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New Mexico Senior Olympic swimmer Phillip A. Djang carries the official Statewide Torch for the 2019 National Senior Games through Mesilla Plaza Saturday, Feb. 16. The torch relay began in Silver City, with the final leg comprising the official Flame Arrival Ceremony on June 15 in Albuquerque, site of the 2019 national games. This is the first year the nationals are held in New Mexico.



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Doña Ana County 'Your Partner in Progress'

Creative ideas on cleaning up your community

With warm weather coming soon to Doña Ana County, the Doña Ana Illegal Dumping Partnership (IDP) suggests getting creative and taking active measures to cleanup the community in the coming months.

"With warmer weather on the horizon, it's time to start focusing efforts on cleaning up," said Vicki Lusk, Manager of Doña Ana County Animal Control & Codes. "Late winter and early spring months are an ideal time to actively clean for a fresh start and do so prior to the mosquito season. This year, we encourage everyone to take their cleaning to the next level and get involved in helping to clean up communities and areas around Doña Ana County."

If you routinely walk and/or jog, or you are looking for an incentive to get out and about, the IDP suggests taking on a fun new challenge—plogging. The Swedish phenomenon is gaining popularity in the United States, and is a fun way to combine fitness with cleaning up. The word "plogging" mashes together the words "jogging" with "plocka upp" (translated to pick up) and involves picking up litter—like plastic bottles, trash, cigarette butts, and more—while jogging or walking.

"Whether you walk, jog, or run alone or in a group, we encourage you to actively start looking for litter while out and picking it up as you go," added Lusk. "Getting started is as easy as taking a reusable trash bag along with you on your daily outing, and picking up litter, rather than simply going past it."

In addition to plogging, residents can take an active approach by volunteering in



arranged cleanups or setting up a community cleanup day. On Saturday, March 16th, the IDP will be participating in the Great American Cleanup in Chaparral.

Volunteers will be equipped with safety vests, gloves, trash grabbers and bags and there will be roll-off recycling containers and a tire shredder. Lunch is provided to the volunteers. Community cleanup events are a great opportunity for residents to rid their yards of trash and debris for no cost. Volunteers can opt to participate in the Great American Cleanup, or can schedule one in their own area. To volunteer or schedule a cleanup day, contact the Doña Ana County Animal Control and Codes Enforcement Department at (575) 525-8846.

"Whatever you do in the coming months—whether you take up plogging, volunteer at a cleanup day, or coordinate a cleanup in your own neighborhood—we encourage you to take action," added Lusk. "We challenge everyone to do their part to keep Doña Ana County a beautiful and safe place to live, work and play."

For those who want to make a difference, but don't have a lot of extra time, there's an app for that! Download the NO THROW app to ensure you're ready to report any large dumped items or dumpsites. It's as easy as taking and submitting a picture of the dumpsite within the app. For those who prefer to call, you can report illegal dumping by calling 1-877-NO-THROW.

For more information on the IDP's cleanup efforts and information on getting involved, visit www.CleanupWithCarlos.org.

Luchini family accepts proclamation

The family of Reynold B. "Ray" Luchini, a former Doña Ana County Commissioner who died Jan. 25, was recently presented with a copy of the Proclamation designating Feb. 13 as Ray Luchini Day in Doña Ana County.

Luchini was instrumental in several large-scale projects during his tenure in public service, including several paving projects and

building acquisitions. His son, Eric, remembered attending meetings with his dad and recalled several self-funded trips the Commissioner took to Washington, D.C. to ensure funds were allocated for important infrastructure in Doña Ana County.

"He loved this county, and he worked hard to make sure we were noticed in Washington," Luchini said.

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Dr. Bobbie Green: a lifetime of giving

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

"I wanted to raise the bar a little bit in this area," Dr. Bobbie Green said about her desire to lead the local chapter of the nation's oldest civil rights organization.

"If I can make things better for one person or one group of people ... then that's what I want to do," Green said shortly after becoming the new Doña Ana County NAACP president in January. "It's not about me. It's about what I can do to help someone else."

Green wants to advocate for children separated from their parents at the U.S.-Mexico border and caravan members seeking asylum in the U.S.; increase the quality of education for children and the pay for teachers in New Mexico; and reduce mass incarceration rates in prisons and gun violence. She also wants to boost the NAACP's fundraising, especially as it benefits scholarships for local students.

Her most heartfelt goals is to "increase the awareness of life on the border," Green said.

Her parents met in a cotton field near Silver City and raised nine children on a farm off Miles Road north of Las Cruces, she said. The children of migrant families that came to the area from Texas and Mexico to pick onions "were my playmates growing up," Green said. "I have been part of the border experience all my life." Issues being raised about the border today are "dis-

turbing to me," she said. "It paints a picture that is not accurate."

"All they want is a better life," Green said about people on both sides of the border, including those crossing from Mexico into the United States.

If people could "walk a mile in my shoes, in my parents' shoes," she said, "they might have a little more empathy." It would help to "dispel some of the myths," and help people to see others "as fellow human beings and not assume anything because of skin color."

There are "built-in stress factors that come with being a person of color," Green said. Racial profiling, in particular, is "extremely disturbing to me. I've experienced it personally."

Racism, Green said, has become more predominant in the current political environment. "We've got to get back to a place where there's not so much vitriol, anger and 'them vs. us,'" she said.

Green said she recently received her ancestry profile, which traces her roots to the Ivory Coast, Ghana and Cameroon. The route of her ancestors to the United States "was taken undoubtedly on slave ships," she said, that landed in Virginia. Her forebears made their way to Oklahoma and Texas before coming to New Mexico.

"I see that and understand what my ancestors went through," Green said. "There's strength in my DNA. It's the reason to fight for African Americans, Native



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Bobbie Green, age 3.

Americans and Hispanic Americans," she said, including those Hispanics "that are not Americans but want to be. It's in my birthright. It's my life. It's my obligation. Most of what drives me is my history and my background and my parents and what they had to go through."

Green's mother, Rosie, was a cook for many years at the Aggie snack bar in Gerald Thomas Hall at New Mexico State University. 40 years later, her daughter applied to that university as a student and had a 15-year teaching career there. When she was hired, Bobbie said, her feisty mother told a university dean, "If you don't take care of my baby, I'll be back up here to see you." She opened the door for me." Bobbie Green's father, Shepard Green Sr., was a farmer who "worked sun to sun, rain or shine, sick or well," she said. He had no health care and no pension.

The school bus bypassed the Green farm on Miles Road when Bobbie was a child. Her mother



Bobbie Green leads the NMSU Gospel Choir and the choir at Greater St. John Church of God in Christ.

made some calls and soon the bus was stopping to pick up Bobbie and two younger siblings. She became the first black child to attend MacArthur Elementary School in Las Cruces, Green said. Rosie was fearful of the treatment her daughter would receive at the school, but "it was exactly the opposite," Bobbie said. "I remember every one of those teachers because they were phenomenal. They just saw me as another child. I remember them because they had such a great impact on my life. I wasn't stereotyped. I was just a child at the school. I was pushed to excel and given opportunities. They didn't put me in the back, they put me in the front. For those teachers, I'll



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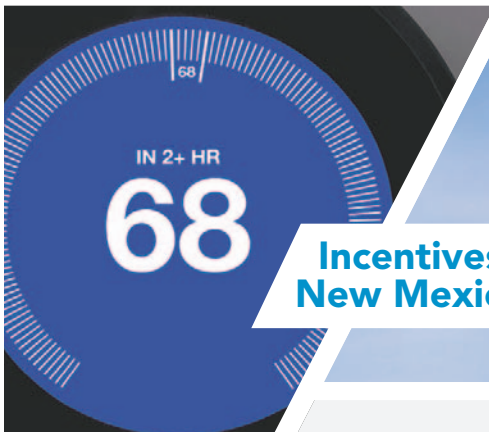


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Victoria Apodaca-Fisk, a high school teacher at New America School-Las Cruces, (center, with her students) has been selected for the 2019 Teach Plus New Mexico Teaching Policy Fellowship program.

Teacher selected for fellowship

Victoria Apodaca-Fisk, a social studies teacher at the New America School-Las Cruces, has been selected to join the 2019 Teach Plus New Mexico Teaching Policy Fellowship.

According to a press release, the mission of Teach Plus is to empower excellent, experienced teachers to take leadership over key policy and practice issues that affect their students' success.

Teach Plus selected Fisk from a large pool of candidates. Her overall application and interview were judged to be of the highest standard among qualified candidates.

As a Teach Plus Fellow, Fisk will participate in a rigorous program to deepen her knowledge of education policy and expand her influence on education in New Mexico without leaving the classroom. During the program, the Fellows receive training on topics such as

policy, advocacy, storytelling and op-ed writing. They engage with key education stakeholders and policy makers, shaping and advocating for policies that meet the needs of their students.

In addition to her teaching duties, Fisk is faculty advisor to the Student Council and founder of the group's hygiene drive benefitting Camp Hope residents.

She is active in the Military Spouse Caregiver Support Program, participated in the 2016 Las Cruces downtown plaza opening and is a member of the Anti-Bullying Coalition.

She was a Life Changer of the Year Finalist (2017), Charter School Teacher of the Year (2015), Engage New Mexico Educational Champion (2015) and a Golden Apple finalist (2014).

"I am beyond excited for this opportunity," Fisk said.



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Las Cruces Fire Department schedules CPR training

By **CASSIE MCCLURE**

For the Bulletin

Your grandfather clutches his chest at a little league game and falls to the ground. Your wife could be lying in the shower with no pulse. A cardiac arrest could happen at any time. When it does, and their life is on the line, whether a person you love survives could be up to you. Learn the simple steps with Las Cruces Fire Department (LCFD) to become their hero.

Nationwide, about 45 percent of bystanders will come to your aid. In Las Cruces, that rate is only 29 percent. The Las Cruces Fire Department aims to improve that number by offering a free class monthly that will teach residents the basics of what it takes to do hands-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation, commonly known as CPR.

“We know that it takes courage to be able to start CPR, but it also takes feeling somewhat knowledgeable about how to do it correctly,” said Frances Telles, LCFD firefighter and CPR trainer.

LCFD aims to be at any scene in Las Cruces within four to seven minutes, but even those few minutes are critical for someone in cardiac arrest.

“It’s human instinct to want to help, but what stops people is that they feel that they don’t know enough to help,” said Telles. “But in a situation where someone has no pulse, your ability to keep that blood pumping for oxygen to get to the brain is vital.”

Over 350,000 cardiac arrests occur outside a hospital setting every year in the United States. Currently American Heart Association guidelines recommend only chest compressions for cardiac arrest and not the mouth-to-mouth air resuscitation that might be commonly seen on TV or in movies.

“Early assistance increases the odds of survival by double or triple,” said Battalion Chief Michael Daniels. “You can teach middle- and elementary students to be aware of the symptoms, but it really sinks in during high school, how anyone could help save a life.”

Daniels’ two daughters Kaiea and Nova attended the first class on Jan. 26, alongside Patti Arnold and Tony Arnold. While Tony, a local school bus driver, already felt ready to step in if needed, Patti explained that she wanted to know how to do CPR properly, and not how it’s portrayed on shows.

The steps are simple. When you see someone collapse: Call 911 or instruct someone to call 911. Check for a pulse, if there is none push hard and fast in the center of the chest, using the weight of your upper body on your hands on their chest. It should be 100 beats per minute, think “Stayin’ Alive” by the Bee Gees, “MMMBop” by Hanson, or “Hips Don’t Lie” by Shakira. If someone is nearby who is also willing to help, swap out between two people to continue quality compressions – as fatigue can set in – until paramedics arrive.



How deep to push to pump the heart? Approximately two inches deep. Telles explained that yes, bones could break during compressions, but it could save the victim’s life. For those worried about potential liability, Telles also explained the New Mexico Good Samaritan Law, that normal bystanders are not held accountable for damages during lifesaving measures.

To learn these skills under the guidance of your local firefighters, come to the free, once-a-month class, currently held at the East Mesa Public Safety Complex at 550 North Sonoma Ranch Blvd. The class is usually less than an hour and shows participants not only how to do CPR but how to use an automated external defibrillator, and

how to properly do the Heimlich maneuver used when someone is choking.

The next class is Saturday, Feb. 23, from 10-11 a.m. at the East Mesa Public Safety Complex. Future Hands Only CPR training dates will be on Saturday, March 16, April 27, May 18, June 15, July 20 and August 17. For questions, please contact Frances Telles at 575-528-3473 or by email at ftelles@las-cruces.org.

The Las Cruces Fire Department (LCFD) serves New Mexico’s second largest city with professional firefighters, who are licensed EMTs, and civilian employees. The department responds to more than 17,000 calls for service annually and is an ISO Class 1 fire department.

Firefighter Frances Telles shows attendee Patti Arnold how to correctly do hands-only CPR. Residents are welcome at the free classes held monthly at the East Mesa Public Safety Complex at 550 N. Sonoma Ranch Blvd.

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Thinking outside the X-Box

Ganymede capitalizes on our game 'ecosystem'

Americans have so overused the phrase “think outside the box,” the saying itself is now clichéd, trite and completely inside whatever box the thinking was supposed to be out of.



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

The Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance and the Border Industrial Association used some innovative thinking, literally coloring outside the border, in the fall of 2017 when they made their unique bid for Amazon's second headquarters.

They presented HQ2Countries, a plan for Amazon's new location to straddle the U.S.-Mexico boundaries, and taking advantage of the bodies and brainpower represented by the three states of our region: New Mexico, Texas and Chihuahua.

More than 230 cities presented bids, but the MVEDA/BIA bid, HQ2Countries, was likely the most unique.

The thinking behind the idea was, well, “inside-out.”

Many said, “Amazon probably won't pick it, but it will get some attention, and maybe plant some seeds.”

Well, consider Ganymede Games the first sprout.

The interactive video gaming company recently announced plans to locate in downtown

Las Cruces.

Ganymede co-founder Jerry Prochazka described how this region made its way to his radar.

“I called a former employee who worked at Amazon, asking about possible locations,” Prochazka said. “She mentioned this unusual bid for the Amazon HQ2.”

Prochazka checked it out and realized ... no blizzards, low humidity, a great quality of life and very few things to hinder production.

If HQ2Countries was the bait, New Mexico's statewide film incentive was the hook.

A few years back, the state made a wise decision: As we're creating incentives to attract the film industry, why don't we loop in the video gaming industry as well. The Ganymede team had already felt the allure of the Organ Mountains, as well as the creative gaming talent at New Mexico State University, Doña Ana Community College and up the road at New Mexico Tech and the University of New Mexico. Still, a business has to eye the bottom line first, and the state film incentives gave Ganymede a financial leg up it couldn't find anywhere else.

At a recent MVEDA Business on the Borderplex meeting discussing Ganymede and Las Cruces' burgeoning opportunities in the field, Prochazka joined DACC Game Design Assistant Professor Michael Brown and Greg DeLaTorre, an NMSU research assistant and officer in the university's Game Development Club.

Each provided perspective on an industry that often flies over the heads of me and my generation.

We all know games are fun, but seldom do we take them seriously. The billions and billions of dollars generated by these games, however, are not Monopoly money.

Brown helped create game design degrees at both UNM and DACC, and said there are nearly 60 game design students at DACC currently. He added that game design skills are also applicable to the military, which uses the same platforms and programs for many of its modern defense systems.

The term that kept coming to the fore was “ecosystem.”

We are creating an ecosystem here in New Mexico to develop talented game designers and outstanding game design companies, and less expensively than in Los Angeles, San Francisco or Seattle, currently viewed as game meccas in the U.S.

The week of Ganymede's announcement, Prochazka said New Mexican expatriates from all over the world contacted him. Tech and gaming experts “from New Mexico universities came out of the woodwork,” Prochazka said. They were putting out feelers about the game design climate in New Mexico, eyeing the possibility of coming back home, away from gridlocked traffic, away from international hassles, away from hurricanes and earthquakes.

Late in the discussion, Las Cruces City Councilor Jack

Eakman asked a fascinating question: “What human needs are met by the work you're doing?”

I was curious how the panel would respond, but no one hesitated.

Ganymede's games, Prochazka said, “attend to our neurotransmitters in our brain, helping produce serotonin and oxytocin.” They make us feel good. Feel happy.

Brown pointed to another aspect, one unfamiliar to those of us familiar only with Pong and Pac-Man, and not today's multi-player interactive gaming. Today's interactive, team-based games include people from all over the country. All over the world. You no longer have to be in the same room or on the same field to play games with your friends.

“I play World of Warcraft, and played with the same group for 14 years,” Brown said. “It brings people together.”

Friendship. Working together. Important human needs.

For years, New Mexicans have talked about diversifying our economy, desperately hoping to find new industries that could thrive here.

And maybe there's been an industry all along, right under our noses, ready to grow right here.

But we haven't realized it because we've been too busy yelling at our kids to stop playing their stupid video games.

You know, those stupid \$138-billion-dollar-a-year video games.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to Mesilla Valley Transportation

To the editor:

Anyone who knows a teacher knows that they spend their own money on supplies and resources for their classrooms. But, not many know exactly how much teachers spend out of pocket.

We are proud to recognize one company in our community that found a way to help defray these costs – Mesilla Valley Transportation (MVT). Royal Jones and the whole MVT team, especially Cassidy Edmonds and Jackie Royal, are exceptional Las Cruces community partners.

For the last four years, they have actively supported Las Cruces by hosting their annual charity golf tournament and donating 100 percent of the proceeds to local nonprofit organizations that directly support people in the community. This year, the Las Cruces Public Schools Foundation was selected as the nonprofit to benefit from MVT's charity golf tournament.

The Foundation is committed to assisting the teachers, students and staff of the Las Cruces Public Schools. The Foundation offers 16 student scholarships that range from \$250-\$1,500; funds over \$35,000 each year for innovative classroom grants to teachers; funds the Celebration of Excellence in Education Dinner that recognizes outstanding students, teachers and staff of the Las Cruces Public Schools; and recently started the Teacher Classroom Supplies mini-grant project.

Through the generous support of MVT,

its employees, partners and friends, our Foundation was the recipient of \$52,544.50. This money will go directly to teachers in the Las Cruces Public Schools as classroom supplies mini-grants. Because of MVT's generosity, and that of other donors, 10 to 20 teachers each month of the school year will be selected to receive a \$100 classroom supply mini-grant. These funds are then spent, right here in Las Cruces, to support our local businesses.

The big difference is that this is not a one-time donation. Mesilla Valley Transportation has chosen to make part of the funds an endowment that will continue to support the mini-grants in perpetuity. On behalf of the entire board of directors of the Las Cruces Public Schools Foundation, and the teachers and staff of the Las Cruces Public Schools, we'd like to recognize Mesilla Valley Transportation for their support and generous gift. Thank you.

Betsy A. Geery,
executive director
Dr. Michael A. Morehead,
board president

Thanks to NM senators

To the editor:

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For most New Mexicans, the REAL ID Act of 2005 has meant nothing more than a pesky requirement for more identification to get a "real" driver's license. That may be why there's been little to no attention paid to the recent introduction of "S.254 – a bill to rescind the authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security to waive federal law to facilitate the construction of border barriers."

Senators Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich have cosponsored this bill to do away with the least known, and perhaps most damaging, provision of the REAL ID Act, "Section 102: Waiver of laws necessary for improvement of barriers at border." That section gave the secretary of the

Department of Homeland Security the authority to waive all laws he or she "determines necessary to ensure expeditious construction of the barriers and roads under this section."

Not only that, but a subsection declares that "no court, administrative agency, or other entity shall have jurisdiction"



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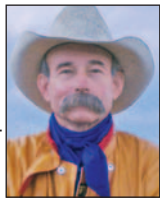
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I imagine since the time of Noah's Livestock Auction and Commission Company, peddlers have been offering magical solutions that you can sprinkle on the calf and the heifer's nose to mask the scent, different formulae abound; musk from a rutting beaver, compost drops, eucalyptus oil, limburger lotion or grizzly aftershave.

They all have one thing in common: they smell like two dead carp left in a Hefty trash bag on a warm Phoenix afternoon.

I've tried rubbing the graft with the new mother's afterbirth. I tried the ol' shepherd trick of skinnin' the dead calf and tyin' his hide around the new one. I admit that trick always makes me feel sorry for both calves. It certainly couldn't be too comfortable, not to mention it would take both of 'em right off the best dressed list!

My most effective method involved cow psychology. That's right . . . SHOVEL TRAINING! Hobble the heifer, pen her and the graft calf up for a few days and do it the hard way. First you

stand in the pen with them and encourage the calf to suck. He tries, she kicks, you conk her with the shovel. On the poll is a good a place as any.

Eventually she will stand still and let him nurse. For the next few days you lean over the gate and wave the shovel when you want him to suck. Usually the heifer gives up and finally you can turn 'em both out.

I don't know how well this method works on mules, kangaroos or Holsteins but I'd recommend it fer yer good ol' run of the mill bally.

Baxter Black is a cowboy poet, former large animal veterinarian and entertainer of the agricultural masses. Learn more at www.baxterblack.com.

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to challenge the waivers or hear claims against the DHS Secretary.

I remember thinking at the time that this provision was President George W. Bush's way of using the continuing fears of 9/11 to throw a bone to his base that loathes regulations. If the

DHS says so and they have the money, there are no regulatory barriers to their building whatever they want wherever they want in the name of "border security," and to hell with wildlife, water quality, antiquities or anything else.

All along the border at the southern edge of New Mexico we see the wall, the "Normandy" vehicle barriers, access roads two lanes wide and hilltop monitoring stations, big and small. And there's more to come, all without any consideration of other impacts such construction may have on the land and its people.

Thank you to Sens. Udall and Heinrich for taking this first step to roll back this lawless measure. I hope Rep. Xochitl Torres Small will sponsor and support a companion bill in the House of Representatives, and that it

will pass both houses of Congress!

*Tom Vaughan
Silver City*

And more thanks ...

To the editor:

The Southwest Environmental Center applauds New Mexico U.S. Senators Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich for introducing legislation to protect our border communities, wildlife and environment from harmful border wall construction.

We strongly support legislation introduced by Sens. Udall and Heinrich to protect our border communities, wildlife, public lands and environment from Trump's harmful border wall.

The bill to rescind the outdated authority granted by Congress to the Secretary of Homeland Security in 2005 to waive any law – federal, state or local – to expedite construction of border barriers is a huge step toward restoring the rule of law to the border region, and ensuring that border residents can once again enjoy the same bedrock environmental, safety, health and other protections granted to residents everywhere else in the United States.

The waiver authority,

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granted in the climate of heightened fear following 9/11, has long outlived whatever usefulness it may have had and yet has been invoked at least three times under the Trump administration to construct costly and unnecessary new border walls, including a 20-mile segment in New Mexico west of Santa Teresa in 2018 built with complete disregard for potential impacts on wildlife, Native American graves and the environment. It is the height of irony that in the name of bringing law and order to the border, by using this waiver authority the administration is literally making the border lawless.

The bill to prevent construction of new border walls in federal

wilderness areas, national wildlife refuges, wildlife corridors or on state lands without state permission is a recognition of what biologists and wildlife advocates have long known, that the U.S./Mexico border is a place of exception biological diversity and importance for wildlife, including species such as endangered jaguars, Mexican wolves, Sonoran pronghorn, ocelots and many others. This legislation will ensure that important wildlife corridors will remain open, habitats will remain unfragmented, and wildlife will continue to be able to move freely across the landscape to access the food, water, mates and other resources they need to survive and thrive in the border region and beyond.

