



August

Public Newsletter

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**LET'S
CELEBRATE**



August Work Anniversaries

Elida Martinez 30 yrs
Dennis Davis 22 yrs
Patricia Hernandez 22 yrs
Leticia Gomez 15 yrs
Amber Klontz 12 yrs
Catlina Franco 6 yrs
James Contreras 5 yrs
Jose Ramos 4 yrs
Guillermo Bustamante 4 yrs
Lucio Ordonez 4 yrs
Christopher Rider 3 yrs
Anna Iglesias 3 yrs
Israel Mariscal 3 yrs
Carlos Bustamante 2 yrs
Nicholas Villalobos 2 yrs
Erica Flott Varela 1 yr
Gregory Brittelle 1 yr

Happy Birthday!

Chris Romero 8/3
Ernesto Esparza 8/5
Omar Acosta 8/7
Jayde Burnell 8/8
Heather Silva 8/11
Gina Davila 8/12
Luke Burns 8/12
Josh Stites 8/15
Maverick Grimm 8/18
Nathaniel Valenzuela 8/20
Melissa Rutledge 8/24
Marcos Munoz 8/24
Ramiro Granados 8/28
Ray Downs 8/30
Jett Fuentes 8/30
Raul Rodriguez 8/31
Rhonda Davis 8/31
Daniel Barrera 8/31

Employee Spotlight

Kassandra Lantz

Job Title: Museum Clerk

Time With City: 8 months

Daily Tasks: Organizing and cataloging our artifacts and collections, creating ads and stickers for events, and remodeling the exhibits and displays

What's your favorite exhibit at the museum? The new Stones and Bones Exhibit! After quite a few months of rock cleaning and prep, we have a new exhibit with many, many beautiful specimens on display!

What do you do in your spare time? I love drawing, painting, and doing anything creative.

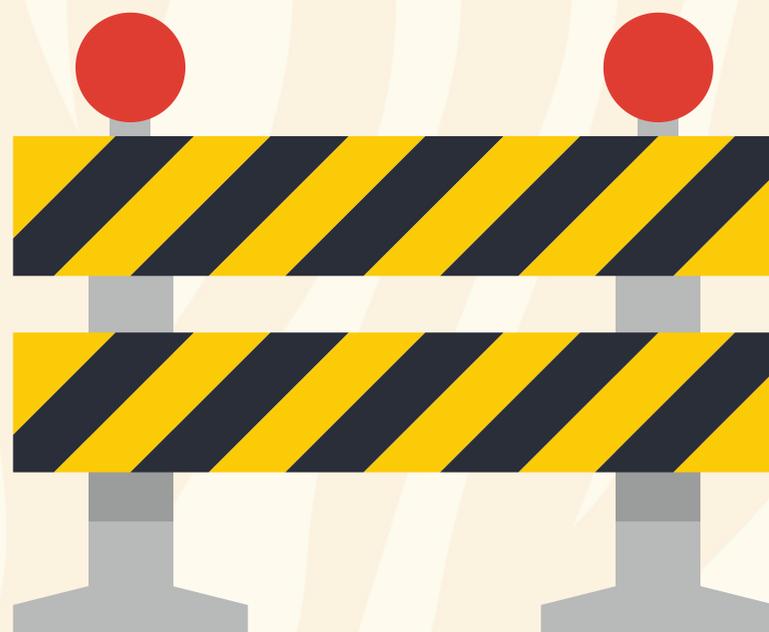




Around Town



- The **Ninja Cross System** obstacle courses at the **Artesia Aquatic Center** now have new hours.
 - The courses are now open on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays** from **4PM-6PM**
 - There's **no extra cost** to go through the courses. You get access with your membership or day pass.
- **Phase 1** of the **26th Street** project has been completed. 26th is fully open between Main and Grand.
- **Phase 1** of the **Grand Street** project has been completed. Grand is fully open between 13th and 20th.
- The Artesia Historical Museum's **Stones and Bones** exhibit is open. It features unique rocks and fossils found in our area.



