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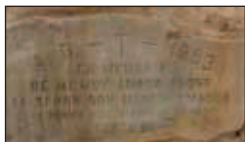
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New Mexico State University Chancellor Dan Arvizu joins the new custom bronze Pistol Pete bench sculpture July 25 outside Corbett Center Student Union. The idea for a bronzed mascot came from the Horned Frog statue on the campus of Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. The sculpture is modeled after Pistol Pete student mascot Caleb Gustin and should be a popular photo destination.

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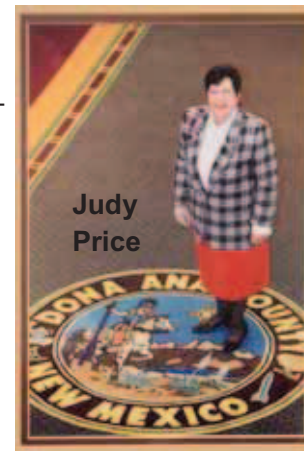
BE A VOLUNTEER!

Doña Ana County's 16 volunteer fire districts have an ongoing need for additional volunteers. Schedules are flexible and some volunteers transition to paid positions. All volunteers receive 80 hours of state-of-the-art training right here in Doña Ana County, where the county's Fire and Emergency Services Department has a modern training facility. Additional training is ongoing. Volunteers also are needed for administrative, recruiting and clerical duties. To learn about volunteer opportunities and membership requirements, and to download an application, please visit the volunteer website at <https://donaanacounty.org/fire/volunteers>

Judy Price Memorial Blood Drive Brings in 35 pints of the gift of life

Doña Ana County employees and the general public donated 35 pints of blood on Friday during the 18th Annual Judy Price Memorial Blood Drive held in the rotunda of the Doña Ana County Government Center at 845 N. Motel Blvd.

The event was held in honor of the late Judy Price, who died Sept. 4, 2001 after a long battle with cancer. Price was a longtime employee and leader in Doña Ana County government, having been named acting county manager



in 1995, 2000 and again in 2001 while the search for a permanent manager was underway.

The blood drive was coordinated by Janine Divyak of the Doña Ana County Planning Department, who oversees the event each year. Since 2001, Doña Ana County employees have donated more than 880 pints of blood in Price's memory.

The next blood drive featuring county participation will be the Battle of the Badges this weekend at the Mesilla Valley Mall.

Protect your family from skeeters

The monsoon and irrigation seasons are underway in Doña Ana County. Large-area irrigation reaches a peak with the scheduled water releases. Each year, Doña Ana County Vector Control partners with farmers to prevent standing open water, where mosquitoes can breed.

Vector Control personnel also work in residential neighborhoods, and offer a range of educational support to help residents avoid standing water in flower pots with deep saucers, trash barrels and old tires. Large areas of standing water can be reported to (575) 526-8150 for inspection and treatment.

Vector Control personnel advise that water in children's wading pools should be kept fresh to dissuade mosquito breeding.

Livestock watering troughs can be treated with various mosquito-control products.

Safe and effective products to treat mosquitoes are available at all major hardware stores. Large, unused swimming pools are easy to treat with floating discs that release a chemical to prevent mosquitoes from breeding successfully.

Natural mosquito control in ponded water can also be controlled with gambusia minnows. Deep-water rain ponds and backyard fountains can be stocked with minnows that eat mosquito larvae.

Doña Ana County provides free minnows to residents who visit the minnow ponds at 4605 West Picacho Avenue. Vector staff is onsite Tuesday mornings from 8-10 a.m. to bag fish.

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AAUW officers



COURTESY PHOTO

The Las Cruces Branch of the American Association of University Women recently celebrated the election of new officers. The organization advances gender equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy. The Las Cruces Branch, established in 1923, is the largest in New Mexico with 110 members. From left are Marsha Hokkanen, membership vice president; Julia Bruner, program vice president; Laura Bemis, membership vice president; Marsha Ogden, program vice president; Christa Slaton, president; Fran Plec, secretary; and Christine Long, treasurer and budget committee chair.

IN THE NEWS

Church-Water project

City workers have completed zones 1 and 2 of the Church-Water conversion project that is converting the two streets from one-way to two-way traffic.

The project, which began June 12 at the south end of Main Street, is continuing its progression north.

Some three-quarters to one mile (about 10 city blocks) of Church and Water streets between Lohman and Picacho avenues is to be re-configured. The work includes the installation of new water, gas and sewer lines, replacing some storm drains, street resurfacing and new curbs and sidewalks for parts of both streets, as well as reconstruction work on Griggs, Bowman and Las Cruces avenues and

renovation of downtown callecititas.

Construction is expected to continue through the end of the calendar year.

Amador opening

The grand opening for the Amador Redevelopment project will be the weekend of Oct. 5-6, Las Cruces developer Max Bower told board members of the Tax Increment Development District (TIDD) July 23.

"We are very close," Bower said.

The project, which has been under construction for about two years, will include a restaurant with four distinctly branded venues under one roof. Visit Las Cruces has already opened on the lower level.

There also will be an event courtyard at the site. Bower said the site will

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— PUBLIC MEETINGS —

Affordable Housing Near Sierra Middle School

The City of Las Cruces Community Development Department is hosting meetings to gather input on the type of affordable housing that can be built on the property southeast of Sierra Middle School. Discussion items include traffic impact, construction timeline, funding, and project design.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 7
6:00 P.M.**

**Sierra Middle School Cafeteria
1700 Spruce Ave.**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 11
4:00 P.M.**

**Sierra Middle School Cafeteria
1700 Spruce Ave.**

For more information, contact Katie Jenkins
City of Las Cruces Community Outreach,
at 528-4577.

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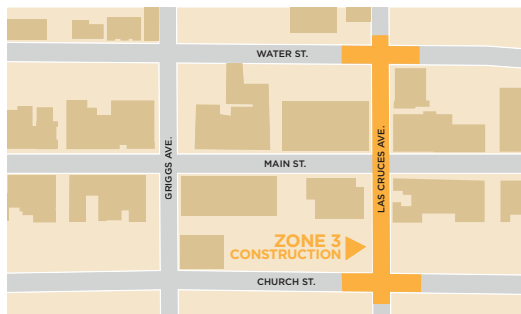


COURTESY PHOTO

East Mesa campus by NMSU Police Commander Jeffrey Harvey.



Paving The Way to a Better Downtown.



Zone 3 of construction is now underway, and while some lanes may be closed, downtown businesses are still open. Get the the latest information on the construction process at our next open house or visit our web page.

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Aug. 16 | 5:30pm
Las Cruces Museum of Art
 491 N Main Street

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DACC graduate produces East Mesa campus video

BULLETIN REPORT

Betsy Baquera, a recently graduated Creative Media Technology (CMT) student from Doña Ana Community College (DACC) has produced a video tour of the community college's East Mesa campus that will be used for advertising, in social media and on other media platforms.

The video features drone footage of the campus filmed by New Mexico State University (NMSU) Police Department drone pilot Commander Jeffrey Harvey.

"We really appreciate the footage taken by Commander Harvey and could not have done it without the NMSU police department assistance with this project," Baquera said. "We interspersed footage of the campus with ground shots to give potential students a variety of scenes and a birds-eye view of what to experience at this campus."

Hundreds of DACC students, faculty and staff showed up to create a fun, friendly atmosphere to greet potential students



PHOTO BY GLORIA NEVAREZ-LESLIE

Betsy Baquera

and show off the college's strong community spirit. Enrollment Director Geraldine Martinez and Development Officer Kristi Martin envisioned the tour when they could not find interesting video tours for colleges or universities online.

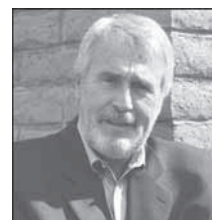
"We had an idea of what we wanted to do for a creative way to look at our campus that was not boring and would hold students' interest and Baquera accomplished that," Martinez said.

The video also features the original song "Motivated," performed by Baquera's boyfriend, Gabriel Garcia. "Garcia is an accomplished rapper known as Wicked One and the music and lyrics really make a difference in this video," Martin said.

Baquera is continuing her studies at NMSU in the Art Department and is working to earn a bachelor's degree in Studio Art by 2020. She remains part of the DACC family in her student-worker position with the college's External Relations Department.

"I appreciate my time at the community college and learned so much to help me in the future," Baquera said. "The faculty and staff at CMT are the best and help you find your inner director, editor and producer."

The video can be seen at <https://youtu.be/Uz-vi2tqhHZQ>.



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host a career fair Sept. 10-11 with the intention of hiring 100-120 employees.

The city entered into a \$6.5 million development agreement with Bower's GMB Development NM, LLC for the Amador renovation project in May 2016. Construction began later that year.

TIDD was created by the city in 2009 "to generate revenue within the downtown area and to use those revenues within that area for public improvement projects," according to city documents. It is funded through existing gross receipts tax revenues, with additional funding from the New Mexico Legislature. Mayor Ken Miyagishima is TIDD chair and city councilors serve as TIDD board members.

Library closed

The Thomas Branigan Memorial Library will be closed Aug. 6-11 for construction, staff training and cleaning.

"This closure is an annual event that allows staff to attend necessary trainings, complete a deep clean, and work on building improvement projects," Library Administrator Margaret Neill said. "For example, we will be upgrading our front doors to make them more user-friendly."

During the closure, patrons can still return library materials in the book drop, renew items online or access the library's digital collections. The library will reopen with regular hours beginning 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 13.

Food pantry

Casa de Peregrinos, the emergency food pantry serving Las Cruces and

Doña Ana County will be open additional hours during the month of August, Executive Director Lorenzo Alba, Jr. has announced.

Beginning on Saturday, Aug. 4, the pantry will be open on Saturdays from 9:30-11 a.m., and on Mondays from 4:30-6 p.m., in addition to the pantry's regular hours.

"We are doing this to see whether it helps people who might need our assistance, but are unable to get here during our current hours of operation," Alba said.

The last day of the extended hours will be Monday, Aug. 27, when the schedule reverts to the pantry's regular hours of 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Alba said that the information gained from the pilot program will be used to determine whether, and how, to extend the pantry hours in the future.

"We want to make sure we are accessible to all those who need us," he said. He also urged anyone interested in volunteering during the additional shifts to contact Casa de Peregrinos, which provides food assistance to families in Doña Ana County who

may be experiencing financial emergencies. It operates out of the Community of Hope at 999 W. Amador Ave.

Each distribution includes staple foods such as beans, rice, canned goods, produce, and meat and dairy products. Special packages can be assembled for homeless clients, or others lacking cooking and refrigeration facilities. It also operates pantries in senior centers, rural areas and on college campuses.



LCPD certification

The Las Cruces Police Department has become the first law enforcement agency in New Mexico to successfully meet FBI requirements for certification in NIBRS – the National Incident-Based Reporting System.

LCPD received notification July 20 from the FBI that the department has met final requirements for NIBRS certification. LCPD is awaiting the official letter of certification from the FBI, which should arrive shortly.

NIBRS relies on comprehensive data and provides a more complete picture of

crimes committed within the city. The use of NIBRS should allow LCPD to better understand crimes and crime trends, and better allocate resources to proactively prevent criminal activity, according to a press release.

"The old system we used was a summary-based reporting system and reported only the most serious crime committed, while NIBRS provides a better picture of what's happening in our community," said Patrick Gallagher, Chief of the Las Cruces Police Department. "NIBRS will allow us to drill-down on trends in crime and better allocate resources."

"For the first time we'll have a more complete picture of crimes committed within our city."

LCPD, like most other law enforcement agencies, had been reporting crime using summary-based reporting, which mainly accounts for only the most serious crime that occurred in any incident. NIBRS requires that all crimes committed in any incident be counted along with any known relationships between victims and offenders.

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Billiards champ



PHOTO COURTESY RALPH SMITH

Gary Gardner of Las Cruces won the Munson Senior Center's monthly 8-ball billiards tournament held July 25. Pictured from left are Gardner, Orlando Sisneros of Alamogordo (2nd place) and Charlie Gardner of Las Cruces (3rd place). Munson Center holds a billiards tournament the last Wednesday of each month. The next billiards tournament is 8 a.m. Aug. 29 at Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.



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The Buck may stop here, legacy will live on

Don Buck 1926 - 2018

On the evening of June 28, Matt Holt received the Rio Grande Rotary Club's prestigious Don Buck Award.



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

Matt and Don stood together as the award was presented and the packed room stood as well, a rousing standing ovation.

It is a special award for the club, only given on certain occasions, not annually, recognizing the 92-year-old Buck's lifelong passion for community service.

Matt clearly deserved the award for his outstanding community contributions.

However, everyone in that room – including Matt – knew who the standing ovation was really for.

Flash back to 1943.

World War II is in full swing. A 17-year-old kid from New York wants to do his part, so Donald G. Buck enlists in the Navy. He learns how to be a weather observer at aerographers' school in New Jersey at Lakehurst Naval Air Station where, six years earlier, the Hindenburg crashed. Buck moves to stations in Minnesota, Hawaii, Georgia and



Don Buck presents the Rio Grande Rotary Club's Don Buck Award to Matt Holt June 28.

several ship-to-shore locations in the Pacific Theater.

After the war, Buck returns to New York to work for the postal service before being called back to active duty military in 1949. After going through instructor training classes, which Buck terms "charm school," he becomes a senior weather observer, forecaster and trainer. Things are going along fine for several years when, in 1957, this First Class Naval Petty Officer gets a call from the U.S. Army.

"How would you like to become a second lieutenant in the Army Signal Corps?"

Buck said yes, and began a 16-year odyssey traveling the globe with his wife, Lossie, and their six children.

Even if you knew Don Buck for 20 years, you perhaps didn't know his previous work and careers. Still, you knew him as a dedicated volunteer, one of those "retired" people who never really retired. Buck passed away July 26, less than a month after helping present his namesake award. You may have met him at a Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce function, wearing his trusty blue Conquistadore jacket, making new friends at every turn. Or maybe you saw him doing work for the Whole Enchilada Fiesta or Picacho Hills Country Club. He was a founding member of the Three Crosses Travelers Group, was active in the Military Officers Association of America and, of course, the aforementioned Rio Grande Rotary. He loved Las Cruces and loved working to make it better.

"It's the best," he said two years ago of his adopted hometown. "You can't beat anything about it. Climate? It's beautiful. People are friendly. Las Cruces is a jewel."

Flash back to 1973.

Donald G. Buck is now a lieutenant colonel in the Army, and his work has run its course. Retirement awaits. And so does Las Cruces, New Mexico, where Buck has decided to move his family.

Always willing to help out, Buck takes a "supposedly short-

time job," directing programs for the American Red Cross. That six-month assignment segues into 22 years as executive director of the United Way of Doña Ana County. His 30 years of service to his country turns into 22 years of paid service to his community, which then gives way to many more years of unpaid service to his community.

Serving his community was a natural progression for Don Buck, and he continued doing it in whatever way he could until the day he died.

"I believe volunteering is just paying the rent on the space you occupy," Buck told the Las Cruces Bulletin two years ago.

If that's the case, Buck paid the rent for an awful lot of people during his well-lived 92 years.

I attended that June 28 Rotary banquet and rose to my feet as the honorees stood side by side, Matt Holt towering above the diminutive Don Buck, right in front of me. I thought about the great work Holt has been doing for the Community of Hope and other projects. I thought more, though, about Buck. I thought about his weakening health but his ever-strong spirit. I thought about his faux-grumpy façade, which always gave way to his sincere, heartfelt nature. I thought about his life's work and how, in many ways, the short Don Buck towered above all of us.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

GO bond funds true needs

To the editor:

The GO Bond election is an opportunity to fund true needs in our community. Tax increases aren't popular, but are

many times necessary to make improvements. I am specifically addressing Bond Item 4 pertaining to Active Transportation Trail Systems.

Active Transportation in-

volves any transportation other than automobiles (walking/running, cycling, skateboarding) including connection of those to mass transit. For too long non-motorized forms

of movement have been viewed as "recreation," which is one tiny piece of what they actually are.

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AUGUST EVENTS

AUGUST 1

Get Artrageous! Art Class with Judy Licht

Doña Ana Arts Council. 5:30pm-7:30pm. \$30 includes supplies
575-523-6403. daarts.org

AUGUST 1 - 25

League of Women Voters 50 Years of Study, Action, and Service

Branigan Cultural Center. Tues-Sat, 10am-4:30pm
Free. las-cruces.org/museums

AUGUST 1 - 31

Sunset Stroll at White Sands National Monument

White Sands National Monument. \$4-8. 575-479-6124

AUGUST 1 - SEPTEMBER 15

Flamenco: From Spain to New Mexico Exhibition

Branigan Cultural Center. Tues-Sat, 10am-4:30pm
Free. las-cruces.org/museums

AUGUST 1 - SEPTEMBER 26

Jenny Morgan: A HIGHER GROUND Exhibit

NMSU University Art Gallery at New Mexico State University
5:30pm-7pm. Free. 575-646-2545

AUGUST 1 - OCTOBER 13

Braceros Exhibit

Branigan Cultural Center. Tues-Sat 10am-4:30pm
Free. 575-541-2154. las-cruces.org/museums

JULY 3 - OCTOBER 30

Swing on the Plaza

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces. Tuesdays, 7pm. 575-525-1955

AUGUST 1 - MARCH 3, 2019

Dressed for the Occasion Exhibit

New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. \$2-5
Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 12-5pm. 575-522-4100. frhm.org

AUGUST 3

Downtown Ramble

Downtown Main St. 5-8pm. Free
575-525-1955. downtownlascruces.org

AUGUST 5

Sunday Night Music in the Park: Remember Then...

Young Park. 7pm. Free admission. 575-541-2550

AUGUST 5

Sunday Funday at the Plaza

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces. 3-6pm
Free. 575-649-0598. CareLasCruces.org

AUGUST 7

National Night Out

National Night out is a fun, free event for families to encourage positive interaction with Law Enforcement and First Responders. Downtown Main St. 6-9pm. las-cruces.org

AUGUST 10

Mexican Cultural Series - Tango for a Piano

Rio Grande Theatre. 7-9 pm. Free. RioGrandeTheatre.org

AUGUST 10 - 26

Play: The Laramie Project

Las Cruces Community Theatre. \$11-50. 575-523-1200. lcctnm.org

AUGUST 11

Mesilla Valley Hospice - Men Who Cook

Las Cruces Convention Center. 6-10pm. \$75. mvhospice.org

Movies in the Park - Beauty & the Beast (2017)

Young Park. 7pm or dusk. Free. 575-541-2550

AUGUST 12

Sunday Night Music in the Park:

Tequila Nights and Johnny Hernandez Band

Young Park. 7pm. Free. 575-541-2550

AUGUST 14

Movie: JAWS

Rio Grande Theatre. \$8. RioGrandeTheatre.org

AUGUST 17 - SEPTEMBER 2

Play: Indoor/Outdoor

Black Box Theatre. \$10-15. 575-523-1223. no-strings.org

AUGUST 18

SalsaFest & Summer Beer Fest

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces. \$20, under 12 free
\$25 at the gate. 575-525-1955. lcbbeerfest.com

Classic Film: Breakfast at Tiffany's

Rio Grande Theatre. 7pm. \$8. RioGrandeTheatre.org

AUGUST 18

Movie: Mary Poppins

Rio Grande Theatre. Noon. \$1 per person (cash only)
575-541-2290. RioGrandeTheatre.org

AUGUST 19

Sunday Night Music in the Park: Reviva and Bubba Kush Band

Young Park. 7pm. Free. 575-541-2550

AUGUST 25

Classic Films: Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

Rio Grande Theatre. 7:30pm. \$8. 575-541-2290. RioGrandeTheatre.org

Community Appreciation Day

New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. 9am-4pm
Free Admission for event. 575-522-4100. frhm.org

Movies in the Park - Wonder

Young Park. 7pm or dusk. Free. 575-541-2550

Movie: The Little Mermaid

Rio Grande Theatre. Noon. \$1 per person (cash only)
575-541-2290. RioGrandeTheatre.org

New Mexico State University Aggies vs. Wyoming

NMSU Aggie Memorial Stadium. www.nnmsports.org

Full Moon Hikes

White Sands National Monument. 7:30pm. \$4-8. 575-479-6124, ext. 236.
Reservations required. Park entrance and program fee apply.
Register at www.nps.gov/whsa

AUGUST 25 - 26

Belles Artes Artisan Market

Doña Arts Council & Cultural Center. 575-523-6403. daarts.org

AUGUST 26

Sunday Night Music in the Park: CJ Chenier & the Red Hot Louisiana and Joseph General Band

Young Park. 7pm. Free. 575-541-2550

Full Moon Nights

White Sands National Monument. 8pm. \$4-8
575-479-6124, ext. 236. nps.gov/whsa

AUGUST 30

Jenny Morgan Lecture & Artist Reception

NMSU University Art Gallery at New Mexico State University
5:30 - 7pm. Free. 575-646-2545

Movie: Animal House

Rio Grande Theatre. \$8. 575-541-2290. RioGrandeTheatre.org



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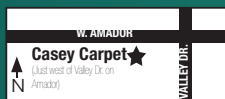
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SAFE TRANSPORTATION

Trail systems are safer for pedestrians and bicyclists (separation from vehicular traffic).

LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

Many low-income families rely on walking/ biking for transportation. Trails provide a safe/ free means of movement. Cost of taking a family to the movies, \$60-\$80; taking them out walking/ biking on a trail, free.

ALLEVIATES VEHICULAR CONGESTION

Active Transportation reduces traffic gridlock and roadway maintenance needs by reducing vehicles driven. Lessens need to expand parking.

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH

Trail systems extend our traditional parks into neighborhoods, allowing greater access for families to spend time together and exercise. Most

families drive to places for these activities, due to no connectivity to get there actively. Trails support growth of our future walkers and bicyclists (our children and grandchildren). Fewer vehicles driven equals less pollution.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Companies looking to locate their business evaluate community environment (natural and built), and use that as part of their decision-making. Trail systems are a draw to potential employees. We have the sunshine, big skies, scenery and low cost of living. However, our Active Transportation infrastructure is lacking.

Andrew Bencomo
Las Cruces

GO bonds will improve recreation

To the editor:

Recreation is so important to all of our lives, young and old. Sport and recreation builds stron-

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Builders, not taxpayers, should fund improvements

Thank goodness for TischlerBise (TB).

TB is a consulting firm and an expert on Development Impact Fees (DIFs). TB says it has designed 900 impact fees in the U.S. and Canada – more than anyone else -- and never had one successfully challenged.

TB is an important source of rational and informed advice related to what I call the “Las Cruces GO bond versus DIF issue.”

The city has been pushing hard for voters to approve a tax increase on themselves to pay for tens of millions of dollars in spending financed through interest-paying GO bonds. The operative words in “GO bonds” are General Obligation (GO), with the “general obligation” referring to a new obligation imposed on generally all property taxpayers.

On the other hand, a DIF, commonly used by municipalities throughout the country, is in effect a “Builders’ Obligation” fee in which builders pay



WILLIAM J. BEERMAN
Guest column

a share for city infrastructure requirements made necessary by their building projects.

The City hired TB to help with a required 5-year update of the City’s parks and recreation DIF. TB issued a consulting report May 1 after a detailed study which calculated that development in Las Cruces during the next six years is going to bring in 9,932 more residents and cost the city \$28.7 million for parks and recreation infrastructure to accommodate new residents at the current level of service. For example, a city official said facilities such as the Hadley complex, and the dog park, already paid for by existing residents, will have to be duplicated for the newer areas on the developing fringes of the city.

In its report to the City about the City’s parks and recreation DIF, TB calculated that a proposed DIF increase of \$4,475, to \$7,075 for each future new single-family house, is “new growth’s fair share of the

cost for parks and recreation capital facilities.” Note the use of the words “fair share.” TB said the DIF could be set lower. “However,” TB pointed out, “a reduction in park impact fee revenue will necessitate an increase in other revenues [such as property taxes], a decrease in planned capital expenditures, and/or a decrease in levels of service.”

