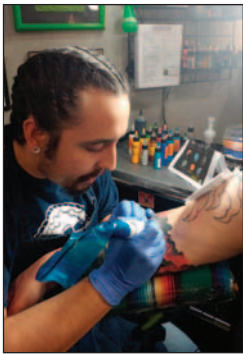


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New Mexico State Senate President Pro-Tem Mary Kay Papan and Sen. Joseph Cervantes, both Democrats from Las Cruces whose districts lie entirely in Doña Ana County, attended the opening of the state legislature on Tuesday, Jan. 15, in Santa Fe. Papan was elected to the state Senate in 2000 and is in her fifth term. Cervantes was elected to the Senate in 2012, re-elected in 2016. For related story, see page 16.

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County moves to beef up mental health services

The Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners has approved contracts that will improve access to behavioral health care for county residents.

Currently, if a District Court judge determines that someone needs inpatient psychiatric care, that person is transported to the state hospital in Las Vegas, N.M., 290 miles away.

As a result of one of the newly approved contracts, many of these people will be able to remain in Doña Ana County, closer to their family, friends and other support services. It will also save on county resources used to transport people to Las Vegas each week.

The contract will remain in effect until June 30, 2019 with the option to renew at the discretion of the county for an additional seven one-year terms.

Doña Ana County is responsible to provide access to healthcare services for indigent residents who qualify for the Healthcare Assistance Program.

The county is seeking to include local psychiatric inpatient care services as part of the Healthcare Assis-

tance Program. The transition from inpatient to outpatient care, and family engagement are critical to an effective behavioral healthcare system.

Partnering with a local hospital to partner with for psychiatric inpatient care enables the residents to remain within the county for their care. The county will reimburse the hospital for inpatient care that is medically necessary and not covered by another payer, such as Medicaid, Medicare or private healthcare insurance, provided the individual qualifies for the program.

The average number of Doña Ana County residents admitted to the state hospital annually is 63.5, with an average number of bed days of 819, and an average length of stay of 12.9 days.

The commissioners also awarded a contract to the Center for Health Innovation, under which CHI staff will work with the county and other local healthcare providers to develop a psychiatric residency program.

"The establishment of a psychiatric residency program will be a big step forward in our community,"

said Health and Human Services Department Director Jamie Michael. "It has the potential to dramatically increase the number of psychiatrists practicing which not only improve access to care but also has an economic impact."

The newly approved Graduate Medical Education contract is designed to address and alleviate behavioral health and primary care workforce shortages and prepare providers to deliver quality services in a networked, team-based, value-driven, patient-centered focused model.

County staff will work with the contractor to design the curricula, determine locations, and develop partnerships necessary for the creation and implementation of the accredited Psychiatric Residency Program, and support new or existing primary care residency programs in the future.

The GME program will create new opportunities for medical school graduates to stay in Doña Ana County after graduation.

DASO targets drunk drivers

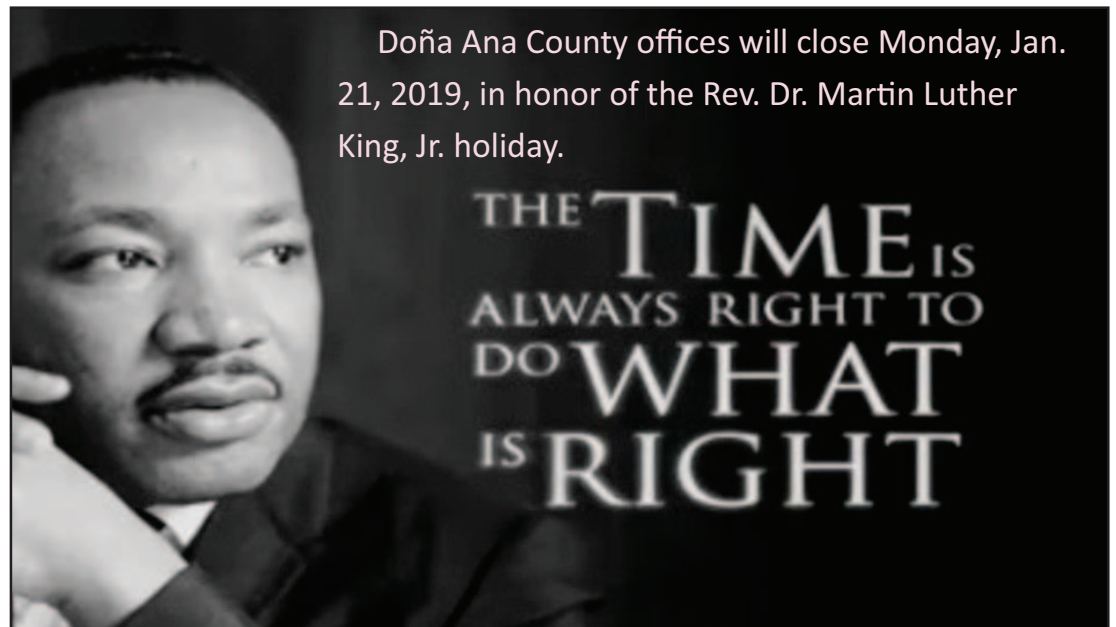
The Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department has scheduled several traffic projects and two anti-DWI saturation patrols during the month of January. These activities are part of an ongoing effort to increase safety on the road and reduce DWI-related crashes, injuries and deaths.

Traffic projects address areas in Doña Ana County where speeding or other violations have been reported. There are five traffic projects scheduled in January.

Deputies will also conduct at least two saturation patrols through the end of the month at various undisclosed locations throughout Doña Ana County. Deputies will be looking for all types of violations, with an emphasis on intoxicated drivers.

The Doña Ana County Health and Human Services Department offers county residents a low-cost taxi ride home through Project HOME (Helping Others Make it home Every time), which is available on Fridays, Saturdays and holidays from 5:30 p.m. to 3 a.m.

The project is a collaborative initiative with Las Cruces Shuttle and Taxi by which a person or group who has been drinking any amount of alcohol can call (575) 524-TAXI.



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Public lands bills re-introduced in U.S. Senate

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

In January, Lisa Murkowski, an Alaska Republican, re-introduced public lands bills that include the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Conservation Act, the Cerros del Norte Conservation Act and reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund, among others.

"I was so pleased to learn that Senator Murkowski and a bipartisan group of senators were supporting [New Mexico] Sens. [Tom] Udall and [Martin] Heinrich's bill for permanent protection as wilderness in Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks National Monument (OMDP) and the funding for The Land and Water Conservation Fund," said Las Cruces City Councilor Gill Sorg. "I'm extremely pleased the Senate will bring it up for a vote. It not only protects the recreational uses of the public lands but the diversity of the flora and fauna that lives there."

"The package was thwarted by a single U.S. senator from Utah last Congress, despite strong support," according to a Jan. 10 news release from the New Mexico Wild.

"Thankfully, it was reported that Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Kentucky, and Minority Leader Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., pledged to bring the lands package up for a vote ... in January, and given



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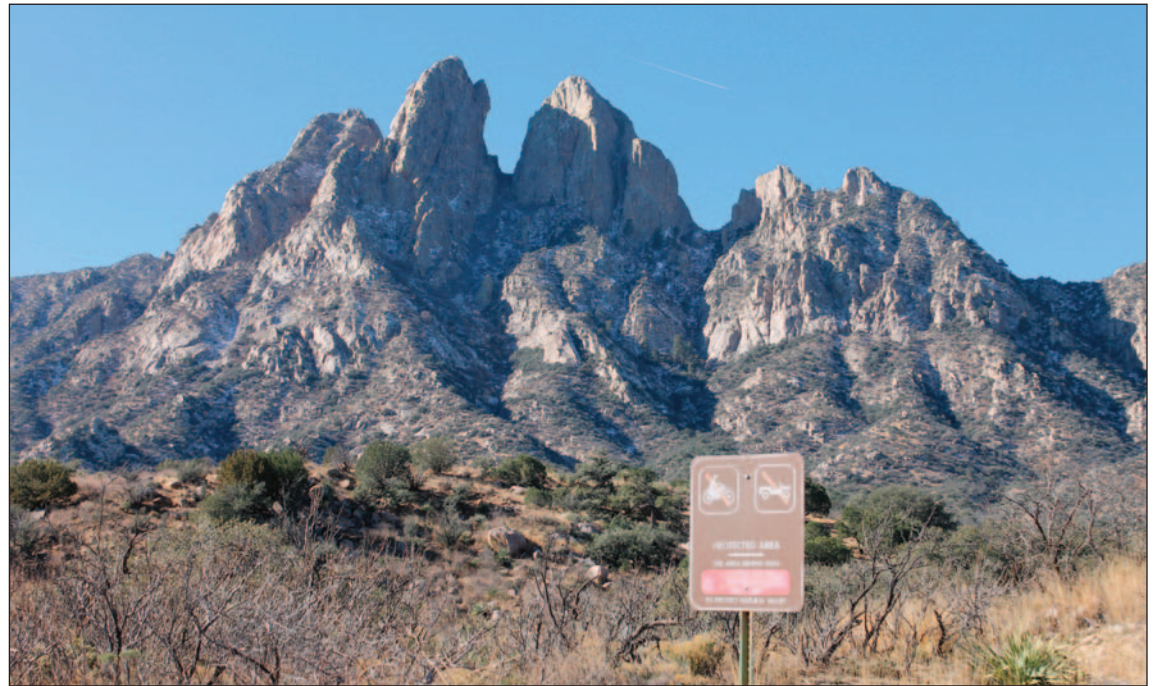
MATT MASON

that it was just reintroduced, a broad coalition is asking that Congress pass the bipartisan public lands package now."

"Wilderness designation is the gold standard for ensuring that our wildlife survives and thrives into the future, so this is a long overdue piece of legislation," said Kevin Bixby, executive director of the Southwest Environmental Center in Las Cruces. "We need to be setting aside much more wilderness to counter the assault on wildlife and natural areas that is taking place on a daily basis around the world and here in the Southwest."

"Some of the best experiences of my life have been in wilderness areas and I'm generally in support of more protection for our public lands," said Las Cruces cyclist Matt Mason. "Currently, bikes are not allowed in wilderness areas. I'd like to see the Monumental Loop route, which is on existing trails and roads, remain open to bicycle travel. I firmly believe bike-packing is compatible with wilderness designation in OM-DP. This may not be true for other wilderness areas."

Legislation to safeguard the two national monuments was first introduced by retired U.S.



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The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument is included in a public-lands package introduced in Congress by Alaska Senator Lisa Murkowski.

Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., in 2009 in the 111th Congress, and then again by Sens. Udall and Heinrich in the 112th and 113th Congress.

President Obama established the monuments during his second term in office.

"Many of the proposed wilderness areas enjoy temporary wilderness status as Wilderness Study Areas (WSA), but only Congress can designate an official wilderness area through legislation," according to New Mexico Wild. "The bills will designate roughly 261,500 acres of wilderness within the OMDP and Río Grande del Norte national monuments."

New Mexico Wild claims the

wilderness bills will boost local economies.

"People come to the wildest places within the national monuments to hike, hunt, fish, ride horseback, bird, camp and more. These visits translate into real economic growth for the area. An EcoNorthwest study found that quiet recreation on BLM lands in New Mexico generated \$173 million in 2014 and supported 1,712 jobs across the state."

According to the release, "Hunting, livestock grazing, hiking, camping, horseback riding, firefighting and law enforcement and border security activities would continue in the wilderness areas. Grazing

would continue in already-permitted areas, and water rights would not be impacted under the proposed legislation. Additionally, traditional activities like wood and piñon gathering would continue.

"OMDP contains approximately 306 bird species and 78 mammal species, including golden eagles, mule deer, javelina, cougar, ring-tail cat and quail. The proposed wilderness," said the release, "will strengthen the wildlife habitat for these species as well as protect the watersheds that they depend on."

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Las Cruces International Airport Administrator Andy Hume, speaking at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum's Brown Bag Lecture Jan. 8.

Airport development on city's radar

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

"City Hall is very, very interested in what's going on at the airport," Las Cruces International Airport, Administrator Andy Hume said at a Jan. 8 Brown Bag Lecture at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum.

Hume said there is "a lot of work to be done" to get the airport to a level that will "attract the increased activity we want to have," including increased aviation activity and business development at the adjacent West Mesa Industrial Park.

The airport is currently home to two fixed-base operators, two Air National Guard units, a flight school, the city's Fire Station No. 7 and a weather station. Approximately 125 aircraft are based at the airport, which has six runways.

The 2,200-acre airport, about eight miles west of the city, is part of the city's Economic Development Department, Hume said, with development guided by the Airport Action Plan adopted by the Las Cruces City Council in 2018. The 20-year plan,

which Hume called "a working document," includes extensions of the airport's two major runways, adding more aircraft hangars and improved services, including for unmanned aircraft systems, handling cargo, large aircraft maintenance and possibly the return of commercial passenger service.

Hume said he also would like to see the reopening of a restaurant at the airport, which was previously the home of Crosswinds Grill, famous for its hamburgers, and possibly the construction of a hotel on property adjacent to the airport.

Crucial priorities at the airport include constructing a new approximately five-mile long internal fence, which Hume calls an important safety measure. In December, the city council accepted a \$56,160 grant from the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) to design an airport perimeter fence to prevent wildlife from entering airport runways. City Grants Administrator Amy Johnson Bassford said the city has applied to the FAA for a grant of more than

\$800,000 to construct the fence.

Completing deferred maintenance is another priority, Hume said, including improving pavement conditions of runways and taxiways.

Work on the airport apron is in the design phase, Hume said, and construction should begin this year.

While most airport funding comes from the FAA and NMDOT, Hume said the city council "has made it clear (the airport) is a very high priority for them."

The airport is also guided by the Airport Layout Plan approved by the FAA, which outlines capital improvement spending of about \$40 million over 20 years to pay for fencing, infrastructure rehabilitation, runway extension and road development.

Las Cruces Municipal Airport opened in 1942 as a U.S. military training facility. Ownership was transferred from the U.S. Department of the Interior to the city in 1955.

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A German Tornado is towed through the Holloman Air Force Base La Luz Gate on Jan. 13 at a speed of 3.5 mph on its way to the Otero County Fairgrounds and ultimately the New Mexico Museum of Space History.



Visitors take a closer look at the German Tornado at the Otero County Fairgrounds.

Tornado Alley

The New Mexico Museum of Space History in Alamogordo has acquired a German Tornado jet fighter, which it moved Saturday, Jan. 12, from Holloman Air Force Base to Alamogordo. The aircraft, which has a tail height of 20 feet, an open wingspan of 45.63 feet and a nose-to-tail length of 56.53 feet, was gifted by the departing German air force. It remained at the Otero County Fairgrounds until Jan. 15, when it made its final journey along Fairgrounds Road and Scenic Drive to the museum.



New Mexico Museum of Space History Director Chris Orwoll signs the Certificate of Ownership for the German Tornado donated by the German air force to the museum. Also pictured are Lt. Col Küppel and Col. Stephan Breidenbach, with the German air force; Tina Martinez, chair of the International Space Hall Foundation; and Johnny Powell, president of the International Space Hall Foundation.



Members of Southern New Mexico Honor Flight join German air force officers to welcome the German Tornado aircraft.

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Local businesses struggle against external forces

Owning your own business can be one of the most rewarding endeavors in our society.



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

It is also incredibly, relentlessly difficult.

Often, the smaller the business, the greater the difficulty.

Business owners constantly struggle with making the right decisions, hiring the right people and juggling myriad responsibilities.

That makes it incredibly frustrating when they are subjected to problems not of their own making.

In Las Cruces right now, many local businesses are struggling against those external forces.

Two businesses – La Fiesta Bakery and Metropolitan Deli – have recently closed their doors due to such forces.

For more than a year, La Fiesta has been battling the tide of construction hindering traffic flow to all the businesses along the Valley corridor from Picacho through Avenida de Mesilla. La Fiesta, which for 36 years has made what many Las Cruces call the best donuts in town, called it quits because of the difficulty to get to its store on 455 N. Valley Drive, home for the past 13 years.

The Valley construction is a state project, run by the New Mexico Department of Transportation. That has been complicated by city roadwork along Hadley Avenue and other parts of town. No matter where you go in Las Cruces, it seems there is one orange barrel zone after another. Often, as you'll re-route your trip to avoid one project, you'll run into another.

Currently, there are two projects on the south side of University Avenue. One is the new hotel and expansion of the convention center. The other is the

new art building at New Mexico State University. Those projects have frequently funneled traffic into one lane.

Those traffic issues are some of the many external forces that led the folks at Metropolitan Deli to their decision. Another big one is the new minimum wage ordinance from the City of Las Cruces. On Jan. 1, the Las Cruces minimum wage increased to \$10.10 per hour. That's \$2.60 more, and 35 percent, more than the state's minimum wage, and \$2.85 more, and 39 percent more, than El Paso's.

For a small business with several minimum wage employees, the increase can be enough to wipe out any profit. Or business owners will have to decide which employees to cut, or, as in the case of Metro Deli and others, face the decision whether to continue.

In informal discussions with three local business owners, I've been told the new wage hike will increase their expenses by approximately \$15,000; \$60,000; and in one case \$100,000.

There are businesses large enough, with enough revenue, to absorb those increases, but not very many in Las Cruces. Most of them are national chain companies. The small, local businesses, which help give our city its character, and whose owners invest in and give back to the community, suffer disproportionately.

Businesses are forced to raise prices to cover the expense, which means the people actually making minimum wage will get their increase eaten by rising costs. The city's own study on the minimum wage, by the Hibbs Institute, shows the economy will still likely grow with the wage hike, but not as robustly as without it. The study shows job growth would be larger by nearly 400 jobs had the wage not been increased.

Construction is a different animal. When infrastructure gets old and

Ol' Roanie

"How ya doin' Skip?" I asked.

"Okay, I guess," he said. "Remember my good rope horse?"

I remembered. Skip, like me, is left-handed and therefore requires a left-handed heelin' horse. Whenever I'm in southern New Mexico he lets me borrow ol' Roanie.

Last time I had been to his place to rope I got there early so I saddled up and was warmin' up the horse. I didn't remember him bein' quite so belligerent and feisty. He made a couple stops where I had to grab the horn!

When Skip arrived, he explained why Roanie was actin' up. It wasn't Roanie. It was the other horse.

The other horse, which had a big scar on his shoulder, was also a roan. He was the flotsam of a relationship gone bad. Skip had wanted to sell him but the now-departed love interest had insisted he keep him so they could go on romantic rides together. Skip roped on him now and then but it was always a risky venture. He kept thinkin' if he roped on him enough, he might make a good horse.

"Yeah," I said, "I remember ol' Roanie."

"Well, I just crippled him. And to top it off, the week before I'd gone down to Sullivan's and



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you it was a slant? Has walk-in tack storage in the front.

"I figgered it was a Christmas present for myself since I didn't have to buy anyone a diamond this year. And then Roanie got crippled. Dang!"

"It looks to me," I said, "that you might as well buy yourself two Christmas presents. Get a new horse. Sell the old one."

"I'm ... I'm not sure," he stuttered.

I went into my lecture about how horses aren't people and there is not much point hangin' onto a horse you can't use. I've seen too many people hang onto a horse that limps, jigs, bites or bucks or is just too much horse for them. I explain to these people they are not obligated to maintain a horse the rest of its life just because it cost \$1500. It was a bill of sale, not adoption papers.

I warmed to the subject using my nursing home analogy, the price of killer horses and the plethora of good horse-flesh available. "Life's too short," I concluded, "to spend good money on

Local NAACP celebrates Martin Luther King legacy Jr.

It has been more than 50 years since Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (1929-68) was assassinated. Viewed as one of history's most resonant voices for justice and equality, his birthday is now



BOBBIE GREEN

Guest column

a national holiday. There is a massive monument of his image in Potomac Park, along with heads of state such as Lincoln, Jefferson and Roosevelt. But recent changes in our political landscape, underhanded tactics, gerrymandering, voter suppression and reliance on an arguably obsolete electoral college have once again given rise to the very problems Dr. King fought so hard to eliminate.

We would be wise to remember that past complacencies and lackadaisical voting habits have been profitable for 1 percent of the population, while very costly to the rest of us. We cannot forget that change is slow to arrive but quick to dissipate. Progress can appear and disappear in the blink of an eye. We have watched as irrational loyalty and an inexplicable tolerance for the separation of children from their parents at our southern border has been allowed to persist. We have seen our judicial system, including the Supreme Court, orchestrated toward conservative leanings which have proven historically detrimental to minorities. We have seen a callous disregard for almost

800,000 government workers, and an unnecessary government shutdown over a needless wall under the guise of border security. We have been appalled by

the senseless deaths of two immigrant children while in U.S. custody.

