



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WATER ASSOCIATION

From minutes by Secretary Richard Patton



The Annual meeting of the Galisteo Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association (MDWCA) took place at the Community Center on March 27 with a (minimal) quorum of members and the sitting Board. Two technical resolutions were approved by the Board and Accountant Ana Berry reported that only one hookup is in arrears and is not expected to be a concern.

Michael Golino, hired by the Board to assist with managing execution of the building project/ loan/grant, has resigned. The total loan was for c. \$430,000, of which \$120,000 must be repaid at 0.25% interest over twenty years. MDWCA President Phillip Tuwaletstiwa had met with Morey Walker, the engineer on the project, and presented to the membership an overview of the project, including the blueprints of the entire design, which are available for anyone to review.

The project has three parts: A pump installed on our second well will be brought on line; a new pump house will be built, along with pressurizing of the entire system; some lines will be extended, bringing access to more of the community. It will greatly improve our system's capacity, reliability and redundancy. Bids will be made once state approval is in hand and once they are out for thirty days, we can begin the selection process. We will probably be in a position to break ground by mid-June. Phillip and Ana Berry will oversee this project with Morey Walker.

This new loan specifically excludes any money for fire protection and hydrants, so Steve Moya has arranged for us to receive an \$86,000 grant from the State for water system improvement, which would enable fire hydrant installation. We cannot access this money until our new system project is finished, but planning can begin now. Ana Berry has already received paperwork for this grant. The board will send letters of appreciation to those responsible (e.g., Carlos Sisneros.)

Saturday May 11, 9:00 AM at Watts Park by the mailboxes: **COMMUNITY CLEAN UP.** Breakfast treats and trash disposal provided by John and Tanya Young). Bring work gloves and walking shoes.

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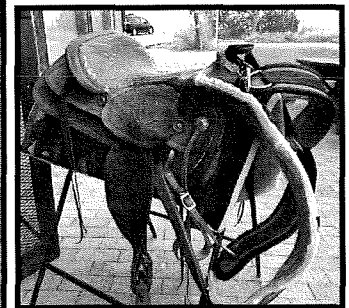
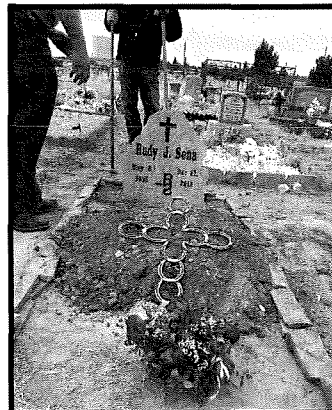
Sunday May 26th, 4-8PM: **SWEET BABY BARN DANCE** at Quarter Mill Farm. Sean Healen Band, BBQ, drinks. Kids free, \$25 per person (\$20 in advance: jshannon@gmail.com).

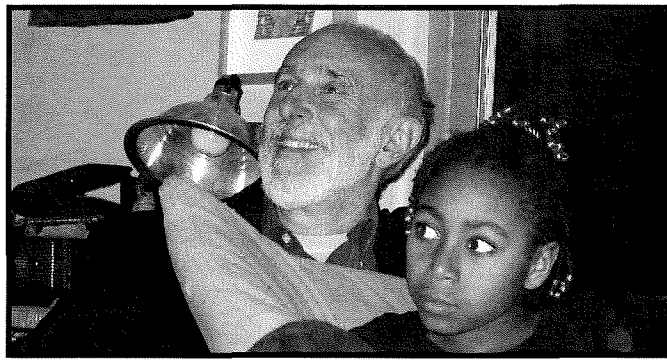
During the community comment period, Freddie Cárdenas said that village water is too expensive and asked that the tier system of charges be abolished because it punishes not only those who overuse water, but also those with large families. [However, it is, in fact, cheaper than other similar systems and a flat fee would be more expensive for all users.]

An election was held to add one member to the Board. Denise Lynch, Craig Fulmer, and Ed Epping were nominated. A closed ballot determined that Epping had won. Tuwaletstiwa announced that although he had planned to resign as President, he was willing to continue in order to complete the grant project. Mike Anaya was nominated but declined. Phillip was then unanimously approved. John Watson-Jones was re-elected as Treasurer and Richard Patton will continue as Secretary. Other members of the Board whose terms continue are Steve Moya, Mike Anaya, Lucy Lippard, and Antonio Chavez (Foreman).

REVISITING RUDY SENA'S FUNERAL

photographs from Bill Mitchell.





Tom and daughter Ana. (Photo: Richard Shuff)

TOM MORIN (1944-2019)

Former Galisteño Tom Morin died on April 18. He was born February 21, 1944 in Fulton, N.Y., the son of Tom and Mary Morin. He graduated from Syracuse University in 1966 with a BA in graphic design and received his MA from Yale. He was an accomplished graphic designer, college professor, author, businessman, mentor, friend, film buff, music lover, world traveler and jazzed kid.