In essence, for GO bonds, all taxable property owners pay. For DIF fees, the builders, who make the profit from development, pay at the building permit office, and they may pass the cost on to the buyer of the home they build.

The city has slow-walked its 5-year parks and recreation DIF review, which was supposed to be completed by now. The City reportedly was tardy paying TB for its report, which delayed its release. The City canceled a public committee meeting scheduled for July 19 at which TB was supposed to discuss its report and answer questions about it.

But GO bonds are on a fast track through mail ballots. The ballot should,

but doesn’t, ask you whether you want to pay for all of the projects covered by the GO bonds, or if you prefer builders and developers pay DIF fees for selected parks and recreation projects that benefit them, and which their developments made necessary. The GO bond would make property taxpayers responsible for up to \$16.9 million in spending on parks and recreation facilities and another \$2.7 million on trails. As an aside, according to a city official, the city gave the Metro Verde developers \$1.4 million in impact fee money for parks that the developers built in their own development. Then the developers turned these parks over to the City to maintain forever at

taxpayers’ expense. One official said the City can’t maintain the facilities it has now.

Developers contend impact fees increase the price of new homes and make them less affordable. Yet home sales are booming and builders are reportedly getting 99.4 percent of their asking prices. There are also impact fees for public safety and utilities, but none in Las Cruces for other development-driven costs such as expansion of the congested road system.

Increasing the price of new homes through impact fees to reflect their true cost to the City actually would raise house prices and property values in Las Cruces, which means you can sell your existing home for more; it increases your net worth;

and it increases what you can get in a reverse mortgage or refinancing. It even increases the City’s tax base. Further, it avoids having taxpayers contribute to a builder’s “for-profit” business, even as taxpayers are forced to compete with publicly financed and subsidized developers and builders in the home-sales market.

If you want a copy of the TB report to read for yourself, email me at WilliamSr@wbeerman.com and I will gladly email you back a copy. Make sure to read pages 25 and 26.

William J. Beerman is vice chairman of the Las Cruces Capital Improvement Advisory Committee, but his comments are strictly his own.

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ger, healthier, happier and safer communities. Recreation centers are also a source of pride for a community. They can even increase tourism and business. Sport facilities can hold tournaments that can bring people from neighboring states to spend their money.

Quality parks and recreation are listed as one of the top three reasons that businesses cite in relocation decisions (National Recreation and Park Association). People not only love going to recreation centers, but they are also willing to pay to live closer to one.

A community recreation center gives children a safe place to play, keeping them off the streets. I'm sure you have your own reasons for recreating, like reducing stress, socializing and fun.

From personal experience I know both tennis and pickleball are growing here in Las Cruces. Our local tennis association is encouraging youth and families to learn the game by providing clinics and lessons. On July 4th, 32 members of our pickleball community got together to play at Apodaca as Meerscheidt Rec Center was closed. Portable nets were needed to accommodate everyone. These two sports aren't the only ones growing and in need of additions

or improvements in facilities.

Las Cruces currently has no general obligation bond debt. If you want improvements and additions to the parks and recreational facilities in town, and more activities for kids, and adults alike, or a reason to be proud of Las Cruces, then please vote YES on the GO bond "Park and Sports Fields Improvements and Additions" project. Check out the project list at clcbond.org. It even includes splash parks and dog parks. It's the best way to get these improvements and to better our city. Mail-in balloting has started.

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GO bond would build new animal service center

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

One of the four GO bond questions asks voters to approve \$9.8 million to build a new city animal service center.

The current shelter, 3551 Bataan Memorial Highway, “is sorely inadequate and in dire need of replacement to meet industry standards, care and capacity needs to handle 10,000 animals entering the shelter every year,” Las Cruces animal advocate Jean Gilbert said.

If approved, the city would build the new facility adjacent to the existing center, Assistant City Manager Bill Studer said, to expand animal services.

The existing building “has several issues that have been ignored through the years,” said Animal Service Center of the Mesilla Valley (ASCMV) Executive Director Clint Thacker. “Cracks in walls are showing, cement is breaking down and the facility’s plumbing system is in need of a major overhaul.

“More than 44,000 people visit ASCMV each



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Animal Service Center of the Mesilla Valley Executive Director Clint Thacker.

year. There needs to be a clean and welcoming environment for all individuals looking for a lost or new pet. We want potential animal owners to make our animal center a destination they come to for fun and play, not because they have to.”

The current animal service center “has outlived its life as an animal facility,” Thacker said. “Back in 1982 to even the early 2000s, animal

shelter construction was mostly the same – cement floor, cages and a front lobby. All drab and industrial. It wasn’t until the last 15 years that studies have been completed showing how the flow of a shelter can aid in sustaining healthier animals, (including) such things as each kennel rooms having a dedicated exhaust of the old air and fresh air brought in. If the animals are healthier,



The Animal Service Center of the Mesilla Valley is located at 3551 Bataan Memorial Highway.

then more will be adopted and more sent to rescues, hence less animals euthanized.”

Thacker said 10,000 animals pass through the current animal service center each year. “We currently have two to three dogs per kennel,” he said. “A larger facility will allow more cages for dogs and more room for cats.”

The current center also “has continual animal disease issues,” Thacker said. “Because the cement is breaking down, cracking and chipping, unseen diseases settle in these compromised areas. No matter how hard we

scrub, if we can’t get to it, it won’t go away. A new facility will greatly improve sanitation and overall health.”

While there have been some small renovations to the actual kennels, it has been mostly cosmetic, Thacker said, including new paint and wall coverings.

“A major plumbing renovation needs to be done. All pipes that carry the animal waste to the sewers are cast iron. Over time these pipes can degrade to form low spots and even breaks in the line. All the pipes are under cement and run under the kennels, so

replacing them would be difficult, expensive and would create a major space issue.”

The current medical area is also insufficient to meet the needs of the Mesilla Valley, Thacker said.

“Only one small room is available for veterinarians to perform sterilizations. It is estimated that over 10,000 animal sterilizations a year would need to be performed for five years in order to show a reduction in the pet populations in Doña Ana County. A new facility would free the current ASCMV building to be

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used as a medical facility that would specialize in high-output animal sterilizations. The center would give us the recourse to reach the number needed to reduce the animal population.”

ASCMV currently operates the shelter under an agreement between the City and Doña Ana County, Studer said. The City owns the land the shelter is built on, as well as the land adjacent to it that would be home to the new facility, if voters approve it.

Many animal rights organizations in Las Cruces support the animal service center bond question, said Assistant Las Cruces Fire Chief Jason Smith, co-coordinator of the GO bond project.

The city and county population have doubled since the animal shelter was built 36 years ago, Doña Ana County Humane Society, Inc. Executive Director Kathy Lawitz said in the humane society's July 2018 newsletter. But, she said, the community continues to be served by “an animal shelter that has not grown.”

Cramped conditions at the shelter mean “cages of animals often line the hallways,” Lawitz said, and “outside kennels



PHOTOS COURTESY ASCMV

The Animal Service Center of the Mesilla Valley has many dogs available for adoption.

are exposed to the elements.”

The Humane Society “endorses the GO bond because it benefits animals,” Lawitz said.

The ASCMV total intake in 2017 was 9,994 animals, according to ASCMV's annual report. That included 6,245 unrestrained animals brought in by city and county animal control officers, 1,736 unrestrained animals brought in by members of the public, 1,618 animals surrendered by their owners, 185 animals seized from their owners, 90 returned adoptions, 86 wildlife and 34 animals whose jurisdiction could not be determined because they were left at the shelter after hours with no information.

The annual report

shows 62.9 percent of the animals brought into the shelter in 2017 were dogs and 34.9 percent were cats.

Of the animals brought into the shelter in 2017, 2,194 (22 percent) were euthanized, 1,768 (17.7 percent) were adopted, 3,010 (30 percent) were transferred to rescue programs, 1,411 (11 percent) were returned to their owners, 827 (8.3 percent) arrived deceased and 483 (4.8 percent) died in the shelter.

The facility's annual intake of animals has continued a steady decline since 2010, when the total was 14,961.

For more information, visit ascmv.org/ and clcbond.org.

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ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a general obligation (GO) bond?

A GO bond is a form of debt financing secured by property tax revenue. General obligation bonds can be issued for general purpose projects. New Mexico state law requires like or similar projects to be presented in a separate question for voter approval.

How much bonding capacity does the City of Las Cruces have?

State statute limits the amount of general obligation bonds issued by municipalities to 4 percent of total assessed valuation. The City of Las Cruces' current GO bonding capacity is about \$92 million.

Does Las Cruces have any GO debt?

No. The City of Las Cruces currently has no general obligation bond debt.

How is the GO Bond debt retired?

A GO bond is typically paid back in 10 to 15 years with an interest rate based on the City's credit worthiness. A municipality can borrow at a better than a private market rate.

When a GO bond has been retired, any associated taxes cease to be assessed and collected.

What is Las Cruces' current bond rating?

According to Moody's Investors Service, the City

of Las Cruces currently has a good, strong bond rating of Aa3. Obligations that are rated Aa3 are judged to be of high quality and are subject to very low credit risk.

Will there be future GO bond elections?

Maybe, maybe not. Many communities issue and repay general obligation bonds on a regular cycle, such as every two to six years. School districts often utilize that practice without increasing taxes. The City will evaluate the success of the upcoming election to determine the need for future elections.

What is the tax impact on a typical home owner?

The following table shows the yearly impact to a typical homeowner should voters approve a \$35.6 million GO bond that funds all proposed projects.

Bond Size: Yearly Cost to a Typical Homeowner

Full Value	Assessed Value*	2.1 mills
\$100,000	\$33,333	\$70.00
\$125,000	\$41,667	\$87.00
\$150,000	\$50,000	\$105.00
\$175,000	\$58,333	\$122.00
\$200,000	\$66,667	\$140.00
\$225,000	\$75,000	\$157.00
\$250,000	\$83,333	\$175.00

*Tax would be at one-third market valuation Median Home Value

What is the schedule for the GO bond process?

The remaining GO bond schedule:

Aug. 3-21: Mail-ballot election for the GO bond.

7 p.m. Aug. 21: All ballots must be received at the Doña Ana County Clerk's office.

Does the City have other sources of capital funding?

Yes. Las Cruces has a capital improvements program now primarily funded by revenue bonds, which should not be confused with general obligation bonds. Revenue bonds are issued against a regular source of revenue such as the City's share of the New Mexico gross receipts tax (GRT) or hold harmless gross receipts taxes. Revenue bonds can only be used for specific capital improvements, such as streets, drainage and other capital improvements.

If approved, when would the tax increases go into effect?

Depending on which GO bond propositions are approved, the City will prepare for one or several bond sales spaced out to minimize interest cost and match project needs. Tax rates would be adjusted after the sale of the bond(s), and property

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Chancellor Dan Arvizu of New Mexico State University and President Garnett S. Stokes of the University of New Mexico attended a UNM alumni function in Las Cruces last week at Hacienda de Mesilla. The two new leaders – Arvizu started in June and Stokes started in March – spoke of working collaboratively to help their respective institutions move the state forward.

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LCPD is now capable of collecting and recording comprehensive data on an expanded array of criminal activities. The increased information is forwarded to the FBI and benefits other law enforcement agencies within the immediate area as it helps paint a comprehensive picture of crimes committed in the community.

As directed by the FBI, all law enforcement agencies in the United States are required to transition to NIBRS by 2021.

School supply lists

Parents have a new tool to view school supply lists, as they are now posted on TeacherLists.com.

With just one or two clicks, parents can find their child's exact supply list and then click over to

pre-filled shopping carts on Target, Walmart, Office Depot, Amazon and more to purchase their list and have it shipped right to their home. Target, Walmart and Office Depot also offer in-store pick-up.

The national site, with 50,000 schools posted, includes a list for Las Cruces High School.

“For decades, the supply list process has been a frustration for parents,” says TeacherLists President John Driscoll: Where to find the lists? When are they available? Forgetting the list on the counter at home. Hunting the aisles for the specific items their teacher has requested. All of those issues are solved with TeacherLists.”

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Water rate hike a complex issue

By SUZANNE MICHAELS
For the Bulletin

The Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) Board of Commissioners has sent a recommendation to City Council for a water rate increase providing \$3.8 million more per year to LCU's Water Utility and will be presenting this information to City Council for approval or remand back to the Board.

No one is happy about paying increased rates for utility services. However, a lengthy review of the cost of providing water service to customers, conducted by the Utility Customer Advisory Group (UCAG) an Ad Hoc Committee of

five volunteer ratepayers, led to the unanimous conclusion that LCU must increase water rates by \$3.8 million per year.

LCU has not raised water rates for the past nine years. Why? The previous process, based on quasi-judicial procedures for reviewing and setting rates was cumbersome, expensive, and too lengthy (a three-year duration for the last water rate review). After establishing a new process, it has still required more than a year of evaluating the revenue requirement, allocating the cost to serve the city's water customer classes of service,

and rate design. The consultant, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., presented the results to the UCAG. UCAG weighed the information and narrowed the options for a rate increase to two options.

The Board recommended a three-year rate phased-in plan to City Council (increasing the first year's average residential bill by \$2.25 (15 percent) per month, then \$1.78 (4 percent) per month the second year, and then \$1.97 (4 percent) per month per month the third year). The second option – a “full cost” option – would increase bills all at once by approximately \$5.89 (24 percent)

per month for the average residential water customer using 10,000 gallons.

“Where does all the money go? Why is a water utility rate hike necessary?” A letter published in the Las Cruces Bulletin on July 13, 2018, highlighted what a complex issue this is. The author asked if development impact fees (DIFs) of approximately \$1,000 per new home for residential water and wastewater connections – totaling \$559,498 in Fiscal Year 2017 – didn't somehow benefit Las Cruces Utilities. The answer is no.

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The 1888 Society is a steward of NMSU's future

At New Mexico State University, what do the college-based Nakayama Family Research and Education Professorships, the Sanchez Memorial Study Abroad Scholarship and the Askew Endowed Scholarship in athletics have in common? They have inspired heartfelt testimonials from students and professors that read like a novel of empowered, transformed lives.

The donors to these funds – some NMSU alumni and some community supporters – make an incredible commitment to NMSU by devoting a portion of their estate and legacy to the NMSU Foundation, so that the university's programs, scholarships and academic colleges will flourish.

A coveted society exists at NMSU, and getting in is solely focused on a member's passion for NMSU and building financial pathways that ensure a bright future for students of all backgrounds. This is the NMSU Foundation's 1888 Society. They are the stewards of NMSU's future who invest in what's successful at NMSU. Every year, these planned legacy gifts to the NMSU Foundation are often the largest sources of financial support that establish new scholarships, create new programs or enhance initiatives across the five campuses of the



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NMSU system. The 1888 Society is made up of a diverse group of supporters. Some are like Bob Rogers who lives a life so inspired by former NM State basketball and baseball Coach Presley

Askew that he honored his memory with an athletics scholarship (supported by the charitable IRA rollover) that's supported Aggie student-athletes for years – some of whom now play and compete professionally.

A number are like Joe Nakayama, whose family helped pioneer New Mexico agriculture. With his generous gifts, he ensured that his family's commitment to the state continued in perpetuity by establishing research professorships at NMSU through the NMSU Foundation.

Others find their inspiration from experiences, like Elisa Sanchez, who created a scholarship for NMSU students to support them travelling abroad.

Her estate plan will continue this scholarship for years to come and is named after her mother, Angelina Sanchez, who acted in the epic movie, "Salt of the Earth," created to depict her real-life experience protesting in support of workers' rights at the Empire Zinc Mine in the 1950s in Hanover, New Mexico. After seeing the movie, a Hispanic female student and a recipient of the scholarship spoke of the life-changing value of her NMSU studies in London and her deep appreciation for such an opportunity. She told Elisa, "I never thought something like this would happen to me coming from a very small town in rural New Mexico."

Many of these supporters, now members of The 1888 Society, experience their investment and joy of giving firsthand with "blended gifts" of current, planned and estate gifts. The 1888 Society works to recognize these leaders and celebrate

their commitments of time, talent and philanthropy for NMSU. To be included in the society (one can remain anonymous if desired), each member notifies us and documents that the NMSU Foundation is included in their estate plans as the beneficiary of a will, trust, life income gift, life insurance policy, retirement plan or other planned gifts.

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Robert Peterson is the Planned Giving director of the New Mexico State University Foundation. He may be reached at 575-646-1613, peterson@nmsu.edu.

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The water rate increase for water utility operations is separate from DIFs, which pay the cost of new infrastructure to serve future customers. It is accurate that current water and wastewater customers do pay a portion of the residential impact fee (22 percent for water and 30 percent wastewater), or approximately \$1,100. This, however, is a City Council policy that was approved on June 30, 1995, by Resolution No. 95-368, that allocates the current DIF. For a typical new residential water connection this allocation is as follows: \$1,210 paid by the developer, \$678 paid by the customer, and \$532 paid by rate base or current

customers.

Furthermore, although LCU is a City department, it does not benefit in any way from any permitting fees or taxes paid to the City General Fund. LCU operates as a stand-alone and self-sufficient enterprise fund and is not tied to the City's General Fund.

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owners would see that increase on their next property tax bill, which is issued annually.

What is the history of GO bond elections in Las Cruces?

Three GO bond elections have been conducted in Las Cruces in the past 50 years. The last general obligation bond election in the City was 25 years ago.

On March 5, 1968, Las Cruces voters approved a \$3 million GO bond election.

On Nov. 3, 1987 voters turned down a proposed \$6.1 million GO bond election.

On Nov. 2, 1993, a proposed \$8 million-plus GO bond was defeated.

Could residents on a fixed income, particularly seniors and the disabled, be affected the most by the GO bond election?

City property owners living on a fixed income could be affected. However, in public meetings earlier this year that helped determine how much of a general obligation bond should be sought, senior citizens indicated they preferred a higher GO bond amount because many of the proposed improvements would be made in their lifetimes and they would benefit from the use of the bonds.

Does the Spaceport America tax compare to GO tax bonds?

The Spaceport tax went into effect Jan. 1, 2008. In April 2007, 17,000 Doña Ana County voters approved a gross receipts (sales) tax increase to raise an estimated \$49 million toward \$198 million to help build Spaceport America. The gross receipts (sales) tax increase has amounted to an additional 25 cents to every

\$100 purchase.

How would a proposed GO bond tax compare to the 2014 imposition of the three-eighths of one percent hold harmless gross receipts tax?

The three-eighths of one percent hold harmless gross receipts tax was an increase to Las Cruces' gross receipts (sales) tax. The implementation of hold harmless GRT came after state lawmakers removed the tax on food and medicine in 2005, but committed to keep cities and counties whole, through "hold harmless" payments.

Then, in 2014, during the state's financial crisis, the state approved a 15-year phase-out of so-called hold harmless payments but authorized cities and counties to impose the three-eighths of one percent increase in GRT to make up for lost revenues from the hold harmless phase-out. The Las Cruces City Council approved the three-eighths of one percent increase in GRT. The council's action did not require voter approval. Had the hold harmless GRT not been implemented, it is estimated the City would have lost \$2.4 million in revenue during the 2018 fiscal year.

The GO bond is not paid for through a gross receipts (sales) tax increase, but a tax levied against property to pay for capital improvements throughout the city.

Why is the City considering general obligation bonds for park improvements if impact fees are already being collected?

Impact fees, alone, aren't enough to pay for the construction of parks or park improvements. Impact fees can offset construction costs for smaller, neighborhood parks, but aren't nearly enough to make improvements at larger parks that have more public ameni-

ties – such as Young, Apodaca and Desert Trails parks, and the Hadley (sports) complex.

Without approval of GO bonds, impact fees wouldn't cover the costs of new dog parks or the construction of a proposed East Mesa Public Recreation Complex, which would include a 10-acre park, a baseball complex, soccer and football fields, and eight new pickleball courts.

Shouldn't the City of Las Cruces be concerned with bigger issues, such as the possibility of a 24-percent increase in water rates, mental health, homelessness and the long-awaited (crisis triage) trauma center?

If water rates were to increase, the percentage and dollar amount is still to be determined. Ultimately, the Las Cruces City Council will make a final decision. It is also possible city council could decide to phase-in or implement full cost-of-service water rate adjustments. Also, if water rates were to be adjusted, a new rate would only reflect the needed cost to provide that service to residents.

Contingent on City Council decisions, a new water rate could go into effect in the fall of 2018 or early 2019.

It has been nine years since Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) has raised water rates. Also, LCU operates as an Enterprise Fund and is not funded through tax dollars.

Other concerns, such as mental health and homelessness are issues the Las Cruces City Council continues to pay attention to. As for the trauma center, while City officials continue to express genuine concerns of the facility, the disposition of the proposed trauma center is solely for the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners to decide.

Source: City of Las Cruces

Bond ballot explained

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This is the envelope you will receive in the mail for your mail-in ballot.



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This is the front side of the two-sided ballot, printed in both English and Spanish. There are four general obligation bond questions and three City of Las Cruces charter questions on the front side and three additional charter questions on back.



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This is the front of the Official Inner Envelope, in which to place your completed ballot. Note the hole in the middle.

Land commissioner withdraws from U.S. Senate race

BULLETIN REPORT

State Commissioner of Public Lands Aubrey Dunn announced July 30 that he is withdrawing from the race for U.S. Senate in New Mexico.

Dunn was elected land commissioner as a Republican four years ago and was eligible to run for re-election to a second four-year term this year. Instead, he considered a race for the open U.S. House of Representatives seat in New Mexico's second congressional district. The seat is currently held by U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce, R-N.M., who is running for governor.

Dunn ultimately decided to leave the Republi-



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can Party, join the Libertarian Party and announce his candidacy for the U.S. Senate seat held by Democrat Martin Heinrich.

Long-time Albuquerque commercial contractor Mick Rich is the Republican candidate for Senate.

"I believe I need to focus on my job as Land Commissioner for the remainder of my term," Dunn said in a news release announcing his decision to withdraw from the Senate race. "It is simply not possible to do that job like it needs to be

done while campaigning for another office."

Dunn said he is hopeful former New Mexico Gov. Gary Johnson will take his place as the Libertarian candidate for U.S. Senate. Johnson, who served as governor 1994-2002 as a Republican, has run twice for president of the United States as a Libertarian, in 2012 and 2016.

Heinrich, a former U.S. representative from Albuquerque, won the U.S. Senate seat in 2008.

Dunn's son, A. Blair Dunn, is the New Mexico Libertarian Party's candidate for attorney general.

Aubrey Dunn and his wife, Robin, own and operate the Gran Quivira Ranch near Corona.

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100 YEARS AGO 1918

• “Jesse Starr was to have hung at Las Cruces Friday, but at the last moment his attorneys succeeded in securing an extension of time from Governor Lindsay while the case is gone over for errors,” the Rio Grande Republic reported in early August 1918.

Starr and two other



MICHAEL SCANLON

Looking Back

men broke out of the Luna County jail, where Starr was being held for allegedly robbing a saloon, in Deming in March of 1916. They were tracked by a posse to a spot near

Rincon in Doña Ana County, according to earlier newspaper reports. It was there that Starr allegedly shot and killed Luna County Sheriff Dwight B. Stevens.

All three men were charged in the killing, but co-defendant Charles Schmidt ultimately was convicted of second-degree murder, and Francisco Acosta was acquitted. Starr was convicted on the murder charge and sentenced to hang in Las Cruces. But a public outcry across the state – except in Deming – called for his death sentence to be commuted to life in prison.

In the August 1918 article, the Republic says the governor was facing a dilemma similar to one the governor of California was facing at the time: “It is his sworn duty to enforce the law and see to it that law breakers are punished, but at the same time, he is human and susceptible to public opinion. Starr may be guilty, as the evidence seems to prove, but the governor wants to give him every opportunity to prove his innocence.” Starr’s death sentence was indeed later commuted to life in prison

after the state supreme court found him to be insane.

