

# **Rio Grande Chapter Report for HPS Society Year 2011-2012**

## **General Information**

**Official Year:** May - April

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**Dues Information:**

Plenary: \$15.00  
Associate: n/a  
Student: n/a  
Emeritus: n/a  
Life: n/a  
Affiliate: n/a

**Charter Date:** 1962

**Science Teacher Workshop?** no

**Collaboration with other societies?** yes

Collaborations: ANS -- Trinity Section NM Waste Handler's  
Association

**Website:** <http://www.rgchps.org/>

## **Chapter Leadership & Officers**

**President:** William Roach

**President-elect:** Ted Simmons

**Secretary:** Bert Morales (non-HPS)

**Treasurer:** Daniel Gonzalez

**Board Member:** Matthew Griffin (non-HPS)

**Board Member:** Karen Barcal

**Board Member:** Ruben Rangel

**Past President:** Elaine Marshall

**Director Liaison:** Edgar D. Bailey

## Chapter Incorporation & Exempt Status

**Applied for Incorporation?** yes

Incorporation granted: yes

Incorporation state: New Mexico

**Applied for an Employer Identification Number?** no

**Insurance?** no

**Willing to share IRS paperwork?** no

## Chapter Membership & Certifications

**HPS Members:** 30

**non-Members:** 35

**Total:** 65

**ABHP Certified:** none

**NRRPT Certified:** none

## Meetings/Activities:

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### (Aug-11 to Jul-12)

**Aug '11 Meeting Topic:** Isotopes Game

Type: Social, Joint

Speaker: None

Attendance: 54

**Sep '11 Meeting Topic:** Fall Dinner Meeting

Type: Technical

Speaker: Armin Ansari

Attendance: 37

**Oct '11 Meeting Topic:** RGC HPS Board Meeting

Type: Executive Council

Speaker: None

Attendance: 7

**Feb '12 Meeting Topic:** History of the Nuclear Weapons Complex:

Highlights

Type: Technical, Joint  
Speaker: Charles Loeber  
Attendance:

**Apr '12 Meeting Topic:** Spring Technical Meeting

Type: Annual, Social, Technical  
Speaker: Various  
Attendance: 42

## Comments

The Rio Grande Chapter has been working hard this year to reestablish itself and maintain the momentum it gained from being the local hosts for the HPS Mid-Year meeting in 2010. The focus for the year was to provide continuing education to our members. For another year, along with our colleagues in the New Mexico Waste Handlers Association, the Rio Grande Chapter went to Isotopes Park in August to watch the Isotopes play and enjoy some great camaraderie. The Rio Grande Chapter hosted National President-Elect Armin Ansari on September 6, 2011 at our Fall Dinner Meeting held at La Fonda in Santa Fe, NM. Dr. Ansari spoke to the 37 people present about the state of the professional and his recommendation to change the society name. February 24, 2012 found many of our members at the joint meeting we held with the ANS Trinity Section. Charles Loeber provided highlights on the History of the Nuclear Weapons Complex. The history lesson was well worth the drive to Santa Fe. On April 15, 2012, the Chapter hosted Dr. Tom Johnson who provided an 8 hr review session for those scheduled to take the certification examination. After the practice exams were given, the majority in attendance were more than enthusiastic about maintaining credits. On April 16-17, 2012, the Chapter coordinated its Spring Technical Meeting. The Chapter expanded the schedule to accommodate the celebration of its 50th Anniversary as a charter to the HPS. The technical schedule was packed with a variety of presentations on numerous topics. Many of the presentations have been posted to the chapter website. The chapter also modified its by-laws this year. Copies submitted to the Chapter Liaison. After the by-laws were modified, the chapter was able to conduct its annual elections. The results are reflected earlier in this report.

This Chapter report was created on 21 June 2012 by Elaine T Marshall.