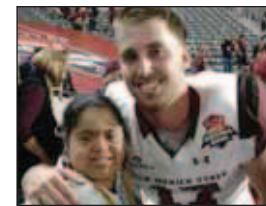


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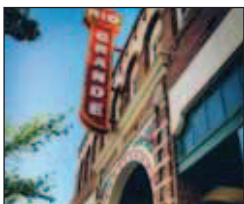
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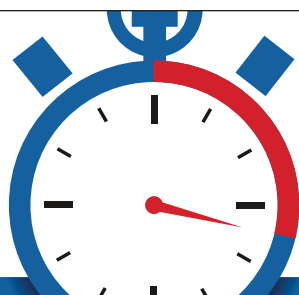


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Shirley Daniels and past president of Doña Ana County NAACP Lola Lestrick walk into the ballrooms of Hotel Encanto Monday morning, Jan. 15, for the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Annual Breakfast Celebration. More MLK Day photos and stories begin on page 10.

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## Doña Ana County 'Your Partner in Progress'

# Vasquez succeeds Ellins as chief deputy clerk

Doña Ana County Clerk Scott Krahling has appointed Rose Ann Vasquez to replace Lynn Ellins as Chief Deputy County Clerk.

The announcement comes as Ellins, a former two-term County Clerk and Bureau of Elections Supervisor, retires. The change takes effect Monday, Jan. 22.

"I am grateful for Lynn's mentorship and excited for the future with Rose Ann's partnership," Krahling said.

Vasquez joined the County Clerk's Office in 2016 as a document technician and was promoted to communications coordinator in 2017. In her time at the Clerk's Office, she has worked to increase voter participation and to raise awareness about the Clerk's Office through community partnerships.

"Rose Ann brings crucial experience in professional management, and a passion to strengthen the quality of

life of our residents by increasing civic engagement," Krahling said. "I'm excited about her vision to create meaningful relationships between our office and the residents it serves."

Vasquez, a native of Las Cruces, has more than 20 years of experience in the non-profit sector, having earned her master's degree in government at New Mexico State University. She has served on many state and local boards. She said she plans to focus her time on building a voting culture through civic engagement, strengthening community partnerships, pursuing elec-



VASQUEZ

tion reform initiatives that increase access to fair elections and prioritizing the preservation of the county's historical records.

"I plan to follow in Lynn's footsteps and continue to grow the success of the Clerk's Office in Doña Ana County," Vasquez said. "Every resident in our county should know who we are and how we are here to serve them as a vital community partner."

Ellins said he leaves the office in good hands, and he said he believes Vasquez is an excellent choice to replace him.

"I've known Rose Ann for two years, and I've seen her excel at everything she puts her effort into," Ellins said. "I am confident that she and Scott make an excellent team who will achieve great success together leading this team."

## Santa Fe obligations force meeting change

Due to Colonias Day and Las Cruces Days in Santa Fe, in conjunction with the 2018 New Mexico Legislature, the second regular monthly meeting of the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners has been moved to 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25, in the Commission Chambers of the Doña Ana County Government Center.

Commission meetings are normally held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 9 a.m., but Doña Ana County Manager Fernando R. Macias recommended changing this meeting date and time to accommodate travel and commitments in Santa Fe.

"It's important that we have a strong presence for both Colonias Day and Las Cruces Day," Macias said. "We remind our interested constituents that the Jan. 25 meeting will stream live on our website, and the video will be archived there, as well."

## DASO still accepting academy applications

The application deadline for the winter class of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department Citizen's Academy has been extended to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24.

The academy will span eight consecutive Saturdays beginning on Jan. 27. Each class will run from 8 a.m. to noon at DASO's Las Cruces headquarters, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

To date, more than 300 Doña Ana County residents have graduated from the program.

Each Citizen's Academy applicant must be 18 years of age or older, must be a resident of Doña Ana County, and must have a valid driver's license or photo ID. Because of the sensitive nature of police work, a brief background check will be performed on each applicant. Academy participants must not have any prior felony convictions and no misdemeanor arrests within the last three years.

The academy takes class participants through various divisions of the department in an effort to strengthen community partnerships through education and aware-

ness. Academy participants are volunteers who wish to learn more about the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department; it is not the cadet academy for those who wish to become certified law-enforcement officers with DASO.

Classes are interactive and give participants hands-on knowledge of how sheriff's deputies are trained to handle real-life situations. Class members will examine traffic enforcement, understand the use of force – including the use of deadly force – observe K-9 demonstrations and presentations by the Special Response Team and bomb squad. Several field trips are included in the academy, including tours of the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority and the Doña Ana County Detention Center.

The winter 2016 Citizen's Academy is free of charge. Applications can be downloaded online at [www.goDASO.org](http://www.goDASO.org), and are also available at the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, 845 N. Motel Blvd., in Las Cruces. Class size is limited to 25 people.

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Traffic calming on Melendres Street near Amador Avenue includes the curb extension, called a choker, and a raised median.

# R.I.P. speed bumps; say hello to 'traffic calmers'

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Finding ways to get Las Cruces drivers to slow down is not just another bump in the road for city traffic engineers.

The city's Street and Traffic Operations Division (STOD) hasn't installed speed bumps, or "humps," to reduce drivers' speed in about five years, Division Administrator Willie Roman said. But it is using other traffic-calming devices on residential streets and collector roads, including speed tables, speed indicators, chokers and chicanes. And, within the next few months, the city will install its first speed cushion, Roman said.

A speed hump costs \$2,000-\$4,000, Roman said, while a speed cushion is \$2,000-\$4,500 and a speed

table is \$2,500-\$4,500. Those figures include installation of associated signage, he said. The cost variations are due to road widths and available features. Speed Indicators cost \$7,000-\$9,000 per unit.

Speed humps have been phased out because they slow the response time of (and cause damage to) emergency vehicles, Roman said.

"A couple of seconds in a very critical time could mean quite a bit of difference," he said.

The city uses speed tables/raised crosswalks as vertical deflectors on "collector roads" leading to major arteries, such as thoroughfares and freeways, Roman said. But those devices still slow fire engines and other



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY MIKE COOK

SEE **SPEED**, PAGE 4 A speed indicator on Boutz Road.

## Defining the terms

**Traffic calming** is defined by the Institute of Transportation Engineers as physical design and other measures to reduce vehicle speeds and improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists. It includes vertical deflections (speed humps, tables and cushions), roadway narrowing (chicanes and chokers) and closures that obstruct traffic movements in one or more directions.

**Speed humps** are vertical traffic calming devices intended to slow traffic speeds on low-volume, low-speed roads. They are three-four inches high, 12-14 feet wide and three-six feet long, and are often called speed bumps. (The first speed bumps were likely installed in Chatham, New Jersey in June 1906 as a "scheme

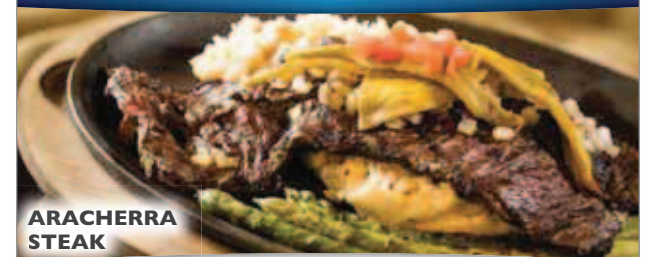
of stopping automobile speeding," according to The New York Times. In 1953, Nobel-Prize-winning physicist Arthur Holly Compton [1892-1962] invented a more gentle, elongated, and ramped version of the speed bump called the "Holly hump.")

**Speed tables** are mid-block traffic calming devices that raise the entire wheelbase of a vehicle to reduce its speed. They are longer than speed humps and flat-topped, with a height of three-3.5 inches and a length of 22 feet.

**Speed cushions** are either speed humps or speed tables that include wheel cutouts to allow large (emergency) vehicles to pass unaffected, while reducing passenger car speed.



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emergency vehicles. The impact is “quick rise to quick fall” for all vehicles that pass over them, he said.

Other traffic-calming devices the city uses include chokers, where travel lanes are pushed in as curbs are extended into the street; chicanes (from the French chicaner, which means “to create difficulties”), which are staggered buildouts in roadways that force drivers to slow down; diverters and other physical barriers; islands or medians built in the middle of streets; and traffic circles.

The city also uses speed indicators – flashing signs that show a driver’s speed as the vehicle approaches.

“Most people, once they are informed of the speed they’re going, will generally slow down, Roman said.

Sometimes, the city will install both a speed table and a speed indicator in the same area.

“We’ve had a lot of success with that,” Roman said.

Even planting trees by the sides of roads can have a traffic-calming effect, Roman said, because they create a “more constrained feeling” for drivers.

Even though the city isn’t using them any longer, some streets still have speed humps. But, they are being gradually removed as road improvements are made, if they are creating problems for emergency vehicles or if residents ask for their removal.

STOD does studies

before and after removing speed humps to determine if other traffic-calming treatments are necessary, Roman said. It conducts public meetings in affected neighborhoods to discuss findings with area residents.

The city will install speed cushions on a provisional basis within the next few months, Roman said. Emergency vehicles, with a wider wheel base than other vehicles, can straddle the cushions without touching the vertical deflection, he said.

For more information, visit [www.las-cruces.org/en/departments/public-works/street-and-traffic-operations](http://www.las-cruces.org/en/departments/public-works/street-and-traffic-operations).

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## Rocking the boat

Wiley Gomez, 11, sits in the driver's seat of a Mastercraft NXT22 wake boat Saturday afternoon, Jan. 13, during the 6th Annual Mesilla Valley Outdoor Expo at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

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# Get your Legislative Guide

## Bulletin's annual publication helps readers decipher politics

**T**he Las Cruces Bulletin's 2018 Southwest New Mexico Legislative Guide is out this week.



**RICHARD COLTHARP**  
From the Publisher

Check out our newsstands for a copy or call our offices at 524-8061 to have one delivered to your home. I realize politics is a turn-off to many people, for many valid reasons, and it only seems to get worse.

Still, no one has yet come up with a better plan to America's great experiment of a democratic Republic.

And while it may be tempting to ignore the sometimes circus-like antics of politicians and political parties, the more people ignore it, the fewer actually are aware and in control.

That is truly a scary thing.

The Bulletin's Legislative Guide was started a dozen years ago to give more citizens more information about New Mexico's political system, and particularly the legislators who represent our region.

Our legislator profiles are designed to enable citizens to get

to know their representatives and senators and understand their points of view. Our profiles of the different communities of the nine counties in the Southwest New Mexico region are designed to help all of the regions understand each other better, our commonalities and differences.

Collectively, our guide lets our region send a stronger voice to the state legislative session where – and you've all heard it before – there is a tendency to forget everything south of Interstate 40.

Whether you pick up your guide every year, read it cover to cover and refer to it all year long, or whether you've never read it, you need to get your 2018 edition this week.

The more we understand, the better we can participate. And unless we citizens participate, democracy does not function at its best.

...

As I'm writing this, I sit in the empty rotunda of the New Mexico state capitol, better known as the Roundhouse. It is the afternoon of Monday, Jan. 15, Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Many of the people in the capitol were here earlier, preparing for the Tuesday, Jan. 16, opening of the session.

By now, most have gone

home. I visit briefly with James Strickler, a representative from Farmington. Driving away from the Roundhouse, I see Las Cruces Rep. Bill McCamley, roll down my window and yell.

For the past eight years, I've been coming to Santa Fe, distributing our guides around town and in the Roundhouse. All 112 legislators get at least two copies in their office, and typically the staff are excited to receive them because they use them so regularly during the session and beyond.

I always appreciate the contrast of the Monday quiet and the Tuesday opening-session chaos.

The opening session brings people from all over the state, many former legislators and other folks with longstanding affiliations with New Mexico politics.

We are such a small state, it's very easy to see friends and colleagues wherever you go.

I encourage everyone, at one time or another, to go to the state capitol during the session. A great opportunity is always the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce's Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe, which happens Jan. 27-29 this year.

I also encourage citizens to visit with legislators, both your own and others from around the

state. It is always helpful for those who don't live in Las Cruces to learn more about the state's second largest city. It may seem intimidating at first, but most of the legislators I've met are friendly and open to learning more about the Land of Enchantment.

It's not an exaggeration to say casual conversations in the lobby of the Roundhouse can lead to better understanding, and sometimes better state policy and law. Our citizen legislators are truly citizens. You, as a citizen, are as much a colleague as a constituent.

...

This 30-day session, designed to focus primarily on the budget, will be over before we know it. You owe it to yourself to pay attention, to learn what you can about what's happening with your money in your communities. For the first time in a while, our communities will receive some capital outlay money which can lend a hand to our people and our municipalities.

As always, there is liable to be partisan in-fighting over certain issues. Every legislator we spoke to, however, expressed a desire to work across party lines, compromise and work to make things better for New Mexicans.

Let's hold them accountable to that.

### We want your letters

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Spaceport was government gamble

To the editor:  
I agree with Bob Hearn's neatly argued and nicely articulated position that, going forward, the Spaceport should be owned and operated by the private sector. In today's regime of existing private-sector space facilities, I doubt that Spaceport could fetch \$1 for such purposes.

It might be worth more as a headquarters facility for aviation associations or for aviation and balloon rallies.

From the beginning, the Spaceport has been a Santa Fe high-stakes gamble destined to cost the state millions.

If it were ever to repay the state's investment, it would also have been capable of generating profits justifying private-sector investment from the beginning.

The idea that a government "investment" in a space facility to be operated by a company selling one-time thrill rides for \$250,000 a pop to the 1 percent was marketing flim-flam.

I wonder whether the number of under-the-table envelopes was probably higher than the number of pages in Branson's proposal.

Going forward with continued state investment must look forward to recouping on future investment; there is no such thing as looking

backward.

The oil-and-gas industry, so highly regarded in this state, knows how to cut its losses.

The state should emulate that industry in that respect.

*Michael L. Hays  
Las Cruces*

### The Constitution is the solution

Since the last presidential election, I've seen violence and destruction on our college campuses, school children gunned down in mass, the very people that protect us from lawlessness assassinated and the most basic unit of community, the family, torn apart because of differing political views.

I didn't understand how our country had become so divided. We are all human, and citizens of the greatest Republic that the world has ever known. So I enrolled at NMSU to study U.S. history and the Constitution. The more I learned the angrier I got; our current government does not run the way our founders designed it to. If we follow the Constitution, as written, we can solve every problem that faces our country.

Our Founders knew how important it was to control government by keeping power in the hands of the people and their closest elected representatives.

Their genius and forethought is written in

the First Article of the Constitution; "all legislative (law making) powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives." Not the president and not the Supreme Court.

The president does not have the power to wage war and the Supreme Court does not have the power to change the Constitution. And yet we allow them to.

We the People need to know the Constitution so that we can hold our government accountable to it; they did swear an oath to it after all.

There is a six-week series of videos titled, "The Constitution is the Solution" on Tuesday nights, Jan. 23 through Feb. 27, 7-8:30 p.m., at Mountain View Baptist Church, 705 N. Main (across from City Hall). It's \$15 for the entire course. Contact Donna at 575-520-7938.

*Dave Gallus  
Las Cruces*

### Grateful for the help

To the editor:  
To the three good Samaritans who found my husband after his terrible fall New Year's Eve afternoon, and who brought him safely home, we are forever grateful. He has recovered remarkably well, and has vowed that he will never take our dog out for a walk again without keeping a watchful eye out for rabbits so

he spots them before the dog does.

Again, we thank you.  
*Ila McCoy  
Las Cruces*

### Conspiracies are seductive

To the editor:

Two weeks ago you printed a letter from Carol Hunter which starts off "To the editor: Google search suicides and mysterious deaths surrounding the Clinton regime and tally the numbers." It proceeds to clearly imply that the Clintons murdered a

man because he spoke against the Clinton Foundation.

This is totally false! If you had done a Google search, you would have learned this in one minute. Don't tell me this was just Ms. Hunter's "opinion."

You're smart enough to recognize that it comes from ugly anti-Clinton conspiracies and other rumors often generated by groups such as YourNewsWire. I know people who read this letter and didn't care to fact check because they were

seduced by its sensationalism.

However, you and your staff are smart enough to fact check. I encourage everyone to fact check what they read or hear, but good journalists should be even more mindful of doing a reality check.

Please don't lower your journalism to the likes of tabloids which print sensationalist rumors that promote ugliness and hateful accusations. Thank you.

*Janet Pitt  
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# Time to help families focus on school choice

Later this month, schools, homeschool groups, organizations, and individuals in New Mexico and across America will work together to raise awareness about the importance of opportunity in K-12 education.

National School Choice Week begins on Jan. 21 and celebrates all types of schools and education environments for children.

Nationwide, 32,240 different events and activities – such as open houses, school fairs, and information sessions – are being planned, with an estimated attendance of 6.7 million people. In fact, 253 of those events and activities will be held in New Mexico, and 13



**ANDREW R. CAMPANELLA**

Opinion

are in Las Cruces.

National School Choice Week has been celebrated every year since 2011. And even with increased awareness, many families still have questions about school choice and how it can benefit them and their communities.

The first thing to know is that school choice isn't partisan or political. It isn't about a specific set of policy goals either.

Rather, it's about parents making personal deci-

sions for their children.

School choice means empowering individual parents with the opportunity to search for, and find, the best education environments for their individual children – regardless of where they live or how much money they make.

Finding the right school is important, because every child has unique talents, challenges, and needs. School choice isn't about finding fault with any of the schooling options available. Instead, it recognizes that while one student might thrive at a neighborhood school, another student might do better somewhere else.

Research shows that

when parents actively choose schools and education environments for their children, students are more likely to succeed in school. They are also more likely to graduate from high school, get good jobs, and participate in their communities.

School choice isn't just theoretical. Right now, more parents in New Mexico and across America are actively choosing the education environments for their children than at any other time in history.

National School Choice Week provides parents with an opportunity to evaluate the education options available for their children. If parents are interested in switching their child to a different school, or considering homeschooling, it helps to start looking into these options in the winter.

Families in New Mexico can choose from traditional public schools, public charter schools, public magnet schools, private schools, online academies, and homeschooling. In terms of public school choice options, New Mexico has one of the nation's broadest "open enrollment" policies in the country; students are permitted to attend virtually any public school in the state, regardless of where they live.

Searching for a new school, or considering an alternative education environment, doesn't have to be daunting.

Parents can start by talking to their children and other parents, researching schools online, and visiting schools in person. A good place to start is the National School Choice Week website: [www.schoolchoiceweek.com](http://www.schoolchoiceweek.com), where we

provide more information about specific school choice options in the Land of Enchantment as well as listings of the tens of thousands of local and regional events happening this year.

National School Choice Week is a time when the country comes together around the idea that every child can succeed when they find the right school fit. This January, parents have more options and opportunities than ever before to find that right fit. For individual communities and for our country, that is a good thing.

*A nationally recognized advocate for children and families, Andrew R. Campanella serves as president of National School Choice Week, the world's largest-annual celebration of opportunity in education. He lives in Northwest Florida.*



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# New police chief was 9/11 first responder

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces' new police chief, Patrick Gallagher, was a first responder to both the Feb. 26, 1993, and Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in Lower Manhattan.

"You don't take anything for granted" was the lesson learned, Gallagher said.

He became LCPD chief Tuesday, Jan. 16, about three weeks after the retirement of former Chief Jaime Montoya.

"It was almost pitch black in Manhattan," Gallagher remembers about his arrival at the Twin Towers about 20 minutes after the first plane struck the north tower at 8:46 a.m. EDT on 9/11. "There were still papers coming down."

"It was a huge crime scene and cleanup scene," said Gallagher, who served as an NYPD zone commander during 9/11 salvage operations.

The other distinctive memory of that day: the smell.

Gallagher recalls visiting a deserted restaurant near the World Trade Center during the cleanup. Ashes were scattered on the floor and meals remained on the tables a month after the attack.

"It can happen here" is the message Gallagher has carried with him since retiring from NYPD and his subsequent service as police chief in Truth or Consequences and Santa Fe.

"We have to be vigi-

*"We have to be vigilant. Expect the unexpected."*

**Patrick Gallagher**  
Las Cruces police chief

lant," he said. "Expect the unexpected."

With that in mind, Gallagher said undertaking an examination of Las Cruces' emergency management procedures will be near the top of his to-do list as the incoming chief of police.

But the first order of business, Gallagher said, is listening.

He wants to hear what Las Cruces police officers, the command staff and citizens think about local law enforcement.

The Las Cruces Police Department has a good reputation, Gallagher said, and is considered a "professional, well run" department.

But Gallagher wants to hear directly from the nearly 200 officers who work for LCPD

about "the department we have and what we want," he said. That's the best way to learn about issues and fix them.

And, Gallagher wants his officers and commanders to get to know their new chief.

"I'm a regular guy," he said.

Gallagher is a native of the Bronx, New York, and one of five brothers. His father was a peace officer with the Tri-Bureau Bridge and Tunnel Authority in New York, one of his brothers was a police captain and another was a corrections officer.

Gallagher began his service with NYPD in 1984 as a patrolman. In more than 20 years with the department, he rose through the ranks to captain, executive officer for the 60th Precinct and deputy commander. In 2009, Gallagher became T or C police chief. He joined the Santa Fe Police Department in 2012, became interim chief in July 2015 and

permanent chief in January 2016.

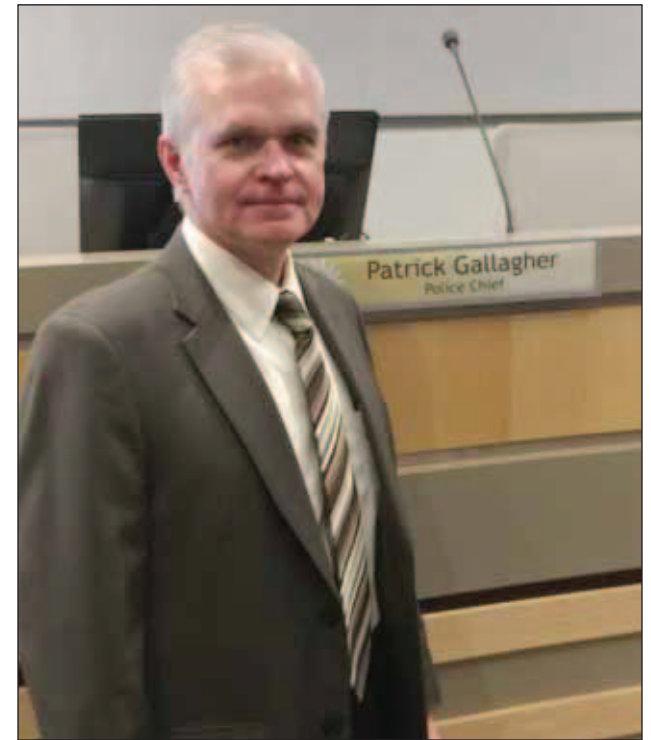
With mayoral elections coming up in Santa Fe in March, Gallagher said "the political winds are shifting," and he "didn't want to stay too long."

In his off hours, Gallagher said he enjoys bike riding and is looking forward to exploring Las Cruces' vast trail system. He also likes craft beer making. And, he's a huge New York Yankees fan.

Gallagher and his wife, Lynn, have already bought a home in Las Cruces. She is secretary of the New Mexico Department of Health and a native of Truth or Consequences.

Gallagher has a bachelor's of arts degree in economics from Fordham University in the Bronx and a masters of public administration from Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York.

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# Superintendent of schools to MLK breakfast: 'We have work to do'

Retired Las Cruces Public Schools Principal Doris Hamilton, second from left, receives the Doña Ana County NAACP 2018 Freedom Fighter Award.

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MIKE COOK



By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-68) would have been 89 years old on Jan. 15, as several hundred members of the Doña Ana County Branch of the NAACP (DAC NAACP), community leaders, students and teachers gathered in Las Cruces to honor his memory.