In 2000 Tom built what is now the Diggs/Epping home on Avenida Vieja, designed by Beverley Spears, and moved to Galisteo, where he was active in the community as a founding member of the Planning Committee, President of the GCA, and co-founder of the annual Chile Margarita Cookoff. After suffering a stroke in Fall 2012, he was forced to move to a Santa Fe retirement home. He leaves behind former wives Joan Morin and Daphne Geismar, sister Martha, son Joshua Morin, daughter Ana Geismar, granddaughter Savannah Morin, and former partner Isabella Gonzales, who shared his Galisteo years.

PEDACITOS/BITS AND PIECES

On April 13, Peggy Diggs and Ed Epping opened their studios on Avenida Vieja to the community. Peggy has been working for some time on whiteness and racism, while Ed has been creating a labor-intensive installation on incarceration in the U.S.

Lorraine Weiss plays soprano sax on "A Miracle," No. 3 of *Ram Dass x East Forest*, a four-part album that will be dropping throughout 2019.

Harmony Hammond is featured in the exhibition *Art after Stonewall, 1969-1989*, at New York University's Grey Art Gallery and the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art (through July 21). The show is a long-awaited, groundbreaking survey featuring over 200 works of art and related visual materials exploring the impact of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) liberation movement on visual culture, coinciding with the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprisings.

Deirdre Africa's **Button Box Aprons** will be at El Rancho de los Golondrinas in June, at the Fiber Arts Festival (6/1-2) and the Lavender and Herb Festival (6/15-16). <https://golondrinas.org/>

Liz Rose writes: "Much has been written about the debilitating disease of Parkinson's Disease itself, but little from the Caregiver's perspective. After eighteen months of weekly blogging I had enough material to develop into a book: *The Perfect Servant-nope* which took first place in NMPW (New

Mexico Press Women's) Communication contest this year and Honorable Mention in the National Federation of Press Women.

Also, my Abstract and Poster on the needs of Caregivers have been accepted for display at this year's World Parkinson's Congress in Kyoto. So off to Japan I go in June.

"Though David has passed, my goal is to be an advocate for CarePartners who are expected to go it alone without any training. I've been offered two 'Meet and Greet' slots to talk about my book, and two others to explain the Abstract, so I'll have the opportunity to reach an audience I could never have imagined."

NEWCOMERS (First in a Series)



John Shannon has settled into a casita at Quartermill Farm, next to his partner, Denise Lynch. He is a news reporter and producer for KSFR, sharing air with news director Tom Trowbridge every morning and a few afternoons a week. He also produces feature stories on local artists (including your editor) and covers veteran affairs, as a retired U.S. Infantry officer who served 26 years in the military, including two combat tours in Afghanistan.

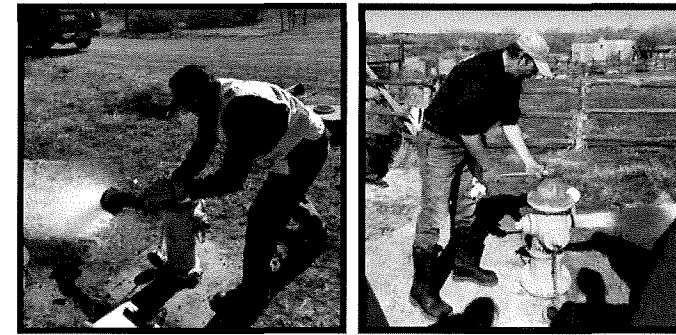
John is also a writer, actor, and filmmaker, author of the short stories "The Jump" and "Red Flowers," and a recently completed novel set in Afghanistan that challenges conventional notions of modern combat. His short film *Still Life*, about a combat veteran with a traumatic brain injury who can't distinguish between reality and dreams, was selected by the Tenerife Film Festival in Milan, Italy in December 2018, and he was nominated Best Director of a Short Film. As if that weren't enough, John also volunteers with Horses for Heroes, Cowboy Up!

GVFR NEWS

Steve Beecraft, fire fighter and impresario of weekly truck maintenance, is leaving town to take care of his ailing mother in Wisconsin. Chief Jean Moya wrote to him: "You will be missed, I have truly enjoyed not having to worry about truck maintenance, knowing you had everything covered. You have left your mark and everyone will carry on the skills and guidance you provided, but with a sad heart." Steve replied: "We had a huge job to do and you guys cranked it out like the well-oiled machine the group has become. There was a moment when I stood back and watched. I was very impressed. I thought to myself, with a little more training we could open a truck shop! I feel (cont page 3)

pretty confident that you will carry on next month and no one will even notice that I'm gone. You guys Rock." Farewell and thanks to Steve.

