Dear Friends and Colleagues,

This is a very exciting time of the year, when we prepare to kick-off our programs and, most importantly, bring a new group of outstanding New Mexico leaders into the Leadership New Mexico family! We will soon be announcing the members of the 23rd Core Program and the 12th Connect New Mexico Program class. We are just kicking off recruitment for the Local Government Leadership Program, which begins in February. Visit our website for information about the program and application process.

We have an excellent line-up of summer and fall events and tours. Alumni and Lifetime Member activities are a great way for graduates and guests to stay connected while expanding their knowledge of the state’s diverse communities and industries. In August, members have an opportunity to visit the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) in Carlsbad. In September, Freeport-McMoRan is hosting a tour of their open pit copper mine in Silver City. We hope you will consider joining us for these fun-filled, educational events!

On Saturday, October 6, we will host the first-ever event exclusively for Lifetime Members, a breakfast and social with hot air balloon viewing at the 2018 Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. This is a wonderful opportunity for Lifetime Members from across the state to reconnect and socialize. It is also Leadership New Mexico’s way of thanking Lifetime Members for their generous support of the organization’s endowment. If you are not yet a Lifetime Member, we hope you might consider becoming one! Details about the event and Lifetime Membership are enclosed.

The Fall Leadership Update, our annual educational event for alumni and friends of the organization, will be held on Friday, October 26 in Bernalillo at the new Santa Ana Star Casino Hotel. Formerly known as Winter Issues Update, this event is designed to update graduates on key issues facing our state. Stay tuned for the announcement of this year’s speakers and topics.

I am honored to be Chairman of the Board of this great organization. Leadership New Mexico is successful because of the remarkable contributions made by so many people. We thank you for your investment of time and resources that allow Leadership New Mexico to continue educating our state’s leaders. Leadership New Mexico’s success would not be possible without great alumni and friends like you!

Sincerely,

Shad James
Chairman of the Board, Leadership New Mexico
2004
Doug Frary has taken the position of Chief Operating Officer at Western Virginia University School of Medicine at Camden Clark Medical Center in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

2008
Tim Van Valen joined the Askew Mazel Law Firm as Senior Counsel. Tim was also recently named the New Mexico author for State Tax Notes, published by Tax Analysts, a national non-profit organization that provides comprehensive impartial coverage on tax issues and tax policy in the United States and around the world.

2013
Hanna Skandera, former New Mexico Secretary of Education, has been named editor-in-chief of The Line, a publication of The Frontline Research & Learning Institute. The publication is dedicated to encouraging civil discourse among K-12 education leaders.

2015
Renee Ennis, Chief Financial Officer for Presbyterian Healthcare Services, has taken the position of Chief Financial Officer at TriCore Reference Laboratories.

2018
Paul Lorskulsint, Logistics Manager at URENCO, has been promoted to Chief of Staff at URENCO.

2012
Robert Conley, Vice President for Bridgers & Paxton Consulting Engineers, has been elected Chief Financial Officer/Secretary & Principal Mechanical Engineer at Bridgers & Paxton Consulting Engineers.

2013
Chance Chase, President of Chase Energy Services, was recently named one of the 40 Under 40 Honorees by Albuquerque Business First.

2015
Rachel Johannsen, Manager of Business Development and Strategic Planning for Lovelace Health System, has been promoted to Associate Vice President of Patient Acquisition and Retention with Lovelace’s parent company, Ardent Healthcare.

2018 CORE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS CELEBRATE GRADUATION IN TAOS

The final two sessions of the 2017-2018 Core Program were held in Farmington and Taos this May and June.

The Environment and Natural Resources Session in Farmington began with a tour of San Juan Generating Station, the coal-fired power station owned and operated by PNM Resources near Waterflow, New Mexico. Following the tour, participants attended a community reception at Drake Running Horse Ranch and dinner at the Farmington Museum. During the session, participants learned about the challenges and opportunities surrounding the environment and natural resources in New Mexico. The class also visited the Farmington Public Library, Merrion Oil & Gas and San Juan College - BP School of Energy.

As is tradition, the Core Program class began their final session with a river rafting trip on the Rio Grande! The fun continued that evening with dinner and a community reception at Hillcrest Bank, formerly People’s Bank. This session’s topics focused on government, crime and justice, and leadership. Participants visited locations around Taos including: the University of New Mexico - Taos and Taos Municipal School District. Phil Bryson, On the Edge Productions, closed the program year with group team building activities.

