

# EAGA Business Builder

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December 21 &amp; 28, 2021

**We did not meet on December 21<sup>st</sup> or December 28<sup>th</sup> because of the holidays.**

This year the timing of the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays were such that we were off the last two Tuesdays of December. The meeting room was dark. No humorous commentary or witty introductions from President Douglas. No smell of crispy bacon or colorful vegetable stuff. No interesting table conversations. Just calm and quite...and probably a couple of anxious members appearing at the Tanoan guard gate anyway. The two week hiatus allowed for an orderly changing of the EAGA leadership. As of December 31st, President Steven has fulfilled his term in office and passed the reigns to President Steven (that would be Douglas to Grant). Chairman Abramson will leave his seat as Chairman of the Board so that now Past-President Douglas can take that chair. (It looks like there will still be a little room for snacks or books or whatever, too). Newly elected Board Members Damian Pascetti and Herman Mitchell will take over the positions previously managed by Patrick Wallace and Mark Abramson, who are returning to the general membership ranks as they finish out illustrious terms on the Board. We definitely thank the officers and Board Members that are leaving their respective positions. Their service is greatly appreciated, and their incredible energy, determination and positive actions during the ongoing pandemic have been a tremendous benefit to the continued success of our organization. That exact sentiment goes for the other officers and directors that have guided EAGA throughout the nearly two years of pandemic panic. Presidents Kit Turpen, John Mead, Mark Abramson and Steven Douglas did an excellent job in managing the situation that existed during their specific terms. Jukka Jumisko kept us together during the 'no in person gatherings' phase by setting up and directing the virtual meetings. After that, Randy Baker and his crew provided a venue for us to be six feet apart, but at least physically in the same area. (Rio Bravo's efforts were an even greater accomplishment considering how difficult it is to, once a week, morph a late night party type facility into a very early morning meeting venue.) And throughout the entire time, Executive Director, Mario Hernandez, was always working the angles (usually behind the scenes), to stay within the mandate rules, but still find options to keep the personal interactions as real as possible. Without the tremendous work by all involved, we would not be the amazing organization that we are. Perhaps 2022 will become the year of 'Back to Normal'. Our attempt at that will begin with our meeting on January 4th. Be sure to attend and see what President Grant has in mind for his term.

- ◆ Board Members please note that there will be a meeting right after breakfast on the second Tuesday of January (January 11th).
- ◆ We need speakers for the January 18th and 25th meetings. Please contact Mario if you can help with that.
- ◆ Second announcement for a prospective new member:

Outlaw Mechanical

Representative: Keefer Rader

Category: Boiler Service & Installation

Sponsor: Roger Linn

If you have an objection to this businesses becoming a member, or if you have information that you feel should be considered during the review process, please contact our Membership Committee Chairman, Jack Zipper (jdzipper@comcast.net or via phone at 505-259-5959) as soon as possible.

## Leads & Business Information:

—Argyle Welding Supplies will have a name change and become Linde.

They have 3 locations in Albuquerque: 1575 Candelaria NE, 820 Comanche NE and another on 2nd St SW.

—Right Way Service Center is opening @ 6632 Caminito Coors NW.

—Duke City Dental is opening @ 901 Rio Grande Blvd. NW, Ste G-158

—Burkes outlet is leaving 3 locations: 3575 Hwy 528; 10131 Coors NW; Four Hills Shopping Center  
- Lionel Specter—ZEON Signs

## Reciprocity:

—Thank you to Randy Baker, DRB Electric. Needed a service call, his guy showed up 45 minutes after I called. Fixed my problem in 15 minutes

- Jack Zipper

## Badge Board Greeters

Jan 04<sup>th</sup> Chuck Osborne—Steamatic of Albuquerque & Santa Fe  
 Jan 11<sup>th</sup>  
 Jan 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Jan 25<sup>th</sup>

## Upcoming Speakers

Jan 04<sup>th</sup> Mark Tobiassen—Action Coach Business Coaching  
 Jan 11<sup>th</sup> Haas Aslami—Pizza 9 Franchise System  
 Jan 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Jan 25<sup>th</sup>