"We have work to do," Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Gregory Ewing told the gathering during his keynote speech.

Racial prejudice "is prevalent in society," Ewing said. "We know it's in the media."

To ensure equality for all students, Ewing said he has created an LCPS Equality, Immigration

and Social Justice office to serve the entire school district, and will create restorative justice centers at every LCPS middle and high school as an alternative to suspension.

"For next school year, we will begin to work with students in middle and high school through our restorative justice program instead of simply suspending them and allowing them a few days off from school," Ewing said. "However, if students violate board policy which requires removing them from the location we will still follow a restorative justice program at CrossRoads" (LCPS' long-term suspension program).

In the coming months, Ewing said LCPS Chief Officer of Equity, Innovation and Social Justice

Dr. Roberto Lozano and CrossRoads Principal/Executive Director Andres Armijo will begin working with task force members and school principals to develop the program.

He also asked for increased community support for local schools.

"We need you," Ewing said. "What can you do for us?"

"I have faith in the future," Ewing said. "Our schools are good. Our students are even better. Our teachers are the best."

The DAC NAACP presented several awards during the breakfast, including:

- Retired LCPS Principal Doris Hamilton received the 2018 Freed Fighter award for her commitment to justice and equality for all. Hamilton, born in 1926,

came to Las Cruces in 1961. She was LCPS' first black principal, serving 20 years at Lynn Junior High/Middle School.

- The late J.R. Stewart, who served 35 years as a Las Cruces police officer and was killed in a vehicle accident last December, received the 2018 Community Hero award.

- Centennial High School English teacher Joel Hutchinson received the 2018 Community Service award. DAC NAACP Treasurer said Hutchinson is a "a teacher who wants his students to understand civil rights." The award was presented to Hutchinson by Centennial Principal Michael Montoya and Assistant Principal Rosa Apodaca. Hutchinson has

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## Centennial High School senior has winning essay

*Editor's note: The essay below won first place in the Doña Ana Branch of the NAACP's 2018 Martin Luther King Essay/Poetry Contest*

**Why civil rights should be taught in schools**

**By Andrew Angel, Senior Centennial High School**

The civil rights movement is one of the most important moments in American history, it reshaped American cultural norms and the very makeup of America as a nation moving towards progress. To deny this landmark time in our nation's history is crimi-



Three Centennial High School students won first, second and third place in the Doña Ana Branch NAACP's 2018 essay/poetry contest. From left, Doña Ana County NAACP President Curtis Rosemond, Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education President Maria Flores, third-place winner Bianca Alonso, second place winner Kaden Taylor, first-place winner Andrew Angel and Superintendent Greg Ewing.

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From left, Mariana Padilla and Ruben Sandoval sorted clothes at Camp Hope.



From left, Bailey Thomas, Shelsea Benitez, Luis Gonzalez, Joel Craig, and (seated) William Horner picked up trash and debris at Apodaca Park.

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Annalizia Pena visited with a senior citizen at Good Samaritan Retirement Village.

# Students volunteer on MLK Day

## BULLETIN REPORT

Ninety-one students from the New America High School in Las Cruces volunteered their time and talents on MLK Day, Jan. 15, working at a variety of locations, including the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley, Apodaca Park, the Boys and Girls Club, El Caidito Soup Kitchen, Keep Las Cruces Beautiful, Camp Hope, and Good Samaritan Retirement Village.

They cleaned kennels, picked up trash, organized closets, fed the hungry, and brightened the day for senior citizens, according to a school press release.

“Dr. King observed that ‘the surest way to be happy is to seek happiness for others,’ and our mission today was to bring happiness to others – be it a clean park, freshly painted bench, or friendship to an elderly person,” said school Principal Margarita Porter.

“I’m so proud that,

rather than taking the day off, our students honored Dr. King by serving others.”

The New America School-Las Cruces, es-

tablished in 2012, serves about 350 students. Its mission is to “empower new immigrants, English language learners, and the academically under-

served with the educational tools and support they need to maximize their potential, succeed, and live the American Dream.”

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Mayfield High School senior JROTC cadet Ashly Ramirez presents the color guard with her fellow JROTC members.



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Centennial High School English teacher and English Department Head Joel Hutchinson, third from left, receives the Doña Ana Branch NAACP 2018 Community Service Award. With him are, left to right, DAC NAACP President Curtis Rosemond and Treasurer Alonso Moore, Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education President Maria Flores, LCPS Superintendent Dr. Greg Ewing, Centennial High School Principal Michael Montoya and Assistant Principal Rosa Apodaca.

## MLK

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been a teacher for 20 years, including the last 11 with LCPS.

- DAC NAACP First Vice President Dr. Bobbie Green received the 2018 “28 Days a Hero award” from

the New Mexico Office of African-American Affairs.

- Newly elected Municipal Judge II Joy Goldbaum received the 2018 Silver Member Lifetime award.

Among attendees were Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima, City Manager Stuart Ed, County Man-

ager Fernando Macias, NMSU Provost Dr. Dan Howard, gubernatorial candidate Jeff Apodaca and state Public Regulation Commissioner Sandy Jones.

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nal as it was a major step of the continuing journey towards an accepting country. As a member of the newest generation it is difficult to envision a world where schools are segregated or groups of people are not afforded the right the vote, but this does not mean racism is dead, far from it. If incidents such as that of Charlottesville are any indication of the status of racism, then it is clear this country is still combating the issue of bigotry in the United States.

The displays of hate and bigotry should not be a recent issue, they should not be an issue that my generation is forced to combat yet it is still a topic of discussion. Yet they are, why is that? Why is it that there

are still pockets of racism throughout the United States? These values were taught, they were instilled into individuals over the course of their young lives until they became an accepted truth. Public schools could instill this truth, they could inform the students about a time of darkness in our nation's past and about its hero who paved the way for an accepting generation to completely eradicate racism. This is a place where students spend the majority of their time and where they learn the complexities of social interaction. It stands to reason that if the place where a student spends much of their time teaches the values instilled throughout the civil rights movement then the student may adopt these values as their own and hold their fellow man of a different race with the

respect that they give to themselves.

Ignorance breeds hatred and ignorance is preventable. It is the job of the public school system to educate the population and instill values which will help America thrive in the future. Is acceptance not a value crucial to the survival of America? Without the knowledge of the struggle of those who came before how can students appreciate the struggles and tribulations endured to become a more progressive nation. The simple truth is we cannot, as a nation we cannot honor their sacrifices if we are ill informed of the civil rights movement. Allowing the student body to proceed uneducated is to allow racism to make a final stand against the values that propel our nation towards a brighter future.



# School district hopes to extend winning streak

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

No school bond issue has been defeated since Las Cruces Public Schools was formed 64 years ago.

The school district hopes to keep that streak intact when voters consider a \$50 million bond issue on Tuesday, Feb. 6. Early voting is underway and will continue through Friday, Feb. 2, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday-Friday in the Doña Ana County Clerk's office at the county Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

There have been 23 bond elections and 13 mill-levy elections since

LCPS was created Jan. 1, 1954. The first bond election, held April 26, 1955, passed 488-34 and generated \$510,000.

The 2018 bond is the first in four years. Voters passed a \$65 million bond in 2014 with almost 79 percent of the vote.

Also on the ballot that year was a three-mill levy, which passed with about 71 percent approval.

The mill levy generates about \$9.2 million a year for six years to pay for major school repairs and maintenance, technology, playground improvements, school equipment and improvements to three charter schools.

This year, there is no

mill levy on the ballot, and passage will not raise local property taxes.

If the bond issue passes, the school district will sell up to \$50 million in bonds during the next five years to build new classrooms and multipurpose rooms and pay for safety and security upgrades, new roofs and heating and cooling systems, new furniture, playground equipment and district-wide technology support, along with major upgrades to physical plant facilities, according to an LCPS news release.

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Members of the 2018 LCPS Blue Ribbon Bond Committee prepare yard signs for the school district's Feb. 6 bond election.

## Other local elections

• **Monday, Jan. 22:** Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association Board, districts 1, 3, 5

• **Tuesday, Feb. 6:** LCPS \$50 million bond election, Gadsden Independent School District \$38 million bond and two-mill levy election

• **Tuesday, March 6:** Town of Mesilla mayor and trustees; Village of Hatch mayor and trust-

ees; City of Anthony two trustees

• **Tuesday, March 20:** Anthony Water and Sanitation District Gross Receipts Tax Mail-In election

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## THIS WEEK IN MESILLA VALLEY HISTORY

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1918

• “The completion of the concrete road from El Paso to Anthony caused the citizens of Doña Ana County to consider the feasibility of continuing the construction along the Camino Real and elsewhere in the county as funds may become available,” reported the Las Cruces Citizen in January 1918. “About two months ago, the county commission named a committee of citizens to consider and, if possible, evolve a plan for financing such proposed construction.”

• “Arrangements have been perfected with Washington authorities so that an evening radio course can be given at the State College for draft registrants of Las Cruces and vicinity, provided there is a class of 10 or more,” the Citizen reported. “There will be no tuition charge for this course, the sole



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Looking Back

expense being a registration fee of \$2.”

• The State College, now New Mexico State University, offered a short course for farmers conducted by the extension department that

drew people from across the state, the Citizen reported. “The program covered many problems that interest the farmers of New Mexico. The program of the women dealt with the questions of interest to the homemaker.”

75 YEARS AGO  
1943

• “To supplement the department of agriculture’s Victory Food campaign on valley farms and ease the handicaps of food rationing upon city residents, the board of directors of the Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, at its monthly meeting ... voted active sponsorship of war gardens on Las Cruces’ backyards and vacant lots.” The January 1943 Las Cruces

Sun-News article hints at sacrifices and efforts required on the domestic front while deadly battles of World War II raged in Europe and the Pacific.

• “New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts has been designated as one of the institutions of higher learning at which selected groups of youthful inductees in the United States Army will be given specialized training, Dean John W. Branson was advised today by the war department,” the Sun-News reported. “It thus becomes a unit in a mammoth new training program in which the government plans to utilize American colleges in speeding advanced training to approximately 1.5 million youths of college and high school age.”

50 YEARS AGO  
1968

• “Las Cruces City Commissioners Monday hurdled the roadblock of New Mexico State University and pushed the city limits beyond the state-owned institution for the first time,” the Sun-News reported in January 1968. “The university, which has long formed the southern boundary of Las Cruces, was placed

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Las Cruces’ first railroad depot, built in 1881.



Las Cruces’ second railroad depot, built in 1901.

## Las Cruces’ railroad service tracked in 137 years ago

For the Bulletin

*Editor’s note: Article and photos are from Las Cruces: Crossroads of History (www.las-cruces.org).*

The first Atchison, Topeka, & Santa Fe (AT&SF) train arrived in Las Cruces on April 26, 1881. The first depot was a wood frame building that was later moved on

flatcars down the line to Al Tuna (present day Anthony, Texas). The building provided passenger and freight services, a telegraph office and housing for the railroad agent.

In 1910, a mission revival style building replaced the frame depot. The new structure was a variation of the Santa Fe’s standard county seat design. The new depot featured separate men’s and women’s waiting rooms, a ticket window and an expanded freight section. It also had a small newsstand, operated by the Fred Harvey Company.

In the 1960s, the number of people traveling by rail decreased, while freight service increased. To serve the additional

freight business, the railroad built a 60-foot freight addition in 1961.

Passenger rail service to Las Cruces stopped in 1968. Cheaper freight rates offered by truck or plane service brought an end to local train service in 1988. The depot was purchased by the City of Las Cruces in 1992. The tracks west of the depot are presently owned and operated by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Company. Freight trains still use the tracks, and trains come from El Paso, Albuquerque and points beyond, delivering and picking up train cars for local and regional businesses.

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within – if not made a part of – the city annexation of close to 1,000 acres to the south, east and west.” The annexation included Telshor Hills subdivision, Las Alturas, two sections of University Estates and other property.

• “A \$6,000 base salary for beginning teachers will be asked by Las Cruces teacher organizations for the 1968-1969 school year in order to meet competitive salary scales offered by other school districts in New Mexico,” a Sun-News article said. “Beginning salaries for new teachers this year in Las Cruces is \$5,350.”

25 YEARS AGO  
1993

• “Two men have pleaded not guilty to beating a 22-year-old New Mexico State University student and have been released on their own recognizance,” the Las Cruces Bulletin reported under the headline, “Gay-bashing case heads to Municipal Court.” The student said he was with three friends at a restaurant at 2:15 a.m. when two men entered the restaurant. One of the men was wearing a T-shirt printed with anti-

gay slurs. The men were staring at the student and his friends when the student blew a kiss at him and the beating began.

• “The city-county ambulance agreement was resurrected at Tuesday night’s City Council session when Councilor John Haltom moved to reconsider the resolution that had been given the thumbs-down by a 4-3 vote two weeks ago,” the Bulletin reported. “Haltom said he was changing his position so that the citizens of Las Cruces would get the quality of ambulance service they deserve.”

• “The city search for another electric company has cost city taxpayers more than \$611,000 over the past three years,” according to a January 1993 edition of the Bulletin. “According to figures released Wednesday by the city, most of the money – \$395,731 – went to R.W. Beck & Associates, the firm that studied the city’s electric power situation and concluded that city ratepayers would save money if the city formed its own municipal utility, buying and selling power within the city limits.”

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## Welcome sign



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ABOVE: From left, Insta Copy owner Diana Lyon, local artists and “Color Me Cruces” mural creators Christina Ballew, Anahy Nunez and Aaron Valenzuela hold proclamations for their contributions to “Color Me Cruces,” the new mural on the north-facing wall of Insta Copy on Main Street. The mural was unveiled with a ribbon cutting Saturday, Jan. 13, sponsored by the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership, Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce, Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, and Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

LEFT: The new downtown mural “Color me Cruces.”



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Read the above article and identify each of the following:

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**Standards Link:** Civics: Students understand the importance of volunteering as a characteristic of American society (e.g., people should volunteer to help others in their family, schools and communities).

Take a look at this list of MLK, Jr. Day of Service ideas. Then look at each picture. Number the project you think each kid chose in the circles.

- Clearing an elderly neighbor's sidewalk.
- Collecting canned goods for a food bank.
- Help coach a younger child's team.
- Help a neighbor with some yard work.
- Play a game at the senior center.



**Trash-bag Team** The volunteer coordinator asked four students to collect as many bags of garbage as they could find in the park. How many did each student find? Use the clues to complete the chart.

- The 4 students filled a total of 15 bags.
- No one filled more than 7 bags.
- None of the students filled the same number of bags.
- Cassidy filled 5 bags.
- Owen filled 3 less than Cassidy.
- Sam filled the most bags.

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OWEN	
BODIE	
SAM	
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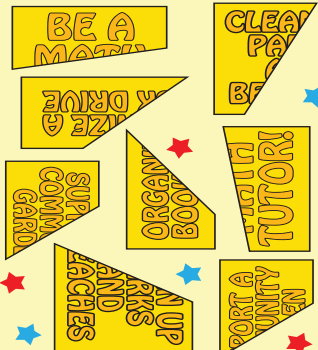


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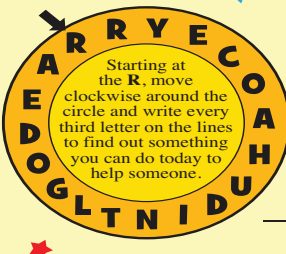
**Standards Link:** Civics: Know how various American holidays reflect values, principles and beliefs of Americans.

**Service Ideas**  
The kids in Mrs. Kelsey's class painted some posters to give kids ideas about the kinds of things they can do to help in their neighborhood. But they fell off the line while drying and got mixed up.  
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**Standards Link:** Language Arts: Use reading skills and strategies to understand a variety of texts.

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Find ads in the newspaper that thank and acknowledge community volunteers. Create a newspaper "Thank You" ad for participation in a Book Drive. Contact your local newspaper to find out the cost of running this ad.  
Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

**Write On!**  
**Make a Difference**  
Tell how you make a difference in someone's life within your family, your school or in your community.

**Kid Scoop Together: Missing Words**  
Use the words in the word list to complete this news article.  
**100 Hours of Service**  
Longmont, CO – Julie Kraus, a \_\_\_\_\_ at Longmont High School, is working to \_\_\_\_\_ a few of her own volunteer hours into 10,000 \_\_\_\_\_ of community service.  
Kraus \_\_\_\_\_ a club with 100 students at her school who each \_\_\_\_\_ to volunteer 100 hours by the \_\_\_\_\_ of the school year. When 100 students volunteer 100 hours, that \_\_\_\_\_ 10,000 hours of community \_\_\_\_\_.

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Standards Link: Civics: Understand the importance of volunteering as a characteristic of American society.

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**Standards Link:** Mathematical Reasoning: Use a variety of strategies to solve problems.



# Curbside pickup lessens load on regional landfill

By SUZANNE MICHAELS

For the Bulletin

One of the residential services provided every month to customers of Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) is the curbside pickup of large items bound for the Corralitos Regional Landfill – and the separate curbside pickup of green waste headed for recycling into composted mulch at the Old Foothills Landfill. There is no additional charge for this service.

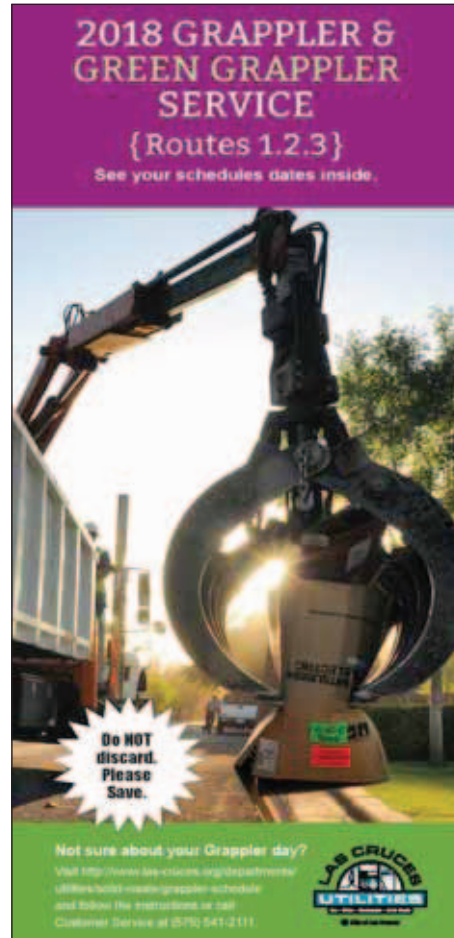
Your newly designed bilingual Grappler/Green Grappler schedules began being delivered in December and all schedules will be delivered before the end of January. LCU hopes you will review the schedule and keep it as a reference so you will know when the Grapplers service your neighborhood and how the services work.

The Grapplers come to your street once monthly – on the same day, which is one of your regular trash days. To take advantage of the service:

- put big items and green waste in separate piles at the curb by 6 a.m. on Grappler day with tree branches cut shorter than 5 feet in length in neat stacks and
- use heavy-duty CLEAR plastic bags to contain grass clippings and leaves to ensure that Green Grappler drivers can see that the bags contain green waste and not trash. (Home Depot, Sutherland's, and Walmart have these bags in stock now, and other local home improvement and hardware stores are in the process of stocking them.)

“Every year we process approximately 3,000 tons of green waste thanks to residents who drop off their grass clippings, raked up leaves, tree trimmings, and cut Christmas trees at the Old Foothills Landfill...and thanks to residents who get those materials to the curb in front of their house on their Grappler day,” says Robin Lawrence, LCU Solid Waste Administrator. “Those simple actions reduce the amount of material unnecessarily going into the Corralitos Regional Landfill and increase the amount of composted mulch we can return to the community.”

Not sure about your Grappler/Green Grappler day? If you don't have your new schedule handy, you can visit <http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/utilities/solid-waste/grappler-schedule> and type in your home address. (Important: Please use abbreviations such as “Rd, St, Ave, Blvd”.) You will see your Grappler/Green grappler route number and pickup day for every month of the year. If you don't have internet access, call Customer Service at 575-541-2111, provide your address, and the LCU agent will be able to tell you your Grappler/Green Grappler day.



**New bilingual Grappler/Green Grappler schedules are being delivered to all LCU residential customers – please review to understand this monthly service, and to learn when the Grapplers come by to pick up items at your address.**

[las-cruces.org/departments/utilities/solid-waste/grappler-schedule](http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/utilities/solid-waste/grappler-schedule) and type in your home address. (Important: Please use abbreviations such as “Rd, St, Ave, Blvd”.) You will see your Grappler/Green grappler route number and pickup day for every month of the year. If you don't have internet access, call Customer Service at 575-541-2111, provide your address, and the LCU agent will be able to tell you your Grappler/Green Grappler day.

*Las Cruces Utilities provides gas, water, wastewater and solid waste services to approximately 100,000 Las Cruces area residents and businesses. Reach them at 575-528-3500 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.*

## CLEARING THE AIR: NO SOLAR FEES FOR NEW MEXICAN CUSTOMERS OF EL PASO ELECTRIC



*El Paso Electric will instate a “minimum bill” in Texas for new solar customers, but not in New Mexico.*

In December, the Public Utilities Commission of Texas (PUCT) approved a plan to let El Paso Electric impose a minimum bill of \$30 on new solar customers – likely the highest such fee anywhere in the nation.

While the misguided move will deny some Texas homeowners the full benefits of solar, the impact will be limited because the fee only applies to a certain subset of solar customers:

### New Mexico customers will not be affected.

Because this policy change resulted from a ruling of the Texas utility commission, only Texas customers will face the new bills. And, even Texas customers who already have solar installed or who have a solar application under review as of December 14 will be exempt from the minimum bill for 20 years. In short, only Texans installing new solar systems will face the fees.

New Mexico's Public Regulation Commission rejected such a proposal for new fees in 2015. This was good news because these kinds of “minimum bill” fees are bad policy. Solar is a crucial bright spot in the economies of New Mexico, Texas, and the nation as a whole. New solar installations drive high-quality local job creation and build a more resilient and efficient power system—all while protecting the air and water. Public officials and utility companies should be doing all they can to expand usage of clean and cost-effective technologies.

Regardless of the regulatory decisions of policymakers in the coming years, rapidly-declining prices for residential and commercial systems mean that solar is an incredible bargain. According to a recent study from North Carolina State University, homeowners who invest in a 5 kilowatt solar installation will, on average, earn a better return than they would get by investing in stocks. Panels pay for themselves by eliminating the need for rising and unpredictable utility bills.

The takeaway is simple: all New Mexico solar customers are in the clear and it is an excellent time to go solar!

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# Las Cruces film festival director inspired by Sundance

By **ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

In 1994 Ross Marks graduated from film school at the American film institute.

"I was running around Hollywood, sold a couple of screen plays but my career wasn't quite going where I wanted to go as a director," he said. "A friend of mine who was

a producer said you have to go to the Sundance film festival. He said, 'when you get back you tell me why I told you to go there.'"

So, Marks went to Park City, Utah, for the Sundance Film Festival and it changed his life.

"I was in this kind of studio world trying to get stuff made which was very difficult," he said.

"But then Sundance opened my eyes to independent filmmaking."

Returning to Hollywood with a collection of names and contacts, Marks was excited about the independent filmmaking possibilities. He made an independent film, "Homage." In 1995 "Homage" was one of 18 films selected for the Sundance competition

among 2,500 submitted.

Today, Marks serves as the executive director of the Las Cruces International Film Festival. And he credits Sundance for making it happen.

In 2012, White Sands International Film Festival board members asked him to be part of their efforts. He became artistic director. When that festival closed,

Marks didn't stop.

