IS THERE ANY DOUBT? - The Second Bacon & Brews Festival will feature... lots of bacon and a stein or two of great craft beer, along with games, vendors and music by Poo Live Crew this weekend in Brandenburg Park. P.S. Don’t confuse the bacon with the cardboard.

MAY 17
National Pizza Party Day:
I’m on board. Where do I go?
P.S. Is there bacon on the pizza?
(See page 13)

HUMMER REPORT
They didn’t like the snow
But they made it anyway.
Morton Beeheffler
Get Hooked

It’s time for the Fishing Derby next Saturday, May 18, at the Town Ponds.

Organized by the Red River Ski & Summer Area, the fun begins with registration at 7:30 am and the fishing begins at 8 am.

Entry free is $10.

Cash prizes will be awarded for Longest Fish and for the Longest Stringer.

The event is part of the Get Hooked On Fishing movement, an anti-drug program.

Thanks Jenna

There was a Good Luck send-off for Red River Tourism/Economic Development Director Jenna Grubbs on May 8, her last day.

Jenna has been Tourism/Economic Development Director since April 5, 2017. She came to Red River in 2014.

Tournament Sponsors Needed

The 2nd Annual Bacon and Brews Festival is shaping up to be even bigger and better than last year! This year the Red River Chamber of Commerce is holding a Cornhole Tournament on Friday evening, May 17, and they need your help!

If you have a Cornhole set that you would be willing to let the Chamber borrow for Bacon and Brews you can be a tournament sponsor.

You will be announced by the DJ, and you can put your banner on the stage and include any other information in the ‘Swag Bags’ they will be handing out to guests!

Please email shelby@redriverchamber.org or stop by the office if you have a Cornhole Set and would like to sponsor the Tournament!

RRCH Schedules

The schedule has been released for Bingo at the Red River Community House this summer. It’s a family-friendly and fun way to support the Community House and you might even win some money!

Here’s the schedule:

June 8, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27
July 1, 5, 8, 11, 12, 18, 19, 22, 25, 26
August 1, 5, 8, 9, 12, 19, 21, 26, 29, 31
September 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28

Each session begins promptly at 6:30 pm.

The RRCH has also released the schedule of the popular Music In The Mountains concert series. Showtime for all the concerts is 7 pm.

June 14 — Robert Varner
June 21 — Fritz & Friends
June 28 — Hwy 38 Houndogs
August 3 — Dulcimer Concert
August 24 — Bluegrass Concert
August 30 — The Rarters

Townwide Garage Sale

The townwide garage sale will be the first weekend of June from May 31 - June 2.

If you are planning to participate and would like to be added to the list of locations, please contact the Visitor Center office before May 27.

RRVF Grants

The Red River Valley Foundation is accepting proposals for grants. RRVF funds grass-roots organizations (unincorporated but with a Board of Directors), incorporated nonprofit organizations, 501(c)(3) organizations, certain other 501(c) tax-exempt organizations such as service clubs, public schools, private schools, and government agencies. Churches may apply, but only for non-religious projects.

• Projects must exist in and/or affect the Red River Valley, NM area, specifically within zip code 87558.
• All grant request proposals must be submitted either online on our website or U.S. mail and received by 11:59 p.m. June 15, 2019.
• Applicants submitting application online must attach documents in Word, PDF, and Excel form.
• Proposals will be accepted from March 1 – June 15, 2019.
• Review of proposals will be from March 15 – June 30 and letters of award will go out on July 1.
• Public announcement and check disbursement will take place at the Buckaroo Ball on August 2.

For more info check out www.redrivervalleyfoundation.org.
**USDA Grant Project Completed**

*(Photo) Arthur Garcia, USDA State Director of Rural Development, was in town Wednesday, May 8, to present Mayor Linda Calhoun with a special plaque to recognize the completion of a multimillion dollar upgrade project for the Red River Advanced Waste Water Treatment Plant (AWWT west of town.*

The United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development approved a loan of $2,193,000 and a grant of $1,769,000 to upgrade and modernize the water treatment facility.

The funding was used to replace the existing Rotating Biological Contacts (RBC) system with a new RBC system to treat the wastewater. The RBC process allows wastewater to encounter a biological medium to remove contaminants in sewage before discharge of treated wastewater to the environment. The funding also paid for the installation of secondary clarifiers and other equipment including: shafts, drivers, and clarifier parts and minor electrical components.

The Red River Waste Water Treatment Plant was built in 1982 and opened in 1983 under the administration of Mayor John Miller.

The Town of Red River produces water from ground water sources within the Rio Grande Basin, Pioneer Creek and the Red River Aquifers. Currently, the Town of Red River services 600 customers and as many as 8000 visitors per day during our busy seasons. The Treatment Plant must meet New Mexico Environmental Department (NMED) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) performance standards.

Arthur Garcia joined the USDA in April, 2002 as the Administrator of the Rural Housing Service in Washington DC. He returned to New Mexico in 2006 as the Housing Program Director for Rural Development, and became State Director for USDA Rural Development in November of 2017.
2ND ANNUAL BACON & BREWS
FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND

The 2nd Annual Bacon and Brews Festival is this weekend! The Red River Chamber of Commerce is excited to celebrate and kick off summer with all of you in Brandenburg Park this Friday evening and Saturday.

