



# JUNE



# Public Newsletter

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# Hooray!

## Happy Birthday!

Louis Vizcarrando Jr. 06/01

Jeff Youtsey 06/02

June Fisk 06/03

Debra Laman 06/07

José Zamarron 06/08

Pete Quiñones 06/10

Lance Goodrich 06/13

James Herrera 06/14

Dennis Davis 06/16

Luis Leon 06/16

Jenna Gonzales 06/18

Herman Chavez 06/18

Stephen Drake 06/19

Catalina Franco 6/22

Lisa Smith 06/22

Nicholas Tafoya 06/26

Christopher Muñoz 06/27

Harry Bailey 06/27

## June Work Anniversaries

Ricardo Huerta 22 yrs

Josh Stites 16 yrs

Janeth Cox 14 yrs

John Anguiano 13 yrs

Don Plotner 12 yrs

David Davies 11 yrs

Luis Leon 10 yrs

Jack Van Der Veen 8 yrs

Paul Klontz 8 yrs

Monica Segura 7 yrs

Hector Guzman 4 yrs

Phillip Bustamante 3 yrs

Stefan Najjar 2 yrs

Christopher Muñoz 2 yrs

Lorenzo Cardona 1 yr

Luke Burns 1 yr

Cindy Wood 1 yr

Kaden Zuniga 1 yr

Jacob Lara 1 yr

Welcome: Tygh Garibay 06/20

# Employee Spotlight

## Carmen Saiz

**Job Title:** Customer Service Representative

**Time With City:** 2 years

**Daily Tasks:** Open water accounts, post payments for city departments, process business licenses and utility applications.

**What do you do in your spare time?** I love to read my Bible, have prayer time, and spend time with my family. I also attend my grandchildren's baseball/softball games.

