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*HAPPY NEW YEAR * FELIZ AÑO NUEVO*





La Gran Pastorela de Belen took place again at La Sala de San José on December 9th, with an overflow crowd and delicious potluck at the Community Center afterwards, thanks to organizers Anna and Freddie Cárdenas. A handsome booklet was distributed detailing the history, synopsis, and song sheet for the traditional Christmas play about the annunciation of the birth of Christ to the shepherds by San Miguel, who must fend off *Demonio* (the Devil) who is trying to distract them. Finally each shepherd brings a gift to the Holy Child, including water, diaper, sheets, blankets, a rooster, and *empanaditas*.

Los Pastores originated in Spain centuries ago and was once common in New Mexico, although only a few villages (and the city of Santa Fe) still perform it. This version was resurrected three decades ago by Filomena Baca of Belen's Nuestra Señora church, and she was present to accept our thanks, along with other dedicated volunteers in the chorus and in the band of

shepherds who provided the event's lively music. A clever expandable backdrop changed the scenery and the Devil and drunken shepherd Bartolo offered dashes of contemporary humor. (A "My View" in *The New Mexican* (1/14), written by a former *Demonio*, cited Galisteo as a source for the figure's validity.) Nine-year-olds Jason Montoya and Savanna Gallegos were Mary and Joseph this year.

In the audience were several Galisteans who had participated in Galisteo's own version before 1964, including Rudy Sena (whose father Natividad began the play in Galisteo), Martha Delgado (whose parents also contributed), and many from the Montoya family. Inez Sena Montoya, once the keeper of the play's costumes, recalls that each actor had to bring a piece of wood for the stove to keep the room warm during rehearsals.

(photos: Anna Cárdenas, Alice Kruse)

PEDACITOS/BITS AND PIECES

No one has yet announced their candidacy for our district's County Commissioner, and **Robert Anaya** is termed out. The primary is in March. Step up Galisteans!!!

Matthew McQueen made the front page of *The New Mexican* (12/16) for proposing a bill that would ban bump stocks -- the devices that turn semi-automatic weapons into rapid-fire guns and were responsible for the high fatality rate at the Las Vegas mass shooting. And Matthew has a potential challenger in the 2018 election, one Jarratt Applewhite, an Independent and "self-described high-school dropout" from Lamy.

Also in the news is our neighbor to the south -- Zorro Ranch owner **Jeffrey Epstein**. A civil suit has been filed against him by three teenage girls. Steve Terrell (in *The New Mexican* 12/10) noted that the opposing lawyer has agreed not to refer to Epstein as a "billionaire pedophile" or "convicted child molester" and assumes that he will also refrain from calling Epstein "a creepy scumbag" or "despicable perv."

On Dec. 10th, **Priscilla Hoback** held a reception and book signing for **Sina Brush**, who after working on it for some three decades, has published her lavishly illustrated book *Working with Laura Gilpin, Photographer*, an intimate portrait of the 1970s when Brush worked at the Museum of Fine Arts and gave birth to her daughter Aissa, long before she settled in the Galisteo Basin. She describes her first view of the village in a visit to Romona Scholder, who had asked Laura Gilpin to come to Galisteo to make a portrait of her then husband, the artist Fritz Scholder:

"Galisteo was very traditional in those days, a Spanish community of adobe homes hundreds of years old, enormous cottonwoods shading portales...orchards of ancient Spanish fruit trees and native grass yards tall green corn stalks rose grandly over adobe walls, wild gourd vines with long narrow pointed grey-green leaves spread over road shoulders, knobby green and yellow striped baseball-sized gourds scattered among the leaves. ... 'Scholder' in script, flowed across a wall near the gate fabricated in wrought iron letters several inches high.....A few moments later Mrs. Scholder appeared, dressed in a flared calflength knit skirt and three/quarter length sleeve top, all black, including black high heels and stockings, an elegant picture...."

Jean Anaya Moya took part in "Chispa!," a one-day exhibition at La Fonda on Dec 19th.

Charlie P. Anaya (1928-2018), uncle of Robert and Mike Anaya and Jean Moya, brother of their father Joe M. Anaya, and son of Miguelita and Basilio Anaya of Galisteo, passed away on January 8.

Peggy Diggs' anti-racist work on "whiteness" was featured in *The Santa Fe Reporter*'s coverage of presentations by the Santa Fe Art Institute's Equal Justice Residents in November. She also participated in a performance there, handing out fortune cookies with pointed messages.

THE RETURN OF COREY'S SUNDAY SUPPER AND SOUP STOP

January 28: Comfort Buffet from 5-7 at the Community Center. A selection of soups will also be available for purchase.