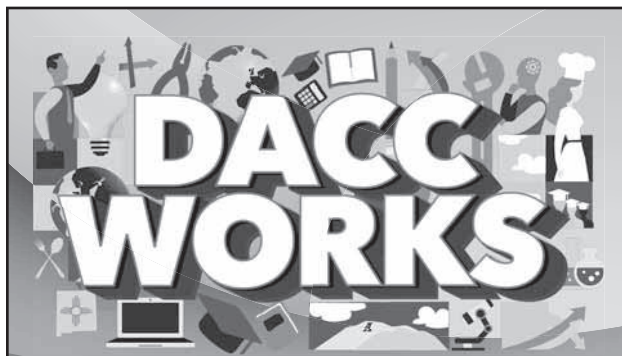
"I got excited and thought if I can bring to Las Cruces what Sundance brought to Park City, we could create a home for independent filmmakers and for the students," he said. "This independent film convention is a great way of transforming people's filmmaking lives, even if in a small way, the way

mine was transformed."

Marks said presently Sundance has become so commercialized that, if you don't have a major star attached, you can't get in.

"The independent filmmaker needs a new home, and that's what I wanted our festival to be," he said. "I love Las Cruces. I went to school here. I teach here. So, it's my way of giving back." For the 2017 film fes-

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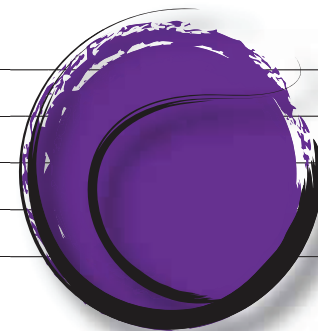


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## Film festival to unveil official poster

The Las Cruces International Film Festival presented by New Mexico State University is set for March 7-11, but film lovers can get a preview when organizers unveil the 2018 festival poster from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at the Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road.

Tickets for the unveiling are \$25 and include refreshments and an official poster signed by landscape artist/photographer Mike Groves, plus the opportunity to purchase \$150 VIP festival tickets at a reduced price.

Last year, more than 6,000 people attended the film festival, with about a third coming from outside the immediate area. This year's is expected to be the biggest yet.

Poster party tickets are available at Visit Las Cruces, 211 Water St.; online at [lascrucesfilmfest.com](http://lascrucesfilmfest.com), or 575-646-6149.





Ross Marks

**FILM**

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tival, Marks said they worked with 44 student volunteers. He finds gratification from seeing them interact with industry professionals.

The film program at New Mexico State University, Creative Media Institute (CMI), has 310 students this year and is the largest film program in the state. Marks, who teaches at CMI, said it's probably the best deal in the country. When the film festival started he wanted to make sure it was part of the university.

"Now we are the largest film festival put on by a major university in the

world," he said.

A new film festival production class has been set up to teach students the business of putting together and marketing an event, from selecting filmmakers to organizing workshops and parties.

At the 2017 festival, as actor Brendan Fraser was receiving an award, he stood up to say the festival reminded him of Sundance in its early days.

"I got tears in my eyes," Marks said. "For him to say that, unsolicited, is confirmation that we are headed in the right direction."

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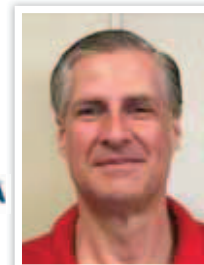
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## IN THE NEWS

### Scam calls reported

The Las Cruces Police Department has learned that someone proclaiming to be a "Sgt. Johnson" is contacting residents by telephone and is attempting to coerce them into making a payment to avoid a bench warrant.

The Las Cruces Police Departments does not have a Sgt. Johnson and, in no way, would make such telephone calls. Telephone calls such as this are most likely a scam, and an attempt at gaining personal or financial information.

Anyone who receives such a telephone call should simply hang up, and refrain from providing personal or financial information to anyone they do not personally know.

Any victims of a scam telephone call is asked to call police immediately at 57-526-0795.

### DASO deadline extended

The application deadline for the winter class of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department Citizen's Police Academy has been extended to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24.

The academy spans eight consecutive Saturdays beginning Jan. 27. Each class will run from 8 a.m. to noon at DASO's Las Cruces headquarters, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

To date, more than 300 Doña Ana County residents have graduated from the program.

Each Citizen's Academy applicant must be 18 years of age or older,

be a resident of Doña Ana County and must have a valid driver's license or photo ID. Because of the sensitive nature of police work, a brief background check will be performed on each applicant. Academy participants must not have any prior felony convictions and no misdemeanor arrests within the last three years.

The winter 2016 Citizen's Academy is free of charge. Applications can be downloaded online at [www.goDASO.org](http://www.goDASO.org), and are also available at the Sheriff's Department, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Class size is limited to 25 people.

### County programs awarded

The New Mexico Association of Counties has awarded Doña Ana County the FY 2016 Audit Accountability Award for large counties.

Each year NMAC and the state auditor select counties that prove their dedication to ethical financial practices that

safeguard their public assets.

The award was presented at the NMAC Legislative Conference Closing Luncheon Thursday, Jan. 18, at the Santa

Fe Community Convention Center.

In addition, Doña Ana County won the 2017 NMAC Workers' Compensation Award for large counties, also awarded NMAC Legislative Conference.

### Renovate Main Street matching grant

The City of Las Cruces is accepting applications for Renovate Main Street grants to encourage businesses and property owners in downtown to upgrade and improve their buildings. This matching grant program is intended to incentivize private investment in downtown and encourage economic development growth.

The Renovate Main Street Program will provide financial reimbursement for the improvement and rehabilitation of Main Street

properties intended as storefronts of for-profit retail, restaurant and entertainment businesses. The program will reimburse half of the costs for eligible projects up to \$25,000 per project.

City Council's strategic plan makes downtown an area of focus for business growth. City Council approved \$250,000 for this incentive program at the Nov. 6, 2017, City Council meeting.

The Economic Development Department is accepting applications for the Renovate Main Street Program through the 2018 calendar year or while funds last. Go online at [www.las-cruces.org/departments/economic-development/main-street-downtown/renovate](http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/economic-development/main-street-downtown/renovate).

For additional information, email [downtown@las-cruces.org](mailto:downtown@las-cruces.org).

# Thanking Walmart



COURTESY PHOTO

Vietnam veterans recently honored Walmart stores for their support of veterans. Left to right, inside the Walmart at 3331 Rinconada Blvd., are Sonoma Ranch store manager Ida Delgado; veterans Dwight Weir, Bruce Fonnest, Chaplain Lawrence Orvis and retired Navy Captain Walt Baker; and Walmart-Rinconada store manager David Buskin.

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## COMING UP

**Coalition Against Bullying:** 4-6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, Sunset Grill, 1274 Golf Club Road. Doña Ana County Coalition Against Bullying annual meeting with LCPS Supt. Greg Ewing on bullying prevention in schools. Brief business meeting to elect officers and approve by-laws. Cost: \$10 suggested donation. Info: <http://www.upstander575.org>.

**Jazzercise for kids:** 6-8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, Las Cruces Jazzercise Fitness Center, 3217 El Camino Real. Hollywood-themed Kids Night Out for ages 4-12. Dance parties, relay and fitness games, arts and crafts, a light snack and a performance. Cost: \$20 per child. Siblings half price. Info: Amy Richards, 941-705-0800, email [las-crucesjuniorjazzercise@yahoo.com](mailto:las-crucesjuniorjazzercise@yahoo.com) or on Facebook at Junior Jazzercise Las Cruces.

**Drive-in movie:** 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, Mesilla Park Community Church parking lot, 1040 El Paseo Road. Showing of "Lego: Ninjago Movie" on giant outdoor screen. Food trucks will be on site. Cost: Free. Info: 575-524-7658, email [info@getrealchurch.org](mailto:info@getrealchurch.org) or [www.getrealchurch.org](http://www.getrealchurch.org).

**Trackways tour:** 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Prehistoric Trackways National Monument, northwest of Pícacho Avenue and Shalem Colony Trail. The guided tour will start at the second parking lot near the monument entrance and last about three hours. Info: 575-525-4300.

**Cruces Apple Users:** 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, Jan.

20, Doña Ana Community College Espina Campus, Trades Building, Room 141. "What's New with Apple" discussion and tutorial by David Cox on iCloud. Meeting ends with tech support questions. Cruces Apple User Group meets the second Saturday of each month. Info: Email Louise Foster at [louisefoster@mac.com](mailto:louisefoster@mac.com).

**Science history:** 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science. "STEAMPUNK" program, focusing on the accomplishments of 19th-century astronomer Benjamin Banneker. Info: 575-522-3120 or [museums.las-cruces.org](http://museums.las-cruces.org).

**GFWC Progress Club:** All cards invited to an annual lunch and party on Jan. 20 at St. Paul's Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave., in the fellowship hall. Club members will serve a lunch. Raffles and door prizes offered. Bring other games if you'd like, but cards are furnished. The event helps fund three scholarships, an endowed scholarship and a nursing scholarship at NMSU and a state scholarship provided by the state federation. For reservations and information, call Inge Peter at 575-522-5474.

**Living with Wildlife:** 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Wild Birds Unlimited Nature Education Center, 2001 E. Lohman, Suite 130. Presentation on attracting wildlife to a yard. With NM Game and Fish public information specialist Jeremy Lane. Cost: Free.

**Library Friends:** 2 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 20, Good Samaritan auditorium, 3100 Buena Vida Circle. Friends of the Branigan Library annual meeting and election of officers, annual reports, refreshments and entertainment. Officer nominees: Dennis Cherry, president; Marge Herberger, vice president; Sue Fletcher, secretary; and John Jaffee, treasurer. Info: Jo Banks at [at](mailto:at) or email [josiebanks@aol.com](mailto:josiebanks@aol.com).

**Pet blessing:** 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, parking lot of St. Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, 518 No. Alameda. Fr Gabriel will provide take-away writings on the spiritual quality of pets. Gift bags courtesy of Better Life Pet Foods.

**Stars-N-Parks:** Opportunities to learn about the night sky at NM state parks. Arrive at sunset to become familiar with their surroundings before nightfall. Formal presentation followed by telescope observations. Cost: \$5 park day-use fee. Suggested donation for the program, \$5 per couple, or \$3 per individual. Info: [www.Astro-NPO.org](http://www.Astro-NPO.org).

• Saturday, Jan. 20, City of Rocks State Park  
Sunset: 5:30 p.m. Program: 6:40-8:10 p.m.  
Moon is 3.5 days old. Orion is high in the east and Andromeda is high in the west. Presenter: Bill Nigg.

• Saturday, Feb. 10, 2018, Pancho Villa State Park  
Sunset: 5:50 p.m. Program Start: 7 p.m., Program End: 8:30 p.m.

Moon two days old. Aldebaran is in transit and Leo is rising. Presenter: John Gilkison.

**HSR lecture:** 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, Social Center Auditorium at the University Terrace Good Samaritan Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Human Systems Research Lecture Series with Dr. Carla Van West talking about climate change.

**Antique treasures:** 12-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. Visitors are encouraged to bring antiques and heirlooms to learn more about them and how to preserve them. Independent appraisers will be on hand, as well as antique vendors. Includes the exhibit called "Form & Function: Objects with Flair." Cost: \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, \$3 for children 4-17.

**Women's rally:** 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, Plaza de Las Cruces. Organized by a grass-roots group of women, the march supports "Women's Rights as Human Rights and Human Rights as Women's Rights." It is a sister march to the national event taking place the same day in Las Vegas, Nevada, on the one-year anniversary of the Women's March on Washington.

**Distinguished Young Women:** 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, Alma d' Arte Charter High School 402 W. Court Avenue. One of 13 young women selected as Distinguished Young Woman of New Mexico will advance to the national level at the 60th Distinguished Young Women National Finals in June in Mobile, Alabama. Cost: \$5. Info: Karen Caroe, 575-571-7491 or email [NewMexico@dis](mailto:NewMexico@dis)

[tinguishedyw.org](http://tinguishedyw.org).

**High Tech Consortium:** 4:30-6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, Arrowhead Center [New Mexico State University Campus, 3655 Research Drive, Genesis Center, Building C]. Steve Fischmann, co-chair of the NM Fair Lending Coalition, will discuss technology and grid management developments in the utility industry and how they relate to New Mexico. Info: Ed Pines, HTC President, 575-646-2730, or Terry Jack, 720-201-7344.

**Native Plant Society:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, Social Center Conference Room, Good Samaritan Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Featuring student assistants at the NMSU Herbarium with perspectives on the herbarium for conserving native plants. Info: 575-523-8413 or [NPSNM.org](http://NPSNM.org).

**Driver safety:** AARP Smart Driver. Arrive 15 minutes early to register. Cost: \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for non-members. Bring exact change or check made out to AARP.

• 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Jan. 26, Feb. 24, March 22 and April 7. Good Samaritan.

Info and reservations: 575-642-2582.

• 12:45-4:45 p.m. Feb. 12 and March 5. Senior Circle, behind Walgreens on East Lohman. Info and reservations: 575-522-0502.

**Railroad Museum programs:** 10 a.m.-noon, Friday, Jan. 26, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Coloring and socializing for adults. Participants bring supplies or use the museum's coloring pages and colored pencils. Info: 575-647-4480 or [museums.las-cruces.org](http://museums.las-cruces.org).

**Republican women:** 11:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Drive. Doña Ana County Federated Republican Women will meet. Deadline for reservations, Monday, Jan. 22. Cost: \$15 for lunch. Info and reservations: Patricia Rothen-gass, 575-650-5057 or email [artpjr1940@yahoo.com](mailto:artpjr1940@yahoo.com).

**Baha'is' fireside:** 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, at Good Samaritan Village, 3025 Terrace Drive. A discussion on "Two Wings of a Bird, The Equality of Women and Men." Speakers are Deborah and Darrell Rodgers. Info: 556-9650 or email [localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com](mailto:localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com).

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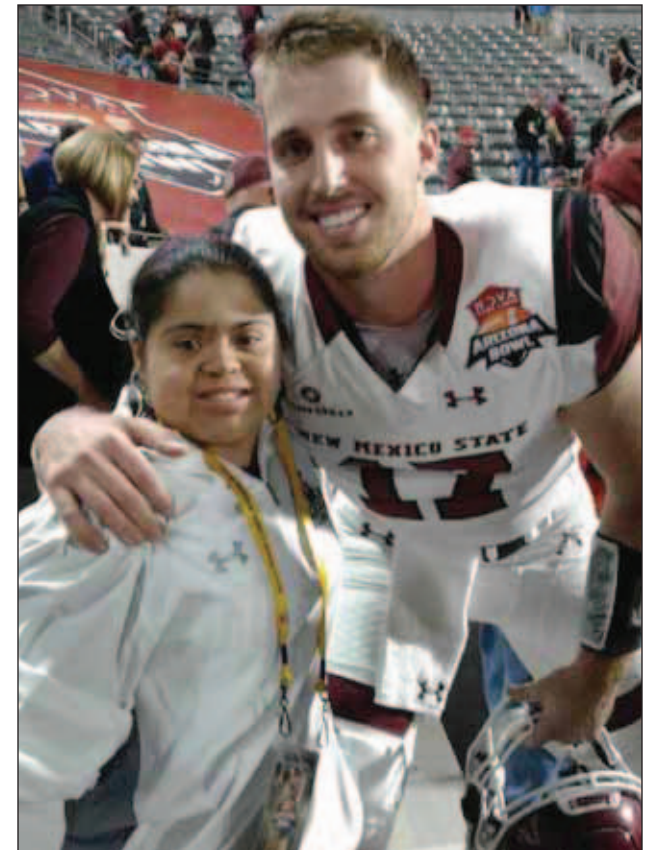
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Marisa “breaks down” the team in the locker room after NMSU’s dramatic victory in the Nova Home Loans Arizona Bowl in Tucson Dec. 28.



Senior quarterback Tyler Rogers, who engineered the come-from-behind bowl win, found time during the on-field celebration to meet “my girl!”

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# NMSU Football’s adopted daughter

## A special fan with Down syndrome charmed her way into Aggie hearts

By **MARTY RACINE**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

In the immediate afterglow of NMSU’s historic bowl victory Dec. 28 in Tucson, a 20-year-old Las Cruces woman with the demeanor of a curious and happy child milled among ecstatic football warriors more than twice her size.

After celebrating with them on the field, she broke down the team, leading a closing ritual, in the Arizona Stadium locker room.

The win that day – 26-20 over Utah State in the Aggies’ first bowl appearance in 57 years – is cause enough

for a rally to be held in Plaza de Las Cruces at noon Saturday, Jan. 20. No one there will be prouder than Marisa Martinez, her mother Lisa and her father, Ramy.

The story begins several years ago, the day the Martinez’s met NMSU director of sports performance Don Decker at their church, the First Assembly of God.

“Marisa attached herself to him, the very first time,” said Ramy Martinez, a longtime Aggie football supporter.

As they all got to know each other, the family discussed a possible role for Marisa, who was born with

Down syndrome, in the university’s weight room. She had already been swimming at the university for years and was comfortable on campus.

“But we weren’t sure, because sometimes individuals with Down syndrome have trouble with noise and commotion,” Martinez said. “The weight room is a very intense environment, coaches yelling at players. We thought Marisa might be traumatized.”

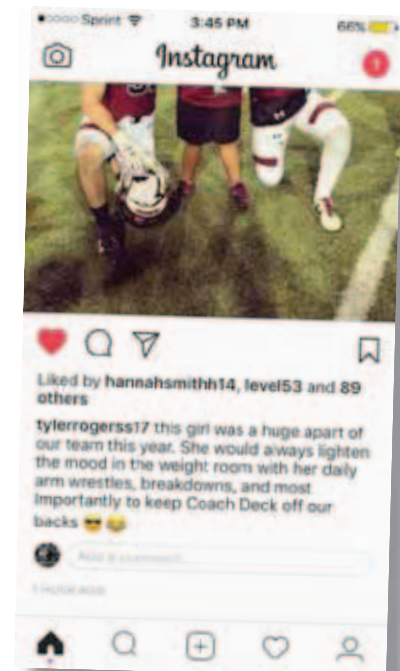
Nevertheless, working with an agency that helps the disabled find work, and through the efforts of Decker and Athletic Director Mario

Moccia, a part-time position was created in November 2016. The agency paid the first three months’ wages. When that ran out, Marisa simply volunteered.

“We didn’t care about the money,” said Martinez, who is retired from the precious metals industry.

More important, Marisa took to her role.

The university eventually budgeted for the position beginning July 1, 2017. Marisa works 15 hours a week, cleaning and sanitizing the benches and cardio machines, bringing players



The cell phone says it all.

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## NMSU

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drinks and fruit.

“Things in general, to keep the place tidy,” said Martinez, who stayed at her side. “She was inspiring, she never complained. And when she came into work, she went right to work.”

Before long, players, especially the footballers, began kidding around with her, arm-wrestling, mimicking “Dancing with the Stars,” including her in their hijinks that relieve the tension of preparing for competition. They were, after all, of a generation.

Head Coach Doug Martin began allowing Marisa into practices, and for all intents, the team adopted her.

“She built a special bond with (quarterback) Tyler Rogers,” Martinez said. “He would say, ‘There’s my girl.’ He would always make sure she was taken care of. Coach Martin always called her ‘my lucky charm.’ Larry Rose, the whole team, they treated her with dignity and respect, like a regular person.”

Marisa was not the regular person the Martinez’s expected 20 years ago when Lisa, who works in a cancer clinic, was pregnant. Ramy would put a hand on his wife’s swollen belly and offer a small prayer for their child’s safe passage into this world. “Lord, this is your child,” he would say.

When the Lord’s child was diagnosed with Down syndrome almost immediately upon birth, the parents were shocked.

“That was devastat-



**Of all the players, Marisa formed a special bond with senior QB Tyler Rogers.**

ing,” Martinez said. “I told God, ‘How dare you do this to me? You ruined all my dreams.’”

He remained bitter for a week or two and then began to process a blessing. He told the Lord, “Thank you what you have done for us.”

“He knew what he was doing,” Martinez says now.

According to Wikipedia, Down syndrome “is a genetic disorder ... typically associated with physical growth delays, characteristic facial features and mild to moderate intellectual disability. The average IQ of a young adult is equivalent to the mental ability of an 8- or 9-year-old child.”

One in 1,000 is affected. There is no known cure.

Marisa is four-foot-eight and speaks in a way that only those who care, like football players,

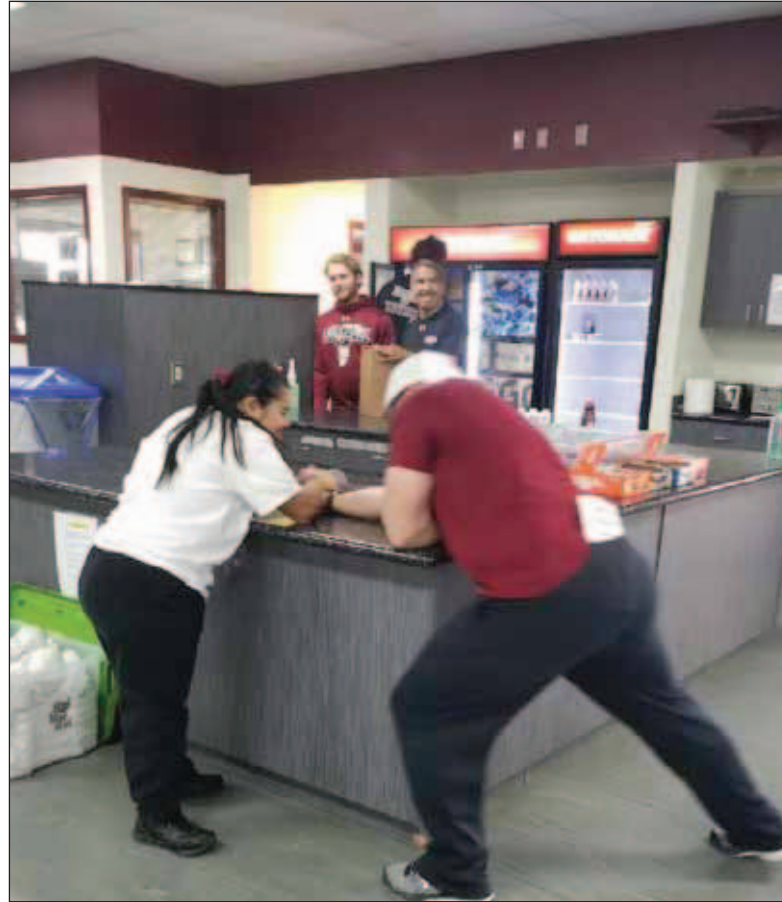
can begin to understand. Her parents understand instinctively and completely.

“She’s very hard to understand. If she gets to know you, you’ll understand her,” Martinez said.

For the past 10 years the Martinez family has been attending NMSU home football games, never missing a kickoff, loss after disappointing loss. They sit around the 50-yard line a few rows up, good seats befitting ardent supporters of the home team.

Last season, after the relationship got “personal,” as Martinez puts it, Marisa would stand near the tunnel high-fiving the players as they took the field. Before the pre-game drills turned serious, she’d often romp along the sidelines.

The Martinez’s went



**Marisa slams home another victory in arm-wrestling against a hapless coach.**

PHOTOS  
COURTESY  
RAMY  
MARTINEZ

to three road games last season, to ASU, UNM and Texas State, on their own dime, staying at the players’ hotel. At the Arizona Bowl, they were the only ones besides players and coaches invited to join the team dinner the night before the game.

It is, in its own way, a reflection of how NMSU football is more than a game. The players perform community service. The team’s honorary captain last season was Jeremiah Young, the 11-year old son of Lori Paulson, who, before her death from cancer in the spring of 2016, prepared meals on Sundays for NMSU players in her Las Cruces home, back when the team’s training table consisted of day-old bagels scrounged from a local shop.

Paulson was ultimately named an honorary cap-

tain. After her death, the honor was inherited by Jeremiah. He was in Tucson, too, a bespectacled kid escorting the team captains, as always, for the coin toss.