**Summer Plans:** Travel on the weekends with my grandchildren for their baseball and softball tournaments.

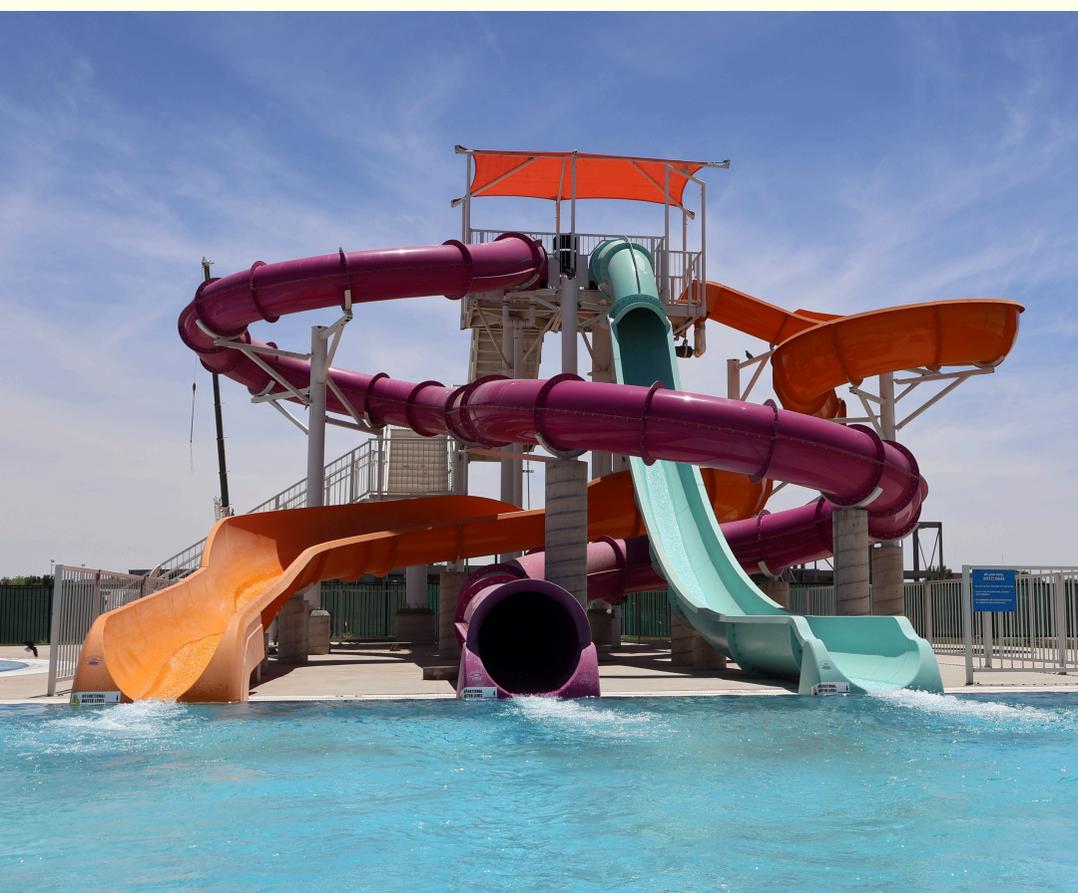




# Around Town

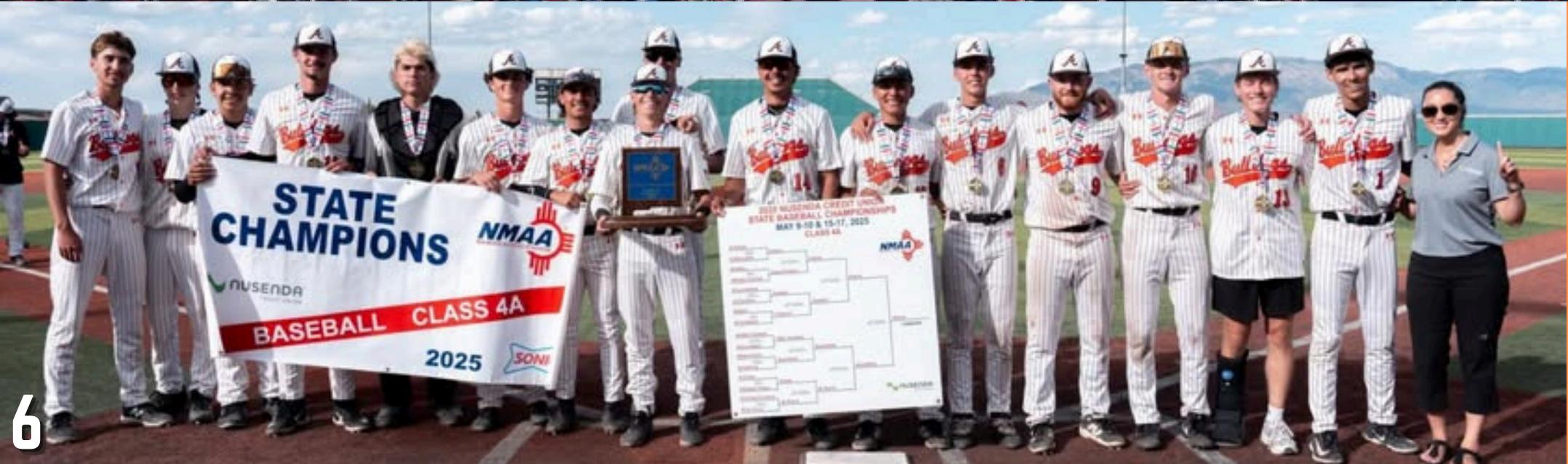


- Artesia Public Schools will be providing breakfast and lunch Monday-Thursday in June and July.
  - Meals are free for kids 1-18.
  - For adults, breakfast is \$2.50 and lunch is \$4.00
  - Meals will be provided at Park Jr. High and Zia Intermediate.
- The splash pad is open. The pad at MLK is open from 9am-7pm everyday
- The Aquatic Center's outdoor pool is open. The pool is open everyday from 9am-6pm.
- The city will unveil plaques honoring Blue and Gold Star Families on June 12<sup>th</sup> at Baish Memorial Park.



# CITY OF CHAMPIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BULLDOGS  
WHO BROUGHT HOME  
STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS THIS SPRING!

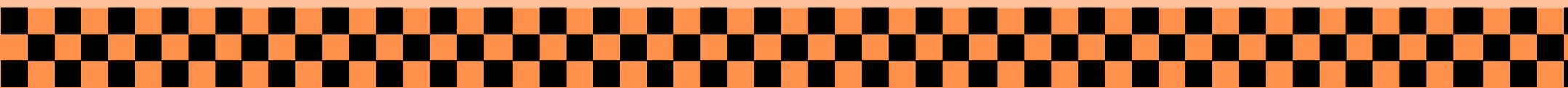




# CITY OF CHAMPIONS



1. **Hattie Harrison** won the state championship in girls' 100-meter hurdle.
  - a. Hattie ran a 14.57 in the prelims, **breaking the previous state record** of 14.88 that was set in 1992
2. **Artesia boys' 4x200-meter relay team** won the state championship.
  - a. Team consisted of **Bryce Parra, Crecencio Cuellar III, Luis Torres, and Haden Harcrow**
3. **Brooklynne Ivans** won the state championship in girls' shot put.
  - a. Won the event with a throw of **36'6.25"**
4. **Bryce Parra** won the state championship in boys' long jump.
  - a. Won with a jump of **22'1.5"**
5. **Marco Soto** won the state championship in boys' shot put.
  - a. Won with a throw of **52'2.75"**
6. The **Artesia Bulldogs baseball team** won the state championship.
  - a. The championship is the first for Artesia baseball since 2000



# May 13th City Council Recap

## Community Mural

The Council approved a new mural on city property. This will be a community mural, where people will come and paint it themselves, similar to a paint by numbers picture. Supplies will be provided. The mural will be on JJ Clarke between 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> street.

## New Police Bike Patrols

Our Police Department now has bike patrols. The police bikes have lights and sirens and can go up to 35 miles per hour. One of the main benefits of doing bike patrol is that it's much easier for cops to sneak up on crimes in progress on a bike than it is in a car.

