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## ANNUAL DINNER On Thursday, April 24, the Chamber hosted a celebration of business & presented several awards at the Chamber's Appual Colebration 8. Awards 25



Soar Award - Andrew Cummins, **Memorial Medical Center** 



Workspace 141



THE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD **Chief Jeremy Story, Las Cruces Police Department** 



Non-Profit of the Year

Small Business of the Year Caliche's Frozen Yogurt



**Large Business of the Year Allen Theaters** 



The Chamber also recognized all First Responders.



**Chairman's Award Chad Getz, Getz Funeral Home** 



Not pictured ◆ Outgoing Board Member - Richard Haas, Richard Haas + Architects ◆ 2024 Outgoing Chair - Dr. Michael Law ◆ 2025 Incoming Chair - Rico Gonzales, El Paso Electric



#### **Executive Committee**

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2024 Chair Dr. Michael Law

Warren & Law Dental

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Mike Tourtilott Sisbarro Volkswagen

Vice Chair **Grow Your Business Sector** 

Barbara Torres Nothing Bundt Cakes

Vice Chair Investor Services Sector

Chad Getz Getz Funeral Home

Vice Chair Public Policy Sector

Joah Franzoy EBID

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Directors Tamera Ahner Stroll Be Local

Steve Aragon **Directors** 

Rlue Halo Directors Matthew Conrad

MountainView Regional Medical Center

Directors Valerio Ferme NMSU

Kevin Horner Directors PTS Office Systems

Amy Hummer Directors BH&G/Steinborn Real Estate

Directors Royal Iones MVT Services, Inc.

Dennis Knox Directors Memorial Medical Center

Jason Lazich Directors Virgin Galactic

Directors Michael Lutz American Linen Supply of NM

Directors Scott McLaughlin Spaceport America

John Munoz Electronic Caregiver

Nate Olsen Directors Citizens Bank Directors Mike Woods

> Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine

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Debbi Moore President & CEO

Ella Vistine Administrative Assistant

Cyndi Armijo Director of Operations

## **NEW AND RENEWING MEMBERS**

#### **WE LOVE OUR MEMBER INVESTORS**

Say hello to our new & renewing members for April 2025.

Take a few minutes to visit or call these wonderful businesses.

#### **NEW INVESTORS**

Alzheimer's Association 6731 Academy Rd Albuquerque, NM 87109 505-404-9837 alz.org/newmexico Anniversary Date: 3/1/2025

An Open Door LLC 715 E. Idaho Ave Bldg 4, Ste C Las Cruces, NM 88001 575-382-2107 Ext 201 aodnm.com Anniversary Date: 3/1/2025

#### **GFWC Progress Club of Las** Cruces

340 N. Reymond St. Las Cruces, NM 88005 505-927-0674 gfwcnm.com/progress-clublas-cruces Anniversary Date: 3/1/2025

SCORE Las Cruces Chapter 397

3900 Paseo del Sol Suite A320 Santa Fe, NM 87508 703-229-2160 scorelascruces.org Anniversary Date: 3/1/2025

Wee Warriors Project, Inc. 6025 Laso Del Sur Las Cruces, NM 88011 575-644-9109 weewarriorsproject.org

Anniversary Date: 4/1/2025

## RENEWING MEMBERS

A New Hope Therapy Center 715 E Idaho Ave Ste 2B Las Cruces, NM 88001-4701 575-556-9585 anewhopetc.org Anniversary Date: 8/1/2018

Arbors @ Vista Living 3731 Del Rey Blvd Las Cruces, NM

88012-7710 575-382-5200 vistaliving.com Anniversary Date: 3/1/2024

Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine 3501 Arrowhead Dr.

Las Cruces, NM 88001-6056 575-674-2266 bcomnm.org Anniversary Date: 2/5/2016

## **Chad Peterson Insurance**

**Agency** 1005 Telshor Blvd Las Cruces, NM 88011-4879 575-680-1293 chadpeterson.net Anniversary Date: 1/1/2020

**Community Options** 2500 Missouri Ave Las Cruces, NM 88011-9104 575-532-9275

http://www.comop.org/ Anniversary Date: 1/23/2013

#### Cornerstone Christian Academy

5301 Cortez Dr. Las Cruces, NM 88012-7150 575-532-0902 cornerstn.org Anniversary Date: 2/21/2013

#### Cruces Trophy & Awards Center, Inc. 1408 E. Idaho

Las Cruces, NM 88001-4339 575-522-0426 crucestrophy.com Anniversary Date: 7/1/1991

Dawson Dinsmore Las Cruces, NM 88005-2560 Anniversary Date: 8/1/2019

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Dr. Nicole Moberly

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Dona Ana Arts Council PO Box 1721

Las Cruces, NM 88004-1721 575-523-6403 daarts.org/

Anniversary Date: 12/20/1982

Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Las Cruces, NM 88011 575-522-4300 hotelencanto.com/ Anniversary Date: 4/1/2023

#### Junior League of Las Cruces

PO Box 342 Las Cruces, NM 88004-0342 918-884-8691 illc.org/ Anniversary Date: 2/1/2021

#### Kidz Quest Academy Learning Center & Pre-k

1190 Foster Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88001 575-373-8541 kidzquestlc.com Anniversary Date: 1/1/2024

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#### La Pinon Sexual Assault and Recovery Services 850 N Motel Blvd Suite B