Kevin Bixby
Executive Director,
SWECA

Walls are no guarantee

To the editor:

In support of Trump's idiotic and ineffective border wall, Ms. [Mary C.] Fuller cites the Great Wall of China, Hadrian's Wall in what is today England, and the Israeli Border Barrier built to keep out Palestinian terrorists. One she left out was the Berlin Wall, perhaps the most fortified and notorious of all.

But let's be clear. Hadrian's wall was overrun by the barbarians in less than 40 years. A massive failure. The Great Wall of China, a dismal failure as well when Manchu Qing breached it and took over all of China. The Israeli Barrier is a cement wall only in a few urban areas. The vast majority of it is comprised of a double chain link barrier supplemented by electronic sensors, much as the Democrats, and

most Republicans, have supported for our southern border. Even that has been tunneled under numerous times to the frustration of the Israeli Defense Forces. And even the Berlin Wall with its razor wire, mines, machine gun emplacements and Vopos was successfully crossed an estimated 5,000 times by escaping East Germans. Walls have limited, if any, success in keeping people in or out.

Trump was unable to acquire funding for his "big, beautiful wall" when he had a majority in both houses of Congress. Now he blames the Democrats, who, with Republican colleagues, have voted to fund sensible border security. Negotiation is when each side gives a little to get a little. Trump's idea of negotiation is "my way or the highway." There is only playing to his base

and acting like a petulant 2-year-old. Except most 2-year-olds have more common sense.

Larry Felhauer
Las Cruces

Mexico, a failed state

To the editor:

Mexico is a failed state. The country earned a dubious distinction with the highest rate of journalists assassinated last year. [President] AMLO is leaning left as the global elite celebrate a UN accord that deems "illegal" immigration as hate speech. This declaration, signed in Morocco, did not include the consent of "we the people," who must suffer its consequences.

Disgruntled Tijuana residents hope to reclaim a city free from foreigners despite their common language. Did you know TJ's mayor has been banned from speaking out against

said migrants?

Recently, I walked into Chihuahua and can testify to a heavy military presence in Palomas – truckloads of masked Federales, with high powered weapons, crossed my path within minutes of crossing the border. Meanwhile, 66 miles down a dusty road into Juarez, the death toll soars. Mexicans refer to these endless caravans as "marabruntas," or invasion of the ants. It's not for lack of compassion, but for lack of resources – while many question the intent of a disproportionately high number of young, male migrants mixed in with women and children.

Now ask yourself if Robert Frost got it right when he wrote, "Good fences make good neighbors."

Carol Hunter
Las Cruces



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Forum at NMSU offers glimpse to higher education future

A college education has long been an important milestone in the path to reaching the American Dream. For individuals, it opens the doors to economic and social mobility. For communities, it fosters innovation and economic development. And for our nation, it helps us remain competitive in a global market that is increasingly knowledge-based.

People who complete a college education earn more – a lot more – than people who don't. According to the most re-



DAN ARVIZU
Guest Columnist



RAYMOND PALACIOS
Guest Columnist

ings.

College graduates are also more likely to be employed full-time, less likely to be unemployed, and less likely to live in poverty.

cent data from the Social Security Administration, for example, even recent college graduates out-earn those who didn't continue their studies past high school, and graduate and doctoral degree-holders earn even more. A college degree can mean a difference of a million dollars or more in lifetime earnings.

And the benefits go beyond money. Individuals who have attained at least a bachelor's degree are more likely to exercise, vote and volunteer.

Our community also benefits when people get a college education. A college-educated workforce attracts better jobs, which bring higher pay, which produces a bigger tax base, which builds a stronger community.

And yes, while college is an investment, it does not have to be one that breaks the bank.

Many students receive help toward paying these costs in the form of scholarships or grants, which do not have to be paid back; or loans, which can be paid back once students enter the

workforce.

Of course, many young people, especially those poised to be the first in their family to go on to university, already realize that a college degree can open doors to them that would otherwise remain closed.

Their biggest hurdle is not the hype one way or the other. It is, simply, not knowing where or how to start.

That is why New Mexico State University and Community En Accion are partnering to ensure that young people in our region understand not just how important a college education can be for them, their families and their community, but also how they can make this dream a reality.

On Saturday, Feb. 23, roughly 500 sixth graders from local middle schools will attend NMSU's third annual Young Achievers Forum at our Las Cruces campus along with their families. The students will have a chance to meet their peers, picture themselves on campus, and explore the academic tracks that can lead to careers in STEM; health and medical sciences; business and finance; and the liberal arts.

Their family members, in the meantime, will have a chance to ask questions about financial aid and life on campus, tour the campus, and meet with NMSU personnel to discuss the

future opportunities waiting for their children at NMSU.

At NMSU, we tell our students to be bold and shape the future. We hope the students we meet at the YAF event will join us in shaping that future and become proud New Mexico State Aggies. And even more, we hope that they will realize that college is possible for each of them, and that it will set them on the path to success.

Dan Arvizu is chancellor of New Mexico State University. Raymond Palacios is president of Bravo Chevrolet Cadillac in Las Cruces and co-founder of the Young Achievers Forum.

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Council approves separate hospital transport certification

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Las Cruces City Council approved resolutions at its Feb. 19 regular meeting approving the city's application for ambulance transport certification and a contract for wi-fi services on the downtown plaza.

In a divided vote, the council approved a resolution to allow the city to apply for an official certificate of transport from the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission. Currently, Doña Ana County holds the only certification

in the Las Cruces area, according to city documents. Certification would allow the city to have control over "the terms, conditions and enforcement of any contract for ambulance services" in the city.

The Las Cruces Fire Department (LCFD) has provided emergency medical services to city residents since the late 1980s, according to city documents. EMS accounts for more than 70 percent of LCFD's call volume.

All six members of the council voted in favor of the resolution, while Mayor Ken Miyagishima

voted against it.

Deputy City Fire Chief Jason Smith said LCFD is "not having the success we want" under the current transport contract, particularly with regard to ambulance response time. Under the contract, American Medical Response (AMR) is the transport provider "for the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Doña Ana County," according to www.donaana-county.org.

Miyagishima expressed his support for and personal thanks to LCFD but said a meeting of top city and county officials

is needed before the city seeks a separate transport contract to ensure there is no division between the two governments. "We have to work together," the mayor said.

County Health and Human Services Department Director Jamie Michael said the county wants to continue conversations with the city on the current transport contract and "hear specifics from the city as to what they would like to see in that contract." If the city and county have separate transport systems, she said, it could have "unin-

tended consequences" and could impact the quality, timeliness and cost of service "for people who live out in the county."

The council voted unanimously to award a contract of just more than \$128,000 to Advanced Network Management, Inc. of Albuquerque for the Plaza de Las Cruces Public Wi-Fi Project. The contract includes "the equipment and configuration services for the wi-fi installation on six light poles which encircle the plaza," according to city documents. The service is expected to be in place by June of this year.

The council also unanimously approved a contract "for performance management survey development" to Southwest Planning & Marketing of Santa Fe to assist the city with the development of surveys to evaluate the performance of city departments as part of the city's transformation "into a high-performance organization that is customer focused and results driven," according to city documents.

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The City of Las Cruces is currently accepting applications to fill an opening on the ad hoc committee named the Utility Customer Advisory Group (UCAG).

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 - Utility Rate Management, and/or
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Applications can be picked up at the City Clerk's office inside City Hall at 700 N. Main St., or accessed online at: <http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-committees-and-commissions>. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at (575) 541-2115. The TTY number is (575) 541-2182.

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be forever grateful." She especially remembers the Misses Uttley, Ivy, Lynn, Gordon and Stauder – all white teachers. "I have often thought of them," Green said. "I would love to say thank you to them for the foundation they gave me. Those first years of school shaped me to be the person I am today."

Children today deserve the same opportunity for a quality education, Green said, "regardless of where they came from or the color of their skin."

Green later attended Alameda Junior High and graduated from Mayfield High School. She got a BA in English from USC, an MBA from City University in Seattle and a Ph.D. from Seattle University. She now teaches for City University online.

Green left her native Las Cruces in the early 1980s as part of her work for Microsoft, traveling throughout the U.S. and living in Seattle and southern California. She had the opportunity to settle "anywhere in the world, (but) I couldn't think of a better place to live than New Mexico,"



Doña Ana County NAACP President Dr. Bobbie Green.

Green said. She returned to Las Cruces to care for her aging parents in 2004 and begin her career at NMSU. "My only regret



The Green family, with parents Shepard Green Sr. and Rosie Green seated in front.

is that I didn't come back sooner," she said.

Green was picking roses with her father the day he had an aneurism, she said. He died at age 85.

"I'm very grateful that I have that memory of my father," Green said. "Now every time I pick a rose, I think of him." Her mother died three years later in 2008 at age 83. "After 62 years of marriage, she didn't want to live without him," Green said.

Green sang at the funerals of both her parents at Greater St. John Church of God in Christ on Mesquite Street, which her mother helped found in 1935. Green still attends services there and conducts the church choir. "That is part of my

history. My spirituality comes from that foundation," she said.

"For me to grow up and become a faculty member at NMSU speaks well for this country," Green said. "It speaks very well of the parents who reared me to get an education even though they never had one."

That Green was hired to teach at the same university where its first black graduate, Clara Belle Williams, was forced to sit outside white classrooms in the 1930s "speaks highly of the progress we've made," she said. So does the fact that the NMSU Gospel Choir, which Green leads, is funded by the NMSU Provost's Office.

"My roots are founded in the power of determined parents who did everything they could for their children until the day they died," she said.

It would be easy to stay on the sidelines, Green said, and "be a spectator rather than a participant. But Martin Luther King, Rosa Parks, slave rebellion leader Nat Turner and Clara Belle Williams – "they were not spectators," Green said. "Because of them I had an opportunity to live a good life. I've had an unlikely history, and so I have to now pay it forward."

"The selflessness, determination and untiring devotion to equality even at the cost of his own life" of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., who would have turned 90 this year, particularly inspires Green. With King as a model, she said, "anything I can do, even on a small scale, is a step in the right direction."

"I do know that life is short. What you do while you're here, that's pretty much all you have."

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African American Day

Las Cruces Howard Guion, Bobbie Green and Alfred Rucks attended African-American Day at the State Capitol in Santa Fe. Green is the current chair of the NAACP-Doña Ana Chapter. Rucks is a former chair, as well as a former national NAACP board member.

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Biceps Tendinitis

One of the things that happens in our office is something I call “the rule of 3’s. When we have a new client come in with a particular type of problem, we can be sure that two more will quickly follow! It’s really quite odd, because even when someone comes in with a very obscure problem, it won’t be long before two more come in with the same problem. It almost never fails.

Then there are things that we see all the time. Shoulder pain and low back pain are two things that we see on a daily basis. Today, I’d like to write about one common cause of shoulder pain: biceps tendonitis.

The biceps tendon connects the biceps muscle (that’s your ‘Popeye’ muscle) to a bone in your shoulder on top, and to a bone in your elbow.

The tendon is a tough connective tissue, like a really strong cable. When the muscle contracts, it pulls on the tendon, which pulls on the bone to which it’s connected, and the arm moves. If the tendon gets irritated and inflamed, we call it biceps tendinitis.

Some of the causes of biceps tendinitis include:

- a fall that injures the shoulder
- excessive weight lifting
- overuse from recreational and sports-related activities
- repetitive activities at home and work

If you have biceps tendinitis, you might experience:

1. Pain at the front of the shoulder joint that extends down the front of the arm
2. Weakness in the shoulder when trying to lift a weight while bending the elbow



3. Decreased range of motion of the shoulder joint
4. A visible change in the shape and appearance of the front of the arm (this could reflect one consequence of chronic biceps tendonitis - a biceps tendon rupture)

Prevention might be as simple as reducing the intensity or number of repetitions that you are doing. Maybe it’s pulling weeds in the garden, or spending all day Saturday cleaning those high closet shelves. If you are doing these kinds of activities, plan to take a break periodically to give your muscles and tendons a break.

What if it doesn’t get better? It’s not a good idea to just live with it. Continuing to use a weakened, inflamed tendon could result in tendon rupture. Medical treatment may involve the use of over-the-counter anti-inflammatory medication. A physician may recommend prescription pain killers or injections. In extreme cases, surgery may be required. Before it goes that far, physical therapy is almost always part of the treatment plan.

A physical therapist will evaluate your problem and develop a customized treatment plan to get you back to full function. Your physical therapist will teach you to avoid motions and positions that cause pain, while using treatment techniques to reduce and eliminate the pain. Once the pain subsides, therapeutic exercises and activities begin to restore full function.

If you’re experiencing symptoms that might indicate the you have biceps tendonitis, we’re happy to do a no-obligation, no-cost consultation. Give our office a call at 575-525-2450.



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Physical Therapist
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PHOTO BY MICHAEL BROWN

Doña Ana Community College Game Jammers

Game Jam produces new computer games

BULLETIN REPORT

The Doña Ana Community College (DACC) Game Jam, an international two-day round-the-clock computer game invention marathon, produced several new computer games at the East Mesa Campus Jan. 26-27.

DACC Assistant Professor Michael Brown was excited about the games and the robust attendance with more than 30 gamers participating.

“The turnout was fantastic, including new people from the greater Las Cruces area, a few local 3D artists and programmers,” Brown said. “We were able to break out into four teams to create four very different games.”

According to the Global Game Jam 2019 website, this is a nonprofit volunteer-run event with a single goal: to bring together people all over the world to have a great time mak-

ing innovative games.

The theme for this year’s Game Jam was, “Home, what does it mean to you?” The teams took the theme in diverse directions.

First, there is a 3D platformer game starring a kangaroo and her little joey who lives in her pouch (home). The joey is required to come out and solve puzzles but always returns to his pouch to feel safe, which puts a time limit on the puzzles.

Second, a community building game was created that requires players to build up a town after the Apocalypse.

The player has to balance out the town’s needs as well as try to save as many people as possible. If the player allows too many people in too quickly, for example, the town can’t possibly provide for them and it crumbles.

Third, a game was cre-

ated starring a loveable pup who has lost his way home. The pup must survive the forest and follow his owner’s scent until he makes it back to the warm fireplace in the cabin. In addition to finding the owner’s scent, the game requires players to manage the pup’s thirst and hunger, all the while avoiding bears and skunks.

The last game produced during the Jam is a take on Temple Run type games and is being designed for mobile devices. This game tasks the player with guiding an RV as it barrels down a hill.

The player must avoid obstacles and make it safely to the end. Why is the RV barreling down the hill you ask? Easy: The RV took a wrong turn while touring the United States!

The games can be downloaded at globalgamejam.org/.

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Computer classes: Thomas Branigan Memorial Library hosts free computer literacy classes in the Computer Training Lab, second floor, during February. Registration not required, but space limited. Attendees are welcome to bring their own laptops. Info: Vicki Minnick, 575-528-4002 or vminnick@las-cruces.org.

• **Advanced Microsoft Word** – Thursday, Feb. 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m. How to make dynamic documents by importing pictures and tables. Saving documents to the cloud will also be discussed.

• **Advanced Microsoft Excel** – Thursday, Feb. 28, 5:30-7:30 p.m. How to sort and filter tables and how to apply styles for easier viewing.

'**Hope Stories**': NMSU

history student David Lee on the recent history of the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21, Good Samaritan Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Free. Info: Jim, 521-8771.

Breast Cancer Support Group: Monthly meeting, 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, Memorial Medical Center West Side Annex, 2450 S. Telshor. Speaker is Julie Gustafson, on "Breast cancer and lymphedema." Free, registration not required. Info: 575-524-4373.

Doña County Federated Republican Women: Meet 11:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 22, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Drive. This month's guest speaker Rod Adair, former four-term (1996-2000) New Mexico State Senator. Deadline for reservations is Feb. 18. Contact

Patricia Rothengass, 575-650-5057 or artprj1940@yahoo.com.

Museum Rocks! Gem & Mineral Show: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Sixth annual event hosted by the Friends of the Museum features more than 60 vendors, geology discussions, door prizes, children's activities and food and beverages for sale. Admission \$7. Info: www.LCMuseumRocks.com.

Las Cruces Fire Dept.: Free class on CPR, 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, East Mesa Public Safety Complex, 550 N. Sonoma Ranch Blvd.

'**Tombaugh Day**': Honoring the work of local

astronomer Clyde Tombaugh, 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, Feb. 23, Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St. Free. Info: 575-522-3120, las-cruces.org/museums.

Nesting & Nestlings: What birds need for a successful breeding season, 1-2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, Wild Birds Unlimited, 2001 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 130. Free, reservations requested: 575-523-5489 or email wbulcnature@gmail.com

Conversations with Democrats: With former County Commissioner Billy Garrett, on "Doña Ana County: The Dilemma of Short- or Long-Term Gains," 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, Holy Family American National Catholic Church, 702 Parker Road. Info: Connie, 575-521-0096.

Humana Benefits Fair: Humana members only, 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, Hotel Encanto, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Info: 505-301-4848.

High Tech Consortium: Meets 4:30-6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, Arrowhead Center, 3655 Research Drive on the NMSU campus. Speaker is Dr. Stephanie J. Walker, extension vegetable specialist at NMSU on "Research progress toward mechanical harvest of New Mexico pod-type green chile." Info: Ed Pines, 575-646-2730, or Terry Jack, 720-201-7344.

'**Shabbat Across America**': Service and dinner, 6 p.m. Friday, March 1, Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave. Info: Larry Karol, 575-524-3380, rabbi@tblc.org.

Epilepsy support group: 1-2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 2, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Support for anyone with epilepsy, those who have loved ones with epilepsy, and caregivers of epileptics. Info: 505-243-9119 or EpilepsySupportNM.org.

Back by Noon: Natural history/ecology outings, presented by the Southwest Environmental Center, Saturdays through May 11. Free, open to the public, bring sturdy footwear, water, sunscreen and a hat. Advance registration requested before each outing by calling 575-522-5552. Info: www.wildmesquite.org. The spring 2019 schedule:

- March 2, Border BioBlitz, Rio Bosque
- March 9, A Day at Otero Mesa, Cornudas

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NMSU Alumni Association Awards adds category

By **ANGEL MENDEZ**
For the Bulletin

Every year during Homecoming, the New Mexico State University Alumni Association recognizes some of the institution's most successful graduates and friends through time-honored awards.

Nominations are now open for the Distinguished Alumni Awards, the James F. Cole Memorial Award for Service and a new category, the Young Alumni Service Award.

The Distinguished Alumni Award began in 1956 to recognize living NMSU alumni who have achieved national or international distinction through their accomplishments and leadership that show specific, meritorious service to the quality and advancement of NMSU. Six alumni, one from each of the academic colleges

at NMSU, will be honored.

In 1966, the James F. Cole Memorial Award for Service started to recognize one individual or one couple every year who have shown progressive support, dedicated involvement and impactful civic and humanitarian service to NMSU and within their communities. Nominees can be either alumni or friends of the university.

Starting this year, the NMSU Alumni Association will award its first-ever Young Alumni Service Award to one alum who is an emerging professional. The nominee must be age 40 or below and must demonstrate great strides in shaping their community's future while bringing great distinction to NMSU.

"We love sharing the successes of our current students and outstanding faculty year-round, but these awards give us

a special opportunity to honor those outside NMSU who wear the Aggie name proudly while transforming the world we live in," said Leslie Cervantes, associate vice president of alumni and donor relations.

"Every year, we are humbled by the impact these alumni and friends make on their communities and our great university, and we look forward to seeing who our Aggie community nominates this year."

Nominations are due Friday, April 5, and can be completed online by visiting support.nmsu.edu/connect/awards-scholarships. The annual Alumni Awards dinner is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4, at NMSU's Corbett Center.

Angel Mendez may be reached at 575-646-1795, anmendez@nmsu.edu.



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The 2018 recipients of the New Mexico State University Alumni Association awards include Tommy Sheppard (second from left), Tara Jaramillo, Patty Lopez, Rance Miles, Dion Messer, Rebekah Brown and Eric Powell. They are joined by Scott Sponsellor (far left), president-elect of the NMSU Alumni Association, and Chanceller Dan Arvizu (far right).



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Valentine's present

New Mexico 3rd Judicial State District Court Judge Marci Beyer officiates the marriage between Gonzalo Orozco and Laura Ramirez Thursday, Feb. 14, as part of a Valentine's Day free marriage ceremony offer titled "Romance in the Rotunda" at The Doña Ana County Government Center on Motel Boulevard.

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Community Foundation announces new board members

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico is pleased to welcome six new members to its board of directors. Celeste Bernal, Derrick Cuenca, Dr. Dolores Gomez, Kelly Jameson, Britt Medders, and Preston Mitchell have joined the board in 2019 to begin their three-year terms.

Celeste Bernal is the current vice president and Risk Management/



APRIL ANAYA

Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

Process Improvement officer at Citizens Bank. She holds a master's degree in business administration with a bachelor's in accountancy and is a certified public accountant. Bernal has extensive experience in several industries, including healthcare, telecommunications and higher education.

Derrick Cuenca, CEO of MountainView Re-

gional Medical Center, holds a master's degree in health care administration from Trinity University and a bachelor's degree in health care management from Southern Illinois University. From 1997 to 2006, Cuenca served in the United States Navy as a surgical tech and supervisor, including one tour as a medical corpsman in support of U.S. Marines forward deployed in Iraq. He is now a fellow in the



BRITT MEDDERS

American College of Healthcare Executives and has over 10 years of executive healthcare administrative experience coupled with nine years of clinical experience as a surgical technician and supervisor.

Dr. Dolores Gomez is the chief medical officer for Memorial Medical Center. She is board certified in family medicine and has been at Memorial Medical Center since 2009, working with the Memorial Family Medicine Center and the Southern New Mexico Family Medicine Residency Program. Dr. Gomez is past board chair and past president of the New Mexico Academy of Family Physicians and currently serves on their board. She also serves on the board of NMSU's Aggie Athletic Club.

Kelly Jameson, public information officer/communications specialist for the Doña Ana County



CELESTE BERNAL



DERRICK CUENCA

Sheriff's Department, is a Las Cruces native. Jameson graduated from New Mexico State University with a bachelor's degree in Journalism and Mass Communications/Broadcasting and has worked extensively in media and public relations in both Las Cruces and El Paso, filling the positions of Director of Public Relations at Mithoff Burton Partners, and editor-in-chief at Mountain Dreams Publishing. In her current role, she assists the sheriff's department with all media requests, information releases and community outreach projects, while also coordinating and reporting within the Doña Ana County office.

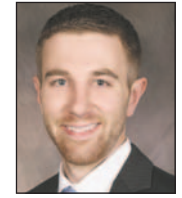
Britt Medders is the national business development executive for Electronic Caregiver. Medders graduated with her bachelor's degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in marketing from Mis-



DOLORES GOMEZ



KELLY JAMESON



PRESTON MITCHELL

issippi State University. While in Mississippi, she worked as the fundraising coordinator at the Muscular Dystrophy Association and the development director of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Mississippi. In 2015, Medders started her own marketing consulting business called Medders Marketing Group, where she strives to aid small businesses.

Preston Mitchell, president of The Hatch Chile Store, grew up in Hatch where he spent time in his parent's pharmacy and on his grandparents' farm, where he launched the virtual version of Berridge Farms with a goal to expand their customer market through use of technology. He received his bachelor's in Accounting from New Mexico State University and after graduation purchased a Las Cruces chile-roasting company. He then merged with his grandparents' online business, creating The Hatch Chile Store.

