



Please join us for the **March** AWS NM
Section meeting being held at

UA Local 412 Main Office

510 San Pedro Dr. SE

Albuquerque, NM 87108

Thursday, March 27, 2025

All are welcome

(both Members & Nonmembers)

Wade Florence, of Lincoln Electric, will present UA Local 412 new State of the Art facility

Wade started in 1993 in the US Navy where he got his first training as a coded Nuke welder, focusing primarily on Tig welding, and ventured into non destructive testing later in his Navy career. Got out of the Navy in 1999. Started with Valley Welders Supply as an Outside Sales Representative in 1999, and was in this role for 6 years. Moved to Albuquerque in late 2000, and became more of a "Welding Specialist". In 2005, he went to work as an outside sales rep for Matheson Trigas as they were looking for someone with a stronger welding background. In 2012, he moved to Farmington with Matheson focusing on the Oil and Gas markets. In 2018, he became a Welding Process Specialist for Matheson and took over their Strategic Metal Fab accounts in the Farmington and Albuquerque Markets. In March of 2024, he went to work for Lincoln Electric as a Technical Sales Representative covering the state of New Mexico, Southern Utah and Southern Colorado as well as El Paso TX. Through out his career, he has always had a soft spot for welding education, working with almost all of the trade schools in NM, both High School, and College level. This year will be his 26th year working with NM Skills USA.

\$10 for Member/Non-Members

Students - No Charge

Agenda:

5:30 PM Social

6:00 - 7:00 PM Hospitality, Dinner, and Section Business

7:00 - 8:00 PM: Wade's presentation and tour of facility.

Please RSVP by **Tuesday, March 25, 2025 to:**

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