With the resolve and the determination of Dr. King, we can work to put a stop to the cycle of social injustice, racial profiling, xenophobia, and mass incarceration that threatens not just people of color, but all of society.

History has taught us that we cannot always expect those in power to do what is right unless we force the issue; then force the issue we must. We know that the current political climate of chaos and dysfunction is unsustainable. Action is required.

History has also taught us that equity will not simply be given, rather it must be demanded. The same resolve that led us to the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 can compel us to build bridges instead of walls. We can choose love, not hate. We can echo the sentiments of Dr. King who once said, "I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear."

It has been a tradition for the Doña Ana County (DAC) NAACP

to celebrate the legacy of Dr. King. This year's theme is "Defeat Hate - Vote!" The 2018 mid-term elections are a great example of what can happen when like-minded citizens unite to invoke change. Now it is important to keep the momentum.

On Sunday, Jan. 20, at 2 p.m., there will be a march from Las Cruces City Hall to the AFSCME Union Hall with remarks from community leaders and elected officials. Interested participants should plan to meet in front of City Hall at 1:45 p.m.

The following day, the annual Martin Luther King Jr. breakfast, sponsored by DAC NAACP and the New Mexico MLK State Commission, will be held at 8 a.m. Monday at Hotel Encanto.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Sean Rogers, the Spachman Professor of Human Resources and Labor Relations and an associate professor of management in the College of Business at University of Rhode Island. Dr. Rogers is a former NMSU faculty member who also taught at Cornell University.

We look forward to the return of Dr. Rogers who brought us to our feet the last time he spoke in Las Cruces. And, we want our activities to mirror Dr. King's legacy of social activism.

Dr. Bobbie Green is president of the Doña Ana County NAACP

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Tuesday, January 22: *Dear Evan Hansen* masterfully addresses the complex issues of social media, bullying, and suicide through endearingly lost adolescents and their patiently struggling parents. It has prompted collaborations across 31 nations. *Dear Evan Hansen* - combatting isolation in our digitally-connected world.

Thursday, January 24: *Come from Away* is the story of 7,000 stranded travelers comforted by a small Canadian community on 9/11. In our era with refugees, immigration, and xenophobia in the news, this feel-good story is thriving. *Come from Away* - from xenophobes to Good Samaritans.

Tuesday, January 29: Based on Alison Bechdel's autobiography, *Fun Home* tells about a lesbian's exploration of identity at ages 43, 19, and 10. Her reminiscences center on her relationship with her closeted father. *Fun Home* - LGBTQ representation matters.

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The budget surplus is already spoken for

As state legislators prepare to return to Santa Fe for the new legislative session in mid-January, the main topic on their minds is how to utilize the \$1.1 billion budget surplus projected for fiscal year 2020. Special interest groups, state agencies, municipalities, counties, courts and anyone who interacts with state government have been hard at work putting together wish lists for how these surplus dollars should be spent. Lawmakers can expect the Roundhouse to be filled with people seeking money for all sorts of projects and programs.



STEVE PEARCE
Guest column

While the \$1.1 billion surplus has received considerable media attention, less attention has been given to projections showing a \$1.2 billion surplus is also likely for the current fiscal year. These surpluses are the result of a booming oil and natural gas industry in the southeastern part of the state. The volatility of oil and natural gas prices, however, means these large budget surpluses can disappear as quickly as they materialize. In fact, oil prices have dropped by more than \$25 per barrel since November. For

every dollar oil prices decline, the State of New Mexico loses \$9.5 million in state revenues. Most New Mexicans vividly remember 2015 when oil prices took a nose dive and government spending had to be cut dramatically and state reserves were nearly exhausted to keep the state's budget balanced.

Yet, let's assume these projected budget surpluses are realized, so does that mean the special interest spending frenzy can begin? The answer is No! The \$1.2 billion surplus projected for the current fiscal year is needed to restore budget reserves. Sufficient reserves, at least

30 percent of "recurring" state spending, must be created to help cushion a future economic downturn which can result in state revenues plummeting. Higher reserves can also help improve our state's bond rating which has recently been downgraded.

The \$1.1 billion surplus estimated for fiscal 2020 is already spoken for if you look at the many unfunded liabilities and other budgetary problems needing attention. For example, a Santa Fe district court has ruled the current funding mechanism for New Mexico's public schools is unconstitutional. Whether that decision is

correct or not, the likely outcome will be hundreds of millions of dollars in new money being provided. The outgoing Martinez Administration has already proposed spending about \$430 million more next year for public education. The Lujan Grisham Administration will likely request more.

The state budget faces numerous significant financial liabilities which must be paid for: the state's film tax credit, public employees and teacher retirement systems, Medicaid, and fixing problems at numerous state departments and agencies. Plus, hundreds of millions of dollars in tax protests

await adjudication. If the state losses those challenges, next year's projected \$1.1 billion surplus could be significantly less.

In other words, these unprecedented budget surpluses are really nothing more than a budgetary illusion. The state legislature and the new governor now have the unique challenge of trying to satisfy everyone's wish lists when there is no new money remaining.

Steve Pearce was defeated in the 2018 election for the office of New Mexico governor. He is chair of the Republican Party of New Mexico.

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decays, it needs to be repaired, modified or replaced. Ultimately, we hope, when road repairs are complete, traffic flows better and access is improved. There has to be a better way, though, to work with businesses.

The state project on Valley was supposed to be in three phases between Picacho Avenue and Avenida de Mesilla. Originally, business owners along Valley were told the project would

complete Phase 1, then move to Phase 2, complete it, then move to Phase 3. However, Phase 3, the one at Avenida de Mesilla, was started before Phase 1 was completed, holding everything on Valley hostage.

So, while people loved their La Fiesta donuts, there are plenty of other places in Las Cruces to get donuts without adding 45 minutes to your day. We all know how much donuts cost; La Fiesta is not making \$1,000 profit on a dozen jelly-filled pastries. So, they live on volume. Construction delays

killed that volume, in turn killing the business.

City projects downtown have wreaked havoc on those businesses as well. Ultimately, I feel, they will make dramatic improvements. We've seen new businesses open already on Main Street the past year, and I expect another flourish once the downtown construction is complete. The city and the chambers of commerce are working to promote the businesses and offer assistance to help them get through.

Still, there's no getting around the inconvenience

of the construction, and its detriment to businesses.

Unfortunately, it's far from over, and looming on the horizon is another giant, two-year (two years if we're lucky) project: the complete re-construction of the Interstate 25-University Avenue intersection.

Another two or three dozen businesses in that area are holding their breaths, saying their prayers, or planning exit strategies. And I don't mean exiting off the Interstate.

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a horse out of a misguided sense of obligation."

Skip said, "You know yer right. I am gonna sell him! He's never gonna git much better. It's not

fair to them to keep 'em around if yer never gonna ride'm. I'm really not sentimental about him anyway."

He put his arm around my shoulder. "Thanks, my friend."

"Yer welcome," I said, happy that I was able to

counsel my friend. "Then maybe you could do some serious horse trainin' on the other horse."

"Whatya talkin' about?" he said. "He'll still be crippled."

"Oh, I thought we were talkin' about ol' Roanie."

"Oh, no," he said,

"I could never sell ol' Roanie."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Minimum wage hike devastating

To the editor:

It's way past time for an honest assessment of the results of the minimum wage experiment thus far. For starters, what are the metrics? Were they ever developed?

Have you noticed the press release from the City of Las Cruces on the success of the LC minimum wage experiment? I missed them, also. In my opinion, the lackluster results of the LC experiment hurt minimum wage workers as much as it has damaged the local business economy.

There are already two bills in the legislature to raise the statewide minimum wage as follows: HB46, Patricia Cabalero – by Jan. 1, 2020, go

directly to \$15 per hour; HB31, Miguel Garcia – go directly to \$10, to \$12 by mid-2022.

Can you imagine how [these] would devastate rural New Mexico just as it has stagnated the economy of the second-largest city in NM?

It's time for our legislators Angelica Rubio, Nathan Small, Bill McCamley, Jeff Steinborn, Joanne Ferrary, Bill Soules, Rudy Martinez, Doreen Gallegos and others to put people before party and social justice policies. Either show us the metrics, or honestly tell the governor that a minimum wage increase will greatly harm all citizens of rural NM.

Never forget that El Paso is booming, opportunity exists for all, and the

minimum wage is \$7.50 per hour.

*Richard Reynaud
Las Cruces*

Addiction is not a choice

To the editor:

This is in response to Jeff Berg's review in the Las Cruces Bulletin last week [Jan. 11] of the movie "Beautiful Boy."

His evaluation of the movie seems colored by his opinion that drug or alcohol addiction is a matter of "choice" rather than the result of any disease. He complains that no reason for that "choice" was given in the movie.

This response shows a lack of good reasoning.

I admit that he has plenty of company in those opinions. I, myself, like Mr. Berg, have [had] opportunity to become hooked, at least on alco-

hol. Like Mr. Berg, I've been lucky enough to escape the clutches of addiction.

It's difficult for us lucky ones to understand why others would seemingly sacrifice their health, jobs, families, independence and even their lives for a drug. I am a physician, and I don't know how many times my gut reaction to a poor patient who is wasting their life to an addiction is to grab them, shake them and exclaim "stop this craziness; just say no!"

Then I ask myself this: Why would any sane, rational person, one who had control over their life, choose to completely screw up their life? Either these people are totally crazy or they, indeed, cannot stop their drug use. The addiction tells them they must

have it, convinces them that the drug is their best friend. Because of this their lives and those of their loved ones ultimately become a living hell.

Logic tells us that addiction is not a choice.

*Michael Day
Las Cruces*

When a crime is no longer a crime

To the editor:

What will the state do with all the persons convicted of marijuana possession if the substance is decriminalized? Thousands are denied firearm purchases, jobs and student loans because of past convictions. The expungement should be automatic and immediate if recreational use of marijuana passes in New Mexico. It should not require any cost by convicted parties because that would constitute an additional penalty for a crime that is no longer a crime.

*Rob Wood
Las Cruces*

Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood

To the editor:

Thank you, Mr. Rogers and the United States Postal Service, for helping the Children's Reading Alliance raise a record dollar amount on

their annual Christmas mail drive in December. The total for the drive is close to \$8,000 and since contributions are still coming in, with a little luck, could go over \$10,000.

When the USPS issued a "Mr. Rogers Neighborhood" stamp we all smiled. Since Mr. Rogers always promoted reading, putting a Mr. Rogers stamp on the Children's Reading Alliance fund raising letter was a natural. The only problem was all the Mr. Rogers stamps had been snapped up and post offices simply didn't have any more. On a long shot I went to the internet, clicked on the Walmart site and they directed me to a company that sells stamps. We bought 500 stamps and the cost was covered by a donation. We also received a matching grant of \$1,000 from the Kellogg Foundation.

I'm a new CRA board member and thanks to my mom I learned to read when I was a preschooler. That's what the CRA is, an organization that teaches parents how to help their kids to read and give them a basic skill for success in a very complex world.

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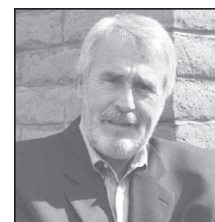
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Oil and gas association brings its story to Las Cruces

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

New Mexico's large-scale oil and gas production only takes place in a handful of counties in the southeastern part of the state, but it provides more than a third of the funding for public and higher education and other vital functions of state government.

New Mexico Oil and Gas Association (NMOGA) Executive Director Ryan Flynn and Director of Community Affairs Ryan Chavez were in Las Cruces Friday, Jan. 11 for an informal lunch at La Posta de Mesilla to help people in non-producing areas of the state learn more about oil and gas production and its importance to New Mexico.

Attendees included Citizens Bank of Las Cruces Executive Vice President Jed Fanning, Angela Roberson of the Doña Ana County Community Development Department, former Las Cruces City Councilor Sharon Thomas, business owner Orlando Padilla, attorney Ramona J. Martinez-Salopek and Jim VanCleave of the Las Cruces office of the Child Support Enforcement Division of the New Mexico Human Services Department.

"It's an exciting time in the industry. The industry is doing very well," Flynn said. "We have a great story to tell. There is a huge amount of pride among the people in the industry over what they're doing. We need to be out there talking about it."

Oil and gas should



New Mexico Oil and Gas Association Executive Director Ryan Flynn was in Las Cruces Friday, Jan. 11, for an informal lunch gathering at La Posta de Mesilla to talk about the work the association is doing throughout the state.

have "a strong economic story for the next decade," Flynn said. The Permian Basin oil field that includes west Texas and southeastern New Mexico has been under production for more than 60 years, he said, and has only reached "the tip of the iceberg in terms of what's there."

Acknowledging that the cost of generating renewable energy is going down, Flynn said mandating an increase in the amount of solar and wind energy the state uses is "a big challenge to the consumer" because it requires that renewable energy sources be coupled with fossil fuels.

"There's room for everybody. They all have to work harmoniously together," said Ernest C'deBaca, president and CEO of the Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce, which co-sponsored the lunch with NMOGA.

New Mexico already

has the "highest overall tax burden of any producing state," Flynn said. Any additional increases could "drive production away."

Flynn also cautioned about adopting a state version of the National Environmental Policy Act, which was adopted in 1970 and "establishes the broad national framework for protecting our environment," according to www.epa.gov. Public participation provisions within the law can be used abusively to shut down production, Flynn said. "We're required to do a lot of work to get our permits already," he said.

Flynn said he is hopeful a "large portion" of this year's anticipated budget surplus – estimates are that New Mexico will see a 13 percent increase in its budget over 2018, and oil and gas production is responsible for much of it – will be devoted to public education and to the state's infrastructure needs, especially roads.

New Mexico State University Chancellor Dan Arvizu provided one example of the impact of oil and gas revenue in New Mexico during a recent interview. Colorado universities receive less than 10 percent of their funding from state government, said Arvizu, who moved to Las Cruces from Lakewood, Colorado. NMSU, he said, receives almost 40 percent of its funding from the state of New Mexico. "That's a big deal," he said.

NMOGA is looking for "ways to invest in non-producing areas" of the state, Flynn said, and is launching a community



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Going around the table left to right are New Mexico Oil and Gas Association (NMOGA) Director of Community Affairs Ryan Chavez, Citizens Bank of Las Cruces Executive Vice President Jed Fanning, NMOGA Executive Director Ryan Flynn, Angela Roberson of the Doña Ana County Community Development Department, Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Ernest C'deBaca (standing), former Las Cruces City Councilor Sharon Thomas, Las Cruces business owner Orlando Padilla, Las Cruces attorney Ramona J. Martinez-Salopek and Jim VanCleave of the Las Cruces office of the Child Support Enforcement Division of the New Mexico Human Services Department.


foundation in Bernalillo and Doña Ana counties.

"Let's make it happen


for 2019," said Padilla.

For more information, visit www.nmoga.org.

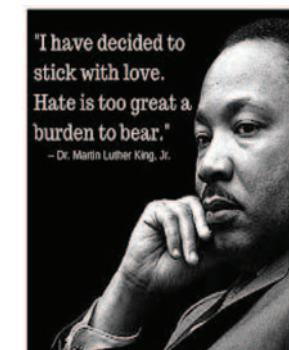
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Partnership helps victims of domestic violence

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Education is part of La Casa, Inc.'s mission to provide comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence, and that's why Executive Director Henry Brutus was so excited and "very, very humbled" when he got a call late last year from Tessa Vargas, master admissions representative at Vista College of Las Cruces.

Vista presented La Casa, Inc., with a \$1,500 donation, and five \$1,000 scholarships to the college, which offers training programs in health care, business, technology and trade.

"This is a big deal," Brutus said, because one of La Casa, Inc.'s goals is to "rehabilitate the entire person so when they leave [the shelter] they're sustainable," Brutus said.

Nearly half of La Casa, Inc.'s clients are homemakers who have little or no training or job experience outside the home, Brutus said. The partnership with



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La Casa, Inc., Executive Director Henry Brutus.

Vista, he said, is part of La Casa, Inc.'s education and job training initiative that already includes teaching clients basic skills – many don't speak English – and financial literacy.

Vargas' call came just as Brutus was preparing to reach out to local educational institutions, including NMSU and Doña Ana Community College, he said. "Vista beat us to the punch."

La Casa, Inc., clients "deserve an opportunity to see themselves in a different way," said Vargas. The Vista scholarships, which will continue in 2019, she said,



The Vista College scholarship to La Casa, Inc., clients.

"offer the women "an opportunity to do something for themselves."

"There are women out there just like me," said Vargas, a single mother who graduated from Vista in 2010. "I've dealt with it," she said. "I've done it."

If those receiving the scholarships qualify for the New Mexico Human Services Department's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, Vargas said, they may receive full funding for the training they receive at Vista.

Vista training programs range from 11-16 months in length, she

said. The college awards certifications for cosmetology graduates; diplomas for those graduating as dental and medical assistants, practical nurses and HVAC technicians and in medical billing and coding and information technology; and associate in science degrees in business administration.

Vista Financial Aid Director Karen Gonzales said Vista will have 289 students in January at its Las Cruces campus on Telshor Boulevard.

"We are such a tight family," said Gonzales, who has worked for Vista for almost a decade and has 32 years' experience in financial aid. "We all work so well



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Vista College Master Admissions Representative Tessa Vargas, left, and Financial Aid Director Karen Gonzales.

together. We're just so open-hearted, no matter what it takes. We're the Vista family."

La Casa, Inc. was founded in 1981 and serves about 805 unduplicated (not counting those who come back to the shelter within the same year) clients each year. About one-half of its clients are children. The Las Cruces shelter,

which operates 24/7, can house up to 82 people at a time and stays at or near capacity most of the time. La Casa, Inc., also offers services in Anthony, New Mexico. Many times, clients arrive at the shelter with no money and only the clothes on their backs, and most come with children. Staff help them with issues like child custody, divorce, immigration status, counseling, child care and much more.

For more information, contact Brutus at 575-526-2819 or hbrutus@lacasainc.org. Visit www.lacasainc.org. Contact Vargas at 575-556-1080, ext. 1415, and tvargas@vistacollege.edu.

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Walmart store managers on Jan. 6 received certificates of appreciation for their food drives and fundraisers from the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 431-Las Cruces. Pictured are Store No. 5155 manager Deanna Leyda, Chapter 431 Chaplain Lawrence Orvis and Chapter President Bruce Fonnest.

Trail's end



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Representative Angelica Rubio (D-Las Cruces) arrived at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe at noon Saturday, Jan. 12, after biking from Las Cruces. Rep. Rubio (front, center) was received in Santa Fe by Rep. Linda Trujillo (D-Santa Fe) and met with Representatives on both sides of the aisle during her journey, as well as constituents. She launched her ride on Jan. 5 and made stops in Hatch and T or C with Rep. Rebecca Dow, San Antonio with Rep. Gail Armstrong, Belen with Rep. Kelly Fajardo, and Albuquerque South Valley with Rep. Andres Romero. For more information on her ride, visit her website, rubiosride.com.

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Among your friends, family, newspaper articles, and social media, there is no lack of great suggestions for New Year's resolutions to make this year better than the last. In reading through many online resolution suggestions, one thing is clear: most resolutions are inwardly focused, concentrating on becoming . . . something. Healthier. Wealthier. Thinner. Happier. When it comes down to it, many resolutions have to do with control. Control your diet, control your finances, control your activity, control your urine

Urinary incontinence - this is an issue that you don't read about or hear about very often, and you may even think, if you're experiencing this problem, that there's nothing that can be done with 'that little leaking.' You may have narrowly avoided embarrassing situations, stopped going out and passed on once in a lifetime opportunities because of "what if". "What if I can't find a restroom?" "What if I have an accident?" "What if I can't travel long distances?" Urinary incontinence can impact your mood, ability to move, sleep, work and relationships. But, it's more common than you think, and better yet, there is help available for your problem.



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Can physical therapy help with your urinary incontinence? To help you learn more, one of our physical therapists, Felicia Chaves PT, DPT, will be presenting a workshop about urinary incontinence on Saturday, January 26, 2019, at Atrium Physical Therapy, 1115 Commerce Drive in Las Cruces, at 10:00 am. Seating is limited, so register early by calling (575) 323-9601 today!



- Women wait over 6 years from the first time they experience symptoms until they obtain a diagnosis for their bladder control problems
- Stress urinary incontinence, the most prevalent form of incontinence among women, affects an estimated 15 million adult women in the U.S.
- Pregnancy, childbirth, and menopause are major reasons of the increased prevalence of incontinence in women as compared to men.
- Between the ages of 18 and 44, approximately 24% of women experience incontinence, and for women over age 60, approximately 23% deal with incontinence.