When it was all over, after four hours of tense football, Tyler Rogers, Larry Rose, Dalton Herrington and others on the field went looking for Marisa to bring her to the locker room. “Where’s Marisa?” they shouted. Inside, she broke down the team, leading with chants of “one, two, three Aggies.” Jeremiah was there, too, the two of them beaming upward, among brothers.

“For those players, as young men, at a moment like that, to not think of themselves but of somebody else to come celebrate with them, says a lot about them,”

Martinez said.

“The character of these young men, they’re something else. You have to take your hat off to the whole university, to the athletic department, all the coaches.”

Now it all makes sense. “This is something that in a million years I couldn’t imagine would happen,” Martinez said. “I told Coach Decker, if it weren’t for Marisa, we wouldn’t be here. After the last football game at home (when they defeated South Alabama to become bowl eligible), I told the football players ‘You don’t understand – you’ve given us, you’ve given Marisa, a Cinderella story.’”

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NO. 17-0302

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
DONALD M. DEPNER,  
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CHAEL DEPNER,  
DECEASED.**

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
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Mexico 88001, or filed with  
the Probate Court of Doña  
Ana County, New Mexico,  
845 Motel Blvd. Rm. 1-201,  
Las Cruces, New Mexico  
88007.

Dated: December 7, 2017.

**KURT MARTIN DEPNER**  
1630 Mountain View Ave.  
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Prepared by:  
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Las Cruces, New Mexico  
88001  
Telephone: (575) 556-8449  
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Dates: 01/19, 01/26, 02/02,  
2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given  
that on December 7, 2017,  
Lia Shay and Clever Mi-  
chael Hooper, 725 North  
Fairacres Road, Las Cruces,  
NM 88005 filed application  
numbered  
LRG-15687-POD2, OSE  
File No. LRG-15687-1, 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 the use of  
well LRG-15687-POD1 lo-  
cated at X=1,456,531  
Y=473,163 ft. NMSF, Cen-

tral Zone, NAD83, on land  
owned by Lia Shay and  
Clever Micheal Hooper and  
drilling replacement well  
LRG-15687-POD2 to a  
depth of 250 feet with 8-inch  
casing to be located at  
approximately  
X=1,456,501.9 Y=473,191.5  
on land owned by the  
applicants for the continued  
diversion of an amount of  
water determined by the  
May 24, 1999 Order of the  
Third Judicial District Court,  
Doña Ana County, State of  
NM, combined with surface  
water from the EBID for  
irrigation of 2.8 acres of land  
owned by the applicant  
located within Pt. NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and  
NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Sec 21,  
T23S, R01E, NMPM as  
described by Subfile No.:  
LRN-28-012-0007 (A) of  
the Lower Rio Grande  
Hydrographic Survey. Pro-  
posed replacement well  
LRG-15687-POD2 will be  
located west of Las Cruces  
at the physical address of  
725 Fairacres Road.

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fy your water rights; and/or  
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vation of Water; if public  
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water within the state of  
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show how you will be  
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protest or objection is filed,  
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evaluate the application in  
accordance with the provi-  
sions of Chapter 72 NMSA  
1978.

Dates: 01/05, 01/12, 01/19,  
2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given  
that on December 21, 2017,  
Gilbert Gordon Mesa, 829  
Rosinante Rd, El Paso, TX,  
79922, filed application  
numbered LRG-1918-A,  
OSE File No. LRG-1917-1,  
with the State Engineer for  
Permit to Change an Exist-  
ing Water Right within the  
Lower Rio Grande Under-  
ground Water Basin in Doña  
Ana County by using pro-  
posed well LRG-1918-A  
located within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW  
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Sec-  
tion 33, Township 22S,  
Range 1E (NMPM) & more  
specifically located at or  
near where X = 1,455,111 ft.  
& Y = 492,063 ft. (NMSF,  
Central NAD83), on land  
owned by the applicants, &  
discontinue the use of exist-  
ing well LRG-1917, located  
on land owned by the  
applicants located within the  
SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said  
projected Section 33 & more  
specifically described where  
X = 1,455,090 ft. & Y =  
492,150 ft., (NMSF, Central  
NAD83) for the continued  
diversion of up to 3.0  
acre-feet per annum of  
shallow groundwater for  
domestic one-household use  
as described in Subfile No.:  
LRS-28-007-0006 Right B  
of the Lower Rio Grande  
Basin Hydrographic Survey.  
The site of proposed well  
LRG-1918-A will be located  
west of Las Cruces, NM &  
may be found approximately  
916 feet northwest of the  
intersection of Shalem Col-  
ony Trail & Porcupine Ct. at  
the property address of 4710  
Shalem Colony Trail, Las  
Cruces, NM 88007. Existing  
well LRG-1917 will be  
properly plugged.

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standing to file objections or  
protests shall do so in  
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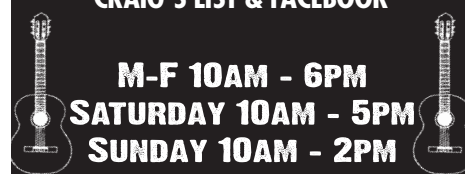
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**NOTICE** is hereby given  
that on December 8, 2017,  
Rudy R. Gonzalez Jr., PO  
Box 34, San Miguel, NM  
88057, filed application  
numbered  
LRG-17069-POD2, OSE  
File No. LRG-17069-1, with  
the State Engineer for Permit  
to Change an Existing Water  
Right within the Lower Rio  
Grande Underground Water  
Basin in Doña Ana County  
by drilling replacement well  
LRG-17069-POD2 to be  
located within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE  
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Projected Sec4,  
T25S, R2E, NMSF and more  
specifically located near the  
intersection of X =  
1,486,742 ft. & Y = 423,480  
ft., NMSF, Central NAD83,  
on land owned by the  
applicant, for the continued  
diversion of an amount of  
shallow groundwater re-  
served for future determina-  
tion by the May 24, 1999  
Order of the Third Judicial  
District Court, Doña Ana  
County, State of New Mexi-  
co, combined with surface  
water from the Elephant  
Butte Irrigation District, for  
the irrigation of 4.50 acres of  
land, owned by the appli-  
cant, located within the SW  
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>of Section 4 as described  
in part by Subfile No.  
LRS-28-005-0012 of the  
Third Judicial District Court,  
Doña Ana County, State of  
New Mexico. Old well  
LRG-17069-POD1 shall be  
plugged. The new replace-  
ment well,  
LRG-17069-POD2, is physi-  
cally located at 6113 county  
Road B-010, San Miguel,  
NM.

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Dates: 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on June 17, 2015, Alma T. Lerma and Jeff Griffith, 895 Three Hawks Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-14947 POD1, OSE File No. LRG-16772-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-12337, also known as LRSO4-0090, located within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 25, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 11' 41.01"N, 106° 41' 43.64"W (WGS84), on land owned by Pritchett Revocable Trust, and instead using existing domestic well LRG-14947 POD1, previously drilled to a depth of 120 feet for 4-inch casing, located within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 26, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 11' 45.81"N, 106° 42' 4.18"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of an amount of water 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 3.73 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 25, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, and within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 26, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, as described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-004-0181 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The replacement well LRG-14947 POD1 is located north of Mesquite, NM and may be found at the physical address of 895 Three Hawks Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Discontinued well LRG-12337 (LRSO4-0090) 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.

Dates: 01/05, 01/12, 01/19, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on November 27, 2017, Salopek 6U Farms, 5090 Snow Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005 has filed application numbered LRG-16279-POD3 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 the use of well LRG-16279-POD2 located at X= 1,490,696 Y= 440,124ft. NMSP, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by the applicant, and drilling replacement well LRG-16279-POD3 to a depth of 300 feet with 6-inch casing to be located at approximately X= 1,490,741 Y= 440,167, on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum for domestic purposes as described by the Lower Rio Grande Adjudication Subfile Order No.: LRS-28-004-1008. Proposed replacement well LRG-16279-POD3 is located south of Las Cruces, NM at the physical address of 672 Richardson Road. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill and use replacement 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 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: 01/12, 01/19, 01/26, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on November 29, 2017, Benjamin B. Bolanos, PO Box 300, La Mesa, NM 88044 filed application numbered LRG-6690-POD5, OSE File No.: LRG-6690-AB, 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-06690-POD5 to a depth of 250 feet with a 6-inch casing, in a location within the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 31, Township 25S, Range #E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where X= 1,506,585 ft. & Y= 394,621 ft. NMSP, Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-6690, located on land owned by Sierra Vista Farms located within the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 31, Township 25S, Range 3E (NMPM) and more specifically described where X= 1,506,321 ft. & Y= 395, 703 ft. (NMSP, Central NAD83), 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 3.79 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 31, Township 25S, Range 3E (NMPM) and as described in Subfile Nos.: LRS-28-011-0038 & LRS-28-011-0040 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. The site of the proposed well LRG-6690-POD5 will be located southeast of La Mesa, NM and may be found approximately 516 feet southeast of the intersection of Tierra Bonita Ct. and S. Highway 28, La Mesa, NM. Existing well LRG-6690 will be retained for other rights.

Dates: 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that pursuant to Section 73-13-4 NMSA, the Board of Directors of Elephant Butte Irrigation District (District) will consider a Resolution to transfer water rights appurtenant to lands within the District which are not suitable for irrigation or capable of being properly irrigated to other lands within the District, if the Board's judgement the land may be profitably irrigated and advantageously irrigated. The request is made by DESERT MIRAGE INC who requests that the Board suspend a total of 0.26 acres of water rights from lands located in Section 25, Twp. 23S, Range 1E NMPM., and being a part of USRS Map 11B-1A1, 1A5 BLK A LT 5 and transfer them to lands owned by BOYD LEE WELCH TRUSTEE BOYD LEE WELCH REVOCABLE TRUST located in Section 15, Twp. 24S, Range 2E, NMPM, being part of USRS Map 15-15A1A TR. 2. The place of the hearing is the offices of the District located at 530 S. Melendres, Las Cruces,

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.

Dates: 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on February 7, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 3362 Highridge St., Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 10, Block J, SUNSET HILLS SUBDIVISION PLAT NO. 5, 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 February 25, 1988, in Book 15 Page(s) 157-158 of Plat Records.

Dates: 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

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

No. D-307-CV-2017-01239

**WELLS FARGO BANK,  
N.A.,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**RUDY E. ESPINOSA; and  
LENAE ESPINOSA aka  
Lenae Martinez, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on February 7, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 3362 Highridge St., Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 10, Block J, SUNSET HILLS SUBDIVISION PLAT NO. 5, 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 February 25, 1988, in Book 15 Page(s) 157-158 of Plat Records.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on December 28, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above

described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$132,478.60 and the same bears interest at 4.2500% per annum from November 22, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**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 a one month right of redemption.

Electronically filed /s/ Pamela A. Carmody  
Pamela Carmody, Special Master  
PO Drawer 16169  
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169  
(575) 642-5567

Dates: 01/12, 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that pursuant to Section 73-13-4 NMSA, the Board of Directors of Elephant Butte Irrigation District (District) will consider a Resolution to transfer water rights appurtenant to lands within the District which are not suitable for irrigation or capable of being properly irrigated to other lands within the District, if the Board's judgement the land may be profitably irrigated and advantageously irrigated.

The request is made by JESUS M & CARRIE M RIVERA who requests that the Board suspend a total of 0.28 acres of water rights from lands located in Section 25, Twp. 23S, Range 1E NMPM., and being a part of USRS Map 11A-154B1 and transfer them to lands owned by DALE HOPKINS TRUSTEE HOPKINS FAMILY TRUST located in Section 15, Twp. 24S, Range 2E, NMPM, being part of USRS Map 15-15A1A2 TR 3. The place of the hearing is the offices of the District located at 530 S. Melendres, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and the date of the hearing is February 14, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. Protest or protests from any person or persons interested may be heard at the hearing. At the end of the hearing, the Board of Directors shall take formal action upon the Resolution. Any protestant or protestants may appeal the decision of the Board directly to the District Court within 10 days of the adoption or rejection of the Resolution.

Dates: 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

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

No. D-307-PB-2014-143  
Judge: Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE  
OF  
ALEX AREVALO, Deceased.**

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

## MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.

/s/ Melissa J. Reeves-Evins  
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins  
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Attorney for Personal Representative

Dates: 01/12, 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

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

No. D-307-CV-2013-00790

**WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE FOR STANWICH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JARED W. O'REAR, aka JARED WAYNE O'REAR; KAYLA Y. O'REAR, aka KAYLA YVETTE O'REAR; NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY; and TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **February 7, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants

in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 4254 Independence Loop, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 28 IN BLOCK 1 OF INDEPENDENCE VILLAGE, LOCATED IN 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 SEPTEMBER 11, 1995 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 18 AT PAGES 330-331, PLAT RECORDS, and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as a 2005 Cavalier SS06E5234T Double Wide, VIN TC05TX0108427AB.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 5, 2018, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$117,626.45 and the same bears interest at 4.875% per annum from August 8, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**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 a one month right of redemption.

Electronically filed  
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody  
Pamela Carmody, Special Master  
PO Drawer 16169  
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169  
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Dates: 01/12, 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 2018

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

No.  
D-307-CV-2014-02394

**HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Trustee for Wells Fargo Home Equity Asset-Backed Securities 2005-3 Trust, Home Equity Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-3, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**LAMAR HAUGABROOK, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF LAMAR HAUGABROOK, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF LAMAR HAUGABROOK, DECEASED; KAVIN HAUGABROOK; KELLYE TERRELL; STEPHEN HAUGABROOK; MATTHEW HAUGABROOK; GLORIA HAUGABROOK; and LYNELLE HAUGABROOK, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **February 14, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder

for cash. The property to be sold is located at 615 El Prado Avenue, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 18, Block 2, REVISED PLAT OF SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 2 MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION, in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said county as Plat No. 325A on 03/17/1947 in Book 6 Page(s) 43 of Plat Records .

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 10, 2018, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$154,028.77 and the same bears interest at 4.500% per annum from November 8, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees 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. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**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 a one

month right of redemption.

Electronically filed  
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody  
Pamela Carmody, Special Master  
PO Drawer 16169  
Las Cruces, NM 88004-6169  
(575) 642-5567

Dates: 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 02/09, 2018

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-02707

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JONATHAN WILLIAMS; SHERRY WILLIAMS; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 3507 Sierra Bonita Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 29, ENTRADA DE SIERRA SUBDIVISION PHASE 1, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 10, 2007, IN BOOK 22 PAGE(S) 291-293 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 March 1, 2018**, 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 18, 2017 in the total amount of \$176,779.76 with interest at the rate of 3.750% per annum from July 5, 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. Wells Fargo Bank, NA, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2017-02267

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**EMMETT J. KIRSCH, 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 4982 Galina Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 23, BLOCK 22, LAS COLINAS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT PHASE V-A, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 2496 ON 03/02/1994 IN BOOK 18 PAGE(S) 23-26 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 15, 2018**, 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 1, 2017 in the total amount of \$120,908.63 with interest at the rate of 4.250% per annum from October 19, 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. Well Fargo Bank, NA, 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

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

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-02627

**U.S. BANK, N.A. AS  
TRUSTEE FOR MANU-  
FACTURED HOUSING  
CONTRACT SENI-  
OR/SUBORDINATE  
PASS-THROUGH CER-  
TIFICATE TRUST  
2000-3, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**LISA J. CAMPBELL;  
CONSECO FINANCE  
SERVICING CORP., De-  
fendants.**

**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 4240 Charles, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 39, BLOCK 1, INDEPENDENCE VILLAGE, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, COUNTY OF DOÑA

ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1995 AS PLAT NO. 2712, IN BOOK 18 PAGES 330 THROUGH 331 OF PLAT RECORDS.

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**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 2000-3, 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.

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**PROSPECTIVE PUR-**

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

NO. D-307-CV-2017-00869

**DOVENMUEHLE  
MORTGAGE, INC.,  
Plaintiff,**

v.

**ROBERT B. BROWN,  
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned Special Master will on **January 23, 2018 at 11:45 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 & Pond C, Block C, Corazon Del Valle Subdivision, in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the Plat thereof, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of said county as Plat No. 4363 on 05/02/2006 in Book 21 Page(s) 601-05 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 1672 Neleigh Loop, 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 29, 2017 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 \$152,041.65 plus interest from July 1, 2017 to the date of sale at the rate of 3.75% 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 pay off, 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  
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Dates: 12/29/2017, 01/05,  
01/12, 01/19, 2018

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-00833

**FEDERAL NATIONAL  
MORTGAGE ASSOCIA-  
TION ("FANNIE MAE"),  
A CORPORATION OR-  
GANIZED AND EXIST-  
ING UNDER THE LAWS  
OF THE UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**SANDRA LEE; SISBAR-  
RO BUICK GMC, INC. ;  
STATE OF NEW MEXI-  
CO TAXATION AND  
REVENUE DEPART-  
MENT; DEPARTMENT  
OF THE TREASURY IN-  
TERNAL REVENUE  
SERVICE; AND OCCU-  
PANTS OF THE PROP-  
ERTY, 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 4156 Las Piedras Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

A 2.500 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATE SOUTH OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS PART OF LOT 12, BLOCK 7 OF THE ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND AND TRUST COMPANY SUBDIVISION B. PLAT FILED JUNE 2, 1911 IN PLAT RECORD 4, PAGE 24, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD, WHENCE THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 12, BLOCK 7, OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SUBDIVISION BEARS S 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 00 SECONDS W, 330.00 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING S 00 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 49 SECONDS W, 329.85 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE N 89

DEGREES 54 MINUTES 43 SECONDS W, 329.73 FEET TO AN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 27 SECONDS E, 329.82 FEET TO AN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 00 SECONDS E, 330.05 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF A FORTY FOOT ROAD EASEMENT TO THE TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 2.500 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, AND SUBJECT TO EASEMENTS OF RECORD AND SUCH AS MAY EXIST ON THE GROUND, Including a 1983 CAVCO Manufactured Home, VIN: UNKNOWN.

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 15, 2018**, 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 in Rem granted on November 7, 2017 in the total amount of \$78,855.14 with interest at the rate of 9.625% per annum from June 5, 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. Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), A Corporation Organized And Existing Under The Laws Of The United States Of America, 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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## ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2017-02788

### BOKF, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

### STEPHEN MAX LOMAN, 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 504 North Park Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 17 IN BLOCK NUMBERED A OF CONLEE FARM SUBDIVISION, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID CONLEE FARM SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON APRIL 12, 1988 IN PLAT BOOK 15, FOLIO 188-190.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at **10:45am on March 1, 2018**, 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 December 28, 2017, in the total amount of \$300,564.76, with interest at the rate of 6.50% 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. BOKF, 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.

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2017-03059

### MIDFIRST BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

### ELIZABETH ARMEN-

## DARIZ, 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 5231 Creek Trl., Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 35C IN BLOCK NUMBERED 11 OF ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST CO. SUBDIVISION "C" AMENDMENT NO. ONE OF PART OF BLOCK ELEVEN, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST CO. SUBDIVISION "C" AMENDMENT NO. ONE OF PART OF BLOCK ELEVEN, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON JUNE 6, 1966 IN PLAT BOOK 9, FOLIO 97 and also known as:

LOT 35C OF ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST CO. SUBDIVISION "C" AMENDMENT NO. ONE OF PART OF BLOCK ELEVEN, LOCATED IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON JUNE 6, 1966 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 9 AT PAGE 97, 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 March 1, 2018**, 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

21, 2017 in the total amount of \$132,010.88 with interest at the rate of 3.875% per annum from December 29, 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. Midfirst Bank, 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-2017-03417

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

vs.

## LORENZO L. NINO; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; FRISTOE AND COMPANY, PA, Defendants.

## NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant, Lorenzo L. Nino:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff Nationstar Mortgage LLC D/B/A Champion Mortgage Company has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 195 La Fe Avenue, Mesquite, NM 88048. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

A 0.33 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATE NORTHEAST OF VADO, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, BEING PART OF LOT 17 OF DEL CERRO ESTATES, PLAT NO. 2, AS FILED APRIL 23, 1975, IN PLAT BOOK 12, PAGES 12-13, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT A SET IRON ROD ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LA FE AVENUE FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 17 OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SUBDIVISION;

THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND LEAVING THE NORTH LINE OF LA FE AVENUE N 11 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 45 SECONDS W, 116.08 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD;

THENCE S 89 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 46 SECONDS E, 127.63 FEET TO

THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD;

THENCE S 11 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 45 SECONDS E, 116.08 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LA FE AVENUE;

THENCE ALONG LA FE AVENUE N 89 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 46 SECONDS W, 127.63 FEET TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.33 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, AND BEING SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS OF RECORD AND SUCH AS MAY EXIST ON THE GROUND.

THIS LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS BASED ON FIELD DATA BY GERALD K. DONOHUE, N.M. PLS 8172.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

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

McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP

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The theatre has a majestic presence on Main Street.



A long line forms to attend a recent show at RGT.

COURTESY PHOTOS

## Historic Rio Grande Theatre looks to the future

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Rio Grande Theatre has a new manager, a full liquor license and big plans for 2018.

The City of Las Cruces, which has owned the theatre since 2000, took over its management from the Doña Ana Arts Council in July.

“We’re like a brand new theatre in a hundred-year-old building,” said Chris Faivre, who became permanent RGT venue manager last November after acting in the role since September.

Originally built in 1926, RGT is the only operating two-story adobe theater in the country and is listed on the Na-



**CHRIS FAIVRE**

tional Register of Historic Places.

The theatre is currently closed

for renovations, but did open Thursday, Jan. 18, for a performance by the Neave Trio, an internationally acclaimed chamber ensemble.

The theatre will close again after that performance to complete renovations, said Faivre, a Las Cruces native and graduate of Mayfield High School and New Mexico State University (journalism and mass communications).

Those renovations

include “minor repairs to the stage and interior theatre walls,” according to [www.riogrande-theatre.org](http://www.riogrande-theatre.org). In addition, “the floor in the lobby will be leveled and re-carpeted. The concession area will also be upgraded with new serving and storage areas. Upstairs in the balcony, handrails will be added for additional safety.”

“We’re going to have a lot more events” after the work is complete,” Faivre said, with “almost every weekend booked up” for the next few months.

Faivre said RGT staff hope to meet their biggest challenge – attract-

The city hopes to fill the theatre’s 426 seats on a regular basis.





# Arts council rediscovers roots at new location

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Six months after it gave up management of the Rio Grande Theatre, the Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) is continuing to focus on the arts and artists of southern New Mexico and doing a bit of rebranding.

“Rio Grande Theatre was a wonderful collaboration,” DAAC Executive Director Kathleen Albers said. “Now, we’re doing something different.”

To increase its focus on local artists, arts organizations and galleries, DAAC is adding arts and culture programming that includes seminars and classes, house concerts and expanded gallery shows at the new DAAC Arts and Culture Center in the Bulletin Plaza, 1740 Calle de Mercado.

“We are refreshing ourselves,” new DAAC Board President Barbara Reasoner said. “We are making a concerted effort to make southern New Mexico an arts and culture center.”

The arts council also continues to sponsor popular local events such as the Las Cruces Arts Fair each

March and Renaissance ArtsFaire in November, along with children’s art education through Career Art Path, Opera Storytellers Camp, Missoula Children’s Theatre and the Kennedy Center Partners in Education program.

New programming at DAAC includes:

- Feed Your Mind, a subscription series of seminars and art classes “on a range of arts and cultural topics,” Albers said. The first presenter, in February, will be UTEP Osher Lifelong Learning Institute faculty member Kathleen Key, who will discuss the arts in New Mexico past and present. Key has taught courses on the history of fashion, art history, world art and ancient Egyptian, Greek and Roman art.

- Get Artrageous! subscription series of art classes on topics ranging from gourd painting and jewelry-making to wine- and beer-making and culinary art. Las Cruces artist Sally Quillin will be the first presenter.

- Unplugged, regularly scheduled house concerts featuring local musicians,

vocalists, dancers and actors performing in DAAC’s Arts and Cultural Center.