75 YEARS AGO 1943

• “Close to 3,000 tons of zinc have been taken from the Organ Mines since last June 1 under a war expanded demand for ore, ore and more ore, it was disclosed Saturday,” said an early August 1943 edition of the Las Cruces Sun-News. Numerous mines yielding various minerals operated around the mountainside community of Organ east of Las Cruces. Zinc, especially was in high demand during World War II for the production of arms and other war equipment.

• “Las Cruces schools will open at 8 a.m. and dismiss at 2 p.m. in order to avoid the afternoon heat, city Supt. C.S. Conlee announced Saturday,” the Sun-News reported. “A short noon hour will be observed. Schools would normally open at 8:35.”

50 YEARS AGO 1968

• “The annual Las

“They were tracked by a posse to a spot near Rincon in Doña Ana County. It was there that Starr allegedly shot and killed Luna County Sheriff Dwight B. Stevens.”

Cruces Chamber of Commerce drive for membership netted only 10 percent of its goal,” the Las Cruces Sun-News reported in early August 1968. “Chamber manager Harry Craig said Saturday that 20 new members had been signed up as of Friday night. The goal was 200 new members. “There seems to be a lack of interest concerning the chamber in Las Cruces,” Craig said. He indicated that the lack of interest was apparently not caused by the membership fees. He called the dues ‘not excessive.’”

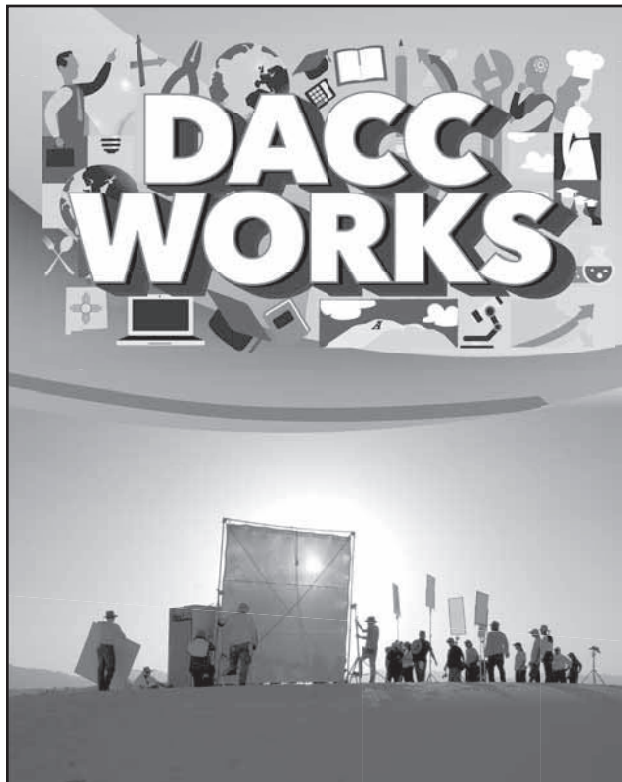
• “Fifty-seven building permits for construction valued at \$337,870 were issued by the city during the month of July, city officials reported,” says a Sun-News report. “The largest number of permits was issued for residential additions and alterations, totaling \$25,724. The category accounting for the highest individual cost was that of new single-family dwellings, with 12 permits totaling \$181,000.” Simple arithmetic reveals that the average cost to build a house in 1968 was a little more than \$15,000.

25 YEARS AGO 1993

• “The East Las Cruces Community Center will be auctioned off Aug. 11 unless the city steps in

to pay off old debts and run the center,” the Las Cruces Bulletin reported in early August 1993. “Apparently the city is considering doing just that. But at Monday’s City Council meeting, Mayor Ruben Smith said negotiations for the center are delicate and could not be discussed.” The center was owned by the East Las Cruces Neighborhood Association, which has accumulated various debts, including tax liens.

• “The Las Cruces Sun-News has settled a National Labor Relations Board complaint on behalf of two former employees who claim they were fired for trying to organize a union chapter at the newspaper,” the Bulletin reported. “Editors Steve Givens and Stephanie Taylor were told Jan. 4 that they were being fired in a budget-cutting move at the paper. However, both claimed that they were fired because they were leading a drive to organize a local of the Newspaper Guild. The National Labor Relations Board investigated their claim and filed a complaint against the paper and its owners.” Taylor got \$4,500 in back pay minus what she had earned at other jobs since being fired. Givens declined to say how much he received. The Sun-News was owned at the time by newspaper mogul William Dean Singleton.



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San Albino Catholic Church in Mesilla is seen as a smaller version of today's Basilica of San Albino in this photo taken around 1900.

San Albino, one of the oldest missions in the Mesilla Valley, was established by order of the Mexican government in 1851, according to the church website.

"The Mexican-American War had just ended, and land that belonged to Mexico would soon become part of the United States. A group of refugees from present-day northern New Mexico, Doña Ana County, and villages south of El Paso del Norte (now El Paso/Juarez) banded together under the direction of Cura Ramón Ortíz," says the history section of the San Albino website.

Mesilla remained part of Mexico until the summer of 1854, when the area was annexed to the United States through the Gadsden Purchase.

"The priest was appointed by the government of Mexico to be Commissioner of Emigration to assist Mexican citizens who wanted to resettle in Mexican territory. It was this band of settlers that arrived west of the Rio Bravo Grande del Norte to establish La Mesilla around 1850. The settlers soon established a central plaza which included a Catholic church. Constructed of mud and logs, this primitive structure was named San Albino."

The first church was

replaced by the late 1850s with a traditional fortress-style Mexican Catholic church of French architecture. The present-day Romanesque church was dedicated in the spring of 1908 at the north end of Mesilla's Plaza.

In 2008, the Vatican granted minor basilica status to San Albino in recognition of its leadership in the faith and life of the people it serves and for its dedication to history, education and works of art.

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Bursitis: A Leading Cause of Hip Pain (especially in women)

Las Cruces (NM)- The hip joint is an amazing part of the human body. For most of us, there is a lot of flexibility in the hip. The muscles around the hip provide power for us to move to standing from sitting, and to walk or run. They can handle the impact when we step down off of a curb. The hip joint is one of the largest and strongest in the human body. But, by virtue of its job and location, the hip takes a beating. And when it hurts, it can have a huge impact on our ability to move.

One of the primary causes of hip pain is bursitis, which is an inflammation of the bursa. A bursa is a fluid filled sac which serves as a cushion between bones and soft tissues such as muscles, tendons, and skin. Bursae are found throughout the body. In the hip, there are two major bursae - the most problematic one is the trochanteric bursa, which is located over the outside point of the hip.

The most common symptom of trochanteric bursitis is pain on the outside of the hip, often making it difficult to lie on that side. The pain may come on sharply, or gradually as a dull ache, and may be made worse with inactivity or with repetitive activity. If left untreated, the pain may spread to the thigh, low back, groin, or buttock. Because of this spreading pain, trochanteric bursitis can start to mimic hip joint pain.

Why do we develop trochanteric bursitis? Most of the time, the inflammation is caused by straining the tendon which rides over the top of the bursa too much.



Dennis Prickett
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Repetitive activities, such as running or walking up or down stairs, are often the culprit. More often than not, the bursitis is the result of some sort of compensation for another problem. For example, knee pain may cause you to change the way that you move to reduce the pain that you feel, and this can put strain on the tendon that moves over the bursa, and the bursa starts to complain. People who have had hip replacements often don't recover hip muscle strength sufficient to walk normally; this can also put a strain on the bursa.

A physician may decide to treat the pain and discomfort of bursitis with medication or an injection. Weight loss to minimize load on the joint and surrounding tissues may also be recommended. Physical therapists play an important role in the design of safe, effective exercise programs to strengthen muscles and improve joint mobility without pain and discomfort. They also have a number of treatment modalities available to reduce the pain and inflammation. Physical therapists are able to identify the compensation or activity that is causing the inflammation and pain, and can help to get you moving again.

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Friends Book Fair: Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 4-5, Barnes & Noble, Mesilla Valley Mall. Tell the cashier to credit purchases to Friends of the Library or enter 12381315 if purchasing online to help support Branigan Memorial Library. Also, it is tax-free weekend.

Rummage sale: 7 a.m.-noon Saturday, Aug. 4, Finley Hall, next to Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, 1240 S. Espina St. Sponsored by Catholic Daughters of America Court Santa Cruz No. 1298.

Geography Club: 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 North Main St. Each week families learn about different U.S. states through free arts and crafts. Fill the Geography Club passport

with a stamp for each new state visited. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

- Aug. 4: Virginia
- Aug. 11: North Carolina
- Aug. 18: South Carolina
- Aug. 25: Georgia

Solar Ovens: 11:45 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St. The museum presents "Saturday Family Science – Solar Ovens," where families can work together to build a solar oven and use the sun to cook a quick snack. Cost: Free. Info: 575-522-3120 or museums.las-cruces.org.

Elk Foundation banquet: 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, Las Cruces Convention Center, 608 East University Ave. Prizes, auctions, food, camaraderie for the

benefit of elk country. Info: Charles Tharp 575-644-0080, or www.events.rmfef.org.

USA Dance: 2-5:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. Lessons in Argentine tango at 2; general dancing at 2:45. Cost: \$5 members, \$10 non-members. Info: Jerry 575-639-3993 or geraldcarolcarson@gmail.com.

Library to close: Monday-Saturday, Aug. 6-11, Branigan Memorial Library will be closed August 6-11, 2018 for construction, staff training and cleaning. The Munson Center Branch and Sage Café branches will also be closed during this time. They will reopen at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 13.

Democratic women: 6 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 6, Lions Club Event Center, 1501 N. Solano. Federation of Democratic Women of Doña Ana County. Info: Rosemarie 575-650-3545.

GSK Summer Science: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, Aug. 7-10. Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main St. Program registration. Children in grades 2-6 are invited for active learning about the sun's energy, phases of the moon, human survival in space and how rockets overcome Earth's gravity. Registration must be completed by 4 p.m. the Saturday before the session starts.

Level 1: Entering grades 2-3, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Level 2: Entering grades 4-6, 3-4 p.m.

Head Start, Pre-K: 9 to 11 a.m. on Thursday, Aug.

9. Registration for families who qualify or have been accepted for the early learning programs. Classes start Aug. 15.

• Pre-K: Families who have been approved can register at seven elementary schools: Desert Hills, Hillrise, Jornada, Mesilla, Sonoma, Tombaugh and Valley View. To get pre-approved, call 575-527-6624.
• Head Start: Register at one of 12 LCPS elementary schools: Booker T. Washington, César E. Chávez, Columbia, Conlee, Doña Ana, Hermosa Heights, Loma Heights, MacArthur, Mesilla Park, Tombaugh, University Hills and Valley View.

LWV's 50 years: 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 North Main St. Lecture and panel discussion, "The

League of Women Voters in Las Cruces – Reminiscing," to mark the non-partisan organization's 50th anniversary in Las Cruces. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

Culture series: 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. "The Churro and the Navajo: One Family's Journey to Save the Sacred Sheep," presented by photographer Stacia Spragg-Braude.

Dance Las Cruces: 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, NMSU Golf Course Clubhouse, 3000 Herb Kimberly Drive. Country, swing, Latin and ballroom music of Jack Welch. Be-

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ginner, single, couple welcome. Free dance lessons at 6:45 p.m. Cost: \$8 members, \$10 non-members, \$5 students with ID. Info: 575-496-2761.

Pecan weevil hearing: 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 10, NM Department of Agriculture, 3190 S. Espina St. Hearing to receive public input on the newly developed rule regarding the pecan weevil interior quarantine. Written comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14. Early submission of written comments is encouraged. Individuals providing written comments in person at the meeting must provide two copies for the hearing officer. Info: www.nmda.nmsu.edu.

Co-op block party: 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11, Mountain View Market Co-op, 1300 El Paseo Road. The market's biggest event so far this year. Some highlights:

- 8 a.m.-noon: Maker's Market. Meet local farmers and buy their goods at the outdoor morning market.

- 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Organic green chile roasting. Walk-up roasting available. Get full cases of freshly roasted, aromatic organic green chile grown by Seco Spice in Berino.

- 11 a.m.-6 p.m.: Special Hot Bar menu. Have lunch with a fun menu, including a DIY nacho bar.

- Noon-4 p.m.: Kids' events. Children 4-10 years old can participate in three-legged races, watermelon seed-spitting contests, water balloon toss, egg races and more. Plus there will be sidewalk

chalk.

- 4:30-8 p.m.: Food trucks. Some of Las Cruces' favorite food trucks.

- 5-7 p.m.: Live music. Local bands performing.

- 7-8 p.m.: Open mic. Performers can sign up, first come-first served.

- Little Toad Creek Brewery and Distillery and Amaro Winery will be out in the evening selling beer, wine and spirits.

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day, Aug. 13, Sept. 24 and Oct. 15, 2405 W. Picacho Ave. No. 103. Spay & Neuter Action Program low cost spay/neuter surgery for pets of low-income households. Financial help available. Cost: \$40 for dogs, \$30 for cats, cash only. Info and appointments: 575-524-9265 or snapnewmexico.org.

Brown Bag Lecture: Noon Tuesday, Aug. 14, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Dave Dooling, veteran space writer and education director of the Alamogordo Space Museum, will present "Big Bird Visits Cloudcroft on His Way to Moscow."

Many spies of the Cold War stopped in Cloudcroft to get their eyes checked before taking a tour of the Soviet Union. Info: 575-528-3444 or museums.lascruces.org.

Children's theater classes: 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug. 14-Oct. 25, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. A Children's Theatre of the Mesilla Valley begins classes for its fall production of "Super Scary," Oct 25-26. Info: Kelly King 575-571-1413, Pinky Kingsley 575-644-9561 or www.achildrenstheatre.wix.com/achildrenstheatre.

Retake Our Democracy: 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. All-volunteer 501-c-4 group whose purpose is to engage, educate, organize and activate at the state and local levels to advance justice and equity. Coalition building among all interested progressive groups. All are welcome.

Farm walk: 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, Tesuque Pueblo. The Western Sustainable Agriculture

Research and Education New Mexico committee will sponsor a farm walk to show how farmers are combining the use of heirloom seeds from the Tesuque Pueblo Seed Bank with innovative agricultural practices. Cost: Free, including lunch. Info, and to make arrangements: Laurie Novak 575-646-1715. Register online at rsvp.nmsu.edu/rsvp/farm-walk2018.

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Artisan/Crafters Guild: 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, Cruces Creatives Makerspace, 205 East Lohman Ave. Mesilla Valley Artisan/Crafters Guild meet-

ing is open to everyone with an interest in learning how to transform a hobby into a viable business. Bring a sample of work and a possible business name. Register at www.crucescreatives.org under events. Info: Donna

915-269-4736.

Native Plant Society: Two events are planned for August. Info: Leave a message at 575-523-8413.

• 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22, Good Samaritan Village Conference Room,

3025 Terrace Drive. Dr. Dawn Browning will present "Southwest Season Trackers: Citizen Science fills gap for desert plant phenology," the study of periodic plant and animal life-cycle events and how seasonal or climatic varia-

tion, such as flowering time, elevation and climate changes affect plants & animals.

• 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, east end of the former Kmart parking lot. Meet up for a field trip to Aguirre Springs.

Free admission: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Annual Community Appreciation Day features demonstrations, such as blacksmithing, milking, wool spinning, sewing, weaving and wood-carving. Also pony rides, living history, children's games, a plant sale, and more.

Off-site work session: 5:45 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Las Cruces City Council will hold a work session for the purpose of studying problems and having deeper discussions about issues. No official action is taken, but the council may give instructions to the city manager. Cost: Free.

Stars-N-Parks: Learn about the night sky at NM state parks. Arrive at sunset to become familiar with 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: John Gilkison 575-635-0982 or National Public Observatory on Facebook public groups.

• Saturday, Sept. 1: Rockhound State Park. Sunset: 7:32 p.m. Program Start: 8:45 p.m., Program End: 10:15 p.m. Saturn transiting, Mars following and Jupiter setting in the west. The Summer Milky

Way is past the meridian and Andromeda is rising in the east. Presenter: Mike Nuss

• Saturday, Sept. 8: City of Rocks State Park. Sunset: 7:23 p.m. Program Start: 8:35 p.m., Program End: 10:05 p.m. Saturn transiting, Mars following and Jupiter setting in the west. The Summer Milky Way is past the meridian and Andromeda is rising in the east.

Santa Teresa Charity Golf: 1-6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, Vista Hills Country Club, 2210 Trawood Drive, El Paso. Organized by Santa Teresa Charitable Foundation, a tax-deductible, non-profit organization, supports the Honors Programs in the Sunland Park, Desert View, and Riverside Elementary Schools, uniform donation programs, and scholarships for high school graduates pursuing a secondary education. Sponsorships \$100-\$5,000. Info: 575-589-2200 Ext.14 of priscila@gpiinc.biz.

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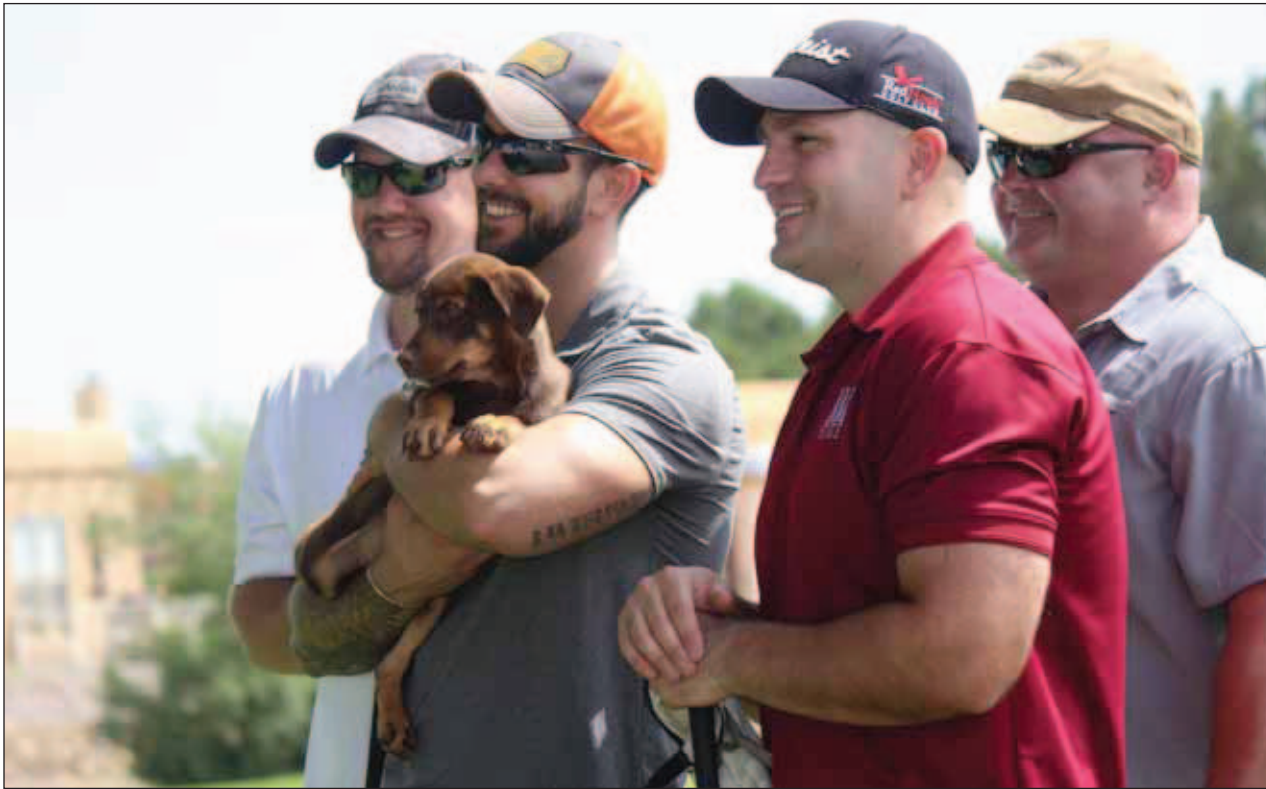


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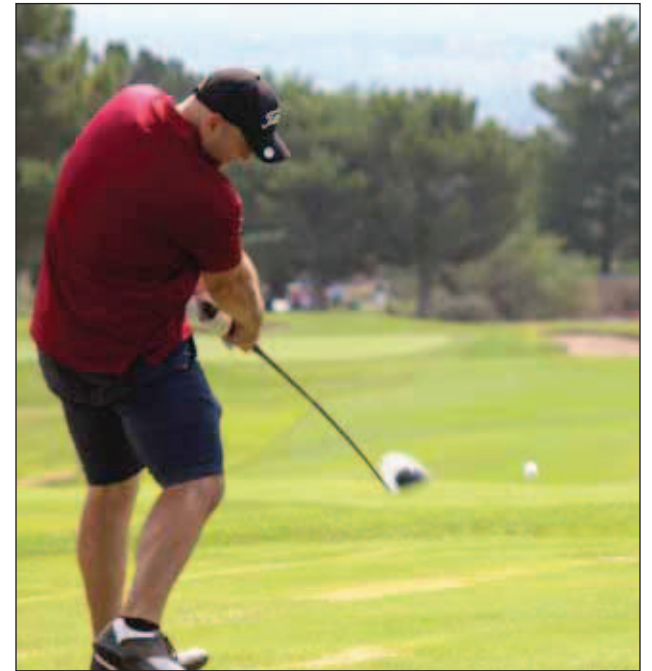
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Mulligans fore Mutts

The Mulligans fore Mutts charity golf tournament teed off Saturday, July 28, at Picacho Hills Country Club with a fundraiser for ACTION Programs for Animals in its ongoing effort to rescue cats and dogs.



Esmeralda, Ella and Erika play in the pen with Savannah Lujan, 10.



Nathan Hooven tees off from No. 10.



Erika, a 3-month-old Labrador-Doberman mix, curiously explores her surroundings.



Ashley Smith, volunteer from ACTION Program for Animals, holds Erika, a 3-month-old Labrador-Doberman mix.

Sim Chi Yin stands on a rock wall, shooting a photo of building ruins outside the McDonald Ranch House.

PHOTOS LEAH ROMERO/
U.S. ARMY



Photographer documents WSMR for Nobel project

By LEAH ROMERO
For the Bulletin

The desert was still as she waited for the clouds to uncover the perfect lighting, illuminating a bunker – weather-beaten and forgotten.

The photographer was Sim Chi Yin, documenting Trinity Site and its surrounding area for a project for the Nobel Peace Center.

A Singaporean photographer based out of Beijing, Chi Yin has had her work displayed in festivals and museums around the world. She was commissioned to photograph nuclear related sites for the Nobel Peace Prize Exhibition of 2017 for the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons laureate.

Her purpose was to take provocative photographs for their cause. She began work on the project “Fallout” in October 2017 and spent two months photographing sites.

“The project here was very open ended,” Chi Yin said. “I think I was just trying to make landscape pictures that speak to the legacy and reality of nuclear weapons in the world and to get people to kind of reflect on what they are, what they’ve done in the past and where we are and where we stand as individuals, as countries, as societies.”

She said the project was urgent because she only had two months to complete the work. Trinity Site was included in her list of places to document as an extension of the work, along with sites in Nevada and the Dakotas. The project is on display for a full year and will close this November.

“We managed to cover six dates last November and we didn’t make it to New Mexico,” Chi Yin said. “I’m really kind of intrigued by the fact that this place was chosen to be kind of the birth place of the A-bomb. I was trained as a historian, so the

history of it really intrigues me.”

