



Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce Newsletter June 2021

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Did You Know?

The first San Luis Valley Research Center was established in 1888 (the same year the main station at Fort Collins was established) on 200 acres of state land near the Rio Grande River, seven miles east of Del Norte. In 1891 the SLVRC was moved to a location 4 2 miles north of Monte Vista. In 1896, federal funds were reduced and other financial support was unavailable. As a result, the SLVRC was closed.



In 1940, the San Luis Valley Potato Improvement Association and the San Luis Valley Potato Board of Control leased 160 acres at the present site of the research center, near the town of Center, Colorado, located nine miles north of Monte Vista and established the San Luis Valley Demonstration Farm. In 1950, the San Luis Valley Potato Improvement Association purchased the farm and subsequently deeded it to Colorado State University in 1953.

Beginning in 1940, the principal research activity was focused on selecting potato varieties adaptable to the region. In 1979 a potato breeding program was initiated to complement the selection activity. Research on cultural practices including disease and pest studies was also conducted. In the early 1920s, the Colorado Certified Seed Growers Association initiated a seed certification program located on the Colorado State University campus which was co-located at the SLVRC in 1964. The research center has a continuing commitment to the people of the San Luis Valley (SLV) and the State of Colorado to provide research information, conduct extension education and seed certification programs.



The Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce wants to thank Brother's Keepers Motorcycle Club, Chapter 19 for donating a TCL TV, as well as RG Bank for donating a Logitech Camera and Speaker for our new and improved Conference Room. Without their donation and Monte Vista's support we would not be able to create a strong and viable Chamber that is an asset to the business community.

Business of the Month

White Glove Janitorial SLV

Phone: (719) 480-9528

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A woman owned and operated janitorial service. Implementing green cleaning services. OSHA certified, fully insured, background checked. Excellent references.

We work for many city & state businesses along with large corporate satellite offices. A janitorial service keeping the San Luis Valley clean & Green!



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Chamber Sponsored Podcasts!

Each month the Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce sponsors business spotlight podcasts on SLVoices for the Business of the Month and two Featured Businesses.

This month will highlight the following:

Business of the Month - White Glove Janitorial SLV

Featured Business - Jade Communications

Featured Business - Brother's Keepers Motorcycle Club, Chapter 19



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Member Updates



We hope you decide to move messages from the Monte Vista Chamber to your Primary tab from the Promotions tab. By doing so, all future emails from us should be delivered to the Primary tab. Thanks!

New Members:

- **None this month**

Renewing Members:

- **CPAC**
- **Kay's Bookkeeping Services**
- **Mountain View Restaurant**

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