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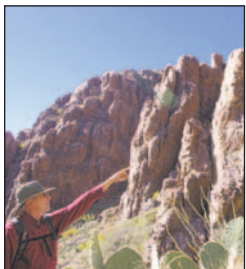
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2019 DASO Citizen's Academy taking applications

The first class of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department Citizen's Police Academy in 2019 will begin on Saturday, Jan. 5.

Applicants who were previously interested in the fall 2018 class – which had to be postponed in August because of scheduling conflicts – are automatically enrolled.

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

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

Each Citizen's Academy applicant must be 18 years of age or older, must be a resident of Doña Ana County, and must have a valid driver's license or photo ID. Because of the sensitive nature of police work, a brief background check will be performed on each applicant.



nerships through education and awareness. Academy participants are volunteers who wish to learn more about the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department; it is

Academy participants must not have any prior felony convictions and no misdemeanor or arrests within the last three years.

The academy takes class members through various divisions of the department in an effort to strengthen community part-

not the cadet academy for those who wish to become certified law-enforcement officers with DASO.

Classes are interactive and give participants hands-on knowledge of how sheriff's deputies are trained to handle real-life situations.

Class members will examine traffic enforcement, understand the use of force – including the use of deadly force – observe K-9 demonstrations and presentations by the Special Response Team and bomb squad.

Several field trips are included in the academy, including tours of the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority and the Doña Ana County Detention Center.

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

Blood drive nets 31 pints

Doña Ana County employees and visitors to the Doña Ana County Government Center donated 31 pints of blood on Friday, Dec. 7.



Each year, Doña Ana County holds a holiday blood drive in December, in addition to the Judy Price Memorial Blood Drive each August.

The Dec. 7 drive was conducted in the rotunda of the Doña Ana County Government Center at 845 N. Motel Blvd.

Each holiday season, United Blood Services sees its blood reserves fall to critical levels. Giving blood normally takes less than an hour, and the results save lives throughout the region.

Become a volunteer firefighter!

So you want to be a volunteer firefighter?

The first step is a county-mandated background check into the applicant's address, education, employment, personal references verification, valid driver's license and criminal history.

Once accepted as a volunteer, orientation is scheduled. Videos are viewed on "Policy and Procedures" and "Preventing Discrimination and Harassment in the Work Place." Tests follow both.

Volunteers are expected to adhere to the same code of conduct and policies as paid county employees. The importance of the background check and policy adherence is in deference to the fact that volunteers can be responsible for personal property and information dur-



ing the course of responding to an emergency call.

Requirements for volunteers are not age or gender specific. Volunteers are expected to be able to push and pull up to 185 pound weights, swing hammers and axes and use rescue tools that can weigh up to 50 pounds. Each volunteer also must be able to carry 50 pound hoses charged with water for long distances, and then aim and discharge them. They also must be able to raise a 24-foot extension ladder and return it to its original position in order to gain access to rooftops. In essence, volunteers need to be fit in body, mind and spirit.

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NMSU participates in 'student success' effort

By **JUSTIN BANNISTER**
For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University announces it is participating in "Powered by Publics: Scaling Student Success," a massive new effort where 130 public universities and systems will work together to increase college access, close the achievement gap and award hundreds of thousands more degrees by 2025. The project is being organized by the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities.

"One of our top-level priorities for NMSU is to improve student success," said NMSU President John Floros. "We're working to help our students complete their academic studies on time and become highly qualified leaders ready for the work of tomorrow.

This will be an opportunity for us to collaborate with other universities to share our findings and learn from others as to what is working best for them."

The participating institutions will work within "clusters" of four to 12 institutions as they concurrently implement innovative and effective practices to advance student success on their campuses. Collectively, the institutions enroll three million students.

Powered by Publics represents the largest-ever collaborative effort to improve college access, advance equity, and increase college degrees awarded. In addition to committing to those goals, participating institutions have pledged to share aggregate data demonstrating their prog-

ress to help spur lasting change across the higher education sector.

"Over the past few years, we've witnessed a real and growing enthusiasm among public university leaders to advance college completion nationally," said APLU President Peter McPherson.

"We have to seize the moment and mobilize institutions to improve not just college access, but also equity in student outcomes and the number of students who earn degrees. That's what Powered by Publics is all about and why we're thrilled to work with our member institutions toward such an important national goal."