Chi Yin and her assistant Gabriel Ellison-Scowcroft spent the day on July 9 at Trinity Site visiting bunkers located 10,000 and 800 meters from ground zero, Jumbo, the McDonald Ranch House and ground zero itself. Jumbo was a 214-ton casing designed to go around the plutonium bomb, and the McDonald Ranch House was where the plutonium core was assembled. They also spent time the day prior photographing missiles and rockets on display at Missile Park, located on the main post.

Chi Yin explained that the project is being shown in various other exhibitions around the world as well. She flew to Italy the following day to open an exhibition about nuclear weapons that will be on display throughout summer. An exhibit will be on display in Singapore as well.

Chi Yin said she would be open to extend the project even further and possibly go abroad to



Sim Chi Yin during a break while on assignment for the Nobel Peace Center at White Sands Missile Range.

photograph nuclear sites, including more contemporary areas.

A range of Chi Yin’s work can be viewed online at her website, <http://chiyinsim.com/>

National Night Out is Tuesday

BULLETIN REPORT

The Las Cruces police and fire departments are hosting Tuesday evening’s National Night Out on Main Street Downtown.

National Night Out will be held from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7, along Main Street in downtown Las Cruces. The event is free and open to the public. Parking can be found in the lots surrounding Main Street Downtown and at City Hall.

National Night Out gives residents an evening to meet neighbors and area first responders. It’s kid-friendly with many giveaways and one-on-one interaction with first responders and organizations from throughout southern New Mexico. Some of the participants will provide free food and drinks including pizza, popcorn and shaved ice.

More than 60 agencies, first responders, organizations and businesses are expected to take part in this year’s National Night Out.

Among the various activities planned for National Night Out the Las Cruces Police Department will host a free Ident-A-Child, and Codes Enforcement personnel will have a bicycle rodeo for youngsters. Mounted patrol units typically show their horses and allow parents to take pictures with their children.

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Legal Notice

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 10, 2018, Duval Family Revocable Trust Dated April 18, 2000, Thomas and Linda Duval, Trustees, 8406 Rocky Acres Trail, Las Cruces, NM 88001, together with Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association, represented by Joshua L. Smith, Watson Smith Law, PO Box 2183, Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed application numbered LRG-31-1 and LRG-31-2 into LRG-80, OSE File Numbers LRG-31-1 and LRG-31-2, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well and Place and Purpose of Use within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by transferring 24.78 acre-feet per annum consumptive use from 9.53 acres of land, located within the SE 1/4 of projected Section 6, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, owned by Duval Family Revocable Trust Dated April 18, 2000, historically irrigated with groundwater from well LRG-31 located within the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 6, Township 22 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 25' 13.24"N, 106° 52' 18.38"W (WGS84), on land owned by the Duval Family Revocable Trust Dated April 18, 2000. Said 24.78 acre-feet per annum is instead to be diverted from existing well LRG-80-S-2 located within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 1 West, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 29' 15"N, 106° 55' 18.3"W (WGS84), on land owned by Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association, from existing well LRG-80-S-4 located within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 1 West, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 29' 10.2"N, 106° 55'

18.2"W (WGS84), on land owned by Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association, and from existing well LRG-80 POD7 located within the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 1 West, NMPM and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 29' 20.1"N, 106° 55' 18.0"W (WGS84), on land owned by Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association, and related purposes within the Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association service area, located within Sections 11 through 14, Township 21 South, Range 1 West, NMPM, formerly known as the Fort Selden Water Company Service Area serving the communities of Radium Springs and Fort Selden, New Mexico. Wells LRG-80-S-2 and LRG-80-S-4 are located within Radium Springs, NM and may be found at the physical address of 12695 State Park Road No. SP4. Well LRG-80 POD7 is located within Radium Springs, NM and may be found approximately 0.3 mile west of the intersection of Leasburg State Park Road and Tres Amigos Road.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed

to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 07/20, 07/27, 08/03, 2018

NOTICE is hereby given that on July 10, 2018, Milton and Janet Romney, PO Box 1107, Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed application numbered LRG-10501-POD5, OSE File Number LRG-10501-2, 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 using wells LRG-10501-S and LRG-10501-S, on land owned by Salopek 6U, and use existing supplemental well LRG-10501-POD5, on land owned by Kyle Romney, located within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected S 10, Township 24S, R2E (NMPM) and more specifically located near the intersection of X=1,491,276 Y=448,885 ft., NMSA, 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 0.95 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of said projected Section 10 as described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-002-0169 of the Third Judicial Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The well, LRG-10501-POD5, is located south of Las Cruces, NM and may be found at 6215 Forest Hills Ct, Mesilla Park, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number 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

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Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 08/17, 2018

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

CV-2018-1253
JUDGE MARTIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF HENRY FIBIAN MARQUEZ, FOR CHANGE OF NAME.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **HENRY FIBIAN MARQUEZ**, a resident of Mesilla Park, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein he seeks to change his name from **HENRY FIBIAN MARQUEZ** to **HENRY FABIAN ADAME**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge, on the 14th day of August, 2018, 3:00 p.m., Doña Ana County District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

(seal)

HENRY FIBIAN MARQUEZ
4801 S. Main St, #128
Mesilla Park, New Mexico 880047
(505) 206-2486

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 2018

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

NO. CV-2018-1390
JAMES T. MARTIN

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF ALICE BERNADINE ROMERO FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Alice Bernadine Romero, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Alice Bernadine Romero to Alicia Bernadine Romero, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge on the 13th day of August, 2018, at the hour of 1:30 p.m. at the Third Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Alice B. Romero
Alice Bernadine Romero
3725 Argus Street
Las Cruces, NM 88005
575-496-2909

Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 2018

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

NO. CV-2018-1477
MARCIE BEYERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF GUADALUPE BENAVIDEZ FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Guadalupe Benavidez, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Guadalupe Benavidez to Pita Benavidez, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Marci E. Beyer, District Judge on the 13th day of September, 2018, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. at the Third Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Guadalupe Benavidez
Guadalupe Benavidez
1811 View Ct.
Las Cruces, NM 88011
575-522-7705

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 2018

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

NO. CV-2018-1516

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF MARY COWLEY

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with the provisions of Section 40-8-1 through Section 40-8-3 NMSA 1978 Comp., the Petitioner Katherine Hadrian will apply to the Honorable Marci E. Beyer District Judge of the Third Judicial District at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, Las Cruces, New Mexico at 9:00 a.m. on Sept. 13, 2018 for an Order for Change of Name for her minor child from Mary Cowley to Mary Hadrian.

Respectfully Submitted,
/s/ Grace B. Duran
Grace B. Duran
Attorney for the Petitioner
230 S. Alameda Blvd. Bldg. 2
Las Cruces, N.M. 88005
(575) 541-0329

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 2018

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

No. D-307-PB 2018-82
Judge Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GENEVA B. GATES, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
No. D-307-PB-2018-00081
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BESSIE O. GARCIA, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 08/17, 2018

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

NO. CV-2018-1424
MARCIE BEYERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF TERRELL JAMES RUSHMORE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Terrell James Rushmore, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County,

New Mexico, wherein he seeks to change his name from Terrell James Rushmore to Slavno Extortion Usetorchabebe, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Marci E. Beyer, District Judge on the 14th day of August, 2018, at the hour of 11:00 a.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM.

(seal)

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

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 2018

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

No. D-307-PB-2018-00081
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BESSIE O. GARCIA, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

Dated: July 20, 2018

/s/ Virginia Alice Thompson
Virginia Alice Thompson,
Personal Representative
of the Estate of Bessie O. Garcia

PREPARED & SUBMITTED BY:
JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A.
PO Box 366

Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
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/s/ Joseph M. Holmes
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 08/10, 2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00325

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION ("FANNIE MAE"), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

vs.

THOMAS COOK, OLGA COOK; Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO Defendant, Thomas Cook

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), A Corporation Organized And Existing Under The Laws Of The United States Of America 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 5065 Pueblo Trl., Las Cruces, NM 88012-7371. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 9G IN BLOCK NUMBERED 13 OF ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST COMPANY AMENDMENT #2 OF SUBDIVISION "C" BLOCK #12,13,14 & 15 AS CORRECTED, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST COMPANY AMENDMENT #2 OF SUBDIVISION "C" BLOCK #12,13,14 & 15 AS CORRECTED, FILED IN

THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON 07/17/1967 IN PLAT BOOK 10, FOLIO 10-12.

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
Karen Weaver
Jason Hoggard
6501 Eagle Rock NE, Suite A-3
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113
Telephone No.: (505) 219-4900
jhoggard@mccarthyholthus.com
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 08/10, 2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2018-01176
Beyer, Marci

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

THE ESTATE OF ALFONSO M. MARTINEZ, DECEASED; ALFREDO MARTINEZ, Individually and as Personal Representative of The Estate of Alfonso M. Martinez, Deceased; WHITE SANDS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION; and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF ALFONSO M. MARTINEZ, Deceased, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: Defendant(s) The Unknown Heirs, Devisees or Legatees of Alfonso M. Martinez, Deceased

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on

property located at 7632 Shannon Road, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

A tract of land situate in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 19, T.22S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a 1/2" iron rod found on the centerline of Shannon Road for the Northwest corner of the tract herein described; whence the Northwest corner of Section 19, T.22S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys bears the following two courses and distances: N.89 Deg.10'57"W., 233.45 feet; thence N.55 Deg.47'16"W., 1696.27 feet;

Thence from the point of beginning and along the centerline of Shannon Road, S.89 Deg.10'57"E., 233.45 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found on the centerline of Caraway Drive for the Northeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the centerline of Caraway Drive, S.00 Deg.07'22"E., 466.80 feet to a nail set on the centerline of a 50 foot wide road and utility easement for the Southeast corner of this tract;

Thence along the centerline of said easement, N.89 Deg.10'47"W., 232.78 feet to a nail set for the Southwest corner of this tract;

Thence leaving the centerline of said easement, N.00 Deg. 12'18"W., 466.80 feet to the point of beginning, containing 2,500 acres of land, more or less.

That unless you respond to the Complaint within 30 days of completion of publication of this Notice, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Name, address, and phone number of Plaintiff's attorney: Little, Bradley & Nesbitt, P.A., P.O. Box 3509, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3509, 505-248-2400.

WITNESS the Honorable MARCI E. BEYER, District Judge of the Third Judicial

District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 17th day of

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July, 2018

(seal)

David S. Borunda
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By /s/ Victor A. Eres
Victor A. Eres, Judicial Specialist

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 08/10, 2018

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

Probate No. 18-0174

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA RITA ORTIZ SOSA also known as RITA O. SOSA, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed co-personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned co-personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007.

Dated: July 30, 2018

/s/ Daniel Sosa, III
Signature of personal representative
Daniel Sosa, III

3615 Tower Rd., SW

Albuquerque, New Mexico 87121
(505) 873-6587

Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 08/17, 2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. D-307-CV-2017-03195

BOKF, N.A., Plaintiff,

v.

JULIE A. RAYKOVICS, AND GMAC MORTGAGE, LLC, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on August 28, 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 11, CRESCENT PARK ADDITION, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 11, 1960, in Book 1, Page 47 of Plat Records

The address of the real property is 2021 Crescent Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88005. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on April 16, 2018 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$80,127.42 plus interest from January 31, 2018 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.250% 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
Special Master
Pro Legal Services, LLC
201 Eubank Blvd. NE, Suite A1
Albuquerque, NM 87123
(505)715-3711

Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 08/17, 08/24, 2018

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

NO. CV-2018-00980
JUDGE: MARTIN

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS CRUCES, on behalf of the

LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,

vs.

DAVID CLARK, THE ESTATE OF DAVID CLARK, ANY HEIRS, KNOWN OR UN KNOWN, VERONICA GRAVES, AND ONE (1) 1998 DODGE RAM, WHITE; VIN: 1B7HC16Y0WS763646; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. PJH358, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondents the ESTATE OF DAVID CLARK, HEIRS KNOWN OR UNKNOWN; AND Respondent VERONICA GRAVES:

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1998 DODGE RAM, WHITE; VIN: 1B7HC16Y0WS763646; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. PJH358.

2. You are the named Respondents for whom this service by publication is sought.

3. A default judgement may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted,
CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: /s/ Robert A. Cabello
Robert A. Cabello
P.O. Box 20000
(575) 541-2128
(575) 541-2017 Fax
Attorney for the Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable Martin, James T., District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 23rd day of July, 2018.



(seal)

David S. Borunda
COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: /s/ Josie A. Gomez
Josie A. Gomez-deputy

Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 08/17, 2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. D-307-CV-2017-01390

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT AS TRUSTEE OF SECURITIZED MORTGAGE ASSET LOAN TRUST 2015-1 REO, Plaintiff,

v.

GABRIEL MAESTAS AND AMANDA L. MAESTAS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on August 28, 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:

A 1.08 acre tract of land situate in Section 23, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, being a portion of the subdivision of Lots 4 & 5 of the Brazito Tract in the Hugh Stephensen Grant, south of Las Cruces, Dona Ana County, New Mexico, and being more particularly described as follows to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the south line of East Organ Road for the northeast corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod, **WHENCE** a found highway right-of-way rail Station 400+00 bears N 87 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds, W, 2407.70 feet;

THENCE from the point of beginning and leaving the south line of said road S 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds W, 210.41 feet to the southeast corner of the tract herein described, marked by a found iron rod;

THENCE S 89 degrees 59 minutes 58 seconds W, 224.45 feet to a point on the centerline of the road and utility easement known as Primos Court for the southwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a set iron rod;

THENCE along the centerline of said road and utility easement N 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds E, 210.41 feet to a point on the south line of East Organ Road for the northwest corner of the tract herein described, marked by a set iron rod;

THENCE along the south

line of said road N 89 degrees 59 minutes 58 seconds E, 224.45 feet to the place and point of beginning, containing 1.08 acres of land, more or less, and subject to a 20 foot wide road and utility easement parallel and immediately adjacent to the east line of the above described tract, also subject to the following road and utility easement:

BEGINNING at a point on the south line of East Organ Road for the northeast corner of the easement herein described, **WHENCE** a found highway right-of-way rail Station 400+00 bears N 89 degrees 59 minutes 58 seconds E, 179.45 feet, and N 87 degrees 10 minutes 00 seconds W, 2407.70 feet;

THENCE from the point of beginning and leaving the south line of said road along a curve to the left, having a radius of 25.00 feet, an arc length of 39.27 feet, a tangent of 25.00 feet, a central angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds, and whose long chord bears S 44 degrees 59 minutes 58 seconds W, 35.36 feet to a point of tangency of the easement herein described;

THENCE S 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds W, 125.41 feet to a point of curve for the easement herein described;

THENCE along a curve to the left, having a radius of 25.00 feet, an arc length of 23.18 feet, a tangent of 12.50 feet, a central angle of 53 degrees 07 minutes 48 seconds, and whose long

chord bears S 26 degrees 33 minutes 54 seconds E, 22.36 feet to a point of reverse curve of the easement herein described;

THENCE along a curve to the right, having a radius of 50.00 feet, an arc length of 46.36 feet, a tangent of 25.00 feet, a central angle of 53 degrees 07 minutes 46 seconds, and whose long chord bears S 26 degrees 33 minutes 54 seconds E, 44.72 feet to a point of tangency for the southeast corner of the easement herein described;

THENCE S 89 degrees 59 minutes 58 seconds W, 50.00 feet to the southwest corner of the easement herein described, marked by a set iron rod;

THENCE N 00 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds E, 210.41 feet to a point on the south line of East Organ Road for the northwest corner of the easement herein described, marked by a set iron rod;

THENCE along the south line of said road N 89 degrees 59 minutes 58 seconds W, 45.00 feet to the place and point of beginning, containing 0.12 acre of land, more or less;

And subject to any other easements of record and such as may exist on the ground.

The address of the real property is 8005 Primos Ct., Las Cruces, NM 88005. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street

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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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(505)715-3711

Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 08/17,
08/24, 2018

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

No. 18-0182
Judge Diana A. Bustamante,
PhD

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE
ESTATE OF:
FRED A. LEHMAN, DE-
CEASED.**

**NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **RHONDA L. LEHMAN** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED this 13th day of
July, 2018.

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

SHANE A. ENGLISH

Attorney for Rhonda L. Lehman,
Personal Representative
N.M. State Bar No. 4854
Post Office Drawer 1329
Anthony, NM 88021
(575) 882-4500
(575) 882-5000 [FAX]
knel1329@aol.com

Dates: 07/20, 07/27, 08/23,
2018

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

No. 18-0176

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
JAMES JOSEPH
GARTHWAIT,
DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO
CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **CAROLYN SWEENEY** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

Dated: July 18, 2018.

CAROLYN SWEENEY
151 Dorset Lane
Madison, CT 06443

Prepared by:
ALAN D. GLUTH
New Mexico Bar #14980
Gluth Law, LLC
2455 East Missouri, Suite A
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88001
Telephone: (575) 556-8449
Facsimile: (575) 556-8446

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 08/10,
2018

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

No. 18-0159

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF**

**CHRISTINA DAWN
WILLIAMS-RIVERA,
DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **ANDRE RIVERA** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED: June 27, 2018.

ANDRE RIVERA
4837 Calle Bella Avenue
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88012

Prepared by:
ALAN D. GLUTH
New Mexico Bar #14980
Gluth Law, LLC
2455 East Missouri, Suite A
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88001
Telephone: (575) 556-8449
Facsimile: (575) 556-8446

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 08/10,
2018

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

No. 18-0159

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
CHRISTINA DAWN
WILLIAMS-RIVERA,
DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **ANDRE RIVERA** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455

E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED: June 27, 2018.

ANDRE RIVERA
4837 Calle Bella Avenue
Las Cruces, New Mexico
88012

Prepared by:
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Telephone: (575) 556-8449
Facsimile: (575) 556-8446

Dates: 07/27, 08/03, 08/10,
2018

**State of New Mexico
in the Probate Court of
Doña Ana County**

No 18-0079

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF Teddy
G. Fox, aka Teddy Glen
Fox, aka Teddy Fox, aka
Teddy Glenn Fox, DE-
CEASED.**

**NOTICE TO KNOW
CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or other delivery of this notice, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: Diana A Bustamante, PhD, Probate Judge, 845 Motel Blvd, 1-201, Las Cruces, NM 88007

Dated: July 25, 2018



Boyce Elbert Tankersley, III
PR
Teddy G. Fox Estate
340 Gatewood Lane
Grayslake, IL 60030
847-431-1501

Dates: 08/03, 08/10, 08/17,
2018

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

Case No:
D-307-CV-2017-02754
Judge: Beyer

**CHISHOLM'S COM-
MERCIAL, LLC,
Plaintiff,**

v.

**HIGH DESERT EVENT
RENTAL, LLC,
BRENT MCCANN and
MELANIE MCCANN,
Individually, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF ACTION**

**TO DEFENDANTS:
HIGH DESERT EVENT
RENTAL, LLC, BRENT
MCCANN AND
MELANIE MCCANN**

You are hereby notified that Chisholm's Commercial, LLC, the above-named Plaintiff, has filed a civil action against you in the above entitled court and cause alleging Breach of Contract and Debt and Money Due. The Plaintiff is represented by an attorney and his name is:

Watson Smith, LLC
Joshua L. Smith, Esq.
P.O. Box 2183
Mesilla Park, NM 88047
Tel. (575) 528-0500

The cause of action does not
involve real property.

You are further notified that unless you enter an answer in said cause within thirty days after the last publication of this notice, a judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully submitted,
WATSON SMITH, L.L.C.
/s/ Joshua L. Smith
Joshua L. Smith
Attorney for Plaintiff
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The Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra will begin its 39th season later this year.

Raising the baton

Klein begins 20th year as Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra director

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Maestro Dr. Lonnie Klein begins his 20th year as music director of the Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra (LCSO) with a visit to the Spencer Theater in Alto in August, Pops Under the Stars on the Plaza de Las Cruces and four classics concerts that will bring some of the world's most outstanding musicians to Atkinson Recital Hall in the New Mexico State University Music Building.

"We've got a good season," Klein said. "I'm excited about it."

Klein will also be traveling this year to guest

conduct in Michigan, Texas and the Republic of Mexico. And he has a trip planned to Italy next summer to guest conduct with the Orchestra de Grosseto during a three-concert tour.

"I've got more gigs next year than I've probably had in 10 years," said Klein, who came to Las Cruces in June 1998 and led the LCSO in concert for the first time that October. Since first picking up the baton for the symphony, Klein has helped it quadruple its revenue generated each year.

On Oct. 13, Klein will be the Irving (Texas) Symphony Orchestra's guest conductor for "The

Mambo Kings – A Latin Jazz Tour."

In Traverse City, Michigan, Klein will conduct the Traverse Symphony Orchestra at its Nov. 18 Fireworks Festival concert, featuring an all-Leonard Bernstein program in honor of the award-winning American composer and conductor's 100th birthday (he was born Aug. 25, 1918 and died Oct. 14, 1990).

Klein will return to Traverse City to conduct its orchestra's Dec. 15-16 "Home for Holidays" Christmas concert.

Also in December, Klein will guest conduct

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Last year's September Pops under the Stars concert had a huge turnout. This year's outdoor concert is at Plaza de Las Cruces, Sept. 14.



UPCOMING EVENTS

FRI AUGUST 3 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Rhythm Roundup - Music and Motion for ages 2-5

FRI AUGUST 3 • 3:30 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Library Lab - Activities/Stories for ages 6-10

FRI AUGUST 3 • 5:00-8:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
First Friday Art Ramble - Michael Nail

FRI AUGUST 10 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Tango for a Piano & Cello - Mexican Consulate (FREE)

MON AUG 6-SAT AUG 11 • ALL DAY **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
The Library will be closed as part of the annual cleaning and staff training week

TUE AUGUST 14 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Read to Me (Story time for ages 3 and up)

TUE AUGUST 14 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Jaws - Museum Science series - Free

TUE+THU AUGUST 14+16 • 4:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Teen Game Night

WED+THU AUGUST 14+15 • 10:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Toddler Time (Stories/Activities for ages 1-3)

WED AUGUST 15 • 11:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Mother Goose Time (Activities for Infants)

WED AUGUST 15 • 2:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Design and Create

SAT AUGUST 18 • NOON **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Mary Poppins - \$1

SAT AUGUST 18 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Breakfast at Tiffany's - \$8

SAT AUGUST 25 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Guess Who's Coming to Dinner - \$8

SAT AUGUST 25 • NOON **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
The Little Mermaid - \$1

SUN AUGUST 26 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Borderlands Film Festival: 48 Hour Film Festival Screening - Free

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the Esperanza Impecca Symphony Orchestra in Mexico City in a concert featuring soprano Barbara Padilla and tenor Fernando de la Mora.

Klein, a native of Henderson, Kentucky, said he wanted to direct an orchestra from a very early age. "I knew when I was 10 years old," he said.

Klein was a drum major by age 13 and during his years at Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky. Klein has a bachelor's degree in clarinet performance from Murray State, a master's of music from Michigan State University and a doctorate in performance from the University of Illinois.

You can meet with Klein during Lonnie's Spotlight Luncheons, beginning at 11:30 a.m. the Thursday (Oct. 4 and Nov. 29, 2018 and March 7 and May 2, 2019) prior to each LCSO classics concert weekend at Paisano Café, 1740 Calle de Mercado in the Bulletin Plaza.

Each lunch includes a preview of the upcoming program and information about composers and guest soloists.

For 2018 symphony orchestra season tickets or tickets to individual shows and for more information on the Thursday lunches, call LCSO at 575-646-3709 or email info@lascrucessymphony.org. Visit www.lascrucessymphony.com.