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico serves as a community resource, connecting donors to needs and supporting charitable organizations in their work. For more information, call 575-521-4794 or visit www.cfsnm.org. April Anaya may be reached at april@cfsnm.org, 575-521-4794.

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The Karin Davidson Food Fantasy Contest will be judged by food professionals. All participants will receive a certificate of participation when they deliver their entries. Ribbons will be given to the first three places in each category for youth and adult. Cash prizes are also awarded. First Blue Ribbon in all categories youth and adult is \$40.00. The best traditional pecan pie in youth and adult is awarded \$250.00 (sponsored by Leigh Fox Fletcher and Marge B. Fletcher). Outstanding Adult receives \$200.00 and Outstanding Youth receives \$100.00. Representatives from Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces will be presenting the 2019 Karin Davidson Food Fantasy Best of Show award of \$250.00 at the Monday night banquet. Samples of nonperishable entries and award results will be on display from 9 am to 5 pm on Monday, March 4, 2019.



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Mountains

• March 23, Explore the Aztec Caves, Franklin Mountains

'All about Bats': Program hosted by Carlsbad Caverns National Park Rangers, 2-3 p.m. Monday, March 4, Branigan Memorial Library, 220 E. Picacho Ave. Info: 575-528-4005, library.reference@las-cruces.org.

Doña Ana Republican Party: Monthly meeting, 6 p.m. Monday, March 4, La Posta de Mesilla, 2410 Calle de San Albino. All Republicans invited. Info: Sue Butterfield, 575-523-8683; darpoffice@gmail.com.

Diabetes classes: 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, March 5-7, Families and Youth, Inc., building, 1320 S. Solano. Info: 575-522-0289, snmdo@snmdo.org.

Las Cruces Bead Society: Meets 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 6, Western Traders, 1300 El Paseo. Info: 575-527-1470.

Indivisible Las Cruces: "Energy at the crossroads," 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 12, Roadrunner Room of the Branigan

Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.

Las Cruces Junior Jazzer-cise: Two-day spring break mini-camp, March 26 and 28, 3217 El Camino. Crafts, games, performances. Cost: \$40 for both days, \$20 for one. After March 19 the cost is \$50 and \$25. Contact Amy Richards, 941-705-0800 or lascrucesjuniorjazzer-cise@yahoo.com.

LCHS-MHS Class of 1969 50th Combined Reunion: Nov. 1-3. Info: Talea Alberson, tandealbertson@gmail.com, or Bill McKinney, bmckinney51@gmail.com (MHS); Lisa Gray, troop2030@aol.com, or Robert Francis, rwfrancis69@hotmail.com, 575-649-9565 (LCHS).

ONGOING

Back Country Horsemen-Lower Rio Grande Chapter: Trail riding and trail maintenance, meets the first Monday at 6:30 p.m. at Delicias Café, 1413 E. Amador Ave. Info: Lisa, 724-612-1226

Big Daddy's Flea Market: 7 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 5580 Bataan Memorial East. Info: 575-382-9404.

Canasta games and lessons: 11:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Wednesdays, Munson Center, 975 S Mesquite. Free.

Farmers & Crafts Market: Regional produce, crafts and street musicians, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays, Plaza de Las Cruces.

Geography Club: Explore culturally significant and historical sites in the Land of Enchantment, 10 a.m.-noon every Saturday, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154.

Honors Flight of SNM: Veterans breakfast, 9 a.m. second Thursday, IHOP on Del Rey Boulevard. Info: John, 505-977-8579.

Las Cruces Civitan Club: Meets noon the second Tuesday and 6 p.m. fourth Tuesday, Los Compas Restaurant, 1120 Commerce Drive. Info: 575-649-0165.

Las Cruces Optimists Club: Meets 6:45 a.m. every Thursday at IHOP, 2900 Del Rey Blvd. New members welcome.

Las Cruces Shriners: Meet the second Monday, 1150 W. Brown. Info: 575-526-8396.

Military Order of the Purple Heart #2004: Meets 6 p.m. first Monday, American Legion #10,

hall 1185. Info: 575-496-1312 or 575-644-1045.

Soroptimists: Noon, second and fourth Wednesday, Good Samaritan Village, 3010 Buena Vida Circle. Soroptimist International of Las Cruces is a women's advocacy group. Info: silascruces@soroptimist.net.

Spanish Conversation Group: 1:30-3 p.m. Tuesdays, Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Intermediate/advanced conversation group welcomes new people to converse entirely in Spanish and improve skills. Each week, participants choose two topics to discuss the following week. Info: 575-526-5174.

Special Forces Association: Chapter 80 meets 10 a.m. every fourth Saturday, 8936 Lisa Lane. Breakfast at 9 a.m.

Square dancing: Belton Bridge Center, 1214 E. Madrid Ave. with Ted Clements as the caller for both clubs.

• Circle 8's Club: 6-8:30 p.m. first and third Sundays.

• Crossfire Plus Club: 6:30-9 p.m. second and fourth Saturdays.

Toastmasters Club: 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Good Samaritan Society-Las

Cruces Village community center, Kiva Room, 3100 Buena Vida Circle. Info: 575-642-0032, lascruces-toastmasters@gmail.com or www.toastmasters.org.

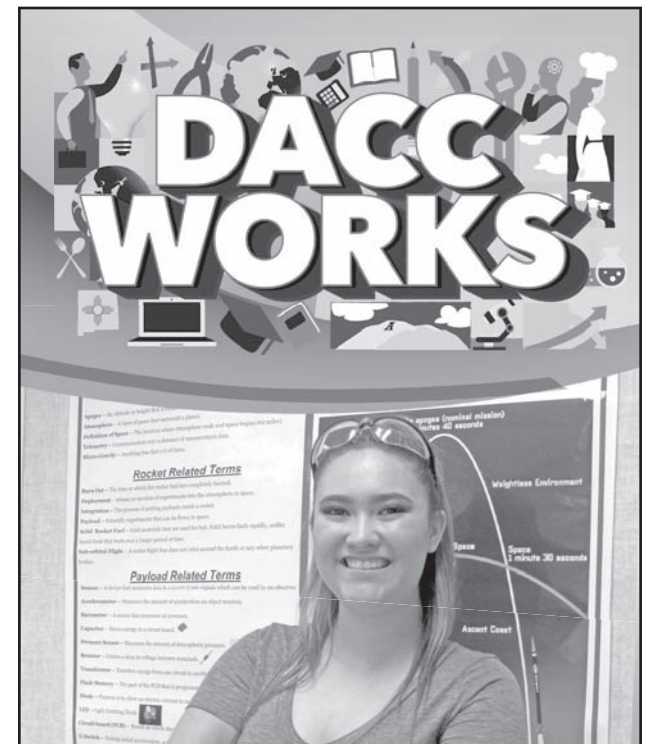
Toastmasters Club: Noon-1 p.m. Thursdays, Skeen Hall Room 128 at NMSU. Los Chismosos Toastmasters. Info: Nancy Hastings 575-541-5744 or www.Toastmasters.org.

VFW Post 6917: 7 p.m. second Thursday of each month, 5845 Bataan

Memorial West. Eligible veterans welcome. Info: Commander Raul Sanchez, 575-621-5839.

Wisconsin Club: 5-7 p.m. Second Monday, Sunset Grill at Sonoma Ranch. All Wisconsinites invited. Info: 575-312-2088.

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by Douglas D. Scott

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IN THE NEWS

Deadline extended

The deadline for completing the City of Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department master plan survey has been extended until Thursday, Feb. 28, City Manager Stuart Ed said.

The survey invites residents, property and business owners to give their opinions "regarding access to park land and recreational programs," Ed said.

The survey can be accessed in English and Spanish at lascrucespark-splan.half.com/public-input.

The Las Cruces City Council initiated the Parks and Recreation master plan update last November with an expectation that it would be completed within six months. The plan was most recently updated in 2012.

For more information, contact Marina Montoya at 575-541-2550 or marmon-toya@las-cruces.org, or Katherine Harrison-Rogers at 575-528-3049 or krogers@las-cruces.org.

Road closure

A road closure at the intersection of Doña Ana Road and Richard Drive could be in effect for 10 weeks, depending on weather conditions.

The work is being done

by Morrow Enterprises, Inc., as part of the City of Las Cruces Alameda Estates Reconstruction.

Motorists wanting to avoid possible delays should seek an alternative route. Access to residences and businesses will be maintained during the construction.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department, Contracts Administration section at 575-528-3098. The TTY number is 575-541-2182.

Police audit

The number of allegations made against the Las Cruces Police Department for wrongful conduct dropped to 25 for the period of Jan. 1-June 30, 2018, said Kym Craven of Public Safety Strategies Group (PSSG).

PSSG has audited the LCPD Professional Standards Unit's (PSU) external audit reports since 2014.

The 25 allegations resulted in nine full investigations which included three formal complaints filed by a citizen and six internally initiated complaints. Of the 25 allegations, 16 were sustained, five were not sustained and four resulted in exonerations.

A total of 30 cases in-

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High school girls from 12 schools in southern New Mexico and west Texas completed career and life skills workshops during Soroptimist International's "Dream It, Be It" program in Las Cruces.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Alyssa Pina takes notes on making an elevator speech to introduce herself.

Soroptimists host high school girls' conference

BULLETIN REPORT

Soroptimist International of Las Cruces hosted its third "Dream It, Be It" Girls' Conference on Feb. 9 to help high school girls learn how to achieve their educational and career goals.

Girls from 12 high schools in Southern New Mexico and West Texas attended the all-day event at the Doña Ana Community College (DACC) East Mesa Campus.

Conference highlights were Professional Fashion

and Etiquette led by members of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority, NMSU Theta Omega Chapter; Speaking up for Yourself through Elevator Speeches, led by Dr. Monica Torres, DACC Interim President; and Financial Literacy led by Dawn Catanach, retired Las Cruces Public Schools and New America School teacher. Members of Soroptimist International of Las Cruces led breakout sessions on managing stress, identifying and overcoming obstacles and setting

goals to achieve dreams.

Girls responded to the program with comments such as, "Thanks for helping us find ourselves and stand up for ourselves," "I learned that as a woman I can achieve all. My future is bright," and "It was wonderful to learn about finances and how to dress properly for success."

All participants became eligible to apply for a \$500 scholarship to be used for educational expenses in a post-high school education or training program.

ing program.

Event sponsors included Doña Ana Community College, Sonic, Dillard's, JCPenney, Glitz School of Cosmetology, Maurice's, and Barnes and Nobel. The program will be offered again in February 2020.

According to a news release, Soroptimist International is an all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose mission is to improve the lives of women and girls through community-based programs. For more information,

visit silcnm.org or email silascruces@soroptimist.net. To support Soroptimist education programs

for girls and women, visit www.hikewithyourheart.org and participate in the Soroptimist Challenge.



Members of NMSU Alpha Xi Delta Sorority demonstrated business fashion, from formal attire to casual Friday dress.

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City economy

City Economist Francisco Pallares told a city council work session Feb. 11 that the city's metropolitan domestic product was \$6.17 billion in 2018, compared to \$4.54 billion in 2001. It peaked at \$6.38 billion in 2010, he said, before the city felt the impacts of the Great Recession that began in 2008.

The city's unemployment rate stood at 4.8 percent in December 2018, Pallares said, compared to 5.5 percent a year earlier. The city had total non-farm employment of just over 71,000 in December 2018. From 2017 to 2018, he said, the city's education and health services showed the greatest employment increase, followed by leisure and hospitality, local government, retail trade and construction.

State and federal government and manufacturing employment dropped during the same period. Food services and drinking places were the city's highest employment sector at almost 6,000.

Auto burglaries

Auto burglaries continue to be crimes of opportunity in Las Cruces, so police remind drivers to remove valuables and lock doors before leaving their vehicles unattended.

The overwhelming majority of auto burglaries committed locally occur when valuables – including backpacks, purses, elec-

tronics, designer clothes, tools, loose change and merchandise that was recently purchased – are left in plain sight and vehicles are unlocked.

Most auto burglary perpetrators simply cruise neighborhoods and large parking lots checking for unlocked vehicles or peering through windows for items of value. Once inside a vehicle, a perpetrator needs only seconds to rummage through and steal valuables.

The Las Cruces Police Department recommends:

- Remove valuables from vehicle.
- Keep items of intrigue (backpacks, luggage, packages, shopping bags, cell phone chargers, electronics, loose change, etc.) out of sight.
- Remove or properly secure tools and other valuables commonly kept in pickup beds.
- Do not leave spare keys or garage door openers inside your vehicle.
- Do not leave firearms or ammunition inside an unattended vehicle.
- Roll up windows and keep doors locked when leaving vehicle unattended.
- If possible, park in a well-lighted area or inside a garage.

• Consider using a self-arming audible vehicle alarm system.

• Consider installing a monitored home security system or a motion-sensor 'smart' alarm, such as a Ring or Nest doorbell camera system, that overlooks the driveway. Such 'smart' alarms record video and send alerts via cell phone when motion is detected.

• Refrain from leaving your vehicle unlocked and unattended to run a quick errand.

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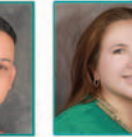
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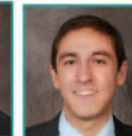
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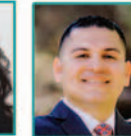
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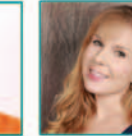
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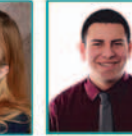
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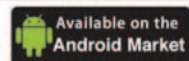


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Las Cruces project changes the face of archeology

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Groundbreaking field work by a Las Cruces nonprofit will change forever archaeology's understanding of the migration patterns of ancient people in the Southwest.

During the course of 13 years onsite at Cañada Alamosa, an area of more than 700 square miles of desert and forest between Truth or Consequences and Socorro, Human Systems Research, Inc. (HSR) staff and dozens of archaeologists, scientists and volunteers from across the country and around the world have recovered more than 400,000 artifacts, along with enough data to complete seven masters theses at



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Monticello Canyon.

three different universities and 21 oral histories and to publish multiple archeologically significant research papers.

The project is a study

of the various Native Americans who lived for 4,000 years along Alamosa Creek, an ancient perennial stream that runs deep within

Monticello box canyon in present-day Sierra and Socorro counties. It includes a detailed

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An Earthwatch volunteer with a pottery sherd she found during work on the Cañada Alamosa project.




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GREEN CONNECTIONS

Contamination threatens recycling program

By CASSIE MCCLURE AND SUZANNE MICHAELS

For the Bulletin

The big blue bins at East Picacho Elementary School stand proudly for recycling and are eye catching for kids as they pass by into the bus lane for drop off. It's a reminder, every morning, that recycling is a part of their lives.

Unfortunately, the bins are now frequently filled with trash instead of recyclables, and changes are coming.

"East Picacho Elementary is only one example of recycling gone awry," explained Patrick Peck, director of South Central Solid Waste Authority

(SCSWA), which manages the recycling program in Las Cruces. "Like the Recycling Yard adjacent to the Old Foothills Landfill (OFL) – which used to be open 24 hours a day – illegal dumpers have in essence ruined it for all of us."

Because of illegal dumping, the OLF Recycling Yard is being fenced this month and hours restricted to the hours the Landfill is open and staff is on duty.

Contaminants like Styrofoam packaging and plastic bags are never allowed in recycling bins. Recyclables must be clean, dry and loose in the bin. If you have trash to throw away, take it



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Illegal dumping of bright red couches, bags of trash, used tires, and dumped used motor oil at the Old Foothills Landfill Recycling Yard at 555 S. Sonoma Ranch Blvd., was the last straw. The Recycling Yard is being fenced this month and recycling hours are now limited to the hours that staff is on duty at the OFL.

to the SCSWA Transfer Station, 2865 W. Amador Ave. The facility is open seven days a week and it only costs \$5.50 to dispose

of 200 pounds of trash – about what fills the back of a pickup truck.

For those looking for a spot for their clean and

dry corrugated cardboard or plastic bottles, in addition to the Recycling Center at the SCSWA, school recycling locations like

East Picacho Elementary, 4450 N. Valley Drive, have provided free access to re-

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The blue recycling bins at East Picacho Elementary are currently freestanding to be used by the community at any time. Soon, due to an increase of trash disposal inside the recycling bins, there will be fencing that restricts the recycling times to only when the school is open.

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cycling drop-offs at locations all around the city.

However, with trash being disposed in and around the blue recycling bins, steps will be taken to reduce contamination in the Las Cruces recycling stream. Currently, the blue bins will stay at East Picacho, and SCSWA hopes that any restrictions like fencing or restricted hours don't dampen enthusiasm for recycling.

"When elementary kids see that recycling is restricted due to just a few people throwing trash

where it shouldn't go, it damages the future of the program in Las Cruces," Peck said. "The kids at East Picacho Elementary will someday be adult residents who understand that every effort at recycling could make a positive long-term difference."

Green Connections is submitted by the South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) managing solid waste, recyclables, and working to stop illegal dumping for residents and businesses throughout Doña Ana County. Contact the SCSWA at 575-528-3800 or visit www.SCSWA.net.

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Ojo Caliente, the warm spring that is the source of Alamosa Creek.

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analysis of the mitochondrial DNA of domesticated turkeys and dogs which may show that the Pueblo peoples who were their keepers in the region were direct descendants of the Pueblo Indians who abandoned the Four Corners region in the 13th century.

The project began as a feasibility study in the 1980s to generate an overview of prehistoric sites near the warm springs at the head of the canyon to eventually create a national monument to honor the Warm Springs Apache. The monument never happened, but the project evolved into a monumental excavation of four Pueblo sites located on private land and a redrawing of the archaeological blueprint for the entire area.

This effort to “understand and relate the stories of the people who lived along Alamosa Creek” goes to the very heart of HSR’s mission “to add to our knowledge of New Mexico prehistory and history through



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Cañada Alamosa Project Archaeologist Karl W. Laumbach of Las Cruces at the mouth of Monticello Canyon with project crew chief Dean Hood and Earthwatch volunteer Lena Baker.

archaeological survey and excavation, archival research and the gathering of oral histories,” said HSR Executive Director Deborah Dennis, Ph.D.

“While we were keeping track of who controlled the land and the sites, we really weren’t thinking about a project like the one that transpired,” said HSR Project Archaeologist Karl W.

Laumbach of Las Cruces, who has devoted countless thousands of hours to the project on site and in the lab during the past 20 years.

The excavation began with a single-room dig at the previously undiscovered 500-room Victorio Site (ca. 600-1300 AD)

The scope and value of the Cañada Alamosa Project

By **DEBORAH DENNIS, PH.D.**

Executive director, Human Systems Research, Inc.

In 1999 Human Systems Research (HSR) accepted the offer to partner with Dennis and Trudy O’Toole, owners of the 5,000-acre Monticello Box Ranch, in a study to understand and relate the stories of the people who had lived along Alamosa Creek. 20 years later we now better understand migration and trade patterns of ancient people of the Southwest and the canyon’s agricultural history spanning 4,000 years.

Technologies available to professional archaeologists have radically changed in our lifetimes. Our expectation is that our profession and all scientific endeavors will continue to evolve. Based on that assumption, HSR thoughtfully organized, recorded and in detail documented every aspect of the project hoping that the next generation of scholars and graduate students would expand upon the research HSR started, able to ask new questions with new technologies. Housed at the Frank Hibben Archaeological Center at the University of New Mexico will be field reports from each of 13 field seasons, field notes and maps, thousands of photographs, background studies on ceramics, lithics, groundstone, Apache period artifacts and a history of the Cañada Alamosa along with more than 400,000 analyzed and cataloged artifacts.

Like HSR itself, the project was born in an act of imagination and faith. Today, the Cañada Alamosa Research Project is described as “an educational milestone in Southwestern archaeology,” by the New Mexico State His-

torian, Dr. Rick Hendricks. When you think of research identified as a milestone in Southwestern archaeology, the projects that come to mind tend to be those of academic institutions, such as the ongoing (since 1929) UNM Archaeological Field Schools and research at Chaco Canyon National Historical Monument. HSR is honored to be in such elite company. It is only possible because of dozens of scientists who share our fascination, hundreds of energetic volunteers and the constant financial support and unflagging care of our corporate and academic partners, private foundations and community donors.

Since its inception, the Cañada Alamosa project has been fueled by a curiosity for exploration, wonderment of discovery and a passion for the preservation of southern New Mexico’s cultural heritage. Archaeology is a field of possibilities, full of chances to tell fascinating stories about the human past. We at HSR embrace both our role in understanding, interpreting, and preserving the past and the opportunity to share these stories with the public.

Human Systems Research, Inc. (HSR) was founded in 1972 and is the oldest non-profit in New Mexico doing archeological research. HSR has been involved in a wide range of research and excavation projects since its founding. HSR has served as the sole-source archeological contractor for a host of historic sites on White Sands Missile Range for more than two decades. HSR’s office is at 535 S. Meledres St. For more information, call 575-524-9456 or email info@humansystemsresearch.org. Visit humansystemsresearch.org.

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with six graduate students from Eastern New Mexico University, Laumbach said. It grew to include the Pinnacle Ruin (ca. 1200-1400 AD), Kelly Canyon Site (ca. 1100-1200 AD) and Montoya Site (ca. 2000 BC-1100 AD), along with more than 40 other smaller sites that have been surveyed and recorded in Monticello Canyon. Human occupation of the four major sites spans from 2000 BC-1400 AD and includes the Pit House, Early Pueblo and Late Pueblo periods. Warm Springs Apaches began coming to the area at least by 1500 AD and lived there until about 1890, Laumbach said, and their history and artifacts are very much a part of the project.

A well-preserved midden (layers of trash) was found at Pinnacle Ruin, Laumbaugh said, where the ground was so hard, “even the rats went horizontal.” 17 “different discernable layers” were discovered, he said, containing bones, pottery, corn and carbon-painted pottery like that found in the Mesa Verde area. “Pinnacle was hard to dig,” Laumbach said. Some room excavations went six feet below the surface and digs that went under walls and large rocks required hardhats.

Radio carbon dating shows the pueblos at the Victorio and Pinnacle sites were occupied at the same time during the later half of the 13th century, meaning that “locals and migrants were contemporary for a while,” Laumbach said.

As artifacts were recov-

ered from each site, he said, they were washed, catalogued, photographed and charted by location. More than 200 botanical samples from the various digs were also taken, allowing archaeologists to track the incursion and retreat of creosote into Monticello Canyon as climate varied.

“One of the most useful things that only archaeology can provide is a long-term look at the interaction of the human population and variable environments,” Laumbach said. “This project gives us a 4,000-year window on local climate change and the human response.”

More than 160,000 pieces of pottery – including 73 distinct types – were found at the various sites. “We looked at every sherd,” Laumbach said, from glazed-painted wares from the 1300s to San Francisco Red from centuries earlier.

“Neutron Activation Analysis of the ceramics at the University of Missouri (Columbia), revealed that almost none of the painted pottery was made locally,” said project ceramicist Toni Laumbach. Instead, it was traded into the canyon from several different areas depending on the time period, she said. “This information knocked our socks off.”

About 25,000 bones have also been analyzed, Laumbach said, including the bones of domesticated turkeys and dogs that provide the vital link between Cañada Alamosa and Mesa Verde and other Four Corners sites. “It’s amazing what we can ferret out of a little piece of bone,” he said.