The participating institutions reflect a wide array of institutional characteristics such

as enrollment, student demographics, regional workforce needs, and selectivity.

The broad diversity of the institutions is intended to help create a playbook of adaptable student success reforms that can be adopted and scaled up across a variety of institution types, including those with limited resources.

The effort will be overseen by APLU's Center for Public University Transformation, which the association created this year to help drive transformational change across the public higher education sector. The center will regularly disseminate lessons learned from participating institutions.

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Through a nationwide land-grant university program, NMSU hopes to increase the number of students receiving degrees.

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Online master's program ranks in top 50 nationwide

By **ADRIANA M. CHAVEZ**
For the Bulletin

The master's program in Education Administration at NMSU has been named one of the top online master's programs by OnlineMasters.com, an online rankings website that researches graduate programs in the U.S.

The website also ranked the Education Administration program, offered by the NMSU College of Education's School of Teacher Preparation, Administration, and Leadership, as the best for multicultural leadership careers.

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ing work that the program is doing and demonstrates to our 100,000 monthly visitors that it provides quality education that can help students with their career aspirations," said Barbara Montgomery, program recognition manager for OnlineMasters.com, which is based in Seattle.

The website ranked NMSU 49th out of 50 universities that offer an online master's degree in Education Administration.

"I feel that our Educational Leadership and Administration program is leading the college with their successful online courses," said Susan Brown, interim dean of the NMSU College of Education.

"The program is very well-organized, and the faculty makes sure the online

courses offered meet the needs of the students, as well as preparing them for their future positions."

"We are honored to receive this distinction. The Educational Leadership and Administration Program has exceptionally dedicated, student-centered faculty and staff as well as thoughtful rising leaders for students," said Azadeh Osanloo, co-director of the School of Teacher Preparation, Administration, and Leadership and faculty in the Educational Leadership and Administration program.

In 2016, the Educational Leadership doctoral program was ranked seventh in the country by Educational Leadership Degree Programs, a national rankings website.

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If you missed making your gift then, now is the next best time to support NMSU students. So, what are the best ways to give to the NMSU Foundation that benefit both you and the scholarship, program or department of your choice?

Make a gift of cash online or by check. Right now, a handful of student-led or student-serving programs have a few weeks left to meet their crowdfunding goals on NMSU's Make A STATEMENT platform. NMSU's Society of Women Engineers needs your help to attend a national conference to expand



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their community outreach efforts, and the PRIDE of New Mexico Marching Band is seeking additional funding to create more room for new members and reach the largest membership it has ever had. Make your gifts to those funds or others at <https://mas.nmsu.edu>.

Make a gift of securities, including stocks, bonds, or mutual funds. Maybe you have a specific scholarship or department you want to support but don't have the cash. As long as you have owned these assets longer than one year, you can bypass capital gains taxes all while providing a crucial, financial lift to your Aggies.

Make a gift through the charitable IRA rollover. If you are 70 and a half or older, you can donate up to \$100,000 to the NMSU Foundation directly from your IRA. The best part is that the donation does not count as taxable income when it is transferred, and it helps

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Fighting Fibromyalgia

Las Cruces (NM)- Fibromyalgia is an autoimmune disease that affects 5 million adults in the United States alone. It is more common in women than men and is generally diagnosed in individuals between the ages of 30 and 50. It is often characterized by chronic widespread muscular pain and tenderness, symptoms of extreme fatigue and listlessness, poor sleep quality, and memory problems.

- Other symptoms of fibromyalgia may include:
- Depression
- Anxiety
- Difficulty sleeping
- Morning stiffness
- Headaches and/or migraines
- Numbness or tingling
- Irritable bowel or bladder syndrome
- Abdominal or pelvic pain and/or cramps
- Temporomandibular pain (pain in the jaw)

There is no specific test that can actually confirm or diagnose fibromyalgia. As a result, it is extremely important to obtain an accurate diagnosis. A physician or healthcare provider will conduct several tests to rule out other conditions with similar symptoms including rheumatologic disease and thyroid issues.

For a patient with fibromyalgia, every day is different. Symptoms can often come and go. Some days may be extremely challenging, while others are more manageable. Some lifestyle changes can have a dramatic impact on fibromyalgia symptoms, especially sleep, activity, and diet. A healthy and active lifestyle may help decrease fibromyalgia symptoms. Studies show that second to medication, the actions most likely to help are light aerobic exercises (such as walking or water exercise to get the heart rate up) and strength training.