- Gallery art shows, featuring monthly exhibits of the works of local artists, in conjunction with nearby art galleries. The shows are free and open to the public during DAAC regular business hours, which are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

An opening reception for watercolor artist Laurel Weathersbee was held Jan. 13. Other artists to be featured during the year include Insighters (layerists) Christina Campbell, Sherri Doyle-Carter, Toni La Pierre, John Northcutt and Roy Van der A; acrylic painter Tony Hall; multimedia painter Arlene Tugel; a New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs photography exhibit called “Low Riders”; Las Cruces native and now Dallas artist Able Garcia; and artists who are DAAC staff and board members.

- Promoting Art speaker series, which will include Las Cruces art gallery owner Glenn Cutter, who is a member of the New

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BULLETIN PHOTOS BY MIKE COOK

At the Doña Ana Arts Council’s new office in Bulletin Plaza, 1740 Calle de Mercado, are, left to right, board President Barbara Reasoner, Executive Director Kathleen Albers and immediate past-president and executive committee member Scott Breckner.



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DAAC’s new office and its Arts and Cultural Center are located in the Bulletin Plaza at 1740 Calle de Mercado. DAAC plans to use the outdoor space as part of its new programming.



## NMSU Center for the Arts receives Best of Las Cruces award

### BULLETIN REPORT

The ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave., has been selected for the 2017 Best of Las Cruces Award in the Performing Arts Theater category by the Las Cruces Award Program, according to a news release.

"Each year, the Las Cruces Award Program identifies companies that we believe have achieved exceptional marketing success in their local community and business category," the news release said.

The annual awards program honors the achievements and accomplishments of local businesses throughout the Las Cruces area.

"At NMSU Theatre Arts we strive to provide the best program for our students

and the highest quality and appealing productions to our patrons, aiming to enlighten, educate and entertain," said NMSU Theatre Arts Department Head Wil Kilroy.

"As the award states, they look for companies 'that enhance the positive image ... through service to their customers and our community.' I feel honored that our devoted team at NMSU Theatre Arts has received this award.

"The award site also mentions choosing businesses that 'help make the Las Cruces area a great place to live, work and play.' I feel that theatre productions do enhance the lives of our community members, as participants and as viewers, and I feel very fortunate to have joined a community where theatre is thriving."

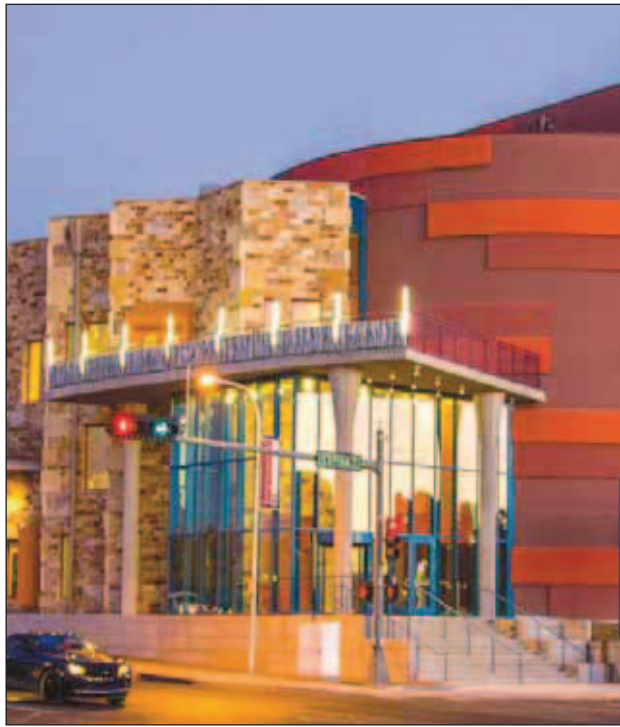


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The award-winning ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

### DAAC

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Mexico Art Commission; local authors Win Jacobs, Kathy Vorenberg and Ruth Drayer; and Las Cruces City Councilor Greg Smith. The free series will be held at noon the last Friday of the month, beginning Jan. 26 with Cutter.

By refocusing on local artists and arts organizations, Albers said, DACC is

"getting back to those core roots."

In addition to Reasoner, the DAAC executive committee includes Scott Breckner, Michael Mandell, Emmett Booher, Patty Havstad and Jim Vorenberg. Directors are Glen Cerny, Frank Hernandez, Dan Lere, Ken Mompelier, Deret Roberts, Abby Osborne, Mary Helen Ratje, Eric Rivera and Marisa Sage.

DAAC's office was previously located on the top floor of RGT, since the completion of the theatre's renovations in 2005 until last June 30, when DAAC's contract with the City of Las Cruces to manage the theatre ended.

DAAC raised \$3.2 million between 1998 and 2004 to renovate RGT. It quit-claimed ownership to the city so the theatre could receive \$250,000 for renova-

tions from the state of New Mexico without violating the anti-donation clause of the state constitution. The city issued an RFP for the management of the theatre in 2014, and DAAC was the only bidder.

For more information, call DAAC at 575-523-6403. Visit [daarts.org](http://daarts.org).

Mike Cook may be reached at [mike@lascrucesbulletin.com](mailto:mike@lascrucesbulletin.com).

### FUTURE

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ing enough patrons to fill the theatre's 426 seats – providing a wide range of programming, including movies and live music and theatre.

"You've got a very

diverse county," Faivre said. "Your programs should reflect that."

RGT will also begin showing movies that tie in with programming being offered by city museums in the downtown area. And, the theatre will partner with New Mexico State University

on "The Big Read," a free National Endowment for the Arts project that will offer free programming to encourage people to find "the joy of sharing a good book," according to the NEA.

Faivre said RGT will also offer a venue for live music for local perform-

ers who have only been able to perform locally at bars and restaurants.

When it reopens, RGT will add cocktails to the beer and wine it has been serving.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

THURS JANUARY 18 • 7:30 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
Neave Trio

FRI JANUARY 19 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Rhythm Roundup (Music and Motion for ages 2-5)

FRI JANUARY 19 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Library Lab (Crafts/Stories for ages 6-10)

TUE JANUARY 23 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Read to Me: Story Time for Ages 3 and up

TUE JANUARY 23 • 2:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Computer Class (Windows 10)

TUE+THU JANUARY 23+25 • 4:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Teen Game Night

WED JANUARY 24 • 11:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Mother Goose Time: Activities for Infants

WED JANUARY 24 • 2:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
4th Wednesday Happening (Titanic Hats)

WED+THU JAN 24+25 • 10:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Toddler Time: Story Time for ages 1-3

## ONGOING EVENTS:

- Downtown Art RAMBLE - 1st Friday of the Month 5-7pm
- Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market - Wed. and Sat. Morn.

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## Community theatre seeks one-act plays

### BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT) is seeking submissions for its 2018 One Act Play Festival.

New this year, LCCT will conduct a festival competition, allowing audience members to select their favorite one-act play.

The festival will be held Friday-Sunday, April 13-15, at LCCT, 313 N. Main St.

The deadline for play submissions is Tuesday, Feb. 15.

"We are looking for original theatre works written by local playwrights," said LCCT One Act Play Production Supervisor Norman Lewis.

To be eligible for consideration, plays submitted should be one-act plays or cuttings from a full-length play, 10 to 20 minutes long, requiring simple technical design requirements, a cast of six or fewer actors and content suitable



for a general audience, Lewis said.

Submitting playwrights are encouraged to recommend a director for their submissions.

"If the playwright does not have a director and the play is chosen for the festival," Lewis said, "LCCT will assign a director."

Lewis said LCCT recommends pre-casting some or all of the roles in the one-act plays.

If auditions are necessary, LCCT will hold a group audition for all one-act plays in late February. Rehearsals begin the week of Monday, March 12.

To increase interest in the festival, Lewis said, "Each audience member will be given a ballot and an opportunity to vote for their favorite play. The winner will be announced after Sunday's final performance."

For information, visit [www.lcctnm.org](http://www.lcctnm.org).



COURTESY PHOTO

"The Murder of Howard Reed" at Boba Café and Cabaret stars, left to right, Veronica Bissell, Tiffany Tyson, Teddy Aspen-Sanchez (seated), Mark Kitanga (playing trumpet), Karen Buerdsell and Adolfo Enriquez III.

## 'Murder' comes to life at Boba Cabaret

### BULLETIN REPORT

Join Boba Café and Cabaret, 1900 S. Espina St., for the premiere of a brand-new murder mystery that audience members can help solve.

"The Murder of Howard Reed" is an original work by New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department graduates Veronica Bissell and Tiffany Tyson.

There will be two performances of the show each night on Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 19-20 and 26-27. The dinner show is at 6 p.m., with the performance beginning at 7 p.m., and is \$27.50 per person. The cocktail show seats at 8:15 p.m., with the performance beginning at 8:30 p.m., and is \$12.50 per person.

Reservations are recommended for all shows.

"Set around the 1930s, this interactive play allows the audience to follow along with Detective Frank Johnson as he collects clues, questions suspects, and solves a murder," according to a news release about the show. The audience "will even have the opportunity to guess the identity of Howard Reed's killer."

In addition to Bissell and Tyson, the cast includes Teddy Aspen-Sanchez, Karen Buerdsell, Adolfo Enriquez III and Mark Kitanga.

"I was thrilled that Tiffany and Veronica approached me about doing a murder mystery show for a couple of reasons," Boba Cabaret Artistic Director Megan McQueen

said. "First, people love this genre of theatre and it rarely happens in Las Cruces. And second, these highly motivated ladies have previously planned and cast an entire murder mystery weekend just for fun. From costuming to interaction to technical needs, they have created a world that I'm sure audiences will enjoy as much as they've enjoyed working together."

"Tiffany and I have always collaborated really well together," Bissell said. "We enjoy tossing ideas around and piecing together those ideas to make something new and interesting. It's really fun to see the picture that was in our heads come to life."

For reservations and more information, call 575-647-5900.

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PHOTO BY PETER HERMAN, BLACK BOX THEATRE

In the cast of Black Box Theatre's "Photograph 51" are, left to right, Nora Thomas, Matthew Fietze, David Arias, Joseluis Solorzano and Scott Brocato.

## 'Photograph 51' in final rehearsals before opening

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The cast and crew of "Photograph 51" are entering tech week at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St., as they prepare for the play's Jan. 26 opening.

Performances are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 26-27, and Feb. 2-3 and 9-10; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 4 and 11; and 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8.

Tickets are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and seniors over age 65 and \$10 for the Thursday performance.

The play, written by Anna Ziegler and first produced in London in 2015, is directed by Black Box co-owner and No Strings Theatre Company Artistic Director Ceil

Herman.

"Photograph 51' revisits an important time in the history of science," said Herman, a retired NMSU biology professor. "It does so in a way to highlight the excitement of the race to determine the structure of DNA. As a female scientist for 35 years before building the Black Box Theatre, I strongly feel that the marginalization of the brilliant work of Dr. Rosalind Franklin by her male colleagues is as disturbing today as it was in the early 1950s. The actors in this production are superb and our audiences are in for a thrilling time."

Real persons depicted in the show are Franklin (played by Nora Thomas),

Drs. Maurice Wilkins (Scott Brocato), James Watson (Joseluis Solorzano) and Francis Crick (David Arias), Don Caspar (Joshua Taulbee) and Ray Gosling (Matthew Fietze).

Photographers providing work for the "Photograph 51" art exhibit in the Black Box lobby are Diana Ayers, Thoth (Victor) Gibbs, John Gustinis, Peter Herman, Beth LeBlanc, Kris Karsteadt, Kathie Rogers, Dan Tapper, Nikka Ziemer and Naida Zucker.

For reservations and information, call 575-523-1223 or visit [no-strings.org](http://no-strings.org).

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PHOTO COURTESY MIKE WISE

Henry Saunders (Jeff Peckham), left, tries to convince Max (Matt Esqueda) to fill in for the missing opera singer.

## 'Lend Me a Tenor' a farce with all the elements

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

"Lend Me a Tenor" opens Friday, Jan. 19 at Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT), 313 N. Main St., and continues through Sunday, Feb. 4.

Opening night, Jan. 19, is gala night. Stay after the show to meet the cast and enjoy cake and champagne.

Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 19-20, 26-27 and Feb. 2-3, and at 2 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 21 and 28 and Feb. 4.

Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$12 for students, seniors and military; \$11 for groups of 10 or more; and \$10 for children under age 12.

New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department Production Stage Manager Mike Wise is directing "Lend Me a Tenor" for LCCT and has an all-star cast

for the production. It features Darin Cabot as the bellhop, McKensi Cabot as Diana, Jade Diaz as Maggie Saunders, Matt Esqueda as Max, Isaac Lucero as Tito Merelli (the tenor in question), Jeff Peckham as Henry Saunders, Alex Wheeler as Maria Merelli and Gail Wheeler as Julia Leverett.

"Lend Me a Tenor" is a "door-slamming, dress-dropping farce with mistaken identities, mis-

chievous misunderstandings and compromising positions," according to LCCT.

The play was written by Ken Ludwig and premiered on Broadway in 1986. It was nominated for nine Tony awards and won two.

For reservations, call 575-523-1200 or visit [www.lcctnm.org](http://www.lcctnm.org).

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<p style="text-align: center;">January 19-25</p> <p><b>The Killing of the Sacred Dear</b> Steven (Colin Farrell) is forced to make an unthinkable sacrifice after his life starts to fall apart. Also starring Nicole Kidman **Thursday, Jan. 25 1:30 matinee; no evening show</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">January 26-February 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Breadwinner</b></p> <p>A headstrong young girl in Afghanistan disguises herself as a boy in order to provide for her family. Animated. **Saturday, Jan. 27 No matinee **Sunday, Jan. 28 No Evening Screening</p>
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Nightly 7:30 Saturday matinee 1:30 Sunday matinee 2:30  
No one will be admitted after the film has begun. LC1-LV45948



## A&amp;E EVENTS

**NMSU Dance:** 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 19-20, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. NMSU Dance Program presents "Thresholds." Cost: \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors, \$5 for

children under 12. Info: 575-646-4067.

**Art appreciation:** 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science atrium, 491 North Main St. The Las Cruces Museum of Art's "Artrageous" series high-

lights abstract artists in January.

- Jan. 20 – Mark Rothko
- Jan. 27 – Jeff Koons

**Piano concert:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, Rio Grande Theater. The Neave Trio, hailed by critics for their "heart-

on-sleeve performances," will present the final concert for \$40 tickets. Single tickets for \$25 will be available at the door and online at [www.lascrucescca.org](http://www.lascrucescca.org). Children up to age 17 are admitted free with a ticketed adult. Students with a valid ID will be admitted for \$5 at the door. Info: 575-405-7429.

**Art classes:** Sign up 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday before Jan. 20, Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. Register for spring 2018 Studio Art Classes for children and adults in beginning, intermediate and advanced ceramics, oil and watercolor painting, and printmaking by local professional artists. First session is from Wednesday, Jan. 24-Saturday, March 8. Info: 575-541-2137 or [museums.las-cruces.org](http://museums.las-cruces.org).

**Winter concert:** 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21. Singing out Las Cruces, a LGBTQ and Allies community chorus presents its winter concert "Let There Be Peace in the World," at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. \$10. Children 12 and under are free. Treats will be served, and a silent auction fundraiser will be held at intermission. Info: [singingoutlascruces.org](http://singingoutlascruces.org).

**Jazz & Blues series:** Bassanova will perform for the Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society monthly concert series, 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Bassanova consists of four borderland musicians: Daniel Rivera, tenor and alto sax,

guitar; Fernie Lechuga, keyboard; Manny Flores, bass, melodica, percussion; and Byron Mutnick, drums. Their sound is a fusion of Latin Jazz from Cuba, Mexico and Brazil. There also will be a dance presentation for a few pieces by Om Shanti.

**Jewish life in Spain:** 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22, Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave. Robyn Helzner will present "A Key to the Casa: Celebrating Jewish Life in Sephardic Spain." Through Ladino songs, stories and images, Helzner transports audiences to the heart of Jewish Spain. Her presentation brings to life the once-flourishing Jewish communities of Toledo, Cordoba and Seville. Info: 575-524-3380.

**Promoting art:** Noon Friday, Jan. 26, DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Avenida de Mercado, Suite D, in the Bulletin Plaza in Mesilla. Glenn Cutter, New Mexico Arts Commissioner and gallery co-owner will discuss New Mexico Arts, the New Mexico Arts Commission, and the Art in Public Places program. The talk is open to all. Brown bag lunches welcome. Cost: Free. Info: 575-523-6403 or email, [admin@daarts.org](mailto:admin@daarts.org) or [www.daarts.org](http://www.daarts.org).

**Photograph 51:** 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. No Strings Theatre Company opens the play about the discovery of DNA structure. It continues through Sunday, Feb. 11. Info: [no-strings.org](http://no-strings.org)

**Pencil, pastel classes:** Noon-1:30 p.m. Saturdays,

## COAS

January storytellers at COAS Bookstores for story lovers of all ages. Cost: Free. Children who attend will receive \$2 off a book.

## DOWNTOWN

Jan. 20, Douglas Jackson  
Jan. 27, Douglas Jackson

## SOLANO

Jan. 20, Gloria Hacker  
Jan. 27, Jean Gilbert

Jan. 27-Feb. 17, Mas Art Frame and Art Supplies, 126 S. Main St. Class open to eight adults and high school students. Basic assignments for beginning drawing included. Cost: \$40 for four consecutive Saturdays. Info: Mr. Huber, 575-647-5684 or email [wch1966@msn.com](mailto:wch1966@msn.com).

## Watoto Children's Choir:

7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, NMSU's Atkinson Recital Hall. Watoto Children's Choir, a group of 18 orphans from Uganda, will perform a new concert, "Signs and Wonders," featuring worship songs that share the stories of the children. Cost: Free.

## Life Changes:

Tickets are on sale for Thomas Rhett's Life Changes Tour performance on Saturday, April 7 at the Pan American Center. The performance will feature special guests Brett Young and Jillian Jacqueline. Tickets: Pan American Center, [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or 800-745-3000. Info: [www.LiveNation.com](http://www.LiveNation.com)

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# Flamenco Fridays series returns with a passion to Lava Lounge



Meagan Chandler

Flamenco Fridays launches 2018 with a concert Jan. 26 at the Ramada Palms Lava Lounge, 201 E. University Ave., featuring Phoenix-based dancer Carlos Montufar and singer Meagan Chandler, accompanied by local guitarist Jake Mossman and Paco Antonio on palmas & cajon, plus NMSU student dancers.

Montufar, formerly of El Paso, is CEO of nonprofit Phoenix World Arts Collective and director of WorldDANCE and Café Flamenco in Phoenix. He took his first Flamenco lessons with Laura Moya. In 2007, he moved to Albuquerque to study with the nation's top Flamenco repertoire company, YJASTROS. In 2009, Montufar moved to Las Vegas, Nevada, to dance in CHARO: A Musical Sensation.

Meagan Chandler became acquainted with Flamenco at age 14.

In Jerez de la Frontera, Spain, she studied dance with Ana Maria Lopez before being drawn into the world of Flamenco singing by La Chiqui de Jerez. She has toured nationally, singing with such groups as Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana, Maria Benitez' Next Generation, EmiArte Flamenco, Julia Chacon's Inspiracion Flamenco, the CBJ Flamenco ensemble, Flamenco Denver and Alice Blumenfeld's Abrepaso Flamenco.

Reservations and 6 p.m. arrivals are recommended for this show. Visit [www.LasCruces-Music.com](http://www.LasCruces-Music.com).

— Marty Racine



Carlos Montufar

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# PUZZLES

## 9 B.C.

### ACROSS

- 1 Opera start
- 5 "Yes, yes, Juan!"
- 9 Take -- (taste some)
- 13 Cheeky type
- 19 Road, in German
- 20 Foretoken
- 21 Lovett of country
- 22 No longer surprised by
- 23 Ram forcefully?
- 26 Frito Lay chip
- 27 December mall hires
- 28 Teeny
- 29 Greeting sent by a cosmetics company?
- 31 "Agnus --"
- 32 Cache
- 34 Southeast Kansas city
- 35 Where lots of mail deliverers scuba-dive?
- 40 Not at all high
- 44 Most robust
- 45 Kazan of film directing
- 46 Hilo "hello"
- 47 In days past
- 48 "Lo-o-ovely!"
- 49 Set crossword hints to music?
- 53 Prefix with pathology
- 56 The Big Apple, briefly
- 58 Fissile rock
- 59 Midday sleep
- 60 Divide by type
- 62 Contract out
- 66 TV title alien
- 67 Water whirl
- 68 Required maintenance items?
- 73 Face cover
- 76 From -- Z

- 77 Big fair
- 78 Character
- 82 "Scat!"
- 83 Prologue
- 85 Upsilon's follower
- 88 Qdoba treats
- 89 Inelegant five-member band?
- 94 66-Across et al.
- 96 Salt's "Help!"
- 97 Muslim palace area
- 98 Haul around
- 99 Number of magazine subscribers, e.g.
- 102 Writer Haley
- 103 Long to look at a periodic table?
- 107 Feng --
- 108 Poetry Muse
- 109 White-haired
- 110 Library cubicle in which Chablis is served?
- 116 Jackie O's "O"
- 117 New York state prison
- 120 Is wild for
- 121 Writes hacky computer programs?
- 124 Chemist's "I"
- 125 Nursing school subj.
- 126 Bit of help
- 127 In awe
- 128 Naval units
- 129 Car-lot sticker abbr.
- 130 Barley brews
- 131 Guru's discipline

### DOWN

- 1 Essentials
- 2 "Fame" star Irene
- 3 Very loud
- 4 Alternatively
- 5 -- -chef
- 6 Unruly kid

- 7 Fit for sailing
- 8 Ready to be driven
- 9 Pugilist Muhammad
- 10 Harmony
- 11 1942 role for Ingrid
- 12 "The Dick Van Dyke Show" surname
- 13 Ballet dancer
- 14 "Sitting on -- ..." ("Mrs. Robinson" lyric)
- 15 Blood bank fluids
- 16 Nero's 404
- 17 Quintillionth: Prefix
- 18 "Crazy" bird
- 24 Aristide's land
- 25 Eagles' nests
- 30 Female deer
- 32 Is sporting
- 33 Hoagie shop
- 35 Its capital is Accra
- 36 Is very angry
- 37 Co. kahuna
- 38 -- Tin Tin
- 39 Tatty cloths
- 40 Exclusively
- 41 Ran across
- 42 In the future
- 43 Harsh-toned
- 46 Top gun
- 50 Spicy cuisine
- 51 Stop moving
- 52 Pixieish
- 54 Stone
- 55 -- pro nobis
- 57 Amigo of Fidel
- 61 Sedative drug, informally
- 63 Berg stuff
- 64 Stout of mysteries
- 65 Seer's skill
- 67 This, to Pedro
- 69 Dying rebuke
- 70 "Me neither"

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- 71 Sponge up
- 72 Scarf down
- 73 Coffee flavor
- 74 Auditory
- 75 Rubberneck
- 79 West Coast coll. in La Jolla
- 80 Hen's perch
- 81 Swirly letters
- 83 Suffix with 90-Down

- 84 Being aired, in a way
- 86 Like religious dissenters
- 87 Writer Calvino
- 90 Gender
- 91 Tip of a sock
- 92 Suffix with major
- 93 Azadi Tower locale
- 95 Holy Fr. woman
- 100 Ham it up

- 101 City-circling route
- 103 Goes after
- 104 1921 Karel Capek play
- 105 Stability-improving auto part
- 106 Vocalist Kitt
- 107 Hound's trail
- 110 Homeless kid
- 111 Sacred cow

- 112 Center point
- 113 The "E" of HOMES
- 114 Practically forever
- 115 Jet name
- 117 Gets the total
- 118 Stop up
- 119 Kelp, e.g.
- 122 Brand of motor oil
- 123 A single

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# PUZZLES

## WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

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

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## SCRAMBLERS



So I figure why knock myself out — I hear the bonus this year is a \_\_\_\_\_.

