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¾Happy Spring 2023**¾**

RPEA Chapter 096 General Meeting: Friday, April 14, 2023 @ Noon

Location: Black Angus Steakhouse Restaurant 2290 Wyoming Blvd NE ABQ, NM 87112

Please join us! We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!*

Please **RSVP** to Evelyn by **April 12, 2023** Evelyn @ 408-839-2278 or mcgarrye2004@yahoo.com

Happy Spring Birthdays : Lucy Lopez and Rose Luchau!

Our current chapter bank account balance is \$4,496.51

Retired Public Employees' Association (RPEA) Chapter 096 Zoom General Meeting Minutes January 13, 2023

Present: Lucy Lopez, Evelyn McGarry, Linda Clark, Leslie Chamberlin & Richard Dick

Meeting Commenced at 12:10 pm

- Lucy asked what do members want as guest speakers for our future lunch general meetings; various suggestions: Roadrunner Food Bank, Optum Community Center, ABQ Senior Center, ABQ Water Department, Wildlife Rescue @ Rio Grande Nature Center, New Mexico Department of Game & Fish regarding coyotes
- Richard volunteered to contact George Pullen, a local real estate agent to speak at our April 14, 2023 meeting
- · Lucy stated per current information that the RPEA Los Alamos chapter will be closing
- Leslie volunteered to contact RPEA headquarters membership representative and contact Los Alamos chapter members for recruitment to our chapter
- Richard requested chapter member roster
- Lucy will contact RPEA headquarters regarding protocol for making donations to local ABQ metro community organizations
- Leslie is interested in attending the next RPEA General Assembly (GA)
- Leslie volunteered to put together a list of informational contacts
- Miscellaneous topics discussed: dog/pets, perhaps day trips if members are
 interested/submit your ideas, chapter member benefit (lunch paid by chapter funds),
 members' recent travel, update on member Larry Sullivan (doing better/writing a
 book), Covid vaccinations, following the September 2022 General Assembly multiple
 participants contracted Covid then any in-person meetings were limited, next
 newsletter emphasize urging members to attend next meeting, chapter elections, do
 any chapter officers need name tags
- Current bank account balance is \$ 4445.83.
- Our next RPEA Chapter 096 general meeting will be on April 14, 2023 @ noon at the Black Angus Steakhouse restaurant

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Evelyn McGarry

* Our chapter general meeting guest speaker bio: George Pullen, Owner of Real Estate, Inc. Agent and Qualifying Broker Successful in the real estate business for 39 years serving Albuquerque and Rio Rancho.

LUCY'S CORNER

The first order of business for the April 14th membership chapter general meeting is to determine where our chapter will host the July 14th chapter meeting. We are counting on YOU, the members, to determine where future meetings will occur. Our chapter decided that in future meetings members would contribute \$10 towards their meals and the chapter would cover any additional expenses. Please bring your \$10, your opinion, and your appetite!

On another note, RPEA associates may contact you to ensure that your contact information is up to date.

We would like to invite any fellow RPEA members from Chapter 097 Los Alamos/Northern New Mexico to join us. If you happen to be in town during our meeting, stop by and introduce yourself. If you are willing to share, we would like to hear about some of your adventures.

The following recently elected Officers are:

President------Lucy Lopez
Vice President------Richard Dick
Secretary------Evelyn McGarry
Treasurer------Lucy Lopez
Newsletter Editor-----Evelyn McGarry
Sunshine Chairperson---Linda Clark

Thank you for volunteering, and warmest wishes to all our members.

President Chapter 096 Lucy

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- 2) Spelling mistakes and poor grammar.
- 3) The sender uses emojis (legitimate companies rarely insert these into messages).
- 4) The message has a website link not associated with the company.
- 5) The email or text is directed to multiple phone numbers and people.
- 6) The sender uses ALL CAPITAL LETTERS.
- 7) A "sent" time on a personalized email or text that suggests it originated in a foreign country.
- 8) A request for you to text your phone number or other personal information.
- 9) Language that creates an unnecessary urgency.

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If you would like to contribute to the RETIREWIRE newsletter please contact your newsletter editor, Evelyn McGarry, at mcgarrye2004@yahoo.com

Your participation is always welcome and encouraged.

[Please contact me if you no longer want to receive your newsletter in paper format and receive it in an email.]

Your RPEA Chapter 096 Board Members:

Lucy Lopez: President & Treasurer, Richard Dick: Vice-President, Evelyn McGarry: Secretary & Newsletter Editor, Linda Clark: Sunshine Chairperson

Next RPEA Chapter 096 Meeting:

July 14, 2023 @ NOON

{Location To Be Announced}