

Welcome New Members

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Artesia Clean & Beautiful Tree Recycling



Artesia Clean & Beautiful is accepting LIVE Christmas trees free of any ornaments or decorations through Monday, January 15. Residents are welcome to drop the trees off anytime between now and the 15th at the Big K-Mart parking lot on West Main. Mulching will take place that Monday morning courtesy of the City Solid Waste Department (City landfill). Anyone interested in receiving any mulch FREE of charge please be sure to bring your own containers.



**BULK RATE
U.S. POSTAGE RATE
ARTESIA, NM
PERMIT #105**



WELCOME 2007!!

As always, Artesians bring the New Year in with a bang! Approximately 5,000 spectators bundled up and gathered in Heritage Plaza as the KZ93 Pre-Show got the party started by putting on a spectacular pre-show event featuring local & regional talent which included North Fourty, Jessica White, Summer Lara, Shiloh, Sabrina Franco, Alexis Orosco, 100 Proof, Vinnie Baggatone and Joshua Barrett. In addition to great music there were food vendors, activity booths, jumpers and even a Child Identification Center organized and manned by the Artesia Police Department.

At 10:20pm, Gene Dow from KZ93 and Debbie Bell with the Artesia Chamber took the stage to begin drawing for the annual "Shop Artesia" New Year's Eve contest. A grand total of \$5,500 in cash and prizes were given away, including gift certificate booklets and chamber bucks donated by local merchants. The big winners of the night were Tammy Anderson, Steve Haines, Rodney & Sarah Webb, Dairyco, Brandy Derrick, Juanita Molina, Alliance Tools, Patti George, Robert Baeza and Marcia Childress. We would like to thank all of our local merchants and businesses for participating and donating to this year's drawing.

Our grand finale for the night featured Diamond Rio and Deans Pyro Team. After mingling with some local folks at the sponsor reception, Diamond Rio took the stage at around 10:30pm and entertained us with many of their top hits from the past two decades. Come midnight, Deans Pyro Team thrilled us once again with a spectacular fireworks show which lit up the skies over Artesia while we all counted down as the Navajo Ball was raised to celebrate the beginning of a new year and Diamond Rio topped off the night with an old time favorite, "Auld Lang Syne."

All in all, the night was a HUGE success and the perfect opportunity for friends and family to gather in a small town to welcome 2007!! Thank you, Artesia!!



**TETRA
Technology, Inc.**



Artesia Trailblazers and the Artesia Chamber of Commerce gathered with TETRA Productions Testing Services on December 21 to help celebrate their grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Office Manager Kyle Reiger was on hand to answer questions, greet guest and help serve up some green chili stew on a cold day. Welcome TETRA Technology and good luck!!

**The Olive Tree
Grand Opening**



Artesia Trailblazers, Artesia Chamber of Commerce and community members met with owner Elida Bolanos at the Olive Tree located at 208 W. Texas to celebrate the store grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, November 30. The Olive Tree, specializing in health food and health products, offers a variety of vitamins and herbal supplements. Welcome Olive Tree!!



DIRECTORS NOTE

Artesia rang in the New Year in grand style once again thanks to very generous contributions from approximately 150 sponsors and volunteers who donated money, time and energy to make our 7th New Year's Eve Celebration not only possible, but successful. Please take a minute to look at the insert that features a complete list of sponsors. Thanks to every one!

We are looking forward to a great 2007. We are working on a great calendar of events for the year as well as plans to address member issues, including housing, workforce, membership benefits and more.

Please don't hesitate to share your thoughts with us. We would love to hear how you think the Chamber can address community and business issues this year. Give me a call at 746.2744, stop by the Chamber offices, or send an email to hklein@artesiachamber.com. Happy New Year to all!

Legislative Reception

Artesia Chamber of Commerce held the Annual Legislative Reception on Tuesday, December 5 in the Wellhead Banquet room.

Members of our New Mexico Legislative body along with local councilors and commissioners, were on hand to answer questions and receive the publics gratitude. Thank you Artesia for participating!!