On Friday, the festival starts at 3:00 and ends at 8:00 P.M. The A-Town Rockers will be performing live on the stage all evening long for your entertainment. The Chamber of Commerce will host a cornhole tournament starting at 5:00 to find the best cornhole players in Red River! With over half a dozen New Mexico breweries and a handful of local wineries, you are sure to find a delicious drink to sip on all weekend.

Join us again on Saturday from 11:00 until 6:00 P.M. for even more beer and bacon. Food vendors will continue to serve bacon-themed dishes among other delicious foods all day Saturday. On the stage, BC and the Big Rig will play their rocking music for your entertainment in the afternoon.

Tickets are available for purchase at the gate on the day of the event. Admission is $5 and children are free. If you want to participate in the beer tasting, admission is $20 and includes free tastings, a Bacon and Brews pint glass, and a koozie. Admission is good for both Friday evening and Saturday.

Plan on celebrating the beginning of summer in Red River this weekend at the Bacon and Brews Festival! For more information, call 575-754-2366. We hope to see you there!

Shelby Werley - Executive Director
MELTING SWEET POTATOES

INGREDIENTS:
- 4 Tbsp unsalted butter, cut into pieces
- 2 tsp fresh chopped sage
- 2 tsp fresh thyme
- 2 lbs sweet potatoes, sliced ¼” thick
- Salt/pepper
- 1½ cup chicken broth
- Honey for drizzling

DIRECTIONS:
Preheat oven to 475 degrees, put rack at center position.
Put butter, sage and thyme into a large bowl.
Microwave until butter is melted and let sit for a few minutes so herbs will infuse butter.
Put potato slices into butter, 1½ tsp salt and some pepper and toss to coat completely.
Line metal roasting pan with foil... DO NOT USE GLASS.
Bake 15 minutes or until a deep golden brown on bottom.
Check often to make sure they don’t burn.
Flip and continue cooking until second side is also deep golden brown.
Pour chicken broth into pan and continue cooking until broth is completely reduced, about 15 minutes.
Remove slices to serving platter and drizzle with honey.

NOTES: The potatoes will burn easily so keep an eye on them. The second time I made them I used lower temp – not NOTEWORTHY: The potatoes will burn easily so keep an eye on them.

Any questions? Contact me at: ann.huskinson@cebridge.net

BY AYLICE LINDBERG DENNIS

The Muppet Show character, Miss Piggy, is based on that film star singer the gorgeous Peggy Lee by Miss Piggy’s creator Bonnie Erickson. Peggy Lee was born Norma Deloris Egstrom, a nice Swedish girl like Bonnie Erickson, both North Dakota natives.

Chewing gum can improve your memory by 35 percent! Why? It seems gum chewing increases blood flow to the brain and stimulates insulin production, both good for the part of the brain involving memory.


The average American watches 1,672 hours of television per year. Oh my.

Till Next Time
WORSHIP SERVICES

Cross Christian Fellowship Standing in the Gap
The Way Coffee - 201 W. Main St
Non Denominational Church
Sundays 10 am & Wednesdays 6:30 pm
Pastor Chris Torres - 505-600-5859

Faith Mountain Fellowship Church
Corner of River St. & Copper King Trail
Tuesday – children’s church at 6:00 pm
Wednesday – youth classes 7:00 pm
Sunday services – 10:30 am.
Pastor Ed Hampton - 754-6653

First Baptist Church of Red River
103 High Cost Trail
Sunday School - 9:30 am
Sunday Contemporary Worship - 8:15 am
Sunday Worship - 10:30 am
Wednesday - Kids’ Program - 5:30-7:30 pm
Pastor: Joe Phillips - 754-2882

St. Edwin’s Catholic Church
North End of Silver Bell Trail
Sunday Obligation Mass
Saturday 6 pm
Rev. Andrew Ifele - 586-0470

Fellowship of the Parks
One mile north of stoplight in Questa
Worship - 11 am - Pastor - Shon Diaz

Questa Church of Christ
Two miles north of stoplight on 522
Worship Services - 10:15 am

St. Mel’s Catholic Church
200 N. Willow Creek Dr., Eagle Nest
Sunday Obligation Mass on Saturday 4:00 pm

WORSHIP SERVICES

RED RIVER STORAGE UNITS
10’ x 10’
10’ x 15’
10’ x 20’
10’ x 25’

Space available for trailer parking by the month
575-770-0829 (Cell/text)
575-754-6413

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Call 575-754-2927 for more information or apply in person.

RRVCS Pre-Registration
The Red River Valley Charter School is accepting 2019-2020 pre-registration for the PreK and Kindergarten classes. Please stop by the school office to fill out the appropriate form. There is a wait list for all other grade levels, however if you are interested in sending your child to RRVCS stop by and sign up for the wait list.

WANT TO SERVE?
Red River Chamber of Commerce Board elections are happening in June and COC members interested in serving should stop by the Chamber office and let the Chamber staff know they are interested in running for a position.

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A GREAT DAY FOR FISHING!

Summer guests always enjoyed summer fishing at the Lewis Ranch. The long white building at the left was originally a stable built by the Mallettes before 1900.

(Photo courtesy Lewis collection)