“Dogs and turkeys came with people,” La-



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The Cañada Alamosa project's Pinnacle Ruin in Monticello Canyon. The ruin, ca. 1200-1400 AD, sits 125 feet up, atop a rhyolite (igneous rock) outcropping.



Cañada Alamosa project artifacts drying.

umbach said. “We’ve got a migrant population. Pueblo people moved a lot more than we thought they did.”

Discoveries from Apache sites have included both military and household buttons, a homemade butcher knife, glass beads, metal arrowheads, expended cartridges and a tiny bell that was likely obtained from the Spanish during the early 17th century. The Cañada Alamosa site has also yielded more than 800 pieces of obsidian, obtained through trade from a variety of sources in Arizona and New Mexico, Laumbach said.

The oldest artifact found is a 4,000-year-old corn cob from the Montoya Site, he said. It has been identified as the oldest corn found east of the Continental Divide and among the oldest ever

found in the Southwest. A “sequence of corn” at Cañada Alamosa covers the entire four millennia the area was occupied by Native Americans, ending about 1400 AD.

“It all started with a corn cob,” Laumbach said.

HSR staff continue their studies of ceramics, tools, bones and other artifacts from the sites, but all the various components of the project are “coming to completion,” he said. With an outline of a final document detailing the entire project in hand, he said HSR staff should have “something for a publisher” within two years.

For more information, visit www.canadaalamosaproject.org.

Mike Cook may be contacted at mike@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Cañada Alamosa Project team

• Karl W. Laumbach is project archaeologist. A native New Mexican, Karl has directed hundreds of archaeological projects in southern New Mexico over the past 30 years. He’s associate director for research and public education at Human Systems Research (HSR), Inc., and is the Cañada Alamosa Project’s intellectual architect, excavations director, lab supervisor, and chief analyst and synthesizer.

• Stephen H. Lekson recently retired as curator of anthropology at the University of Colorado Museum of Natural History. Lekson and student crews from Boulder undertook the multi-year investigation of CAP’s Pinnacle Ruin.

• Toni Laumbach is the retired chief curator and deputy director of the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum and the project’s ceramics specialist. Her encyclopedic knowledge of the characteristics and histories of the pottery made by New Mexico’s prehistoric cultures has been critical to deciphering the identities and occupation dates of the canyon’s first settlers.

• Trudy and Denny O’Toole retired to Monticello Box Ranch, the project’s home base, in 1999. Their

Cañada Alamosa Institute (which has partnered with HSR on CAP) was established that year.

• Virginia T.

McLemore is senior economic geologist at the New Mexico Bureau of Geology and Mineral

Resources, a division of New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology in Socorro. She brought her extensive knowledge of New Mexico’s natural resources and its tectonic evolution to bear on questions regarding the formation, alteration and geologic characteristics of Monticello Canyon and on how those who lived there used its resources.

• John Fitch grew up in El Paso and moved to Las Cruces after retirement from government service in 1995. He has been part of CAP since the first excavation in 1999 and serves as project photographer.

• Support: John Schue, Morgan Seamont, Dean Hood, Delton Estes, Michael Wylde, Annette Eakes, Eleanor Dahlin, Caeril-lon Thomas; Curtis Nestad-Thornberry, Devin White, Brian Yunker, Gail Bleakeny, Brenda Todd, Michelle Butler, Morgan Seamont; Scott Mackenzie, Marc Bacon, Randy and Donna Furr, Mary Lou Estes, Zoe Wiseman; students of Eastern New Mexico University and the University of Colorado; Institute of Historical Survey Foundation volunteers; CAP oral history interviewers.

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The contents of the unit consists of

Bins, Table, Misc, Boxes

Date of Auction: March 12, 2019 at 10 a.m.
Place: Stull Storage Units, 960 S. Triviz Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001

Stull Storage #2-Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek,
Manager
(575) 525-2927

**Jamie Stull Storage Units 2
960 South Triviz Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88001**

Jennifer McConnell
1417 Luna
Las Cruces, NM 88001

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Bins, Boxes, Clothes, Misc.

Date of Auction: March 12, 2019 at 10 a.m.
Place: Stull Storage Units, 960 S. Triviz Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001

**Jamie Stull Storage Units 2
960 South Triviz Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88001**

Jennifer McConnell
1417 Luna
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Notice is hereby give that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 40 at Stull Storage

Units #2 will be **SOLD AT AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$395.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of

Vehicle Seats, Boxes, Bins, Misc.

Date of Auction: March 12, 2019 at 10 a.m.
Place: Stull Storage Units, 960 S. Triviz Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 25, 2019, Miguel & Claudia Camacho, 617 Wallace Road, Anthony, NM, 88021, filed application numbered LRG-15156-POD 1, OSE File No. LRG-15156, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County to drill proposed supplemental well LRG-15156-POD1 to a depth of 200 feet with an 8-inch casing, in a location within the NE 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected Section 28, Township 27S, Range 3E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31 05 5' 48.466" N and 106°03'40.994" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, which will supplement existing well LRG-10075, located on property owned by Triple D Farms, Inc. within the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of said projected Section 28 and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 05' 5" 30.452"N and 106°38'36.217"W (WGS84), for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 5.72 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the W 1/2 of said projected Section 28 as described in Subfile No. LRS 28-018-0126 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24. The site of proposed well LRG-15156-POD1 will be located southeast of La Union, NM and may be found approximately 0.55 miles southeast of the intersection of Hallas Rd. and Casad Rd.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment;

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if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 18, 2019, David Rodriguez, 1009 E. Kansas, Las Cruces, NM, 88001 filed application numbered LRG-16072-POD2, OSE file number LRG-16072-1, with the State Engineer for permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling replacement well LRG-16072-POD2 with a 4-inch casing to a depth of 150 feet on land owned by the applicant, located within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 24, Township 21S, Range 1W (NMPM) and more specifically located near the intersection of X=1,439,164ft Y=535,544ft, NMSA, Central NAD83, for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum for domestic one-household purposes as described by Subfile Order No.: LRN-280020034 of the Lower Rio Grande Adjudication. Existing well LRG-16072-POD1 will be properly plugged. The applicant requested emergency authorization to drill replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 7212-22. The proposed replacement well LRG-16072-POD2 will be located at the physical address of 795 Hayride

Road, North of Las Cruces, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08,

PROPOSED ORDINANCES

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Hatch, New Mexico, does propose to adopt at a regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., the following Ordinances;

An Ordinance to amend Village Code Title 4, Economic Development plan, by adding Section 4.08 Hatch Valley Economic Development Council, establishing an effective date; and providing for repeal and severability.

An Ordinance to amend the Village Code Title 4, Economic Development Plan Section 4.04,050 definitions (Enabling Organization), establishing an effective date; and providing for repeal and severability.

An Ordinance to amend the Village Code Chapter 5.12 Public Activity Permits Section 5.12.065 Fees.

An Ordinance to repeal Village Code Chapter 13.16 Natural Gas Service Rates and Charges all sections in its entirety.

An Ordinance to repeal Village Code Chapter 15.12 Gas Code all sections in its entirety.

This proposed ordinances are on file in its entirety in the Clerk's Office of the Village of Hatch, located at 133 N Franklin Street, Hatch, New Mexico, and may be reviewed during normal office hours.

/s/ Andy Nunez
Andy Nunez, Mayor

ATTEST:
Elizabeth J. Porras
Clerk/Treasurer

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2019-00022
Judge Arrieta, Manuel I.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LORETTA C. GANTKES- SY, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **RODOLFO ROMERO** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, located at 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88005.

DATED this 13th day of

February, 2019.

KEITHLY & ENGLISH, LLC

/s/ Shane A. English

SHANE A. ENGLISH
Attorney for Rodolfo Romero,
Personal Representative
N.M. State Bar No. 4854
Post Office Drawer 1329
Anthony, NM 88021
(575) 882-4500
(575) 882-5000 [FAX]
kne1329@aol.com

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Cause No. PB-2018-00041
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT ARTHUR VOLPITTO, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Valerie Atmar has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert Arthur Volpitto, deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative, 640 W. Las Cruces Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005, or filed with the District Court of Dona Ana County, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88005.

DATED: 02-13, 2019

/s/ Valerie J. Atmar
Valerie J. Atmar, Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert Arthur Volpitto
640 W. Las Cruces Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88005

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By /s/
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Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

CV-2019-00369
JUDGE MARTIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF KENNETH RAYMOND PAUL DICKERT, FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **KENNETH RAYMOND PAUL DICKERT**, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein he seeks to change his name from **KENNETH RAYMOND PAUL DICKERT** to **RAYMOND PAUL DICKERT**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge, on the 12th day of March, 2019, at 11 a.m., at the Doña Ana County District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Submitted by:
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
NM State Bar No. 7629
200 W. Las Cruces Avenue,
Suite A
Las Cruces, NM 88005
(575) 522-5009
Attorney for Petitioner

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2018-00135
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT A. HOWES, a/k/a ROBERT ARTHUR HOWES, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the estate of the decedent. All persons having claims against the estate of the decedent are

required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 201 W Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated: February 5, 2019

SCOTT RUSSELL HOWES
11920 Paseo del Rio
El Paso, Texas 79936

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

D-307-PB-2019-00007
Judge: Martin, James T.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANN M. DYER, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the District Court of Doña Ana, County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 201 W. Picacho Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Dated: January 29th, 2019

/s/ David Mark Dyer
David Mark Dyer
1619 Williams Boulevard
Kenner, LA 70062
504-251-8742
SUBMITTED:
ESTRADA LAW, P.C.,

By /s/ Michele Ungvarsky, Esq.
1340 Picacho Hills Drive
Las Cruces, NM 88007
575-556-2462
Attorneys for the Estate of Ann M. Dyer, deceased.

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

NO. D-307-PB2019-13
JUDGE MARTIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BERNADETTE A. BOYD, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **LAWRENCE D. BOYD** has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned counsel for Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.
/s/ Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
NM State Bar No. 7629
200 W. Las Cruces Ave., Ste. A
Las Cruces, NM 88005
575-522-5009 522-5031
FAX
Attorney for Personal Representative

Dates: 02/15, 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

D-307-CV-2018-02653
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF CHAROLETTE KAREN KUMMEL, FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION

TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **CHAROLETTE KAREN KUMMEL**, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, at the time of filing of the original Petition, and being over the age of fourteen (14) years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from **CHAROLETTE KAREN KUMMEL**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge, on the 11th day of March, 2019, at the hour of 1:30pm, at the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted by:

The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.A.
By /s/ Dana M. Kyle
Dana M. Kyle
P.O. Box 2277
Las Cruces, NM 88004-2277
(575) 525-0020
(575) 525-0017 facsimile
Attorney for Petitioner

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2019-00009
Hon: Martin, James T.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNA MARIE OROZCO, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the District Court of Doña Ana, County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 201 W.

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Picacho Ave, Las Cruces,
NM 88005.

Dated: January 29th, 2019.

/s/ Fernando Orozco
Fernando Orozco
5474 Monte Luz St.
Las Cruces, NM 88012
575-649-7005

SUBMITTED:
ESTRADA LAW, P.C.
By/s/ Michele Ungvarsky,
Esq.
1340 Picacho Hills Drive
Las Cruces, NM 88007
575.556.2462
Attorneys for The Estate of
Anna Marie Orozco, de-
ceased.

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22,
2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2018-00131
Judge James T. Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JULIE QUILL LOO- MIS, A/K/A JULIE Q. LOO- MIS, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CRED- ITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **ADELE MORTON** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

DATED: January 25, 2019.

ADELE MORTON
6120 Sierra Valle
El Paso, Texas 79912
Telephone: (915) 588-1589

Prepared by:
ALAN D. GLUTH

New Mexico Bar #14980
Gluth Law, LLC
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Las Cruces, New Mexico
88001
Telephone: (575) 556-8449
Facsimile: (575) 556-8446

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08,
2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00144

CORNERSTONE HOME LENDING, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

CANDICE ANN NOLIN, Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLO- SURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2030 Pinecone Way, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

Lot 7, Block 4, THE PINES, UNIT ONE AT RANCHO DEL REY, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Said County on November 22, 1991, in Book 17 Page(s) 105-107 of Plat Records. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on April 4, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 28, 2019 in the total amount of \$123,021.42 with interest at the rate of 4.50% per annum from November 16, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the

entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Cornerstone Home Lending, Inc., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

By: Robert Doyle
c/o Legal Process Network
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Albuquerque, NM 87181

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No.D-307-PB-2019-00008
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT F. COLVIN JR., Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed the Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative in care of Joseph M. Holmes, P.A., PO Box 366, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-0366, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated: January 30, 2019

/s/ Andrea Paul Weaver
Andrea Paul Weaver, Per-
sonal Representative of

the Estate of Robert F.
Colvin Jr., Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMIT-
TED BY:
JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A.
PO Box 366
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
(575) 524-0833
holmespa@zianet.com

/s/ Joseph M. Holmes
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22,
2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

NO. D-307-CV-2018-02203

IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIA- TION, Plaintiff,

vs.

JESUS GUERRA, PATRICIA SANDOVAL AKA PATRICIA V. GUERRA, THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & REVENUE, NEW MEXICO EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, A NEW MEXICO NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SUIT
STATE OF NEW MEXICO** to the above-named Defendants Jesus Guerra and Patricia Sandoval aka Patri-

cia V. Guerra,

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located as 2914 San Elizario Court, Las Cruces, NM 88007, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

LOT 519, LEGENDS WEST NORTH, PHASE 1, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON DECEMBER 27, 2006, IN BOOK 22 PAGE(S) 83-91 OF PLAT RECORDS.

Unless you file and serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before 30 days after the last publication date, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted,
WEINSTEIN & RILEY,
P.S.

/s/ Elizabeth V. Friedenstein
Elizabeth V. Friedenstein
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A-103
Albuquerque, New Mexico
87109
Phone: (505) 348 3200
ElizabethF@w-legal.com
Attorney for Plaintiff

Dates: 02/01, 02/08, 02/15,
02/22, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00404

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

**ELVIRA MOLINA; UN-
ITED STATES OF AMER-
ICA BY AND THROUGH
THE SECRETARY OF
HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT, De-**

fendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLO- SURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 3110 Guadalupe St. Mesilla, NM 88046, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF MESILLA, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN SECTION 36, T.23S., R.1E., N.M.P.M., OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS AND BEING PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 118-70, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD; WHENCE A CHANNEL IRON FOUND FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF A TRACT OF LAND BELONGING TO DAVE P. SIMS AND JULIE SIMS AS RECORDED IN WARRANTY DEED FILED NOVEMBER 19, 2003 IN BOOK 479, PAGES 619-623 OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY CLERK RECORDS, BEARS N 23° 43' 06" E, A DISTANCE OF 624.56 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND ALONG THE WEST LINE OF CALLE DE GUADALUPE, S 22° 26' 30" E, A DISTANCE OF 206.94 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND CHANNEL IRON; THENCE LEAVING SAID WEST LINE OF CALLE DE GUADALUPE AND ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF A 20' ROAD EASEMENT, S 61° 35' 38" W, A DISTANCE OF 209.95 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE PARTIALLY ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID EASEMENT S 58° 14' 40" W, A DISTANCE OF 409.20 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE

TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A SET 1/2" IRON ROD, BEING A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF THE MESILLA LATERAL; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID MESILLA LATERAL THE FOLLOWING TWO COURSES AND DISTANCES: N 49° 38' 00" W, A DISTANCE OF 10.56 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A SET 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE N 09° 10' 34" W, A DISTANCE OF 248.54 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE N 63° 06' 06" E, A DISTANCE OF 562.12 FEET TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, CONTAINING 3.007 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS AND SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING 20 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE EASEMENT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND CHANNEL IRON AND BEING IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TRACT; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THIS EASEMENT, S 61° 35' 38" W, A DISTANCE OF 209.95 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT OF THE EASEMENT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND 1/2" IRON ROD; THENCE S 58° 14' 40" W, A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EASEMENT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N 31° 45' 00" W, A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE EASEMENT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N 58° 14' 40" E, A DISTANCE OF 20.58 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT OF THE EASEMENT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N 61° 35' 38" E, A DISTANCE OF 212.63 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE EASEMENT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE S 22° 26' 30" E, A DISTANCE OF 20.11 FEET TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT HEREIN

DESCRIBED. SUBJECT TO ANY AND ALL EASEMENTS OR RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD AS THEY MAY EXIST ON THE GROUND.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on April 4, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on August 14, 2018 in the total amount of \$199,780.58 with interest at the rate of 6.450% per annum from May 1, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Champion Mortgage Company, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

LEGAL NOTICES

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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Cause No.
D-307-CV-2018-01930
Judge: Marci Beyer

DANIEL SALINAS

Plaintiff,

vs.

VERONICA SALINAS

Defendant.

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF SUIT**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to: **VERONICA SALINAS.**

GREETINGS: You are hereby notified that the above named Plaintiff has brought suit against you in the District Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico under Cause No: D-307-CV-201801930, the general object of which is to partition the following described property owned by Daniel Salinas and Veronica Salinas as joint tenants and to recover property taxes and expenses incurred on said property:

Lot 3, Block 24, Meadow Vista Subdivision, Plat #3, in the City of Las Cruces, Dona Ana County, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County, recorded in Book 9, Page 22 of Plat Records. Save and except, the west 30' x 60' of Lot 3, Block 24, Unit III, owned by Daniel Salinas.

You are further notified that unless a responsive pleading is filed with the District Court Administrator, Third Judicial District, Dona Ana County, New Mexico at 201 W Picacho Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005, which responsive pleading is also to be served upon the below named attorney for the

Plaintiff within the time required by law, which is 30 days after the date of the third publication of this Notice of Pendency of Suit, a judgment of default will be rendered against the above named Defendant.

Plaintiff's attorney is William L. Lutz of Martin & Lutz, P.C., P.O. Box 1837 Las Cruces, NM 88004.

Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of February 2019

DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR
David S. Borunda
By: /s/ Veronica Uribe
Veronica Uribe, Deputy

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22, 2019

**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2016-01297

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF LARRY L. LYON, DECEASED; PENELOPE A. KARSHNER; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2113 Pine Needle Way, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 15 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 5 OF THE PINES, UNIT TWO, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIG-

NATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID THE PINES, UNIT TWO, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 1, 1995 IN PLAT BOOK 18, FOLIO 303-304.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on March 21, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 17, 2019 in the total amount of \$138,572.38 with interest at the rate of 3.57999% per annum from September 1, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Champion Mortgage Company, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO

CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-01125

REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF LORRAINE FERRIS, DECEASED; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2036 Briarwood Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 14, BLOCK 13, CAMELOT GARDENS UNIT NUMBER 7, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 1636 THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 5, 1987, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 15, PAGES 21-22, PLAT RECORDS. And also described as: LOT 14, BLOCK 13, CAMELOT GARDENS UNIT NUMBER 7, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN

AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 5, 1987, IN BOOK 15, PAGE(S) 21-22 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on April 4, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 28, 2019 in the total amount of \$65,214.66 with interest at the rate of 5.916% per annum from September 30, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Reverse Mortgage Funding LLC, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00053

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF PAUL DANIEL PROVENCIO, DECEASED; MARIA PROVENCIO; DON PROVENCIO; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; WILLIAM M. PROVENCIO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1233 Akers Street, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 1 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 109 OF COUNTRY CLUB MANOR NO. 3, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID COUNTRY CLUB MANOR NO. 3, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON FEBRUARY 7, 1966 IN PLAT BOOK 9, FOLIO 87.

Due to a scrivener's error, the legal description in the Mortgage has typographical

errors and should be reformed to correct the typographical error so that hereafter the legal description shall appear as follows:

LOT 1, BLOCK 109, COUNTRY CLUB MANOR NO. 3, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 7, 1966, AS PLAT NO. 658, IN BOOK 9 PAGES 86 AND 87 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on April 4, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 23, 2019 in the total amount of \$142,302.83 with interest at the rate of 4.09000% per annum from June 30, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Champion Mortgage Company, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at

such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINATION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT**

No. D-307-CV-2019-00236
Judge: Beyer, Marci

**LUPITA URIETA,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

ROSITA BORUNDA RAMIREZ, and any and all unknown persons who may claim a lien, interest or title adverse to the Plaintiff, Defendant.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: ROSITA BORUNDA RAMIREZ, and any and all unknown persons who may claim any lien, interest or title adverse to the Plaintiff

I, David S. Borunda, Court Administrator of the Third Judicial District Court in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, do hereby cause to be issued this Notice of Pendency of Suit, for the purpose of service of process on any and all unknown persons who may claim any lien, interest or title adverse to the Plaintiff by publication.

The names of the Plaintiff, Defendants, and the Court in which said cause is pending and the civil cause number are set out hereinabove.

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The Defendants against whom service by publication is sought to be obtained are ROSITA BORUNDA RAMIREZ, and any and all unknown persons who may claim any lien, interest or title adverse to the Plaintiff. The general object of this action is to quiet and to set at rest the title of Plaintiff in and to the lands described herein against any adverse claims of the Defendants and that the Defendants be barred and estopped from having or claiming any lien upon, any right or title to the estate of Plaintiff in and to said lands, or any portion thereof, adverse to the Plaintiff.

The property which is affected and concerned by this pending action is located at 1096 West Wilson Avenue, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico 88005, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

A tract of land situate within the corporate limits of the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico as part of Lot 17 of the Howell Subdivision, as filed June 18, 1956 in Plat Records 7 Page 69, of the Doña Ana County Records and being more particularly described as follows:

Located in the Doña Ana Bend Colony Grant, in the S1/2 of Section 12, T. 23 S., R. 1 E., NMPM, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and being part of U.S.R.S. Serial 9A-115 on the Property Maps of said U.S. Reclamation Service and also being a part of County Plat 354, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at the southwest corner of tract to be described, marked by a stake on the north line of a Forty ft. street, formerly known as Wilson Avenue, and approximately in the same place, and on the east line of a fifty ft. street, known as Fourth Street, whence the SW cor. Of U.S.R.S. Serial 9A-116, marked by a 2 in. iron pipe bears S. 18 deg. 26'40" E. 10.0 ft.; thence S. 75 deg. 09' W. approximately 1165.14 ft., and thence running from said place of beginning, N. 18 deg. 26'40" W. along the east line of Fourth Street 60.3 ft. to the northwest corner of this tract; thence N. 75 deg. 09' E. 131.28 ft. to the northeast corner of this tract; thence S.

18 deg. 26'40" E. 60.3 ft. to the southeast corner of this tract, a point on the north line of Wilson Avenue; thence along the north line of Wilson Avenue, S. 75 deg. 09' W. 131.28 ft. to the place of beginning. Bounded on the north and east by C. Z. Howell; and on the south and west by public streets.

(Being the same property conveyed by warranty deed dated May 15, 1953 from C. Z. Howell and Leva Howell, his wife, to James Edward Gray and Billie Gray, his wife, Owners therein, recorded May 26, 1953, Book 130 of Warranty Deeds, Page 248, Records of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.);

Commonly known as 1096 West Wilson Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005. The name of the Plaintiff's attorney is as follows: Dana M. Kyle of The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.A., P.O. Box 2227, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004, (575) 525-0020.

ROSITA BORUNDA RAMIREZ, and any and all unknown persons who may claim any lien, interest or title adverse to the Plaintiff, against whom constructive service is sought to be obtained, are hereby notified that unless they file a responsive pleading or motion with this Court within thirty (30) days after the date of the third and last publication of this notice, judgment or other appropriate relief will be rendered in such suit against them by default.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this 11th day of February, 2019.