February 4, Super Bowl Sunday: soups and snacks to enjoy in front of the TV will be pick-up only from 3-5. Featured will be my salmon chowder – a prizewinner at the 2007 Santa Fe "Souper Bowl."

February 18: Chinese New Year's Buffet. Menu details and more dates to follow. Please call Corey at 466-1831 with any questions. Reservations helpful but not necessary.

Pasatiempo (12/15) reproduced an installation of **Judy Tuwaletstiwa's** paintings. She is also represented in the New Mexico Museum of Art's 100-year anniversary exhibition.

Sadly **Liz Massey**, who, with her husband **Paul**, has long been our newspaper delivery team, has been diagnosed with a severe illness. They have sent the community their thanks and the reprint of a delightful newspaper column by Liz. The community has reciprocated.

Galisteans speak out: Letters to the editor of *The New Mexican* by Sina Brush, Barbara Holloway, and Joette O'Conor (Trofimuk) over the last month or so covered (respectively) DWI offenses, local gun control, and pro-Israeli government comments.

Catherine Ferguson launched her new book I Thought You Would be Shelter: Men Poems at two events in December, one at Teatro Paraguas in Santa Fe, along with James McGrath's A Festival of Birds.

Deborah Samuel's photography was shown at the Webster Collection in Santa Fe and reproduced in *Pasatiempo*.

Deborah Madison's new book *In My Kitchen: A Collection of New and Favorite Vegetarian Recipes* (Ten Speed Press) was featured in *The New Mexican*'s 2017 *Winter Guide* with a portrait including some greenery and her sweet dog Dante. Among the advice offered cooks: "Don't apologize. Your food may not taste as good to you as it does to those to whom you are serving it. If so, it's most likely because you've been inhaling it for a while so its flavors are no longer vivid and new. But that doesn't mean that others are faking their praise!" Madison was also honored by the Santa Fe Farmers Market Institute's Fall Fiesta for her 40 years of work in the "food world" (27 of them in New Mexico).

The Galisteo Volunteer Fire and Rescue unanimously and enthusiastically re-elected Jean Moya as Chief. Janice Wall will continue as Secretary despite the lamented departure of her co-conspirator, Barbara King. New member Alice Kruse, an RN, is training for EMT. Ed Epping, John Watson-Jones and Steve Beecraft are stepping up to fill Wayne King's shoes. The

Friends of GVFR 501.C3 officers remain **Frank Lux** and **Janice Wall** and everyone else in the department are Board members.

The double front doors and transom window of **La Sala** have been removed and replaced by plywood while restoration work on these items begins. The process of paint removal, sanding, wood repair, sealing and re-painting, and hardware replacement will take about 4-6 weeks and cost @ \$3,000. **Donations towards the expense are very welcome!**

Craig Moya is now the co-proprietor of Desert Dogs Brewery and Cidery on San Francisco St., featured in *The New Mexican* (1/9). He's quoted as saying: "I feel like in Santa Fe you have one shot. If people talk bad about you, nobody comes in." Given the ongoing success of his other cidery, we trust his jitters are unfounded.

Your editor received the Edgar Lee Hewett Award from The New Mexico Museum Association at their Los Alamos conference in November.

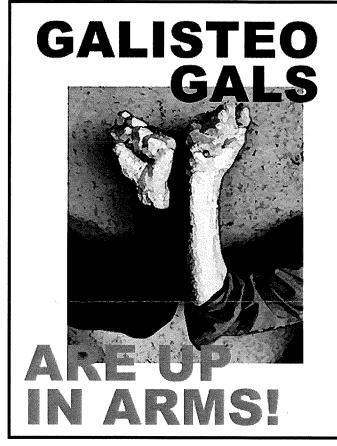
A **correction to the list of services** included with the great new Galisteo Phone directory (thanks, GVFR, Frank and Cindy): My highly recommended plumber's phone no. didn't make the list so here it is: **Mitch Sullivan:** 505-280-4897.

Michelle Roxanne Parker (1963-2017), an avid supporter of the sport of equestrian eventing, passed away in November and a celebration of her life was held at Goose Downs on Dec. 2nd.

Environmental writer and activist Bill McKibben has suggested that the best way to cope with the inevitable disruptions of climate change is to strengthen your local community.



Great Horned Owl (Photo Caroline Hinkley)



Poster by Peggy Diggs (with a little help from other Gals and a Guy) for the Jan. 21 Women's March at the Roundhouse and Plaza.





The GVFR's cowboy/girl themed holiday dinner at the Black Bird Saloon in Cerrillos on December 12.

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