It will serve as a physical portal for connecting people locally, and globally, to the self-healing and self-empowering approach of Wisdom Healing Qigong. The center will energetically support the expansion and integration of all wisdom traditions and wellness modalities." Restoring wholeness in ourselves and our world is the vision Master Gu is holding for us all.

*Information on Grand Opening weekend festivities: 707-347-6489. ChiCenter.com. Questions: admin@chicenter.com. Thanks to Debra Rosenman for this contribution, edited by El Puente.*

## LIGHTS OUT: GVFR TO THE RESCUE

On Tuesday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, when GVFR members are usually settling in for the monthly business meeting and a Cindy Lux Special, half the department was missing, A branch on a tree by Priscilla Hoback's studio had fallen (not for the first time) on electric wires. We were all blacked out for several hours, except of course, those of us basking in the light off the grid. The GVFR meeting was held by romantic flashlight and the tree limb has been punished (see above right).



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## GALISTEO CONNECTED

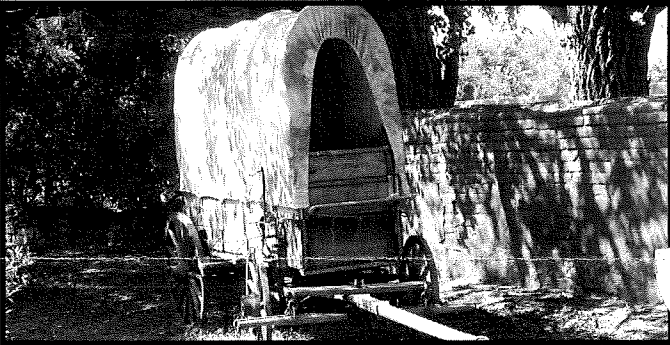
Michael Golino

From July to September of 2016, Ranchitos and the village of Galisteo got another choice for Internet connectivity. Over the summer Century Link rolled out DSL service that offers real broadband internet with speeds up to 40 mbps (mega bits per second) download and 5mbps upload. Unlike satellite service like Wild Blue and Exede there are no data caps. Galisteños can now surf the web and download movies just like the rest of the civilized world.

The process that led up to this started when the GCA asked one of its board members to make getting better internet services a priority for the community. Over the course of almost two years the GCA, as part of the State Broadband Task Force, was represented at PRC meetings and relentlessly hounded Century Link State Government Relations Director Johnny Montoya.

In August of 2015 we learned that Century Link had applied for and would receive CAFII (Connect America Fund) money to the tune of \$66 million. The GCA agitated, with the help of George Clarke (New Mexico Department of Information Technology), David Griscom (Santa Fe County Department of Economic Development), and Sean Moody (City of Santa Fe Department of Economic Development), to be one of the communities to benefit from the CAFII monies. We were successful and most of the community has taken advantage and benefited from this new service. For more information about setting up an account please contact Jared I. Roybal, Retail Manager: 1Montgomery Plaza, 4411 San Mateo Blvd NE, Suite E6, Albuquerque, NM 87109; Cell (505)228-3467; [jared.roybal@centurylink.com](mailto:jared.roybal@centurylink.com).

(In case you hadn't guessed, the GCA Board member who did all this work and got us Broadband was the author. Thanks, Michael!)



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### GALISTEO CLASSIFIED

**ADS ARE FREE, AND FOR GALISTEO RESIDENTS ONLY. PLEASE CALL 466-1276 TO UPDATE OR DELETE YOUR ADS. Next deadline: October 10.**

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