Court Administrator
By /s/
Deputy

Dates: 02/15, 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-CV-2019-00088
Judge Beyer, Marci

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, a New Mexico municipal corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE ESTATE OF RAMONA T. HERNANDEZ, deceased;

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISEES AND LEGATEES OF RAMONA T. HERNANDEZ, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Defendants, THE ESTATE OF RAMONA T. HERNANDEZ, deceased, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISEES AND LEGATEES OF RAMONA T. HERNANDEZ:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff, CITY OF LAS CRUCES, a New Mexico municipal corporation, has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a municipal nuisance abatement lien on real property located at 1040 N. Campo, Las Cruces, NM 88001. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described in Dona Ana County Assessor records as follows:

Subd: COUNTY ACCESSORS PLAT 1 345 Lot: 4 Block: 115 S: 7 T: 23S R: 2E

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully submitted,
CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By: /s/ Marcia B. Driggers
MARCIA B. DRIGGERS
Senior Assistant Attorney
P.O. Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575-541-2128

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-CV-2019-00085
Judge Beyer, Marci

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, a New Mexico municipal corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE ESTATE OF TOMAS MARTINEZ, deceased;
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,

DEVEISEES AND LEGATEES OF TOMAS MARTINEZ, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Defendants, **THE ESTATE OF TOMAS MARTINEZ, deceased, and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISEES AND LEGATEES OF TOMAS MARTINEZ:**

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff, CITY OF LAS CRUCES, a New Mexico municipal corporation, has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a municipal nuisance abatement lien on real property located at 730 E. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM 88001. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described in Dona Ana County Assessor records as follows:

Subd: COUNTY ACCESSORS PLAT 2 346 Lot: 5 Block: 205 S: 7 T: 23S R: 2E.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint in said cause on or before thirty (30) days after the last publication date, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully submitted,
CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By: /s/ Marcia B. Driggers
MARCIA B. DRIGGERS
Senior Assistant City
P.O. Box 20000
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575-541-2128

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. CV-2019-261
JAMES T. MARTIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF TERRELL JAMES RUSHMORE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Terrell James Rushmore, a resident of the

City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, where in he seeks to change his name from Terrell James Rushmore to Toby Norman Randall, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge, on the 14th day of March, 2019, at the hour of 4:30 p.m., at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Ave. Las Cruces, NM 88005

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Terrell James Rushmore
Terrell James Rushmore
3260 Venus St. #52
Las Cruces, NM 88012
575-201-9522

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

CAUSE NO.
D-307-PB-2019-00016
JUDGE: MANUEL I. ARRIETA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE BRUCE W. HUNSICKER, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Heather Hunsicker and Samantha Hyde have been appointed co-personal representatives of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned co-personal representative at the address shown in this notice or filed within the court.

The attorney for the personal representative is William L. Lutz of the law firm of Martin & Lutz, P.C., 2110 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88001.

DATED this 11 day of Feb, 2019.

/s/ Heather Hunsicker
Heather Hunsicker
c/o William L. Lutz
P.O. Drawer 1837

Las Cruces, NM 88004

/s/ Samantha Hyde
Samantha Hyde
c/o William L. Lutz
P.O. Drawer 1837
Las Cruces, NM 88004

Dates: 02/15, 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-DM-2017-00936
Judge Grace B. Duran

LUIS CORTEZ, Petitioner,

vs.

JESSICA ANNE INGRAM, Respondent.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF MOTION

To RESPONDENT JESSICA ANNE INGRAM

You are hereby notified that Petitioner, Luis Cortez, has filed a Motion for Sole Legal and Physical Custody of the parties' minor child, and that unless you file a response to the Motion in said cause on or before thirty (30) days from the last date of publication, a judgment by default may be entered against you.

Petitioner's Attorney:
Kenneth L. Beal, P.C.
P.O. Box 725
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575-526-5511

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2018-00126
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RUBEN MARQUEZ, DECEASED.

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Dated: January 31, 2019

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Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2019-00010
Hon: Arrieta, Manuel I.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH HASTINGS DEYO, DECEASED.

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Dated: January 29th, 2019.

/s/ Michelle Deyoe
Michelle Deyoe
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Farmington Hills, MI 48336

734-604-2656

SUBMITTED:
ESTRADA LAW, P.C.
By /s/ Michele Ungvarsky, Esq.
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575.556.2462
Attorneys for the Estate of Sarah Hastings Deyoe, deceased.

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

NO. 19-0025

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Hazel Arlene McDowell, aka Hazel Arlene Ross DECEASED

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Dated: 2-7, 2019

/s/ Gloria Otero
Gloria Otero
2400 Jordan Rd. #A, PO Box 2702
Las Cruces, NM 88001, Las Cruces, NM 88004

Dates: 02/15, 02/22, 03/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

No. 19-0022

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF OLLIE C. COOPER, AKA OLLIE COOPER, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, **LORETTA SHARP**, has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of **OLLIE C. COOPER, AKA OLLIE COOPER**. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative, c/o J. David Beasley, Esq., P.O. Box 1620, Las Cruces, NM 88004, or filed with the Probate Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico, located at 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, (575) 525-6132.

Dated: February 14, 2019.

Submitted by:
/s/ J. David Beasley, Esq.,
J. DAVID BEASLEY, Esq.,
Beasley Legal, P.C.
Attorney for the Estate of
Ollie C. Cooper,
Aka Ollie Cooper
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Las Cruces NM 88004
575-528-6782

Dates: 02/22, 03/01, 03/08,
2019

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN

TO: AMY B KOEBEL
2135 PAYNE ST APT 216
LAS CRUCES NM 88001

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff named above has filed a lawsuit or other legal action against you. The Complaint, which is also served on you, states the nature and basis of the legal action.

Within Forty (40) days after February 8, 2019, you must respond with a written answer, as that term is used in Chapter 802 of the Wisconsin Statutes, to the Complaint. The court may reject or disregard an answer that does not follow the requirements of the statutes. The answer must be sent or delivered to the court, whose address is: CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT, MILWAUKEE COUNTY, 901 N 9TH ST, MILWAUKEE WI 53233 and the Kohn Law Firm, Plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 735 N. Water St., Suite 1300, Milwaukee, WI 53202. You may have an attorney help or represent you.

If no Complaint accompa-

nies this Summons you must respond within the said 40 day period with a written demand for a copy of the Complaint by mailing or delivering said written demand to the court and to the Plaintiffs attorneys at their respective addresses listed above.

If you do not provide a proper answer to the Complaint or provide a written demand for said complaint within the 40 day period, the court may grant judgement against you for the award of money or other legal action requested in the Complaint, and you may lose your right to object to anything that is or may be incorrect in the Complaint. A judgment may be enforced as provided by law. A judgment awarding money may become a lien against any real estate you own now or in the future, and may be enforced by garnishment or seizure of property.

Dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin Feb 05, 2019

KOHN LAW FIRM S.C
BY /s/ Joseph R. Johnson
JOSEPH R. JOHNSON
State Bar No. 1053052
Attorney for Plaintiff

Dates: 02/08, 02/15, 02/22,
2019

**THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA
STATE OF NEW
MEXICO**

No. D-307-PB-2018-00113
Judge James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE
OF TERRY D. SNOW,
DECEASED**

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the address listed below, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 201 W Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated: February 5, 2019

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OBITUARIES

MICHAEL HENRY LARA

Michael Henry Lara (affectionately known as "Miko") passed away in El Paso, Texas on February 6, 2019 at 2:28 am. He was born on June 23, 1971 in Bellflower, CA. He was 47 years old. Michael was blessed in his life with several great gifts. When he was about 2 years old, his parents bought him a record player which he used to play LP's and 45's and that was the beginning of his intense love of music. He initially owned only one 45 record and he played that 45 from the time he got up to the time he went to bed. The record was Be Bop A Lula by Gene Vincent. From that record, he developed a love for music that carried him through his life. Stella G. Lara, preceded in death by his mother on January 29, 2014 to prepare a place for him and to welcome her son home. He is survived by his loving wife, Susy, his pups, his father

Henry S. Lara of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and his brother Patrick A. Lara and his sister in law, Denise C. Lara. He also leaves a large family from Las Cruces, New Mexico who loved him very much. His life was also witnessed by many lifelong friends who shared his love of music, art, & vintage clothing who meant the world to him and loved him in return. Services will be held on Thursday, February 28th, 2019 at San Albino Catholic Church, 2070 Calle De Santiago, Mesilla, NM 88005. The rosary will be read at 10:30 am and the funeral mass will follow at 11:00 am. His burial will follow after mass at San Albino Cemetery in Mesilla and a reception will be held immediately after the funeral at the reception hall across from San Albino Church. Additionally, on March 2nd, 2019, his long-time childhood friend, Chef Raul (Rulis) Gonzalez,

will be holding an enchilada dinner with local DJ's providing music to help with Michael's expenses at Benny Franks Restaurant, 3041 N Zaragoza Rd #B, El Paso, TX 79938. Call (915) 249-6771 for information. On March 9, 2019, his compadre Sal Vargas of Sal's Garage on Facebook, will be holding a benefit car show/concert in Michael's honor at the The American Legion Post 36, American Legion Post, 3730 Shell St, El Paso, TX 79925 at (915) 740-5742 Many of Michael's favorite local bands will be playing as well as video messages from members of Mike's favorite national rock groups including members of Los Lobos and others. Finally, his cousin Phillip Lucero has established a Go Fund Me Page in the event you cannot make the El Paso events. The link is at <https://www.gofundme.com> under the title "Help for Michael."

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Las Cruces Arts Fair



COURTESY PHOTOS

Hal Marcus, "El Paso Full Mural"

Artists spread their wares for the ninth annual showcase

BULLETIN REPORT

The Doña Ana Arts Council's (DAAC) Las Cruces Arts Fair, the area's most expansive collection of art and fine crafts, returns for the ninth year to the Las Cruces Convention Center March 1-3.

More than 100 artists from across the country, some returning favorites and others first-time exhibitors, will offer work in eight categories, including jewelry, mixed media, fabric, painting and drawing, print making and photography, porcelain-pottery-glass, recycled materials and woodwork-metalwork-sculpture.

The fair begins Friday, March 1, from 5-8 p.m., giving collectors the first opportunity to see and buy work directly from the artists. Saturday's hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday's 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Flamenco guitarist Jake Mossman performs Friday and Saturday, and food and beverages will be available.

This year's featured artist is Hal Marcus of El Paso, Texas. Marcus is a self-taught artist whose sense of color originated from the influences of Mexico, where as a child he accompa-

nied his grandmother on weekly visits to the Juarez market. He was inducted into the El Paso Artists Hall of Fame in 2003, served as chair of the El Paso Museum of Art Advisory Committee, and is owner of Hal Marcus Gallery, which exhibits only local art.

DAAC is donating space for two student booths, representing emerging artists from New Mexico State University and Doña Ana Community College. Students participating in the fair are challenged to learn to display their pieces, price their work, and discuss their art with the public.

In addition, each exhibiting artist will contribute an item to a silent auction, which closes at 2 p.m. Sunday. All fair proceeds benefit DAAC's art education programs.

For the third year, a Quick Art Contest pits 16 artists creating art as the audience watches, with all pieces then available for purchase by



Hal Marcus

Lisa Carlson: jewels from the castoff bin, **Page 39**.

Featured artist Hal Marcus: visions of the border, **Page 40**.

Lisa Carlson, untitled



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silent auction. The contest is 11 a.m.-noon Saturday.

Tickets are \$10 adults at the door or \$15 for a two-adult pass when purchased in advance. Children ages

12 and under are admitted free. Ticketholders may reenter the event one additional day at no charge. Purchase in advance online at www.daarts.org; at the DAAC offices, 1740 Calle de Mercado in Mesilla; Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road; The Frame

and Art Center, 1100 S. Main St., and in El Paso at the Hal Marcus Gallery, 1308 N. Oregon Ave.

The Las Cruces Convention Center is located at 680 E. University. For more information, visit www.daarts.org or call 575-523-6403.

Lisa Carlson: jewels from the castoff bin

BULLETIN REPORT

The first year Lisa Carlson brought her jewelry to the Las Cruces Arts Fair, she won Best of Show. The next year, 2018, she earned best in the jewelry category.

It's really no surprise because she has been making her living creating beautiful jewelry and selling it at juried art shows around the country since 1987.

Lisa designs earrings, brooches and necklaces out of recycled found objects such as antique buttons, crystals and vintage beads.

Carlson's fascination with finding castoff pieces of jewelry began in the 1970s when she was a young visual merchandiser for the women's clothing company Casual Corner. Part of her job was finding antique items for store displays, and while shopping for the company she discovered there were often bags of single earrings, broken pins or necklaces with a stone missing.

"I'd go and find miraculous things just for nothing," she said. Now it's more difficult to find high-quality jewelry at bargain prices at antique stores, but she spends time shopping at garage and estate sales to find what she needs to create her artistic jewelry.

Her first jewelry pieces

were mounted on FIMO polymer clay, but eventually she began working with metal as a base for the designs. With three decades of experience in jewelry design, she says, "You can see how sophisticated the designs are now compared to the early days."

A recently designed piece that Lisa especially loves is a hummingbird with a ruby eye that she has worked into a type of bolo tie.

"This past year we were on three TV stations in Los Angeles promoting a Harvest Fair," she said. "I showed a large piece with an 18-karat gold hummingbird with a ruby eye that is brilliant red, which is the hardest color to find in vintage jewelry because it is highly sought after. The piece I designed with that is stunning, and it's in my private collection because I just can't part with it."



Lisa Carlson, "Hummingbird"

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TICKETS: \$10-15

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23
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Hal Marcus,
"El Mercado Juarez 1988"

Hal Marcus: visions of the border

BULLETIN REPORT

Native El Pasoan Hal Marcus is the featured artist at this year's Las Cruces Arts Fair.

Marcus, 68, had an unlikely beginning for an artist. There was no art or even a record player in his home. His father owned a grocery store and the entire Jewish-Arabic family worked in it. What he did learn at the store, he says, was how to run a business, which has helped him successfully own and operate the oldest art gallery in El Paso, the Hal Marcus Gallery, which features his work and that of other local artists.

When at the age of 19 he told his father that he wanted to be an artist, his father warned him that he would starve. However, the work ethic he had learned in his fam-

ily's store served him well and he applied it to his routine as an artist. Marcus says he gets up every morning and paints.

"People say I'm talented; I say it is 10 percent talent and 90 percent hard work," he said. "I had a passion for it and was lucky enough to have a teacher who believed in me and here I am. It's about hard work and being disciplined and believing in yourself."

Thanks to the proximity of Juarez, Marcus finds inspiration in Mexican folk art, as well as the modern influence of artists such as Picasso and Matisse.

A large painting he worked on from 1980 to 1988, "Mercado Juarez," was inspired by his weekly trips to Juarez with his Syrian grandmother to buy produce for the family grocery

store.

"The colors and smells and people buying and selling stuck out in my mind as the nucleus of the planet," he said.

A more recent piece, "El Paso," a 6-by-20-foot mural that hangs in the new Providence Hospital on Transmountain Road, depicts his hometown and shows 70 landmarks in the border community.

Another work, "Queen of Diamonds," is featured on the 2019 Las Cruces Arts Fair poster.

"I'm mostly known in these parts for doing work that is geographically magical," Marcus said. "Visions of the border have been some of my more popular pieces."

Marcus also gives back to the community, donating to nonprofit organizations, serving as the auctioneer on KCOS public television's annual art auction and serving as a keynote speaker for various events. He was inducted into the El Paso Artists Hall of Fame in 2003 and served as chair of the El Paso Museum of Art Advisory Committee. To see examples of his work, visit www.halmarcus.com.

After all these accomplishments, Marcus has no plans to slow down.

"Artists don't retire," he says.

Fountain Theatre
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575.524.8287 www.mesillavalleyfilm.org

February 22-28
Capernaum
In Arabic w/ subtitles
While serving a five-year sentence for a violent crime, a 12-year-old boy sues his parents for neglect. Free for members
NOTE: Saturday, Feb. 23 no matinée; Thursday, Feb. 28 1:30 matinée; no evening show.

March 1-7
If Beale Street Could Talk
A woman in Harlem embraces her pregnancy while she and her family struggle to prove her fiancé innocent of a crime. (OC)

Nightly 7:30, Saturday matinée 1:30, Sunday matinée 2:30.
No one will be admitted after the film has begun.

Mesilla Valley Dance Eclectic presents "A Western Ode" Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 23-24, at Black Box Theatre in downtown Las Cruces.

PHOTO WWW.MESILLAVALLEYDANCE.COM



Dancing your way back home

BULLETIN REPORT

Mesilla Valley Dance Eclectic (MVDE) of Las Cruces is bringing an original show to Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. downtown.

Performances are 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24.

Tickets are \$12-\$15.

"A Western Ode" is a show about a girl's journey to find her own way inspired by story elements of the epic poem, "The Odyssey," according to www.mesillavalleydance.com.

"Ode" is a play on words, said MVDE Creative Director Morgan Rivera, referencing "The Odyssey," and the show's lead character, whose name is Ode. And, the show's theme is an "ode to Westerns," she said.

"Follow the adventures of a girl who left home to move out West for a better life (and) is forced to navigate through a long series of wanderings and

hardships to make her way back home. Original choreography by the members of MVDE tell a story through genres of dance ranging from classical ballet to modern dance."

The performance will include 15 dance numbers featuring six dancers, said Rivera, who has a degree in dance and teaches third grade at Highland Elementary School in Las Cruces. It will include can-can, ballet, jazz, modern and one "full-on" improv piece, she said.

MVDE is a Las Cruces-based, nonprofit dance collective dedicated to creating performance and choreography opportunities for community members who might not otherwise get to perform and choreograph," according to the website. "Members' dance backgrounds vary from newcomers to dance to lifelong dancers with college degrees in the art form."

MVDE was formed in

2012 and welcomes new members, male and female, ages 15 and older of all abilities.

For tickets and more information, call 575-523-1223 and visit no-strings.org.

Show Dates & Times

2/21 5:30pm
2/22 & 2/23 7:30pm
3/1 7:30pm
3/2 2pm & 7:30pm
3/3 2pm

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SAT FEBRUARY 23 • 1:00 P.M.	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
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SAT FEBRUARY 23 • 7:00 P.M.	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
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Tai Chi Chuan	
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WED FEBRUARY 27 • 2:00 P.M.	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
Design and Create: Tile Decoration	
THU FEBRUARY 28 • 2:00 P.M.	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
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THU FEBRUARY 28 • 7:30 P.M.	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
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The will to live when you shouldn't have been born

By **JEFF BERG**
For the Bulletin

A finalist for the best foreign language film in this year's Oscar derby, "Capharnaum" will be a lucky winner, if indeed, that happens. Looks to be a tough race, but due to the vast publicity "Roma" will probably win.

"Capharnaum" (aka "Capernaum"), however, is one of the best movies I have ever seen and that is saying a lot, as you may imagine.

I'd just write, "Go see it," but that wouldn't do justice to the incredible work and story, and the acting of the lead character, Syrian Zain Al Rafeea. It is his film debut, as is the same for most of the cast.

GRADE: A+

A week's run for this picture begins tonight at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla. It is in Arabic and Amharic with English subtitling.

Add to the mix, the directing and writing of Nadine Labaki.

Zain lives in a hovel, if it is even that. With him are his cruel and crude parents and a bevy of brothers and sisters; no one seems to really know how many.

In the opening scenes, Zain, shown here with Yonas, is in court with his parents, where he wants to sue them to stop having children. From there, we flash back as to how this came to be.

This area of Beirut, Lebanon, where the movie was shot, is unbelievably poverty stricken and filthy – not to mention chaotic (Capharnaum apparently translates to "chaos.")

Zain and his slightly younger sister don't attend school and are on the streets selling a berry drink daily. Zain also works part-time for a dubious shop owner, where he stocks shelves and cleans up. He also helps his vicious mother make a potion of tramadol and water that she soaks clothes in and delivers to relatives in prison. Tramadol is an addictive painkiller, a substance which Zain later buys with a fake prescription and sells as beverage shots in order to get by.



COURTESY PHOTO

Zain, seen here with Yonas, does what he must to get by on the chaotic streets of Beirut.

When Zain's mother sells his sister to the creepy merchant that he works for, that is all Zain can take. He steals some money from his parents, runs away from home and is soon on the streets looking for work.

Work sort of finds him at a rundown amusement park, where he meets Rahil, an Ethiopian migrant worker, who, as we find out later, lacks papers. Rahil has

a baby son, Yonas, and soon Zain is caring for the infant when Rahil works.

It is not long before Rahil is picked up by the authorities, leaving, by accident, Yonas in the hands of Zain.

From here, things pretty much get worse for Zain and soon enough he finds himself and Yonas locked out of the dreadful space that Rahil lived in, for rent due.

Now it is really life on the streets for Zain and baby Yonas, until Zain is offered a "deal" by another smarmy merchant.

Writing doesn't really do justice to what I saw and, more importantly, felt while viewing this picture. It felt so real and so vivid that I couldn't stop watching even for a second. The surroundings that Zain, Rahil, and Yonas are in nearly defy description, and Zain's will to survive, coupled with tending to an infant (a cute one at that), are magnificent.

I've previously noted that my choice for "best foreign film" at this year's Oscar awards should be "Cold War" or "Shoplifters." Ignore me.

Jeff Berg has been reviewing movies for the Bulletin since 2002. He lives in Santa Fe and may be reached at nedludd76@hotmail.com.

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CALL TO ARTISTS

12th annual Artists Studio Tour, planned for April 27-28 and May 4-5, seeks artists. The tour is sponsored by Hal Marcus Gallery and The El Paso Scene. Entry deadline is March 5. Information and entry forms are available at www.pleinairpaintersofelpaso.com, or email info@halmarcus.com.

Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St., seeks proposals for exhibits with themes of cultural and historical significance relating to the Southwest to be presented in 2020. The center is accepting submissions from artists (solo and group), from formal and informal scholars, and cultural heritage organizations. Proposals accepted through April 7. To apply, complete the form at www.surveymonkey.com/r/LCMS2020. Applications must include a brief (one to four paragraphs) narrative and should include artist statement or group's mission; 8 to 10 jpg images of proposed work (or those of similar style and quality); and linear and/or square footage needs. Exhibits will run for a six-to-12-week period. Incomplete or late proposals will not be accepted. Info: las-cruces.org/museums, 575-541-2154. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday.

Desert Exposure, a monthly published by the Las Cruces Bulletin, seeks turtle art for the May edition in recognition of May 23 as World Turtle Day. The artwork should be vertical, and

the image should be between 2MB and 10MB. It can be any kind of medium: photo, watercolor, fiber, sculpture, oil, mixed media, etc. Deadline for submissions is April 5 to editor@desertexposure.com.

Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument seeks applications for its Artist in Residence Program. Entries for the May residency must be received by email on or before Feb. 28: brenda@organmtnfriends.org. Info: 575-323-1423.

Rokoko Art Gallery, 1785 Avenida de Mercado, seeks submissions for its "Fantasy Free for All" exhibit to run from May 11-June 22. Submissions due by May 4. Entry fee: \$15. Info: 575-522-5553, rokoko@rokokoart.com.