Here are some statistics:

- Of the 25 million adult Americans suffering from some form of urinary incontinence, 75-80% of those are women.
- One in four women over the age of 18 experience episodes of leaking urine involuntarily.



Dennis Prickett
Physical Therapist
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Help for homeless students



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Just before Christmas, the New America School-Las Cruces learned that it will receive funding from Catholic Charities of Southern New Mexico. That organization, which was awarded \$15,000 from the Westeman Foundation of Tampa, Florida, is partnering with the New America School in supporting homeless high school students in Las Cruces with food, clothing, temporary shelter and medical care. Pictured is Frances Gutierrez, coordinator of services to homeless students at the New America School-Las Cruces. The New America School, established in 2012, serves about 350 students. For more information, contact Principal Margarita Porter at 575-527-9085 or mporter@newamericaschoolnm.org.

Back to the bench



Las Cruces attorney Grace Duran returned to the bench Friday, Jan. 11. She was sworn in by Third Judicial District Presiding Judge James T. Martin during an investiture ceremony at district court in Las Cruces. "It's an important day for the court," Martin said before swearing Duran into office. The oath of office, Martin said, "is a way of reminding us we have that obligation to the community and those parties that are appearing before us." "I'm elated, to say the least, to be coming back," Duran said. "My heart has always been here. The best way to help people and to serve my community is as a judge." Duran was a state district judge 1997-2005, then served as a special assistant U.S. attorney in Puerto Rico before returning to private practice in Las Cruces for the past 11 years. She defeated incumbent Judge Jeanne Quintero and three other opponents in the June 2018 Democratic primary and was unopposed in the November general election.

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Women's rally to feature NMSU keynote speaker

By **MATTHEW LEGARRETA**
For the Bulletin

Gender inequality is among the topics Dulcinea Lara, associate professor of criminal justice at New Mexico State University, will address as the keynote speaker of the 2019 Las Cruces Women's Rally.

This year's rally is the third since 2017 when the gathering drew 1,500 people. The event will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, at Albert Johnson Park, 501 N. Main St.

Lara will share stories about a woman she calls her "she-ro," her grandmother, Maria. She will also address the larger issues impacting women's lives and how the greater community can join to change these outdated systems.

"I'll talk about how 'reasonable' reactions to inequality should not be interpreted as 'radical,'" said Lara, who is also the director of ethnic studies in criminal justice. "Instead, people who believe in the functionality of a democracy must begin the long, collective work of undoing oppressive systems implemented and maintained to control populations made vulnerable through subtle and overt policies, laws, and behaviors. This is 'reasonable' work."

NMSU's Gender and Sexuality Program, the Las Cruces Coalition for Reproductive Justice and the NAACP of Doña Ana County are sponsoring the rally. In addition, Rep. Joanna Ferrary will give a legislative prospectus



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Demonstrators assemble during 2017's Las Cruces Women's March.

during the event's main program.

Rally organizer Eileen VanWie, a retired NMSU professor, describes the rally as an opportunity for demonstrators to show their support when it comes to issues of gender inequality in access to education, health care, childcare, and housing. The rally will also focus on issues of sexual harassment and discrimination.

"Recent events sponsored at NMSU have inspired me to continue to support family issues and advocate for women in leadership positions,"

VanWie said. "The rally can inspire us all to learn more about what is being done to support women as leaders across New Mexico and beyond."

Attendees are encouraged to bring signs and banners to the event. Organizations interested in sharing information with participants are invited to set up tables during the event. Contact Jan Thompson at janthompson0817@gmail.com to register for a table.

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Legislators: Backfilling, education to top session agenda

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The 2019 session of the New Mexico Legislature will spend a good portion of an anticipated \$1 billion surplus “backfilling” because state government has been “gutted and starved” over the last eight years,” state Sen. Jeff Steinborn, D-Doña Ana, said during public meetings he and other

legislators and local government leaders held the week before the opening of the session.

The meetings were held Jan. 8-10 in Las Cruces and Radium Springs. Others attending the meetings included state Reps. Nathan Small of Las Cruces and Rudy Martinez of Silver City; County Commissioner Karen Trujillo, Las Cruces Public Schools Board of

Education member Ray Jaramillo and City Councilor Kasandra Gandara, all of Las Cruces.

“We really are looking to build back up,” Steinborn said.

The budget surplus, which likely will mean about a 13 percent increase in the state budget and push it above \$7 billion, is misleading, Steinborn said, because only about six of the state’s 33 counties (including Doña Ana County) are showing an increase in gross receipts tax, and most of the oil and gas boom is from only two southeast New Mexico counties: Eddy and Lea. Many other New Mexico counties, he said, have stagnant economies. The oil and gas industry provides about 40 percent of the state’s general fund revenue, he said. “There is a great need in this state to stabilize our revenue.”

The legislature has “a bipartisan appetite” to get rid of some of the state’s \$1 billion it gives every year in special tax breaks. That reduction, he said, could result in lower gross receipts tax in the state.

Public education likely will benefit from the 2019 legislative session’s “most



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Las Cruces business owner Rocky Bacchus makes a statement. Standing at left is Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education member Ray Jaramillo.

consequential action,” Steinborn said. Teachers likely will receive “good raises,” he said, and the state also will invest more in teacher training. The “whole paradigm of education is changing,” said Steinborn.

“Education will see the biggest changes, no doubt,” Small said, “the biggest investment.”

Other countries, including Mexico, “treat their teachers as professionals,” Martinez said. His message to New Mexico teachers, he said, is “You’re doing a great job and don’t let anybody tell you different.” Teachers should be allowed to teach,” Martinez said, and should be evaluated by a system that is “fair and just.”



State Rep. Nathan Small, D-Doña Ana, speaks at the Jan. 9 public meeting.

The 2019 will address “the needs of New Mexicans,” Martinez said, including public education and universities and “funding to really protect our children.

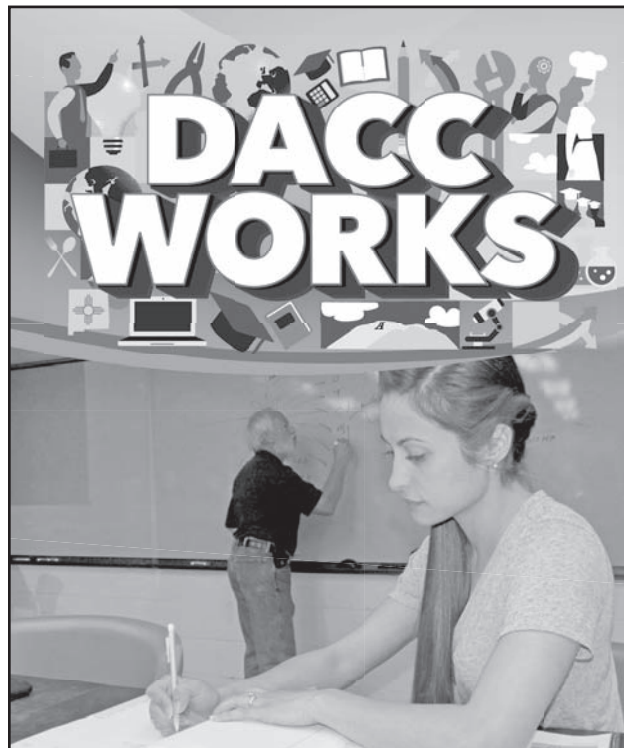
“We absolutely have a budget we can invest with,” said Small, who is beginning his second term in the New Mexico House of Representatives after two terms on Las Cruces City Council. “We feel the pain of the last eight years. We’re starting to see recovery.”

Jaramillo said the new legislature “gets

the importance of early childhood education.” “These are great times for children in New Mexico,” said Jaramillo, who is director of the Alpha School childcare center in Las Cruces. He was elected to the LCPS board of education in 2017.

Legislators also likely will likely improve services to New Mexico children, Steinborn said, and provide pay increases for correctional officers. He is hopeful legislators and Gov. Michelle Lujan

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Grisham will support his bill to create a state Office of Outdoor Recreation.

Steinborn said he also will introduce a bill to give the legislature “top to bottom oversight” of the high-level nuclear waste storage site being proposed in southeast New Mexico. Steinborn is chair of the interim Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Committee.

Steinborn said he expects healthcare reform to be another topic during the 2019 session, including creating an all-payers database to track all healthcare spending in New Mexico to allow the state to negotiate for better prices on state pharmaceutical purchases.

Steinborn said he also expects a “major discussion this session” about the legalization of marijuana. He said Lujan Grisham would support legalization “under the right circumstances.” Continuing to criminalize the use of marijuana is “frankly outrageous,” Steinborn said. But, if it is to consider legalization, the legislature must have “a good bill,” he said. “We have to protect public health.”

Martinez said he would support legalization of marijuana, but legislators need to “make sure we have the right structure” to make sure it is “used in a responsible manner.”

Steinborn, president of the nonprofit Film Las Cruces, said he will support at least doubling the cap on tax credits for film and television production in New Mexico. Lujan Grisham, he said, has advocated eliminating the



Sen. Jeff Steinborn, D-Doña Ana, standing, speaks at his Jan. 9 public meeting. With him and sitting, from left, are Doña Ana County Commissioner Karen Trujillo; state Rep. Rodolpho “Rudy” Martinez, D-Doña Ana, Grant, Sierra; state Rep. Nathan Small, D-Doña Ana; and Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education member Ray Jaramillo.

cap altogether.

Small said he expects a number of ag-related bills to be considered by the legislature this year, including value-added projects, a healthy soils act and a plan to enhance farm entrepreneurship, including bringing locally grown foods into schools and senior centers.

“Energy’s going to be at the forefront of what we’re doing,” Small said, noting that the state is ranked “second best in sun and 12th best in wind” production.

Steinborn said he expects “a renewable energy revolution in this state.”

Small said he also expects the legislature

to continue addressing government ethics and transparency. A co-sponsor of the bill that created the constitutional amendment overwhelmingly passed by voters last year to create a state ethics commission, Small said legislators need to do more to close “the revolving door” between lobbying and serving in the legislature.

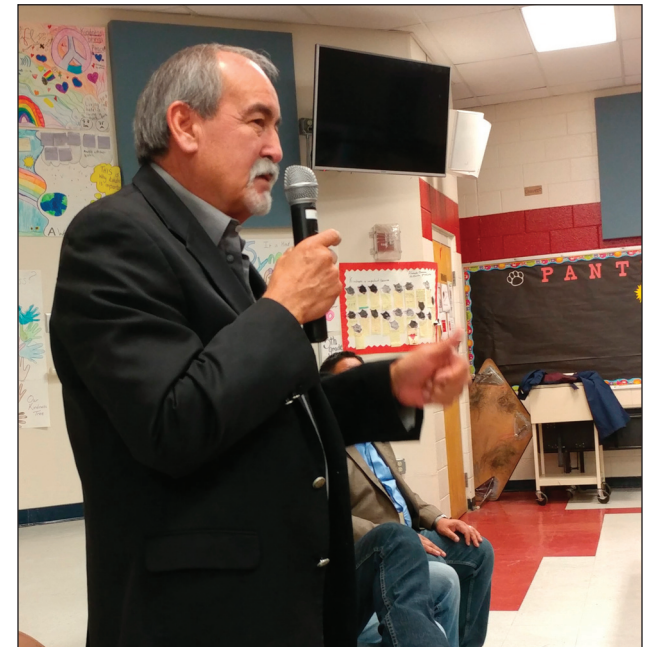
Small said a bill that would provide a salary to legislators is “quite likely to pass the House this year” and have an “interesting discussion in the Senate.” It would allow legislators to provide constituent services in local communities.

Legislators “are

dedicated to what they’re doing,” Martinez said. “In the end, things get done.” But, he said, legislators have “zero staff outside Santa Fe,” so the legislature should “study the whole structure” of legislator salaries.

Except for two years, Martinez has been in the New Mexico House since 2007.

Martinez, who is co-chair of the interim Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, said he wants the legislature to do more to help veterans, including providing transportation to get them to health care facilities, giving them reduced fees for hunting and fishing licenses and visits to state



State Rep. Rodolpho “Rudy” Martinez, D-Doña Ana, Grant, Sierra, speaks.

parks and providing tax breaks to entice retired military to move to New Mexico.

Martinez said he will introduce two bills to increase the number of volunteer firefighters across

the state and to increase their pensions.

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GREEN CONNECTIONS

County collection centers open for weekend drop-off

By **CASSIE MCCLURE**
and **SUZANNE MICHAELS**
For the Bulletin

Is your weekend remodeling project too much for your trash bin to handle? The South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) Transfer Station at 2865 W. Amador Avenue is open seven days a week and the

county collection centers are open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday to help you dispose of that pile of trash.

The SCSWA operates eight collection centers within the county. The centers give all residents the opportunity to safely and properly dispose of their trash, recyclables

and household hazardous waste.

“Ideally collection centers serve as a ‘one-stop shop’ to meet residents’ recycling and waste disposal need,” said Tarkaysha Burton, SCSWA Education and Outreach Coordinator. “Collection centers have clearly marked, designated areas for each major group of disposal or recycling, plus a hazardous waste area. Attendants on duty can also guide residents about where to offload their material.”

Plan to purchase coupons prior to arrival at the collection center. A coupon must be presented to the attendant in order to dispose of your trash. Coupons are sold in values of \$12, \$24 or \$48. The minimum of \$4, equivalent to one punch on the voucher, will take a load of up to 200 pounds of material – essentially the back of a typical full-size pickup truck or about one week’s trash for a family of four. Four dollars is also the price for the disposal of four tires.

If you’re remodeling, it’ll likely be around



COURTESY PHOTO

Residents drop off metal for recycling at a County Collection Center. Recycling drop-off is free, but trash disposal must be paid for with coupons purchased in advance of your visit to a collection center.

\$12, equivalent to three punches, which is 400 to 600 pounds of concrete, rock or dirt, incredibly heavy furniture or heavy auto parts.

Locations to purchase coupons are found throughout each community. They can be purchased at several Pic Quik Stores, and at the DAC Government Center at 845 N. Motel Blvd. A complete list of where to purchase

vouchers can be found online at scswa.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/Locations-to-obtain-Coupons.pdf

DAC collection center locations open 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday are: Anthony, 2120 E. O’hara Road; Butterfield, 4925 Eason Lane; Hatch, 110 Cerrito Road; Hill, 9293 Del Rey Boulevard; La Mesa, 1310 W. Afton Road; La Union, 2590 Visnaga Street; Mesquite, 725

County Road B-059.

The Garfield Collection Center, 505 Nightwatcher Road, is open on Saturdays only from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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

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Laid to rest

Retired LCPD Chief Jaime Montoya was laid to rest at Doña Ana Cemetery Friday, Jan. 11, following a funeral mass and procession from Immaculate Heart of Mary on Espina Street. Montoya, who spent 26 years with the department, retired a year ago and died from pancreatic and liver cancer Jan. 3. He was 52.

ABOVE: A hearse transports the body of retired LCPD Chief Jaime Montoya north on Espina Avenue.

LEFT: LCPD patrol motorcycles were lined up with honorary flags on them showing respect for Montoya outside the Cathedral of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

BULLETIN PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

La Clinica seeks city funding to expand services

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

La Clinica de Familia, which has provided medical services in Doña Ana County for more than 40 years, is asking the city for a \$500,000 grant to help pay for a \$2.2 million addition it plans near its central medical facility on Alameda Boulevard.

Mayor Ken Miyagishima said the request, which came during the Las Cruces City Council's Jan. 14 work session, will be put on the agenda for a

vote at a future council meeting.

CEO Virgil Medina said La Clinica plans to construct a 13,000 square-foot building to house behavioral health specialty services (including psychiatric services to children and adults, supportive housing, federal probation, treatment foster care, court-ordered substance abuse, a mobile crisis response team, crisis housing, community corrections and other services) adjacent to the medical facility it owns and operates at 575 S.

Alameda Blvd.

The new facility would allow La Clinica to provide "much more efficient, much better services," Medina said.

Medina said La Clinica currently rents four buildings in downtown Las Cruces at a cost of \$25,000 a month. That lease continues through June 2020, he said.

In addition to city funding, Medina said La Clinica has secured \$1 million in funding through the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority and is talking to legislators about

additional funding. Miyagishima and council members suggested La Clinica also seek funding from the county and from private sources.

A nonprofit, La Clinica has provided outpatient medical and dental services in the county since 1978. It took over Medicaid-funded behavioral health services in the county in July 2015 when it began providing services to almost 1,900 patients previously served by La Frontera, Medina said. La Clinica now provides behavioral health services to more than 4,000 people in Las Cruces and throughout the southern part of the county.

La Clinica has expanded the number of programs it provides from the 17 it inherited from La Frontera to 26, Medina said, and has grown from 306 to 540 employees.

"You stepped up and committed when no one else could or would," Councilor Kasandra Gandara told Medina during the meeting.

La Clinica "has served my friends, my family for many years," Councilor Gabe Vasquez told Medina. "I just want to



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The site of La Clinica de Familia's proposed new facility adjacent to the facility it owns and operates at 575 S. Alameda Blvd.

thank you for your service."

"I congratulate you on the positive bottom line that you're now seeing at La Clinica," Councilor Jack Eakman said. "That's taken a lot of hard work."

"I think you have a strong case for what you're trying to do," Councilor Greg Smith said. "I appreciate you stepping up and taking on a new aspect of

health care in our community. I would just like us to think as broadly and as comprehensively as possible moving forward."

"We're in dire need of mental health services," Councilor Yvonne Flores said. "I would like to see more foresight and more planning in terms of more money coming in."

"There's no question the community needs your services," Mayor Pro-Tem Gill Sorg said. "Don't be afraid to ask for funding everywhere you can. The city needs to help whichever way we can."

"We know you guys do a tremendous job," Miyagishima said. "I'm supportive of the full \$500,000 you need."

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Aggie alumni and friends mix and mingle at the 2018 Alumni Association's Homecoming

NMSU schedules Homecoming 2019

New Mexico State University invites alumni and friends to join Homecoming 2019 celebrations Oct. 3-5.

The NMSU Alumni Association will host various events and gatherings, ending with the Homecoming football game Saturday, Oct. 5, against the Liberty University Flames.

Homecoming activities will include reunions for classes celebrating their 10-, 25-, 30-, 40-, 50- and 60-year reunions along with the Homecoming game day parade; the Celebration of Traditions Memorial Ceremony honoring

fallen Aggie military veterans; the Golden A's luncheon; and the Alumni Association Homecoming Tailgate among other college events.

The Alumni Association's annual dinner will be Friday, Oct. 4, which will honor its 2019 recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Award, the James F. Cole Memorial Award for Service and the first-ever Young Alumni Service Award.

For more information and registration, visit support.nmsu.edu/homecoming, call 575-646-3616 or emailalumni@nmsu.edu.

COMING UP

Photography Boot Camp: Part 1, "Learning about your camera," 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, Jan. 19, Southwest Environmental Center, 725 N. Main St. Sponsored by the Doña Ana Photography Club. Register at dapc_2019_bootcamp_class_1.eventbrite.com. Info: Rob, education@daphotoclub.org.

Numerology workshop: Taught by author Ruth Drayer, 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, Jan. 19, Desert Sunrise Studio, 537 N. Alameda. Free. Info: Ruth, 903-399-9979.

GFWC Progress Club: Card Party fundraiser, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan 19, St. Paul's UMC Fellowship Hall, corner Alameda & Griggs. Doors open 11:30 a.m. Admission \$15, includes a light lunch. Info: 575-522-5474.

Open House: "Learn for a Lifetime," for National School Choice Week, 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, 820 W. Picacho Ave. Meet with local school representatives. No RSVP required.

Annual Pet Blessing: 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, St. Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, 518 N.

Alameda. Info: 575-323-1035.

Doña Ana Modular Railroad: On display and running trains from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20, at Solstice at Las Cruces (formerly Golden Mesa), 1511 N. Roadrunner Parkway. Free. Info: George, 575-649-9503.

Federation of Democratic Women of Doña Ana County: Monthly meeting 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 21, Staybridge Suites, 2651 Northrise. Agenda: elections for vice president, treasurer, member at large, general business items, updates on political issues. Info: Rosemarie, 575-650-3545, or Connie, 575-521-0096.

Book talk: Bud Russo shares his latest book, "Heroes and Villains of New Mexico: A Collection of True Stories," 1:30-2:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24 in the Roadrunner Room of the Branigan Library. Sponsored by the Friends of the Branigan Library. Free, with light refreshments.