The graduation ceremony for the 42 members of the 2017-2018 Core Program Class was on Friday, June 8. The class shared this celebration with spouses and special guests who joined them for the ceremony at Taos Country Club.

We would like to thank the 2017-2018 Core Curriculum Committee members for dedicating many hours of volunteer time to make this another successful year for the Core Program participants. We appreciate this hard-working group of alumni!

Thank you to our Farmington and Taos Session Sponsors:
Farmington: AirStar Inc.; Bayless Drilling Company; Cooper Fire Protection Services; Crystal Springs Bottled Water; Dimmick Realty; City of Farmington; Jack Fortner, San Juan County Commissioner; Jaynes Corporation; Lexus of Albuquerque/Lexus of Santa Fe; Merrion Oil & Gas; PESCO; PNM; and San Juan College.

Taos: AUI, Inc.; Bradbury-Stamm Construction; Crystal Springs Bottled Water, Freeport-McMoRan; Scott McAdams and Hillcrest Bank; Lexus of Albuquerque/Lexus of Santa Fe; Taos Community Foundation; Taos County; Taos Ski Valley, Inc.; U.S. Eagle Federal Credit Union; and Wells Fargo.
DON’T MISS THESE UPCOMING ALUMNI PROGRAM EVENTS & TOURS

Alumni events and tours are a fun and engaging way to stay in touch with your classmates, get to know graduates from all three programs, and continue learning about our great state!

**WIPP Tour | Friday, August 24 | Carlsbad**

*Journey with us below ground to the ancient salt beds that store radioactive waste created as far back as the Cold War!* The Department of Energy’s Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad is a deep geological repository licensed to permanently dispose of low-level radioactive waste.

**Chino Mine Tour | Friday, September 28 | Silver City**

*Did you know that our state is home to one of the world’s oldest open-pit copper mines?* Gain a first-hand understanding of New Mexico’s mining history and impact with this behind-the-scenes tour of Freeport McMoRan’s Chino Mine.

**Mass Ascension Breakfast**

*Saturday, October 6 | Albuquerque*

Enjoy a majestic New Mexico morning during Balloon Fiesta in the company of Lifetime Members and their guests. Join us for a special breakfast, hot air balloon viewing, and socializing with fellow leaders from across the state.

**Fall Leadership Update**

*Friday, October 26 | Bernalillo*

Begin preparing for 2019! Previously known as “Winter Issues Update,” the Fall Leadership Update is an educational program featuring top speakers and experts on key issues facing New Mexico.

**Annual Dinner & Golf Tournament**

*May 10-11, 2019 | Sandia Resort & Golf Club*

Leadership New Mexico’s Annual Dinner and Golf Tournament is our time each year to honor the leaders of our state and reconnect with classmates and friends. Mark your calendars and join us in honoring the 2019 Distinguished Award Recipients!

Register today! See insert for event details and registration form.

If you are not currently a dues-paying Alumni or Lifetime Member, consider becoming one.
**CLASS NEWS**

**Terra Winter**, Executive Director for the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, was recently named one of the 40 Under 40 Honorees by *Albuquerque Business First*.

**2016**

**Robert Rivera**, Circulation Director at Albuquerque Publishing Company, has been promoted to Vice President of Circulation at Albuquerque Publishing Company.

**Joe Trimble**, Vice President and Western Border Small Business Leader at Wells Fargo, was recently elected the Secretary/Treasurer for the Albuquerque Public Schools Education Foundation.

**2017**

**Christopher Dulany**, Financial Advisor for Edward Jones, was recently named one of the 40 Under 40 Honorees by *Albuquerque Business First*.

**Colby Geer**, General Manager for Yearout Energy Services, was recently named one of the 40 Under 40 Honorees by *Albuquerque Business First*.

**2018**

**Josh Lujan**, Vice President and Client Executive with HUB International, was married on June 23 at Brush Ranch to Ciera Fuentes. Best wishes, Josh and Ciera!

**Angela Baca**, Business Banking Relationship Manager at U.S. Bank, has taken the position of Commercial Lender at Sandia Laboratory Federal Credit Union.