Tombaugh Gallery calls for regional artists within a 200-mile radius of Las Cruces to submit proposals for exhibitions for the 2020 calendar year. Non-traditional media or subject matter is welcome. All artwork

must be for sale. Submissions should contain a proposal with information about the artist, type of work to be shown and USB flash drive containing eight representative images as JPG files. For group shows, supply a list of all members and one or two images from each member. If a show theme is being considered, please explain the theme fully. Submissions should be postmarked no later than April 15. Submissions will be reviewed, and applicants will be notified by May 15, at which time possible show dates will be discussed. Artists/shows not selected will be notified at the same time. Artists who want their media returned must send a SASE. Artists who prefer to send an electronic submission may contact Judy Licht at jelicht@gmail.com for instructions. Address submissions to Judy Licht, Committee Chairperson, Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

'Silent Sky'



PHOTO BY MIKE WISE/NMSU THEATRE ARTS

In New Mexico State University's production of Lauren Gunderson's "Silent Sky" are, left to right, Isaac Lucero (Peter), E Gallegos (Williamina) and Jaidan Jarmillo (Henrietta). Performances are 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 22-23, and March 1-2; matinees are 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, March 2-3 at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. The March 2 matinee will be followed by a talkback with the play's cast and crew, joined by members of the NMSU Astronomy Department. For tickets, call 575-646-1420 or visit www.nmsutheatre.com/boxoffice.

Love of Art

Las Cruces February 2019

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B Gypsy Sage Artists, Nopalito's Galeria, 326 S. Mesquite Street

D Michael Stephens & Sally Quillin, 310 N. Main, behind Coas Bookstore

H Jose Enrique Hidalgo, 305 Linda Vista Road

I David Jacquez, Jardin de Las Cruces Art Gallery, 4010 N. Valley Drive

K Flo Hosa Dougherty, Blue Gate Fine Art Gallery, 4901 Chagar Court

L Tomi LaPierre, 3421 Doña Ana Road, *Sculpture, Photography & Mixed Media*

M Storm Sermay, Emmitt Booher & Will Keener, 3382 Solarridge Street

N Jean Wilkey, 221 N. Main, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 ONLY

O Candi Hogan, 3935 Sombra Morada Road, *Painting, Walking Sticks*

T Jack LeSage, *Oil Paintings & Pastels*, The Sage Brush, 1829 Salinas Drive

X Deborah Moore, Christopher Bardey, Cody Smith, Four Points Perspective, *Ceramics, Sculpture, Mixed Media*, 3405 Hwy. 28

Y Michelle Augustyniak, Rhoda Winters, Arlene J. Tugel & Linda Hagen, *Oil, Acrylic & Watercolor Paintings*, 319 Bell Avenue

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Shooting for the win

Four members of the Doña Ana Photography Club took home five awards in this year's New Mexico Magazine Photography Contest, including the Grand Prize to Catherine Lucas for "Liz Dancing," First Place in Enchanted Adventures to Jim Rogers for "Milky Way at City of Rocks," Second and Third Place in Landscape to Aaron Martinez for "Dune Curves" and "Juniper Window," and Third Place in Enchanted Adventures to Gerald Guss for "Ballooning and Boating." Their work and that of the other winners can be viewed or purchased at the Tularosa Basin Gallery of Photography in Carrizozo, 401 12th St.; 575-937-1489.



Aaron Martinez, "Juniper Window"



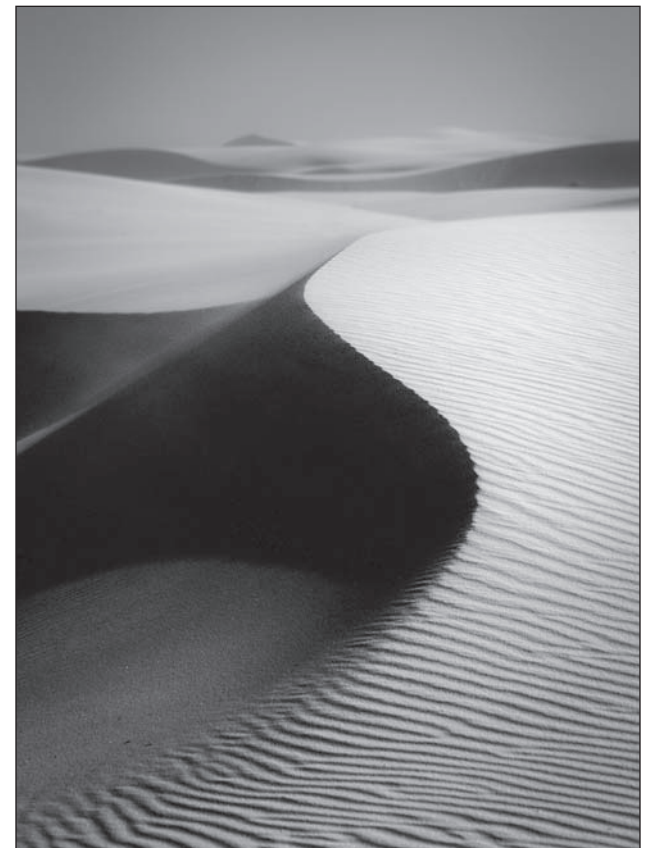
Catherine Lucas, "Liz Dancing"



Gerald Guss, "Ballooning and Boating"



Jim Rogers, "Milky Way at City of Rocks"



Aaron Martinez, "Dune Curves"

For the Love of Art Month: The final tours

BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces/Mesilla/Mesilla Park/ArtForms Artists Association wraps up the 21st annual For the Love of Art Month Feb. 23-24.

According to their mission statement, ArtForms advances Las Cruces as an international arts and culture destination, to “ensure that the area’s creative community is regarded as a revenue-generating industry with broad visibility and a solid resource network.”

February is the busiest month for the group, highlighted by studio tours. The tours continue from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and noon-4 p.m. Sunday, offering an opportunity to meet the

artists in their own environment. Blue flags will mark each studio.

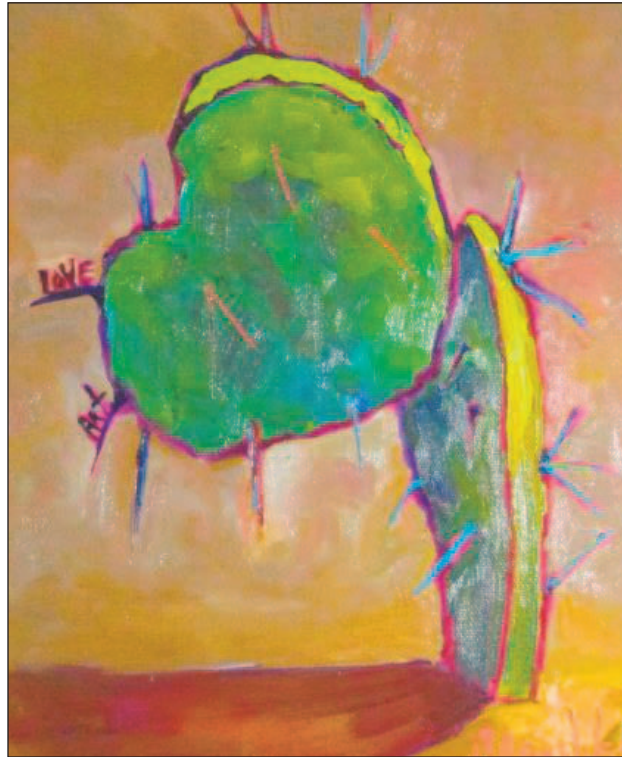
To view an interactive map, visit www.artformsnm.org.

- Laurie Churchill, Marj Leininger, Wendy Robin Weir (Gypsy Sage Artists), Nopalito’s Galeoria, 326 S. Mesquite St.

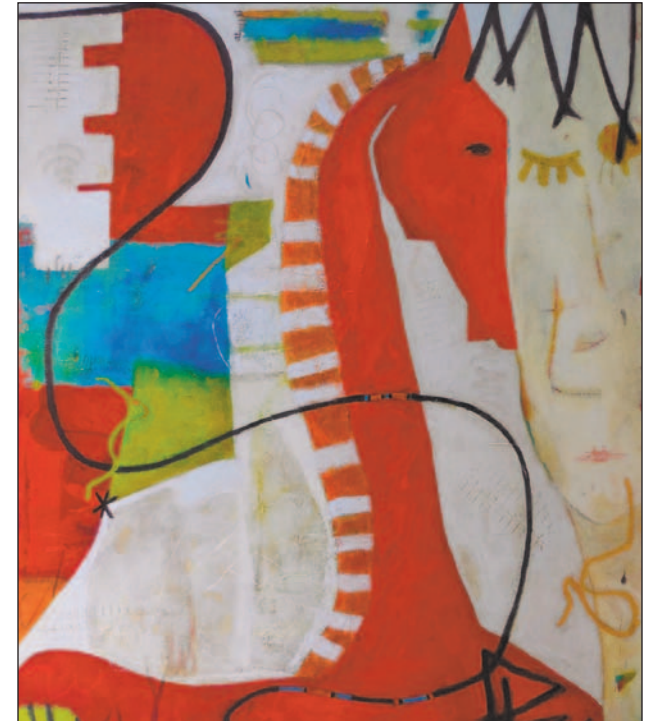
- Michael Stephens, Sally Quillin (photography, paintings, jewelry and digital art), 310 N. Main St.

- Jose Enrique Hidalgo (oil, acrylic and watercolor), 305 Linda Vista Road.

- Jeri Desrochers, C.C. Cunningham, Gale Kaufman, Mary Zawacki (oil and acrylic paintings and pastels), 3655 Canyon



SEE ART, PAGE 47 Michelle Augustyniak, “Cactus Heart”



C.C. Cunningham, “Eye to Eye”

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NMSU festival: new works and old ghosts

BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State University Music Department will host the ninth annual NMSU/Warner Hutchison Contemporary Arts Festival Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 26-27 in the Atkinson Recital Hall of the NMSU Music Building, 1075 N. Horseshoe. The multi-event festival features the NMSU Faculty Chamber Ensemble under the direction of Dr. Michael Mapp.

Each concert has a suggested donation of \$5 per person.

At 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, the festival will present a complete version of Igor Stravinsky's masterpiece, "L'Histoire Du Soldat," with dance and narration. The work includes violin soloist Simón



Simon Gollo

Gollo as well as narrators Monika Mojica, Celeste Shearer, Ron Gillis and dancer Esperanza Sides. Also on the program is a theatrical work titled "Judas" for winds, percussion, voice, electronics and narration by NMSU professor Lon Chaffin.

At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, the festival concert unveils the world premiere of "Psalm" by Robert Lethermon, plus a new work by NMSU saxophone professor Rhonda Taylor. Also featured will



Lester Pack

be the "Octet for Tuba, String Quartet, Electric Bass and Percussion" by Vaclav Nelhybel and a recently premiered work titled "Grave" that tells the story of the historic murders at what is now the Double Eagle restaurant in Mesilla.



Monika Mojica

"Composer Lester Pack worked with local actress and writer Monica Mojica to create a chamber theatre piece that blends actors telling the story with dramatic new music," said Music Department Director of Percussion Studies Fred Bugbee. "The



Lon Chaffin

piece features the acting talents of Mojica, Phillip Boyle and Annie Pennies and explores a horrific night when in a twist of self-righteous rage Señora Maes viciously attacked and killed her only son and his lover. The text echoes the ghost story

that has evolved from historical fact to local legend, whereas the music serves to dramatically enhance and expand on the narrative of the story."

Performers at the event include the La Catrina String Quartet, the entire NMSU Wind, Brass, Percussion and Vocal Applied Faculty, pianist Shelle Bird, along with NMSU students and professional musicians and actors from the Las Cruces/El Paso area.

For more information, call 575-646-2421 and visit music.nmsu.edu.



New Horizons Symphony

NMSU string program featured in Winter Concert

BULLETIN REPORT

The New Horizons Symphony presents its Winter Concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, at the NMSU Atkinson Recital Hall. The program will be led by newly appointed music director and conductor Jorge Martinez-Rios, associate professor at NMSU. The concert is free and open to the public.

The program will highlight the NMSU Music Department's string program. Simón Gollo, NMSU assistant professor of violin and member of La Catrina String Quartet, will perform the lyrical Thais Meditation by Massenet and Zigeunerweisen



Amalia Zeitlin

(also known as Gypsy Airs) by Sarasate. Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante will feature Amalia Zeitlin on violin and Julio Campos on viola. Zeitlin is working on her master's degree and Campos just completed his.

Also on the program are Rossini's L'Italiana in



Simón Gollo

Algeri Overture and the Mars and Jupiter movements from Holst's "The Planets."

New Horizons Symphony is a nonprofit organization and member of New Horizons International Music Association, which provides musical opportunities for adults. The



Julio Campos

orchestra gives three concerts a year and rehearses Thursday evenings in the NMSU Band Room.

For more concert information, call 575-521-8771. For information about joining the orchestra, email Gay Lenzo at gmlenzo14@gmail.com or visit www.nhsocruces.com.

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Will Keener, "Salsify Sunset"



Jose Hidalgo, "Reflections"



Arlene Tugel, 'untitled'

ART

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Ridge Arc.

• Flo Hosa Dougherty (watercolor, oil and acrylic paintings), Blue Gate Fine Art Gallery, 4901 Chagar Court.

• Tomi LaPierre (sculpture, photography), 34 Doña Ana Road.

• Storm Sermay, Emmitt Booher, Will Keener (photography), 3382 Solarridge St.

• Candi Hogan (water soluble oil paintings, yucca walking sticks and canes), 3935 Sombra Morada Road.

• Jack LeSage (oil paint-

ings and pastels), 1829 Salinas Drive.

• Deborah Moore, Christopher Bardey, Cody Smith (ceramics, sculpture, mixed media, T-shirts), Four Points Per-

spective Gallery, 3405 U.S. Highway 28.

• Michelle Augustyniak, Rhoda Winters, Arlene J. Tugel, Linda Hagen (watercolors, landscapes), 319 Bell Ave.

Fountain Theatre

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February 22-28
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In Arabic w/ subtitles

While serving a five-year sentence for a violent crime, a 12-year-old boy sues his parents for neglect. Free for members
NOTE: Saturday, Feb. 23 no matinée; Thursday, Feb. 28 1:30 matinée; no evening show.

March 1-7
If Beale Street
Could Talk

A woman in Harlem embraces her pregnancy while she and her family struggle to prove her fiancé innocent of a crime. (OC)

Nightly 7:30, Saturday matinée 1:30, Sunday matinée 2:30.
No one will be admitted after the film has begun.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Jack LeSage, "Organ Mountains Stagecoach Stop"



Waiting for Rain, Brenda Perry-Herrera, 2010, multimedia installation

Artist Brenda Perry-Herrera explores the interplay between art and science, technology and nature.

Exhibit reception
Friday, March 1, 5pm - 8pm

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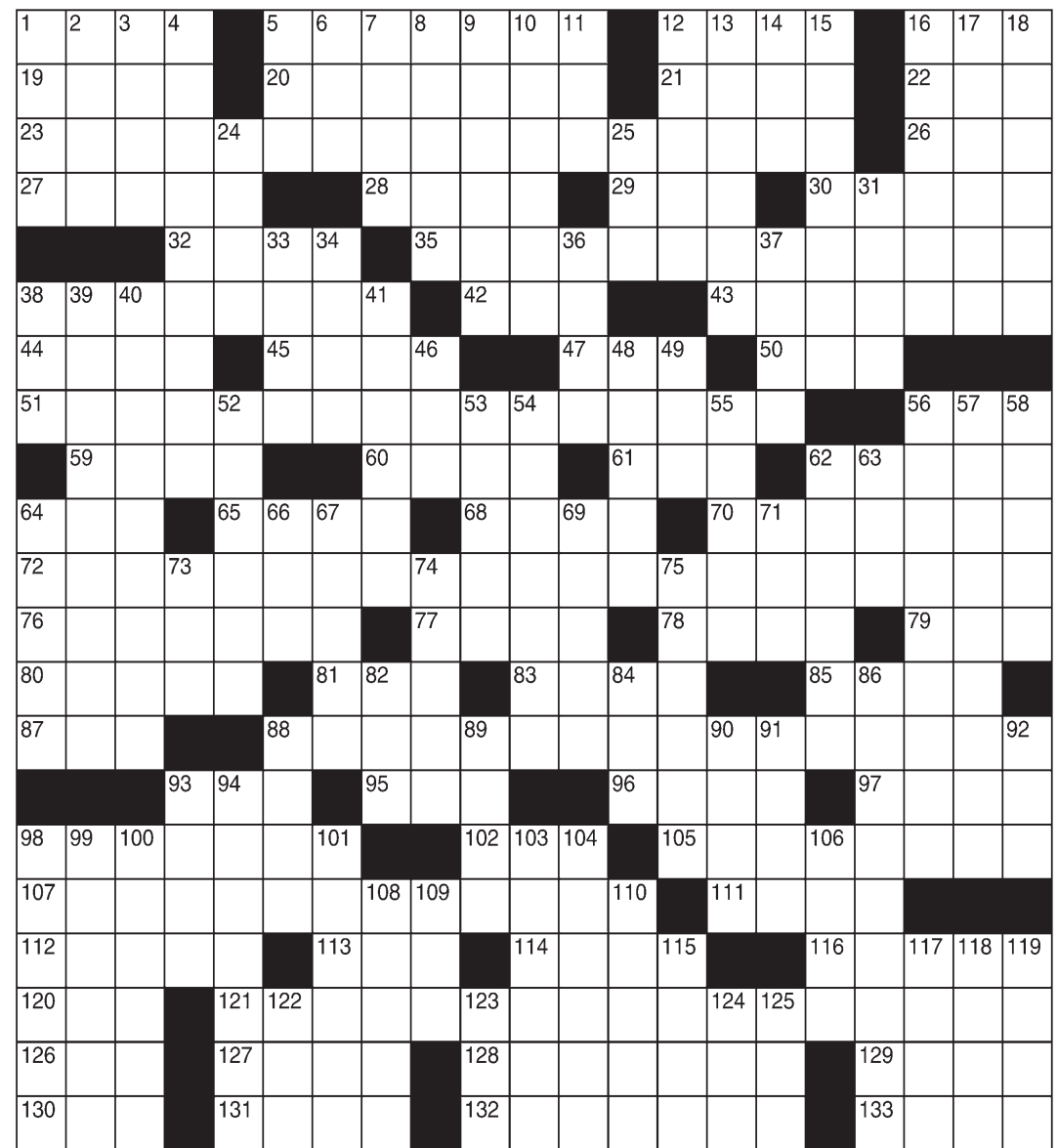
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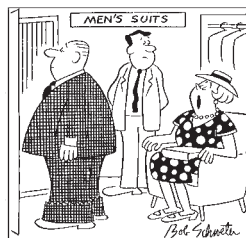
PUZZLES

WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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SCRAMBLERS



"Better get a size larger—don't forget, you haven't had _____ yet!"

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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TODAY'S WORD

CRYPTOQUIP

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: E equals F

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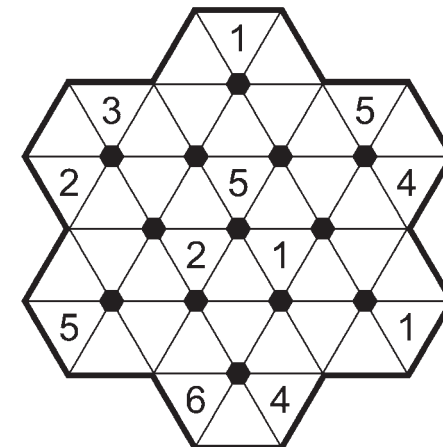
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KE WSFHS!

SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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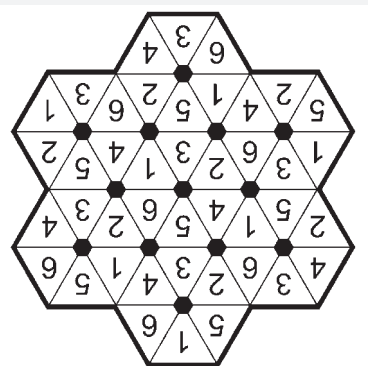
CRYPTOQUIP

DINNER

Today's Word

1. Learn; 2. Amend; 3. Plate; 4. Serve

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

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Open 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturdays. Info: 575-541-2137, las-cruces.org/museums. February's theme is Art Deco.

Feb. 23: Las Cruces Deco Poster

Storytellers of Las Cruces: Stories for all ages, 10 a.m. every Saturday. Free.

COAS bookstore downtown: 317 N Main St.

Feb. 23, Douglas Jackson
COAS bookstore Solano: 1101 S Solano Drive
Feb. 23, Jean Gilbert

NM Vintage Wines: Live music, 2461 Calle de Principal. Info: 575-523-9463, nmvintagewines.com.

Feb. 21: Danny Sanchez – solo singer/songwriter

Feb. 23: Toney Rocks – folk/Americana (Las Vegas)

Feb. 28: Eryn Bent – solo singer/songwriter (Albuquerque)

Get ArtRageous: Two-hour make-and-take classes focus on a new technique each week with instruction by a local artist. Sessions are at 5:30 p.m. at the Doña Ana Arts Council, 1740-A Calle de Mercado:

• Feb. 27 – Southwest Style, with Sally Quillin

Four Shillings Short: Husband-wife duo from Ireland in a Celtic, folk and world music concert to benefit St. Andrews Hospitality House, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 22, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2290.

Poetry reading: Sin Fronteras/Writers without Borders, in conjunction

with ArtForms, presents its annual reading as part of For the Love of Art Month. 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, Feb. 23, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: Joe Somoza, 575-522-1119.

'Spirit of Art': Film by Ed Breeding, 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, Branigan Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Free. Info: Ruth Drayer, 903-399-9979; www.ed-breeding.artistwebsites.com.

New Horizons Symphony: Winter Concert, 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, NMSU's Atkinson Recital Hall. Mozart, Rossini and more, highlighting the NMSU Music Department's string program. Info: 575-521-8771 or Gary Lenzo at gmlenzo14@gmail.com.

Young at Heart Chorus: Free one-hour concert, 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb.

28, Good Samaritan Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Info: Ray Scroggins, 575-524-0511, ray@scroggins.biz.

KTAL dinner: Fundraiser for Las Cruces' community radio station, 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 28, at Salud de Mesilla. Reservations and info: 575-323-3548.

'Music Beyond Borders': The NMSU Philharmonic and the Orquesta Sinfónica Esperanza Azteca Cd Juárez merge to "highlight the importance of seeing life and music beyond any border and encourage artistic exchange in our region," 6 p.m. Friday March 1, Atkinson Recital Hall, NMSU.

Las Cruces Arts Fair: Ninth annual, Friday-Sunday, March 1-3, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. More than

100 artists represented in all mediums, plus flamenco guitarist Jake Mossman and Quick Art Competition. Hours 5-8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. Info: 575-523-6403.

Ron Campbell: Animator of the Beatles film "Yellow Submarine" showcases his original Beatles cartoon paintings at Art Obscura, 3206 Harrelson St., 4-8 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, March 5-6. Info: 575-494-7256, www.artobscuragallery.com.

Lisa Lynne & Aryeh Frankfurter: Celtic harpists performing on rare instruments and telling stories, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 6, Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano Drive.

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a contra dance 7:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, March 15, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. With Silver City's Big Ditch Crickets and Lonnie Ludeman calling. Wear Green. No partner needed. Beginners and Newcomers welcome and should come for basic instruction at 7:30 pm. Cost \$6, youth \$4, family \$15. Info: www.snmmds.org or 575-522-1691.

