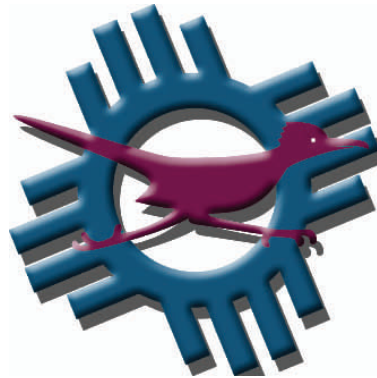


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**MEMBERSHIP
NEWSLETTER**
AUGUST 2006

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FROM THE DESK OF EDC...

- Debra Hicks, Chair-

Debra, a professional engineer, has served as president of Pettigrew and Associates, a civil engineering firm in Hobbs for the past 16 years. She is also president of Curves for Women in Hobbs. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from New Mexico State University in Las Cruces in 1983. Her career includes design of numerous airports, public buildings, state highways, commercial site development and municipal projects. She is a registered professional engineer in New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. She is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Academy of Civil Agricultural and Geological Engineering and the American Consulting Engineers Council. She serves as the Chair of the Board of Trustees for the College of the Southwest. She has volunteered with the Hobbs Chamber of Commerce, the Junior Service League of Hobbs, New Mexico First, the Rotary Club of Hobbs, the Economic Development Corporation of Lea County and numerous other organizations. She was named Businesswoman of the Year in 2004 by the Business Advisory Council.

The Board of Directors has met and discussed a Plan of Work for 2006-2007. Some of the key initiatives for this year will include:

- Complete an overall labor market analysis
- Develop a business incubator plan, including a formal feasibility study
- Complete the Data Resource Center
- Address county-wide communication infrastructure needs
- Continue positive efforts with developers to address housing shortage

Membership Meeting

August 22, 2006

11:30 a.m.

Hobbs Country Club

Guest Speaker:

Dr. Steve McCleery, NMJC

Program:

*Statewide general bond issue -
Higher Education*

Very Important!

RSVP

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ON THE GO...

Featured Member - Lucky Services, Inc.



My Name.....*Dwayne Taylor*

Favorite Movie.....*Walking Tall (1st version)*

Last purchase.....*2007 Cadillac Escalade*

Indulgence.....*good Steak, great glass of wine and in company of good friends*

Retreat.....*fishing-Del Rio; golfing-Ruidoso*

Childhood Ambition.....*superintendent of major oil company*

Wildest Dream.....*having three companies & being employer of 74 employees*

First Job.....*at age 13, working for my Dad at Humble Gasoline Station*

Proudest Moment.....*being invited to the White House from Secretary of Energy at the time Bill Richardson along with Bob Gallagher to discuss oil & gas prices as a member of Concerned Citizens for Energy policy*

Perfect Day.....*no accidents; all of my employees returning home safely*

Biggest Challenge.....*finding and keeping good employees*

Life Soundtrack.....*I have 2 - 'The Dance' by Garth Brooks & 'The Little Man' by Alan Jackson*

Inspiration.....*My Dad; Dennis Harrison; Pete Reed*

Profile

Lucky Services, Inc. is celebrating its 20 year anniversary, founded in 1986 by Dwayne Taylor. The business was named after Dwayne's father, WE "Lucky" Taylor who passed away two years prior to starting the company. The business started with one rig and has since increased to 11 rigs. Dwayne has also started two other businesses, TRM Trucking and Lucky Rental Tool.

Dwayne has served on several boards as Chapter Chairman and on the Board of Association of Energy Service Contractors, Chairman of Concerned Citizens of Energy Policy, Hobbs Chamber of Commerce, Ruidoso Jockey Club, Governor Business Advisory Council, New Mexico Oil & Gas Association, and he is also a member of the New Mexico Amigos.

Lucky Services strives to do quality work and will always put safety as their number one goal, along with the best of services and equipment. Dwayne has always called Hobbs home and is proud to be a part of this thriving community.

Lucky Services Inc
6210 Lovington Hwy - Hobbs, NM
505-392-1547

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

August 16, 2006

USDA - Rural Development Workshop

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Lea County Event Center

Congratulations



Brian Flores & Steve McCleery

National Junior College Athletic Association
David Rowlands Athlete-of-the-Year.