A well designed exercise program plays an important role in the management of fibromyalgia but the fear of pain prevents individuals from exercising. This is where a physical therapist can help. Expect the physical therapist to evaluate current functional limitations and establish

personalized goals. The physical therapist will determine if weight loss can help reduce symptoms.

In addition, the therapist will design a comprehensive lifestyle improvement program consisting of exercise, stretching, manual therapy techniques to help relieve pain and restore function.

There are several added benefits with the pain relief associated with a physical therapy program. Clients find that they can sleep better, focus more effectively and experience a greater sense of well-being as compared to individuals who do not exercise.

Whether you experience pain as a result of fibromyalgia or any other condition, your physical therapist can teach you to interpret the severity of pain signals and possibly reduce pain with structured exercise. You will discover how to maintain a healthy lifestyle, manage stress, reduce pain and improve your sleeping habits. As experts in restoring strength and improving mobility, therapists can develop a very specific and individualized plan of care based on the problems that clients are experiencing. This is true not only in the case of individuals afflicted with fibromyalgia, but those with any injury, pain, or lack of mobility and function for any reason.

If you are experiencing pain and limited function from fibromyalgia, contact a Physical Therapist and learn more about how they can help.



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— *Gerald H. Deabel*



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

During this Christmas season, probably several times, Cathy Stegemann will sit down at the piano at Mesilla Valley Hospice, and play “O Holy Night.”

Just a few years ago, Stegemann didn't even play the piano.

“When my husband died, more than four years ago, I just sat down and started playing,” Stegemann said. She's never had a lesson, and one day she was by a piano, and a piece of paper fell on the floor. She turned it over and saw the musical notes.

“I thought, ‘I can play this.’” And she did.

Her husband, Ivan, had been a patient at Mesilla Valley Hospice and, after a grieving time, Stegemann began volunteering there, and developing her piano skills, much to the delight of staff and residents.

Stegemann has volunteered for three years now, and the music is only a minor part of what she does. Her experience with Mesilla Valley Hospice during her husband's last days, motivated her to help.

“I just hope I can give back a little bit of what was given to me,” she said.

For her compassion – and her passion – as a volunteer, Stegemann this week earned the first-ever Deabel Legacy Society volunteer of the year award, which includes \$20,000, from an endowment created by the late Gerald H. Deabel.



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY RICHARD COLTHARP

A standing ovation usher Cathy Stegemann as she walks to accept the first Deabel Legacy Society volunteer award. Stegemann is a volunteer at Mesilla Valley Hospice.



Cathy Stegemann learns her volunteer award comes with \$20,000 from the Deabel Legacy Society.

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The Reindeer Flu

You remember that Christmas a few years ago, when you waited all night for ol' Santy to show

Well, I heard the reason and it just might be true, the whole

bunch came down with the dang reindeer flu!

The cowboy elves had been busy all day a doctorin' Donner and scatterin' hay

Dancer and Prancer were febrile and snotty, Comet and Cupid went constantly potty

Hallucinatory dementia was rampant, why, Blitzen imagined that he was Jed Clampett

Dasher got schizo and thought he was Trigger, while Vixen's obsessions got bigger and bigger

By noon Santy knew they should find substitutes. So the cowboy elves went out searchin' recruits

They scoured the Artic for suitable prey, and bought them together to hook to the sleigh.

When Santy climbed up it was like a bad dream! A bull moose as old as the planks on the ark

With a head as big as a hammerhead shark stood hitched by a cow, Mrs. Santy's of course.

Then next in the tugs was a Clydesdale horse, He was pared with an elk whose antlers were crossed

An ostrich, a wal-



BAXTER BLACK

On the Edge of Common Sense

rus and an old albatross were harnessed in line, but the last volunteer

Was a blue heeler dog with only one ear.

The cowboy elves gave a push to the sled

as Santy reared back, cracked his whip, then he said

“On Cleo, on Leo, on Lefty and Jake, On Murphus, Redondo, on Lupe and Snake...”

Smoke from the runners cut tracks in the snow. The team headed south, but, where else could they go?

They started back East 'cause it got dark there first, and their luck which was bad, got progressively worse

By the time they hit Kansas the tugs had gone slack and all but the dog was now ridin' in back

Santy was desperate. What on earth could he do?