Here is LCSO's 2018-19 season – the symphony's 39th year:

• **"Live and Let Die: The Music of Paul McCartney,"** 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18 (buffet dinner is available at 6 p.m.), Spencer Theatre, Alto. Klein and 12



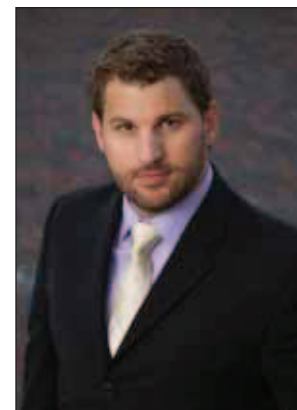
Renowned tenor saxophonist James Houlik of Pittsburgh will join the Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra for its Sept. 14 Pops under the Stars concert at the downtown plaza.

NMSO musicians will join performer Tony Kishman and his five-member touring band to perform songs by the Beatles and Wings. The same show sold out in Denver in February, Klein said. For tickets, visit www.spencertheater.com.

• **POPS under the Stars concert, 7:30 pm.** Friday, Sept. 14 (gates open at 5:30 p.m.), Plaza de Las Cruces. Tickets are \$16 general admission (open seating) \$51 for a single VIP-table seat or \$510 for a VIP table of 10. The outdoor concert will feature guest performer Jim Houlik, a tenor saxophone virtuoso from Pittsburgh who will perform Duke Ellington and Big Band charts with LCSO.

"From the East Room of the White House, to solo appearances with orchestras in London, Prague, Istanbul, Berlin, Chicago, Phoenix and New York, to recitals in the music capitals of the world, James Houlik has redefined the role of the tenor saxophone," according to jamehoulik.net.

LCSO will also perform a salute to veterans, Klein said, including Sousa marches and music from conductor/composer John Williams featured in "Star Wars" and "Star Trek"



Tenor Alex Richardson, a native of Las Cruces, will be the guest soloist during the Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra's Classics Two concerts in December.

movies/television.

The concert will also include a "pre-concert conducting lesson for kids," Klein said. Kids of all ages will be invited to come up on stage at 7 p.m. to join Klein in conducting a Sousa march.

"I really want kids to come down, give them a baton," Klein said, "then we're going to lay a march in 2-4 time and the kids are going to be able to conduct the symphony."

The event will also include food vendors and adult beverages, and concert goers can dance under the autumn stars.

• **Classics One concert, 7:30 p.m.** Saturday Oct. 6 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, Atkinson Recital Hall, NMSU Music Building, 1075 N. Horseshoe on the NMSU campus. Guest soloist Philippe Quint will perform "Astor Piazzolla Le Quattro Stagioni" (Four Seasons) on the violin during this return engagement with LCSO. The symphony will also perform Heitor Villa Lobos' "Bachianas Brasileiras No. 7."

"I've known Philippe Quint for years," Klein said. "This guy's a superstar. We've been friends for years and I just wanted to



PHOTOS COURTESY LAS CRUCES SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Violinist Philippe Quint is the guest soloist during the Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra's Classics One concerts in October.

bring him back."

Quint is a multiple Grammy award nominee and one of the premier violinists of his generation, according to www.philippequint.com.

Quint "studied at Moscow's Special Music School for the Gifted with the famed Russian violinist Andrei Korsakov and made his orchestral debut at the age of 9," according to the website. Quint earned bachelor's and master's degrees from The Juilliard School and has performed across the United States and around the world.

• **Classics Two concert: 7:30 p.m.** Saturday, Dec. 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, Atkinson Recital Hall. The guest soloist is tenor and Las Cruces native Alex Richardson, who will perform Neapolitan Art Songs with LCSO. The orchestra will also perform Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's "Sleeping Beauty" and a series of Christmas encores and "maybe even a sing-along," Klein said.

Neapolitan art songs are "what everybody sings, even the kids, if you go to Italy," Klein said, includ-

Italian composer and pianist Andrea Padova will join the Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra for its March 2019 Classics Three concerts.



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ing “O Sole Mio.”

Richardson has performed with the Santa Fe Opera, Metropolitan Opera, the Boston Pops and at Carnegie Hall, according to www.alexrichardson.com.

The New York Times wrote that he “had a voice ... so powerful, he could summon Neptune from the sea.”

• **Classics Three concert:** 7:30 pm. Saturday, March 9, 2019 and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 10, Atkinson Recital Hall. Italian composer and pianist Andrea Padova is the guest soloist and will perform Frederic Chopin’s “Piano Concerto No. 2” with LCSO. The orchestra also will perform Tchaikovsky’s “Francesca da Rimini.”

Klein said he first met Padova “while guest con-

ducting in Italy years ago.”

Padova “is a prize-winner of several international composition contests,” according to www.andreapadova.com. As a pianist, his collaborators have included Leonard Bernstein, and he has commissioned piano works to many Italian and American composers.

• **Classics Four concert:** 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 4 and 3 p.m. Sunday, May 5, Atkinson Recital Hall. The concert will include a newly commissioned piece by composer David Amram, “Partners: A Double Concerto for Violin, Cello and Orchestra,” performed by guest soloists Maria Schleuning on violin and Jolyon Pegis on cello. The orchestra will also perform Richard Strauss’ “Der Rosenkavalier.”

“Most orchestras our size don’t commission work because it’s too ex-



Guest soloists Maria Schleuning on violin and Jolyon Pegis on cello will join the Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra for its May 2019 Classics Four concert.

pensive,” Klein said. LCSO partners with other orchestras to form a consortium to commission works, he said. The performance will be the Southwest premiere of Amram’s piece, he said.

“It’s going to be a beautiful piece, a love song,” Klein said. “It’s pretty exciting.”

“David Amram is an American living composer,” Klein said, and featuring his work is in contrast to the more usual “dead white European male music.”

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Native Plant Photo Contest

Native Plant Society of New Mexico calls on photographers to submit native plant im-

ages in gardens or in the wild. Selected photographs can win prizes and will be featured in NPSNM publications and social media. Submit photos by Sept. 30 at www.npsnm.org/summer-photo-contest.

New Horizons Symphony

The orchestra seeks cello, violin and percussion players. Weekly rehearsals start at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, in the band room at the NMSU Music Center. Membership is \$50 for the year. Concerts for the 2018-2019 season are Nov. 11, Feb. 24, and May 19. The symphony is a member of the New Horizons International Music Association. Info: 575-522-1498, kenmar4@comcast.net or www.nhsocruces.com.

St. Andrews Arts and Crafts Fair

Artists and crafters needed to participate in St. Andrews Episcopal Church Christmas Arts and Crafts Fair Oct 26-27. Info: Trish 575-993-4928.

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

How Does Your Garden Grow?

Through Aug. 5

Rack of fiber art seed packets by New Mexico region of Studio Art Quilt Associates. NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum Arts Corridor, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Contemporary Abstract Art

Through Aug. 9

Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road, features Lawrence Kupferman, Leo Doheman, Marc Chagall, Victor Vasarely, Matisse, Ernest Trova, Victor Carneiro, Delmas Howe and others.

Otero Mesa Photo Exhibit

Through Aug. 24

Photo exhibit featuring local photographers whose works highlight the grasslands and wild-life of the Otero Mesa. Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St.

League of Women Voters: Celebrating 50 Years

Through Aug. 25

Exhibit highlights the chapter's mission, positions and advocacy from its founding through current activities. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St.

Photographed in black and white

Through August

Storm Sermay's solo show, "Oceans and Deserts" at the Tombaugh Gallery inside the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. Exhibit opens at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, with an artist's talk beginning at noon.

Pencil, colored pencil and charcoal

Through Sept. 1

Michael Nail, a Las Cruces resident for 38 years, shows his drawings at the Rio Grande Theatre, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday.

Flamenco: From Spain to New Mexico

Through Sept. 15

Exhibit from the Museum of International Folk Art traces flamenco to its arrival in the U.S. and its rise as an international art form. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St.

100 Years Strong

Through Sept. 16

History of the Farm & Livestock Bureau. Soil conservation, better irrigation methods, and improved crop production occupied 300 Mesilla Val-

ley farmers and ranchers who first gathered in 1917. NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Jenny Morgan: A Higher Ground

Through Sept. 21

Exhibit tracks the development of Morgan's body of work from graduate school at the School of Visual Arts to her more recent paintings exploring the individual. University Art Gallery, D.W. Williams Hall, 1390 E. University Ave.

Braceros: Melding History and Art

Through Oct. 3

Sculptures by Diana LeMarbe, paintings by Jeri Desrocher, and historical research by Raymond Cobos that together tell a unique facet of an underappreciated part of U.S. history, the Bracero Program. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St.

Las Cruces and Gadsden student art

Through mid-October

More than 100 original student works on display in the first-floor corridors of the Doña Ana County Government Center at 845 N. Motel Blvd.

Light Works: A Century of Photography

Through Oct. 27

Exhibit from the collection of the Kalamazoo Institute of Arts includes Alfred Stieglitz, Edward Curtis, Ansel Adams, Dorothea Lange, Diane Arbus, Richard Avedon and others. Opening reception 5-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3, Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St.

Artist Jacob Pfeiffer's long journey

Through Dec. 2

Oil painting on canvas and linen featuring scenes of Native Americans and early settlers, animals and scenes of local sites, such as Las Cruces Farmers' and Crafts Market. NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum Arts Corridor, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Opening reception 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16.

Dressed for the Occasion

Through March 3, 2019

Women's everyday and dress clothing from the pioneer days of the 1870s to the Depression era of the 1930s. NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum Legacy Gallery, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

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August 10-16
First Reformed

A priest of a small congregation in upstate New York grapples with mounting despair. Starring **Ethan Hawke** and **Amanda Seyfried**. (OC)

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

A&E EVENTS

Downtown Art Ramble: 5-7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 3, in the art and cultural corridor in downtown Las Cruces. Self-guided tour of galleries, shops, businesses and restaurants. Cost: Free. Info and map: daarts.org/downtown-art-ramble

Open mic: 7 p.m. Fridays, Aug. 3 and Sept. 7, Howling Coyote Coffeehouse, 575 N. Main St. Acoustic music, poetry, comedy, or stories containing family-appropriate material in five to 10 minutes onstage. Doors open at 6 p.m., numbers are drawn at 6:30. Cost: Free. Info: bobandmelody@sbc-global.net.

Artrageous in August: 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays in the atrium between the Museum of Art and the Museum of Nature & Science. Hands-on art-making. August's theme is about "Art & Writing." Info: 575-541-2137 or museums.las-cruces.org. August subjects:

- Aug. 4: "Bleezers Ice Cream," a poem by Jack Prelutsky
- Aug. 11: Emotional Weaving
- Aug. 18: Cinquain Poems
- Aug. 25: The Best Part of Me

Alzheimer's fundraiser: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, Michele's Dance Academy, 1195 E. Madrid Ave. Free line-dance classes and free family treats and games. Benefits Alzheimer's Association.

OutsmART workshop: 1-2 p.m. Saturdays, Aug. 4 and 11, University Art Gallery, 1390 E. University Ave. Each workshop will be inspired by a piece in the University Art Gallery current exhibition. Info: 575-646-2545.

- Aug. 4: Jenny Morgan, color and light.
- Aug. 11: A sticky Situation, creating tape people.

Stories for Grownups: 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, First Presbyterian Church, 299 E. Boutz Road. Told by members of the Storytellers of Las Cruces. With classical guitarist Lee Bartlett performing 1:15-1:30.

High Desert Brewing: Live music 8-11 p.m. Thursdays and Saturdays, 1201 W. Hadley Ave.

- Saturday, Aug. 4: TBD.
- Thursday, Aug. 9: Derrick Harris, blues.
- Saturday, Aug. 11: Rio Grande Bluegrass Band.
- Thursday, Aug. 16: Benji Rivas, solo guitar.
- Saturday, Aug. 18:

Double Clutchers, rockabilly.

- Thursday, Aug. 23: Danny Sanchez, solo guitar.
- Saturday, Aug. 25: Moments Notice, blues/rock.
- Thursday, Aug. 30: Eryn Bent, singer/songwriter.

Little Toad Creek: Live music, 119 N. Main St.

- 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5: Jazz brunch with Derrick Lee Band.
- 7-10 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7: Open mic night with Danny Graves.
- 8-11 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 8: The Moves Collective, funk grass band.
- 8-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 10: Jim Dixon, singer/songwriter.

- 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11: Three Rivers, Americana, bluegrass, country.
- 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12: Jazz brunch with Derrick Lee Band.

- 8-11 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14: Karaoke.
- 7-10 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15: Travis Manning, singer/songwriter.
- 8-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17: Hollow Roots, gritty rock from Nashville.
- 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19: Jazz brunch with Der-

rick Lee Band.

USA Dance: 2:45-5:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. Two-step, waltz, foxtrot, cha-cha, tango, swing and more. Free dance lessons 2-2:45 p.m. Cost: \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members. Info: Jerry Carson, 575-639-3993.

Music in the Park: 7 p.m. Sundays at Young Park. Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department's 2018 Music in the Park Series. Cost: Free. Info: 575-541-2550.

Aug. 5: Remember Then ... A Class Act, Las Cruces, oldies; and Soul Shine, Las Cruces, rock, folk, soul, and country.

Aug. 12: Tequila Nights, Las Cruces, variety; and the Johnny Hernandez Band, Las Cruces, variety.

Aug. 19: Reviva, Albuquerque, original ska, reggae and world beat; and the Bubba Kush Band, Las Cruces, classic rock.

Aug. 26: C. J. Chenier & the Red Hot Louisiana Band, Port Arthur, Texas, Zydeco; and Joseph Gen-

eral Band, Albuquerque, reggae.

Feed Your Mind: 5:30-7 p.m. Mondays, DAAC Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Calle de Mercado. Summer short courses with art historian Kathleen Key. Cost: \$50 for the four-part series, \$20 per seminar. Proceeds benefit Arts Council programs for children. Info: 575-523-6403 or www.daarts.org. The series:

- Aug. 6: Joaquin Sorolla (Spanish, 1863-1923).
- Aug. 20: NC Wyeth (1882-1945), Andrew Wyeth (1917-2009) and other Wyeth family members (American).

Acoustic concert series: 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11, and the second Saturday of each month, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 518 N. Alameda. An op-

portunity to listen to music in fellowship with others. Cost: \$10, free for children 10 and younger.

Sci-Fi Summer Film: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 North Main St. Las Cruces Museum of Nature & Science presents "Jaws." A special guest host will discuss the science versus fiction during a brief introduction. Cost: Free. Info: 575-522-3120 or museums.las-cruces.org.

Courtyard yoga: 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Beginner and experienced yoga enthusiasts bring their own mat for an evening of yoga with Dwell Yoga. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

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After the rodeo: finding a reason to ride



COURTESY SONY PICTURES

After his injury, Brady's rodeo days are swept away on the lonesome prairie.

By **JEFF BERG**
For the Bulletin

Brady Blackburn more or less portrays himself (Brady Jandreau) in the outstanding, gently paced, and perfectly shot film “The Rider.”

Blackburn, the character, has received a terrible head injury in a rodeo and has been told that rodeo is no longer going to be a part of his life. Just like real life for Jandreau.

He was a top rider until injured and of course finds it nearly impossible to not continue with his promising career. He has a stapled scalp and other assorted hurts and has now reached a crossroads in his life.

Living on the windswept prairie near South Dakota's Badlands, which are shown in several moving scenes, Blackburn knows only horses and rodeo – and of course there is not much opportunity in the area, which is near, or part of, the Pine Ridge Nation, one of the poorest spots in the United States.

The film is not a documentary, but at times feels as such, which is not at all a bad thing. Directed by Chloë Zhao, whose previous feature, the terrific “Songs My Brother Taught Me,” “The Rider” incorporates real life into every scene.

Jandreau's real father (Tim) plays his tough-guy father, challenging Brady and chiding him as well. Brady's real sister, Lilly, is also a co-star. She has a learning dis-

GRADE: A

Starts a week run at the Fountain Theatre on Aug. 3. Starting my 17th year with the Bulletin... land o' Goshen! And many thanks to the folks who came to the book event at Coas and the film clip event at Doña Ana Arts Council!

ability that does not hold her back in the least. Her gentle and often keen observations add still another note of realism to the picture.

Another factor that weighs on Brady is his best friend, Lane. Played, again, by the real Lane (Lane Scott), Brady watches as Lane, who is now almost completely disabled, “pretends” to be a rider when Brady goes to see him at the care center where he now lives. In real life, Scott, another promising rodeo rider, was severely injured in a car accident, from which he did recover.

At times, Brady, who takes up training horses and gets a part-time gig at the local market, also suffers from injuries, as we watch his right hand stiffen and curl, on occasion at the most inopportune times.

It worsens progressively as the film unfolds and this also helps Brady realize that rodeoing is a thing of the past.

A bit later, Brady purchases a spirited horse and works to train the beautiful creature to be one that he can ride. But there are also money troubles at the Blackburn household, and

other horses, including some that Brady truly cares for, must be sold to make ends meet.

“The Rider” is not a rodeo film, per se. There are only a couple of short rodeo competition scenes, mostly as flashbacks, until Brady decides he must try to rodeo again.

Rather, this is a beautifully rendered and quiet “slice of life” film, allowing us to once again meet people who we would never meet in real life (Zhao met Brady Jandreau after his accident and the story developed from there), one in which we think we know the outcome but really don't.

If you're in the mood for a high-action rodeo film, find copies of the outstanding work with Cliff Robertson from 1972, “J.W. Coop”; Sam Peckinpah's quietly lyrical piece with Steve McQueen and Ida Lupino, “Junior Bonner” (1972); or the made-in-New Mexico pieces, both released in 1972, “When the Legends Die” with Richard Widmark and Frederic Forrest, and “The Honkers,” with James Coburn and Slim Pickens. Another top rodeo film is “The Lusty Men” from 1952 with Robert Mitchum and Susan Hayward.

But for something much more real and believable, “The Rider” is the film for you.

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.

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'The Laramie Project': The roles of a lifetime

If you know me, you know one of the things you are careful about bringing up is "The Laramie Project."

I can talk for hours about my life-changing experience with this play, which I was in 14 years ago on the Hershel Zohn stage at NMSU.

I got to have lunch recently with one of Las Cruces' best young actors, Isaac Lucero, who is in the amazing cast of the 2018 production of the play at Las Cruces Community Theatre. Talking to Isaac brought back a lot of great memories about the NMSU production and the impact it had on me as an actor and as a human being.

There were nine actors in our show, playing 64 parts. I played 13 different characters, including the governor of Wyoming, a detective for the Albany County, Wyoming Sheriff's Department, an emergency-room doctor and playwright Moises Kaufman.

Kaufman and other members of the Tectonic Theatre Project based in New York City traveled to Wyoming shortly



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MIKE COOK

Theatre 101

after the Oct. 12, 1998, murder of gay University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard. Shepard was severely beaten by two young men, tied to a buck fence

in a remote area near Laramie, and left to die in freezing weather. In a coma, Shepard was not discovered until about 18 hours after the attack. He died in a Fort Collins, Colorado, hospital six days later, having never recovered consciousness.

The story itself is deeply moving; a tale of hate, fear, sadness and ultimately of forgiveness. The NMSU production was, for me, a magical time in my life. I was unemployed, so my entire focus for several months in the late summer and fall of 2004 was this play. I rehearsed for hours in my backyard and even talked on the phone to three of the characters I played, including Kaufman and then Sheriff's Department Det. Rob Dubree, whom I just learned died in 2016.

I remain incredibly grateful to the play's co-directors, Jim and Claudia Billings, for casting me, and to the stage manager, Mike Wise. The haunting music he selected for the beginning of the show as the entire cast entered through the audience will always be with me. Jim, Claudia and Mike are all still on the NMSU theatre department staff, and my heart is touched every time I see them.

Members of the cast remain among my closest

friends.

I remember Frankie Rentas (who now lives in Seattle) playing the part of Jedediah Schultz, a University of Wyoming acting student who was profoundly impacted by Shepard's murder.

Jedediah is one of the parts that Isaac will play in the LCCT production. Frankie, now 35, and Isaac, who is 26, remind me of each other. Each has talent and appeal and that indefinable something extra that we tend to describe as stage presence. I can't wait to see what Isaac does with the role of Jedediah.

In fact, I can't wait to see what the entire LCCT cast does with "The Laramie Project."

The rest of the cast includes Eric Brekke, Darin Cabot, Robert McNamara, Norman Lewis, Barton Mendenhall, Karl Heist, Craig Sanders, Gus Sanchez, Ryan Steinmetz, Gail Wheeler, Susie Ouder Kirk, Nora Brown, Alex Wheeler, Xodia Chocate, Gabriella Brillante, Tatiana Garzon, Mia Ayon and Layne Lauterbach. The production is supervised by Ron Nash.

The show opens with a special fundraiser performance for Southern New Mexico Pride on Friday, Aug. 10, and runs for a total of nine Friday and Saturday night and Sunday afternoon performances at LCCT, 313 N. Main St. Call 575-523-1200 for tickets and more information; visit www.lcctnm.org.

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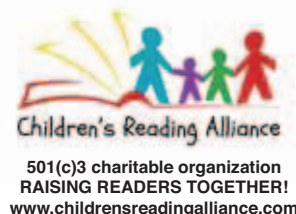
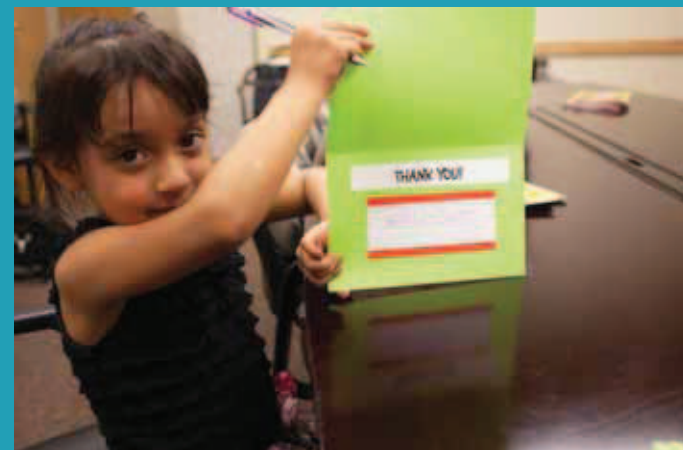


LAS CRUCES COMMUNITY THEATRE PHOTOS

Isaac Lucero and Alex Wheeler in a rehearsal of "Lend Me a Tenor" at Las Cruces Community Theatre. Both star in LCCT's upcoming production of "The Laramie Project."

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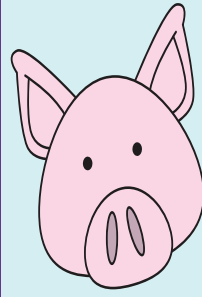

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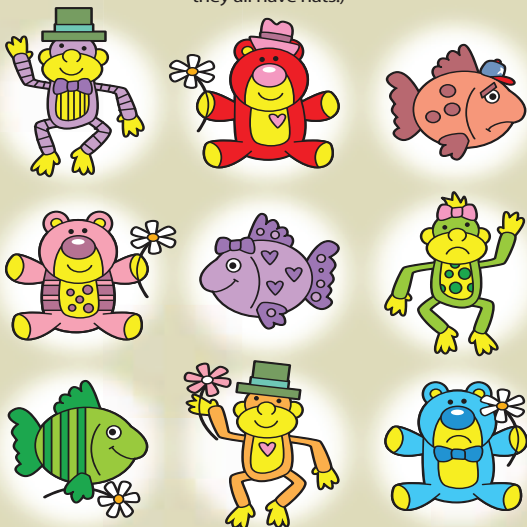
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FUN AT THE FAIR

There is so much to see at a fair: cows, sheep, horses, displays of beautiful flowers, pie and cake baking contests, quilts, concerts, crafts, farm and livestock exhibits, carnival games and rides. All of these make fairs an exciting experience for the whole family.

Puzzling Prizes

Lots of people play carnival games at the fair to win plush toys. Find what each prize has in common in the same row, across, up and down, and diagonally. (Hint: In the first row across, they all have hats.)