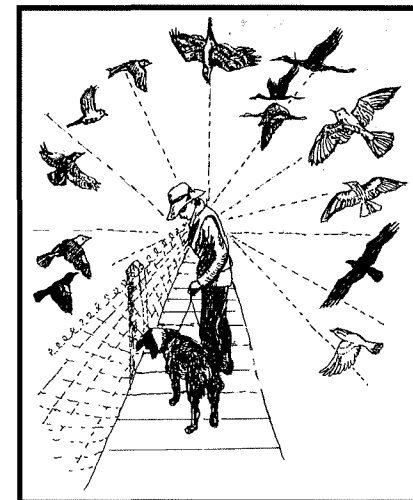
GVFR members spent a whole tiring day in mid-April checking flow and pressure on the village's twelve hydrants. Deirdre Africa documented the effort. (Below: Craig Fulmer & Don Truax)



GVFR member Stella Maestas is interviewing new members of the department. Jerry Kruse was the first: "I was a urologist for 36 years in San Antonio, Texas, and upon retiring 2 1/2 years ago, moved full time to Galisteo. Alice and I were part-time Galisteo residents prior to this for 16 years. Our love of the southwest had us visiting since 1979. Joining the fire department was quite easy once Alice decided to become an EMT. I thought I could help out driving the Rescue vehicle. GVFR offers a wonderful opportunity to give back to the community."

Craig Fulmer came next: "I chose to join the Fire Department because last year on the Fourth of July, we experienced a Wildland fire that came within a mile of my coffee roasting business in Basalt, CO. If the wind had shifted just a little, the fire would have been blown at us and our livelihood ruined. It was because of that experience, and Chief Moya's invitation to volunteer, that I found an opportunity to learn about firefighting. I know if the future put me in such close proximity to a fire incident, I would be better educated with this training to protect family and community.

"So far my experience has been working with a wonderful and diverse team of volunteers who are dedicated to guarding life and properties, and to protecting the environment against the ravages of fire, as well as protecting people from ailment and accident."



GRAPPA'S WAY

Jan Saunders, drawing by Catherine Ferguson (lower left)

Grappa, my 5-month-old Aussie pup, refuses to walk away from the house down our trails in Ranchitos. Heaven knows we need the exercise, so I drive us both down to the Village, where he is fine and so am I, as soon as I hear the spring birds singing from the Fremont Cottonwoods along the road and the willows on the sandy river banks.

Of course, I have birds at my feeder in Ranchitos: Scores of blushing-red House Finches, my friend the Woodhouse's Jay, six Pine Siskins, flocks of Bush Tits and Western and Mountain Bluebirds, a noisy six-pack of Crows, a Robin or two, and the occasional Ladder-backed Woodpecker. In this still-cold-not-quite-spring weather the wind seems to tamp down our desire to walk as well as the bird's urge to sing.

But the Village is alive with bird song and there is shelter from the wind. Birds, like any animal, have simple needs: shelter, water, and food. As I walk along Grappa's Way, starting at Marcellina Lane along dusty roads, over the bridge, and along open meadows, it feels and sounds like spring. My favorites, Red-winged Blackbirds, are rejoicing from the tops of the huge cottonwoods on the old Galisteo Inn property. I stop to search for Yellow-headed Blackbirds hidden among the black flocks. To see red wings and yellow heads on shiny black birds flying together is visual candy.

Walking past a rail fence I spot a little White-breasted Nuthatch searching for insects under the bark of the wood railings and hear the chatter of a Juniper Titmouse somewhere deep in the Four-winged Salt Bush nearby. A Mountain Bluebird carrying the sky on his wings dips low in front of us as it flies across the road. From high in the clear sky overhead I hear the trumpeting calls of a skein of Sandhill Cranes leaving the Rio Grande Valley and winging their way north to breed and raise their long-legged chicks.

We cross El Puente on the high side. Grappa stops to look down into the river where he loves to splash as I search and listen for the birds that I know will arrive soon, like the Downy and Hairy Woodpeckers and Ash-throated Flycatchers. Today we avoid the river and the mud from recent snow melt. Once on La Otra Vanda, I listen for Western Meadowlarks that will soon be calling from the grasslands above the river banks. Around the curve toward the Community Center, White-crowned Sparrows are announcing in song that "Poor-Joe-Joe-missed-his-bus."

It's not all about birds. Grappa, not wanting to miss a scent, walks a zig-zag pattern across trail and road. We meet up with several dogs, some barking warnings and others testing the strength of their owner's grip in an effort to approach Grappa for a romp. But he is young and the other dogs are strangers, so we stick to the business of walking on down the road.

When it's time to turn back toward home, I glance at the bare, empty branches of the Cottonwoods bordering the east side of the river, waiting for the Turkey Vultures that will return to roost high in these trees until fall's chill calls them south again. Grappa and I will be standing here to watch "the black-watchers" dropping in to roost. (We spotted the first Vulture over Galisteo on March 27.)

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FOR RENT

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