Las Cruces, NM 88007-8159 575-526-3437 lapinon.org/ Anniversary Date: 3/14/2008

#### Las Cruces Public Schools

505 S. Main, Ste. 249 Las Cruces, NM 88001-1243 575-527-5800 http://www.lcps.k12.nm.us Anniversary Date: 7/27/1984

575-524-5812

warrenlawdental.com

4141 Camino Coyote, Suite A

Las Cruces, NM 88011

#### Martin & Lutz, PC.

PO Drawer 1837 Las Cruces, NM 88004-1837 575-526-2449 Anniversary Date: 7/1/1991

#### McDonald's Restaurant

PO Box 2797 Las Cruces, NM 88004-2797 575-524-2912 mcdonalds.com/us/en/home. Anniversary Date: 10/5/1973

#### Mesilla Valley Hospice

299 E. Montana Ave Las Cruces, NM 88005-3223 575-523-4700 mvhospice.org Anniversary Date: 5/12/1992

#### MountainView Regional Medical Center

4311 E. Lohman Ave. Las Cruces, NM 88011-8255 575-556-7600 mountainviewregional.com Anniversary Date: 7/5/2000

#### One Source Federal Credit Union

1375 E. Boutz Rd Las Cruces, NM 88001-5305 575-523-5524 onesourcefcu.coop Anniversary Date: 5/14/1987

#### Red Dog Roll Off Dumpster

1014 Parkhill Dr Las Cruces, NM 88012 575-519-4041 reddogrolloff.com Anniversary Date: 2/1/2024

#### The Salvation Army

1590 E. California Áve Las Cruces, NM 88001-4135 575-524-4713 ascruces.salvationarmy.org/ Anniversary Date: 11/6/2015

#### The Emerald Isle Boutique

1701 Calle de Mercado #2 Las Cruces, NM 88005-8222 575-525-9177 eiboutique.com Anniversary Date: 4/26/2017

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## **RIBBON CUTTINGS**



On Wednesday, April 2, the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce welcomed new member Prestige BNB, 141 Roadrunner Pkwy Suite 141. Zane Fikany, Co-owner at BHGRE - Steinborn & Associates, holds the proclamation while Melissa and Charles Scott, owners, cut the ribbon.



On Thursday, April 10, the Las Cruces International Film Festival celebrated their 10th year with a ribbon cutting on Opening Night. Academy Award Winner Helen Hunt is joined by Ross Marks, Executive Director, as she cuts the ribbon.



An Open Door, 715 E. Idaho, held a ribbon cutting to celebrate their new location in Las Cruces on Friday, April 11. Ida Martinez, Program Manager, is assisted by three clients and is joined by the staff and clients as they cut the ribbon.



The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and the Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce joined United Theranostics, 4391 E. Lohman, Suite A, to celebrate their Grand Opening with a ribbon cutting on Thursday, April 3. Dr. Eliot Siegel, Founder, and Dr. Molchanova-Cook are joined by staff as they cut the ribbon. Also pictured Dr. Babak, Founder, and Dr. Michael Morris, Founder.



On Friday, April 11, GFWC Progress Club of Las Cruces, 340 N. Reymond, celebrated their 110th anniversary with a ribbon cutting. Jeanne Sepiol, Secretary, and Mary Wilke, Vice-President, hold the membership certificate and proclamation while Chavo Garcia. President, cuts the ribbon.



MANSCO, 1996 S. Valley Dr., celebrated their new apprenticeship program with a ribbon cutting on Wednesday, April 23. Mailette Lopez, Director of Training and Strategy, holds the proclamation which Frank Torres, President, cuts the ribbon.

## **BEHIND THE RIBBON CUTTINGS**

You might know the Ambassadors as the people in the blue jackets that do the ribbon cuttings. Behind the Ribbon Cuttings we stand for so much more! The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors were established in 1952 and consist of 25 active members and 29 lifetime members. Our mission is focused on the growth of the greater Las Cruces area by aiding and 2025 Ambassador Chair



creating a thriving business environment. The GLCCC Ambassadors do this through connecting our community with community!

Every year, the Ambassadors host two major events; Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe and Thanks Team WSMR. Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe serves as a vital platform for advocacy and engagement. Thanks Team WSMR is an event that bridges the gap with White Sands Missile Range, featuring a Taste of Las Cruces, cooking burgers and hot dogs, live music, and a kid zone to thank the troops and civilians for their support in the Mesilla Valley's mission.

The Ambassadors are a group of amazing business leaders. Last week, two Ambassadors were recognized at the Annual Chamber Celebration.

Diana Peru, Ambassador of the Year 2024 and General Manager of Holiday Inn Express Northrise, who has represented the Ambassadors since 2016. She has served as the chair of the Ambassador Executive Committee and Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe and volunteering at various events, including the Bataan Memorial Death March, Thanks Team WSMR. She is also a graduate of Leadership Las Cruces 2016 and has been an advisor and now co chair. Diana is married to her loving husband Mike Peru and has two beautiful daughters who also volunteer right along

Laurie Findley was awarded Volunteer of the Year, handpicked by Debbie Moore, President and CEO, of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce. Laurie has served as an Ambassador time and time again, for a combined time of over 11 years. During her time she has served on the marketing committee for the Whole Enchilada, Chamber Membership Committee, Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe. Succession to the Chair of the Ambassador Executive Council. She is "retired" now, but loves her partner in crime Jim Dye, her two daughters and one beautiful grandbaby plus 8 amazing turtles! These wonderful women are just a couple of examples of the remarkable individuals that make up the Ambassadors.

As the Ambassadors continue to promote collaboration and growth, we invite everyone in the community to join us in our mission. Together, we can build a brighter future for the Mesilla Valley, where business and community flourish hand in hand. Behind every ribbon cutting, there's a story of dedication, partnership, and an unwavering commitment to the growth of our beloved community.



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### EGGS & CONVERSATION



Davin Lopez, President/CEO, Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance joined Debbi Moore on Friday, April 4, for an in-depth conversation on his leadership style, best business and his personal background.



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