ANSWERS: Top row: All have hats. Middle row: All have spots. Bottom row: All have flowers. Left vertical row: All have spots. Middle vertical row: All have a heart. Right vertical row: All are sad. Diagonal from upper left corner to lower right corner: All have a bow. Diagonal from upper right corner to lower left corner: All are fish.

Who won the Pie Baking Contest?

Here are the top three pies in the fair's Annual Pie Baking Contest. Use the judge's secret code below to add up each pie's score. Write in 1st, 2nd or 3rd place on each pie's ribbon. Color the 1st place ribbon blue.



- = 2
- ★ = 3
- ▲ = 4
- = 5
- ⊕ = 6
- ⊗ = 7
- ⊖ = 8
- ⊗ = 9

Judge's Score Card

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Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

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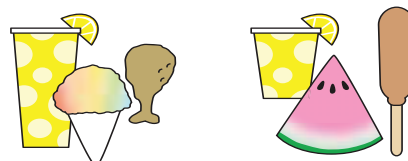
Crunch the Numbers

The fair is filled with stuff to eat! Look over the Snack Shack menu. Add up the total price of all the items in each group and figure out which order belongs to which person.

SNACK SHACK

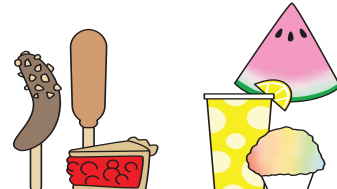
CORN DOG	\$5.50	FROZEN BANANA	\$3.00
FRIED CHICKEN	\$4.25	SNOWCONE	\$3.50
WATERMELON	\$2.00	CHEERRY PIE	\$4.75
LEMONADE: SMALL \$2.25		LARGE \$3.25	

Kevin spent \$9.75 at the Snack Shack. Madison spent \$8.75. Emily spent \$11.00 and Ethan spent \$13.25.



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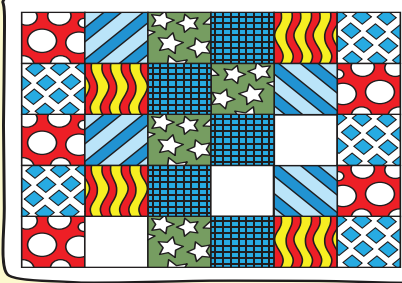
Before and After

Cut out the number from the newspaper that comes before and after each number on these balloons:



Kid Scoop Puzzler

Draw in the missing squares to finish the pattern on this quilt for the fair.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

LIVESTOCK
CONCERTS
RIBBON
FLOWERS
HORSES
CRAFTS
SNACK
SHEEP
DOG
RIDES
CAKES
PIES
FAIR
FARM
COWS

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

S K A P S T F A R C
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R F L O W E R S I U
E S A D T S E D I R
C F E O L S N A C K
N A C S H S E O S M
O R P E R W E V E T
C M E S N O B B I R
I P T I O C H N P L

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Number News

Cut out five numbers from today's newspaper. Rewrite each number in a different way. If the number is all digits, rewrite in word format. If the number is written as a word, rewrite using digits.

Standards Link: Math: Number sense.

Write On!

Carnival News

Write a news article about an imaginary carnival. Be sure to include who, what, where, when and how.

Kid Scoop Together:

POPPED QUIZ

Step right up! Work with a friend or family member to calculate the fewest number of balloons to pop to reach 100.



Standards Link: Math/Number Sense: Calculate sums to 100.

EVENTS

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Contra Dance: 7:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17, Mesilla Community Center (2251 Calle de Santiago). Southern New Mexico Music and Dance event features The Little Table Contraband with Lonnie Ludeman calling. Instruction at 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$6, \$4 youth, \$15 family. Info: 575-522-1691 or www.snmmds.org.

No Strings Theatre: 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Aug. 17-Sept. 1; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Aug. 26-Sept. 2; 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. The improbable story of a kitten who follows the path of so many heroes by leaving home to find herself. Info: 575-523-1223.

Children's matinee: Noon, Saturday, Aug. 18, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. "Mary Poppins," the classic story of two children faced with the prospect of getting a new nanny. Cost: \$1, cash only.

Classic film: 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. "Breakfast at Tiffany's," based on Truman Capote's novel. Cost: \$8 at the door or online at riograndetheatre.org.

Blues concert: 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. The Back Porch Blues Band performs for Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society monthly concert series. Cost: \$5 members, \$10 non-members, \$1 for students with ID.

History of cinema: 5:30-7

p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 22, Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 North Main St. Documentary on Eadweard Muybridge, pioneering photographer, showman, and murderer. Some themes may not be suitable for audiences under 13. The museum is open until 8 p.m. every Wednesday through the summer. Info: 575-541-2137 or museums.las-cruces.org.

Children's matinee: Noon, Saturday, Aug. 25, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Disney's animated feature "The Little Mermaid." Cost: \$1, cash only at the door.

Classic film: 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner." A couple's attitudes are challenged when their daughter introduces them to her African-American fiancé. Not Rated. Cost: \$8 at the door or online at riograndetheatre.org.

Borderlands Film Festival: 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. The Borderlands Film Festival: 48 Hour Film Contest/ Screening is a competition where contestants have one weekend to make a short film. The films will premiere on the big screen for a live audience. Cost: Free.

History Game Night: 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Test your knowledge of the 1940s to the 1990s with a game called "Reminiscing" as well as a "Picture Bingo" game focused on the history of Las Cruces. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.



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Panel celebrates recovery of stolen painting

BULLETIN REPORT

A public panel discussion is taking place at Western New Mexico University to celebrate the first anniversary of the return of Willem de Kooning's "Woman - Ochre," which had been lost for 30 years, to the University of Arizona Museum of Art.

The "Woman - Ochre" Recovery Celebration Panel takes place at 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, at the WNMU Besse Forward Global Resource Center Auditorium, 1000 W. College Ave., Silver City, which is at the corner of 12th

and Kentucky streets on campus.

On the panel are the business owners who found the painting, David Van Auker, Buck Burns and Rick Johnson; and University of Arizona Museum of Art staff. WNMU President Dr. Joseph Shepard and WNMU Foundation Director Jodi Edens-Crocker worked with the U of A Museum of Art to coordinate this event.

The panel will review the painting's history and importance, recount the return adventure, and share future plans. There is no cost to at-

tend the panel, but ticketed events will occur Saturday.

"Woman-Ochre," an abstract that was stolen from the University of Arizona Museum of Art in 1985, was recovered last August in Silver City when an antique and furniture dealer purchased the painting at an estate sale in the nearby town of Cliff. When he began to suspect he had an original de Kooning he did some research and called the U of A. The painting is worth close to \$165 million.

For information visit art-museum.arizona.edu.



Interested parties gather around Willem de Kooning's "Woman - Ochre," an abstract stolen from the University of Arizona Museum of Art in 1985 and recovered last August in Silver City.

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Delano Lewis: many memories, no regrets

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

It's hard to imagine a more interesting or meaningful life than one that has led Delano Lewis from a small town in Kansas to the highest levels of law, business, government, politics and public service in a trail-blazing 35-year career in Washington, D.C., to retirement in Las Cruces.

Lewis has gathered stories from his remarkable life into a new book, "No Condition Is Permanent: A Collection of Memories," that is available at COAS Bookstore and online.

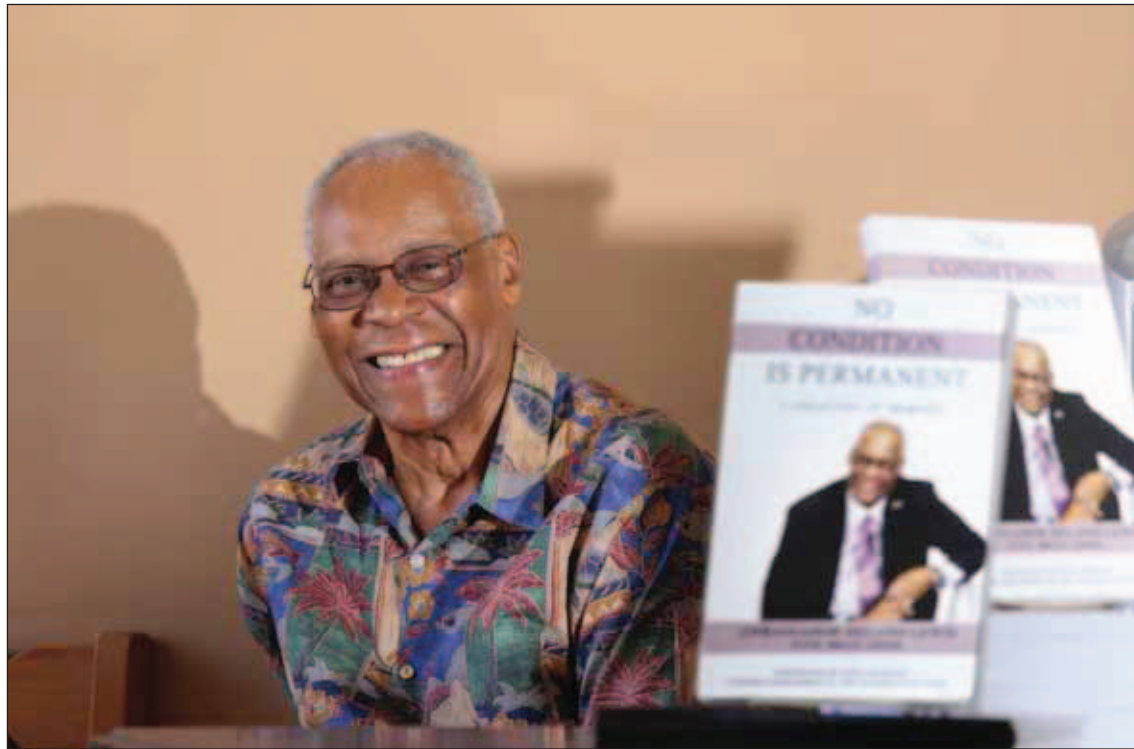
Born in Kansas in 1938, Lewis lived through segregation and rose to become the first African-American CEO of National Public Radio. He worked in the U.S. Department of Justice, was a major telephone company executive during the breakup of the Bell system, was director of East and South Africa for the Peace Corps and led the effort to establish home rule in Washington, D.C., where he was a major player in city politics and often touted as a candidate for mayor.

After his retirement, Lewis was called back into public service in 1998, serving three years as U.S. ambassador to South Africa.

Lewis is a close friend of Bill and Hillary Clinton, a former classmate of NBA great Wilt Chamberlain and the father of a famous television actor and director, Phil Lewis, who played Mr. Moseby for six years on the Disney Channel series "The Suite Life of Zack & Cody" and "The Suite Life on Deck."

Phil Lewis also helped his dad write "No Condition Is Permanent."

"I am pretty sure that if you read much of this book, you will find yourself saying: 'This guy is too good to be true,'" former Washington Post publisher



BULLETIN PHOTO BY STEVE MACINTYRE

Retired ambassador Delano Lewis at a recent book signing at COAS Bookstore, downtown Las Cruces.

Don Graham says in the book's foreword.

Graham said he met Lewis in the late 1960s when both were young business executives in the nation's capital.

"There were people who were respected in D.C.'s white community and others who were respected in its much larger African-American community," Graham writes. "A tiny number were respected in both, and Del Lewis would have led that list."

Lewis, who turns 80 in November, remembers his humble beginnings in rural Kansas.

"I grew up in a segregated community," he said.

Lewis was the only child of a father who worked for the railroad and a mother who served as a domestic.

He graduated from Sumner High School in Kansas City, Kansas, in 1956. The staff was all black and "the best teachers," he said, teaching at a segregated school because they couldn't get teaching jobs else-

where.

Lewis got a "very good, solid education," he said, played the violin and trumpet in the school band and was a drum major.

Brought up "caring for others" and at the same time knowing that "segregation was there," Lewis became interested in Civil Rights and the law at an early age.

He decided to pursue a legal career to "try to make change through the rule of law," he said. "I just believed that you could change within the system."

Lewis married the former Gayle Jones in 1960 and has benefited from her "love, trust and truth" for nearly 60 years, he said.

Lewis graduated from the University of Kansas in Lawrence in 1960 and earned a juris doctorate from the Washington University School of Law in Topeka, Kansas, in 1963.

With jobs in most local law

firms not open to blacks, Lewis went to work for a sole practitioner in Topeka. He soon got a call from the Justice Department offering him a job in the Internal Security Division. Lewis arrived in Washington, D.C., on his 25th birthday. Ten days later, he was on Capitol Hill the day President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, working for Kennedy's brother, Attorney General Robert Kennedy.

Lewis later became a lawyer with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; served on the staff of U.S. Sen. Edward Brooke, a liberal Republican and the first African-American elected to the U.S. Senate; became CEO of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company; and served on the boards of Colgate-Palmolive and Eastman Kodak, among others.

After guiding Washington, D.C.'s Home Rule Act through Congress in 1973, Lewis made

Excerpt from 'No Condition Is Permanent'

In the fall of 1998, as Delano Lewis and his wife, Gayle, were packing to move to their second home in Las Cruces, the phone rang. Gayle answered, then handed the phone to her husband, whispering, "It's the vice president of the United States calling!"

"He says, 'Del, this is Al' (Gore)," Lewis wrote. "Then his voice turned very official and he continued, 'Del, I am calling on behalf of President Clinton and the president would like to nominate you as the next ambassador to the Republic of South Africa.'"

his only bid for public office, as one of nine candidates running for a seat on the D.C. city council. He lost to future Mayor Marion Barry, but then led Barry's transition team into the mayor's office in 1978.

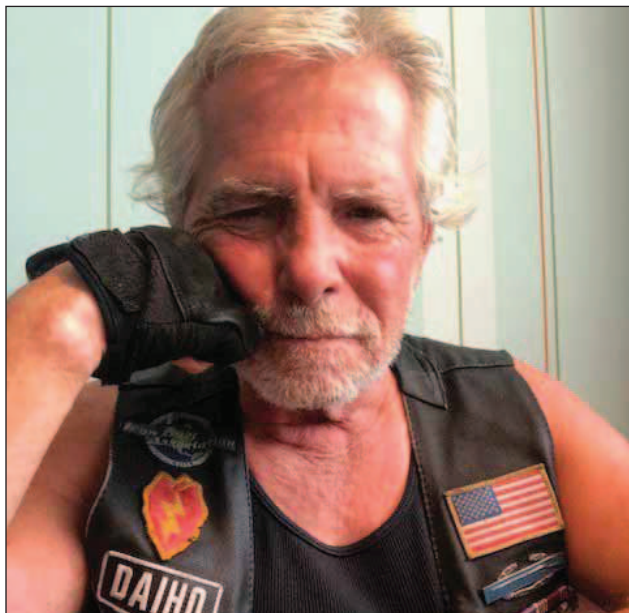
Life and career are about three things, Lewis said: hope, perseverance and service to others. His friends and heroes, including Bill Clinton, Barack Obama and Nelson Mandela, have all offered "a vision for a better tomorrow," Lewis said.

Also the author of "It All Begins with Self," published 2015, Lewis said the title of his second book comes from an African proverb he's known for years.

"I hope my memories will inspire many to take chances and live life with no regrets, move beyond your shortcomings and never let your past define you," Lewis said.

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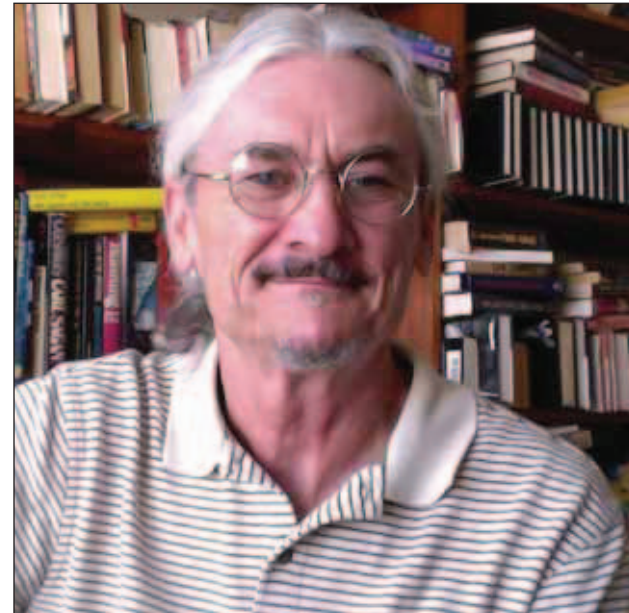
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A little friendly advice: Write, revise – revise again

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Editor's note: fifth in a series about Celebrate Authors

More than 20 local, published authors have now signed up for the 2018 Celebrate Authors event that will be held Sept. 16.

The fifth annual Friends of Thomas Branigan Memorial Library Celebrate Authors event will be held 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, in the Roadrunner Room of Branigan Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.

To participate, authors must be residents of the southern New Mexico region and their books must have been published in 2013 or later, said Librarian Carmella Lee. July 31 was the last day to sign up.

Books submitted for inclusion in the event span various genres, from fiction to non-fiction,

poetry, science fiction, short-story collections and children's books.

Here is information about three more authors who will be part of the 2018 Celebrate Authors event:

- **C.S. Fuqua** has lived in Las Cruces for the past four-and-a-half years, and is the author of numerous books, including nonfiction: "Native American Flute Craft," "The Native American Flute: Myth, History, Craft," "Muscle Shoals: The Hit Capital's Heyday & Beyond," "Notes to My Becca," "Divorced Dads," "Alabama Musicians" and "Music Fell on Alabama"; fiction: "Walking After Midnight; Collected Stories," "Big Daddy's Fast-Past Gadget," "Rise Up," "Trust Walk," "Butterflies Die," "Flight of the Omni," "Deadlines," "Death in Service" and "Hush, Puppy! A Southern Fried Tale"

(children's fiction); and poetry: "White Trash & Southern; Collected Poetry," "The Swing: Poems of Fatherhood," "Cancer" and "If I Were, I Would!" (children's poetry).

"Read voraciously," is Fuqua's advice to other writers and would-be authors. "Research thoroughly. Write a working draft without worrying how good or bad it is. Then revise, revise, revise, revise. Put it aside and play a while. Then revise, revise, revise until, finally, a decent version's produced. Then revise again."

- **Rev. Dr. Harvey Daiho Hilbert** is from Las Cruces and has lived in New Mexico for about 20 years, he said. Daiho is the author of "Living Zen" and "Zen in Your Pocket," which he said are works of nonfiction and meditation/spirituality.

Daiho's advice to writers is "Write every day.

Every day. If suffering from 'writer's block' then write a description of where you are sitting or lying down. Add a thought. Add a feeling. Add yourself. Now, write out how you felt following these instructions."

- **Jesus J. Barquet** has lived in Las Cruces since 1991 and is most recently the author of books of poetry, including "Aguja de diversos," "Venturous Journeys/Los viajes venturosos" and the compilation "Cuerpos del delirio" (sumario poetico, 1971-2008).

Barquet's advice to writers is "to read (and learn from) the major poets of any language from around the world. Writing has been for me to hopefully find my place in that long tradition of world poetry."

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“St. Basil’s Cathedral Inspired Spires,” by Sunrise Elementary School fifth grader Cinthya Soto; art teacher: Cynthia Smith.



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“Mesilla Valley Landscape,” by MacArthur Elementary School fourth grader Erik Lara; art teacher: June Walton.

Young artists

Las Cruces and Gadsden school district students are exhibiting approximately 100 works of art through mid-October in the first-floor corridors of the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Here is a sampling:



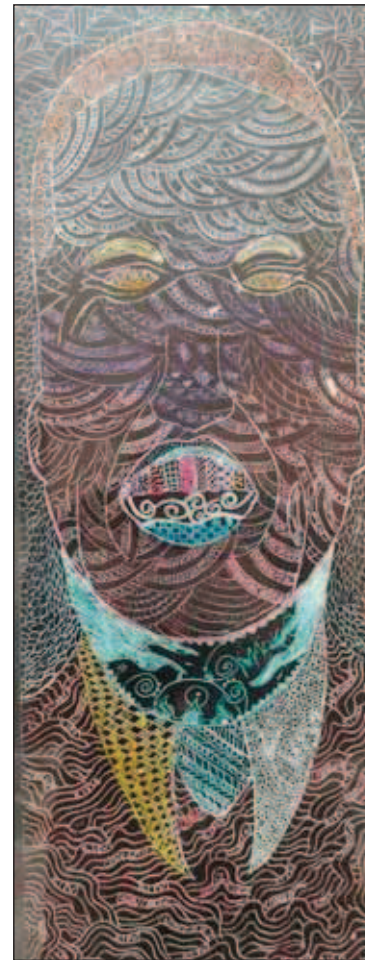
“Olympian Figure Skater,” by Desert Hills Elementary School third grader Sadie Reynolds; art teacher: Frances Gomez.



“Spring,” by White Sands Elementary School fifth grader Benjamin Mata; art teacher: Alia Pinedo.



“Bear,” by East Picacho Elementary School first grader Avery Helmick; art teacher: Jenn Gaides.



Scratchboard art by Kimberly Gonzalez, a ninth grader at Santa Teresa High School; art teacher: Paula Turner.



Scratchboard art by Santa Teresa High School 10th grader Kevin Flores; art teacher: Paula Turner.

PUZZLES

SUPER-MARKET OPENINGS

ACROSS

- 1 Really hurt
 5 Sauce brand
 9 A Nixon daughter
 15 Hacking it
 19 Alan of film
 20 "... hear -- drop"
 21 Showing on television
 22 Move heavily
 23 Krispy Kreme treats
 25 Campbell's product
 27 "-- vincit amor"
 28 Left dreamland
 30 Ireland's -- Lin-gus
 31 China's Mao -- -tung
 32 Aficionado
 33 Sorrow
 36 Longtime "Family Circus" cartoonist Keane
 38 Entertainer Mer-man
 40 Kellogg's cereal
 42 "Pep O Mint" brand
 44 Whoop
 45 Tall buildings
 47 Bowl stats
 48 Times to remember
 51 HP or Acer products
 53 With 72-Down, purring pet that doesn't go outside
 55 River of Aragon
 59 Stadium snacks
 63 Attach, as a se-quin
 65 Bull battler
 66 Objectivist Ayn
 67 Back of a 45
 69 Course: Abbr.
- 70 "Ran" director Kurosawa
 71 It's baked in a tube pan
 73 Marine milieu
 75 Advent mo.
 76 Hoity- --
 78 Mata -- (Garbo role)
 79 Run, as an art exhibit
 80 New Jersey borough east of Paramus
 82 They're often pimiento-stuffed
 84 End of a 1/1 song
 85 Strip, in a way, as shrimp
 88 Some drops on crops
 89 Untidy state
 90 Extra charge
 92 Generational disparity
 95 Church part
 97 Deep-fried side
 101 Trattoria entree
 106 "You got it!"
 107 Orthodox beginning?
 108 19-season Yankee Rivera
 109 Succor
 110 TGIF's "I"
 111 Fond du --, Wisconsin
 113 Big name in drug indexes
 114 Chose (to)
 116 Ingredient in a Cuban sandwich
 120 Supermarket chain only selling items like the 10 featured in this puzzle?
 123 Leaning Tower

locale

- 124 Banish
 125 Liveliness
 126 Ballet wear
 127 Director Premier
 128 Potato chips, in London
 129 Cuts, as logs
 130 "Hold it!"