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

Vision **MADRE**

Save **SECURE**

Lithe **GAILE**

Slight **HINT**

**TODAY'S WORD**

## CRYPTOQUIP

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

Clue: F equals T

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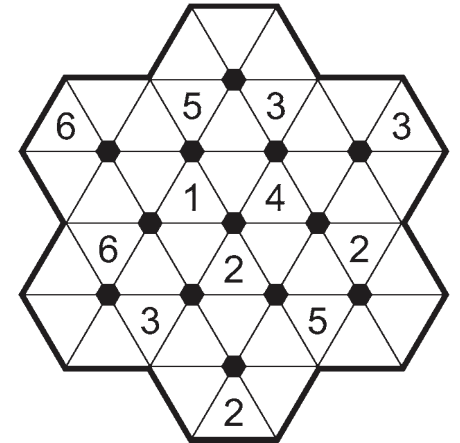
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## SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

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



**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

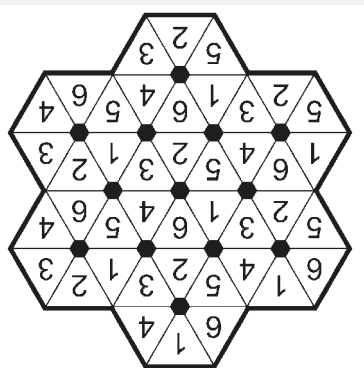
# PUZZLE ANSWERS

When someone types capital letters an awful lot, I guess you might call him a shiftty person.

### CRYPTOQUIP

**CALENDAR**  
Today's Word  
1. Dream; 2. Rescue;  
3. Agile; 4. Thin

### SCRAMBLERS



### SNOWFLAKES

5	7	8	9	1	2	6	4	3
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### WEEKLY SUDOKU

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## GALLERIES & OPENINGS

### Art in the Detail: 20th Century Masters of Photography

*Through Jan. 20*

Photography exhibit features works by noted photographers Aaron Siskind, Barbara Morgan, Imogen Cunningham, Wynn Bullock and others. A Syracuse University Art Galleries Traveling Exhibition, it continues through Jan. 20 at the Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. The museum is open 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturdays. Info: 575-541-2137.

### Orchard art

*Through Jan. 25*

Las Cruces artist Frank Peacock's "Selections from the Orchard Series" paintings and drawings inspired by the pecan orchards of the Mesilla Valley, at Mas Art Frame and Art Supplies, 126 S. Main St. downtown.

### Gourd show

*Through Jan. 26*

Masks, Maidens and More, a show and sale featuring the work of gourd artists Joanna Bradley, Sylvia Henderson, Karen Phillips, and Kathe Stark will

continue 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays at Tombaugh Gallery inside the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. The exhibit features functional, spiritual and whimsical objects. Info: Lurene John, 503-490-4908.

### Fine Arts Gallery

*Through January*

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre, features local artists Nanci Bissell and Weeden "Rockwell" Nichols. Bissell has been an educator, teacher, principal and assistant principal in the elementary schools, retiring after a 26-year career. Nichols has been a photographer for 48 years, mastering technology of cameras and darkrooms. He enjoys simple compositions of shape and color, landscapes and seascapes. The gallery's newest member, Alan Small, has a diverse background including landscape design, woodturning, pen, ink and watercolor. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Sunday. Info: 575-522-2933 or www.me-

sillavalleyfinearts.com.

### Watercolor exhibit

*Through Jan. 30*

Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Avenida de Mercado, Suite D. Watercolor artist Laurel Weathersbee, summa cum laude graduate with a BA in art from Park College in Missouri who has taken numerous workshops and seminars in art from regionally, nationally, and internationally-recognized instructors in the intervening years. Regular gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Info: 575-523-6403, e-mail admin@daarts.org or www.daarts.org.

### The Insighters

*Through Feb. 28*

The Insighters, artists who get together to discuss art and periodically show as a group, will open their exhibit 5-7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, at the Doña Ana Arts Council's Arts & Culture Center in the Bulletin Plaza, 1740 Calle de Mercado Suite D, in Mesilla. Exhibitors include Christina Campbell, C. C. Cunningham, Sherri Doil-Carter, Flo Dougherty, Linda Elkins, Tomi LaPierre, John Northcutt, and Roy van der Aa. These well-known local artists offer

a diverse collection of art, which includes paintings, collage, prints, and sculpture. Their exhibit will open in conjunction with shows at the Rokoko Gallery and the Carolyn Bunch Studio, all part of the Art Mercado, directly across from St. Clair Winery & Bistro. Info: 575-523-6403 or www.daarts.org.

### Makeshift

*Through March 10*

MakeShift, an exhibition put together by partner and artist duo Ramon and Christian Cardenas, who together form the artist collaborative Lxs Dos, continues at the Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. The exhibit comes from the artists' need to create and express themselves using materials and resource available to them. The work is ethnographic in nature, describing the socio-cultural relations of the United States/Mexico border region and its people. Branigan Cultural Center is open 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturdays. Info: 575-541-2154, museums.las-cruces.org.

### Student art

*Through mid-March*

More than 100 pieces of original student artwork

from the Las Cruces and Gadsden Public Schools have been installed in the first-floor corridors of the Doña Ana County Government Center at 845 N. Motel Blvd. in Las Cruces. The exhibit includes paintings, etchings, photographs and drawings. The artists range in age from elementary students to high-schoolers.

### Las Cruces interactive

*Through March 17*

An interactive community engagement exhibit, "What's Your Las Cruces?" gives visitors the opportunity to share Las Cruces photos, stories and more through questions posed at different stations. Selected images and stories will be shared and posted in the exhibit and on the museum's social media sites for public viewing and comment. At Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. The museum is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday. Free. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

### Opposites Attract

*Through March 17*

Rokoko Art Gallery, 1785 Avenida de Mercado in Mesilla, presents a mixed media exhibit titled "Opposites Attract." Info: 575-522-5553.

### Lifetime of Art

*Through April 1.*

An exhibit featuring the works of Las Cruces artist Connie Garcia (1950-2017) at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Regular hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday. Garcia began creating

her artwork in the 1970s, starting with batik art, which she sold at art shows throughout the U.S. She expressed her creativity through tile, foil, drawing, contemporary painting, cards, and more. Info: 575-522-4100, www.nmfarmdranch-museum.org.

### Form & Function: Objects with Flair

*Through July 8*

New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum opens a new exhibit featuring more than 40 objects from its collections that combine usefulness and beauty. Some objects utilitarian with no real aesthetic appeal. Some are art with no functional purpose other than to be appreciated for their beauty, or the message the artist wishes to convey. Some are in-between. The exhibit includes things from Navajo rugs to Apache and Pima baskets, to vases, pots and bowls, as well as saddles, guns, and furniture.

### 100 Years Strong

*Through Sept. 16*

Farm & Livestock Bureau exhibit at the NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

The farm bureau has been the voice of agriculture in New Mexico, working with elected and appointed officials to coordinate beneficial outcomes for New Mexico's food producers. Soil conservation, better irrigation methods, and improved crop production were issues on the minds of the 300 farmers and ranchers in the Mesilla Valley who first gathered in 1917.



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## CALL TO ARTISTS

**All media show:** The Las Cruces Museum of Art, in collaboration with the University Art Gallery, NMSU, seeks submissions for Here and Now, a regional exhibition to feature art in all media. The exhibition will be presented by the Museum of Art and the University Art Gallery May 11 through July 21, 2018. Online submissions will be accepted through March 30. Info: <https://uag.nmsu.edu/hereandnow/>.

**Mesilla gallery:** Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470-A Calle De Guadalupe, across from the Fountain Theatre, is accepting applications for new artists to be juried into the gallery. Application are available at the gallery, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Info: 575-522-2933.

**Second Saturdays:** Artists and artisans who want to open their studios to the public once a month and join a new informal group, Second Saturday Open Studios. The idea is to increase public awareness of Las Cruces-area artists. There's no fee, and studios don't have to participate every month.

Info: Kathleen at 828-467-9060 or [kdarts2u@gmail.com](mailto:kdarts2u@gmail.com).

**Teen Chaos Collaboration:** City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department seeks teen artists to submit their artwork for the third annual "Chaos Collaboration," an art show with music performances for teens by teens, aimed at bringing a fresh perspective to local culture. Exhibit will be Feb. 23-24, Frank O'Brien Papen Community Center, 304 W. Bell St. Artist reception with musical performances will be 5-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23. The public is invited from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, to view the art, listen to live music, watch live screen-printing and more. Info: 575-541-2454.

**Tombaugh seeks submissions:** The Tombaugh Gallery calls for submissions from artists within a 300-mile radius of Las Cruces for 2019 exhibitions. Non-traditional media or subject matter is welcome. Submissions, postmarked by April 1, must include a letter of proposal with information about the artist, type

of work to be shown and usb flash drive containing eight representative images as JPG files. For group shows, supply a list of all members and one or two images from each member. If a show theme is being considered, explain the theme fully. Applicants will be notified by May 1 and show dates will be discussed. Artists who prefer to send an electronic submission may contact Judy Licht at [jelicht@gmail.com](mailto:jelicht@gmail.com) for instructions. Address submissions to Judy Licht, Committee Chairperson, c/o Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, P.O. Box 7749, Las Cruces, NM 88006. Gallery Website: [www.uuchurchlc.org/2011/10/tombaugh-art-gallery](http://www.uuchurchlc.org/2011/10/tombaugh-art-gallery).

**Winter festival:** Beverly Hills Hall & Cantina is looking for art vendors, body-painting artists, antique vendors, tattoo artists, auto mural artists and food vendors for its first Winter Wine and Beer Festival to be held Feb. 24. Cost: \$50 or \$25 and a silent auction item. Info: Victor Perez at 575-621-9164.

# FREE Shoulder Pain Elimination Workshop in Las Cruces

**Las Cruces (NM)-** For the past several weeks we've been offering a free report to people who are suffering from shoulder pain. We have heard from a lot of people requesting the report, and we hear some repeating themes:



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This workshop is for people who have missed out on family time, are unable to do the things they enjoy, have tried everything from exercises to long periods of rest, and people who don't know what to do.

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## There's more to St. Clair than fine New Mexico wines

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

If anyone thinks fabulous wines are the only reason to dine at St. Clair Bistro, just try their food!

As I shall demonstrate forthwith, it is the definition of fine dining.

The bistro (apparently a French word that dates to 1884 and means “little wine shop or restaurant”) is across the street from the Bulletin, at 1720 Avenida de Mesilla.

On my latest visit, I had Isabelle's chicken salad, which included roasted almonds, cranberries and avocado. It was prepared gluten free.

Magnifique! (Latin, for “great in deeds or in sentiment”, or, in the case of St. Clair, in atmosphere, service and food.)

I like sweet wines, and St. Clair's Mimbres Pink is a new favorite. It came in a fabulous little carafe (probably Arabic for “cup” or “dipper,” in this case meaning a glass container without handles or a stopper).

Everything – including food and drink – is about

### REVIEW

color for me. The way a glass of wine looks when I hold it up to the light is as important as the way it tastes. The Mimbres Pink was rewarding in every regard.

More than 70 wines are produced for St. Clair by the Lescombes family in their vineyards west of Deming. The family opened its first New Mexico vineyard in the Mimbres Valley (Deming) where I grew up. It became the largest vineyard in the state.

Patriarch Hervé Lescombes operated a winery in Burgundy (one of France's main wine-producing regions), according to the bistro's website. He was drawn to New Mexico due to a climate similar to his native Algeria. In 1981, he made his first plantings. Later in 1984, his first vintage was bottled.

But, as I said, there is much more to St. Clair than wine.

Starters include roasted Brussels sprouts, spinach and artichoke dip, cala-



Isabelle's chicken salad at St. Clair Bistro.

mari, mac and cheese bits, jalapeno bacon-wrapped shrimp, edamame and pot stickers, among others.

In addition to the chicken salad I had, salads include sprout, Cobb, Caesar and spinach salads.

Soups include French onion and the soup of the day.

St. Clair has a wide range of signature entrees, including chicken dishes, pasta, beef and seafood.

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# 'Hostiles': A simmering recognition of dignity

By **JEFF BERG**

For the Bulletin

Special note: Although most of my reviews are for the features at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla, I opted to write about this picture, which opens Jan. 19 at Allen Theaters.

The Fountain will be showing "Killing of a Sacred Deer" this week, which I've not seen.

It's too bad that the Mesilla Valley Film Society couldn't or wouldn't book this magnificent, dark, violent, and truthful Western.

They've always shown a bit of a distaste for them, even though the last one they booked, "The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford" (2007), did very well, as did the single screenings that I did of Westerns when I was the programmer for the CineMatinee film series from 2006 to 2012.

"Hostiles" has a few local connections. It was filmed almost entirely in New Mexico, part of the film takes place in New Mexico, and it co-stars Santa Fe resident Wes Studi.

The time is 1892 and Captain Blocker (Christian Bale), who has no love lost for any American Indian tribe, is assigned a detail to escort a dying Cheyenne chief (Studi) and his family to their traditional lands where he has requested to go before passing on.

Blocker is vehemently against the detail, but orders are orders and with a small detail of cavalry troopers, they



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**Christian Bale and Rosamund Pike find each other in harsh circumstances.**

## GRADE: A+

"Hostiles" opens at Allen Theaters on Jan. 19. For exact location and show times, visit [www.allentheatresinc.com](http://www.allentheatresinc.com).

set out for Montana. One thing that historians might note is that one of the troopers is African American and that he would not have been assigned such a duty with Anglo soldiers.

Blocker makes no bones about his distaste for the people he escorts and the assignment.

But as they travel, soon picking up a woman who was recently widowed by another warring tribe, Blocker, slowly and subtly, starts to see that Studi and his family, are not what he thinks they are. At one time, they may have been the worst

of enemies, but now, with the traditional way of life for many of the First Nations peoples coming to an end, things are much different.

Next to join the group is a soldier who is probably going to be court-martialed and executed for crimes he has committed. He knows Blocker well and taunts him as he quietly and faintly notes that Blocker's attitude toward the Cheyenne might be changing, ever so slightly.

This is not a typical Western with lots of action (although the body count is rather high), but one of a contemplative nature, which overpowers the darkness of the story and setting. Bale does a superb job as Blocker, with Rosamund Pike (as the widow Quaid) doing equally as well in one of the strongest roles for a woman that I've seen in a Western.

The film received accolades from the National Congress of American Indians

who "applaud the effort by the makers of 'Hostiles' to help lead Hollywood towards

more truthful and appropriate portrayals of Indigenous peoples in film, in particular by casting Native actors to play Native roles," said NCAI President Jefferson Keel. Studi and others also speak the Cheyenne language in the film, adding to the authenticity.

"Hostiles" will probably not recover the money (\$39 million) that it cost to make, but it is well worth your time and attention – even if you are not a big fan of Westerns.

*Jeff Berg has been reviewing movies for the Bulletin since 2002. He lives in Santa Fe and may be reached at [ned-ludd76@hotmail.com](mailto:ned-ludd76@hotmail.com).*

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**A Key to the Casa:** Celebrating Jewish Life in Sephardic Spain: Hosted by singer/performer Robyn Helzner, 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22, at Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs Blvd. Through entrancing Ladino songs, stories and images, Helzner transports audiences to the heart of Jewish Spain. She brings to life the once-flourishing Jewish communities of Toledo, Córdoba and Seville. In exploring the resurgence of a modern Jewish presence in Spain, "A Key to the Casa" celebrates the remarkable resilience of the Jewish people. Lyrics to the songs are projected so everyone can join in the singing.

## ONGOING

**A Course in Miracles:**  
10-11:30 a.m. Saturday,  
Tesoro Integrative Health  
Center, 1605 S. Main  
St. Complete self-study  
spiritual thought system  
with Edward Alvarez. \$5  
suggested donation. Info:  
575-541-5660.

**Agape Christian:** 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday, Bible school for  
all ages. 5:45 p.m., Secret  
Church and Children's  
Church, 1400 6th St. Com-  
munion served to all be-  
lievers. Info: Herb Pinney,  
575-650-3915.

**Campus Mass:** 12:10 p.m.  
Tuesday, Newman Cen-  
ter, 2615 S. Solano Drive.  
Catholic students and St.  
Albert the Great weekly  
mass. Info: Mona Chip,  
mona@stalbertnewman-  
center.org.

**Center for Spiritual Living:**  
575 N. Main St.

- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sun-  
day service
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mon-  
day, Sacred Living Circle
- 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday,  
practical mysticism class
- 9-10 a.m. Monday  
and Wednesday; 4-5 p.m.  
Wednesday; 9-10 a.m.  
Tuesday and Thursday,  
yoga
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tues-  
day, Tao healing and  
touch yoga, \$5
- 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, spirit  
dance
- 7-8 p.m. Thursday,  
Single Parents Support  
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- 1:30-3 p.m. first Friday  
and 5-7 p.m. third Friday  
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## WORSHIP

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**Codependents Anonymous:** Meetings are 7-8 p.m. Mondays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., Room 107. CoDA is a 12-step program that focuses on learning to nurture ourselves. We let go of unhealthy rescuing behavior and focus on spiritual and emotional health. Info: [www.coda.org](http://www.coda.org) or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

**Christian meditation:** 5:30-6:20 p.m. Tuesdays at The Bridge, northeast corner of Chaparral Street and East Mesa Avenue; Wednesdays at Nopalito Gallery, 326 S. Mesquite St. "In stillness, silence, emptiness a journey to the inner self,

where the Spirit of God abides." Info: Joe Murray 860.514.0548 or [joe@haid-acher.cc](mailto:joe@haid-acher.cc).

**Cowboys for Christ:** Non-denominational outreach organization seeks volunteers to coordinate Christian fellowship to assist those in need. Info and requests: [benzo@live.com](mailto:benzo@live.com).

**Fusion Youth Fellowship:** 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday at 2941 Morningstar Drive. Info: 575-521-3770.

**Genesis Bible Study:** 6:30 p.m. first three Thursdays of the month, Revival Fire Bookstore, 2645 Missouri Ave., Suite 5. Book of Genesis Bible study. Info: Bev, 575-642-1003.

**Grandma's "Souler" Power:** 2-4 p.m. the first and third Thursday, First Christian

Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Support group for interested grandparents serving as community advocates, mentors. Voice concerns and share words of wisdom without judgment. Info: Lola Lestrick, 575-382-5678 or Shirley Daniels 575-915-8284, email [tphippis@zianet.com](mailto:tphippis@zianet.com).

**Holy Family Mass:** Holy Family American National Catholic Church, an inclusive Vatican II Catholic church, 702 Parker Road, 5:30 p.m. Saturdays and 10:30 a.m. Sundays. Fr. Jim Lehman and Fr. Louie Amezaga lead the services.

**MMC Mass:** Noon Wednesday, Memorial Medical Center chapel, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. Holy mass. Info: 575-636-3274.

**Men's prayer breakfast:** 7-9 a.m. Tuesday, 106 S. Miranda St., in the Fellowship Hall. Info: 575-524-3691.

**Men's Fellowship:** Noon, Tuesday, IHOP, 2900 Del Rey Blvd. Christian Men's Fellowship. Open discussion. All men welcome. Info: 575-621-2350.

**Men's prayer meeting:** 7 a.m. Saturday, 1605 S. Valley Drive, led by Manny Howie. Info: 575-523-1113.

**Non-denominational service:** 5:45 p.m. Sunday, Dream Center, Sixth and Wilson Streets. New Agape Christian Church offers a scriptural, theological, historical and scientific look at the prophets. Children's church provided. Info: Pastor Herb, 575-650-3915.

**Pancakes breakfast:** 8-11 a.m., second Saturday of each month beginning Jan. 13, Center for Spiritual Living at 575 N. Main. Pancakes, eggs, and sausage. Cost: \$6.

**Prayer groups:** 9 a.m. Saturday, 20-30-minute centering prayer. 4-5 p.m. Saturday, women's prayer, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave.

**Science of Mind talk:** 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Join to discuss the articles of Science of Mind Magazine with like-minded people. Bring a lunch. Info: 575-523-4847.

**Sunday Mass:** 10:15 a.m. Sunday, Southeast corner of First Christian

Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. St. John's Catholic Church of Antioch mass. Open to all. Info: 575-621-0255 or [www.st-johnscatholicchurchofantioch.org](http://www.st-johnscatholicchurchofantioch.org).

**Sunday School:** 9-10 a.m. every Sunday at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Boutz Road. For children ages 4 through fifth grade; includes "Parable Quest," as children hear the parable stories of Jesus and participate in games, crafts, snacks and songs. Info: 575-526-5559 or [vbs@fpc.lc](mailto:vbs@fpc.lc).

**Trinity Lutheran:** 9 a.m. Sunday, worship with Holy Communion. 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sunday School for children and youth, 2900 Elks Drive. Info: 575-523-4232 or [www.trinitylutheranlc.org](http://www.trinitylutheranlc.org).

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Registration is now open for the 2018 New Mexico Chile Conference. The event runs from Feb. 5-6 at Hotel Encanto and is hosted by New Mexico State University's Chile Pepper Institute.

## Chile Conference to highlight industry innovations

By **MELISSA R. RUTTER**

For the Bulletin

Registration is now open for the 2018 New Mexico Chile Conference hosted by New Mexico State University's Chile Pepper Institute. Drawing attendees from all over the world, the conference runs Feb. 5-6 at Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces.

This year's conference will discuss new updates in food modernization, the best agriculture practices and research solutions for

diseases and pests. Along with Hank Giclas from the Western Growers Association who will give an update on innovations in the fresh produce industry, the conference will also feature booths from companies that can assist New Mexico chile pepper growers sustain excellent and profitable yields.

"The New Mexico Chile conference is the biggest, most important conference on chile peppers. We give growers the latest information and let them

know that NMSU is on the cutting edge of chile peppers research and discovery," said Paul Bosland, co-founder and director of the Chile Pepper Institute. "One of the special guests we have this year is a Professor Dina St. Clair from UC Davis. She will be discussing high-throughput phenotyping, which is technology that allows for a quicker analysis of the traits of chile peppers in the field."

Conference pre-registration for individuals is

\$130 and \$475 for a vendor booth.

After Jan. 31, individual prices are \$145 and \$500 for booths. For more information on the conference, contact the Chile Pepper Institute at 575-646-3028 or register online at <http://www.chilepepperinstitute.org/events.php>.

*Melissa R. Rutter is a writer at NMSU Communications and may be reached at 575-646-4211; [mrrutter@nmsu.edu](mailto:mrrutter@nmsu.edu)*

## Workshop geared to aid regional pistachio growers

By **DARRELL J. PEHR**

For the Bulletin

Experts from New Mexico State University's College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences will gather in Otero County for a pistachio workshop Friday, Feb. 2.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's latest Census of Agriculture, Otero County is the leading producer of pistachios in New Mexico and ranked 17th among all U.S. counties where the tree is grown. The latest edition of the New Mexico Department of Agriculture's New Mexico Agricultural Statistics reports there are 76 pistachio orchards in New Mexico covering 513 acres.

The workshop will begin at 8 a.m. Several presentations will be made during the morning by experts from the College of ACES' Cooperative Extension Service.

Topics of the workshops will include Soil Limitation and Needs, presented by agronomist Robert Flynn with Extension Plant Sciences; Fruit Set and Blanking, presented by Richard Heerema, Extension pecan specialist; Irrigation, also presented by Heerema; and presentations on herbicides and invasive



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weeds by Leslie Beck, Extension weed specialist.

A lunch will follow.

Afternoon sessions will be presented on Navel Orange Worm and Pest Management, by Extension Entomologist Carol Sutherland, and Integrated Wildlife Damage Management, by Extension Wildlife Specialist Sam Smallidge.

The workshop will be at the Otero County Extension Office, 401 Fairgrounds Road in Alamogordo. Registration is \$20.

