

An Evening with  
**RENEWABLE TAOS**

—A working group for 100% clean and locally produced energy—

Hosted by  
**Positive Energy Solar**



**Monday, February 18, 2013  
6:00 – 9:00 P.M.**



**El Monte Sagrado Living Resort and Spa  
Rio Grande Ballroom  
317 Kit Carson Road • Taos, NM 87571**



**Program**

**6:00 – 7:15: Reception – Cash Bar, One Free Drink, and Hors d'Oeuvres for all Attendees**

**7:15 – 7:30: Positive Energy Solar Overview**

**7:30 – 7:40: Introduction & Comments by John T. Nichols**

**7:40 – 8:40: Powering our Taos Community With Clean Energy by  
William M. (Bill) Brown**



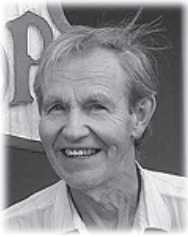
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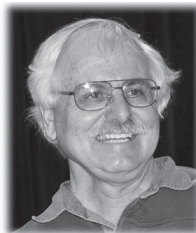
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## About John T. Nichols



John Nichols is author of 20 books of fiction and nonfiction, including *The Milagro Beanfield War*, *The Sterile Cuckoo*, *Conjugal Bliss*, *The Voice of the Butterfly*, *If Mountains Die*, and his newest novel, *On Top of Spoon Mountain*. Through his writing, speeches, extraordinary intellect, brilliant humor, and all-around good nature, John has become a legendary figure in our American Southwest. John's love of nature – and of its protection – is deeply embedded in everything he does, and probably no one in the world knows more about the intimate natural details of Taos and its magnificent surroundings. John will offer his unique personal insights on the meaning of clean energy to our community and our planet, and challenge all of us to realize our highest responsibilities for transforming our society for a future we can be proud to leave to our children.

## About William M. (Bill) Brown



Bill Brown will describe Renewable Taos, a new organization formed in Taos, New Mexico to promote and facilitate a full transition to clean energy and enhanced energy efficiency in Taos County. He will speak on the recent history and future of clean energy in New Mexico, the American West and the USA. He will provide background on the urgency and solvability of our climate crisis, and the imperative of widespread and rapid deployment of clean energy. He will demonstrate the extraordinary accomplishments of the Taos community in energy efficiency and providing clean energy for the people of northern New Mexico. He will outline the approach of Renewable Taos and its partners to taking on the local role of tough decisions needed to slow and reverse greenhouse gases emissions. In this regard, he will illustrate Taos' unique, local leadership in transforming our energy economy into one that is sustainable for the long-term future.

Whereas the USA has no explicit mandate on individuals to reduce carbon emissions, more than 1,000 cities (including Taos) and 30 states have climate action plans involving clean energy. Tens of thousands of groups in the USA and worldwide are forming to promote changes in behavior, in technology, and in policy directed toward a modern, clean energy future. This presentation is the beginning of a continuing conversation between Renewable Taos and the government, businesses and citizens of our Taos community on quickly building a new, clean-energy economy.

### **William M. (Bill) Brown Bio-Sketch:**

William M. (Bill) Brown is a consultant on global warming, climate change, and energy science, technology, policy and economics. He has created building energy efficiency policy, greenhouse gases emissions inventories, climate change adaptation guidelines, clean energy development guidelines, and other materials leading to a new clean energy economy.

Bill has spoken to diverse audiences throughout the American Southwest on climate change science, impacts, and technology and policy solutions since 2007. Bill received the 2012 Paul Bartlett Re Peace Prize of the University of New Mexico for his outstanding contributions to the promotion of peace through his energy and climate change messaging via The Climate Reality Project and other work. Bill also received a Sustainable Leadership award at New Mexico's first Sustainable Business Summit in Albuquerque in July 2012 for his career work in sustainability and for presenting the business case for a new clean energy economy.

For 36 years before retiring with his wife Lisa in Taos, NM in 2004, Bill was an Earth Scientist with the U.S. Geological Survey.