**January Calendar
and Upcoming Events**

- January 16- Ribbon Cutting / Grand Opening
Tate Branch Dodge
- January 29-30 Business Day In Santa Fe
- January 30-31 Artesia Drug & Crime
CADCA Training
Eddy County Fairgrounds
- February 11 Altrusa Annual Smorgasbord

**Business Day in Santa Fe
Annual Legislative Reception**

Monday, January 29, 2007
El Dorado Hotel
309 W. San Francisco St.
Santa Fe, NM
Tickets \$25 per person

We are asking our members once again for your support by providing goodies to be given away during the reception
Please contact the Chamber for additional information @ 746-2744

Light Up Artesia



Thank you Artesia for yet another successful year with Light Up Artesia!! The community showed up by the car loads to kick off this year's Christmas season on Thursday, November 30. Local merchants kept their doors open late to welcome Christmas shoppers with holiday spirit and lots of holiday specials.

Santa was escorted in by the Pecos Valley Winged Riders and the Artesia Car Enthusiasts while hundreds of anxious kids waited for an opportunity to share their Christmas wish list. The AHS Boys Soccer team was on site to take pictures with Santa as a fundraiser.

In the streets were members of the AHS Band to entertain us with some holiday music while carolers strolled Main Street spreading holiday cheer and the joyous blessings of Christmas.

Food vendors also lined Main Street spreading holiday cheer by providing a variety of event food. There was roasted corn, barbeque sandwiches, taters, tamales and more!!

Thanks again to all of our merchants, carolers, vendors, entertainers, Santa and especially you, the shoppers, for making this year's event a memorable one!

Artesia Drug & Crime Coalition

Sponsors CADCA Training for Artesia
Tuesday Jan 30 & Wednesday Jan 31
Eddy County Community Center S. 13th St.

CADCA is a national Coalition training organization. This training is designed to offer the tools and improve the skills needed to facilitate more effective community problem solving. Here is the best opportunity for members of the faith, business, law enforcement, schools, government, parents and youth sectors of our community to learn how to work together more efficiently to solve the problems in our community.

Your Participation in this FREE hands-on training is welcomed and encouraged.
For more info, please call 746-2744

Piccolino Italian Restaurant



Chamber of Commerce, Artesia Trailblazers along with owner Belisario Grado and restaurant employees met on Thursday, November 30 to celebrate Piccolino Italian Restaurant under new ownership. Also attending were family, friends and Mayor Manuel Madrid. Good luck Mr. Grado with your new venture!

Adults (12 and over) \$8.00	Altrusa Club of Artesia Annual Smorgasbord Sunday, February 11, 2007 Tickets on sale now!!! <i>For more information, call Ginnv or Debbie at 746-2744 or Sherrie at 748-3131</i>	Kids (under 12) \$3.00
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**Artesia Trailblazers Heritage Business of the Month
Don Moore**



Artesia Trailblazers honored Don Moore State Farm Insurance as December's Heritage Business of the Month on Thursday, December 7. The reception was held in the Artesia Chamber of Commerce conference room.

Attending the reception were family members, friends, business leaders, community leaders along with the Artesia Trailblazers, Chamber of Commerce Director Hayley Klein and Associate Director Ginny Bush. The reception held a dual purpose: to celebrate Don Moore's many years of service to our community and to wish him well as he enters retirement. Congratulations Don Moore and good luck!!

**This month's
newsletter
proudly folded
and stuffed
by our friends at
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Thank You!!!

**Paddock Café
Grand Opening**



Artesia Trailblazers and the Chamber of Commerce met with restaurant owners, employees and staff of the Paddock Café on Friday, December 1 to help Celebrate the grand opening of the new café located in Riverside. KZ93 was on site with a live remote while New Mexico Loto let us spin the wheel for prizes. The restaurant offers buffet style dining or you can order off the menu if you wish. Welcome and good luck Paddock Café!!!