July 8thth City Council Recap

Airport Upgrades

It was announced that new tie downs are being installed at the airport. Additionally, interior renovations are underway at the airport building. These upgrades are on track to be completed before the National Championship Air Races come to Roswell in September.

City Administrator Position

The council approved the creation of a new City Administrator position. The position will rank above the department heads, but lower than the Mayor and Council. The position will keep the council and mayor informed on city business and can represent the mayor and city in meetings.

Baby Box

The council directed staff to look at engineering a baby box at the fire station at 7th and Mahone. This plan would serve as a backup in case existing plans fall through to install a baby box at the hospital. The hospital district says they're close to the finish line on the project and will sign a contract for it as soon as they can. Although that may be a nine-week timeframe.

July 22nd City Council Recap

Safety Committee Update

The safety committee reported that in the month of June we only had one employee safety incident. This puts our count at eight incidents so far this year. This is a huge improvement compared to this time last year when we were at 26.

City Administrator Job Description

The council approved the job description for the City Administrator position. The Administrator will assist the mayor in providing updates and recommendations to the council. The Administrator can also represent the city at meetings with community and government organizations.

Road Work Updates

Our infrastructure director gave updates on projects around town. The 26th street project is in phase 2 and is now working on 26th from Grand to Washington. 26th is closed in both directions from Grand to Washington. The Grand Street project also moved into phase 2, working from 20th to 26th. Grand will only be open in the westbound lane from 20th-26th during this phase. The eastbound lane will be closed.

(See project overview on next page)