Then the lights of an airport hove into his view! Did they make it? You betcha, but here hangs the tale

Of how, on that Christmas they stayed on the trail

A man in Alaska said right after dawn, a low flying object passed over his lawn

He ran to the window and threw up the sash and heard someone shouting, “Fer Pete's sake, don't crash!

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On Budget, on Thrifty, look out Alamo, I didn't take out the insurance, you know.

And you, Number Two, try harder, yer Avis! On Dollar, On Hertz, Rent-a-Wreck, you can save us An extra day's charge

if we make it by nine, though the drop off will cost us a bundle this time

Merry Christmas," yelled Santy, but he was all smiles 'cause at least he'd signed up for unlimited miles.

So that's how it happened as best I recall, when it looked like that Christmas might not

come at all

And the truth of the matter, we all owe a cheer to the Wichita office of Rent-a-Reindeer.

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

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There's no way we as humans can predict the future, nor are there any guaranteed consequences for doing the right thing.

However, thanks to Deabel, three Las Cruces charitable organizations, and an undetermined number of local volunteers will be getting some unexpected karma for the foreseeable future.

After living most of his life in Wisconsin and Chicago, Gerald H. Deabel moved to Las Cruces, and in the early 2000s, he became intrigued with an organization known as Mesilla Valley Hospice, despite having no relatives stay there. He was struck by the way then-executive director Margaret Connealy ran the hospice, and how she ran it.

"He was impressed with the stewardship of the funds," said Don Beasley, the organization's accountant, and a friend of Deabel, who particularly admired how little was used for administration, and how much was spent on the patients.

He established the Deabel Legacy Society in 2003 to help the hospice. For 14 years, he worked to grow that trust,

primarily through his relentless work in real estate investment. And when Deabel passed in December 2017, at age 83, he donated most of his estate to charity, including an astonishing \$10 million to Mesilla Valley Hospice, Beasley said.

The society's endowment, and Deabel's wishes, allow for an annual award of at least \$20,000 to a Las Cruces volunteer, Beasley said.

Next year the volunteer award will go to a volunteer for the local Salvation Army, and the following year, a community volunteer for an organization under the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico. In the fourth year, it will rotate back to Mesilla Valley Hospice. Additional earnings from the endowment will annually be divided among the three organizations.

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HSR luncheon



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Dr. Deb Dennis, executive director of Human Systems Research, Inc. (HSR), greets attendees at HSR's annual holiday lunch, held Dec. 4 at Double Eagle de Mesilla. Dennis thanked HSR friends for their support of the Las Cruces nonprofit during the past year and said HRS' ninth annual Buffalo Roast fundraiser will be Saturday, March 9, 2019 at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. The topic will be "Fields of Fire: Indian and Army Tactics at the 1876 Little Bighorn Battle and the Application of Firearm Identification in Revealing the Story," presented by Douglas D. Scott, an archaeologist and author who has conducted battlefield archeology at the Little Bighorn site for nearly a quarter century. HSR is the oldest nonprofit in New Mexico doing archeological research, founded in 1972. HSR's office is at 535 S. Melendres St. Contact Dennis at 575-524-9456 ddennis@humansystemsresearch.org.

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Stampede Meat cuts the ribbon on new facility



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

New Mexico Economic Development Secretary Matt Geisel speaks to guests at the ribbon cutting as Sunland Park Mayor Javier Perea, Tim Nitti of New Mexico Partnership, MVEDA President & CEO Davin Lopez and Stampede Meat CEO Brock Furlong listen.



Economic Development Secretary Matt Geisel and Stampede Meat CEO Brock Furlong cut the ribbon.

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

Stampede Meat executives and local officials were joined by New Mexico Economic Development Secretary Matt Geisel to cut the ribbon at the company's new manufacturing facility at Sunland Park.

The ceremony took place Dec. 6.

According to their website, Stampede Meat, Inc., founded in 1995, "is an innovative protein solutions company that focuses on custom protein development and processing." It bills itself as America's No. 1 steak supplier to restaurants, clubs and other industry segments.

Stampede Meat received thousands of applications during an initial hiring phase that began in October, the company reports in a press release. When the facility opens this month, it will have more than 300 employees. As construction progresses through the first quarter of 2019, new positions will become available. By 2024, the facility plans to have a workforce of nearly 1,300 employees.

Stampede Meat, headquartered in Bridgeview, Illinois, outside Chicago, announced its expansion to Sunland Park in July. The company is investing more than \$36 million in renovating its facility.