RSVP to Extension Agent Sid Gordon at the Otero County Extension Office at 575-437-0231 by Jan. 26.

*Darrell J. Pehr is Director of News at NMSU Communications and may be reached at 575-646-3223; [pehr@nmsu.edu](mailto:pehr@nmsu.edu)*



# Doña Ana County is prepared to lead

Each legislative session presents the opportunity to make a profound impact on New Mexico's future. In 2018, Doña Ana County's legislators take with them a strong track record of successful collaboration and state-leading outcomes that prove what is uniquely happening here works, is worthy of increased support and investment, and can benefit New Mexicans all across the state.

Just in this past year, our county took the lead in exports, continued to outpace the state in high school graduation rates, was recognized



**TRACY BRYAN**

as best in the state for community safety and city governance, along with leading growth of median incomes.

We are showing how collaboration can drive new opportunities for success. From Spaceport America and the Santa Teresa International Border Crossing to White Sands Missile Range and the West Mesa Industrial Park, we are harnessing

and targeting the full set of assets in the region to build a stronger future for all those who live here, with significant economic implications for the good of New Mexico.

And now, as the Workforce Talent Collaborative convened by The Bridge of Southern New Mexico has turned its attention to bridging the gap between assets and opportunity to build the skilled and ready workforce that we and the rest of New Mexico need, we have created a road map to achieving economic transformation and re-



gional prosperity.

Part of growing our success lies in good policy – because policy is sustainability for the long-term and expansion for proven success. Thanks to the Doña Ana County Legislative Coalition (DACLC) our community, and those elected to serve it, can rally around a set of targeted investments in people and place that will continue to spur innovation and transformation across the region and state.

The coalition has identified 19 priorities for state officials who seek to generate the greatest returns on the investment of precious state dollars, focused on key issues that drive the economy and ensure

a strong future for the county and the state, including:

Sustained funding for proven job generators like LEDA and JTIP

Increased funding to higher education for dual credit courses to spur high school graduation rates and accelerate college completion, all while reducing student debt and closing middle-skilled workforce gaps.

Targeted investments in healthcare, agriculture, and the thriving Santa Teresa Industrial Park will propel further business growth and equip more New Mexicans for higher-skilled, higher-wage careers

Ensuring the competitive edge and success of

New Mexico's Spaceport

All 19 priorities can be found at the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce website: [las-cruces.org](http://las-cruces.org). Click on the Advocacy tab, and then the Doña Ana County Legislative Coalition tab on the left.

The coalition is comprised of key players in the public and private sectors across this community: City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Spaceport America, New Mexico State University/ Doña Ana Community College, Las Cruces Public Schools, Mesilla Valley Economic Devel-

opment Alliance and The Bridge of Southern New Mexico.

As many of us make the long drive up to Santa Fe over the next 30 days, or reach out personally to our legislators through calls and emails, we are the voice of the community. Speak on behalf of all of us – confident that these priorities will make us a stronger, better region and state. Speak on behalf of our children and youth who desperately need us to be successful – for the long-term.

*Tracey Bryan is the president/CEO of The Bridge of Southern New Mexico. She can be reached at 575-644-6453 or 575-541-7325.*



## Las Cruces Home Builders Association

### Special Recognition



Pat Bellestri-Martinez, previous owner of Soledad Canyon Earth Builders. The LCHBA was an integral part of the success of Soledad Canyon Earth Builders over the last 28 years. The many, many contacts, educational opportunities, and resources provided by LCHBA helped build our knowledge, our skill sets, and our client base. Our opportunities expanded even more once we also became involved at the State and National level of the Home Builders Association. Anyone in the business of building homes needs to be a member of LCHBA. It will pay you back if you just "open the door".

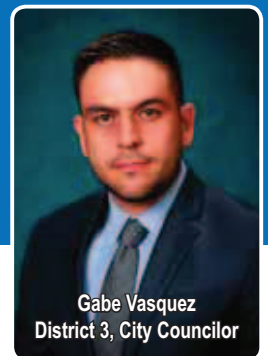
From the members and staff of the LCHBA: Pat, you will be greatly missed here in Las Cruces and at the LCHBA! We congratulate you on your new journey and wish you much happiness. You have blessed this association over the years and will forever be a part of us! Happy Retirement and to New Beginnings!

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## DISTRICT 3 RESIDENT MEETING COMMUNITY POLICING AND NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY

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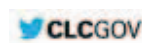
District 3 City Councilor Gabe Vasquez is hosting a meeting for residents of his district to discuss community policing and neighborhood safety and other topics of discussion. This is your opportunity to help us improve our service to you. Please join us on

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Lynn Middle School Cafeteria, 950 S. Walnut Ave.**

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# Good intentions, poor results

I was sad to hear that Stan Fulton had passed away. Fulton, the video slot machine mogul and Sunland Park Race Track owner, was the largest single donor to NMSU. I've been the beneficiary of research and travel grants funded by Fulton, for which I'm thankful.

I only met Stan Fulton once, but it was among the most memorable interactions that I've had over the years. At the time, I was a paid consultant to Sunland Park Race Track in their efforts to thwart the Anthony casino.

For those of you who don't remember, the Jemez Pueblo sought



**CHRIS ERICKSON**  
State of the Economy

to build an off-reservation – and this would have been way off, like, 300 miles off – casino in Anthony, New Mexico just this side of the Texas border. I was hired as a consultant by Sunland Park to do an economic analysis of the casino.

Tempers got heated. The Doña Ana County

Commission originally voted to oppose the Jemez, then held a second vote to support them. It was during the second vote when I met Stan Fulton. He and his consulting team, including me, attended the Commission session in a vain attempt to prevent the reversal, to no avail.

Mr. Fulton, to say the least, was not happy. Afterwards, at someone's suggestion, we retreated to Chilito's for lunch, and to lick our wounds. I remember the meal being quite good and at my suggestion, Mr. Fulton had a green chile burger. Afterwards, I thought, only in New Mexico, when given a chance to have lunch on

the tab of a reported billionaire would the first thought be Chilito's.

The Anthony casino is an example of what seems like a good idea when you first think about it, but on reflection is not. The casino, since it would be owned by the Jemez, would have been untaxed, so would have reduced the local tax base by diverting entertainment dollars from tax-paying businesses.

But, said casino supporters, look at Las Vegas; see how much that city has benefited. To which I reply, yeah, right. Midwesterners are going to travel to Anthony, NM for their winter getaways.

Casinos are not the

only bad idea that is touted as good for economic development. Take the New Mexico Film Credit. The film credit rebates up to 30 percent of the expense of filming in New Mexico. It is a subsidy paid to rich Hollywood types at the cost of low-income New Mexico taxpayers.

People say, we can't compete for films with places like Georgia without the subsidy. To which I respond, if Georgia jumped off a cliff would you also. Let the Georgians waste taxpayer money; that doesn't mean we have to, also.

Real economic development is not about quick fixes and gimmicky government programs.

Rather, it involves investment into long-term projects that can help our citizens be more productive. Pre-K-12 education, infrastructure, reasonable government regulation – these create real, lasting economic development. But they require patience and perseverance to succeed.

*Christopher A. Erickson, Ph.D., is a professor of economics at NMSU. He has taught economic development theory for many years. The opinions expressed may not be shared by the regents and administration of NMSU. Chris can be reached at chrerick@nmsu.edu.*



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Information in this public notice was provided by the applicants and will be verified by NMED during the permit application review process.

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## BUSINESS BRIEF

### Accounting firm taps Las Cruces as new partner

#### BULLETIN REPORT

A resident of Las Cruces has been named partner at Schwalm, Martos & Co. PC in Las Cruces.

James "Weston" Jensen, CPA, is a graduate of Eastern New Mexico University (Bachelor of Accountancy) and New Mexico State University (Master of Accountancy). Jensen had been an associate with the firm for the past 10 years, concentrating his practice in tax and accounting services.

"Weston brings a depth of experience to our firm. As a CPA, he is a tremendous asset to our clients," said Myrle Schwalm, co-founder and managing partner of Schwalm, Martos, & Co. PC. We are glad to call him our partner." Schwalm, Martos & Co. PC has been serving clients across southern New Mexico from its Las Cruces office since 1992. The firm offers tax return preparation, bookkeeping, payroll, and financial statements.

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Rental truck activity is one measure of population migration trends.

## Data indicates Las Cruces among leaders in population gain

### BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico was the No. 19 Growth State for 2017, as stated by U-Haul data analyzing the past year's U.S. migration trends, according to a company press release.

And within the state, Las Cruces, Rio Rancho and Ruidoso Downs were among the leading cities for more arrivals than departures of one-way U-Haul trucks.

Statewide, year-over-year arrivals of one-way U-Haul truck rentals increased by 4 percent while departures increased by 2 percent from 2016 numbers.

Arriving trucks accounted for 50.3 percent of all one-way U-Haul traffic in New Mexico, which was ranked No. 33 in growth for 2016 and No. 14 for 2015.

U-Haul calculates Growth States by the net gain of one-way U-Haul truck rentals entering

a state versus leaving a state during a calendar year. Migration trends data is compiled from more than 1.7 million one-way U-Haul truck rental transactions that occur annually.

Texas was the No. 1 Growth State for the second year in a row. Florida, Arkansas, South Carolina and Tennessee rounded out the top five. North Carolina ranked seventh, continuing a strong growth movement in the Southeast.

View the entire 2017 U-Haul Growth States rankings, plus other migration trends, including the top U.S. Growth Cities, at [myuhaulstory.com](http://myuhaulstory.com).

While migration trends do not correlate directly to population or economic growth, U-Haul proclaims its growth data is an effective gauge of how well states and cities are attracting and maintaining residents.

## School income surges from state trust lands

### BULLETIN REPORT

State Land Commissioner Aubrey Dunn has announced that during the first six months of Fiscal Year 2018 the State Land Office collected \$104 million from activity on State Trust Lands, which exceeds last fiscal year's total earnings, according to State Land Office press release.

Oil, gas, and mineral production, ranching and farming, and commercial development on State Trust Lands support public schools, seven universities, New Mexico Military Institute, New Mexico School for the Deaf, New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, three hospitals, correctional facilities, water conservation projects, and public building construction and repair.

The boost in revenues means more money will flow into public school coffers. Between July 1 and Dec. 31, 2017, the State Land Office distributed nearly \$67 million to public schools – nearly \$36 million more than last fiscal year at the six-month



Aubrey Dunn

mark, according to the release.

An additional \$18 million was distributed to seven universities, the New Mexico Military Institute, the New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the New Mexico School for the Deaf, and other institutions and programs supported by the agency.

New Mexico State University, with \$655,614 in revenue, ranked second among New Mexico universities behind the University of New Mexico (\$882,715).

Revenues are earned from oil and gas lease sales and rental payments from oil, gas, and mineral production, ranching and farming, and commercial op-

erations on State Trust Lands, along with permits, fees, and interest.

Oil and gas production on State Trust Lands dominates the agency's business activity, and has generated \$77.5 million since July 1.

Other key revenue sources and their respective earnings since July 1 include:

- Grazing: \$11 million
- Business Leases: \$8.4 million
- Rights-of-Way: \$5.4 million
- Mineral Rentals: \$55,000
- Renewable Energy: \$23,505

These monies flow into the agency's Land Maintenance Fund (LMF), which covers the State Land Office's operating expenses. The agency is self-funded and spends about five cents of every LMF dollar it earns. The remaining revenues are distributed monthly directly to the trust beneficiaries.

"We are encouraged by the influx of revenues to the Land Maintenance Fund and our beneficiaries should be as well as this money goes directly to public

education and other state institutions we support," Commissioner Dunn said.

Beneficiary distributions from the LMF are supplemented by contributions from the Land Grant Permanent Fund (LGPF). The corpus of the LGPF is entirely the product of revenues generated by the State Land Office. Royalty payments collected from oil, gas, and minerals extracted from State Trust Lands, along with land sale proceeds, are deposited into the LGPF and then invested by the State Investment Council (SIC) for the trust beneficiaries. The beneficiaries receive 5 percent of the five-year average market value of the fund.

"The last 10 years reflect lower than average returns on investment, which demonstrates the critical financial impact the Land Office has on the fund, especially during poor market conditions," said Dunn said. "Over the last decade the value of the fund has grown nearly \$7 billion, and of that, the State Land Office has contributed \$5.126 billion."

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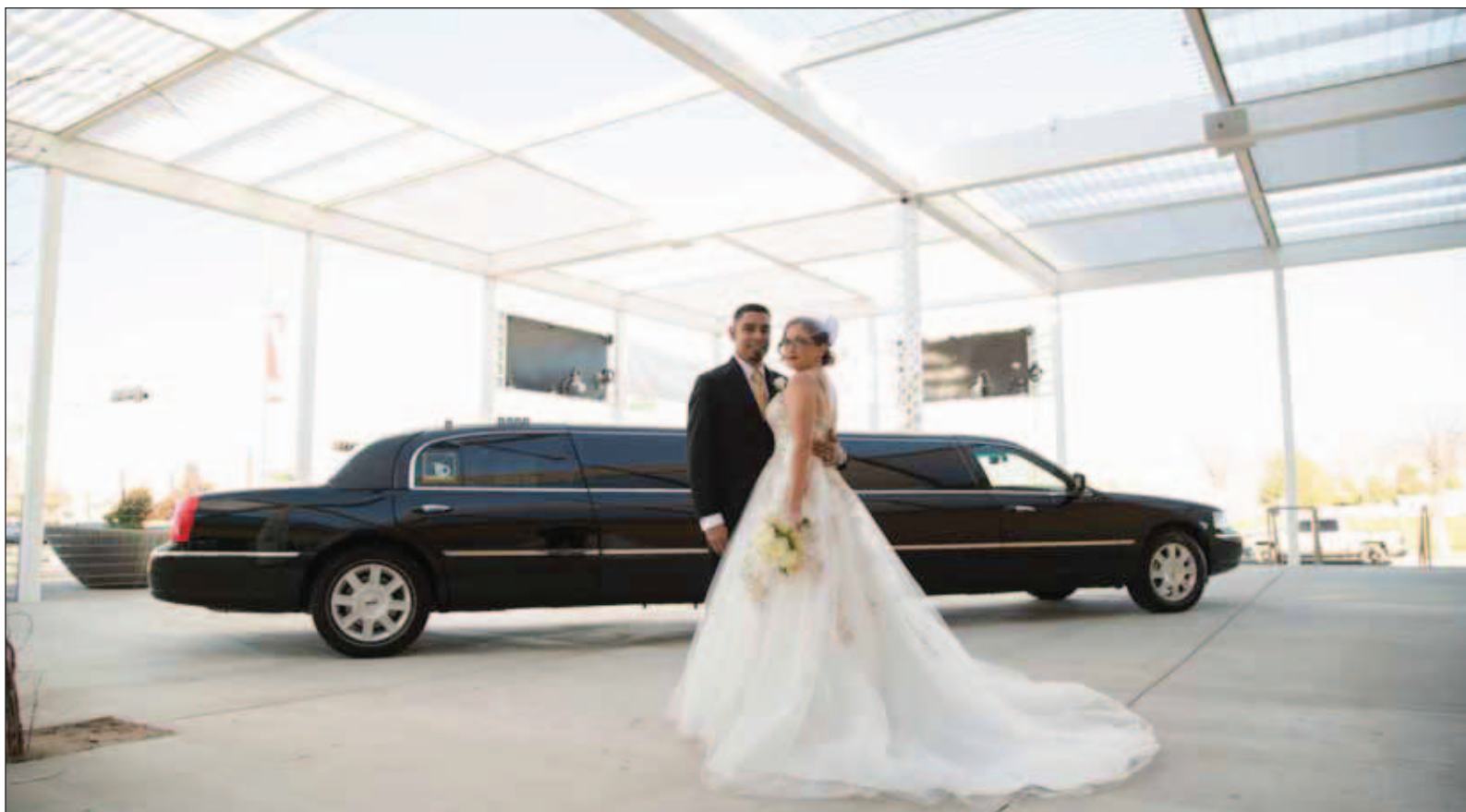


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Last year's Tie the Knot contest winners Jeff and Kathleen Moya barely had time to think about their wedding.

## Couple had 10 days to tie the knot

### Newlyweds recall whirlwind wedding day

By AVRA ELLIOTT

For the Bulletin

The process of planning a wedding can be daunting no matter how early you begin, but last year's winners of the Tie the Knot contest, Kathleen and Jeff Moya, had the unique challenge of planning their wedding in 10 days.

The contest, held in conjunction with the annual Las Cruces Bridal and Special Events Showcase at the Las Cruces Convention Center, provided the couple

with everything they needed for their special day, which then takes place during the showcase.

"It was overwhelming, but exciting," Kathleen said with a laugh. "I found out in the morning, and by three in the afternoon I was making decisions with most of the planners."

Jeff and Kathleen chose color schemes, wedding attire rentals, and centerpieces while their daughters, ages 2 and 4 at the time, went along with the whirlwind.

"The florist added flower girl

baskets for them," Kathleen said. "It was very sweet."

Kathleen brought her mother and mother-in-law to the dress fitting, and she said it became one of her favorite moments, as she ultimately chose a dress she hadn't considered when planning her original wedding.

"It was magical," Kathleen said. "I'm also glad it was a rental and now I don't need to store it."

Kathleen and Jeff have been together eight years, and she said winning the contest simplified what might have been a more

drawn-out process.

"We had control, but the decisions were quick, so there was never any conflict or arguing," Kathleen said.

Thanks to two-day shipping, the bridal party was ready for the wedding, and any guests unable to plan transportation on short notice were able to attend via Facebook live.

When planning for a wedding they thought would be five months away, one decision the

## Take the plunge at Bridal Showcase

There will be plenty of starry-eyed brides, party planners, and local businesses at the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase, along with an actual, live wedding. One lucky local couple will win a free wedding on-site during the event, which takes place on Sunday, Jan. 28, at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

Local radio station Magic 104.9 and the Las Cruces Bridal Showcase are sponsoring a "Tie the Knot" contest which is open to any area couple that's ready to take the plunge on Jan. 28. The winning couple will have a formal wedding dress and tuxedo, an officiant, refreshments, photography, and much more courtesy of local businesses and sponsors. Interested couples can enter on the Magic 104.9 Facebook page—simply post your photo on the post about the contest, and the picture with the most "likes" will be notified on Friday, Jan. 19.

"We've been doing this free, live wedding for several years now, and people absolutely love it," said event organizer Staci Mays of Las Cruces Event Planning. "It's so cool to see the happy couple with their friends and family, and the crowd really gets into it!"

Another highlight of the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase is always the fashion show,



# New Year, New-to-You Home

It's the New Year, and you'd like to rejuvenate your home. You're not going to move walls or build an addition. But you'd like to breathe some new life into what you have. Here are a few easy updates you can do to make your house seem instantly new to you.

Paint a room's trim. Refresh your main living space by painting the trim. Crisp baseboards and moldings go a long way to revitalizing the whole room. Bright white is a classic color that will complement any décor style.

Replace or recover a piece of furniture. Even one new living room chair or a reupholstered love seat can refresh a room's look. A new coffee table or area rug will also help



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Building Las Cruces

change a room's appearance and serve as a new focal point. Or, even without new furnishings or upholstery, rearranging a seating group to face a different direction can

breathe new life into the room. Consider hanging a wall mirror to create the sense of additional space around a cozy grouping of furniture.

Add fresh accessories. Pillows and throws can quickly change a room's style by adding vibrant colors or calming neutrals, while also enhancing warmth and comfort. Ceiling-to-floor length drapes hung just outside a window's width seem to expand the room up and out.

Make your home a little smarter. With a

variety of economical smart-home hubs to choose from, it's easier than ever to take that first step into the world of smart-home living. Look for a hub with do-it-yourself setup and no monthly fees. Download a free app, buy a few compatible lightbulbs and a smart outlet strip, and you'll soon be able to remotely control several appliances within your home. From there, consider a smart dead-bolt, garage door opener, home security system and/or thermostat.

Give a small bathroom a new character. Bright-colored walls or bold wallpaper patterns can really make a small bathroom pop. Colors and patterns that would be overwhelming in a larger room work like a decorative accent in the smaller setting. Or go the other way and make

the bathroom an oasis of serenity with light blue-grey walls.

Look at lighting with new eyes. Is there an area that could use more light? A warmer glow? Add a lamp to a table in a dim corner to open up the room and show off the objects on the table. Pendant lights aren't just for dining areas – a stylish pendant fixture hanging next to the arm of the sofa or guest bed is an object of interest as well as a source of light. In the kitchen, install LED strip lighting under cabinets where work surfaces below could use a little illumination.

*Nicole Black is the executive officer of the Las Cruces Home Builders Association, 2825 N. Main St. She can be reached at the LCHBA offices, 526-6126 or nicole@lchba.com.*

## WINNER

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Moyas had already made was to ask their friend, Doña Ana County's PIO Jess Williams, to officiate. Serendipity stepped in, as Williams has traditionally officiated the Tie the Knot winners' ceremony. Officiating for friends was a pleasant surprise for

Williams.

"I've had friends ask me to officiate," Williams said, "but that was just wild."

As an introvert, Kathleen said the prospect of standing on a stage in front of strangers to exchange vows was nerve wracking, and she worried about making it up the stage's steps without tripping. However, once

she arrived, any strangers gathered amid the 50 guests invited by the couple were largely out of sight.

"I wasn't wearing my glasses," Kathleen said, laughing again, "so I could only see Jeff, and that was to my benefit."

One year later and life is still good for the Moyas.

"Jeff has a new job, and the girls are doing great,"

Kathleen said.

For Kathleen, the key to being happy newlyweds is learning to communicate with your partner and taking it one day at a time – and they can attest more than anyone that sometimes one day is a life-changing one.

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## WEDDINGS

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with models showcasing the latest dress and tuxedo styles, as well as the handiwork of local hair and makeup stylists.

Whether for a wedding,

quinceañera, or any other type of large gathering, the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase promises a wide cross section of area businesses and services that can assist. Wedding photographers, caterers, venue representatives, limousine

companies, travel professionals, rental companies, DJ services, dressmakers, tuxedo rentals, and so much more will be represented.

The Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase is presented by the Las Cruces Bulletin, Las Cru-

ces Event Planning, and the Las Cruces Convention Center. Tickets are \$5 in advance at Renee's Bridal, Enchanted Occasions, or at [www.LasCrucesBridalShowcase.com](http://www.LasCrucesBridalShowcase.com). Admission will be \$7 at the door on the day of the event.

# Old Bulls

If our wives had picked their husbands with the care we buy a bull

There'd be a lot more bachelors on the street.

We'd be bucked up in the willers with the other

mossy horns

Just waitin' for a strag-gler still in heat.

They would check us all as yearlin's on the lookout for bad eyes

And notice how we traveled in the rocks

But thank goodness we weren't cattle

'cause a lot of us

sneaked by

Nearsighted, deaf and showin' sickle hocks.

If they'd marched us through the sale ring as she sat there in the crowd

And studied us and read our pedigree

Could she see we might get paunchy

and the highest grade we got

In heifer satisfaction was a 'C'?

Would it make her any difference if she knew we'd lose



**BAXTER BLACK**

On the Edge of Common Sense

our teeth And slough our hair and let our toes grow long?

Would her herd sire valuation be affected by the fact

When we were born they used a come-along?

And our famed yearlin' libido

She'd observed when we were young

A'crackin' horns and tearin' up the ground

Now occurred about as often

as a paid bank holiday.

Could she know then we'd all wind up unsound?

'Course, we tell ourselves she's lucky to have had a private bull

For all these years, through all the ups and downs

But, down deep each cowman's thankful

that he curled his lip just right

Before she had more time to shop around.

