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Today's speakers were representatives of UNM School of Architecture and Planning

John Quale, LEED AP BD+C, Associate AIA, is Director and Professor of Architecture at UNM's School of Architecture and Planning. Matt Gines is a Lecturer and Director of the School of Architecture and Planning's Fabrication Laboratory. Also enduring the usually unseen by them, early morning world, were students, Adrian, Jordan, Samantha and Donavan. The students (and the older gentlemen) were in the house to show us the many skills, adventures, talents and energies involved in making a playhouse. It sounds like a relatively basic thing to do-build a playhouse. Get a hammer; a few nails; some lumber and a wrap to protect your thumb...and away you go. Take a Saturday morning and make a fine 4x6x6 playhouse. Well you could do that; and you would end up with a nice place to sleep when the dog house is occupied. The playhouses that these students, along with other members of their two competing teams, made, were not the 'standard' thing. Their playhouses were built with the plan of winning this year's Parade of Playhouses Competition - sponsored by New Mexico Appleseed. The presenters had a great time-lapse video (also filmed and edited by students) chronicling the four week effort it took to make the "Toy Factory Team" entry. It was not a lumber, hammer and nail project. It was a work of art, made by hard-working soon-to-be professionals, using drills, screwdrivers, 1/4 inch steel, welders, computers, high-speed saws, hoists, brains, long hours, laughter and pizza. The resulting structure is quite interesting, but any word description that I provide will certainly not do it justice. You can see it at website http://www.paradeofplayhouses.com/cms/?page_id=28. All the entries are displayed there, but the Toy Factory Playhouse is best. The judging will take place on May 8th at the Botanical Gardens. It is all part of New Mexico Appleseed's fund raising event. Read about that organization, the event, and how you can participate, at the website: <http://www.nmappleseed.org/parade-of-playhouses/>. Directors Quale and Gines also provided other information about the School of Architecture. Currently, there are about 380 students in the school. The fabrication laboratory has a combination of student levels; 3rd year students in the Intern Development Program; 2nd year students with undergrad degrees; and undergraduate students, all gaining the benefit of helping, and learning from, each other. Mr. Quale is developing another program, to include a variety of engineering professions, with the plan to design, construct and install energy efficient modular buildings that conform to LEED standards. (LEED = Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design; which is a green building certification program). Modular, energy efficient, buildings or remodels are expected to be 15% to 25% more efficient than the same facilities using standard construction methods. Mr. Quale's program would have the components built off-site, then moved to the final location. If you have a spare, relatively large, vacant warehouse type structure, with 16ft doors, that would be available 5 or 6 months of the year, Professor Quale would like to talk to you. If you are interested in seeing the various playhouses in Appleseed's competition, or better yet, if you are interested in participating in the Playhouse Auction on May 8th, get more information via the [New Mexico Appleseed website](#). Good Luck to the Toy Story Team's Tron themed Playhouse entry.

- ◆ Builders Source will host an Open House right after breakfast on Tuesday, June 16th. Directions and other information will be available later in May.
- ◆ Second announcement of a prospective new member:
New Mexico Chiropractic Center
Representative: Rion Marcus
If you have an objection to this company becoming a member, or if you have any information that you feel should be considered in the application review process, please contact Jack Zipper - Committee Chairman, as soon as possible.

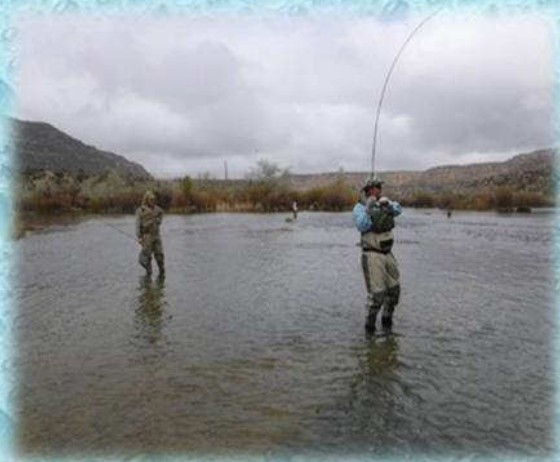
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Judging from the comments and stories from the attendees,
the EAGA 2015 Fishing & Camping Trip
was a great time for all.



Next Up is the EAGA Golf Outing June 6th



Business Leads:

Sprouts Market will be opening in the 4 Hills Shopping Center at 13150 Central SE.

Chalupp's Pizza at 3301 Southern in Rio Rancho is closing.

Animal Clinic at 1101 Rio Rancho Blvd in Rio Rancho is changing its name to Cottonwood Animal Clinic.

- Lionel Specter - Zeon Signs

Reciprocity:

Thank you to Jason Ross and his staff for providing pain free dentistry for my wife.

Thank you to David Rodriguez for removing a virus from my mother-in-law's computer as well as for recycling some electronics for me.

- Patrick Garr—Expense Reductions Analysts

- ◆ EAGA Golf Tournament will be June 6th at Sierra del Rio Golf Club in Elephant Butte. 10am shotgun start. Bus service is included for those that do not want to drive. Cost for the event is \$60/guest, \$20/member. There are also a few hole sponsorships still available, at \$100 per hole. If you haven't signed up, please get on the list this coming Tuesday. If you have any questions about the tournament, or a sponsorship, contact Event Chairman Jerry Becker.
- ◆ Elections will be held in June to replace two Board Members whose terms are expiring. If you if you would like to nominate someone, please contact Mario or Klint.
- ◆ Summer Bash committee is forming now. The Bash will be July 11th. Getting assigned to that committee is a great way to get know other EAGA members in an informal atmosphere. Excellent opportunity for newer members. If you are interested in getting involved, contact Dan Mowery or Pat Maloy.
- ◆ Please note a typographical error in the recently published Membership Roster Book - Van White's date of involvement should be corrected to be 1960.

Badge Board Greeters

May 5th	Rick Reese - Blue Ristra
May 12th	Michael Dennis - HUB International Insurance
May 19th	Herman Mitchell - Southwest Mail Center
May 26th	Memorial Day Holiday Week - NO MEETING
June 2nd	Michael Edwards - New York Life
June 9th	
June 16th	

Upcoming Speakers

May 5th	Jim Asperger - Crest Mechanical
May 12th	Tom Payne - Yearout Mechanical
May 19th	Michael Edwards - New York Life
May 26th	Memorial Day Holiday Week - NO MEETING
June 2nd	Dr. Fred Snoy - Urology Group of New Mexico
June 9th	The Honorable Greg Hull, Mayor of Rio Rancho
June 16th	