## Flag Football Programming

The Council allowed the Rec Department to adopt the NFL's Flag Football programming. This means that rec teams will use the names and logos of NFL teams. Kids will receive reversible jerseys of their team. Coaches will receive playbooks, and everyone will receive official rulebooks. This helps provide greater resources for those who are newer to the game.

# May 27th City Council Recap

## Safety Ranking

Artesia was ranked as the 5<sup>th</sup> safest city in New Mexico in a recent report from SafeWise. Our police chief said the honor speaks to the culture created by our citizens, and the efforts of city leadership in supporting law enforcement.

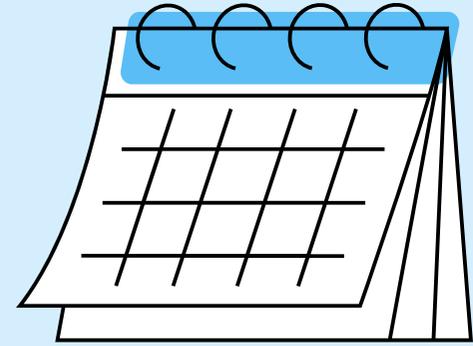
## Minibikes

The police said they're cracking down on reckless mini bike drivers. They've towed 4 minibikes away. There's been an increase in crashes involving minibikes. One being serious enough to necessitate a medical airlift. If you drive one, please follow the rules of the road. Parents, please talk to your kids about safe driving.

## Housing Reimbursement Program

The council approved a partial reimbursement plan for housing developers. The reimbursement is for the cost of installing utilities in new developments. These plans are not uncommon for cities to offer. This plan was based off of a similar plan from Hobbs. The goal is to attract developers to come to Artesia and help combat our housing shortage.

# A Look Ahead



- **City Council Meetings** - 6/10 & 6/24
  - *City Hall; 5:00pm*
- **Summer Art Camp** - 6/10-13
  - *Ocotillo Performing Arts Center*
- **Aquatic Center Movie Night** - 6/13
  - *Come float and watch "Finding Nemo"*
- **Oil Patch Market** - 6/14
  - *Derrick Floor; 10:00am*
- **Flag Day** - 6/14
  - *Celebrating the adoption of the American Flag*
- **Father's Day** - 6/15
  - *Go Dads!*
- **E-Waste Recycling** - 6/20-21
  - *Transfer station; 6/20 9am-5pm, 6/21 9am-12pm*
- **Family Color Run** - 6/27
  - *Artesia Public Library; 8:00am*

happy  
**Father's  
Day**



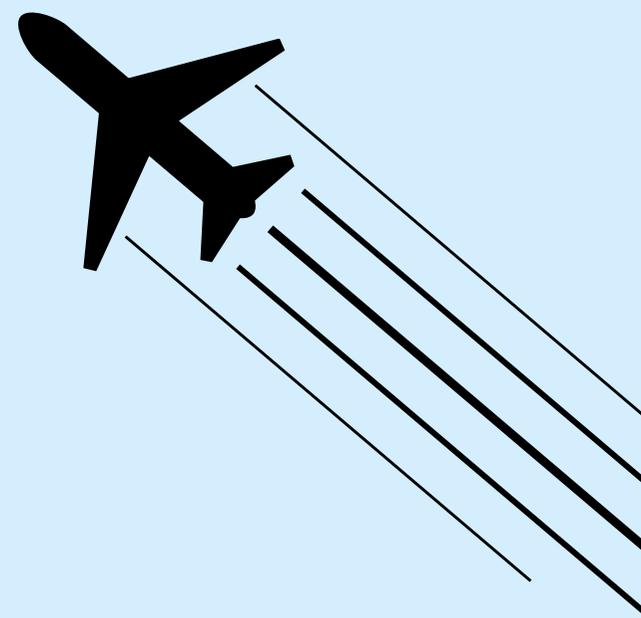
# CITY OF ARTESIA JOB OPENINGS

*Apply online at [artesianm.gov/596/jobs](https://artesianm.gov/596/jobs)*

- Building Inspector I Electrical
- Detention Officer
- Division Chief of Operations & EMS (Fire Department)
- Equipment Operator - Cemetery
- Equipment Operator II - Solid Waste
- Equipment Operator I - Streets
- Firefighter (Certified)
- Firefighter (Uncertified)
- Fire Lieutenant (Internal Only)
- Mechanic I (Garage)
- Police Officer Certified/Corporal
- Police Officer Uncertified
- Senior IT Technician
- Summer Water Laborer (Temporary)
- Water Tech
- Wastewater Operator Assistant



# NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AIR RACES



Described as “the world’s fastest motorsport” and “NASCAR in the sky” the National Championship Air Races are coming to Roswell this year!

Groups of planes will take to the skies in thrilling races as they reach speeds of 500+ mph!

The National Championship Air Races will be held Sep. 10-14, 2025.



*Past attendance for the event has been over 80,000. That means **big opportunity** for local businesses!*