

EAGA Business Builder

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There was not a meeting today because of the 4th of July holiday

- ◆ Board Members please note that there will be a meeting right after breakfast on Tuesday, July 10th.
- ◆ Albuquerque The Magazine has opened voting for their 'Best of the City 2023' awards. Here is the link to their voting site. <https://abqthemag.com/events/best-of-the-city> It would be great if each of you would cast a vote for fellow EAGA members. There are a lot of categories within the groups so find the one that fits each member.

Some possibly interesting information about the 4th of July:

- The US Congress actually voted for independence from Great Britain on July 2, 1776. The formal document was dated July 4th so that date has been used for celebrations.¹
- An estimated 2.5 million people lived in the nation in July 1776. According to the 2021 census about 331.8 million lived in the United States as of July 2021.¹
- The Liberty Bell rings 13 times every Independence Day to honor the 13 original states. Descendants of people who signed the Declaration of Independence tap the bell at 2pm eastern time every 4th of July.¹
- The very first 4th of July fireworks show took place in Philadelphia in 1777. The celebration included cannons, bells, fireworks, a dinner and a parade.¹
- The Safe and Sane Fourth of July movement was started in Cleveland in 1908. In 1903 an explosion at a fireworks manufacturer in that city demolished 12 buildings and killed 3 people, but the concern for safety was ramped up in 1908 when a fireworks counter exploded at a local Kresge store as a result of a spark from a sparkler that ignited a display flag. Six people were killed. Cleveland was the first city to prohibit fireworks.²
- Before the Civil War people who kept their businesses open on Independence Day were considered to be unpatriotic. But after that war, stores and restaurants opened their doors selling 'patriotic' red, white and blue items and decorations.³ These days 4th of July sales have expanded to include a lot more things.

¹ Good Housekeeping² Case Western Reserve University³ Live Science.

Badge Board Greeters

July 11 th	Lance Darnell—Darnell Cable & Fasteners
July 18 th	Tyler Neidermeyer—Buildology
July 25 th	Kyle Tidmore—More Brothers Construction
Aug 1 st	Larry Sontag—New Mexico Business Coalition
Aug 8 th	Michael Kocurek—Atmosphere Commercial Interiors
Aug 15 th	
Aug 22 nd	Lawrence Herrera—Performance Ranch

Upcoming Speakers

July 11 th	Jack Thompson—Legacy Mortgage
July 18 th	Jukka Jumisko—WSI Web Enhancers
July 25 th	Lawrence Herrera—Performance Ranch
Aug 1 st	Manny Ortega—Ortega's Appliance Service
Aug 8 th	
Aug 15 th	
Aug 22 nd	

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