

EAGA Business Builder

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Today's speaker was Scott Lardner –Rocky Mountain Stone



Mr. Lardner is the President of Rocky Mountain Stone. He holds the always impressive credentials of a bachelors degree from New Mexico State University, and he also has an informal, and probably more extensive education via the 'school of hard rocks'. Scott's father founded Rocky Mountain Stone in 1963 as a supplier of natural building and landscaping stone for the Albuquerque area. Throughout his own life, Scott has been extensively involved in the industry. With Scott as leader, Rocky Mountain Stone has expanded to now provide fabrication and installation services for all types of dimensional stone, and they are a full service supplier of natural stone for the landscaping and masonry trades. In 1985, New Mexico Travertine company was founded to compliment and augment the capabilities of RMS. NM Travertine involves travertine quarry operations near Belen, a sandstone/flagstone quarry near Milagro, a hard stone aggregate pit near Mountainair, and several limestone quarries in Texas and Kansas. Scott and his team query the products; process the materials; cut the stone slabs, and create many different fine end products for a variety of customers. There are examples of unique projects at The Pit and Sandia Casino, as well as the more common projects like countertops. And the volume of work is amazing. Currently the companies are installing more than 20 kitchens per week. The stone work and related activities are impressive and interesting. But over the years we have learned that we can count on Scott to educate us on other subjects as well. Today he also spoke about their newest adventure in Biomimetic Soil Solutions. Traditional farming procedures have transitioned to include more GMO production, too many chemicals and too few improvements in overall beneficial agricultural output. The soil's capabilities have been diminished. Scott's group is looking for better results by promoting 'living soils' for more nutritional and healthy crops. As this bulletin often admonishes - "if you miss a meeting, you miss a lot". Those of us that were not at today's presentation definitely missed out on some very informative material. Sure, it is possible to visit the web sites of Rocky Mountain Stone and New Mexico Travertine and find good information about the companies. Even a few impressive examples of what they do. But the web sites can't compare to the details and even more interesting aspects of operations that Scott provides first hand. Likewise, it is possible to visit soiltoolbox.com to read about Biomimetic Soil Solutions. At that site, you can find information about ParaTerra Biomimetic Soil, ParaGrow Cinder Amendment, AGTIV® POTATO • Liquid, Protein Crumbies, and so much more. The website, however, cannot give the detail and behind-the-scenes perspective obtained from hearing Scott speak in person. Listening to Mr. Lardner's presentation would have offered much, much more interesting and beneficial details about the history, the products and the anticipated benefits. Again be advised-It sucks to miss an EAGA meeting. But Thank You Very Much to Mr. Lardner—Rocky Mountain Stone; New Mexico Travertine; and Biomimetic Soil Solutions for his presentation.

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Brian Walden at Christians Automotive for great, honest service on my wife's car.
- Larry Kennedy—Walla Engineering

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Pickleball...If interested, reach out to Robert Biernacki 505-991-3636 or robert@waterquest.com
Robert also has a house in Durango listed on Airbnb [Photos here](#) [also listed in the 'Shout Out' section of EAGA website]

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Apr 26th Jerry Patton—State Farm Insurance
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