Doña Ana Federated Republican Women: Meeting 11:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Dr. Lunch \$15. Register by Jan. 21. Info: Patricia

Rothengass 575-650-5057 or artpjr1940@yahoo.com.

Dr. Seuss Day Challenge: Inspired by the books from America's children's author, 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, Jan. 26, Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St. Info: lascruces.org/museums, 575-522-3120.

Conversations with Democrats: "Transportation: When people move, the economy improves," 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, Holy Family American National Catholic Church, 702 Parker Road. Info: Connie, 575-521-0096.

Spring Cheer: The City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department announces its 2019 Spring Youth Cheer Program for pre-K through 4th grade, beginning

April 1. Onsite registration is 2:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28-Thurs- day, Jan. 31, at Meersch- eidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave. On- line registration also available. For details, call 575-541-2563 or email athletics@las-cruces.org.

ONGOING

Big Daddy's Flea Market: 7 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 5580 Bataan Memorial East, Hwy. 70 East. Info: 575-382-9404.

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

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IN THE NEWS

Drainage plan

The Doña Ana County Flood Commission will host a public meeting Wednesday, Jan. 23, in advance of a planned drainage master plan for the Vado and Del Cerro colonias.

The meeting is from 6-7 p.m. at the Vado Del Cerro Community Center. Residents are invited to comment on the plan and the areas of biggest need.

Residents with questions or concerns can contact Michael Garza at 57-525-5553 or the Doña Ana County Flood Commission at 575-525-5558.

Road closure

A portion of Golden Eagle Road in Chaparral is closed for sewer-line installation construction until late April.

The section between East Lisa Drive and Wicker Road will be open to residential traffic only during construction.

Traffic will be detoured and warning signs prominently posted. Motorists are advised to slow down and to expect delays in the area.

Dam maintenance

As part of Elephant Butte Irrigation District's operation of Mesilla Dam, EBID will perform maintenance to the dam and bridge Jan. 21-25 and Jan. 28-31. To conduct this work safely and efficiently, EBID will need to temporarily close the bridge across the dam to traffic and access.

The public should expect potential 24-hour access closure during

these dates and plan accordingly.

Questions and concerns can be directed to EBID District Treasurer/Manager Gary Esslinger at 575-526-6671, Ext. 1 or gesslinger@ebid-nm.org.

Garden plots

On Friday, Feb. 1, the City of Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department will open leases for available community garden plots to the public.

The cost to lease a garden plot through Dec. 31 is \$15. Plots will be available to lease at the following community gardens:

- Las Esperanza, 341 E. Picacho Ave.
- Sage, 6121 Reynolds Drive
- Tony Gomez, 2250 S.

Espina St.

Sign up and pay for a lease at the Parks and Recreation Administration Office, 1501 E. Hadley Ave. There are a limited number of plots available and only one plot can be leased per person.

For more information, call 575-541-2550.



Leadership Academy

Design a park, see K-9 officers in action, tour city facilities, and discuss with City of Las Cruces staff current issues in the community. Those are a sample of activities Las Cruces residents can experience in the upcoming Neighborhood Leadership Academy. Applications are due by 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, for the spring semester. Only 20 openings are available. Classes begin on Wednesday, Feb. 6 and end on May 22.

This program is designed to:

- Be informative, interactive and engaging to provide a positive experience for residents,

- Help community members better understand how their city government operates and how they can work with government to preserve and improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods, and

- Provide additional opportunity for city staff and residents to network and coordinate.

Anyone who lives in the city limits and is 18 years old is eligible to apply to the academy. Applications are available on the city's website at www.las-cruces.org and enter the words "Neighborhood Leadership Academy" in the search field. Or stop by City Hall, 700 N. Main St., at the City Manager's Office. Residents who have confirmed registration will receive a fully detailed schedule at the first class.

Scheduled dates are

Wednesdays, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; Wednesdays, March 13, 20; Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24; and Wednesdays, May 1, 8, 15.

City council recognition will be May 20, and graduation is May 22.



Poster contest

Las Cruces Public Schools (LCPS) is putting the 'A' in 'STEAM' (Science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics). A contest is being run for all elementary-age students in Las Cruces to design a poster that may be used to promote the 2019 Las Cruces Space Festival.

The contest rules state that the poster must be the student's own, original work and must feature the full festival title "Las Cruces Space Festival 2019." Entries are required to be on 8.5 x 11 paper only. The student's name, grade, school and teacher must be clearly labeled on the back of the poster.

All entries must be received by Jan. 31. Schools are asked to select one poster from grades K-2 and one poster from grades 3-5 per school. Finalists will be chosen by the crew of the Challenger Learning Center of Las Cruces on Feb. 7.

The winner and runner-up entries will be selected by the Las Cruces Space Festival Planning Committee and announced on March 7. The winner's art work will be displayed at the Las

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Cruces Public Schools Main Office at 505 S Main St for the month leading up to the start of the Las Cruces Space Festival on April 7.

Farrell awarded

Anna Gabrielidis Farrell, an attorney in the Las Cruces Public Defenders Office, received a Juvenile Justice Excellence Award from the New Mexico Children's Law Institute at its 2019 Conference last week in Albuquerque.

The award is presented annually to members of the Children's Court community state-wide who have contributed significantly to their field and demonstrated outstanding dedication, leadership, knowledge, and integrity.

Farrell is a native of Las Cruces and graduate of NMSU. She received her law degree from the University of Notre Dame, and has practiced law specializing in juvenile defense for five years in Doña Ana county.

"Anna is a fearless advocate for our young people," according to the award.

"She uses robust motions practice to work toward positive outcomes for her clients. She is often sought out as a resource on juvenile issues. Her clients have found her supportive. Anna fights for justice in all areas of her practice. She has a great reputation in the national juvenile defense community."

Zero waste

This January, the Doña Ana County Il-

legal Dumping Partnership (IDP) encourages residents of Doña Ana County to make 2019 the "Year of zero waste."

"At the beginning of the year, we're all focused on what we can do to improve our lives and our mindset, and this year, we encourage people to think bigger," said Vicki Lusk, Manager of Doña Ana County Animal Control & Codes. "With a community and environmental focus, we can all start to make everyday changes that have large, positive effects. Whether you are able to commit to full-fledged zero waste practices throughout the year, or you're looking to make small changes that will positively impact your community, we encourage you to take action toward sustainability."

To implement the Zero Waste resolution, the IDP recommends the following tips:

- Ban the bag. Use cloth and reusable totes and bags at the market.
- Skip the straw. Drink from the glass, or invest in a reusable, eco-friendly drinking straw to take with you on-the-go. At restaurants, be sure to tell the server ahead of time you do not want a straw.
- Kick the cup. Choose reusable cups, dishes or glassware or as a last resort, opt for biodegradable paper products.
- Buy in bulk. Most bulk stores allow you to bring your containers in to re-fill.
- Buy a water filter. Instead of buying cases of plastic water bottles, invest in a water filter.
- Buy local. Buying local increases sustain-

ability, reduces the carbon footprint of shipped goods and has a positive impact on the economy.

• Get involved. Those interested in planning a cleanup day are encouraged to call 575-525-8846 and begin building a group of volunteers.

• Increase awareness. Work to reduce plastic consumption.

"We all have responsibility to take care of our community and our world," added Lusk.

For more information visit CleanupWithCarlos.org.

MLK hours

Most Doña Ana County offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 21, to allow employees to observe the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday.

Emergency services

and law enforcement in the field will not be affected, but the administrative offices of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department will be closed.

Saturation patrols and DWI checkpoints will be conducted in the field.



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SALARY: \$10.46 / Hour

OPENING DATE: Jan.18, 2019

CLOSING DATE: Feb. 1, 2019

NATURE OF WORK:

Full time, regular non-exempt position which monitors the safe delivery and disposal of solid waste at the assigned transfer station.

Position involves occasional overtime, including nights, weekends, and holidays. Regular attendance is an essential function of this job to ensure continuity of services. Position is subject to drug testing in accordance with applicable State and Federal regulations and South Central Solid Waste Authority policies.

Essential duties are performed primarily outdoors under various weather con-

ditions. Employee is exposed to precarious situations, fumes and airborne particles, potentially toxic and/or caustic chemicals, and extreme temperatures.

The noise level in the work environment may be extremely loud when working with the compactor and other hydraulic equipment.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee must be able to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. The employee must be able to operate station equipment and must be able to move about the work environment. The employee must have the ability to frequently move or reposition up to 50 pounds of material or objects, occasionally up to 180 pounds with supportive devices.

Meeting or exceeding the minimum qualifications does not guarantee an invitation to participate in the process. Preference for applicants living within 10 miles of the Chaparral vicinity.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Directs traffic flow of all vehicles entering the transfer station to the proper area to unload.
- Assures that refuse remains in the area is not

hauled away as salvage.

- Performs vehicle load inspections and monitors incoming loads for unacceptable materials.

- Keeps work area clean and free of debris to prevent damage to incoming vehicles.

- Picks up wind blown litter.

- Responsible for knowing and abiding by all SCSWA policies and procedures.

Additional Functions/Tasks

- May be required to assist in maintaining and operating equipment in the absence of the regular operators.

- Performs other duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Prefer high school diploma or equivalent. One (1) year of full-time experience performing laborer or related duties. Bilingual (English/Spanish) is preferred. A combination of education, experience, and training may be applied in accordance with South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) policy.

Licenses/Certification(s): Valid driver's license required. Position requires an acceptable driving record in accordance with SCSWA policy.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

Must have general knowledge of laws, regulations and ordinances affecting the environmental processes; and methods to maintain accurate records. Must have skills in safely operating equipment; and two-way radio operation and protocol. Must have the ability to interact diplomatically with public in order to assure compliance with regulations, establish and maintain effective and cooperative working relationship with others. Application may be obtained online and completed at: <https://scswa.net/>. Resume may not be substituted or accepted in place of application.

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Authority (SCSWA) and not the City of Las Cruces. If hired, I will be a SCSWA employee and not a City of Las Cruces employee.

Yes No

2. Are you a current South Central Solid Waste Authority employee? (If you fail to include this information under the work experience section of the application, you may be disqualified from the selection process.)

Yes No

3. Do you meet the minimum requirement of one (1) year of fulltime experience performing laborer or related duties? (If you state yes and fail to include this information under the work experience section of the application, you may be disqualified from the selection process.)

Yes No

4. Do you have a high school diploma or equivalent (GED)?

Yes No
*Required Question

IN THE PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA STATE OF NEW MEXICO

NO. 18-0343

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF AURORA R. HERRERA, a/k/a AURORA DORA R. HERRERA, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MIGUEL G. HERRERA, a/k/a MIGUEL C. HERRERA, JR. 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 or 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 Probate court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Rm. 1-201, Las Cruces, New

Mexico 88007.

Dated: December 18, 2018.

MIGUEL G. HERRERA, a/k/a
MIGUEL C. HERRERA, JR.
728 Elmwood Court
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Dates: 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 21, 2018, Kay Schumacher for GST Exempt TR/Shumacher Revocable Trust filed application numbered LRG-3169-POD2 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 Changing Point of Diversion, discontinuing use of well LRG-3169 and drilling proposed well LRG-3169-POD2 to a depth of approximately 300 feet with a 26-inch casing, in a location within the SE 1/4 NW 1/4, of projected Section 16, Township 23S, Range 1E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where X=1,456,349.54ft., Y=476,833.9ft. (NMSP, Central NAD83), on land owned by the applicant, 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, for the irrigation of 37.05 acres of land, owned by the applicant and located within Pt. of the NW 1/4 and Pt. of the SW 1/4 of said projected Section 16 as described in Subfile Order No.: LRN-28-009-0096. Well LRG-3169 will be plugged.

The site of proposed well LRG-3169-POD2 is generally described as being located approximately 1/2 mile northwest of the intersection of Picacho Hills Drive and W. Picacho Avenue. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22.

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: 01/11, 01/18, 01/25, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 10, 2018, Jesus M. Chavez & Lilia E. Gonzalez Larry Mills & Sherry Mills & Melva Ann Porter & Judson Porter, 411 Palomino Dr., Vado NM 88048, filed application numbered LRG-17530-PODI, OSE File No. LRG-17530-1, 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 discontinuing use of existing well LRG-15342 POD 1, located within the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 29, T25S, R3E, NMPM and drilling a new replacement well LRG-17530-PODI to be located at approximately Y=400,922 (N.M.S.P., Central Zone NAD 83, Feet) with a 8" casing to an approximate depth of 300 ft, for continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by May 24, 1999 order of the third

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NOTICE is hereby given that on December 18, 2018, Marshall Clayshulte on behalf of Rancho Barro, LLC, PO Box 773, Mesilla, NM 88046, filed application numbered LRG-7859 POD4 with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill an Additional Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling well LRG-7859 POD4 to a depth

Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of NM, for irrigation purposes on 4.34 acres of land owned by the applicant located within the NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected section 29, T25S, R3E, NMPM, as identified in Hydrographic Survey Sub file no., LRN280100138 of the lower Rio Grande adjudication. The well can be generally located approximately 1500ft north of the intersection of Palomino Dr., and Franco Rd. Well LRG-15342 POD1 will be retained for other rights.

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 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.

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of 460 feet for 16-inch casing to be located within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of projected Section 36, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 16' 7.87", 106° 48' 7.10"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, to supplement existing well LRG-7859 POD2 located within the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 16' 13.63", 106° 48' 11.46"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 58.93 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NE 1/4 of projected Section 35, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, and within the NW1A of projected Section 36, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, as described by Subfile Nos. LRN-28-012-0209 Right C and LRN-28-012-0329 Right A of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for supplemental well LRG-7859 POD4 is located west of Mesilla, NM and may be found approximately 0.2 mile northwest of the intersection of Calle del Oeste and Calle del Sur. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24.

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.

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Dates: 01/04, 01/11, 01/18, 2019

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 14, 2018, Peanuts Farm, LLC, 908 Cherry Hill Ln. El Paso, TX 79912, filed application numbered LRG-12496, OSE File No. LRG-16818-1 with the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by utilizing existing well LRG-12496, located within the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 21, Township 27S, Range 3E (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 57' 7.54" N, 106° 38' 14.8" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, to supplement existing well LRG-16818-POD2, located within the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 21, Township 27S, Range 3E (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 57' 4.926" N, 106° 38' 21.98" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, filed August 22, 2011, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 9.11 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 21, Township 27S, Range 3E (NMPM), as described by Subfile No. of the LRS-28-018-0002-C, Right A 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.

Well LRG-12496 is located east of La Union, NM and is approximately 1,908 feet east of the intersection of Maldonado Road and Highway 28.

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.

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NOTICE is hereby given that on November 27, 2018, Isela & Raul Hernandez, 850 County Rd., B-10, La Mesa, NM 88044, filed application numbered LRG-7371-POD4, OSE File No. LRG-7371-8, 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 proposed well LRG-7371-POD4 to a depth of 100 feet with a 6-inch casing, in a location within

the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Section 35, Township 25S, Range 2E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32 0 5 ' 3 8 . 3 5 " N a n d 106042'14.434"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-7371, located on land owned by Johnny & Mary Helen Tapia Revocable Trust located within the NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of said Section 35 and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at intersect at 32 0 5 ' 49.767"N and 106042'7.978"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 6.18 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the E 1/2 NE 1/4 of said Section 35 as described in Subfile No. LRS 280080077 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site of proposed well LRG-7371-POD4 will be located south of La Mesa, NM and may be found approximately 1,000 ft. west of the intersection of Harlackner Rd. & Dillon Rd. Existing well LRG-7371 will be retained for other rights.

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

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Intent to Adopt the Following Ordinance(s) at a Regular City Council Meeting to be Held on February 4, 2019:

(1) Council Bill No. 19-019; Ordinance No. 2884: An Ordinance Approving Metro Verde South Planned Unit Development (PUD) Amendment #5. The Amendment Includes a Concept Plan for the Addition of 323+ Acres Known as Metro Verde East, a Zone Change from Multiple Zoning Districts to PUD, and Clarifications to Existing Standards. The Addition is Located on Both Sides of Sonoma Ranch Blvd, South of Peachtree Hills Rd, North of Thurmond/Engler Rd, East of Red Hawk Golf Rd, West of McGuffy St. Submitted by Sierra Norte Development/Sierra Norte Land Holdings, Property Owner (71750).

(2) Council Bill No. 19-020; Ordinance No. 2885: An Ordinance Authorizing a Real Estate Purchase Agreement Between the City of Las Cruces and CORE Academy for the Sale of a 45,000 Square Foot Tract of Municipally Owned Land Located at 2095 W. Lake Mead Boulevard, Las Vegas, Clark County Nevada for the Purchase Price of \$400,000, in Accordance with Provisions of LCMC 1997, Section 2-1312.

(1) Terms of Sale: \$400,000 cash or equivalent at closing.

(2) Appraised Value: Appraised Value: The property was appraised by two Nevada appraisers in September and October 2018. One appraiser concluded a value of \$315,000 while the other appraiser concluded a value

of \$515,000. Proposed sale price is \$400,000.

(3) Schedule of Payments: \$10,000 earnest money has been received, \$390,000 due a payable upon closing.

(4) Amount of Purchase price: Proposed sale is \$400,000.

(5) Purchaser of Property: CORE Academy, a Nevada non-profit corporation, whose address is 701 South 9th Street Las Vegas, NV 89101 Attn: Lindsay Harper.

(6) Purpose of Sale: City has received a fair market offer. City has no viable long-term use for the property and disposal is in the best interest of the City. City's objective is to remove a liability and budget draining asset from its inventory. Selling the property to a private entity will eliminate those costs to the City.

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. **Witness My Hand and Seal** of the City of Las Cruces on this the **15th day of January, 2019.**

Linda Lewis, CMC
City Clerk

Date: 01/18, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2014-00977

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A., AS SUCCESSOR R-IN-INTEREST TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. F/K/A JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, IN TRUST FOR MASTR ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2003-4, Plaintiff,

vs.

ESTEFANA R. GARCIA, INDIVIDUALLY; ESTEFANA R. GARCIA AS TRUSTEE OF THE B & E GARCIA FAMILY TRUST, DATED FEBRUARY 21, 2008; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF BENJAMIN F. GARCIA AKA BEN F. GAR-

CIA, DECEASED; CACH, LLC; STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT, 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 Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 5530 N. Doña Ana Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER (NE1/4) OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, U.S.R.S. SURVEYS BEING WITHIN THE DONA ANA BEND COLONY GRANT AND COMPRISING PART OF U.S.R.S., TRACT 4-69C AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED BEING A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF N.M. STATE ROAD 28, WHENCE THE SOUTHEAST INTERSECTION OF SAID STATE ROAD 28 AND N.M. STATE ROAD 320 BEARS N. 33 DEG 44' 00" W., 372.00 DISTANT: THENCE N. 58 DEG 33' 34" E., 217.38 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED: THENCE S. 33 DEG 44' 00" E., 155.04 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED: THENCE S. 57 DEG 37' 00" W., 217.27 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, BEING A POINT ON SAID EASTERLY LINE OF STATE ROAD 28: THENCE N. 33 DEG 44' 00" W., 158.62 FEET ALONG SAID EASTERLY LINE OF STATE ROAD 28 TO THE NORTHWEST AND BEGINNING CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, CONTAINING 0.7820 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

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 February 21, 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 Summary & Default Judgment granted on November 29, 2018 in the total amount of \$169,807.32 with interest at the rate of 3.625% 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. The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. F/K/A The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as Successor-in-Interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. F/K/A JPMorgan Chase Bank, in Trust for MASTR Alternative Loan Trust 2003-4, 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 DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

NO. CV-2018-2720
MANUEL I. ARRIETA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF FRANCISCO ARVIZU FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Francisco Arvizu, 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 Francisco Arvizu to Frank F. Arvizu, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge on the 18th day of February, 2019, at the hour of 3:00 p.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Frank F. Arvizu
Frank F. Arvizu
PO Box 208
San Miguel, NM 88058
575-621-0222

Dates: 01/11, 01/18, 2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-PB-2018-00115
Judge: Manuel I. Arrieta

In the Matter of the Estate ROBERT J. KEAR, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MICHAEL KEAR

has been appointed personal representative 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 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 9th day of January, 2019.

/s/ Michael Kear
Personal Representative
57 Travis Ln.
Montrose, NY 10548

Dates: 01/18, 01/25, 02/01,

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

No.D-307-PB-2018-00120
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA A. HERRERA, 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: December 3, 2018

/s/ Martin Martinez
Martin Martinez, Personal Representative of the Estate of Maria A. Herrera, Deceased

PREPARED & SUBMITTED 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: 01/04, 01/11, 01/18, 2019

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

D-307-PB-2018-00133
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOLORES J. MAAS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned VICTORIA S. TAN 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 Personal Representative c/o The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.O. Box 2277, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, 201 W. Picacho, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 10th day of January, 2019.