Studio art classes: Registration is open for spring studio classes planned for March 26-May 11 at the Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. Class options include painting, drawing, ceramics, fabric dyeing, printmaking and more. Offered to all levels. Register at the Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2137; museums.lascruces.org.

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

'Tree of Life'

Through Feb. 24

The works of artist Maria Cristina (aka Cristina Fridenstine), at The Tombaugh Gallery, 2000 S. Solano Drive. The gallery is open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday and is part of the Unitarian Universalist Church complex.

Gypsy Sage Artists/LCAA

Through February

Paintings, graphic arts, gourd art, fiber art, photography, pottery and jewelry, Nopalito's Galeria, 326 S. Mesquite St. Open noon-2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery

Through February

Artists of the month

are photographer Weeden Nichols and painter Mary Zawacki. 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe. Info: 575-522-2933.

Talavera artists

Through February

Four artists are featured at Greenspace Gallery, Gifts and Learning, 517 N. Mesquite St. They are painters Laurie Churchill, Steve Klinger and Paul Vakselis, and photographer Kathy Meyer. Their work ranges from whimsical animal portraits and mermaids to watercolors of historic landmarks, oil-on-canvas landscapes of the Organ Mountains and nature photography. Info: 575-551-6778.

Robots & Nature

Through March 1

Art by 7th and 8th graders at Four Points Perspective, 3405 Highway 28. Open noon-4 p.m. Thursday-Saturday.

Watercolor exhibit

Through March 2

The New Mexico Watercolor Society Southern Chapter hosts a watercolor exhibit of toy, model and miniature trains, at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Info: 575-528-3444, las-cruces.org/museums.

'It's the Little Things'

Through March 3

Art Obscura Gallery, 3206 Harrelson St. in Mesilla Park. Up to 25 mixed media "non-objective" pieces by Las Cruces artist Roy van der Aa. "These differ from my work prior to mid-2017 in that these contain small intercon-

nected, painted shapes; the color palette is lighter, and the background grid is more pronounced," the artist says. Also included are five new pochoir stencil prints that, to date, have only been shown in Europe. Info: 575-494-7256, artobscuragallery@yahoo.com, www.artobscuragallery.com.

'Light Tricks'

Through March 3

Featuring the works of artists Julie Alpert and Andy Arkley, University Art Museum, 1390 E. University Ave. The husband and wife team of Alpert and Arkley "present installations, sculpture, drawing, and interactive video-based artwork that uses light in various forms, projecting, reflecting, and emitting nostalgic mood throughout

a space." Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Free admission. Info: 575-646-2545, email artglry@nmsu.edu and visit uag.nmsu.edu.

'Dressed for the Occasion'

Through March 3

Women's every-day and dress clothing from the pioneer days of the 1870s to the Depression era of the 1930s. NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum Legacy Gallery, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Info: 575-522-4100.

'Waiting for Rain'

Through March 23

Installations by Brenda Perry-Herrera investigating the ecological and sociopolitical significance of the Rio Grande River between Las Cruces and El Paso, Texas, Branigan Cul-

tural Center, 501 N. Main St. Open 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday. Info: 575-541-2154.

'From the Vault: Selections from the Permanent Collection'

Through March 23

Exhibit showcasing rarely-seen works of art from the Branigan Cultural Center's permanent collection, including regional and international artists. 501 N. Main St., open 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday. Info: 575-541-2154.

'For the Love of Lettering'

Through March 29

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There's God – and then again, there's God

I have no statistics on belief in God; frankly I don't care, because much of the documented belief is vague. To say you believe in God as a cosmic vapor with little rel-

evance to your daily life beyond a chance at life after this Earthly life – well, I don't find that interesting or compelling. Here I agree with the atheists.

The faiths designated as Abrahamic – Judaism, Christianity, Islam – are grounded on “revelation.” God is not known at any depth or in any meaningful way through human reason alone. If



GABRIEL ROCHELLE

Tales from the Cassock

there is a God, we know this because God has revealed a personality to people. For example, if you were to ask an ancient Hebrew who God is, you would get the

answer “God is the one who brought us out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage, into a land flowing with milk and honey.” From this it follows that God is a liberator who offers freedom.

The great leap that takes place in the Abrahamic faiths is that God not only performs certain actions (in the Bible, these are “the mighty

acts of God”) but that these are grounded in internal qualities or attributes of God.

This internalization of attributes was a decisive movement beyond other cultures in the ancient near East. In Egyptian or Babylonian culture, the gods might perform just or loving acts, but you couldn't count on them because there was no way to know who they were apart from their acts, recorded in the mythology. You could not rely on them to manifest a quality like justice at all times; they were unreliable and as capricious in their behavior as we can be in ours. You could not say “God is love” as if this was an

internal quality of God. You could only say “God is love” if you saw a loving act and attributed it to God.

The great leap forward in the Biblical understanding of God is that God has interior qualities that inform action. In other words, actions are not all we know about God; actions are the external manifestation of an inner quality, like love. Therefore, the meaning of “belief” changes as well. From belief as a mental conviction that there may be a God who acts, belief becomes redefined as trust in God's nature. God can be relied on not only to commit acts of love, but “loving” is part

of God's nature. We can rely upon God to be God, so to speak. That, by the way, is the core meaning of the word “Amen” – it means “reliable.”

This leap forward appears first in the story of Abraham in Genesis. God calls Abraham to a journey of faith as trust; in so doing, history is inaugurated as movement across time. Surrounding cultures had no concept of linear movement.

There was only the eternal return. The Nile floods annually and the cycle of life continues the same from one year to the next, one generation to the next. With Abraham you get the beginnings of his-

tory, directly related to the understanding of God that emerges simultaneously. Out of the murky background, God emerges as a character in an unfolding relationship with humanity across time. Space does not permit elaboration of this important point but to explore further, I commend Thomas Cahill, “The Gifts of the Jews.” This gift is also a gift bequeathed to Christianity and Islam, and in fact to the whole world.

Fr. Gabriel Rochelle is pastor of St Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, Las Cruces. We welcome visitors. Visit the church web site at <http://stanthonylc.org>

‘See ye no strangers; rather see all men as friends’

By **DEB RODGERS**

For the Bulletin

In February we celebrate Black History Month by honoring the lives of some extraordinarily heroic human beings: former slaves such as Frederick Douglass and Sojourner Truth; and later generations including Martin Luther King Jr., Fannie Lou Hamer and Rosa Parks.

But the fact that we must have a “Black History” month reveals a flaw in our national character. Why weren't the black scientists, inventors, explorers, educators, etc., of the past included in our American history books to any significant extent?

Their contributions were dismissed because the dominant white culture failed to see them as fully human beings.

I have a dear friend (white female, pushing 70) who is one of the quiet heroes making our flawed world a better place.

She has watched her neighborhood transition from mostly white to mostly brown and black. Some whites would be alarmed. But, my friend chose to reach out and embrace people different from herself.

She was chatting with a couple of young mothers the other day when the Hispanic mother nudged the African-American mother and said, “See. I

told you.” The African-American mother, smiling, agreed. Naturally, my friend asked what they were talking about.

The Hispanic mother responded, “I told her that you treat us like human beings.”

Treating others like human beings. I wonder how many of us mindlessly miss opportunities to do that and instead leave our sorrowful world unimproved.

My friend lives by the principle that there is only one race, the human race.

Abdul-Baha, the son of the founder of the Baha'i faith, taught that “If you meet those of different race and colour from yourself, do not mistrust

them and withdraw yourself into your shell of conventionality, but rather be glad and show them kindness. Think of them as different colored roses growing in the beautiful garden of humanity, and rejoice to be among them.”

During a visit to the United States, Abdul-Baha – ever working to foster racial unity – personally encouraged the marriage of Mr. Louis Gregory, a lawyer and the son of a former slave, to Louisa Matthews, a white British woman. Their marriage took place in 1912 and was the first interracial Baha'i marriage in the United States.

According to Abdul-

Baha, “There are no whites and blacks before God. All colors are one, and that is the color of servitude to God ... The heart is important. If the heart is pure, white or black or any color makes no difference. God does not look at colors; He looks at the hearts.”

On another occasion, Abdul-Baha said, “See ye no strangers; rather see all men as friends, for love and unity come hard when ye fix your gaze on otherness ... For each of the creatures is a sign of God, and it was by the grace of the Lord and His power that each did step into the world; therefore, they are not strangers, but in the family; not aliens, but friends, and to

be treated as such.”

My white Baha'i husband is another of those quiet heroic types. He says he realized long ago “that differences do not keep people apart – sameness does: same old thinking, in the same old places, with the same old people.”

The present time challenges each of us to arise heroically to achieve unity. The quiet heroes give me hope that we're on the right track toward learning to appreciate one another, not for what we are, but for who we are – fellow human beings.

Deb Rodgers is PIO of Baha'i's of Las Cruces. Reach her at 575-556-9650.

'Puppy love'

The Doña Ana Arts Council, 1740-B Calle de Mercado, features monthly multi-day art workshops with professional artists. In February pet artist Andy Mallen came from Denver for the "Puppy Love" workshop to guide Las Crucens in creating custom pet paintings. Visit daarts.org.



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

The workshop drew dog lovers from across Las Cruces.



Andy Mallen



Damien, a Papillon puppy, poses for his owner, Carol Withim.

Obedience training classes scheduled

BULLETIN REPORT

Sit. Stay. Lie down. Imagine your dog obeying you with these commands. ACTION Programs for Animals (APA) is offering training classes to teach your dog how to obey commands.

The next eight-week session begins Saturday, March 2. All classes are 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Mesilla Valley Pet Resort, 2500 W. Amador. The fee is \$125 for the entire session. Cash, check and credit cards are accepted.

Led by Doug Baker, APA board member and lead trainer for the Southern New Mexico PAWS prison program in Doña Ana County, the classes will emphasize a positive approach and are designed to teach your dog to walk on a loose leash, to sit, lie down and stay when told. This is an opportunity to learn what the inmate handlers and dogs do in PAWS for the benefit of you and your dog.

Enrollment is open, but space is limited. To enroll, visit the APA adoption and education center at 800 W. Picacho Ave., call 575-571-4654 or 575-644-0505, or email mail@apalascruces.org.

ACTION Programs for Animals describes itself as a "progressive animal welfare organization seeking to improve the quality of life for companion animals in Dona Ana County and greatly reduce the number of unwanted animals impounded and euthanized at the municipal shelter."



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TABITHA ROSSMAN

Amigo has been part of the Southern New Mexico PAWS training program. He is available for adoption at ACTION Programs for Animals.



Frenchy has been part of the Southern New Mexico PAWS training program. She is available for adoption at ACTION Programs for Animals.



Rizzo has been part of the Southern New Mexico PAWS training program. She is available for adoption at ACTION Programs for Animals.

'Farmers Market Bingo'

Construction Compadres sponsored "Farmers Market Bingo" on Main Street downtown Saturday, Feb. 9, to draw attention to and support businesses impacted by construction projects downtown. Public figures raced through the weekly Farmers & Crafts Market, finding selected vendors in attempts to beat the competition back to the bingo board. Construction Compadres also has initiatives to support business in the Valley Drive/Avenida de Mesilla area impacted by road construction there.



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

A sign indicates access to Bank of the West, one of the businesses affected by the downtown construction.



Green Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Carrie Hamblen speaks to the competitors.



Lyndsey Kalsen and her daughter Marlena Kalsen walk down Main Street looking for bingo pieces.



Bingo participants Tamera Ahner and Terra Winters prepare to play.

Time to pull the plug on Spaceport America

Recently I sat in the audience listening to a spokesperson for Spaceport America explain the benefits of the Spaceport to the local economy. I was underwhelmed. Touted recent accomplishments were the filming of music videos and an intercollegiate science fair.

After the presentation, I asked the speaker for her best economic argument for Spaceport America. She said there was none, that New Mexico should support the spaceport because travel to space was romance.

I was shocked. The justification for voters supporting taxes to fund the spaceport always has been and always should be economic development.

And with that I now admit I was wrong. Spaceport America just hasn't panned out and it is time to end public subsidies.

I have long been an advocate for the spaceport, dating to April 2007, when Sierra and Doña Ana County voters approved a gross receipts tax increment to raise \$49 million to help fund it. In all the spaceport cost \$220 million, with two-thirds subsidized by the state of New Mexico.

The spaceport was projected to create a thousand jobs or more. This hasn't happened. Anchor tenant Virgin Galactic has yet to fly a single paying customer. SpaceX was expected to be a tenant but now operates in Brownsville, Texas. The facility has been reduced to renting itself for music



CHRIS ERICKSON
State of the Economy

videos to generate revenue.

A look at Spaceport America's 2017 financial statement tells the story. Total revenues were \$11.8 million; \$9.6 million, or 81 percent, came from government sources.

Actual revenues generated from private sector activity was \$2.2 million. The government spent a little over \$4 for every dollar of revenue. Put another way, the actual economic activity generated represents a 1 percent return on the \$220 million investment.

In the early days, there was considerable interest in Spaceport America. But quickly other spaceports, in California and Texas, came online. It did not help that the New Mexico Space Authority Board cut spending by 57 percent in 2012, undermining the spaceport just as the space industry was taking off.

There's always the promise, just around the corner, that Virgin Galactic is about to bear fruit. Richard Branson says he wants to personally travel to space by July. We shall see.

If Virgin Galactic does come through, it would be egg on my face. After supporting Spaceport America for 12 years, I give up on it. Now that would be ironic.

Christopher A. Erickson, Ph.D., is a professor of economics at NMSU. The opinions expressed may not be shared by the regents and administration of NMSU. Chris can be reached at chrerick@nmsu.edu.

Dual credit: What more proof do we need?

There's something significant about high school students seeing themselves as college students. It confirms that they can do something they previously thought may be too hard. It teaches them

how to succeed in a college environment. It makes high school graduation more accessible and the future feel that much closer and more achievable.

At The Bridge of Southern New Mexico, we learned that years ago from the trailblazers at Arrowhead Park Early College High School, as they took dual credit courses working toward high school and college graduation at the same



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time.

"It's going to give me a head start and help me know what to expect in college, rather than just going as a graduate and not knowing what to expect," said then-freshman

Norma Ibarra, who has since earned her four-year degree in Forensic Chemistry from Eastern New Mexico University. "It will prepare me for work, because there are high expectations of you."

"Taking college courses disciplines you and makes you ready for success," said University of New Mexico Engineering graduate Monica Lechuga, a first-generation American.

"Dual credit helped me get there faster. It would have taken more time and money. Instead, I graduated with no loans."

The latest report on New Mexico's dual credit program confirms that it is directly tied to higher high school graduation rates across the board, with some districts posting more than 20-point swings. In our local districts, the difference in graduation rates was:

- Gadsden: 96 vs. 82 percent
- Hatch: 90 vs. 68 percent
- Las Cruces: 97 vs. 86 percent

New Mexico's dual credit program is primarily benefitting students of color: 49 percent are Hispanic, and 11 percent are American Indian.

Underlying all that

success is a number that illustrates why it's critical to adequately fund the college and university partners who make the state's dual credit program work: For the first time since SY 2011-12, there were fewer dual credit students and fewer courses taken.

A program that's unquestionably successful should not be retracting; it should be expanding.

That's exactly why The Bridge convened leaders in public and higher education, along with the Department of Workforce Solutions, to figure out how to shore up this program – to forge a power solution for our students and our state.

The group proposed the New Mexico True Tal-

ent Acceleration Fund to help close the \$8 million-plus gap between waived tuition and the minimal reimbursements through the funding formula's dual credit performance metric.

Thanks to Rep. Nathan Small and Sen. George Muñoz, two bills are currently moving through the state legislature (HB 415 and SB 377) to provide the resources to not just sustain the program but expand it to support more students.

As stated by Dr. Michael Morehead, long-time dean of the NMSU College of Education and current board chair of The Bridge, "Never in my nearly 50 years as an educator have I observed anything as successful as

the dual credit program. Research ... consistently reports that students from all backgrounds and skills are more likely to graduate from high school and to more likely complete their higher education course of study. And importantly, a strong dual credit program can save families and students tens of thousands of dollars, thus reducing student loan debt."

We look forward to how this investment will benefit New Mexico for years to come.

Tracey Bryan is the president/CEO of The Bridge of Southern New Mexico. She can be reached at TraceyBryan@thebridgeofsnm.org.

BUSINESS BRIEF

Restaurant to open

The recently closed Dublin Street Irish Pub, 1745 E. University Ave., is expected to be the new location for a Weck's Restaurant.

Since 1991, Weck's, which serves "American" fare, has established 14 locations in New Mexico. The chain purchased the Dublin Street building on Feb. 13 and plans to open

its restaurant in the summer of 2019.

According to a press release, Weck's has more than 400 employees statewide.

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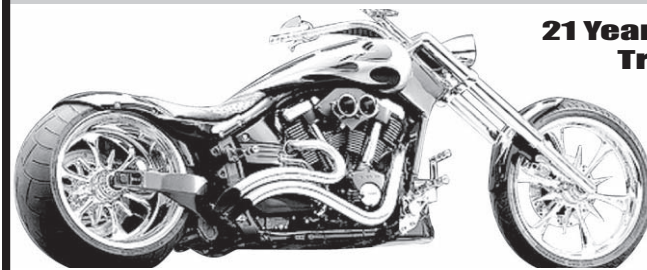
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Mesquite District organization celebrates 20 years

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Esperanzas, Inc. (LEI) is celebrating its 20th anniversary of helping to protect, preserve and revitalize the history and culture of Las Cruces' Mesquite Historic District (MHD), which includes much of the city's original townsite.

"It's not just houses," said LEI President Dolores Archuleta, a former Las Cruces city councilor and current chair of the City of Las Cruces' Veterans Wall Committee. She also represents LEI on the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership and the city's Historic Preservation Ad Hoc Committee.

Since its founding in 1999, LEI has not only worked to restore and preserve historic adobes in the district, it has also led the rebirth of Klein Park and construction of the Jardin de Mesquite and Entrada del Sol "gateways" into



Olivia Lerma McDonald with a photograph of her mother, Consuelo "Connie" Lerma, who founded Las Esperanzas, Inc. in 1999.

the historic district. Members have worked with the city to develop a neighborhood plan, created the LEI commu-

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nity garden and helped to make infrastructure improvements to the district, including street lights and historic sig-



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The bronze plaque located in Klein Park, 155 N. Mesquite St., recognizing Consuelo Lerma, who founded Las Esperanzas, Inc. 20 years ago.

nage. They have also organized neighborhood cleanups and community health fairs, participated in local celebrations and even conducted surveys to determine residents' needs and concerns.

"The 20th anniversary

of LEI is a major milestone for us," Archuleta said.

A lot of credit for starting LEI goes to Consuelo "Connie" Lerma (1917-2004), who founded the nonprofit and recruited LEI members

at Klein Park, "where she sat in front of a card table and talked to anyone who would listen about the problems in MHD," Archuleta said in a written history of LEI. Lerma, who was recognized as Las Cruces' citizen of the year in 2004, continued picking up trash in the district into her 80s, Archuleta said.

To honor preservation efforts, LEI awards memorial plaques to the owners of homes and other buildings in the district. The plaques were designed by Olivia Lerma McDonald (Connie's daughter), who continues as an active LEI member. The design was "Inspired by an adobe home built in the early part of the last century by her grandfather, Jesús Ríos, on Tornillo Street," according to LEI's website. McDonald calls it her "virtual

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Certified Mesquite Historic District properties

Among the Mesquite Historic District properties receiving memorial certificates from Las Esperanzas, Inc. are:

- The home of late Dan Sosa, Jr., retired chief justice of the New Mexico Supreme Court. His adobe home at 326 N. San Pedro St., built by his grandfather in 1866, is where he was born (and died). "I could afford to live in anywhere in Las Cruces," Sosa said, "this is where I decided to make it our

"home sweet home."

- Another adobe in the district is known as the Frank Ascárate-Nevarez House, at 218-232 N. Campo St., constructed in two separate phases by two prominent families. The south portion, constructed in 1890, was known as the Frank Ascárate House.

- The Barrio house, at 320 E. Amador Ave., was built in 1886 when New Mexico was still a territory. The original

property deed describes the location as "Un Numero de yardas de la acequia." That acequia is now South Alameda Boulevard/El Paseo Road.

- The current owners of the house at 326 Mesquite Street traced this house back to the mid-1800s and part of the original townsite. The property was occupied by numerous pioneer settlers and has connections to the Piro-Manso-Tiwa tribe.

— Dolores Archuleta

CELEBRATES

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adobe," since the medalion was designed on her computer.

LEI's first plaque was unveiled at Klein Park and have since been awarded to dozens of property owners in the district, including the Sunshine Grocery and the historic Phillips Chapel. LEI members have also been active in assisting St. Genevieve's Church in preserving San José Cemetery, which contains some of the city's oldest gravesites (the earliest, according to LEI, was the burial of a 12-year-old girl on July 4, 1859), including those of the Martin Amador and Nestor Armijo families.

Drugs and gangs were two big problems in the district when the nonprofit LEI was formed, Archuleta said. LEI was instrumental in bringing the Weed and Seed (W&S) initiative to MHD. W&S is a U.S. Department of Justice program "developed to demonstrate an innovative and comprehensive approach to law enforcement and community revitalization," according to www.ojjdp.gov. Along with La Nueva Casita Café, LEI continues to co-sponsor an annual enchilada fundraiser to support W&S, which is headquartered on 906 N. Tornillo St. in MHD. The event raised \$5,500 last November, which helped pay for winter clothing for W&S participants, Archuleta said.

LEI "does a lot for the community," said LEI member and past president Freda Firefly



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Dolores Archuleta, Freda Firefly Flores (standing) and Olivia Lerma McDonald collectively have more than 50 years of membership in Las Esperanzas, Inc.

Flores, who works part-time for W&S. Flores, Archuleta and McDonald have more than 50 years combined LEI membership.

Founding member Elizabeth Lannert and Sylvia Camunez were also prominent LEI leaders. Lannert was the first president of the nonprofit and Camunez was president "when they got

a lot of the infrastructure completed through capital outlay money," said MHD resident and Las Cruces arts activist Irene Oliver-Lewis.

La Nueva Casita Café co-owner Melissa Salazar is also a prominent LEI member Archuleta said. She and her father, Jaime, have supported the W&S enchilada supper, the annual Win-



This map shows the Las Esperanzas service area, which includes most of Las Cruces' original townsites.

terfest event and other events and activities in the historic district.

Archuleta was "born and raised a block from Klein Park," at 329 E. May Ave., and she is still researching the history of her adobe home built in 1923 by her father, a Pueblo Tiwa Indian and graduate of Carlisle Indian School in Pennsylvania.

McDonald also was born in MHD. Her great-grandparents bought their first house in Las Cruces at Church Street and Lohman Avenue in

1881, she said.

Flores lives at 418 E. Amador Ave. in MHD. Her family records show that Magdaleno Baca Sr. established his homestead there when the original Piro-Manso-Tiwa Tribe settled the area in the early 1800s.

The city has taken over the LEI community garden at the corner of Spruce Street and San Pedro Avenue, Archuleta said, where two plots are given to W&S students annually, where Flores helps them plant and grow vegetables that they harvest.

The nonprofit continues to work on the tribal gateway that will be located at the south end of Amador Avenue, said Flores, who is lieutenant governor of the Piro Manso-Tiwa Indian tribe. (Mike - three gateways were planned and

the tribal gateway is the 3rd.)