"After years of hard work to create a business-friendly environment, companies are choosing New Mexico because they know they are welcome here," Geisel said. "Today, our commitment to critical economic development tools is paying off as we celebrate Stampede Meat's expansion to Sunland Park and next round of hiring."

"We are thrilled to be here today celebrating Stampede's first expansion outside of [Chicago]," said Stampede Meat CEO Brock Furlong. "[Dec. 10] will be first production run and we plan to have two full shifts in mid-January."

"The ability for various groups like [Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance], the State of New Mexico, the NMPartnership, and the City of Sunland Park, to come together in a seamless effort to work on attracting a company like



Turbines at Stampede Meat in Sunland Park push air through the facility.

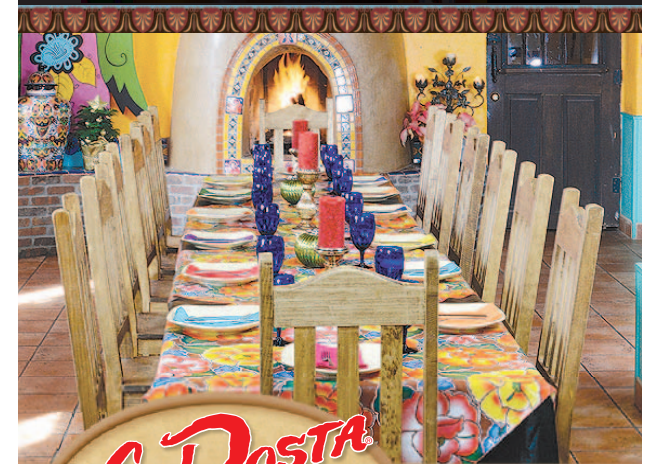
Stampede is a significant vantage point not found in every state and community," said MVEDA President & CEO Davin Lopez.

Stampede Meat will be supported by New

Mexico's closing fund, LEDA, as well as the Job Training Incentive Program, JTIP.

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Tom Hutchinson, Chairman of the Board of Directors for Citizens Bank of Las Cruces adds, "We would like to sincerely thank George for his 10 years of dedicated service to Citizens Bank and certainly his 45 years of service to the banking industry. Congratulations to Jed as Citizens Bank's new President and CEO. We are excited for Jed and are confident his strong leadership will lead our team to continued success."

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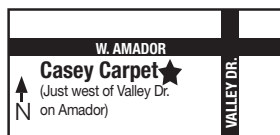
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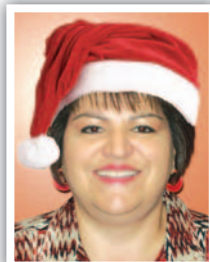
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Doña Ana County Federated Republican Women: Annual Christmas Party, 11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 14, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Drive. Info: Patricia Rothengass 575-650-5057 or artpjr1940@yahoo.com.

Employer Compliance Seminar: 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, 2345 Nevada Ave. Small business owners will learn from various agencies to help ensure they are following requirements when hiring employees plus new IRS business tax updates. Cost is \$25. Info: www.nmsbdc.org/lascruces or Brent or Sergio 575-527-7676.

Timebank orientation: 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, Doña Ana Communities United Office, 151 S. Walnut St. Unit B13. All prospective members are welcome. Info: dacu-

mairead@gmail.com.

1st Annual Artisan Fair: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, Cruces Creatives, 205 E. Lohman. Mesilla Valley Artisan/Crafters Guild's first-ever Artisan Fair. Free.

Community Christmas Carol Sing-Along: 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Free. All ages welcome.

Las Noches de Las Luminarias: 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, Fort Selden historic site, I-25 Exit 19, Radium Springs. Info: 575-202-1638 for more information.

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Haunted Courthouse History Tours:

6 p.m.-12 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, Haunted History Tours of the Historic Doña Ana County Jail & Courthouse. \$15 per person. Info: 800-548-1632 or backhandent.com.

GriefShare Support Group:

Morning Star United Methodist Church, 2941 Morning Star Dr., is hosting a weekly GriefShare Support Group beginning Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2019, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. The program is designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one through death. The group is by people who have experienced grief, themselves. This is a 13-week program and a workbook and videos will be used to guide discussion in the journey from mourning to joy. Cost is \$25. Info and registration: Jackie Maxon, 915-525-2575.