/s/ Victoria S. Tan
VICTORIA S. TAN, Personal Representative

of the Estate of Dolores J. Maas, deceased.

Prepared by:
The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.A.
By /s/ Dana M. Kyle
Dana M. Kyle
P.O. Box 2277
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-2277
(575) 525-0020
(575) 525-0017 fax
Attorney for Personal Representative

Dates: 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2017-02272

U.S. BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MANUFACTURED HOUSING CONTRACT SENIOR/SUBORDINATE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATE TRUST 1999-2, Plaintiff,

vs.

GREGG MARTINEZ; WHITE SANDS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; CHAMBERINO MUTUAL DOMESTIC WATER CONSUMERS & SEWER ASSOCIATION; 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 Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 165 Tequila Land, Chamberino, NM 88027, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE SOUTH OF CHAMBERINO, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN SECTION 19, T 26S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS, BEING PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 24-80 AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET THE WEST LINE OF AN EXISTING ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, WHENCE THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 19, T 26S., R 3E., BEARS THE FOLLOWING TWO COURSES AND DISTANCES N 21°46'58"W., 240.03 FEET, THENCE N.20°01'25"W., 1009.16 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID EXISTING ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT, S 21°46'58"E, 249.56 FEET TO AN IRON

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ROD SET ON THE SOUTH LINE OF A 25 FOOT WIDE ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID 25 FOOT WIDE ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT, S.61°41'51"W., 196.86 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE LEAVING THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID 25 FOOT WIDE ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT, N.17°48'54"W., 252.16 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N 61°41'51"W., 179.30 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, including the manufactured home, described as a 1997 manufactured home, Vehicle Identification Number PH172138, 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 February 7, 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 November 27, 2018 in the total amount of \$67,209.82 with interest at the rate of 7.5% per annum from October 12, 2017 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. U.S. Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Manufactured Housing Contract Senior/Subordinate Pass-Through Certificate Trust 1999-2, 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-2018-00246

**IDAHO HOUSING AND
FINANCE ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,
v.
SOCORRO E. MORALES
AKA EDDY MORALES
AND THE UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF SOCORRO
E. MORALES AKA EDDY
MORALES,
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned Special Master will on January 29, 2019 at 11:00 am, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT 17, AVALON PARK SUBDIVISION-CORRECTED PLAT, 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 28, 2006, IN BOOK 22 PAGES 62-64 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The address of the real property is 909 Gilmer Way, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on October 10, 2018 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$134,574.83 plus interest from July 1, 2018 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.87500% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any 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 rights of redemption.

Margaret Lake
Special Master
Pro Legal Services, LLC
201 Eubank Blvd. NE, Suite A1
Albuquerque, NM 87123
(505)715-3711

Dates: 01/04, 01/11, 01/18, 01/25, 2019

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-01389

**US BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, AS
TRUSTEE FOR STRUC-
TURED ASSET INVEST-
MENT LOAN TRUST
MORTGAGE PASS-
THROUGH CERTIFI-
CATES, SERIES 2006-3,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**TRACY E. GORMAN;
VYCKI GORMAN;
PORTFOLIO RECOVER-
Y ASSOCIATES,
L.L.C., Defendants.**

**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 1620 Rio Grande St, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 3, BLOCK E OF MONTECITO SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MARCH 5, 1953 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 7 AT PAGE 36, PLAT RECORDS. The real property is also described as follows: LOT 3, BLOCK E, MONTECITO SUBDIVISION IN LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO AS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE ON MARCH 5, 1953 AS PLAT NUMBER 410, IN BOOK 7, PAGE 36.

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 A.M. on February 21, 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 Judg-

ment granted on October 24, 2018 in the total amount of \$78,364.83 with interest at the rate of 2.0% per annum from December 1, 2017 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. Us Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Investment Loan Trust Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-3, 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.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINA-

TION 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-2018-00703

**THE BANK OF NEW
YORK MELLON F/K/A
THE BANK OF NEW
YORK, AS SUCCESSOR
IN INTEREST TO
JPMORGAN CHASE
BANK, AS TRUSTEE
FOR CENTEX HOME
EQUITY LOAN TRUST
2004-B, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**REBECCA K. GUTIER-
REZ, Defendants.**

**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 Coun-

ty, New Mexico, commonly known as 1434 S. Almendra St., Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS PART OF LOTS 27, 28 AND 29 BLOCK 24 COLLEGE SUBDIVISION AS AMENDED APRIL 1910 AS FILED MAY 6, 1910 IN PLAT RECORD 4, PAGE 6 OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET AT A POINT ON THE WEST SIDE OF ALMENDRA STREET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 29, BLOCK 24, COLLEGE SUBDIVISION AS AMENDED APRIL 1910 AS FILED MAY 6, 1910, IN PLAT RECORD 4, PAGE 6 OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING ALONG ALMENDRA STEET S. 76 DEG. 00'W., 117.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N. 14. DEG. 07' 40" W., 53.32 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; WHENCE THE NORTHWEST CORNER

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OF THE AFOREMENTIONED LOT 29 BEARS S. 76 DEG. 00'W., A DISTANCE OF 35.00 FEET; THENCE N. 76 DEG. 00' E., 100.00 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 0.1328 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, also described as: A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS PART OF LOTS 27, 28 AND 29 BLOCK 24 COLLEGE SUBDIVISION AS AMENDED APRIL 1910 AS FILED MAY 6, 1910 IN PLAT RECORD 4, PAGE 6 OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET AT A POINT ON THE WEST SIDE OF ALMENDRA STREET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 29, BLOCK 24, COLLEGE SUBDIVISION AS AMENDED APRIL 1910 AS FILED MAY 6, 1910, IN PLAT RECORD 4, PAGE 6 OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING ALONG ALMENDRA STREET S. 76 DEG. 00'W., 117.00 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N. 14. DEG. 07' 40" W., 53.32 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; WHENCE THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE AFOREMENTIONED LOT 29 BEARS S. 76 DEG. 00'W., A DISTANCE OF 35.00 FEET; THENCE N. 76 DEG. 00' E., 100.00 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

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 7, 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 December 17, 2018 in the total amount of \$132,016.19 with interest at the rate of 10.625% per annum from October 24, 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. The Bank of New York Mellon F/K/A the Bank of New York, as Successor in Interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee for Centex Home Equity Loan Trust 2004-B, 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.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-01420

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

LARRY DE MARCO, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JIMMY W. DE MARCO, DECEASED, 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 500 El Prado Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOTS 34, 35, AND 36, BLOCK 1, REVISED PLAT OF MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION, 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 MARCH 18, 1932, IN PLAT BOOK 1 PAGE 23 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 February 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 December 17, 2018 in the total amount of \$180,139.26 with interest at the rate of 3.37500% per annum from October 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. Lakeview Loan Servicing, 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, 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
P.O. Box 51526
Albuquerque, NM 87181

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-02133

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

GRAY KITE, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA E. MILLER AKA VIRGINIA MILLER, DECEASED, Defendant.

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 Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 3512 Winterhaven Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

THE EASTERLY 22 FEET OF LOT 4 AND ALL OF LOT 5, BLOCK 1, WINTERHAVEN SUBDIVISION, IN 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 OCTOBER 30, 1973, IN BOOK 11 PAGE 69 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 A.M. on February 21, 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 December 12, 2018 in the total amount of \$56,318.99 with interest at the rate of 6.1250% per annum from March 1, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., 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 A. Doyle
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Albuquerque, NM 87181

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-2018-01956
Judge: Marci Beyer

MAGNIFICENT GRAY GIRLS, LP, Plaintiff,

vs.

GUILLELMO OLIVAS AGUIRRE and DELIA CECILIA SAENZ QUINTANA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Default Judgment issued out of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on December 31, 2018, in the above entitled cause in which it was determined that Plaintiff has a judgment against the Defendants GUILLELMO OLIVAS AGUIRRE and DELIA CECILIA SAENZ QUINTANA in the amount of \$114,592.76 together with

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interest from and after December 18, 2018 at the rate of 9.99% per annum, and by which judgment I am among other things commanded to sell all the lands described in said judgment, which real estate is to be sold in the foreclosure sale and more particularly described in the judgment of said cause and hereinafter described.

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of February, 2019 at the hour of 1:00 PM in the front of the Dona Ana County Judicial Complex located at 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005. I will in obedience to said Judgment sell the following described real estate to wit:

LOT 004, BLOCK 005, VILLA VALENZUELA SUBDIVISION PHASE III, in the city of Sunland Park, 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 March 9, 2015, in Book 23, Pages 725-729 of Plat Records on mountain terms.

Property's address is commonly known as 5921 Cocobolo St., Sunland Park, New Mexico 88008. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the real property address, the legal description shall control.

Together with the hereditaments and appurtenances belonging to said real estate and in any way pertaining to said premises to satisfy the amount due on Plaintiff's Judgment in the total amount of \$114,592.76 together with interest to the date of sale in the amount of \$1,630.92 and all costs of said sale.

If the amount bid is over and above the amount due the Plaintiff, plus costs of sale, the amount of the proceeds shall, pursuant to said Judgment, be paid into the registry of the Court for determination of the amounts to be paid, and to whom said amount shall be paid. Said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds; provided, however that Plaintiff shall be entitled to bid all or a part of its Judgment.

DATED this 8 day of January, 2019.

By /s/ Stephen Hosford
Stephen Hosford, Special Master
P.O. Box 420
Array, NM 87930-0420
575-644-6068

Dates: 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 02/08, 2019

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

NO. D-307-CV-2017-03297

IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

v.

JUSTIN W. MARTINEZ, MARGARITO MARTINEZ, KATHALEEN E. MARTINEZ, NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY, AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JUSTIN W. MARTINEZ, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on January 29, 2019 at 11:00 am, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

A track of land being a portion of Lot 12, Block 23, Elephant Butte Land and Trust Co., Subdivision "A", Doña Ana County, New Mexico and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point being the southwest corner of this tract, whence the southwest corner of Lot 12, Block 23 of the aforementioned subdivision bears S31deg43'E, 208.06 feet; thence N31deg43'W, 169.27 feet to a point being the northwest corner of this tract;

Thence N80deg18'E, 201.43 feet to a point on the west R/W of a 60 foot wide county road, said point being the northeast corner of this tract;

Thence S39deg42'E, 60.34

feet along the west R/W of the aforementioned county road, to the southeast corner of this tract;

Thence S48deg24'W, 198.06 feet to the point and place of beginning containing 0.500 acres of land more or less.

The address of the real property is 4715 Elks Dr, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on September 21, 2018 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$139,028.50 plus interest from August 1, 2018 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.25000% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property 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 rights of redemption.

Margaret Lake
Special Master
Pro Legal Services, LLC
201 Eubank Blvd. NE, Suite A1
Albuquerque, NM 87123
(505)715-3711

Dates: 01/04, 01/11, 01/18, 01/25, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.
D-307-CV-2016-00667

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE RMAC TRUST, SERIES 2016-CTT, Plaintiff,

v.

MIRNA GONZALEZ, AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MIRNA GONZALEZ, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on February 12, 2019 at 11:00 am, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM,

sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT 1, OF HOOSIER SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, COUNTY OF DONA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN ON PLAT THEREOF RECORDED ON JANUARY 17, 1953 IN PLAT BOOK 7, AT PAGE(S) 33 AS PLAT NO. 407, RECORDS OF DONA ANA COUNTY.

The address of the real property is 1025 South Espanola St, Las Cruces, NM 88001. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on November 14, 2018 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$99,310.65 plus interest from July 1, 2018 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.000% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

Dates: 01/11, 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LUNA PROBATE COURT

No. 5504

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ROBERT MASON TRANBERG (a/k/a Robert M. Tranberg), DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ALBERT MARSHALL ILGES 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 Probate Court of Luna County, located at 700 S. Silver Ave., Deming, New Mexico 88030. DATED this 21st day of December, 2018.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property 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 rights of redemption.

Dates: 01/04, 01/11, 01/18, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

NO. 18-0269

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA MARIE EICHORN, DECEASED

NOTICE TO KNOWN CREDITORS

Dates: 01/11, 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LUNA PROBATE COURT

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KEITHLY & ENGLISH, LLC
/s/ Shane A. English

SHANE A. ENGLISH
Attorney for Albert Marshall Ilges,
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: 01/04, 01/11, 01/18, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

NO. 18-0269

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA MARIE EICHORN, DECEASED

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Dated: Nov. 15, 2018

/s/ Cheryl Lee Eichorn
Cheryl Lee Eichorn
2466 El Dorado Ct.
Las Cruces, NM 88011
575-993-1944

Dates: 01/11, 01/18, 01/25, 2019





BARBARA JOAN BISHOP, RN,BSN,CNP

Barbara Joan Bishop passed away quietly at the family home in Las Cruces, New Mexico early Christmas morning, December 25, 2018.

She lived 83 incredible years. Barb was born in Buffalo, New York on October 20, 1935 to Dwight Shaw and Betty Van Camp Shaw. The family, including Barb's younger sister Carol, moved to Chicago and then to St. Louis. In 1949, when Barb was only 14 and Carol 11, both parents died. She and Carol were taken in by relatives. Barb lived with several relatives and finally with her Uncle Anson and Aunt Luella (Aunt Lou) Van Camp, along with their daughter Claire who became like a sister to Barb.

In 1952 after graduating from High School in Detroit, Barb was accepted into the renown Clara Ford School of Nursing at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. In 1956, as the Valedictorian of her nursing class, she had the honor of presenting her Commencement Address to Clara and Edsel Ford, Henry Ford's wife and son.

In 1956, Barb married Alfred (Al) Bishop, a chemical engineer. About 1971, after working in engineering for many years, at the age of 40, he decided to become a dentist. He was accepted into the first class of the new

Loyola School of Dentistry in Chicago. Barb worked as the head pediatric nurse at a nearby hospital while raising their three children and putting Al through three years of dental school. During one summer, they all spent three months helping the Havaspai Indians at their village in the bottom of the Grand Canyon in Arizona. Al did dentistry and Barb helped the Indian people and raised her children.

In 1975, after Al graduated from the dental school, they were trying to decide where to go. Uncle Anson and Aunt Lou had traveled extensively after retirement, and they were very impressed with Las Cruces. Al found out that more dentists were desperately needed, so they moved to Las Cruces. Al joined a dental practice and Barb decided to take some time off, after three years of overwork in Chicago. In 1977, NMSU started a new Nursing Program that offered a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. Barb had a three year certificate RN, and knew that a degree would be helpful. She applied and was accepted, and started studies in 1977. Two years later she graduated with honors. Because her last name was Bishop, starting with a "B", she was the first person to receive her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from NMSU.

Soon she was working as a BSN at the Memorial Medical Center in Las Cruces and soon after NMSU hired her as a part-time nursing instructor. She then wanted to try Public Health Nursing and got a position with the El Paso Public Health Department.

With this job she gained valuable experience working with the Hispanic population and indigent families. After commuting the 100 mile roundtrip for several years, she decided to seek a position in Las Cruces.

She accepted an RN position at the Planned Parenthood Office in Las Cruces and she began some of her most rewarding work of her lifetime. This was at the beginning of the HIV Aids epidemic and she became very involved with the dread disease. Planned Parenthood needed a Certified Nurse Practitioner (CNP) and offered her a full scholarship to attend UNM to get the certification if she would come back to work for them after graduation. She commuted for two years, often studying in her car, while driving, on the 460 mile roundtrip weekly. Again, she graduated with honors and received her CNP. She continued working with Planned Parenthood until the Las Cruces office lost its funding and closed its doors. During that time Barb and Al separated and then divorced in 1983 after 27 years of marriage.

In 1987, she joined the New Mexico Public Health Department and worked out of the Las Cruces Office as a CNP. She provided prenatal and Family Planning Clinics in towns across southern New Mexico including Reserve, Silver City, Lordsburg, Deming, T or C, Socorro, Alamogordo, Anthony and Chaparral. She felt that if at the end of the day, at least one woman's life was made better because of her, then she knew that she had served her pro-

profession well. She knew that professionally and ethically she had to be a voice for voiceless women, especially those that were indigent, disenfranchised, and not English speaking. One of the high points of her work with the New Mexico Public Health Department was when she was asked to represent the entire Department and make a presentation to the New Mexico Board of Nursing. The Department was requesting that CNP's in New Mexico, be able to provide care for any medical problems that they had been trained to address in their CNP Program, post graduate training or on the job training. The Board unanimously approved the Department's request that Barb had so convincingly presented. As a result of their decision, CNP's in New Mexico can provide a wider spectrum of services than many other states.

Barb and Hale had been active members of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces for many years. They met while being members of the Board of Directors. In 1996 they got together and began a loving partnership that lasted 22 years, until her death. Since both had been previously married, they decided not to marry but to have a Commitment Ceremony with all of their families and a few friends at their home, "The Ranch" on Sandhill Road. It was just like a wedding, but no papers were signed. Barb and Hale had much in common including love of life, the outdoors, camping and traveling. They visited the beautiful Conejos River in southern Colorado many

times. They also traveled to six of the seven continents. The only continent they missed was Antarctica. They visited twelve different countries and made many friends. Their travel included visiting Machu Picchu, the Galapagos Islands, Alaska and Hawaii. They both loved animals and during their 22 years together they had six dogs and many cats. Barb's favorite was "Daizy" a golden retriever which was like a precious daughter to her. Barb and Hale finally did marry in 2002 when his health insurance company left New Mexico. She gave Hale a hard time about getting married for health insurance, but she agreed they were really already married. Barb often said to Hale that those 22 years with him were the best years of her life.

In 1998, after retiring from Public Health, Barb worked with several local doctors providing information to their patients who had osteoporosis. Because of the wide variety and quality of services she had provided for many years to patients in New Mexico and El Paso, in 2006 at the age of 71, Barb received the NMSU Distinguished Alumni Award from the College of Health and Social Services. It was the first time that an Alumnus from the college had received this award. Barb was very proud of the work that she had done over her lifetime and was honored to receive this award that recognized her lifelong achievements.

At the end of her life Barb said " I want the memories of my life to give Joy, not Sorrow, to my family, friends, co-workers, and

patients." She truly spread Joy in the World.

Barb was preceded in death by her mother Betty Van Camp Shaw and her father Dwight C Shaw.

Barb is survived by her husband, friend, and partner Hale Huber, her daughter Sara (Sally) Bishop Campbell, her sons Timothy Bishop (Nathan Francisco) and Andrew Bishop, her sister Carol Waschull, her cousin Claire Odenhiem (Ken), her granddaughters Heather Campbell and Meghan Thomas (Josh), her grandson Tyler Ray, and her great-grandchildren Killian Thomas and Rorek Thomas.

Memorials:

1. Mesilla Valley Hospice Email: nsalmon@mvhospice.org./ dedication: Mesilla Valley Hospice, in memory of Barbara Bishop
2. Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces Email: office@uuchurchLC.org. dedication: UUCLC in memory of Barbara Bishop
3. Doctors without Borders Email: donations@newyork.msf.org. dedication" in memory of Barbara Bishop

Thank yous:

Barb's Family wishes to thank the following people for their care and support:

Dr. Kathy Burke, Rev. Mary Anne Ford, Dr Alan Orellano, Tina Guervera, RN and the rest of the staff at the Mesilla Valley Hospice, as well as the staff at Memorial Medical Center ER. Cremation has taken place. No Funeral Service will be held.

La Paz - Graham's Funeral Home
555 W. Amador Avenue
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005
575-526-6891



ELIZABETH ANN CALHOUN

Elizabeth Ann Calhoun, of Weatherford, Texas, passed away Friday, January 11, 2019 surrounded by family and dear friends at Baylor Medical Center in Dallas, Texas. Elizabeth fought a valiant, eleven-month battle with an aggressive form of Multiple Myeloma cancer. Throughout her life she was lovingly referred to as “Mom”, “Buffy”, “Coach”, and “Calhoun”.

Born December 19, 1963 in El Paso, Texas, she is survived by her daughter Ky Stephens of Weatherford, TX; parents Denny and Geraldine Wilcox Calhoun of Las Cruces, NM; siblings Clay (Nancy) Calhoun of Austin, TX, Melissa (Jim Bob) Burnett of Artesia, NM, and Deana Calhoun of Las Cruces, NM; Harvey Stephens of Tehachapi, CA, her former husband and Ky’s father. She is also survived by numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and an infinite number of students, colleagues, and friends.