**Alyssa Rogers**, Associate Attorney with Hinkle Shanor, and her husband Mac welcomed Lee McDonald Rogers IV to their family on June 17. Lee weighed in at 7 lbs. 6 oz. and 21” in length. Congratulations, Alyssa and Mac!

**Happenings in the LNM Family:**

Megan Van Winkle, Leadership New Mexico Program Director, was married on June 2 in Cloudcroft to Ryan Swingle. Best wishes, Megan and Ryan!

**GOT CLASS NEWS?**

If you have news or announcements that you would like to share, let us know!

Email: leader@leadershipnm.org

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM CLASS OF 2018**

**Graduation Session - Albuquerque**

Participants from the LGLP Class of 2018 engaged in team building activities led by Phil Bryson, On the Edge Productions at the Albuquerque Country Club.

Since 2004, Leadership New Mexico has partnered with the New Mexico Association of Counties (NMAC), the New Mexico Municipal League (NMML), and the New Mexico School Board Association (NMSBA) to conduct the Local Government Leadership Program.

The Local Government Leadership Program Class of 2018 had their final session in April in Albuquerque. On the first day of the session, the class heard from experts on key issues facing our state such as energy, water, land, cultural affairs, tourism, immigration, the court system, cyber security, ethics, and personal leadership. Participants then toured the Albuquerque Publishing Company and learned how newspapers are produced and distributed. The second day was filled with hands-on, team building activities with Phil Bryson at the Albuquerque Country Club. That evening, the class gathered at the Unser Racing Museum for dinner and their graduation ceremony. Congratulations to the Local Government Class of 2018!

**Thank you to the Session Sponsors:** Albuquerque Journal; Crystal Springs Bottled Water; Dion’s; Jaynes Corporation; Lexus of Albuquerque/Lexus of Santa Fe; Manzano Day School; Modrall Sperling Roehl Harris & Sisk, P.A.; On the Edge Productions - Phil Bryson; RBC Capital Markets; and Waste Management of New Mexico.

**Thank you to Trudy and Ed Healy and the Healy Foundation** for funding the Bill Fulginiti Scholarship Fund for this program.

LGLP participants heard from Brian Fantl, Senior Vice President of the Albuquerque Publishing Company and Karen Moses, Editor-in-Chief of the Albuquerque Journal, Core Class of 2001, prior to touring the printing operations.

**CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!**
Thank you to everyone who joined us to honor the 2018 award recipients and celebrate another year of leadership! It was a fun, jazz-filled evening with approximately 300 alumni, community members, supporters of the award recipients, and friends of Leadership New Mexico in attendance. The Core Class of 2018 won the “class competition” with 13 attendees registered!

During the reception, graduates and their guests had fun reconnecting with one another, entering the raffle, and taking photos at the photo booth by Pink Mustache. Thank you to Greg Templeton and Southern Wine and Spirits for donating wine for the evening.

LNM graduates and guests enjoyed connecting at the Annual Dinner opening reception. Shown above: Philip Prevender; Jacquelyn Reeve, Core Class of 2018; Darren Howells, Core Class of 2018; Elizabeth Howells; and Shad James, Core Class of 2013.

Thank you to our event volunteers! Shown above: Lynette Schurdevin, LGLP Class of 2015, Joe Leong, Core Class of 2016, and Linda Leong.

CONGRATULATIONS 2018 AWARD RECIPIENTS!

Distinguished Alumnus Award

Paul DiPaola
Core Class of 2000
New Mexico Regional President
U.S. Bank

Distinguished Leadership Award

Phil Bryson
Owner/Trainer
On the Edge Productions

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On Saturday, Leadership New Mexico enjoyed another day of reunions at Sandia Golf Club for the 12th Annual Golf Tournament. We would like to thank Ernie Blackstone, Matt Long, Nick Knee, and Sandia Golf Club for another successful tournament, Jeff Vinyard and Crystal Springs for donating coffee and water, and John Nellos and Johnhdi’s Catering Company for a terrific lunch! A special thank you to Tom Bohlman and Lexus of Albuquerque/Lexus of Santa Fe for sponsoring the Hole-In-One contest and the golf polo shirts, as well as for playing with us in the tournament!

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Sandia National Laboratories
U.S. Bank
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Learn about upcoming events, receive updates about the current class and their program sessions, and connect with classmates and fellow Leadership New Mexico graduates across the state.

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