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Canasta Games and Lessons: 11:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Wednesdays, Munson Center, 975 S Mesquite. Free.

DAR: 11 a.m. third Thursday of each month. Daughters of the American Revolution meet. Info: Linda 575-521-3166.

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Farmers & Crafts Market: 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays, Plaza de Las Cruces.

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

575-649-0165.

Minnesota Club: Third Wednesday of each month. Monthly luncheon for people from Minnesota or people who have lived in Minnesota. Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month at various restaurants. Info: Kris 575-323-3624.

Model railroad club: 10 a.m.-1 p.m., third Saturday of each month at the Southern New Mexico Fairgrounds. Enter

through west gate. Southern New Mexico N Scalers Model Railroad Club, has their monthly meeting and model railroad running day. Info: Mike Fifer, 575-526-8834.

Gift Cards: 411 North Main St. Museums are issuing gift cards, good for any fee-based program at the museums, starting at \$25. Info: las-cruces.org/museums, 575-541-2154.

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The committee also files annual reports with respect to the progress of the capital improvements plan and report to the City through the City Manager any perceived inequities in implementing the plan or imposing impact fees. It also advises the City of the need to update or revise the land use assumptions, capital improvements plan, impact fees, and advises the City regarding growth management strategies.

Applications can be picked up at the City Clerk's office inside City Hall at 700 N. Main St., or accessed online at: <http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/city-clerks-office/boards-commissions-and-committees>.

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Shriners: Las Cruces Shriners meet the second Monday, 1150 W. Brown. All Shriners are invited. Info: 575-526-8396.

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

Spanish Conversation Group: 1:30-3 p.m. Tuesdays, Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite St. Intermediate/advanced conversation group welcomes new people to converse entirely in Spanish and improving skills. Each week, participants choose two topics to discuss the following week. There is no formal instruction, but new vocabulary from the discussion is reviewed. Info: 575-526-5174.

Special Forces Association: 10 a.m. every fourth Saturday, 8936 Lisa Lane. Special Forces Association Chapter 80 in Las Cruces holds monthly meetings. Breakfast at 9 a.m.

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

- Circle 8's Club: 6-8:30 p.m. first and third Sundays.
- Crossfire Plus Club: 6:30-9 p.m. second and fourth Saturdays.

Toastmasters Club: 7-8 a.m. every Tuesday, Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center Solutions, 2345 Nevada Ave. If you are interested in improving your public speaking and leadership skills, attend a meeting to learn how this organization can benefit you. Info: clobato@nmsu.edu, or www.toastmasters.org.

Toastmasters Club: 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village community center, Kiva Room, 3100 Buena Vida Circle. Info: 575-642-0032, email lascrucesttoastmasters@gmail.com or visit Toastmasters International website www.toastmasters.org.

Toastmasters Club: Noon-1 p.m. Thursdays, Skeen Hall Room 128 at NMSU. Los Chismosos Toastmasters meets. The club's focus is to help members build confidence in public speaking and advance their leadership skills in a positive and supportive setting. Info: Nancy Hastings 575-541-5744 or www.Toastmasters.org.

VFW Post 6917: 7 p.m. second Thursday of each month, 5845 Bataan Memorial West. Post meeting. Eligible veterans welcome. Info: Commander Raul Sanchez, 575-621-5839.

Wisconsin Club: 5-7 p.m. Second Monday of each month, Sunset Grill at Sonoma Ranch. All Wisconsinites are invited for the monthly meet-and-greet. Info: 312-2088.

Please send your events and announcements to editor@lascrucbulletin.com the Thursday before the desired Friday publication.

Veterans honored



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The Las Cruces Association of Educational Retirees honored LCAER veterans and guest veterans at their recent luncheon at the Good Samaritan Village. Pictured from left are Charles Dube (guest speaker for November), Bill Monsimer, Richard Shriver, Juan Jaquez and Jerry Stepro. They were honored for their service and dedication to country.

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Schools hold three holiday fundraisers at Barnes & Noble

BULLETIN REPORT

Two Las Cruces elementary schools and a high school will hold holiday fundraising events this weekend at Barnes & Noble in Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd.