Buffy grew up on farms in the El Paso Valley and the Mesilla Valley in Southern New Mexico. She graduated from Las Cruces High School in 1982 and earned her Bachelor’s and Master’s

Degrees in Education from New Mexico State University.

During her early years, Buffy participated in the 4-H and Future Farmers of America programs exhibiting livestock and textiles, judging, and public speaking. She was the New Mexico State FFA Secretary in 1982-1983.

Elizabeth began her teaching career at Las Cruces High School in 1992. She then moved to Weatherford High School in 1996, where she taught for another 19 years. In 2002, she and Ky spent a year in Bedford, England through a Fulbright Teacher Exchange where she taught science during the week and traveled Europe on the weekends and breaks. In 2015, she joined the Peaster High School family and what a blessing that was.

She was a highly accomplished and much beloved teacher of Chemistry and AP Chemistry. Numerous times, Elizabeth was selected by an elite member of the Senior Class of Weatherford High School as the Outstanding Educator who had the most impact on their lives. She was accessible to her students at all hours, be it academic in nature or for personal support. In addition to chemistry, she was devoted to teaching them how to be good human beings.

Elizabeth was an excellent carpenter and spent her weekends beautifully remodeling their home in Weatherford. She instilled in Ky a love for architecture accompanied with a willingness to

tackle any challenge or project, big or small.

She took advantage of opportunities to travel and experience new cultures. Elizabeth visited most of the fifty states, spent many summer days on the beach in San Diego with dear friend Chris Yates, and most recently joined Ky for a portion of her hike of the Appalachian Trail. Her other adventures included ski trips to Austria, excursions in England, Italy, France, Germany, Switzerland, and an excursion to Australia with her students. She pursued her interest in Calhoun family history at a gathering in Scotland. Elizabeth was an eager life-long learner.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, January 19, 2019 from 5:00-7:00 pm at White’s Funeral Home in Weatherford, Texas. A celebration of her life will be held on Sunday, January 20 at 3:30 pm at Christ Chapel Bible Church, West Campus, Willow Park, Texas. A private family burial will take place at Pidcoke Cemetery in Pidcoke, Texas. A celebration of life will be held in Las Cruces, New Mexico at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Elizabeth’s memory may be made to: Cowboys for Cancer Research, Inc. PO Box 202, Doña Ana, NM 88032 or www.C4CR.com.

PATRICK EVAN SILVERTHORNE

PATRICK EVAN SILVERTHORNE, age 69, of Las Cruces passed away Sunday, January 6, 2019. Services are pending with

Baca’s Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

ALICIA MENDOZA ALVIDREZ

ALICIA MENDOZA ALVIDREZ, age 83, of Las Cruces passed away Friday, January 4, 2019 at La Posada Mesilla Valley Hospice surrounded by her children. She was born June 23, 1935 in Chihuahua, Chihuahua, Mexico to Petra Rosaura Gonzalez and Alejandro Mendoza.

Those left to mourn her passing include three sons, Oscar Alvidrez of San Pablo, Manuel “Manny” Alvidrez of Las Cruces and Gustavo “Gus” Alvidrez of La Mesa; two daughters, Hilda Ortega of Las Cruces and Sylvia Tellez of Gilbert, AZ; two sisters, Dolores “Lola” and Elvira Carrillo. Other survivors include ten grandchildren, six great-grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews. The Funeral Service will begin at 10 AM Thursday, January 10, 2019 at La Primera Iglesia Bautista, 905 Chaparro Street with Pastor David Serrano and Pastor Cesar Tellez, officiating. Concluding Service and Interment will follow at Masonic Cemetery, 760 S. Compress Road where she will be laid to rest in the family plot. Serving as casket bearers will be Manuel, Oscar, Gus, Tito and Orlando Alvidrez, and Brian Rodriguez.

The Mendoza-Alvidrez Family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Baca’s Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 300

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JAIME R. MONTOYA

JAIME R. MONTOYA, 52, of Las Cruces, made his final call of duty on January 3, 2019 at 3:05 p.m. Jaime was born on April 16, 1966 in Wiesbaden, Germany to Victor and Felisa Montoya. Jaime married Bernice on June 12, 1997 and they remained best friends until his passing; por vida...right babe! Jaime will be reposing on Thursday, January 10, 2018 from 3 PM to 5 PM at Baca’s Funeral Chapels, 300 E. Boutz Road. The Holy Rosary will be recited the same evening at 7:30 PM in Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, 1240 S. Espina. Family and Friends will join together to celebrate the Funeral Mass at 10 AM on January 11, 2019 at the same church. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in the Doña Ana Cemetery where he will be laid to rest. There will be a reception at Our Lady of Purification Parish Hall immediately following the funeral.

Jaime leaves behind his wife, Bernice; his parents, Victor and Felisa Montoya; his daughters, their spouses, and children; Alex (Joe) and their sons, Joseph and Jaime, Valerie (Johana) and their son, James, son Isaac, granddaughter, Alexis; his sister, Faith (David) their children; Mindi, Maya, Mira, and Jen-

nifer; brothers, Gabino (April) and their children, Diego, Santiago, and Caesar, Cesareo (Laura) their children, Enrique, Andres, Aaron, and Isabel; his parents-in-law, Joe and Teresa Medina; siblings-in-law, Sylvia (Alex), Patsy (Joe), Lucy, Minerva (Angel) and JD (Michelle). He also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, the LCPD family, countless friends, including Elizabeth and JoJo; members of Our Lady of Purification Catholic Church, community members, and his Knights of Columbus family.

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tattoo you

Artist Aaron Valenzuela draws on skin – and it doesn't *really* hurt



By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Tattoo artist “Xombi” Aaron Valenzuela describes the shop he opened with fiancé Anahy Nuñez six years ago in the Mesquite Historic District as “service industry-meets-artist-meets-creative business owner.”

Located at 228 N. Campo St., kitty corner from the U.S. Post Office, Atom Bomb Studio combines three of Valenzuela’s great loves. “Very early on, I wanted to be an artist,” he said, adding, “I had always been interested in tattoos.” And he loves interacting with people.

Valenzuela, 33, was born in Albuquerque but moved to Las Cruces with his family at age 3. His

earliest memories are of taking his small Fisher Price desk into a closet of the family home, turning on the light and closing the door so he could draw for hours, starting out with images of Bart Simpson and Teenage Mutant Turtles.

If he did something bad as a child, Valenzuela remembers, his punishment was not being sent to his room (where he could draw). Instead, he was told to go outside and play.

One night in middle school, Valenzuela said he could not sleep so he got up and painted his first mural – Spiderman (he also loves comic books) – on his folding closet door.

Valenzuela also remembers being at a family gathering and watching one of his uncles put a

tattoo of Batman and Robin on another uncle.

“I just remember thinking, ‘This is gross, but I love it,’” he said.

During a high school trip to San Diego Comicon, Valenzuela was able to see his first professional tattoo artist at work, creating a small star on Nuñez.

“It just blew me away,” Valenzuela said. “I just wanted to learn more and more.”

The two began silk screening, but “it wasn’t art the way I wanted to do art,” Valenzuela said. “I like being able to create things that didn’t exist before and tattooing lets you do that in a big way.”

“Tattoos are crazy powerful,” Nuñez said.

“We love it when it’s meaning-

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Some of tattoo artist Aaron Valenzuela’s work.

PHOTOS COURTESY ATOM BOMB STUDIO

Las Cruces tattoo artist “Xombi” Aaron Valenzuela works on a client at his tattoo shop in the Mesquite Historic District.



Christina Ballew

Film fest sets scene for poster party

BULLETIN REPORT

The official commemorative poster for the 2019 Las Cruces International Film Festival (LCIFF) will be revealed at a party 6-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at the Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main Street.

The public is invited. Admission is \$25, which includes refreshments, a signed copy of the poster, and the opportunity to purchase festival VIP tickets at a reduced price.

The poster is designed by Christina Ballew, co-founder, managing partner and creative director of NMCO Media where she directs animators, videographers and designers. Her body of work spans painting, murals, illustrations, graphic design, production and video direction.

"We are delighted to continue the tradition of LCIFF commemorative posters extraordinarily designed by local artists," said film festival Executive Director Ross Marks.

Ballew earned her degree in graphic design and moved to Las Cruces in 2012, where she has been curating exhibits and pro-

moting the arts economy. In 2017 she curated 13 group shows and had two solo art shows. Last year Ballew spearheaded the downtown Color Me Cruces Mural with artists Anahy Nuñez and Aaron Valenzuela.

The 2019 LCIFF runs Feb. 19-24. Poster party and festival tickets are available at www.LasCrucesFilmFest.com, 575-646-6149, 336 S. Main St. (Visit Las Cruces) or at the Rio Grande Theatre.

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ful,” Valenzuela said.

Members of the U.S. military have become some of his favorite clients. “They have very big ideas. They let us do pieces of art on the whole body,” he said, including sleeves (the whole arm), legs, backs and chests.

Slightly more than half his clients are women, Valenzuela said, and he likes that because “they take care of their skin a lot better, their pain tolerance is a little bit higher (and they) take the extra time to think about what they want.”

The pain, by the way, is “so much worse in your mind,” Valenzuela said. “Oh, that wasn’t so bad” is what most first-time clients say after “the first little buzzing” of the needle. “I have a very light touch,” he said.

“This is very much art to me,” Valenzuela said. “I’m not taking money to pay the rent. I want mine to be the best (tattoo) you have. That motivates me to be better as an artist.”

The tattoo industry “is evolving so rapidly,” Nuñez said. Ink is safer than ever – vegan, with no animal by-products that some people are allergic to – and more and more colors are available.

And, things like Tattoo TV have put the art “into a positive spotlight,” Valenzuela said, so more and more people are getting tattoos.

“There are tons of reasons for getting a tattoo,” Nuñez



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Atom Bomb Tattoo Studio, 228 N. Campo St.

said, or you can get one for no reason at all. “Why not? That’s the question,” she said.

Often, the two artists said, people get tattoos to commemorate lost loved ones or to remember meaningful events in their lives.

Getting tattoos “helps a lot of people move past certain traumas,” Valenzuela said. A tattoo is a way to remember a lost loved one that you can look at every day. “It’s art on your body forever,” Valenzuela said. “That’s beautiful.”

He remembers doing one tattoo of a bodily organ lying on a gurney holding a bottle of liquor, and another of a cheese wedge stabbing itself with a toothpick. Another time, he tattooed “Don’t let no one get you down” (the title of a song by “War”) on a man’s lower jaw. He also tattooed a couple of words just above one man’s

groin area.

Valenzuela said his oldest client to date was well into her 70s. He won’t do anyone under 18 and shies away from doing tattoos on hands, throat or face unless the client already has a tattoo there.

“I want people to show it off with pride,” he said.

“If a client can come around and say, ‘I love my tattoo,’ you’ve done your job to the nth degree,” Nuñez said.

Nuñez, 32, is a native of Las Cruces. She and Valenzuela met at sports camp in elementary school and have been together for 15 years. They live near their shop and love being a part of downtown Las Cruces.

“I love it,” Valenzuela said. “I don’t want to move.”

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Some of tattoo artist Aaron Valenzuela's work.

Land and sky converge on the East Mesa

BULLETIN REPORT

A new sculpture will grace the Doña Ana Community College (DACC) East Mesa campus this month when students return for classes.

The piece designed by Colorado artist Andy Dufford, "Land and Sky," was funded by the Art in Public Places Program of the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs (NMDCA). Installation was to be completed by mid-January, in time for students to enjoy the work during the spring semester, which began Jan. 16.

A local selection committee made up of DACC faculty and staff, an NMSU architect and community members judged various proposals before deciding on the Dufford piece. They worked with NMDCA to select art that enhances the campus and represents the diversity of DACC. The Academic Resources building was chosen to house the sculpture.

"The quality of all the submitted artworks was outstanding," said local artist and DACC faculty member Glenn Schwaiger. "We initially looked at more than 190 artists' submissions before narrowing the list down to four finalists. Those artists then came to campus and presented their site-specific proposals to the committee, faculty, staff and students before a final selection was made."

Dufford's sculpture is inspired by the natural history of the Mesilla Valley. Three primary elements from the history of the Valley are portrayed in the artwork: the terrain, the flight path of migrating birds, and the constellations in the skies overhead.

According to Dufford, "the bird flight symbolizes the individual and collective journey, and the terrain below and stars

above represent the essential guideposts necessary to traverse the voyage. These images take shape in two overhead shade structures. The paired canopies have complementary themes. One carries the contours of the terrain in the Rio Grande rift, and the second is perforated by the constellations of the night sky and the blaze of the Milky Way.

"Migrating birds make their way across each canopy, using the landmarks of earth and sky to complete their successful journey. Below the canopies, face-to-face seating provides places for rest and conversation. The overall effect is to create a space of comfort, companionship, and discovery."

Funding for the project, commonly called "1 percent for the arts," requires a portion of appropriations for capital expenditures be set aside for the acquisition or commissioning of works of art to be used in, upon or around public buildings. According to the Cultural Affairs website, "The program is designed to enrich New Mexico communities through innovative and diverse public art." The program, which began in 1986, has placed more than 3,000 works of art throughout New Mexico. The state funding for this sculpture came as a result of the building of the East Mesa campus.

The local committee that chose the artwork was composed of project director Greg Walke of NMSU Facilities and Services; then-DACC President, Dr. Renay Scott; DACC faculty members Michael Stewart and Schwaiger; local architects Gary Williams and Brenda Quintana; Joy Miller, the exhibits curator for the Las Cruces Museum; longtime arts activist Irene Oliver-Lewis; and Beverly Chavez-Floyd.



PHOTOS COURTESY GLORIA NEVAREZ LESLIE

Artist Andy Dufford and his team work on his sculpture in early January.



Artist rendering.

LCCT: Not your father's 'Crucible'

BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT) continues its effort to bring socially and politically relevant theatre to local audiences with its upcoming production of Arthur Miller's classic "The Crucible."

The play, about the struggle of one brave individual to resist the overwhelming pressure of a theocratic society to conform, is set during the Salem witch trials of



1692. The production features actor (and Centennial High School theatre and English teacher) Darin Robert Cabot as the reluctant hero, Nora Brown as his accused wife and Jazmin Buchman as the seductive accuser.

Like LCCT's recent production of "The Laramie

Project," "The Crucible" will feature a very large cast of 19, including Janet Allen, Edward Montes, Mia Berkson, Sage Drake, Kerrigan Sivils, Brianna Horvath, Kyoniza Berg, Jeff Dolecek, Tom Warren, Karen Warren, Gale Fulte, Ilene Steele, Jeff Peckham, Calvin Chervinko, Barton Mendenhall and Robert Sheehan. The design team includes scenic designer Karl Heist, costume designer Susie Ouderkirk and lighting designer

Ron Nash. Centennial High theatre student Gus Sanchez is the stage manager.

"I'm attracted to plays that strongly resonate with contemporary audiences, and I think 'The Crucible,' although it opened on Broadway in 1953, still shines a powerful light on our current society and culture," said the play's director, Norman Lewis. "Many of us only know 'The Crucible' as a play we had to read in high school that was written as a reaction to the McCarthy hearings (whatever they were) and was promptly forgotten along with trigonometry

and conjugations of French verbs. "

Lewis said his goal was to plumb the universal themes in the play.

"This is a play about one man standing up to a society gone mad with the only weapons he has: truth, honor and dignity. Although those virtues may seem under attack today, they are not lost yet in America, and a play like this reminds us how vital they truly are.

"'The Crucible' was the most-produced American play of the 20th century, and it is even more important in the 21st. With the help of an extraordinary cast and an equally

talented set of designers, I can promise that this production will erase any dusty memories you have of a boring high school 'classic' and bring this story to scorching, searing life. Set against a background of Satanism, sexual seduction and mass hysteria, this is not your father's 'Crucible.'"

"The Crucible" opens Friday, Feb. 1 at LCCT, 313 N. Main St. downtown and plays Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons through Feb. 17.

For tickets and more information, visit www.lcctnm.org. Call LCCT at 575-523-1200.

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'Curious Incident'



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"The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" opens Jan. 25 at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. The cast includes Joseluis Solorzano, right, and Joshua Taulbee, along with Autumn Gieb, Gina DeMondo, Kathi-Jane Alvarado, Scott Brocato, Luz Resendez, Bekah Taulbee, Monte Wright and Ashley Dahl. The play is directed by Ceil Herman, who saw the play in London. It tells the story of a young man with exceptional mathematics skills who is challenged by everyday life. He finds his neighbor's dog dead and begins work on solving the mystery of who murdered "Wellington." Performances are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 25-26, and Feb. 1-2 and 8-9; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 3 and 10; and 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7. Tickets are \$15/\$12 for students and seniors. Thursday tickets are \$10. Call 575-523-1223 for reservations or visit www.no-strings.org.

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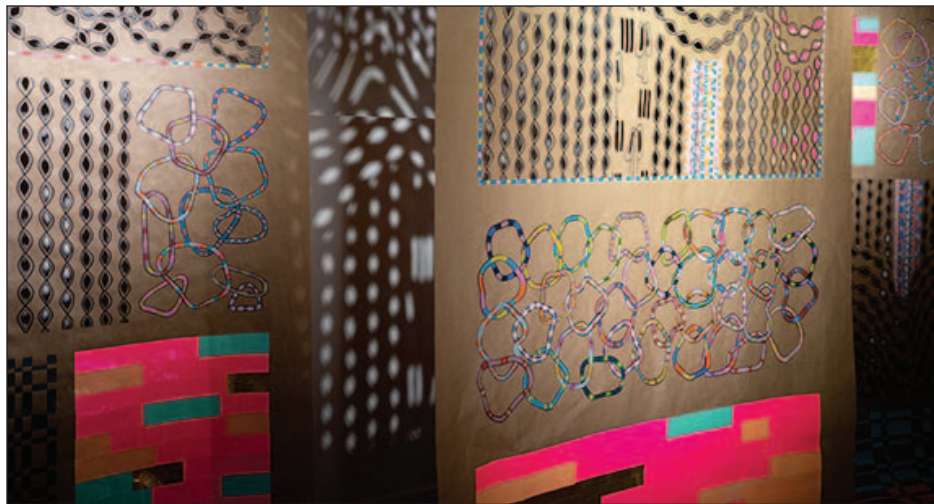


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Throughout the month of January, the Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road, features artists represented by the gallery, including Robert Highsmith, Jo-an Smith, Linda Gendall, Paula Voris, Carlitta Harvey, Stephen Hansen, Dan Stouffer, Mark Hohnstreiter, Sally McDevitt and others. The gallery is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 575-541-0658, email info@thecuttergallery.com or visit thecuttergallery.com. Pictured: "Doña Ana Winter," by Robert Highsmith.

'Light Tricks'

'Light Tricks' opens at University Art Museum (UAM), Thursday, Jan. 31, featuring the works of artists Julie Alpert (shown) and Andy Arkley. The show continues through Sunday, March 3, at the gallery, 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," according to UAM Coordinator Jasmine Woodul. The artwork shown here is Alpert's "Beaded Curtains and Friendship Bracelets," a mixed media 2018 site-specific installation. The gallery is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Admission is free. For more information, call 575-646-2545, email artglry@nmsu.edu and visit uag.nmsu.edu.



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Sonya Fe



BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

The Doña Ana Arts Council continues to feature the works of Las Cruces artist Sonya Fe at the DAAC Arts and Cultural Center Gallery, 1740 Calle De Mercado, suites B and D, throughout the month of January. The gallery is open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and for special events. For more information, call DAAC at 575-523-6403 and visit daarts.org.

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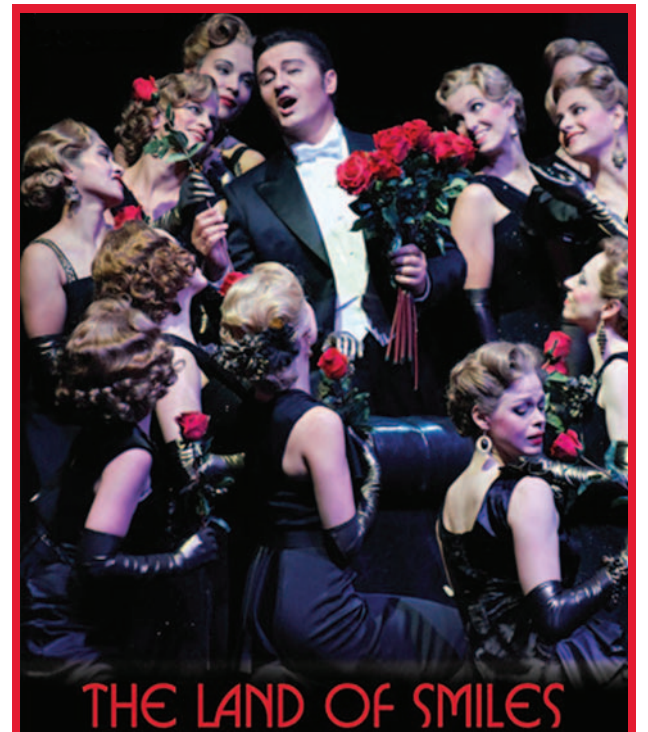
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Singing Out Las Cruces performed at Mayor Ken Miyagishi's 2018 State of the City address at Las Cruces City Hall.