DOWN

- 1 Fraud figure Bernard
 2 Slugger Roberto
 3 "Search me"
 4 Wise trio
 5 Oversaw
 6 Kwik-E-Mart operator
 7 1980s brand of jeans
 8 Like dirty floors
 9 To-do list
 10 Fully mature
 11 Writer Levin
 12 Camel, e.g., for short
 13 Gulp down quickly
 14 "Permit Me Voyage" author
 15 Relevant
 16 Joyous
 17 Less binding
 18 Ford flops
 24 Hurry
 26 Walk along
 29 -- buco (Italian dish)
 34 NFL luminary
 35 "La -- Vita"
 36 Emu or owl
 37 In the event that it's true
 39 RCA product

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- 41 Pearl producer
 42 SLR's "L"
 43 Treasured violin, in brief
 46 #1 hit for the Troggs
 48 Spanish political units
 49 Breeding colony of penguins
 50 Eritrean, e.g.
 52 Proud walk
 54 Sheriff Taylor's son
 56 Rob (of)
 57 Spins
 58 Fusing result
- 60 Ramble on
 61 Madcap
 62 Get finished
 64 Capital of South Korea
 67 NFL's Starr
 68 Did slaloms, say
 71 Digestion aid
 72 See 53-Across
 74 Yalta's peninsula
 77 Less young
 79 It may hold Holsteins
 81 Clear up, as a mirror
 82 Slapstick fight missiles
- 83 "Strawberry Wine" singer Carter
 86 Windmill part
 87 Kellogg's cereal
 91 Hydroxyl compounds
 93 On -- with
 94 Settles (on)
 96 Parody
 97 San Luis --
 98 Dodo
 99 Demand
 100 Six- -- (sub shop sandwich)
 102 Inventor Tesla
 103 Didn't play in the game
- 104 Linked with
 105 Tallies
 108 Bumps into
 112 "T.N.T." rock band
 113 No. on a new car's sticker
 115 Paunches
 117 -- Tome and Principe
 118 Commercial start for Pen
 119 Series of Canon cameras
 121 Trial concern
 122 Jr. officer

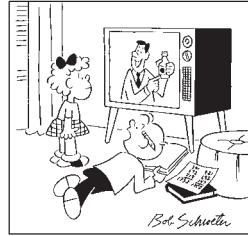
PUZZLES

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



"I think the law makes 'em have commercials — otherwise, we'd never get our _____ done."

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!

Decay **HIREWT**

Guard **RALPOT**

Figure **CONKER**

Means **HOTMED**

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: Q equals F

CWLN R W PBG UPR QIZ KPWIR W

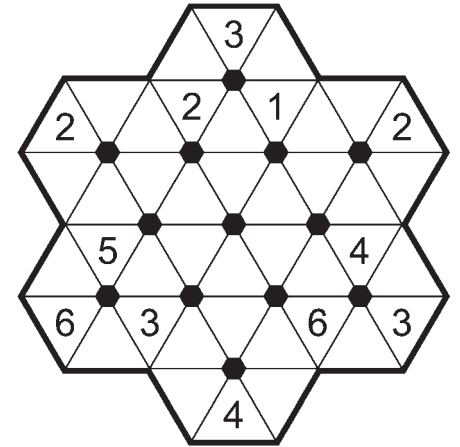
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JWYPU CBA UPBU W EQURL

NEZYPRG BIEQU.

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

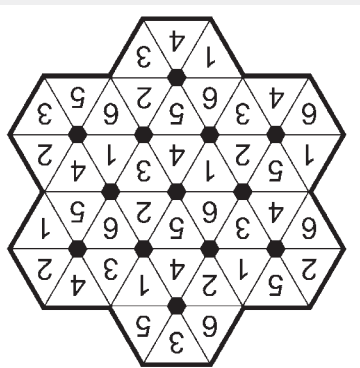
Since I had the flu while I might say that I often was on my last flight, you coughed aloft.

CRYPTOQUIP

HOMEWORK

Today's Word
3. Reckon; 4. Method
1. Withen; 2. Patrol;

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

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WEEKLY SUDOKU

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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.

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Worship service: 10 a.m. Sunday, Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 2540 El Paseo Road, followed by a light meal before Bible classes for all ages. Info: www.crossofchristlc.net or call 915-740-7714 or 575-649-5458.

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

The timeless messages of healing and hope

I am, at this writing, preparing for a musical evening at my congregation featuring songs from the year 1968 that bring back memories and, in some cases, have stood the test of time.



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to gain some perspective and how our country has faced and overcome challenges in the past.

Meacham's review of the events of 1968 spurred my own recollections of that year.

I watched President Lyndon Johnson announce, in a televised speech on Sunday, March 31, that he would neither seek nor accept the nomination of his party as a candidate for the presidency.

I was an eighth grade junior high school student as 1968 began. War was raging in Vietnam. The path towards fully putting into practice the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 was moving forward, with success in some communities, with difficulty in others.

I have been reading historian Jon Meacham's book, *The Soul of America*,

I recall where I was standing in my home when, on Thursday of that same week, I heard the news of the assassination of The Rev. Dr. Martin Lu-

ther King, Jr. in Memphis.

On the following Sunday, I joined my family and thousands of others at the plaza of Liberty Memorial, Kansas City's commemorative site and museum for World War I, for a memorial service for Dr. King. My rabbi spoke, as did other religious and civic leaders.

It was, sadly, the last day the community would be united for a number of months, as unrest spread there and throughout the country.

On my last day of eighth grade in early June, my classmates and I were in shock as we mourned the assassination of Presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy the night before.

I attended an 11-day Jewish overnight camp in Wisconsin that July, which offered me a short break from the news, along with reminders of how my faith teaches me to try to build community, to foster mutual respect and understanding, and to create and spread peace.

The unrest that surrounded the Democratic National Convention in Chicago in August added turbulence to a nation that so desperately needed healing and hope.

That hope came, to some extent, when Apollo 8 astronauts Frank Borman, Jim Lovell and Bill Anders read the opening verses of the book of Genesis to conclude their television trans-

mission from lunar orbit.

Some of the songs I chose for my July 28 program at Temple Beth-El reflected the values of healing, unity and hope that emerged from that year.

Richard Holler's "Abraham, Martin and John" offered a poignant tribute to American leaders who were violently taken from us. This eulogy-in-song was tenderly and sensitively sung by Dion DiMucci.

Sylvester Stewart, of Sly and the Family Stone, in his song, "Everyday People," declared "I am no better and neither are you; we are the same whatever we do."

Songwriter Walter Earl Brown was asked to compose a song to end Elvis

Presley's December 1968 live television concert. "If I can dream" included these lyrics: "There must be peace and understanding sometime - strong winds of promise that will blow away the doubt and fear ... and while I can dream, please let my dream come true right now."

May we continue to find in our past and present, timeless inspiration and insights that we can, together, give to future generations.

Rabbi Larry Karol has served as spiritual leader of Temple Beth-El (www.tbelc.org) in Las Cruces since July 2011. His writings are available at rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com.

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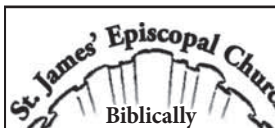
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Regional leaders dismiss CNBC business survey

Las Cruces is more aligned with El Paso than Albuquerque, they stress

BY MICHAEL SCANLON

For the Bulletin

A big business media company that ranked New Mexico's business climate poorly (Bulletin, July 20) didn't consider that southern New Mexico is separated from the rest of the state by much more than a vast expanse of desert, area business leaders said.

CNBC's 12th annual survey of the top U.S. states for business, released last month, ranks New Mexico near the bottom, at No. 43. Neighboring Texas was ranked No. 1, Utah was No. 3, Colorado No. 5 and Arizona No. 20.

"I don't know what type of data they use," said Davin Lopez, president and CEO of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance. "I can find you one ranking that says this and another ranking that says just the opposite."

Southern New Mexico business leaders point out that New Mexico has a population of slightly more than 2 million, and more than one-fourth of those people live in Albuquerque, a city 200 miles away with some acknowledged crime and social problems.

"Most of the low New Mexico rankings I've seen are because the metropolitan area of Albuquerque has some poor rankings that drag down the rest of the state," Lopez said.

"We always advise clients that when we look at factors like safety and crime, we have to look at ourselves differently. We're really not part of the Albuquerque metro. We're

more part of the El Paso metro – we're more closely aligned to that. And they're consistently ranked one of the safest big cities in the country year in and year out," Lopez said.

"It's almost like we can't go by state rankings," he said, noting that different rankings use different – and sometimes subjective – criteria to arrive at how they order states or localities.

"It depends on what is meant by quality life, for example, because all these rankings value it differently," Lopez said. "For companies, in their relocation considerations, primarily it means crime, education and health care. So it really just depends on who's doing the ranking and what factors they're putting into it."

"Sometimes I don't even pay attention to those things," he said.

"Our biggest challenge, at least in Las Cruces, is always just getting recognized as a location to come and look at," Lopez said. "The negative rankings on a statewide basis obviously can be a talking factor, but any reasonable company that's looking at an area for relocation is not going to judge one community by the entire state. They're not going to judge San Diego by what's happening in LA. They're not going to judge Tucson by what's happening in Phoenix. They do more research than that."

Besides, southern New Mexico has assets and resources that probably would not even be considered in evaluating



BULLETIN FILE PHOTO

John Perullo, president and CEO of Corrugated Synergies International, speaks in June at the company's new plant near the border in Santa Teresa, which has seen an uptick in business activity. Seated behind Perullo are Doña Ana County Manager Fernando Macias, left, and Gov. Susana Martinez. The company, headquartered in Renton, Washington, does much of its business in Mexico.

the state's business climate.

Border business booster Jerry Pacheco, head of the Border Industrial Association, said that if New Mexico has an unfavorable business climate, one wouldn't see it in Doña Ana County.

"We're booming down here, right? If you look at New Mexico collectively, maybe they're making a point in that sense, but we're one of the bright spots in New Mexico," Pacheco said.

"We're tied into Mexico, and that's where our future is," he

said. "We're creating a supply base into Mexico, and that's why we have all this industrialization."

And "business climate" is a broad, general concept that should not receive too much consideration.

"It's relative to what industry you are," Pacheco said. "We're in a much different shape than the rest of the state."

He agreed that Doña Ana County's geographic distance from New Mexico's urban center and its proximity to El

Paso – in No. 1-ranked Texas – is a big factor.

"There's more entertainment options and activities up north in Albuquerque, and it's a wealthier community," Pacheco said. "But the crime is what always kills Albuquerque, unfortunately. We don't have the world class acts every night, but I don't worry about getting shot on the highway, either."

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Businesses benefit from breastfeeding-friendly workplace

By FINANCE NEW MEXICO

For the Bulletin

Employers who provide a space where employees can express and store milk or breastfeed a baby quickly realize the benefits of doing so.

According to the New Mexico Breastfeeding Task Force, employers who comply with state and federal laws requiring them to provide a clean and private space for lactating mothers and to offer flexible break time so mothers can breastfeed or pump milk experience less absenteeism, lower health care costs and turnover rates, higher productivity and employee loyalty and positive community perception.

"Absences due to infant illness occur twice as often among parents whose infants are not breastfed," the task force says on its website, Breastfeedingnm.org.



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A private, sanitary space for breastfeeding in the workplace is inexpensive and can be as simple as a portable, folding wall.

org. That translates into dramatic reductions in employer health-care costs for infants who are breastfed.

There's evidence to back this assertion. The American Academy of Pediatricians' website notes that human milk provides not just nutrients but also "many substances that

benefit (the) baby's immune system, including antibodies, immune factors, enzymes, and white blood cells," all of which protect against common childhood infections and other illnesses well beyond infancy.

The task force works to convince businesses that supporting a breastfeed-

ing employee is well worth whatever temporary inconvenience it might cause and helps employers develop workable policies.

"Businesses tend to think it will be a bigger cost than it is," said Monica Esparza, task force program manager. Businesses don't have to carve out a new space for breastfeeding mothers, she noted. As long as they have a designated place, they comply with the law.

New Mexico state law is more comprehensive than federal law, according to Esparza. "Federal law offers protection for hourly employees," she said, whereas, "New Mexico law doesn't specify hourly or salaried," so it applies to both.

The task force encourages managers to talk with expectant mothers about how the business will support their desire to con-

tinue breastfeeding their babies when they return from maternity leave by:

Providing a private, nearby space, such as an unused office, where moms can feed their babies. It doesn't need to be a permanent space but must be available when the employee needs it.

Offering the employee a work schedule that is flexible enough to accommodate lactation breaks. Employers aren't required to pay for breaks that exceed the time required by state or federal law.

Providing a sanitary, cool place where a mother can store expressed milk for the limited time that she's breastfeeding – a staff refrigerator, perhaps.

Developing a lactation policy and making sure all managers, supervisors and employees understand

and follow it.

The organization offers sample policies, printable handouts, and links to the laws that pertain to breastfeeding at work, including the federal Break Time for Nursing Mothers law covered in the Fair Labor Standards Act. More resources or solutions are available at www.womenshealth.gov/breastfeeding/employer-solutions.

For help establishing a successful lactation program, employers can contact the organization at 505-395-6455 or contact@breastfeedingnm.org.

Finance New Mexico connects individuals and businesses with skills and funding resources for their business or idea. Visit www.FinanceNewMexico.org.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Oil, gas sales strong

On the heels of a record-breaking year for oil and gas lease sales, State Land Commissioner Aubrey Dunn has announced that Fiscal Year 2019 has started strongly, with July's lease sale generating \$15.4 million.



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The monthly sales are held online in

sealed and open bidding formats. Commissioner Dunn offered 27 tracts for a total of 5,282 acres in Chaves, Eddy, Lea, and San Juan counties.

"Our beneficiaries con-

tinue to reap the benefits of the prosperity of the Permian Basin, which has become the largest oil-producing region in the world," Commissioner Dunn said in a press release. "We had a fantastic year in FY18 and this month's numbers indicate that FY19 should be a very good year for the agency and those we serve."

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.

Right-to-work passes

Lea County Commissioners have unanimously passed a right-to-work ordinance introduced by Commissioner Rebecca Long, making Lea the seventh county in New Mexico, and the sixth this year, to enact such legislation.

Lea joins Sandoval, Otero, Lincoln, Chaves, Eddy and Roosevelt counties that have passed similar legislation.

Leading the push for right-to-work policies in the state is Americans for Pros-

perity-New Mexico (AFP-NM), which launched the "New Jobs New Mexico" campaign in 2017, "a multilayered grassroots campaign to educate citizens about the impact of right-to-work," according to an AFP-NM press release.

"Worker freedom is contagious in New Mexico," said AFP-NM State Director Burly Cain. "Our activists won't stop until right-to-work has been implemented from the Sangre de Cristo Mountains all the way down to the Chihuahuan Desert."

AFP had previously used a county-by-county approach in Kentucky, which passed right-to-work statewide in 2017.



August 9, 2018

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Corporate income tax is inefficient way to collect taxes

Among the worse taxes by which a government can raise revenue is the corporate income tax. In fact, corporate taxes have been falling globally by about half, from an average of 49 percent in 1985 to 24 percent in 2015. New Mexico is no exception to this trend, with state corporate profit tax being scheduled to fall to 5.9 percent in 2018 from an initial 7.6 percent.

The explanation for this decline is that globalization has increased competition for productive capital. Cutting taxes makes a jurisdiction more attractive as a destination for investment in machinery, plants and equip-



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ment. The problem with this argument is that there is little evidence that investment responds much to tax rates in the real world. Rather, corporations use accounting tricks to shift income from high tax to low tax jurisdictions.

Indeed, a recent study by researchers at the Universities of Copenhagen and California found that 40 percent of global profits were shifted to tax havens in 2015.

We should just get rid of the corporate income tax. It is easily avoided and hard to enforce. And the tax code provides a target for lobbying efforts as changes in the law can

have very direct impact on the corporate bottom line. Eliminating the corporate tax would go a long way toward draining the swamp.

This is not to say that corporations shouldn't pay taxes. A basic tenet of economic efficiency is that economic actors should bear the cost of their actions. Otherwise, decision-makers will not adequately take account for the cost they impose on society. This applies to corporations the same as everyone else.

So, to the extent that a corporation imposes costs on other New Mexicans

by using government services, then that corporation should be taxed to pay for those services. But the corporate income tax, because it is so easy to avoid, is a poor way of doing that. Better to impose taxes directly related to the costs imposed.

For example, in the normal conduct of business, corporations use New Mexico roads. The gas tax should be calibrated to cover the cost of this usage. Eliminate the corporate income tax and make up for part of that loss of state revenue by raising gas tax. Similarly, corporations benefit from

police and fire protection. They should (and do) pay property taxes. Raise property taxes as needed to cover the cost of protective services. Yet another example: Corporations benefit from a well-educated work force, so they should pay taxes that cover educational costs.

The main argument for the corporate income tax is equity. Wealthy shareholders who live in other states who profit off New Mexico citizens should have to pay taxes to support programs that help those citizens.

The problem with this

is, not all shareholders are rich. Indeed, many of those invested in the market come from modest means, such as pensioners and small savers. We need to find a way other than the corporate profit tax.

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Early college high school principal retires

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

"Trailblazers" was the perfect nickname for Arrowhead Park Early College High School (APECHS) students and staff, perhaps Principal Jennifer Amis more than anyone else.

When APECHS opened on the New Mexico State University campus in 2010 in a unique partnership among the business community, Las Cruces Public Schools and NMSU, it was the state's first-ever early college high school.

"All eyes were on us," Amis said at her July 26 retirement party at APECHS.

"You fundamentally transformed the landscape of education in New Mexico," LCPS Deputy Superintendent Dr. Steven Sanchez said.

"Districts across the state are attempting to do



BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Greg Ewing congratulates Arrowhead Park Early College High School Principal Jennifer Amis, seated third from left, on her retirement July 27 at the school.

what you did," Sanchez said. "You truly exemplify what it means to lead with the heart."

The partnership that created APECHS was modeled on efforts in other states, The Bridge of Southern New Mexico Executive Director Tracey Bryan said. "Someone had to turn that vision into reality" in Las Cruces, she said. Amis was the one who "showed them it would work."

Sanchez reminded Amis of their trip to Washing-

ton, D.C. in 2017 to accept the U.S. Department of Education's (DOE) designation of APECHS as a National Blue Ribbon School – one of only three in New Mexico to receive the recognition and the only school in the state to also be recognized as an "exemplary high performing school" by DOE.

"Having exemplary teachers is truly what it's all about," Amis said. "I think every student who's been through Arrowhead has graduated."

Amis joined LCPS in 1989 as a teacher at Mayfield High School. She became a Mayfield assistant principal in 1996, moved to the LCPS central office to serve as director of secondary instruction and then became APECHS principal.

Former APECHS dean of students Gabby Alaniz will succeed her as principal.

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— PUBLIC NOTICE —

Applicants sought for Las Cruces Boards and Committees

The City of Las Cruces is currently accepting applications for various board and committee openings to include:

- ADA Advisory Committee
- Affordable Housing Land Bank and Trust Fund Advisory Committee
- Area Transit Advisory Board
- Health and Human Services Advisory Committee
- City Art Board
- Parks and Rec Advisory Board
- Senior Programs Advisory Board
- South Mesquite Design Review Board
- University District Citizen's Design Review Committee

Interested candidates should contact **Christine Rivera, Deputy City Clerk**, at crivera@las-cruces.org.

For more information on city boards and committees, visit <http://onboard.las-cruces.org/>. Applications can be accessed online at <http://onboard.las-cruces.org/apply/>. Applicants must live within city limits.

www.las-cruces.org



The Amador family mausoleum's plaque, indicating the mausoleum was built in 1953 by Martin Amador's daughter, Clotilde Amador de Terrazas.



Amador family mausoleum restored, given new life

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“They needed someone to take care of them,” Martin Campbell said about the graves of his great grandfather, Martin Amador, and other family members whose graves were in disrepair at the Amador mausoleum in San Jose Cemetery in Las Cruces.

“It was in sad repair, its collapse was close,” Campbell said July 14 at the gravesite about the 65-year-old building that houses the graves of Martin Amador (1836-1903); his wife, Refugio Amador de Ruiz (1848-1907); daughters Clotilde Amador de Terrazas (1880-1960) and Corina Amador De Campbell (1886-1932); and son, Martin Amador Jr. (1869-89).

Outside the mausoleum lie the graves of Martin Amador's mother, Gre-

goria Amador de Rodela (1800-82); daughters Emelia Amador de Garcia (1863-1942) and Julieta Amador de Garcia (1882-1920); Emelia's husband, Jesus S. Garcia (1850-1929); and Julieta's baby, Jose Garcia (1909); and an unknown grave.

Clotilde Amador de Terrazas had the mausoleum built in 1953, Campbell said.

With help from Timothy Wilson (stonework, grave and headstone restoration, painting and grounds care), Jody Fernandez (wrought iron work) and Jesus Ontiveros (tractor and groundwork), Campbell repaired cracks in the building's walls, leveled the cement roof and repaired its leaks, used muriatic acid to wash the building, righted gravestones knocked over by vandals and restored the entire site.

The last step will be to weld bars into the mausoleum's window, Campbell said. A wrought iron covering has permanently sealed the building's entrance.

Amador family history from Martin Campbell:

“Martin Amador was born in El Paso del Norte (Juarez, Mexico) in 1836 and moved with his widowed mother, Gregoria Amador de Rodela, to Doña Ana in 1849 and by 1850 the family was living in Las Cruces. Martin Amador engaged in many business ventures, managing a general store, farming, freight hauling, supplying hay to the military and operating the celebrated Amador Hotel and livery stable.

“Marriage to Refugio Ruiz of Juarez, Mexico, resulted in the births of fifteen children, of whom eight lived to adulthood.

“By the early 1880s

Amador was a prominent community leader, providing space in his hotel for a county courthouse, jail, post office and meeting hall. He and his sons operated farms in the Mesilla Valley. He held political offices as county treasurer, probate judge and deputy United States marshal and was active in the Republican Party. He invented a new type of combination plow and received a U.S. patent and an international award for it.

“The Amadors traveled throughout New Mexico and Mexico to visit family and friends. The boys attended boarding schools in St. Louis, Missouri, and in Santa Fe. The girls were educated at the Loretto Academy of the Visitation in Las Cruces.”

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Martin Campbell of Las Cruces stands outside the newly restored Amador family mausoleum in San Jose Cemetery.



Restoration work repaired cracks in the walls of the mausoleum. Bars will be added to block access to the window.

Mexican War Zone

How would you like to live across the street from an open Mexican border? Would you be afraid?

Do Americans of all races, ages and states have a right to fear an open Mexican border?

Yes, but not because the illegal aliens will take jobs, vote fraudulently or get on the government dole, all of which may or not be true.

Those of us who live in the Mexican War Zone appreciate that our northern neighbors' only source of info is CNN or Fox. Each channel gives you their overblown, five-minute "News Break" opposing each other. The routine debate discusses the taking of American jobs or who is responsible for illegal aliens' children, or does the Constitution mean anything? But ALMOST ALWAYS they avoid the evil beast lurk-



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ing over every man, woman and child on both sides of the border: DRUG USERS!

We condemn the dealers, the smugglers, the growers, anybody who is on the

supply line, anyone who is trying to fill our needs. They'll do anything to get our drugs to us, and we will do anything to get it.

My fellow citizens, write this down: Mexico is a Third World Country, ruled by drug cartels with guns. The Mexican War Zone is their border, our front porch. We are their best customer. They deliver drugs to us like pizza!

To maintain their control of the border, since 2007 the cartels have murdered 80,000 of their fellow Mexicans, both innocent and evil. Why would they sacrifice their lives? For nobility?

Love of country? Supplication? Publicity?

No! They do it for you! For your addiction, recreation, popularity. You like your friendly dealer, your girlfriend loves coke, ya know.

It is no surprise that Mexican border towns' tourism has fallen 80 percent and stayed there for years. Should Americans fear open borders?

Walls, Border Patrol, ISIS, compassion, the National Guard and Congress itself flutter like moths around a solution. Then there is California. If their plan goes through, in 25 years they will have become a sovereign state of Mexico, their politicians puppets of the biggest cartel in the world.

A heinous conclusion but a glorious one for those 23 percent in the U.S. doing their illegal drug shopping from their Mexican dealer, fresh from the border.

Should Americans

fear open borders?

