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Today's speaker was The Honorable Greg Hull - Mayor of Rio Rancho



Prior to becoming mayor of the third largest city in New Mexico, Mr. Hull owned Certified Packing & Crating, Inc. He, and his staff, specialized in packing large items for transport; including a very particular challenge of packing some items that would be sent to the space station. When he sold his company, Mr. Hull began looking for something to do that would be productive and beneficial to the community. He let himself be talked into running for Mayor of Rio Rancho, and was successful in obtaining that title in 2014. In his presentation today, Mayor Hull noted one of his priorities is to make it easier to do business in Rio Rancho. Businesses can be beneficial in many ways. They create a tax base for the city operations; they provide services and offer opportunities to residents; they provide the encouragement and support for improvements in the quality of life for the area. Many of the city's attributes are already conducive to business location or expansion. A population with a median age of 34.7 years; average of 2.75 people per household; a current median annual income of about \$60,000; nearly 75% of city acreage available to be developed. Now in process—adjusting the government and regulatory components to be more encouraging of business formation, development, relocation and growth; while not compromising the integrity of the underlying goals of making that community a really great place to live and work. There are five identified trade areas and the characteristics of each one has become focused on a different component for success. Like the Unser Corridor with its concentration of health care, and related industry support, facilities; or Loma Colorado with its new Life-Care facility; aquatic center and libraries; Enchanted Hills with its expanding retail areas; or the revisions and upgrades to older facilities within the 528 corridor; or the City Center becoming the new location for the communities governmental facilities. The business (therefore community) friendly attitude appears to be moving forward in Rio Rancho and Mayor Hull plans to continue his push to make it the most business friendly community in the state. We thank Mayor Hull for his informative presentation and most particularly for the positive and encouraging discussion of businesses friendly activities.

◆ Second announcement of a prospective new member:

Techtronics, LLC

Category: IT solutions / Computer repair

Representative: Jonathan Hollinger, Owner

Sponsor: Lee Trussell

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.

- ◆ Elections for 3 new Board of Director members will be held at our next meeting on June 16th. Nominees so far include: Jerry Becker Kyle Tidmore and Robert Biernacki
- ◆ Board of Directors' Meeting will be conducted right after breakfast this coming Tuesday, June 16th.
- ◆ Open House Event at Builders Source, after breakfast on Tuesday, June 23rd. Directions and any other pertinent details will be available this Tuesday.
- ◆ Summer Bash - July 11th at the home of Pat and Mary Beth Maloy. 10801 Elena NE. Begins with cocktails at 5:00PM; Dinner at 7:00PM; Games, laughter and frivolity will continue until the last person leaves. Signup sheets are available at each table during the Tuesday breakfast meetings. Guests (\$25 each) are welcome. Contact Bash Committee Chairmen Pat Maloy or Dan Mowery if you have any questions.
- ◆ Future Open House Events: In July-TLC Plumbing-hosted by Dale Armstrong In August-Radar Awning-hosted by Dan Mowery.

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Business Leads:

None presented today

Reciprocity:

Don Clark thanks Karl Kirsch - O'Malley Glass for the new responsive website job and Aaron Rogers for fixing an electrical problem.

Rick Reese thanks Chuck Mitchell for fixing Rick's Highlander.

June 14 is Flag Day. Thank you to Troy for passing on some trivia and useful facts about our US Flag:

- ◆ The US Army was founded June 14, 1775. Exactly two years later, America's flag was authorized by congress.
- ◆ Unless it is Memorial Day, only the President or a State Governor can order the flag to be flown at half mast.
- ◆ There is not just one United States flag on the moon; there are six.
- ◆ The 'Stars and Stripes' is older than the Union Jack of Britain and the Tricolor of France.
- ◆ The US is the only country that does not dip its flag to the host country during the Olympic opening ceremonies.
- ◆ America's tallest flag pole stands in front of Acuity Insurance Company in Sheboygan, Wisconsin. It is 100 ft taller than the Statue of Liberty.
- ◆ The largest US flag measures 255 x 505 ft and weighs 3,000 lbs. It requires at least 600 people to unfurl.
- ◆ The smallest US flag, at 7 microns tall (Less than 1/10 of a human hair), made by students at University of Texas at Dallas.
- ◆ Bernard J. Cigrand is considered to be the "Father of Flag Day". In 1885, he held the first observance of Flag Day at Stony Hill School in Waubesa, Wisconsin.
- ◆ Flag Day is an official holiday in only one state - Pennsylvania.
- ◆ There have been 27 versions of our official flag, each with a different number of stars representing the states at that time. There are versions for 13 ; 15; 20; 21; 23 through 38; 43 through 46; 48 ; 49 & 50. <http://usflag.org/history/historicflags.html>

**Dedicate your lives to the principles for which it stands:
"One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all"**

Badge Board Greeters

- June 16th Timmy Simms - Territorial Scaffolding
- June 23rd Rion Marcus - New Mexico Chiropractic Center
- June 30th Raul Rodriguez - Kings of Wrap
- July 7th **Forth of July Holiday Week - NO MEETING**
- July 14th
- July 21st
- July 28th

Upcoming Speakers

- June 16th Steven Douglas - Demand Printing Solutions
- June 23rd Ken Easley - Empire Builders
- June 30th Gary Beck - Concentra Medical Centers
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