

February Roundup

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El Paso, Pancho Villa Room. Luncheons are designed for women to network and come together to listen and learn from uplifting/encouraging speakers in various fields of business and callings. Cost: \$20. Information: 329-6733 or thewomenupliftingwomen.com.

L'Alliance Française d'El Paso — The group promotes French culture and offers francophiles the opportunity to use the French language in a variety of activities. Information: 585-1789, 845-6535 or afofelpaso.com.

The monthly dinner is 6 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 11**, at Tabla, 115 Durango. Information/reservations: 833-8705.

The monthly film in French showing is 6 p.m. Friday, **Feb. 24**. Information/location: 845-6535.

Spring 2012 French classes have begun, but reservations still being taken. Information: Linda 751-9719 or Maud, 833-8705.

March is the month of the Francophony and l'Alliance Française d'El Paso is scheduling numerous events such as crepes dinner/Mardi Gras, art exhibits, visit to the zoo (en français), wine degustation, and more. Details to be announced.

Junior Woman's Club of El Paso — The club's general meeting is 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, **Feb. 15**, at the Woman's Club clubhouse, 1400 N. Mesa. Local women are invited to learn about membership opportunities. Information: 532-6131, jwcelpaso@yahoo.com or elpasojuniorwomanclub.org.

El Paso Christian Women's Connection — The group hosts its "Loving Hearts" luncheon 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, **Feb. 21**, at

El Paso Radisson Hotel, 1770 Airway, with inspirational speaker Gail Omohundro and a presentation by this month's outreach, Mustard Seed Cafe. Also featured is Michelle Lewis, of 31 Gifts. Reservation deadline is Feb. 15. Cost: \$13 (cash or check only). Information/reservations: 598-0811 or elpasotxcwc.ezweb123.com.

La Leche League of East El Paso — The nonprofit group, dedicated to providing education and support to women who want to breastfeed, meets at 10 a.m. Tuesday, **Feb. 21**, at Sierra Providence East Medical Center, 3280 Joe Battle (at Edgemere). Pregnant women and breastfeeding mothers and their babies are welcome. Admission is free. Information: (586) 419-1947 or llli.org.

El Paso Northeast Quilters Guild — Regular monthly meetings are 7 to 9 p.m. the second Thursday of the month, at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 8001 Magnetic (at Titanic). Social time and setup begin at 6:30 p.m. The non-profit organization promotes quilting among interested persons, and brings the beginner, experienced, younger and older quilters together for various events and projects. Information: 751-2132 (leave message).

Amateur Radio Clubs — Two amateur/Ham radio clubs meet monthly in El Paso:

- Sun City Amateur Radio Club (ARC) — Business meetings for this Ham Radio club are 7 p.m. the first Friday of the month, with "program nights" 7 p.m. the third Friday of the month at 3709 Wickham. Information: 585-8132, k5wph.org or kd6cub@sbcglobal.net.
- El Paso Amateur Radio Club — Meetings are 8 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of the month at 2100 San Diego. Information: w5es.org or k5strw@elp.rr.com.

Individuals interested in earning a Ham Radio license may contact either club. Morse Code is no longer required for operators.

Bridge leagues — Duplicate bridge events are hosted at Decker Bridge Center, Unit 159, 2216 East Yandell. Admission: \$5. Information: 544-6565 or elpasobridge.com. Managers: Peggy Craig, 581-0371 or Steve Nordberg, 833-5915.

Discover El Paso — The nonprofit group, founded in 1973, is dedicated to promoting things to do and see in and around El Paso.

The monthly luncheon is noon Tuesday, **Feb. 28**, at Woman's Club of El Paso. Reservations required. Information/reservations: 584-3126.

International Coin Club — El Paso's only coin club meets at 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. the first Monday of the month at Travelodge-La Hacienda, 6400 Montana. Meetings include educational presentations and an auction of materials submitted by members. Visitors always welcome, and admission free for first-time visitors. Information: 533-6001 or 526-3180.

Area attractions

Indian Cliffs Ranch — The working cattle ranch in Fabens offers a children's zoo, buffalo, longhorns, deer, rattlesnake pit, movie sets and the Fort Apache playground. It's also home to the famous Cattleman's Steakhouse. Information: (915) 544-3200 or cattlemanssteakhouse.com.

Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino — The copper-domed casino offers slot machines, and video-machine versions of poker, keno and other games. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday; 9:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Lounge is open, with live

entertainment and dancing, until 2 a.m. weekends. Simulcast racing begins at 10 a.m. every day. General admission and parking are free. Information: (575) 874-5200.

To get there, take the Sunland Park exit from I-10, go south (left turn coming from Downtown) and follow the signs.

Tigua Indian Cultural Center — 305 Yaya Road, at Socorro Road east of the Ysleta Mission. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. The center features a museum on the Tigua tribe, including its relationship to the Tiwas of northern New Mexico. Admission is free. Information: 859-7700 or ysletadelsur.org.

Wyer Aerial Tramway — Texas' only publicly accessible mountain tramway gives passengers a view of 7,000 square miles, two countries and three states (Texas, New Mexico and Chihuahua) from Ranger Peak, elevation 5,632 feet. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 12 years and under. Tickets sales stop one hour before closing. Hours are noon to 8 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Information: 566-6622. Closed Monday through Thursday.

Wyer Aerial Tramway State Park is managed by Texas Parks & Wildlife and is also part of Franklin Mountains State Park. To get there: Take Alabama to McKinley and turn toward the mountain.

Mount Cristo Rey — The four-story-tall statue of Christ on the cross tops the mountain, 4,576 feet above sea level, in Sunland Park, N.M., near the junction of Mexico, Texas and New Mexico. Built in 1938-40 by sculptor Urbici Soler, the monument is accessible off McNutt Road (Highway 273) in Sunland Park — take the Racetrack exit off Paisano and cross the Rio Grande.

Because of safety concerns, people are advised to hike only in groups. The best time to hike is when volunteers are working on trail maintenance, usually 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays. For information on Saturday hiking times, call 252-9840.

La Viña Winery — New Mexico's oldest winery is just across the state line from El Paso, at 4201 S. NM Highway 28, one mile north of Vinton Road. Information: (575) 882-7632 or lavinawinery.com.

The tasting room and patio are open for sales and tasting of wines from 12 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Tuesday (closed Wednesdays). Tasting fee is \$5. A daily tour is offered at 11:30 a.m. by appointment only; the \$10 fee includes tasting.

Licon Dairy — The dairy's gift shop popular for its homemade asadero cheese products is located at 11951 Glorieta Road in San Elizario and is open 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The dairy also features an extensive petting zoo and regularly stocked fishing hole. Admission is free, with a nominal charge for fishing hole use. Information: 851-2705 or licondairy.com.

Zin Valle Vineyards — 7315 Hwy 28 in Canutillo (3/4 mile north of FM 259). Free tastings are noon to 5 p.m. Friday through Monday. Information: 877-4544 or zinvalle.com.

Sunland Winery — Located at Art & Frame Mfg., 1769 Victory Lane in Sunland Park, N.M. The winery is open 5 to 10 p.m. Fridays for free wine tasting; wine also sold by the glass. Monthly tasting and painting classes offered. Wine making classes also available; call for schedule. Information: (575) 589-1214.

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"Urbem petram invenit, lateritiam reliquit: The Architectural Transformation of Siena in the Republican Age"

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