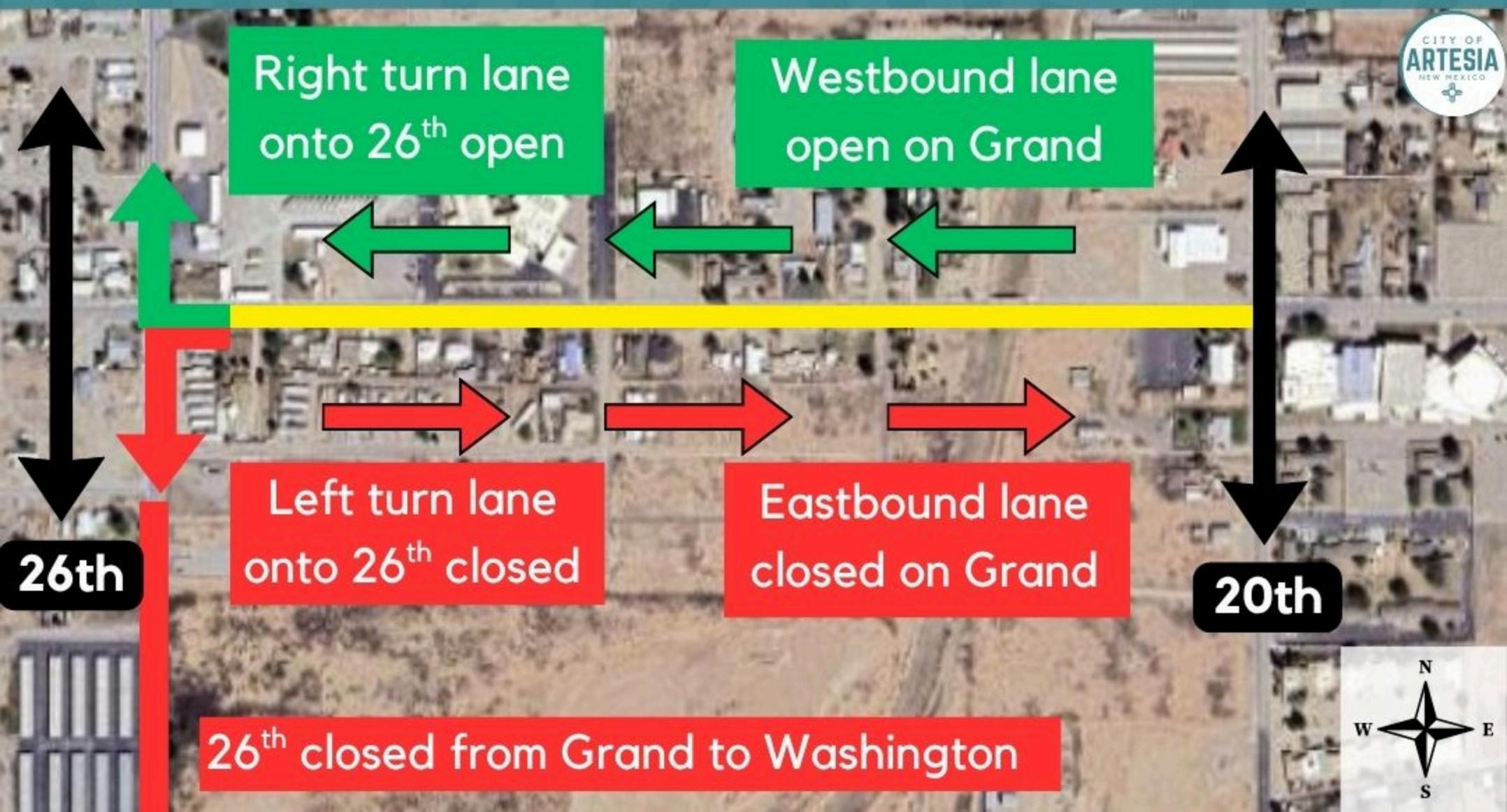
GRAND STREET PROJECT PHASE 2

Work on Grand from 20th-26th

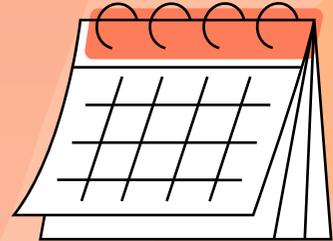
- Eastbound on Grand from 20th-26th will be closed
- Westbound on Grand from 20th-26th will be open
- Left turn lane from Grand onto 26th will be closed due to Phase 2 of 26th street project.
- Grand will be fully open from 13th-20th

JULY 21 - SEP. 26

(Depending on weather and other factors)



A Look Ahead



- **National Night Out – 8/5**
 - Starbucks parking lot. Hang out with local first responders!
- **First Day of School – 8/7**
 - Good luck, students and staff!
- **Oil Patch Market – 8/9**
 - Derrick Floor; 6:00pm – 9:00pm
- **Minute with the Mayor – 8/12 & 8/26**
 - Kith & Kin; 8:30 am
- **City Council Meetings – 8/12 & 8/26**
 - City Hall; 5:00pm
- **Clays Crusher Shoot – 8/16**
 - Eddy County Shooting Range
- **Eddy County War – 8/22**
 - Ralph Bowyer Stadium; Go Bulldogs!
- **Town Hall Meeting – 8/28**
 - CVE Community Room; 5:30pm



CITY OF ARTESIA JOB OPENINGS

Apply online at artesianm.gov/596/jobs

- Apprentice Mechanic I
- Building Inspector I Electrical
- Community Service Officer (CSO)
- Detention Officer
- Division Chief of Operations & EMS (Fire Department)
- Equipment Operator I - Solid Waste
- Equipment Operator I - Streets
- Finance Supervisor
- Firefighter (Certified)
- IPRA Specialist
- Lieutenant
- Police Officer Certified/Corporal
- Police Officer Uncertified
- Senior IT Technician
- Water Tech





**NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP
AIR RACES[®]
AND AIR SHOW**



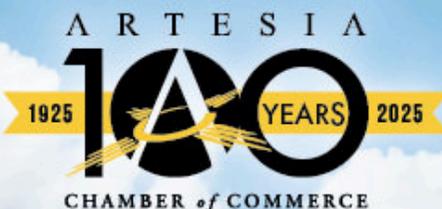
AIR RACES ARE COMING!