'Songs of Hope' sing out in concert

BULLETIN REPORT

Singing Out Las Cruces LGBTQA choir will have two performances of its "Songs of Hope" Winter Concert in late January.

Performances will be at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, and again at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27, at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., at the corner of Missouri and South Locust Street.

There also will be an open dress rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 25.

Tickets are \$10 each with children ages 12 and under admitted free. Tickets are available at Spirit Winds, 2260 S. Locust St., and at the door.

Refreshments will be served during both performances, and each will also include a silent auction.

The chorus' mission statement is "From our

LGBTQA base, Singing Out uses the power of music to entertain, heal and inspire the community to respect and value the difference of all people."

The chorus was founded in September 2011. New chorus members are welcome.

The choir rehearses 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Peace Lutheran Church and performs two concerts each year, along with performances at local events, which in 2018 included the mayor's state of the city address and Las Cruces Pride Fall Fest in October.

Irene Gehre is the choir's artistic director and Mark Klett is the accompanist.

Singing Out performs a variety of choral music.

For more information, email singingoutlas-cruces@gmail.com and visit singingoutlas-cruces.org.

The brilliant colors of a dark, troubled soul

By **JEFF BERG**
For the Bulletin

Perhaps featuring more close ups than any movie, ever, "At Eternity's Gate" is a somewhat esoteric look at a time in the life of Vincent van Gogh, just prior to his death.

While watching this feature I felt that van Gogh might have been an animist, due to his stated desire and need to paint non-human life forms. Although his work doesn't always follow this type of creed, it seemingly offered a partial explanation of his troubled soul.

Willem Dafoe plays van Gogh, a sad, broke and not very tidy person, who lives to paint. His work, of course, never sells at this time of his life, in spite of the best efforts of his loving brother Theo. Vincent also drinks heavily, although that is not shown, seems extremely lonely, and at times has visions.

Van Gogh seems harmless enough, except to himself, and is constantly at work at the only thing he feels he can do, although he states that he has tried other things before going to painting fulltime.

The film has some odd aspects to it, besides the numerous close ups. It also features a number of very long pull shots and has an overwhelming and a too-loud piano score that accompanies van Gogh in every scene where he is alone.

The heavy use of a hand-held camera at times becomes a big distraction, but the out-of-focus shots and echoed dialogue fit well as re-

GRADE: A-

This picture will play at the Fountain Theatre for a week, beginning January 18.

minders of how van Gogh was thinking or feeling at times.

Director Julian Schnabel ("Diving Bell" and "Butterfly") follows van Gogh during the period that he spent in southern France, mostly in the village of Arles (where, apparently, he was asked to leave after accosting a shepherd), offering an in-depth look at the feelings and needs of the celebrated artist.

Schnabel fills the film with light and color, just as van Gogh's work, which was probably ahead of its time, judging by the criticism it receives. Almost all his work is alive with blue and yellow hues, thus disparaging the darkness he apparently felt in his soul.

Dafoe is a master at the role and even though I wasn't sure I liked the film that much, by the end of it, I found it to have a number of hooks that kept my attention, along with the audience in the theater where I saw



PHOTOS COURTESY CBS

Van Gogh pursued other interests, but in the end, he only knew how to paint.

it, which applauded at the end. A rare thing indeed.

Be sure and stay for the credits, which offers one of the new alternative theories to van Gogh's passing – a quote by his friend and occasional mentor, Paul Gauguin.

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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 50 -- -O-Fish (McDonald's sandwich)
 52 Riddle, part 3
 59 Very pungent
 61 Certain opera singer
 62 Adders, e.g.
 63 Most blaring
 66 Sculling tools
 68 As blind as --
 69 Elegant tree
 72 Pharmacy amount
 73 Riddle, part 4
 76 Blackthorn
 77 Fire residue

78 Lady Grey
 79 Sauce brand since 1937
 80 Stays away from
 82 Total or Life
 84 Neighbor of a Swede
 86 Goes fast
 87 Riddle, part 5
 93 NATO part
 94 Mineo of "Tonka"
 95 Knighted one, e.g.
 96 Pleasant
 99 The Beatles' "-- Loser"
 100 "Citizen X" actor Stephen
 103 Equine noise
 107 Do a lawn chore
 109 Relo vehicle
 110 End of the riddle
 115 Dir. from Del. to Vt.
 116 Busy mo. for a CPA
 117 Big particle physics lab in Switz.
 118 "Hail, Nero!"
 119 Big name in sneakers
 121 Riddle's answer
 128 Lenient
 129 Beethoven's Third, familiarly
 130 Mark Antony's wife
 131 Local lingoes
 132 Wet slightly
 133 Wee baby

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1 Seder celebrant
 2 Ordinal number ender
 3 Carrere of "True

Lies"
 4 Beyond embryonic
 5 Oneness
 6 Baja California resort port
 7 Permit to
 8 Biblical angel
 9 Chicana, e.g.
 10 Many flying creatures
 11 Got together
 12 Compadre
 13 "Shrek!" author William
 14 Like time, speed and temperature
 15 Bad, to Luc
 16 Including everything
 17 Author Steel
 18 More sandlike
 19 MS markers
 24 "Yuk" relative
 29 PC screen variety
 31 Special -- (mil. group)
 32 Toll, for one
 33 Atomizer for spraying paint
 34 Turned right on a horse
 35 Has no life
 36 -- Ark (biblical boat)
 37 With 57-Down, supporter for a caterer's dishes
 38 Pets' docs
 45 Groom's partner
 47 Microwave brand
 49 Unoriginal
 51 Indefinite things
 53 Keats verse
 54 Gobs
 55 Railing locale
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 57 See 37-Down
 58 Green-lights
 59 Alan of "White Mile"
 60 Doves' calls
 64 Horrify
 65 Reasonably muscular
 67 Lactose, e.g.
 69 Unrequired course
 70 Rob of the Brat Pack
 71 Disorder
 74 Gets close

75 Mom or dad's sister
 76 "Da Doo Ron Ron" singer Cassidy
 78 -- Tull (rock band)
 81 -- -Magnon man
 82 Persian, e.g.
 83 Country singer Rimes
 85 Suffix with lion
 87 Army group
 88 Ball of perfume in a closet
 89 Exhausting
 90 Urged in defense
 91 Intentions

92 Close friendship between guys
 97 "Wheels"
 98 Nav. officer
 101 Expunges
 102 African viper
 104 Implant that helps in returning a lost pet
 105 Athens' land
 106 Husband of Lily Munster
 108 Greet with a hand motion
 111 Resulted in
 112 Followed a curved path

113 Hit skit show since '75
 114 "-- & Kel" (1990s teen show)
 119 -- Khan
 120 Height fig.
 122 Hunters' gp.
 123 -- de plume
 124 Cyclotron bit
 125 Actress Longoria
 126 Apt humor
 127 Letter encl. to facilitate a reply

A&E EVENTS

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

- Jan. 18: Little Table Contraband, rock/folk
- Jan. 19: Alister M., indie/rock/folk
- Jan. 20: Alison Reynolds, folk/pop
- Jan. 25: Chris Baker, country
- Jan. 26: Ricky & Emily, blues
- Jan. 27: Skivi Meredith, old school

Rio Grande Theatre January Events: 211 N. Main St. Tickets available at the box office 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, online at riograndetheatre.org, or at the door. Info: 575- 541-2290.

- Jan. 19: Children's Matinee: Minions
- Jan. 19: Classic Film: The Godfather: Part II

• Jan. 23: The Gaze of the Explorer: Humboldt in Mexico

- Jan. 26: Best of The Second City
- Jan. 29: The Black Market Trust

Crafts for Kids: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Children of all ages are welcome to create their own craft to take home. Free with regular admission (\$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, \$3 for children 4-17). Info: 575-522-4100, www.nmfarmranchmuseum.org.

- Jan. 19: Clay gristmill Stone & Scavenger Hunt
- Jan. 26: Puzzles

Acid Dye Demonstration: Wool Dyeing: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage

Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Museum volunteers will demonstrate the process of dyeing wool and welcome participants to assist and observe. Cost \$5, includes entrance to the Museum. Info: 575-522-4100 or luannr.kilday@state.nm.us.

Pop-Up Exhibit: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St., a project designed to help start a conversation about the region's history, identity, and culture to develop a community-based exhibit at the Branigan Cultural Center. Info: las-cruces.org/museums or call 575-

541-2137.

Autographing's & Events: Barnes & Noble, Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Events are free and open to the public. Info: 575-522-4499.

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- Jan. 19: 11 a.m. Storytime
- Jan. 26: 11 a.m. Storytime
- Jan 26: 2 p.m. Barnes & Noble Puzzle Party

STEAMPunk - Mary Anning, Paleontologist: 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, Museum

of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St. Explore local paleontology and learn about the first professional female paleontologist, Mary Anning. Info: http://las-cruces.org/museums or call 575-522-3120.

Night Photography Demonstration: 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main Street. This workshop will provide information and suggestions for taking fabulous low-light photos. Info: 575-541-2154.

Annual Pet Blessing: 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, St. Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, 518 N. Alameda Blvd. Info: 575-

323-1035.

Artventurous: Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St., open from 10 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday. Info: 575-541-2137

- Jan. 19: De Stijl (Neoplasticism)
- Jan. 26: Suprematism

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- Jan. 19: Gloria Hacker
- Jan. 26: Sarah Addison & Sharlene Wittern

Solano: 1101 S Solano Dr.

- Jan. 19: Jean Gilbert
- Jan. 26: Sonya Weiner

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

'Four Generations, Four Languages'

Through Jan. 19
Exhibit by four artists in Mexico whose works highlight generational influences seen in art-making approaches. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.

las-cruces.org.

'Passing Through'

Through Feb. 2
Artist Jimin Lee transforms photo-based images of industrial landscapes, miniature sets and other loci otherwise ignored into central subjects through a series of

techniques that incorporate technology and craft. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

'Lightning Field'

Through Feb. 19
Computer-generated imagery featuring artist Ken Morgan is an interplay of light and dark that brings the digital age to the forefront. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

'Dressed for the Occasion'

Through March 3
Women's everyday 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.

'Drawn to the Land: Peter Hurd's New Mexico'

Through Sept. 13
Renowned 20th-century artist Peter Hurd (1904-84) is the subject in an exhibit at the NM Farm & Ranch Museum's Traditions Gallery, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Info: 575-522-4100.

'Grist for the Mill'

Through Dec. 2
The exhibit includes a portable gristmill from the Museum's collection, a stone set from Mora, N.M., and two separate stones that were used in the Las Cruces area; one from the Lemon Mill in Mesilla, and the Schaublin Stone, which was on display for years next to the tall, bank building in downtown Las Cruces. NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum Legacy Gallery, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Info: 575-522-4100.





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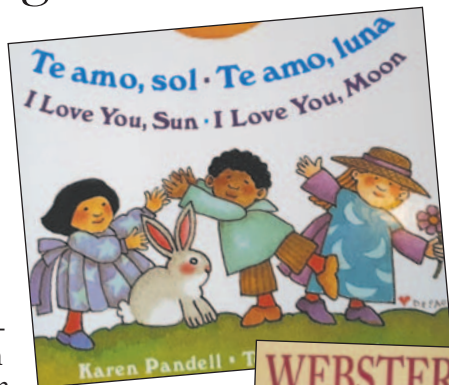
For the refugees: Books for the journey

BULLETIN REPORT

Casa Camino Real Bookstore, 314 S. Tornillo St. in the Mesquite Historic District, is participating in Libros Para El Viaje/Books for the Journey, a refugee book drive in collaboration with the American Booksellers Association (ABA).

According to bookstore owner and award-winning author Denise Chávez, Casa Camino Real will be gathering Spanish and Spanish/English bilingual books for children and adults during the ABA's 14th annual Winter Institute, Jan. 22-25 in Albuquerque – the first year the ABA conference is held in New Mexico. Chavez will be one of six New Mexico writers honored on the last day of the conference.

Chávez began distributing books locally at Peace Lutheran Church to refugee families, and according to a news release



An example of bilingual books donated to Casa Camino in past book drives.

PHOTOS DENISE CHÁVEZ/CASA CAMINO REAL BOOKSTORE

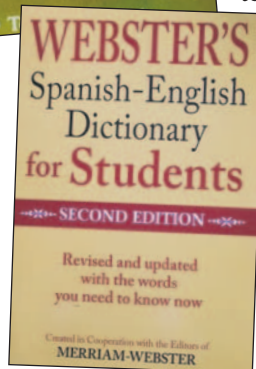
approached the Annunciation House in El Paso with a plan to distribute more books to its hospitality centers in Las Cruces-El Paso, including The Border Servant Corps, El Calvario United Methodist Church, Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey, Hope Border Institute and the Columbian Mission Center.

During the ABA conference, book-sellers, publishers and writers will donate books at the Albuquerque Convention Center to be delivered to Las Cruces for sorting and distribution to various hospitality houses.

Casa Camino Real needs a large space or warehouse to house and sort the donated books, Chávez said, and to also function as a temporary

“pop-up bookstore” to sell books from Casa Camino Real’s inventory to raise money for the hospitality centers. Spanish/English books for children and adults are welcome.

Those interested in helping with Libros Para El Viaje can contact Chávez at 575-523-3988 or comezon09@comcast.net.



Pat Garrett Festival sheds light on historical figure of the Southwest

By ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH
Las Cruces Bulletin

How do you make a historian's eyes glow? Have them organize a festival about their favorite epochs of history.

Doña Ana Historical Society members David Thomas and Dan Crow have hatched a festival celebrating Pat Garrett and his legacy, which includes old movies, trial testimony reenactment and ballads about outlaws.

Best remembered for killing Billy the Kid, Garrett lived in Doña Ana County for 12 years, served as county sheriff for four years, and was killed in the county on Feb. 29, 1908. Most festival events are free. They open with a reception at 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the Rio Grande Theatre in Downtown Las Cruces.

The festival continues at noon Saturday, Feb. 2, at the Rio Grande Theatre with “Sing the Legend,” a live musical presentation by Crow, John Wood and



PHOTO COURTESY WIKICOMMONS
One of the few photos of lawman Pat Garrett, (in)famous for killing Billy the Kid.

Scott Galbreath.

Crow, who has a legacy of doing children's concerts in Las Cruces, said Garrett's granddaughter asked him to do a song because Garrett has not been treated kindly by history. When he did, it inspired him to do more.

Crow and company will perform and analyze nine historic Western songs.

“Music has been really important in developing and communicating Western Culture,” Thomas said. “Even in the old days, when cowboys sat around the campfire. That's why we wanted a music presentation here.”

At 1:30 p.m. the movie “Four Faces West,” made

in 1948, will be shown. Directed by Alfred E. Green, the film is based on a story by Eugene Manlove Rhodes and features Charles Bickford as Pat Garrett.

At 4 p.m. Thomas will discuss the trial of Wayne Brazel, accused of shooting Garrett, and events leading up to his trial. The transcript of the examination will be reenacted.

At 6 p.m. Karla Steen will read love letters in a program titled “Querida Esposa: Travel Back in Time on a Journey of Love.” Steen will discuss the affectionate letters written by Patrick F. Garrett to his wife, Apolinaria Guiterrez-Garrett, between the years 1889 and 1896.

“She's going to give this insight,” Thomas said. “This has never been done before. No one has a clue about this side of Garrett. He's an incredible family man. He's talking about his kids.”

At 7:30 p.m., Thomas will talk about the history of movie theaters in Las Cruces and about the film “Billy the Kid,” which premiered worldwide at the Rio Grande Theatre on Oct. 12, 1930. The movie was directed by King Vidor and stars Johnny Mack Brown as Billy and Wallace Beery as Garrett. Admission is \$5.

The Rio Grande Theatre is located at 211 Main St. Call 575-541-2290.

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The power of the purse

Over the years I have attended countless women's gatherings in churches, schools, clubs, etc. Seldom have I seen a woman who was not carrying a purse. As she enters the building with her purse, she looks for a place to put it down, usually on the floor beside her.

Purses come in all sizes, but mostly large or larger since they must carry a wide range of stuff so that one is prepared for anything.

There are car keys, house keys, and the mail box key. There are the credit cards, a checkbook, and some cash. A pen and notebook are essential. One needs items for keeping well groomed – comb, lipstick, fingernail file and clippers. One also needs a place for sunglasses and the cell phone or whatever latest hand-held device the owner has acquired.

Most certainly a woman needs tissue for a number of things – blowing the nose,



RUTH MOORER

Not for Sissies

cleaning glasses, wiping up a spot or spill or possibly a few tears. To keep the mouth fresh, there may be breath mints, chewing gum or some mouth spray. I know

of people who carry a small tube of toothpaste and their toothbrush for freshening up after a meal. And it's good to have a few band-aids just in case there is a scrape or cut.

Now, if this sounds like a full purse, don't underestimate the ability of a woman to find room for more. Some strange things can be found in a woman's purse, especially if she has young children. There may be such things as a diaper, small toys, rocks, or anything else one can imagine. My dear husband occasionally would ask me to put things in my purse that he could not find room for in his pockets.

Since there is always room for more, I shall name a few things

which have been found in a woman's purse: scissors, a screwdriver, flashlight, and a sock, rubber bands, paper-clips, toothpicks, ad infinitum...

Our human tendency is to take things on trips which we may not need, but we want to be prepared – just in case. It reflects our dependence upon material things, and thus encumbers us with too much stuff.

In terms of being prepared for anything, it has occurred to me that we need to shift our emphasis from "things" to what is much more important. How about the "things" which help us face the challenges of life, the things which help us to get along with others, with our family and co-workers, with people who are difficult to live with, and perhaps to live with ourselves?

Along this line, I would share with you some thoughts of the Apostle Paul from his Letter to the Ephesians quoting from The Message Version of the New Testament by Eugene

Peterson: "Be prepared. You're up against far more than you can handle on your own. Take all the help you can get, every weapon God has issued, so that when it's all over but the shouting you'll still be on your feet. Truth, righteousness, peace, faith and salvation are more than words. Learn how to apply them. You'll need them throughout your life. God's Word is an indispensable weapon. In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out (Ephesians 6:10-18)."

Can you think of anything better to carry with you as you make this journey of life? And you don't need a purse.

Ruth Justice Moorer is a resident of Las Cruces having moved here in 1996 with her husband, Charles. She has been a public-school science teacher and a United Methodist pastor.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Go online to access your annual benefit statement

By RAY VIGIL

For the Bulletin

Tax season is approaching, and Social Security has made replacing your annual benefit statement even easier. The Benefit Statement is also known as the SSA-1099 or the SSA-1042S. Now you can get a copy of your 1099 anytime and anywhere you want using our online services.

A Social Security 1099 is a tax form Social Security mails each year in January to people who receive Social Security benefits. It shows the total amount of benefits you received from Social Security in the previous year, so you know how much Social Security income to report to the IRS on your tax return.

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Ray Vigil is a Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in El Paso, Texas.

SENIOR CALENDAR

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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. For directions,

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Parkinson's support group: 10 a.m. third

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NMSU offers cooking classes for diabetics

By **CARLOS ANDRES LOPEZ**

For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Service will offer a series of cooking classes designed to teach adults with diabetes how to cook healthy meals.

The four-class series, Kitchen Creations, is sponsored by the New Mexico Department of Health and kicks off Thursday, Feb. 7, at Mayfield High School, 1955 N. Valley Drive, in Las Cruces.

The classes are from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28.

Participants will learn food safety, how to plan meals, read food labels and manage carbohydrates. They also will prepare and sample meals, said Beatriz Favela, a Family and Consumer Sciences Extension agent in Doña Ana County, who will teach the classes with Janae Kraus.

"Kitchen Creations is a great program that supports individuals with diabetes, and I'm

very happy it's available for community members in Doña Ana County," Favela said.

According to the 2017 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, 11.7 percent of adults in New Mexico had diabetes. Research has shown that healthier eating can help manage the disease.