LEI adopted Klein Park eight years ago, McDonald said, and continues to sponsor the park's participation in the Keep Las Cruces Beautiful program, and to work with children in the W&S program on local participation in the Toss No Mas and Great American Cleanup programs.

LEI meets at 5:30 p.m. the first Thursday of each month (next meeting: March 7) in the fellowship hall at El Calvario Methodist Church, 300 N. Campo St. Everyone is welcome to attend, and to join LEI.

For more information, visit www.las-esperanzas.com.


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Zip It Up offers comfort for dialysis patients

By ALEXIA SEVERSON

Las Cruces Bulletin

A new kind of apparel geared toward people undergoing medical treatments will now be displayed and sold in Las Cruces, thanks to an El Paso resident and former Las Cruces who saw a need for the clothing after being diagnosed with kidney disease and starting dialysis therapy.

Bernie Serrano, 49, CEO and founder of Zip It Up Convertible Medical and Outdoor Apparel, opened Zip It Up Showroom and Retail at 2645 Missouri Ave., Ste. 2. on Feb. 20. The apparel is also sold at BEK Medical stores in El Paso and Dallas, Texas.

“Hopefully Las Cruces will be accepting of it,” Serrano said of the showroom and retail space. “I hope that (the clothing) will change their lives like it did for me — give them back their life, like it gave me back my life.”

The idea to create Zip It Up apparel was born from Serrano’s personal experience with dialysis, a process in which a machine performs tasks normally done by healthy kidneys, such as removing waste, salt and excess water from the blood. Serrano began receiving treatment three years ago, visiting DaVita Americas Dialysis in El Paso for four hours, three times a week.

Like many dialysis patients, these visits quickly became the hard-



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CEO and founder of Zip It Up Convertible Medical and Outdoor Apparel Bernie Serrano hangs Zip It Up T-shirts on a rack at Zip It Up Showroom and Retail, 2645 Missouri Ave., Ste. 2.



Serrano demonstrates how the sleeve of Zip It Up T-shirts can be converted into a short sleeve when needed.

est part of Serrano’s day. The rooms were kept at cold temperatures, causing him to shiver and ultimately feel very tired.

In addition, according to the National Kidney Foundation, during dialysis, “blood is circulated outside of the body and

design that eventually became Zip It Up’s first product, a T-shirt with a hidden zipper that could be unzipped to convert the shirt’s long sleeves into short sleeves when needed.

Serrano said wearing the shirt made a huge difference. During his four hours of treatment, he wasn’t shaking from the cold anymore. The technicians liked the shirt, too because it didn’t disrupt treatment.

“After treatment (wearing the shirt), I felt good, and I was able to go on living and do what I had to do. It gave me back my life. I wasn’t so tired. I didn’t have to go straight home and go to bed,” Serrano said.

After giving the shirt a test run, Serrano was eager to share it with other patients. But it wasn’t until he received several compliments on the shirt by the El Paso dialysis center staff, that Serrano began thinking about turning his product into a business. With the staff’s encouragement, Serrano took the necessary steps to get his convertible apparel patented.

“To this day, I think to myself, it seems like something so simple, but yet, the need is so great,” Serrano said.

Serrano said he hopes his apparel helps patients want to keep receiving treatment as they wait for a kidney transplant.

“The treatment is the worst part of our disease,” he said. “This

garment makes the treatment so much better; it makes it OK, and hopefully, it will make it to where they don’t want to give up.”

Several patients have already benefited from Serrano’s Zip It Up apparel, including El Paso resident Paty Damas, who is also a patient at DaVita Americas Dialysis.

“The T-shirt zips up on my left arm, so I can just unzip it, and they do the dialysis and my upper body is covered,” Damas said.

Damas, who met Serrano while wearing her Zip It Up shirt, said she is thankful he had the idea.

“Not only does it help him, but all the other people who are using it,” she said. “To me, it’s very helpful. I really like my shirt. I would highly recommend it to other people because it helps keep them warm.”

Along with dialysis, Zip It Up apparel is ideal for many other medical treatments, such as chemo and infusion therapy. The company has also expanded into the realm of outdoor apparel, with clothing geared towards fishing, hunting, construction and more. All Zip It Up apparel is made in El Paso, Serrano said.

For information about Zip It Up, call 833-947-4887 (ZIP-ITUP), email corp@zip-itup.com or visit www.zip-itup.com.

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Study finds high rate of cesarean births on border

By **CARLOS ANDRES LOPEZ**
For the Bulletin

Hispanic women living in the United States' Southwest-border region have a cesarean rate that is higher than that of other Hispanic women in the border states and U.S. Hispanic women overall, a research team at New Mexico State University has discovered.

The findings were published in the health care journal *Health Affairs*.

The study examined 187 counties in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas where births occurred. According to the study, the overall cesarean rate in the 23 border counties was 38.3 percent. In the 164 non-border counties, the overall cesarean rate was 30.9 percent – almost 8 percent less than the rate in border counties. Even among low-risk women with no previous cesareans, 31.2 percent had cesarean deliveries.

Hispanic rates also far exceeded non-Hispanic white rates on the border.

The findings reflect a reversal of the situation in years past, said Jill McDonald, NMSU public health sciences professor, who led the research team that conducted the study, which was funded by a \$100,000 grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration.

“Prior to 2013, Hispanic women had lower cesarean rates than non-Hispanic white women in the U.S.,” said McDonald, who serves as the director of the Southwest Institute for Health Disparities Research in the College of Health and Social Services at NMSU. “Now, Hispanic women are more likely

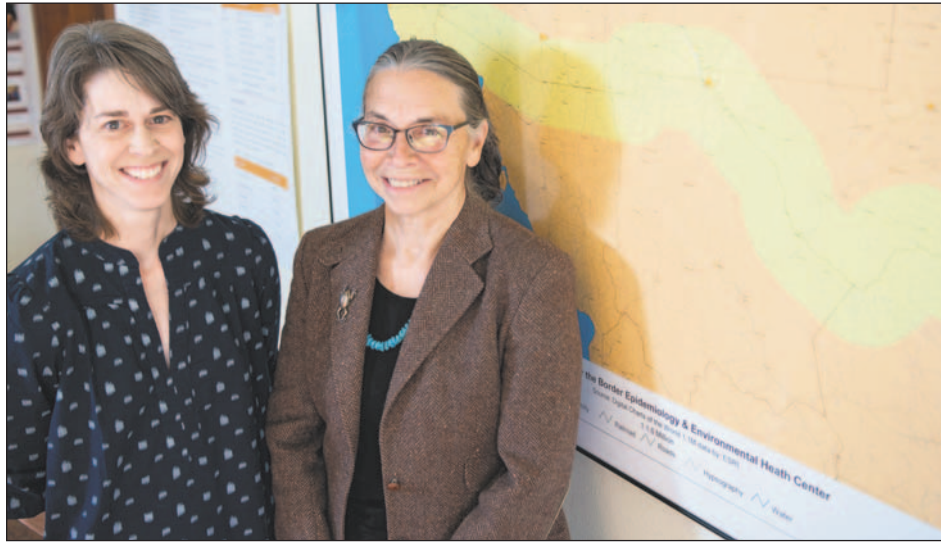


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Jill McDonald, right, and Charlotte Gard faculty members at New Mexico State University, were part of an NMSU research team that discovered Hispanic women living in the border region in the United States were more likely to have a cesarean birth than other Hispanic women in border states and U.S. Hispanic women overall.

to have a cesarean birth than non-Hispanic white women.”

In the *Health Affairs* publication, NMSU researchers tried to identify the causes of disparities in cesarean deliveries by Hispanic women on the border. McDonald and the research team, which included Charlotte Gard, NMSU associate professor of applied statistics, Anup Amatya, former NMSU associate professor of public health sciences, and Jesus Sigala, former NMSU graduate student of applied statistic, used a database of U.S. births from 2015 from the National Vital Statistics System.

In Southern New Mexico counties, overall cesarean rates ranged from 22 to 40 percent, while some counties in West and South Texas had rates of more than 48 percent. “The outcomes were generally worse for Texas than the other border states,” Gard said.

According to the study,

maternal characteristics, such as the proportions with breech births, prenatal medical risk factors and getting prenatal care in the first trimester, explained more than 50 percent of the county-level variation in cesarean rate. Other major contributors to higher cesarean rates included: for-profit hospital status, delivery by a physician as opposed to a midwife and living in a county with a large Hispanic population.

McDonald also believes cultural factors might contribute to high cesarean rates among Hispanic women living in the U.S. border region. The women’s proximity to Mexico, which has an overall higher rate of cesarean deliveries than the U.S., could be a factor, she added.

Given the risk factors associated with cesarean deliveries, the increased rates are worrisome, McDonald said.

“A cesarean is good if you need it. But if it’s not

necessary, both mother and baby would be better without it,” she said. “Women giving birth in

high-rate counties are probably facing higher risks. And, those women will face those risks again in subsequent cesarean deliveries. After you have one, almost all women will only have cesarean deliveries for subsequent pregnancies.”

McDonald said figuring out the best way to reduce cesarean rates can be challenging. Gard said some states have experimented with lowering reimbursements to hospitals and providers for cesarean deliveries, which are currently higher than for vaginal births. Other states require women to get a second opinion before having a cesarean birth.

“It’s not going to be one easy solution. We’re going to need a multifaceted strategy that works for

women, hospitals and state legislators,” McDonald said, adding that interventions should also address cultural factors.

The study notes that a strategy with cultural sensitivity might include: bilingual education in prenatal care that lays out the risks and benefits of cesarean delivery; public reporting of hospital-specific cesarean rates in English and Spanish; and measures to remove barriers to the management of labor and delivery by doulas or certified nurse midwives.

To read an abstract of the study, visit www.healthaffairs.org/doi/abs/10.1377/hlthaff.2018.05369.

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Now that the Parks & Recreation Department's new outdoor Fitness Court at the Hadley Complex is open, the department's Fitness Ambassadors have set dates to provide instruction, answer questions and assist in the use of the equipment. The Fitness Court is an outdoor bodyweight circuit training facility designed to transform public spaces into community fitness hubs. A Fitness Ambassador will be available on site on Wednesdays from 5:30–6:15 p.m. and Saturdays from 10–11 a.m. through March 20. For access to simple seven-station workouts, to get involved with exclusive training events, or to learn how to qualify for the Fitness Court Challenge event, residents are invited to download the free Fitness Court App on iOS or Android. For more information, call 575-541-2550.

HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

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Breast cancer support group: Meets 10-11:30 a.m. fourth Saturday, Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., west side annex building. Free, no pre-registration, open to all.

Breastfeeding support group: 10-11:30 a.m. every Friday, Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room. Refreshments provided. Cost: free. Info: 575-521-5393.

Cancer support group: 6:30-8 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday, University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer Care is a support group for those dealing with cancer. Info: Betty Harris, 575-524-3994 or the church office, 575-522-8220.

Dementia Caregiving Course: "Skills for Dementia Caregiving," 1-3 p.m.

Thursdays, Jan. 24-Feb. 28., 155 S. Telshor Blvd. A free six-session program designed for family and friends caring for a loved one with dementia. To register, call 1-800-272-3900 or email [Alexis Ramirez at alramirez@alz.org](mailto:alexisramirez@alz.org). For directions, call 575-647-3868.

Diabetes support group: 5-6:30 p.m. first Tuesday of each month, Mountainview Senior Circle Association, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 1. For children in elementary through high school. Parents or guardians must attend. Info 575-522-0289.

Diabetes support group: 10-11:15 a.m. third Thursday in the meeting room of Natural Grocers, 3970 E. Lohman Ave. Open discussion and a question-and-answer period. Info: 575-522-0289.

Epilepsy support group: 1-2:30 p.m. first Saturday, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Support for anyone with epilepsy, those who have loved ones with epilepsy, and caregivers of epileptics. Info: 505-243-9119 or EpilepsySupportNM.org.

Immunization services: For children up to 18, Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at the New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Central Public Health Office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Info: 575-528-5006.

MS support group: 4:30-6 p.m. first Thursday, Social Center Creative Arts Room at Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Info/RSVP: [Andres Selgado](mailto:Andres.Selgado@good-samaritan.org), 915-433-2588



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NMSU basketball

Life is good on South Triviz Drive, just as an old friend pays a visit

By **MARTY RACINE**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Twenty-two straight.

That's how you add up the combined winning streaks of the New Mexico State University men's basketball team (12 games) and women's (10).

And just as both squads have taken command in the Western Athletic Conference and polished their resumes for the post-season, the men prepare to greet former Aggie baller Shawn Harrington Saturday, Feb. 23, whose inspiring story is the subject of a book ("All the Dreams We've Dreamed: A Story of Hoops and Handguns on Chicago's West Side") and a documentary ("Chi Town").

Harrington, who was shot and paralyzed in his native Chicago in 2014, joins "Chi Town" director Nick Budabin and "Dreams" author Rus Bradburd for a Q&A session following the documentary's 7 p.m. Friday screening at Allen Theatres Cineport 10. The screening is presented by the Las Cruces International Film Festival, which continues through the weekend.

On Saturday, Harrington and Bradburd will attend NMSU's 4 p.m.

matinee against UT Rio Grande Valley at the Pan American Center, signing books in the Pan Am lobby. At 7:30 Saturday night, they host another signing at the Health & Social Services Auditorium on campus. The event is free.

Bradburn is a former NMSU basketball coach who happened to coach Harrington during the 1995-96 season.

"As a player Shawn did everything a coach would want him to do," Bradburn recalled. "He graduated from college, he was a good parent, he went back to his high school [Chicago's Marshall] to try to make a difference by teaching."

At the time of his shooting, Bradburn noted, Harrington was driving his daughter to school in a rental car.

"It was a case of mistaken identity; these guys ran up to his car and opened fire on him and he dove on top of his daughter and saved her life, but he took a bullet in the back.

"To me it was such a remarkable act of heroism and it drove me crazy that this guy wasn't being treated like a hero."

That frustration fueled Bradburn, who retired



Shawn Harrington at a halftime ceremony last season.

Junior transfer Trevelin Queen led the Aggies with 13 points and six blocks in their Feb. 16 win over Seattle U.

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from coaching in 2000 and enrolled in NMSU's creative writing MFA program, to eventually pursue the book project – which in a larger sense portrays the senseless violence occurring daily on Chicago's West and South sides.

Currently, Bradburn teaches fiction at NMSU, although two of his previous three books are non-fiction.

"What fascinates me about writing and reading is the same thing that fascinates me about basketball," Bradburn said. "It's the stories behind the game, the personalities, the interactions. I was always more

interested in the stories behind the games rather than the statistical or analytical parts."

"All the Dreams We've Dreamed" is available on Barnes & Noble's website and on Amazon.

Court in session

Back in the gym, both NMSU squads have been dominant after a modestly successful start to the season.

As expected, the women are led by fluent scorer Gia Pack and all-around performer Brooke Salas. Head coach Brooke Atkinson is not going two seconds of a close game without either on the floor.

In any given contest,

Salas is not the tallest player on the court, or perhaps even the most athletic. She just knows the game – like a coach on the floor, always in the right position, making winning plays. She's got quick hands on defense, a quick release on offense, has a nose for the ball on the boards and creates opportunities for herself and others.

Tipoff in Edinburg, Texas, Saturday is 6 p.m.

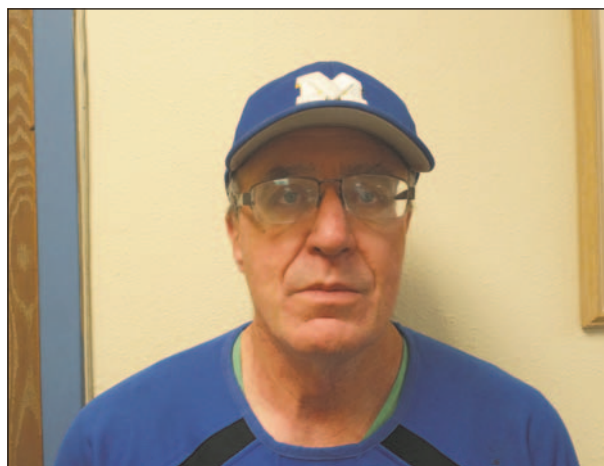
The men are winning both blowouts and squeakers, including a struggle over Seattle U. Feb. 16. They've also been charmed. Native Cruces Johnny McCants stunned Grand Canyon 77-75

Jan. 10 at the Pan Am with a half-court heave as time expired. On Feb. 7, Trevelin Queen, a junior who's coming on strong, drained a 3-pointer at the buzzer to beat CSU Bakersfield on the road 71-70.

Streak or not, these are critical wins that can influence the NCAA selection committee in case the men (23-4 overall) or the women (19-6) are upset in the competitive WAC tournament in March and lose an automatic bid.

Billy Huntsman contributed to the story. Marty Racine may be reached at editor@lascrucesbulletin.com.

Beardsley awarded



COURTESY PHOTO

Mesilla Valley Christian School varsity baseball coach Steve Beardsley has been awarded the Milestone Award by the New Mexico Coaches Association. The Milestone is presented to coaches who have attained various professional markers in their career. Beardsley was recognized for winning his 200th game as a varsity coach – he now has 216. He has been at the helm all 16 years MVCS has fielded varsity baseball. Under his leadership, five MVCS players have earned college baseball scholarships. In 2017 MVCS was awarded 2nd place statewide among 38 Class 2A schools in the annual NMAA Director's Cup Competition, which accounts for number of wins, post-season tournament wins and sportsmanship.



In recognition

Board member Gary Tuttle, Mike and Marilyn Simione and immediate past president Jack Welch from Doña Ana County Senior Olympics (DACSO) gather at a recent celebration recognizing DACSO's 40th anniversary. The anniversary coincides with the 2019 National Senior Olympics to be held in Albuquerque in June.

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RICHARD COLTHARP

Martinez posts career-best runs

Grand Canyon University distance runner Desiree Martinez recently had a strong performance at a track and field meet. The freshman out of Centennial High School finished third in the 800-meter run in a field of 13 at the Mountain T's Invitational. She ran a career-best 2

minutes, 19.41 seconds.

Martinez also scored by placing fourth among 12 in the 600m run with a career-best 1:40.79. In her January debut, she finished third in the 800.



BARBARA BOXLEITNER

Keeping Up

College against Northwest Kansas Tech. The Las Cruces High product had two at-bats.

• Oñate High graduate Brandy Hernandez started the first three games for New Mexico State

University and batted .500. She has been playing left field.

Women's bowling

• Vanderbilt University junior Adel Wahner was named to the Prairie View Invitational all-tournament team. Previously at Mayfield High, she finished in fifth place with a 204.33 traditional game average.

Softball

• Freshman pitcher Sabrynn Chacon allowed three earned runs and four hits in three-and-two-thirds innings of her start for Luna Community College. The Centennial graduate struck out five in the no-decision.

• Brooklyn Monsivaiz had a double and two runs batted in for Otero Junior

Baseball

• Past Knight Michael Avilucea hit .389 through five starts for Benedictine University Mesa. The junior infielder had one home run and a team-high eight RBI.

• Sophomore catcher Cedric Reynaud hit .313 through six games for New Mexico Military Institute. Reynaud, who played for the Hawks, had a perfect fielding percentage in a team-high 46 chances.

• New Mexico Military pitcher Jadon Archuleta was 1-0 with one save in three appearances. The freshman did not allow an earned run. He played for the Bulldogs.

Men's track & field

• Sophomore Nate Montemayor of Maryville University won the 5,000m run at the Principia Relays. The Oñate alumnus prevailed in a field of 15.

• Eastern New Mexico University freshman Ryan Cox finished 15th in the 60m hurdles at the Don Kirby Elite Invitational. The former Trojan was 15th in the high jump at the Texas Tech Open.

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Beware the Ides of (wind-blown) March

We have officially entered the windy season here in the high desert. For the next three months, when we head to the golf course in late morning, we are thinking "Will this wind ever end?"

It will, just as the daytime temperatures soar close to 100.

Playing good golf on a windy day is certainly an acquired skill, requiring patience, awareness and adjustment.

The first thing we need to realize is that we must keep the ball somewhat low when hitting into the wind.

If you're a high-ball hitter, you need to develop a swing to keep the ball down and under the wind. Hitting a driver into a stiff breeze, your best bet is to have the ball low and running hard on the ground in the short grass. To do that, simply de-loft the club by keeping the angle of attack close to the ground and somewhat to the inside. And the old saying "When it's breezy swing easy" remains basically true. All too often high-handi-



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cappers are lured into the tendency to take a vicious cut at the shot to counter wind speed, only to watch the ball spin too high and sail wildly in the wrong direction.

Cold air temperature, cloud cover and dampness also add to the difficulty.

Generally, a ball that spins too much into the wind will be trouble. Air moving into you, or even crosswise, at 20-30 mph will take a left-to-right spinning ball and send it off line as much as 100 yards. A launch monitor will tell you whether your ball is going too high and is spinning too much.

Modifying your swing to lower the trajectory and reduce the spin takes plenty of practice. Go to a practice range that is set up for you to hit into the prevailing wind. Hit enough balls, aiming at a very specific target, so that you're confident in making a solid shot into a strong wind.

Essentially the same technique goes for iron shots and fairway woods. To keep the ball down with irons you can't take a full follow-through; rather, it is somewhat a "punch" shot with limited wrist release. Practice hitting your irons to exact targets, so you can estimate how much more club you need to take in a stiff breeze. It could be

two or three clubs more than a regular shot. Don't get caught underclubbing yourself.

With holes that go downwind, decide whether you want to bomb it with a driver or play it safe with a shorter shot. Super long drives with a helping wind can land and roll in some terrible places.

Consider your 3-wood to be your friend when it's blustery for almost every hole, regardless of the wind direction. Your chances of controlling a straight shot with a 3-wood should be better than any other club in your bag.

Shots to par-3 holes can be especially tricky on windy days. Regardless where the flag is

located, going for the center of the green is the best bet. One of the most challenging holes on the PGA Tour is the 137-yard 17th hole at TPC Sawgrass, the island green, at the Players Championship, which will be played in mid-March this year.

At the 2007 Championship, with thousands of spectators ringing the hole, some of the best players in the world, battling 35 mph winds off the Atlantic, put 50 balls in the water one day.

Putting on a blustery day requires awareness and caution. With typically fast greens it's a good idea to avoid hitting shots that end up long and above the hole. Some downhill down-

wind putts are impossible to stop unless they go in the hole. Putting uphill into the wind will require more stroke.

There are usually gusty conditions on windy days, so be prepared to briefly wait out a strong gust if it doesn't slow things down too much. Finally, it's important to keep your body balance stable, so practice with a wider stance to be comfortable.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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Chloe Dunlap is an 18-year-old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. She plays forward on the Lady Blazers basketball team. She is reliable, consistent, hard-working and has a great sense of humor. Dunlap shows up to practice every day and works hard at improving her game. She is coachable, unselfish, never complains about her role on the team, stays in great shape and plays heavy minutes when needed. Dunlap is a dedicated student, with a 3.86 GPA. Outside of school and basketball, she enjoys painting, drawing, listening to music and hanging out with friends.



Michael Johnson is an 18-year-old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. He plays guard on the Son Blazers basketball team. In two recent games, Johnson had 20 points, six rebounds, 12 assists and five steals and helped the team win both games. He is a true Christian leader and a great example for his teammates, working hard and constantly seeking to get better. Johnson is unselfish in his play and has helped the team have great success this season. He is a dedicated student, with a 3.70 GPA. Outside of school and basketball, Johnson enjoys his church youth group, movies, video games and hanging out with friends.

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