*Baxter Black is a cowboy poet, former large animal veterinarian and entertainer of the agricultural masses. Learn more at [www.baxterblack.com](http://www.baxterblack.com).*



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## 'The good ole' days': entertainment

### Let us not be spectators watching others live

In writing this miniseries on "The good ole days," my thought was to show that those days may not have been so "good" after all because our memories seem to blank out the challenges, drudgeries, and not so good stuff, and relish the best. However, this time I felt that I would like to dwell on the parts that really were good.

So I shall start with the fun things. Those of this generation may not be able to understand this, but we lived full and enjoyable lives without television. As children, we used our imaginations and made up games, played "let's pretend" roles as we practiced "being grown-up."

I remember that my brother and I played in the back yard, which consisted of weeds, bare dirt, small blocks of wood, and miscellaneous other stuff. We had few toys, but we made do with what we had. The back yard became a park, the weeds being the "trees" and the blocks of wood became cars and wagons.

There was a wonderful oak tree with grape vines growing all over it, and we spent many hours up the



**RUTH MOORER**

Not for Sissies

tree, for it became a playhouse. We could climb to the top and sit on the vine covered branches (the vines functioning like a hair net over the tree.) In that environment our imaginations cre-

ated all that we needed to have a wonderful time.

Our father and mother read books to us when we were small. Later our father would read many classics to the whole family while my mother would be ironing, or mending, or cooking. Mark Twain was one of our favorites. Overall, I believe that our best entertainment was reading books.

As I learned to play the piano and my brother the violin, our father, who loved to sing, would have us gather around the piano and we would sing a wide variety of songs and hymns together.

We also played the usual children's games, i.e. Hide and Seek, Kick the Can, Annie Over, Tag, and many others. We also enjoyed making and flying kites. We spent most of the time outside and barefoot.

Life was not all "fun and games." Our parents

wanted to teach us how to work and take responsibility, so we learned to trim the grass with a "push mower" and to hoe in the garden. We helped when there was canning being done. I remember snapping the beans and peas and other food preparation.

Earlier I mentioned that life was good without television. When our children were elementary school age, we did not get a television until they had started to read. We wanted them to find out the joy and independence which comes from reading. We did not want them to become addicted to TV and miss some of life's vital experiences. Years later, a coworker with my husband in the Civil Air Patrol commented that television is "a substitute for living for it makes a person a spectator rather than a participant in life."

Let us not be spectators but make the most of this opportunity to be fully alive!

*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.*

## PET OF THE WEEK

### Winter hours, location and contact information

Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley is open from noon to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday; noon to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, at 3551 Bataan Memorial West. Info: 575-382-0018.

### Off-site adoption events

- Farmers & Crafts Market: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday, downtown (dog adoptions: far north end of the market on the Downtown Mall; cat adoptions: Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St.)
- PetCo: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday, 3050 E. Lohman Ave., Bldg. D.
- Ashley's Home Furniture: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, 3299 Del Rey Blvd.
- Barkin' Brunch at Cracker Barrel: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, 1490 Hickory Drive

### Additional services offered

- Microchip: \$20, available



### Tina

Tina is a very sweet brown-eyed pit bull mix. She is very fond of people and especially likes to receive treats. This gal loves running around and playing outside, and she also enjoys getting a lot of attention. Please stop by the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley today to meet her!

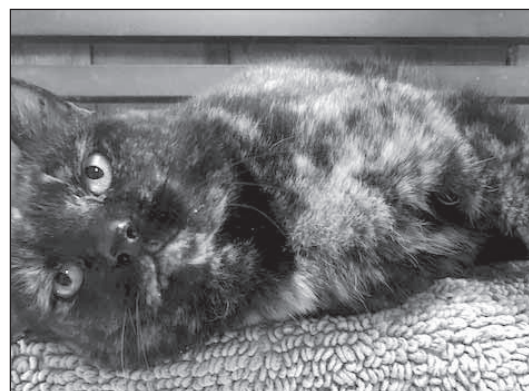
daily, no appointment necessary.

- Pet licenses: City and county licenses available daily (City and county: altered \$7; unaltered \$50).
- Low-cost spay/neuter program: dogs are \$35, cats are \$25; by appointment only.

### Donation requests

ASCMV needs human volunteers, along with dog crates, blankets (without filling, no sleeping bags), towels, collars and leashes. Donations can be dropped off during normal business hours or left at the door.

## CAT'S MEOW ADOPTABLE CAT OF THE WEEK



### Cali

My name is Cali and my story has a sad beginning but a happy ending. My owner did not want me and my two siblings. Even though we were all sweet, well behaved, lovely kitties, our owner was giving us up to the shelter for euthanasia. Then lucky for us, Cat's Meow Rescue and Adoption Center stepped in and saved us. I have been spayed. I am eleven years old and I have all of my shots. I enjoy good health

plus I am litter box trained. I am looking for a gentle, quiet home where I can sit in your lap and purr. Come to The Cat's Meow Rescue and Adoption Center to visit me and my wonderful kitty family. Ask about the senior for senior adoption program.

*Cat's Meow Resource and Adoption center is located at 2211 N. Mesquite St. It is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday or by appointment at 575-640-0011. Visit online at [www.thecatmeowlascruces.com](http://www.thecatmeowlascruces.com) or find them on Facebook.*

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A sonography student practices a diagnosis.

## Sonography graduates excel on national board exams

### BULLETIN REPORT

The Doña Ana Community College (DACC) Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program (DMS) fall 2017 graduating class reached a milestone. The entire cohort successfully passed all three national certification board examinations, according to a DACC press release.

The boards included examinations in Ultrasound Physics and two specialty content areas, Abdominal Sonography and Obstetrics/Gynecology Sonography. All the DACC students passed the exams on their first attempt which is much better than the national average. The national pass rates for testing in Physics, Abdo-

men and OB/GYN examinations are 70%, 75% and 73% respectfully.

“We are always proud of our students, including this class who worked very hard to pass,” Darla Mathew, DMS program director, said. “Our students take rigorous courses to reach this level of success.”

“This program is extremely challenging, but it really prepared me for the exams and for work in the future,” said Breanna Lopez, a newly minted graduate of the program. “As a result of a successful internship, I am now employed and feel well prepared for the work I am doing right now. I really appreciate our great faculty who really care

about the students.”

In sonography, students obtain images using high frequency sound waves that are used to diagnose, treat, and follow-up on patients of all ages. The program is approximately 17 months long and provides students with the academic coursework and clinical internship experience necessary to pass the national examinations and provide competent service to those in need of examination. Graduates are employed in hospitals, medical imaging facilities and physician offices.

The DMS program is a competitive admission program. Applicants to the program complete 36 credit hours of prerequisites and meet other

rigorous selection criteria including an admission exam and an interview.

“Applications are accepted each spring for entry into the program, which begins the following fall semester,” said Monica Torres, DACC Vice President for Academic Affairs. Our graduates experience a lot of success in the field as is illustrated by comments from our local employers who appreciate the professionalism and proficiency of DACC students.”

The Sonography Program is part of the allied health programs at DACC and is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs.

## Renewing self-worth

There was an inspiring story on “60 Minutes” recently. It was a clear depiction of what can happen when a person decides to change their belief system. It begins in the poorer sec-



**CAROL CARNES**

Living Consciously

tion of a major U.S. city. A young boy with immigrant parents was bullied and made fun of in school. His hurt turned into hopelessness and anger, making him ripe for a gang leader to recruit. This particular gang leader was a white supremacist.

Drawn into a culture of power and purpose, it was easy for him to buy into their lies and rhetoric about people who were not white, Anglo-Saxon, male. A natural leader, he became a recruiter himself. After years of violence he began to shift one day when he and his friends were severely beating a young black man. The victim caught his eye and they made a connection. This had never happened to him before and it deeply affected him. It was the first step into freedom from hate and anger. He never used violence on another person again.

It took some time before he extricated himself from that world, but he did it.

He is now a well known

“healer” of men who have become entangled in that underworld of violence and hate. He helps them come back to themselves, an inner place where the anger and hate

never truly existed. They were created by others who seemed to be “family.”

All of the men in the white supremacist movement that he knew had come from similar backgrounds of rejection, never fitting in, sometimes no father figure, poverty and a sense of powerlessness, or having been indoctrinated from early childhood by relatives. It is truly the definition of a vicious cycle.

It was such an example of what our beliefs can do to us, even when they are not true! It is all rooted in self-identity. If we feel worthless, we will find a way to be worthier than someone or some people. This now-mature man is showing that a reframing of one’s self worth is the key to unlocking their higher nature. It is still there.

*Carol Carnes may be reached at [www.carol-carnes.com](http://www.carol-carnes.com) or [www.mvcsl.org](http://www.mvcsl.org). Her TV show airs on LCC Ch. 98 in Las Cruces or on You Tube: [www.californiafreepress.net](http://www.californiafreepress.net)*

## Anthony practice awarded



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Hector Ocaranza-Flores, MD, receives a Cancer Prevention Campaign Award at the 15th annual New Mexico Immunization Coalition Conference Dec. 1 in Albuquerque. Dr. Ocaranza's practice in Anthony, New Mexico, was one of only 10 pediatric practices in the country to receive the award for high rates of HPV vaccination, given by the Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI), the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the American Cancer Society (ACS). From left are Ocaranza; Cynthia Rawn of the NM Department of Health Immunization Program; Andrew Kroger, MD, MPH, medical officer in the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases at the CDC; and Laurie Garica, NM Department of Health Southwest Region Immunization Coordinator.

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## Let's make 2018 the year we stop opioid addiction

Recently a local and well-respected medical doctor told me that he wished New Mexico would legalize cannabis and get the medical doctors, out of the way. Patients and recreational users should not have to face fear of prosecution for using the good herb. My personal wish is that 2018 will prove to be the year that legalizes the use of cannabis in New Mexico.

A question constantly posed to me is why are doctors still hesitant to recommend cannabis? In New Mexico, doctors do not prescribe cannabis; they can only certify that the benefits outweigh the risks. Most doctors will admit they know very little about cannabinoids and feel inadequate when a patient asks for guidance and certification. This is where our group, NMMCP Consulting, fills that void. We are the only group in the state that has been caring for, educating and certifying patients since 2008.

Doctors often state that there is no research to



**HILDA LUZ CHAVEZ**

The Good Herb

support the use of cannabinoids. Truth is, there is plenty of evidence and there could be more. Other countries have been doing research for over 40 years, among the most prominent

Israel. Google the work of Dr. Raphael Mechoulam, PhD, the Father of Cannabinoids. Google will lead you to others in Australia, New Zealand, England and Spain. The U.S. is behind in research mostly due to the fact that cannabis is still a Schedule I drug.

We are in the midst of an opiate addiction crisis in America. It is not surprising that some turn to the streets for stronger, cheaper opiates such as heroin or fentanyl. How many have died because of this epidemic? According to DEA statistics, a "person dies every 10 minutes from an opiate overdose."

In the meantime, cannabis, The Good Herb, La Yerba Buena, continues to be federally illegal and not always available to those that would benefit the

most: the elderly, those in pain, cancer patients and opiate addicts.

There is plenty of research and anecdotal evidence that cannabinoids are effective for many conditions. Yes, cannabis has been abused and smoking cannabis (smoking anything) is not medicinal. Even though we cannot stop patients from smoking, we can educate patients that the most effective methods to manage pain with cannabinoids is to ingest or apply topically. No smoking required.

As a New Mexican, you have a voice. Speak up, folks. You can help make cannabinoids available and stop synthetic opiates from killing us and our loved ones. This is a call to arms. Educate yourself. It's time to take responsibility for your own health and well-being.

If you are a medical cannabis patient and want guidance and education to learn how to benefit from cannabinoids, you can email me for a confidential consult. Do not expect your medical doctor to guide you.

If you are interested in being a medical cannabis patient, we will establish a relationship with you. If you qualify, we can evaluate your records and certify you.

The NM Dept. of Health rules clearly state, "The certifying practitioner must have an established relationship with the patient" and provide continued care. We do that.

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## HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

**Yoga classes:** Las Cruces Parks and Recreation department will add two new yoga classes beginning Jan. 23 at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatics Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Both classes will be on a drop-in basis. Cost: \$2 per class, \$1 for participants 60 or older. Info: 575-541-2782.

• **Power Yoga:** 9:30 a.m. Fridays and 1:30 p.m. Saturdays. This class synchronizes conscious breathing with functional movement and encourages proper alignment of the body.

• **Power Yoga Life:** 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. This flowing class moves at a slightly slower pace to give more emphasis on proper alignment of the body.

**Early-stage Alzheimer's support:** 2-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. Families facing Alzheimer's disease will have access to a class offered by the Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter. Cost: Free. Info and registration: Lindsey Bachman, 800-272-3900 or email [lbachman@alz.org](mailto:lbachman@alz.org).

**Sunday Funday:** 3-6 p.m. first Sunday of each month February-October, Plaza de Las Cruces. Cancer Aid Resource and Education Inc., CARE, invites nonprofits, human-service organizations, community groups, art groups, artists, youth groups, vendors, entertainers -- any individual or entity that has something to offer or showcase to the community. Cost: Free. Download the par-

ticipant form at [carelas-cruces.org](http://carelas-cruces.org).

**Dementia caregiving:** 2-4 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 6-March 16, Crossroads In-Home Care, 189 Howard Place. Alzheimer's Association New Mexico Chapter offers a six-session program, Skills for Dementia Caregiving 101, for families facing dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Cost Free. Info: 1-800-272-3900 or [kmgandara@alz.org](mailto:kmgandara@alz.org).

## ONGOING

**Adult Dance Fitness:** 8:30-10 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Dance your way to fitness. Ballet, 8-9 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays. Professional instructor. Class size limited. \$20-\$45 a month. Try-out free. Info: 575-405-4124.

**Alzheimer's and dementia support group:** 11:30 a.m. Thursdays, Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. Arbors of Del Rey Assisted Living Community support meeting offers information and interventions. Info: 575-382-5200.

**Ambercare Hospice Volunteer Program:** Ambercare seeks individuals interested in volunteers to offer comfort and support to patients and their families. Hospice volunteers read, take walks, listen or

provide companionship. Training provided. Info: 575-556-8409, ext. 12418, or [jlopez@ambercare.com](mailto:jlopez@ambercare.com).

**Aquatic cardio:** 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department offers a Pound class, rhythmic cardio jam session, combining light resistance with constant simulated drumming. The total body workout fuses cardio, Pilates, isometric movements, plyometrics into a 45-minute series. Info: 575-541-2782.

**Birth, death certificates:** 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, Vital Records Office at the Las Cruces Public Health Office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Info: 575-528-5046.

**Bone Boosters:** 11:30 a.m. first Thursday. Sponsored by National Osteoporosis Foundation/New Mexico Affiliate. Info: 575-522-5106 or 575-522-0503 to RSVP.

**Breast cancer support group:** Meets 10-11:30 a.m. fourth Saturday each month, Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., west side annex building. Free, no pre-registration, open to all.

**Breastfeeding support group:** 10-11:30 a.m. every

Friday, Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room. Mama's Milk Club Breastfeeding Support Group. Refreshments provided. Cost: free. Info: 575-521-5393.

**Cancer support group:** 6:30-8 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday, University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer Care is a support group for those dealing with cancer, (patients, survivors, caregivers, family and friends). Info: Betty Harris, 575-524-3994 or the church office, 575-522-8220.

**Christian meditation:** 5:30-6:20 p.m. Tuesdays at The Bridge, northeast corner of Chaparral Street and East Mesa Avenue; Wednesdays at Nopalito Gallery, 326 S. Mesquite St." In stillness, silence, emptiness a journey to the inner self, where the Spirit of God abides." Info: Joe Murray 860.514.0548 or [joe@haidacher.cc](mailto:joe@haidacher.cc).

**Co-Dependents Anonymous:** 7 p.m. Mondays, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri, Room 107. A 12-step program to let go of unhealthy rescuing behavior. Info: [www.coda.org](http://www.coda.org) or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

**Dance fitness:** Profes-

sional instructor. Class size limited. Cost: \$20-\$45 a month depending on hours attending. Free try-out classes. Info: Call or text, 575 405-4142.

• **Dance Fit:** 8:30-10 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.  
• **Ballet:** 8-9 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays.

**Diabetes support group:** 10-11:15 a.m. third Thursday in the meeting room of Natural Grocers, 3970 E. Lohman Ave. Diabetes Educational Support Group meetings provide open discussion and teaching regarding diabetes and a question-and-answer period. Info: 575-522-0289.

**Flu vaccines:** Immunization Hotline, toll free 866-681-5872, or visit [flushot.healthmap.org](http://flushot.healthmap.org).

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At this time, I want to thank the folks at the Las Cruces Bulletin for allowing me this forum and for their support in educating the community about La Yerba Buena.

I also want to encourage you to make 2018 a happy and healthy New Year!

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Monique Mills had eight points off the bench against Bakersfield, adding three rebounds and three assists in 20 minutes.



NMSU junior guard Brooke Salas received a basketball for scoring 1,000 points in her college career, pictured with Head Coach Brooke Atkinson Saturday, Jan. 13, at center court of the Pan American Center.

BULLETIN PHOTOS  
BY STEVE  
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## Mirror images

The New Mexico State University men's and women's basketball teams can look across the way and see similar circumstances.

They're both on four-game winning streaks. They both are undefeated in the Western Athletic Conference at 3-0. They both have one hot star player.

And they both play conference foes Seattle U Thursday, Jan. 18, and Utah Valley Saturday, Jan. 20.

The men are the home team, but they might need directions to the Pan Am Center after 10 straight away games over the course of 37 days. They are 9-1 in that span to run their record under Coach Chris Jans to a robust 15-3.

High-scoring newcomer Zach Lofton is on fire, winning his fourth WAC Player of the Week honors thanks to a 29-point



ZACH LOFTON

performance at Grand Canyon. He is averaging 19.9 points a game while shooting over 50 percent.

Tipoff is 7 p.m. Thursday and 4 p.m. Saturday.

The women go on the road fresh off a home win Jan. 13 over CSU-Bakersfield that pushed their overall record past .500 for the first time this season, at 9-8.

After sterling freshman and sophomore seasons (WAC Newcomer of the Year and All-WAC First Team, respectively), 5-11 junior guard Brooke Salas is again making an impact. She's played in all 17 games, averaging 33 minutes, 19.7 points, 7.6 rebounds, 2 blocks, 1.9 steals and 1.5 assists.

Tipoff is 7 p.m. Thursday and 3 p.m. Saturday.

— Marty Racine



NMSU forward Gia Pack shoots over CSU Bakersfield at the Pan American Center. Pack scored four points and grabbed six rebounds in 26 minutes.



# Technology advances; the average golfer doesn't

**N**ext week I will attend my 20th PGA Merchandise Show at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida. In two decades I've seen everything from 65-inch long putters to bullet-loaded golf clubs that fire a golf ball like a rifle. And despite all the advances in legitimate equipment, technology, turf management, training aids, personal fitness trainers, sport psychology and online information, your average Joe and Jill still can't break 100. How can this be? Well, let me start with a few facts and observations.

**FACT:** State-of-the-art drivers and metal-woods, with adjustable heads, weights and interchangeable shafts, now offer distance and accuracy that is unprecedented.

**FACT:** Modern iron sets and hybrid clubs are the easiest and most forgiving to hit ever.

**FACT:** Top-of-the-line putters are precision engineered, extraordinarily balanced and adjustable to be the finest precision golfing instruments ever produced.

**FACT:** Laser and GPS



**CHARLIE BLANCHARD**  
Golf Doctor

rangefinders are accurate within a few inches and are very affordable.

**FACT:** The quality of manicuring and maintenance of nearly all golf courses, private and public, is far better today than it was 30 years ago. (One Golf Show pundit said that the most important technological breakthrough in the history of golf has been the power mower).

**FACT:** Computerized video systems with technologically advanced biomechanical models

that offer swing training and feedback have made swing breakthroughs rapidly possible for anyone.

**FACT:** Tons of information and remote golf instruction and strength/fitness training are now instantly and cheaply (many free) available to everyone on the web, phone apps and TV.

**FACT:** LPGA, PGA, Champions Tour and Web.com tour players, who we get to watch weekly, anytime of the year, are the best ever; we can learn from broadcast analysts who explain why.

**FACT:** According to the USGA and National Golf Foundation, when they compile the figures as an aggregate, the average handicap and skill of play of the average golfer has not changed appreciably in some 40 years.

I have thought about this extraordinary contrast for some time and decided it's a puzzle. No, rather it's a mystery. A puzzle has a

possible solution, while a mystery is plainly baffling. The notion that the one-round-a-week guy or gal who forks out \$50 at the window hasn't graduated out of golfing 3rd grade in 30 years is a mystery. The average golfer has not improved in decades since technology has been available. Mean handicaps are about the same today as they were three decades ago. The vast majority of weekend players do not break 100. Only a very small fraction of the golfing public breaks 80. I have asked truly knowledgeable folks with whom I golf to tell me what's going on. Nobody knows.

Not long ago somebody at the USGA told

me that the handicaps for men and women USGA members dropped slightly (a few points), but not much. The stagnation of the average skill level of recreational golfers was attributed to "transition golfers," meaning newer players to the game, erasing gains of existing players. Hearing this, I have arrived at some considered speculation.

The mischief begins with how folks take up the game of golf to begin with. Fewer and fewer folks take up the game, at any age, and start out learning from an elder or skilled mentor. One PGA teaching professional said this: "Very few beginning golfers start out learn-

ing golf from the ground up, around the putting green. Nobody sets up a personal improvement program that involves goals, practice, lessons and structure." Maybe we need a "first tee" for adults. I was taught golf by my grandfather and my father to be competitive and strive for mastery. But some just want to hit, giggle and have fun, I guess.

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## SPORTS BRIEF

### Rugby Camp

The Mesilla Valley Rugby Football Club's Youth Rugby Spring Camp is Saturday, Feb. 3, at the NMSU Rugby Pitch.

All ages and students from all schools are welcome, and no experience is necessary. Players under 9 need a 10-year-

old or older as a buddy.

Registration is 8 a.m. for those 9 and under and the rookie camp, which takes place from 8:30 to -9:30. There is no charge.

Registration is 8 a.m. for 5th grade through 12th grade. That camp is from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost is \$15.

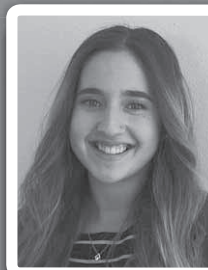
All high school, middle school, and 5th grade stu-

dents are encouraged to attend this non-contact rugby camp, focusing on skills and basic rules of rugby. It is designed as a way to start the season or become introduced to the sport.

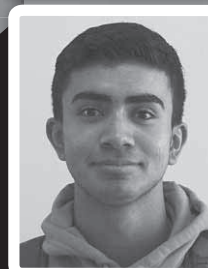
Pre-register on TeamApp before Jan. 27. For more information, email mesillavalleyrugby@gmail.com.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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**Kaela Chavez** is a 17-year-old senior at Centennial High School. She plays shooting guard on the Lady Hawks basketball team. This season, Chavez has averaged 12 points, six rebounds, four steals and three assists per game. She is a leader, good teammate, always has a smile and a positive attitude. Chavez is a dedicated student, with a 3.80 GPA. Out of the classroom and off the basketball court, she enjoys playing volleyball and likes to golf.



**Fernando Loera** is a 17-year-old junior at Centennial High School. He plays point guard on the Hawks basketball team. This season, Loera has averaged 12.2 points, 77 percent free throws, two rebounds and 3.5 assists per game. He is an outgoing, hard-working, dedicated, ambitious and caring young man. Loera is a dedicated student also, with a 3.24 GPA. He enjoys physical activities and loves his family and all they do. Loera thanks his coach, Steve Heredia, for always pushing him to be his best on and off the court and teaching him how to fight for himself and never quit.

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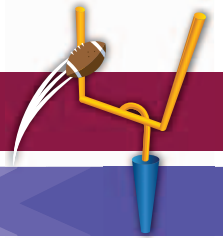
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