"Many people with diabetes struggle with what to eat," said Cassandra Vanderpool, registered dietitian and Extension diabetes coordinator for NMSU. "Kitchen Creations goes beyond giving nutrition information. Participants apply what they are learning through hands-on cooking and other activities to help them succeed at home."

The class is free and open to the public, but registration is required. To enroll, contact the Doña Ana County Cooperative Extension Service office at 575-525-6649 by Jan. 31.

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NMSU, UNM scientists collaborate on cancer research

By **MICHELE SEQUEIRA**

For the Bulletin

Fifteen years after a chance meeting started their partnership, a compound Jeffrey Arterburn, and Eric Prossnitz discovered may lead to new skin cancer treatments.

Arterburn, a Regents professor in chemistry and biochemistry at New Mexico State University, and Prossnitz, a professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at The University of New Mexico Comprehensive Cancer Center, met after a regional scientific conference in 2003. Arterburn told Prossnitz about some compounds he had developed that might help Prossnitz's research. The two quickly realized that their work dovetailed nicely.

Arterburn, a medicinal chemist, had derived compounds from estrogen that Prossnitz could further modify to make fluorescent. The molecules lit up under a microscope, allowing scientists to see where their receptors were displayed on cells. Arterburn could further change the compounds' properties by adding or removing atoms from their molecules.

Prossnitz, a molecular



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Eric Prossnitz, left, and Jeffrey Arterburn

biologist, was studying breast cancer cells and their receptors. He was particularly interested in why some women who initially respond to breast cancer drugs later develop resistance to them, allowing the cancer to recur. When it does, it usually recurs more aggressively.

Prossnitz's lab had discovered a receptor called GPER on the surface of breast cancer cells, which, when triggered by estrogen, increased the cells' cancerous behavior. Prossnitz was looking for a method to control how GPER responded; Arterburn's compounds would help him see how the receptor interacted with estrogen.

So, with a pilot grant from the Cowboys for Cancer Research Foundation, the two began working together. Arterburn would create compounds in his lab and send them to Prossnitz for testing. The pilot funding would eventually lead to more than \$8 million in research support, but those

initial dollars meant a lot. "Those were personal donations," Arterburn says. "People have lost [loved ones] or been affected by cancer."

The pilot funds paid for the specialized substances and personnel they needed to carry out their first experiments. "Every nickel of that money goes right into supporting research," Arterburn says.

Using Arterburn's molecules, Prossnitz discovered that GPER responded to breast cancer drugs that shut down the estrogen receptor in the nucleus of ER-positive breast cancer cells. He showed that some of these same drugs also activated survival and growth signals in cells through GPER, an action not known when these drugs were developed. It may explain why some women develop resistance, he says.

Prossnitz and Arterburn worked with Larry Sklar, who leads UNM's Center for Molecular Discovery, to

find two molecules that greatly affected how GPER responds. One, called an agonist, activates the receptor. The other, called an antagonist, shuts it down.

To find the first compound, they screened a collection of 10,000 molecules. But to save time and effort, they enlisted help from UNM colleagues Tudor Oprea and Cristian Bologna, who applied computational biology techniques to narrow down the search. "Instead of physically testing 10,000 compounds, we physically tested the top 100," Prossnitz says. "They cut our work down a hundred-fold."

Prossnitz, Arterburn and their colleagues obtained a patent for the compounds in 2011. Then, in 2017, a start-up company called Linnaeus contacted UNM. STC, a non-profit that oversees the transfer of UNM-developed technology. Linnaeus wanted to license the agonist for use in combination with immune therapy for melanoma.

Melanoma, like breast and some other cancers, was shown to respond to estrogen. Linnaeus' founders' initial studies suggested that the combination of the GPER agonist and immunotherapy might help the body destroy melanoma more effectively.

Linnaeus is currently carrying out pre-clinical studies. If they go well, Linnaeus will begin human trials.

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Outgoing Las Cruces state representative excited by new role

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“I’m really excited,” outgoing state Rep. Bill McCamley, D-Doña Ana, said about his new job as secretary of the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions (NMDWS).

McCamley said his role as secretary is to make Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham’s vision for the department a reality. That vision, he said, is for all New Mexicans to have pride in their communities, jobs and families.

“Pride comes from making a fair day’s wage in a good job,” said McCamley, who was appointed Dec. 19, took over as secretary Jan. 1 and now oversees a department with 400-500 employees.

To date the only Las Cruces appointed to the governor’s cabinet, McCamley represented District 33 in the New Mexico House of Representatives for six years and was chair of the House Labor and Economic Development Committee. He previously was executive director of the New Mexico Rural Development Council, and served four years on the Doña Ana County Commission, from 2005-08.

As NMDWS secretary, McCamley said he was given three specific mandates by Lujan Grisham:

- Work with the legislature to raise the state minimum wage to \$10 and then to \$12 an hour, with cost-of-living adjustments after that.

- “No one should work 40



Secretary Bill McCamley

hours a week and live in poverty,” McCamley said. Minimum-wage earners, he said, put their earnings “right back into the economy. They should have pride in their work (and) more of an ability to take care of their families.”

- Clear up the state’s backlog of waged-staff claims by workers across the state who have charged that their employers have not paid them appropriate wages. McCamley said there are some 1,800 claims pending.

- Create a statewide apprenticeship program to assist “people who don’t want a four-year degree but do want a job,” McCamley said. Through the program, he said, the state would help pay for community college classes to train workers and development relationships with employers to address their workforce needs.

As one example, McCamley said, an apprenticeship program could help address the state’s “massive gap” in healthcare workers, including medical technicians and behavioral health counselors.

“It’s a really exciting program,” McCamley said. “It’s working other places.”

McCamley said he shares Lujan Grisham’s aggressive goal setting for his department and all her department secretaries, including more travel around the state.

“We’re going to get out on the road and talk to people,” he said. As a department secretary, McCamley said, “I can’t just sit in an office in Albuquerque or Santa Fe.”

“It’s important to the governor that everybody feels involved,” said McCamley, who grew up in Las Cruces and said he understands that people in southern New Mexico often “feel left out of the discussion.”

In Doña Ana County, he said, an apprenticeship program could help the film industry, and it could help employers in the border region find and train employees to “fit their needs.” It could also help develop the workforce for Virgin Galactic as it moves forward with Spaceport America, McCamley said.

He also wants to work with NMSU on training a workforce that will stay in Las Cruces to work and live.

A Mayfield High School graduate, McCamley also wants to work with the state Public Education Department to create a state high school science championship. There are more than 300 science programs and competitions across the state, he said, and having a unifying state championship would be meaningful

to science students, just like winning state is a big deal for high school football players.

Different parts of the state have different economic needs, McCamley said, but every New Mexico county and community needs a trained workforce; infrastructure that includes broadband, roads and bridges; financing; and education.

“The basic needs are pretty consistent,” McCamley said.

“We’re all in this for the same reason,” McCamley said. “We all have the same goals. We all have to continue to work to do better.”

“We want to support organized labor,” he said. As its strength has waned in recent years, McCamley said, income inequality has grown. “Workers should feel power and have a voice,” he said.

NMDWS is based in Albuquerque, where McCamley will have his office. But he also plans to keep his house in Las Cruces and make regular visits to the city and “stay engaged with what’s happening.”

The department has a Las Cruces office at 226 S. Alameda Blvd. He encouraged people looking for jobs or employers looking to hire to visit or call at 575-524-6250.

NMDWS has 19 offices around the state and McCamley said his goal as secretary is to visit each office at least three times a year.

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A business success story reinforces SCORE’s mission

In my last article I discussed the difference between a new and existing business and components to help with running a business smoothly, such

as administration, accounting, human resources, marketing, and sales.

These are all tools that I hope have been informative to you. Again, if you have any questions, please call the office for clarification.



SAM SERNA
SCORE

Today, I would like to share with you a success story of a client who reached out for help from SCORE. The client is a veterinarian providing pet services to low income families. She was struggling with a cash flow problem. Her mentor is Marc Suri, a professional volunteer with SCORE. Weekly face-to-face meetings were held between 2010 and 2013. She had an old beat-up pickup she used to visit her clients all over Doña Ana county, principally low-income clients who lived in rural areas.

After many sessions, Mr. Suri helped her untangle her credit cards and inventory. He also developed a marketing and operating plan for her. She gradually got back on her feet, placed cash in reserves and was directed to additional help. In her words, “Thanks to Marc and SCORE, I now have a good reliable truck and much better cash management.”

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New jobs bring big increase in local spending

BULLETIN REPORT

The Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance had one of its most productive years during 2018, announcing the arrival of 1,633 new economic-based jobs to Doña Ana County.

Getting jobs to our region is the goal of MVEDA, but what does that translate to in terms of economic impact in dollars and cents?

The accompanying chart shows the anticipated household spending in the county over five years based on those direct jobs, plus the indirect jobs created as a result.

The impact is created by the arrival of five companies to the county. The biggest one, Stampede Meats in Sunland Park, represents the bulk of the jobs, 1,300.

It is certain the arrival of those 1,300 employees in one area will create indirect jobs, such as stores and restaurants to cater to the employees.

The combined impact of the five companies and the 1,633 jobs in the county, and the resultant indirect jobs, is expected to generate \$480 million in net new household spending over five years.

That roughly breaks down this way:

- Retail spending: \$94.1 million

- Vehicle spending: \$71 million

- Finance and insurance spending: \$96 million

- Medical spending: \$12.5 million

- Entertainment spending: \$53.3 million

- Housing spending: \$153.1 million

In addition to the household spending, the jobs are also expected to add significantly over the next five years to local projected taxes (\$28.1 million), state projected taxes (\$30.8 million), and taxes toward education (\$7.4 million).

Also, as has been reported previously in the Bulletin and elsewhere, MVEDA's VP of Business Development, Eric Montgomery, was honored as New Mexico's Economic Developer of the Year by NMIDEA, New Mexico's statewide economic development association. This is third time a MVEDA representative has received this distinction. Collectively, MVEDA's staff brings more than 60 years of economic development experience to Doña Ana County.

5 YEAR HOUSEHOLD SPENDING

Retail	\$94,092,192	19.6%
Groceries	\$39,845,165	42.3%
Personal Services	\$3,840,496	4.1%
Housekeeping Supplies	\$6,240,809	6.6%
Personal Care Products	\$5,760,746	6.1%
Tobacco Products	\$2,880,373	3.1%
Misc. Services	\$8,161,057	8.7%
Apparel & Shoes	\$17,282,239	18.4%
Education	\$10,081,307	10.7%
Vehicle	\$71,049,210	14.8%
Gas & Motor Oil	\$25,923,359	36.5%
Vehicles Repairs	\$6,720,871	9.5%
New Cars and Trucks	\$12,481,618	17.6%
Used Cars and Trucks	\$12,481,618	17.6%
Other Vehicles	\$1,440,187	2.0%
Vehicle Finance Charges	\$2,880,373	4.1%
Vehicle Licenses	\$4,320,561	6.1%
Public Transportation	\$4,800,623	6.8%
Finance & Insurance	\$96,012,444	20.0%
Vehicle Insurance	\$10,561,370	11.0%
Health Insurance	\$15,842,053	16.5%
Life Insurance	\$2,880,373	3.0%
Cash Contributions	\$16,322,116	17.0%
Pensions	\$50,406,532	52.5%
Medical	\$12,481,618	2.6%
Medical Drugs	\$4,800,623	38.5%
Medical Supplies	\$960,124	7.7%
Medical Services	\$6,720,871	53.8%
Entertainment	\$53,286,910	11.1%
Restaurants & Bars	\$25,443,299	47.7%
Entertainment Fees & Admissions	\$10,081,307	18.9%
Audio Visual Equipment	\$10,081,307	18.9%
Pets, Toys, Hobbies	\$7,680,997	14.4%
Housing	\$153,139,843	31.9%
Home Repairs & Maintenance	\$11,041,429	7.2%
Home Furnishings & Appliances	\$15,361,990	10.0%
Mortgage Expenses	\$36,484,728	23.8%
Property Taxes	\$16,802,176	11.0%
Housing Rent	\$32,644,232	21.3%
Utilities	\$35,044,542	22.9%
Other Household Expenses	\$5,760,746	3.8%



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This chart shows the increased spending over five years generated in Doña Ana County due to jobs added in 2018 through the efforts of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance.

Taking the collective voice of Doña Ana County to Santa Fe

The 2019 legislative session is kicking off with a new administration and a pot of new money that totals over \$1 billion. Ideas for how to spend that money are as abundant as the oil and gas wells in the eastern part of the state that account for much of that additional revenue.

So, as New Mexico begins this next chapter in its history, how can those investments be made in a way that builds long-term positive economic and social returns for our community, as well as our state?

The Doña Ana County Legislative Coalition (DACLC) has sought to help our state elected officials prioritize policy and investments that would make a positive difference in the lives of the county's residents. The Coalition is comprised of public and private sector members that represent business, education, economic development, and government who take a look at each member's needs, collectively agree on what's most important, then speak with one voice on one another's behalf. Members include:

- Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce
- Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber
- Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance
- Las Cruces Public Schools
- New Mexico State University



TRACEY BRYAN

The Bridge of Southern New Mexico

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For the 2019 session, the coalition outlined investments that will continue to build upon progress being made all across the county in education, quality of life, safety, and the space industry.

To continue growing our state-leading high school graduation rate, the Coalition is supporting equitable funding and improving the outcomes for New Mexico's Dual Credit Program. The establishment of the

New Mexico True Talent Fund would create \$9-12 million of recurring funding to reimburse the colleges and universities who make dual credit possible.

These courses are directly contributing to increased graduation rates, but the colleges and universities that offer them are not receiving anywhere near sufficient funding to cover the costs to deliver.

With the state hitting a record high 73% graduation rate, we need to keep delivering these courses and reach even more students, including those that are working to earn career certifications and two-year degrees while they are in high school through

Career and Technical Education Pathways and Early College high schools.

Every 1 percent increase in the state graduation rate translates to almost \$10 million in additional annual earning power of those graduates, if all they do is graduate high school. The numbers skyrocket when they complete college at any level.

The increase in incomes then ripples out into increased spending in their communities, as well as increased state and federal taxes that fund the work of the public sector (education, government) in their communities.

Another priority laid out by the Coalition is support for the burgeon-

ing work taking place at Spaceport America. Governor Lujan Grisham has publicly stated her support for the home of the commercial space industry in New Mexico – with opportunities for economic impact growing each year. The addition of a payload processing center, additional taxiway, and ground support hanger will help the Spaceport meet the needs of commercial space companies interested in bringing their exploration of space to New Mexico's unique airspace.

Investments that support the continued transformation of downtown Las Cruces, increased operations at the Las Cruces International Airport, improved

flood control and wastewater across the county, and updated infrastructure at our state's land grant university are all part of requests that support our county's forward progress.

There will be a lot of trips made up I-25 over the next two months for many in our community. We look forward to the investments that will flow back into our county because, by working together and speaking with one voice, Doña Ana County continues to lead the way!

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Hometown hero Johnny McCants, who scored 17 points, hit a miraculous shot at the buzzer to beat Grand Canyon Jan. 10. Here, he operates a little closer to the bucket.

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The Shot and The Comeback

After a frantic homestand, the Aggies climb back into the conference race

By the time some of you read this, the Aggies' Seattle University game will be in the books, with a trip to Utah Valley to follow on Saturday. Those are two tough contests in a

Western Athletic Conference race that suddenly is up for grabs.

For the time being, however, NMSU clawed its way back into conference contention at 2-1 by doing what it absolutely had to do – win two scin-



MARTY RACINE

Aggie Athletics

tillating games at home last week over talented Grand Canyon University and hustling, tough-minded Cal State-Bakersfield.

The internet link to – and the talk about – “The

Shot” has been duly uploaded into Aggie lore, where it will be bookmarked forever: a heave from beyond half-court that found nothing but net as the buzzer sounded to beat Grand Canyon 77-75.

Johnny McCants, the one homeboy on the roster who redshirted his freshman year after leading Oñate High School to the state semifinals, saved the Aggies from themselves, having blown a three-point lead – with possession – in the waning seconds. Down a point with three ticks left, McCants coolly collected the rebound off a missed GCU free throw, dribbled up-court, planted, gathered his lanky frame and let fly.

It was a beautiful sight. Two days later, the Ag-

gies came out flat against Bakersfield. Maybe it was a hangover from The Shot. Maybe it was the early afternoon start. Maybe – probably – it was the absence of sparkplug guard A.J. Harris and the limited services of big man Ivan Aurrecochea, who were out sick. The Aggies fell behind 29-17, scored only 22 points in the first half, were out-rebounded relentlessly and appeared to be on their way to a 1-2 conference record against a club that actually seemed interested in winning.

Then, halftime. Time for, shall we say, a little pep talk from the coach.

They switched up the defense in the second half, but behind all the X's and O's, Head Coach Chris Jans knows his team – when to pull, when to push, when to get in their grille and when to sweet talk, and whom to trust as the game unfolds. It's not a science with young men; the instructions don't always assemble a finished product. But I can only imagine what Jans imparted to his players in

that locker room during intermission, and it boils down to this: Drive to the darn hole. Rebound the darn ball. They did, and they did, and they won by 11.

You might even say that, on this day, the better team lost this game. That's how good the Aggies can be, and that's how good they must play – for both halves – to win a conference they're used to owning.

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Winter conditions call for a few adjustments

Most of us who love golf and live in this temperate high desert climate welcome the idea of playing year-round. Heck, that's exactly why some of us live here. Still, playing conditions are going to try your patience. Greenskeepers do their best to make our courses as playable as possible, but still we need to adjust for conditions that are now "different."

Let's start with the fairways. Grass is harder to grow in mid-winter. What may look green and wonderful on the surface often hides the fact that there are mostly thin, tight lies. Your ball is sitting up on grass, but there is very little cushion of soft turf underneath. Just under the veneer of grass lurks damp, compacted dirt that will deaden your clubhead instantly – if you don't adjust. You should play the ball slightly back in your stance, with a setup for most mid-iron shots, much like the ball is on hardpan. Such conditions urge you to pick the ball more than taking a big "toupee" divot. With the dormant Bermuda turf like at NMSU it requires sweeping the ball off the grass more than trapping it.

You also don't hit the ball as far in cold weather. When temperatures drop into the 40s and 50s the air is denser and usually more humid. You have to practice your swing and club adjustments.

The greens in winter are spotty due to a cycle of freeze-and-thaw, causing



CHARLIE BLANCHARD

Golf Doctor

uneven greens with changing speeds. Hole locations sometimes can't be changed for days and cups can get ragged. Putts must be pure to go in. Often crews are not able to mow for several days at a time, so the grass gets a bit longer and the ball rolls slower. At other times, when greens are in fact mown, balls roll quicker. Couple that with some wind and a downhill angle, and wintertime putts can be lightning fast. Take extra time practicing and warming up on the practice green to sense the grass and roll.

There are mental challenges when we're playing golf in cold, damp, unfavorable weather. My advice, coming from first-hand experience, is to brace yourself for some bad luck: goofy bounces, quirky rolls, tough lies, strange positions and unpredictable results. Green surrounds are often the most affected by spotty grass growth, making chipping a real adventure. Beware of the double hit

with your wedge, especially when you don't realize the grass underneath your ball is dense. It will grab your club like a vice and as you follow through you catch the ball as it stays suspended a foot above the ground. Fortunately, under the new USGA rules (which began Jan. 1) there is no penalty for multiple hits on the same swing, so the player just counts the intended shot and plays where the ball comes to rest.

Be prepared for frequent frost delays (even when there is no frost), since greens must thaw after a cold night before they can accept foot traffic. Count on abrupt changes in weather and carry the right stuff so that you're ready for anything. Last, prepare to hit your final approach shot to the 18th green, when all the money is on the line, in very dim light. Days are short. And putting in the dark, when the chips are down, is not for the faint of heart.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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Makaela Velarde is a 17-year-old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. She plays on the Lady Blazers volleyball and basketball teams and plays center on the latter team. Velarde has averaged 11 rebounds per game this season. She is hard-working, reliable, honest, kind and is an excellent student, with a 4.0 GPA. Outside of sports, Velarde enjoys reading, volunteering at the Gospel Rescue Mission, is in the Spanish Club, Students Leading by Service, a National Honor Society member and attends Mesilla Park Community Church.



Nolan Nunley is a 16-year-old junior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. He plays forward on the Son Blazers basketball team. In the last game, Nunley had 25 points, 13 rebounds and three assists. He is hard-working, a great teammate, very coachable and mentally tough. Nunley is a dedicated student, with a 3.50 GPA. Outside of school and basketball, he enjoys music, hanging out with friends and long boarding and is active at University Church of Christ.

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