SEPTEMBER 10 – 14, 2025

**TURN YOUR HOME
OR VEHICLE INTO
EXTRA INCOME! →**

**Apply TODAY for other
opportunities to make money!**

- ◆ Artesia Chamber of Commerce (107 N. 1st St.)
- ◆ America's Job Center (704 W. Main St.)



107 N 1st Street
Artesia, NM 88210
(575) 746-2744
ArtesiaChamber.com

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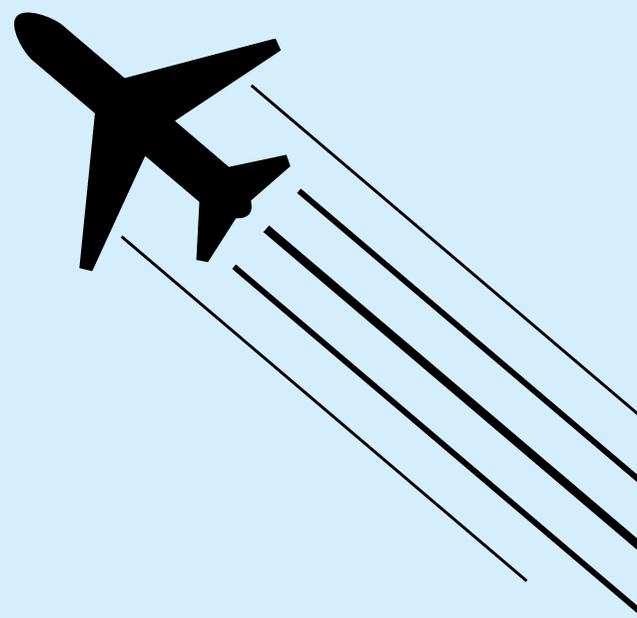


HAVE AN EXTRA
VEHICLE? RENT IT!

TURO



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AIR RACES



**The National Championship Air Races
are coming to Roswell in September!**

**60,000 tickets have been sold so far
for the event. We anticipate many of
these attendees will be staying in
Artesia during the week of the races.**

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



Red Dirt Black Gold Festival



SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2025
DOWNTOWN ARTESIA

THURSDAY 9/11 5-10PM
NM HERITAGE NIGHT

VENDORS OPEN
TO PUBLIC 11-2

FRIDAY 9/12

11AM-2PM & 5-10PM
INDIE FOLK NIGHT

WRISTBANDS NEEDED
FOR 5PM REOPEN

SATURDAY 9/13

11AM-2PM & 5-10 PM
RED DIRT BLACK GOLD

WRIST BANDS ARE
\$10 PER GUEST 21+



GATES OPEN AT 5PM
MUSIC STARTS AT 6PM

PURCHASE A WRIST
BAND FOR ALL 3 DAYS
FOR \$25

AGE 20 AND UNDER
ARE FREE



PRINT YOUR TRANS AERO MEMBERSHIP CARD

- **Permanent Eddy County residents are automatically enrolled in Trans Aero Medevac's free air ambulance program.**
 - **This means there is no remaining balance that needs to be paid you're flown by Trans Aero Medevac.**



**THIS BENEFIT ONLY APPLIES TO
TRANS AERO AND NOT OTHER
MEDICAL TRANSPORT COMPANIES**

- **To request that Trans Aero flies you in an emergency, print out the membership card and keep it with your driver's license or health insurance card. This will make sure that it's seen before you get flown anywhere.**

Trans Aero
MEDEVAC

**EDDY COUNTY RESIDENT
MEMBER**

This card signifies that the holder is a resident of Eddy County, and is enrolled in the Trans Aero MedEvac Membership Plan.

In case of an emergency that requires air medical transportation, please immediately call dispatch at
844-435-4911.

This membership is limited to residents of Eddy County, NM. Certain limitations apply.

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