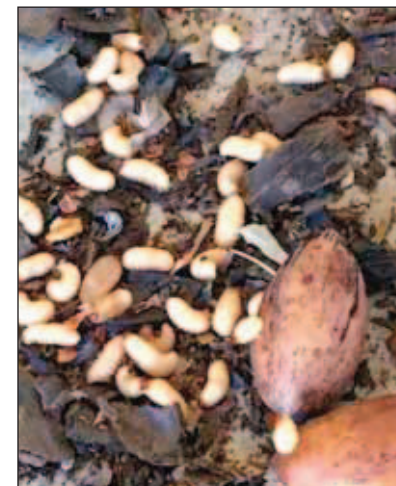
Today our government deliberately distracts our numb citizens until they can't tell a cough from a cancer. The Mexico that I grew up beside is "no longer." Phoenix is known for its high number of kidnappings and human smuggling. Most victims are illegals.

Should Americans fear open borders? Yes. It is not without risk.

Should the cartel fear open borders? Are you kidding?! They will be thrilled! They'll have finally conquered the Mexican border. Now, with opening the American side, they will have control in one election span.

It might cost them a little...but what is 80,000 murdered.

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



Considered the most significant insect pest of pecan producers, pecan weevil was recently confirmed in approximately 200 residential pecan trees in several eastern New Mexico pecan growing counties and several commercial pecan orchards.

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Las Cruces rule hearing scheduled on pecan weevil

BULLETIN REPORT

Pecan weevil is considered the most significant insect pest of pecan producers. Previous introductions of pecan weevil into New Mexico have triggered grower-specific quarantines and eradication procedures. Pecan weevil was recently confirmed in approximately 200 residential pecan trees in several eastern New Mexico pecan-growing counties and several commercial pecan orchards.

In order to address the pecan weevil infestation, the New Mexico Department of Agriculture proposes the establishment of an interior quarantine.

The department has scheduled rule hearings in order to receive public input on the newly developed Pecan Weevil Interior Quarantine Rule (Rule 21.17.36 NMAC), which establishes quarantine areas, restrictions and treatment options on regulated articles, disposition protocol and fees.

The hearings will be held as follows:

- 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 10 at the New Mexico De-

partment of Agriculture, 3190 S. Espina, St. in Las Cruces

- 2:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 13 at the Agnes Kastner Community Center, 200 E. Park St. in Hobbs

- 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14 at the Artesia Public Schools Administrative Office, 301 Bulldog Blvd. in Artesia

Individuals may provide comments regarding the proposed rule at the hearing and/or submit written comments via email at comments@nmda.nmsu.edu. Written comments must be received by 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14.

Individuals providing written comments in person at the hearing must provide two copies for the hearing officer.

Individuals with a disability in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter or other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate can contact NMDA at 575-646-3702 at least one week prior to the hearing.

The full text of the proposed rules is available at <http://www.nmda.nmsu.edu/> or at NMDA, 3190 S. Espina in Las Cruces.

Saturday stroll

Natalie Preacher and Ryan Peraita walk through the Farmer's Market Saturday morning with Preacher's nephew, Tristan Trujillo, 3, on her shoulders.

BULLETIN PHOTO BY STEVE MACINTYRE



With age comes wisdom – I hope

As we age, it seems that we one-by-one tend to lose things – hearing, eyesight, balance, memory, you name it. But, we also gain from experience and acquire what might be called “wisdom.” The longer we live and reflect upon it the richer we may become. Today I want to share just a few of these pearls from my experience.

One wise man of great renown (but I don’t remember who) said that he could measure his wealth



RUTH MOORER
Not for Sissies

by the things which he did not need. Now that says a great deal about how our priorities change! Once, money seemed to be very important, but who needs to buy more clothes or furniture or take long trips or go to the movies when staying at home takes so much less energy? I am so much more content with less. My word of advice is to simplify, downsize, get rid of stuff, and enjoy life more. “Don’t sweat the small

stuff” is a saying worth noting. Don’t get bogged down with trivial things that don’t really matter. Don’t complain about what you perceive as “wrong” but look for the positive. Another wise person said: “When we complain we are implying that we are not getting what we deserve. But if we got what we actually deserved, we really would be miserable!” Complaining is a deadly habit, for it does not make you feel any better and it is hard for others to have to listen to you. Rather, look for the good and you can

bring cheer to others.

Though we have gathered a great store of wisdom, we do not have to tell everyone about it. My recommendation is to talk less and listen more, for we still have things we could learn. Don’t feel that just because there is silence you have to fill it. When we are listening we have a chance for people to think that we may be wiser than we really are! Also, do not interrupt when someone is talking to you. What you have to say may be brilliant but it tells the other person that you care more about

yourself than about him. Listening is a sign of respect and caring.

Open up your mind and spirit to enjoy each day. Smell the roses, listen to that mockingbird giving his concert in the tree top, appreciate the precious children who may cross your path, smile at people, and take time to play. Most of us take ourselves too seriously. Share joy with others and your joy will increase.

I close by sharing a bit of wisdom of my father, who related about riding in a new car with automatic windows. He was

a passenger in the back seat next to a window that would not close. He could not find a handle to turn as in his old car and he had to endure the wind blasting him in the face. His comment was: “I think that we are going to die of improvements.”

May you have a joy-filled day!

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.

SENIOR CALENDAR

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

• Senior Amigos, behind Walgreens on East Lohman Avenue: 12:30-4:30 p.m. Aug. 6 and Sept. 17. Info and reservations 575-522-0502.

• Good Samaritan: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 23 and Sept. 16. Info and reservations: 575-642-2582.

Alzheimer’s presentations: 1-3 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 9-23, Alzheimer’s Association, NM Chapter, 1155 S. Telshor Blvd Suite 202. “Skills for Dementia Caregiving: A Free Class for Family & Friends of a Loved One with Dementia.” Info: Alexis Ramirez 800-272-3900 or alramirez@alz.org.

Digital Safety for Seniors:

12:30-1:30 Wednesdays, Aug. 29, Sept. 26, Oct. 10, Nov. 28, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle De Santiago, N.M. Attorney General and Comcast support training seniors in computer safety. Adelante Development Center conducts the trainings. All are welcome.

ONGOING

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.

Alzheimer’s Support Group: 10-11 a.m., second Thursday of every month, 1155 S. Telshor Blvd., Suite 202. Early Stages Alzheimer’s Sup-

port Group meets. Attend with a friend or family member.

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. Closed noon to 1 p.m. 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.

Las Cruces Caregivers Support Group: 11:30 a.m. Thursdays, Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. Presented by Home Instead Senior Care, LCGSG offers support and information in a friendly environment for those whose family members have dementia or memory loss issues. Info:

575-522-7133.

Parkinson’s support group: 10 a.m. third Tuesday at the Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. Info: Sarah Stegall, 575-496-2550; Jon Roberts, 702-217-0450; pdsgsnm.org.

Savvy Caregiver Program: Free seven-session course presented by the Alzheimer’s Association, NM Chapter, 2-4 p.m. each Tuesday from Oct. 24-Dec. 5, 2017, hosted by Crossroads In-Home Care, 189 Howard Place. Info, registration: Lindsey Bachman, 575-647-3868 or lmbachman@alz.org.

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

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ABOVE: One of the beds at the Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico.

LEFT: The staff of Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico.

Rehab hospital ranked in top 10 percent nationally

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

It may come as a surprise to learn there is a fully licensed and accredited rehabilitation hospital in Las Cruces that not only specializes in brain and spinal cord injuries but also is nationally ranked based on patient outcomes.

“Patients have a choice,” said Sabrina Martin, CEO of Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico (RHSNM), 4441 E. Lohman Ave.

RHSNM opened in 2007, has more than 40 physicians on staff and can consult on all medical specialties, she said.

The 40-bed hospital provides “intensive physical rehabilitation services to patients recovering from strokes, brain and spinal cord injuries and other impairments as a result of injury or illness,” according to RHSNM.

The hospital is certified in stroke rehabilitation and brain injury and accredited by the Joint Commission. It treats patients with a wide range of medical issues, including respiratory failure, amputations, arthritis, burns, cancer, hip fractures, joint replacements, swallowing disorders, incontinence and wounds and many more, along with chronic

illnesses like Lou Gehrig’s Disease, multiple sclerosis and Parkinson’s disease.

“Almost everything is done here,” said Martin, who has a biology degree from New Mexico State University and a master’s in physical therapy from the University of Texas El Paso.

Patients with medical complexities who are in another hospital can get a referral from their doctor for a higher level of care at RHSNM, Martin said, or they can even come to the hospital from home to seek treatment for in-patient and out-patient care and rehabilitation.

Among the 800-900

rehab hospitals in the nation, Martin said, RHSNM has been ranked in the top 10 percent nationwide for rehabilitative care by the nonprofit Uniform Data System for Medical Rehabilitation 12 years in a row.

Rankings are based on “how much functional gain our patients make,” Martin said.

That national ranking “is something we’re super proud of,” Martin said.

A licensed physical therapist, Martin said she and everyone on the RHSNM are at patients’ bedsides every day.

“Our team on the floor is the best of the best,” she said of doctors,

nurses, therapists, case managers and housekeepers. “That’s what makes us so successful.”

The hospital’s longtime marketing director, Roy Rivas, is a licensed respiratory therapist.

“We promote a nurturing and healing environment,” Rivas said.

The typical stay at RHSNM is about two weeks, Martin said, although it can be longer, depending on the patient’s condition and treatment plan.

The hospital’s amenities include an in-house pharmacy, a 6,000-square-foot gymnasium, a pool and outdoor courtyard where a wedding was recently held.

There is also a fully functioning kitchen where patients can “learn to cook and clean again” as they recover and return to “the activities of daily living,” Martin said.

Therapists also take patients on regular outings to grocery stores, the mall and the downtown farmers market, said Martin, who serves on the boards of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and NMSU’s College of Health and Social Services advisory board.

Therapists also do home evaluations to help

HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

Running Club series: 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, Sagecrest Park on Roadrunner Parkway. One-Mile Challenge Series, free to youths 8th grade and under. This race will culminate in a free breakfast and prizes for all participants, parents and volunteers. Shirts will be given to all participants, and other participation awards and snacks will be given at each race. Info: register@lascrucesrunningclub.com.

Junior Jazzercise Camp: Monday-Friday, Aug. 6-10, Las Cruces Jazzercise Fitness Center, 3217 El Camino Real. Dance parties, relay & fitness games, crafts, snacks and more for kids 5-12. Cost: \$90, siblings \$50 if registered by Aug. 1. Info: Amy Richards 941-705-0800, lascrucesjuniorjazzercise@yahoo.com or Facebook: Junior Jazzercise Las Cruces.

Diabetes classes: 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, Aug. 7-9, Families and Youth Inc., 1320 S. Solano Drive. Class size will be limited to 12 and support people are invited. Cost: Free. Info: 575-522-0289 or snmdo@snmdo.org.

Immunization Clinics: 9

a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Aug. 9-10, and Monday-Wednesday, Aug. 13-15, Public Health Office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Back-to-school immunization clinics. Parents should bring a copy of their child's shot record and their insurance card, including Medicaid with them. Info: 575-528-5001 or www.immunizenm.org for a listing of other clinic locations.

ONGOING

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.

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.

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 or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

Dance fitness: Professional 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. Tues-

days and Fridays.

Diabetes group: 5-6:30 p.m., first Tuesday of each month, Mountainview Senior Circle Association, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 1, (behind Walgreens on Lohman). Yes Diabetes Group Meeting for children in elementary through high school. Parents or guardians must attend. Info 575-522-0289.

Diabetes support group: 10-11:15 a.m. third Thursday in the meeting room of Natural Grocers, 3970 E. Lohman Ave. Diabetes Educational Support Group meetings provide open discussion and teaching regarding diabetes and a question-and-answer period. Info: 575-522-0289.

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

Hearing voices: 3 p.m. Tuesdays, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. A group for people who hear voices, have visions and unusual experiences to share experiences and learn from each other. Family members, friends and interested people are also welcome. Info: Al Galves, 575-571-3105 or agalves2003@comcast.net.

Jazzercise Lite: 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Las Cruces Jazzercise Fitness Center, 3217 El Camino Real. Info: Dianne Sage, 575-650-9721; jazzercise.com.

MS support group: 4:30-6 p.m. first Thursday, Social Center Creative Arts Room at Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Multiple sclerosis support/education group. Info/RSVP: Andres Selgado, 915-433-2588

Near Death Experience Group: International Association for Near Death Studies, support group for those who have had an NDE. Experiencers, fam-

ily and friends welcome, third Monday, Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Info: Jane at 928-897-0933 or LasCrucesI-ands@gmail.com

Needle disposal/syringe exchange: 8:30 a.m.-4:40 p.m. weekdays, Las Cruces Public Health office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Info: 575-528-5090.

Overeaters Anonymous: 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. and noon Wednesdays in the library of St. James Episcopal Church, 1102 St. James Ave. OA is a fellowship of individuals recovering from a compulsive relationship with food. Info: www.oa.org; Barbara, 575-405-0128 or Wayne, 575-647-5684.

Reclaim Wellness: Third Thursday Mini-Fairs 6-9 p.m. at 2201 N. Main St. Features card readers, artists and vendors of organic handmade products. Info: 575- 613-1664

Sexual Compulsives Anonymous: 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, First Christian Church, 1802 El Paseo Road. 12-step fellowship.

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patients regain basic skills like getting in and out of bed or a bathtub, making a shopping list or managing a bank account. Nurses help with medications and there's even a registered dietitian on staff.

Reintegration to a patient's normal lifestyle is an important part of his or her healing, Martin said.

"Part of their therapy is real life," she said.

RHSNM shares cafeteria, marketing and environmental services – and connecting doors – with its sister facility, the 20-bed Advanced Care

Hospital.

RHSNM accepts Medicare and welcomes all insurance plans, Martin said.

For more information, call 575-521-6400. Visit RHSNM.ernesthealth.com.

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Fostering forum aims toward no-kill status

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Helping the local animal shelter achieve “no-kill” status and finding temporary and permanent homes for stray dogs and cats will be among the topics during an upcoming animal fostering forum.

The forum will be held 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces (UUCLC), Library, 2000 S. Solano Drive.

Speakers at the forum will include Animal Service Center of the Mesilla Valley Executive Director Clint Thacker, Action Program for Animals Director Michel Meunier, Humane Society of Southern New Mexico (HSSNM) President Frank Bryce and representatives of rescue groups in Las Cruces.

The event is open to the public; there is no charge to attend.

“It is important our community is continuously engaged in ways to help the municipal animal shelter reach ‘no-kill’



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Ilene Steele with rescued and fostered dogs Brody, left, and Zander.

status and sustain it over time,” said Las Cruces animal activist Jean Gilbert.

“This is the primary reason the Animal Advocates Committee, part of the Social Justice Committee of the UUCLC, organized the Animal Fostering Forum.”

“The need for fosters is great to save lives,” said Gilbert, who is a member of the



PHOTO COURTESY JEAN GILBERT

Las Cruces animal activist Jean Gilbert and one of her rescued cats, Stella.

UUCLC committee, HSSNM and the Coalition for Pets and People.

For people who can't foster an animal, “there are many

other ways to help,” Gilbert said. “We hope members of the public who care about animals will attend the forum” to learn about what they can do.

Gilbert and her husband rescued one of their cats, Stella, about five years ago, she said.

“She came to us as a young adult, from a nearby neighborhood,” Gilbert said. “It seems she was beat up by a tom cat repeatedly and chased off by him from the home where she lived as a mostly outdoor cat. Gilbert’s other cat, Baby, is also from the next street over, Gilbert said, “and appears to have been abandoned by the couple who lived in an apartment there. We discovered Baby eating some of the turtles’ food in our backyard.”

The Gilberts also help four feral community cats who live in another part of town, she said.

Fellow UUCLC members and animal advocates David and Ilene Steele have two dogs “who were fostered for vary-

ing amounts of time before we had the good fortune to adopt them,” David Steele said.

“Brody was abandoned as a puppy,” David Steele said. “The people who saved him actually saw him being dumped in front of their house. Zander found himself homeless through no fault of his own at age 9. Both are wonderful, loving dogs. We feel blessed to have these two wonderful dogs in our lives and we will be forever grateful for the kind and loving people who provided them with shelter, food, care and love until they came to live with us.”

“While our situation doesn’t permit us to foster at this time,” Steele said, “we will do whatever we can to support those who do provide our animals and our community with this wonderful act of kindness and civic engagement.”

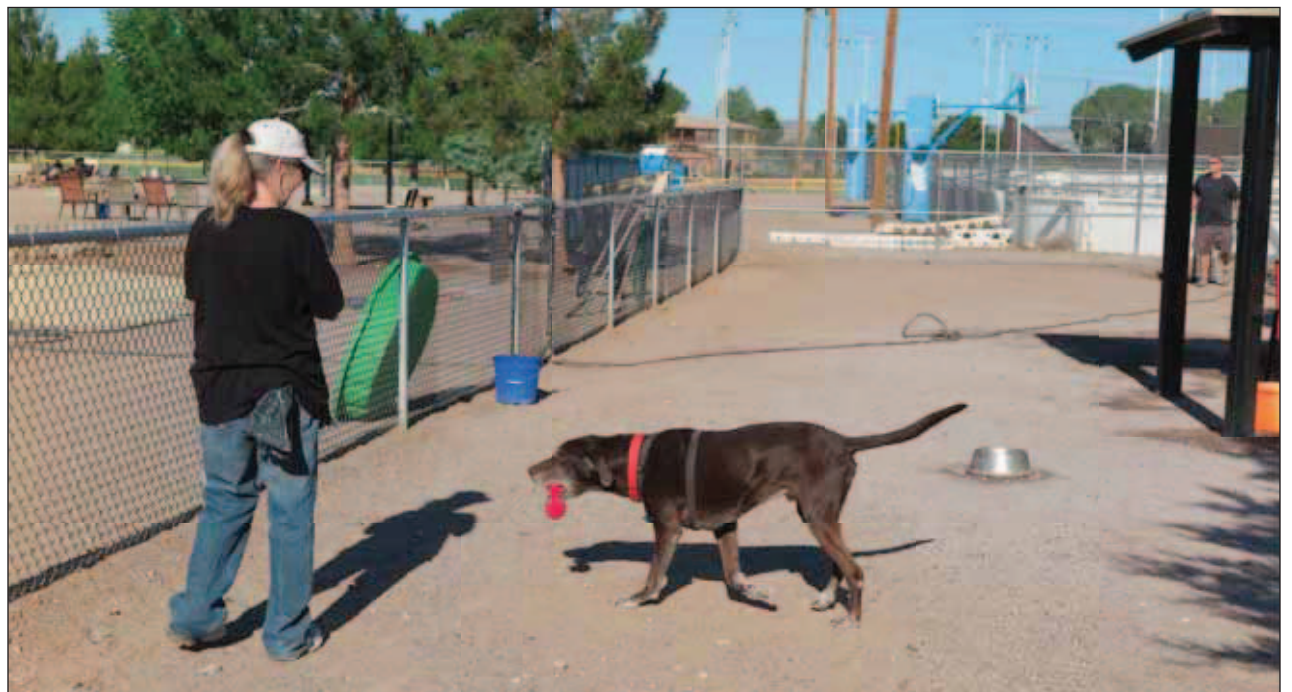
For more information, contact the Steeles at 575-449-4180.

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‘Check the Chip’

The first Check the Chip event, sponsored by several animal welfare organizations, takes place at the Las Cruces Dog Park (pictured), 430 N. Hermosa St., from 8 a.m.-noon Saturday, Aug. 11. Chip teams will scan and update contact information on existing chips and implant and register new chips. Cost is \$10, but first 10 pets are free. Dr. Carver will give rabies (\$10) and parvo/distemper (\$17) vaccinations. Bring dogs on leashes and cats in carriers. The Check the Chip program provides chipping, spay/neuter reservations, the Last Litter program for surrendering puppies, and FindingRover.com using the latest facial recognition technology.

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NMSU head football coach Doug Martin raises the Arizona Bowl trophy after the Aggies' win over Utah State.



NMSU head basketball coach Chris Jans, right, with Athletic Director Mario Moccia.

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They're back!

NMSU basketball, football head coaches agree to new contracts

BULLETIN REPORT

Following historically successful seasons, New Mexico State University basketball coach Chris Jans and football coach Doug Martin signed new contracts within days of each other at the end of July.

The contracts keep Martin in Las Cruces through the 2021 season and Jans through the 2021-22 season.

"What Doug Martin and his staff and our players accomplished last year has not been seen in a generation," said Athletic Director Mario Moccia. "The program he inherited has undergone a significant transformation.

Academically, socially and competitively, he has made vast strides in all three areas. This past season, the amount of national attention on the football program, our athletic department and our university was unparalleled. As we head into independent status, it was critical we secure Doug's services for the long term."

"My family and I are excited about continuing to build a quality football program at New Mexico State," Martin said. "This gives our program great stability. The support we have received from Mario Moccia and especially Chancellor [Dan] Arvizu is greatly appreciated. I feel that he is looking for

football to have an important role for the university and its growth."

Jans' restructured contract gives Aggie basketball much-needed continuity.

"After three-consecutive seasons with a new head coach, it was imperative for the program to retain him for the long term," Moccia said.

"[Wife] Sheri and I are thrilled to be members of the Las Cruces community and love the passion they have shown for New Mexico State basketball," Jans said. "Aggie basketball is special and we are looking forward to building on last year's success."

In Jans' first season, NM State went 28-6, tying

the program record for most wins in a season. The Aggies swept both rivals UNM and UTEP and claimed the Western Athletic Conference tournament title. He was named WAC Coach of the Year.

Martin led New Mexico State football to its first bowl game in 57 years, capped by a 26-20 overtime thriller over Utah State in the NOVA Home Loans Arizona Bowl. An estimated 25,000 Aggie fans attended the game in Tucson.

The Aggies also beat UNM and UTEP, the first time NMSU had beaten UNM on the road and UTEP at home in the same season since 1976.

Where does golf go from here?

The past two articles have dealt with (1) the failure of millennials and golf to embrace one another and (2) how golf's bubble has been deflated due to over-exuberance. The 6 million avid golfers in our country ac-



CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

count for most of the rounds played and dollars spent on golf. But these are well-off adults and seniors who have the time and money. They won't be around forever. So where do we go from here?

For the past eight years numerous schemes and hybrid ideas have been hatched to attract folks to golf courses, thereby utilizing the somewhat manicured space for some revenue. "Footgolf" is one, whereby players kick a soccer ball around and eventually into three-foot diameter holes set near the greens. "Fling golf" has a few converts using a lacrosse stick and ball. Then there's Frisbee "golf."

Four years ago, in a splashy presentation at the PGA Show in Orlando, CEO Mark King of TaylorMade launched "Hack Golf" in an effort to reinvent the game (proposing a 15 inch hole, for starters) and make it more fun. Despite the effort, nothing much has become of Hack Golf. Golf as such needs to get back to its roots while grasping the urgency to embrace the techno future with 21st century concepts.

Golf has long been part

of our American culture just as it has been part of Scottish culture for hundreds of years. The crazy growth of golf through the 1990s until 2008 was akin to a stock market boom; but then came a bust. Golf and golf courses

have contracted and still will. Some minis will close. Some poorly maintained, low-service clubs don't deserve to survive.

Yet for us everyday chops who love golf and long to play on layouts that are well-maintained, challenging and scenic, the future is uncertain.

For the future, golf must not abandon a tradition that created its magic attraction. We can continue to have golf in open spaces, played with modern clubs and balls, and with time-shortened limits. It doesn't have to be a five-hour 18-hole round. Courses are being modified for 6, 9 and 12 holes for busy families.

The future is kids. The PGA jr.league has grown nationwide, but sadly, precious few golf clubs have huge programs for kids and special membership rates for families with young kids. We need to change that. Your comments?

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