Here are the details:

- Tombaugh Elementary School will hold a bookfair Friday, Dec. 14. Events will include students' award-winning artwork displays throughout the day, thanks to art teacher Patricia Gamez,

along with these specific activities:

- 10 a.m.: Storytime with a Tombaugh Elementary parent;
- 3-4 p.m.: Storytime with Tombaugh Elementary Assistant Principal Tara Faivre and art with Me-

lissa Bradee;

- 4-4:30 p.m.: "Challenge a Cop" with New Mexico State Police officer Daniel Jacquez;

- 4:30-5:00 p.m. Magic show with Richard Wallace;

- 5:15-6:00 p.m.: Visit from Santa Claus.

Visitors to the event and online should reference bookfair ID #12459244 to benefit Tombaugh Elementary School, said Tombaugh Elementary PFO President (and parent) Dawn Owen.

- Doña Ana Elementary School Winter Spectacular 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15.

Here is their schedule of events:

- 9-10 a.m.: Crafts and fifth-grade and special education holiday music

performances;

- 10-11 a.m.: Crafts and fourth-grade music performance, along with the Chicken Dance and holiday story time;

- 11 a.m.-2 p.m.: Crafts, Ballet Folklorico performances, an appearance by the Doña Ana Elementary wildcat mascot, preschool, first- and second-grade holiday performances and storytelling;

- 2-3 p.m.: Crafts, Ballet Folklorico performance, second- and third-grade holiday music performances and holiday story time with Principal Cherie Love;

- (2nd/3rd - 3rd Grade, Ballet Folklorico Students, Specials Teachers, PTO)

Mention Doña Ana Elementary (Book Fair ID 12459277) at the cash register.

- Oñate High School will present its second

annual showcase 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Dec. 16-17.

Highlights will include performances by Oñate Concert Choirs, scenes from "Elf, Jr. The Musical" by Oñate theatre students, holiday readings and storytelling by students in the pre-teaching program and National Honor Society, craft projects by the OHS Art Club, and highlights of other student academic programs like Health Occupations Students of America, criminal justice pathway, language arts classes and more," said OHS Assistant Principal Kathleen Gardner.

Visitors to the showcase can support OHS by referencing Oñate High School as they check out or with bookfair ID #12397220 if they shop online, Gardner said.

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GREEN CONNECTIONS

Transfer station nurtures culture of safety

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

At the South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) Transfer Station, the same sign hangs in the breakroom, in the observation deck, and in the restroom: “Work safely today, remember someone expects you home tonight.” Those are not just signs; it’s a culture of safety that’s been created at the agency.

In the SCSWA front office, the new 2018 award from the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) is displayed. It’s for the Biggest Safety Improvement – Collection and Transfer.

When we see our trash picked up from the curb, we witness part of an efficient system at work. But more than just efficiency, those in solid waste must work safely every day; it’s the 5th most dangerous profession in the United States.

The SCSWA is committed to keeping employees and customers safe. In 2014, Steve Mauer, SCSWA Regulatory Compliance specialist, came on board to help the organization implement a better system for safety, starting with a site audit and inspection.

He started “tailgate meetings” every other week, many times from the back of pickup truck. “It’s important that we continually review the basics to keep ourselves safe,” said Mauer. “We hear the messages, but sometimes we don’t fol-

low what we know.” The meetings were filled with basic reminders about personal protective equipment; slip, trip, and falls; hazard materials; proper lifting, and asbestos.

Just two years later, the SCSWA was awarded the 2016 Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP) by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). It was the first time a municipality in New Mexico was awarded the SHARP award, which involved five onsite OSHA inspections. Through hard work and changing the mindset of workers, the SCSWA reduced its accidents, incidents and

workman’s compensation claims by 80 percent.

Over time, Mauer’s tailgate meetings morphed into the Safety Monday program encouraged by SWANA; the new 2018 SWANA award recognizes the ongoing success of the safety improvements implemented at the SCSWA.

Not only does the safety program protect employees, but also customers who come to dispose of their own solid waste trash at the Amador Avenue Transfer Station. “We get more than 300 vehicles here every day,” said Mauer. “It’s part of our job not only to manage their trash, but also to help our customers safely navigate

disposing of their solid waste.” One example: Every three months, the SCSWA refreshes the bright yellow paint stripes on the concrete floor and on the balusters that guide residential customers through the Transfer Station. The goal – always – is keeping everyone safe.

Green Connections is submitted by the South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) managing solid



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SCSWA's Steve Mauer proudly holds the 2018 SWANA Award for the Biggest Safety Improvement - Collection and Transfer. It's the second big recognition for safety awarded to the SCSWA in the past few years.

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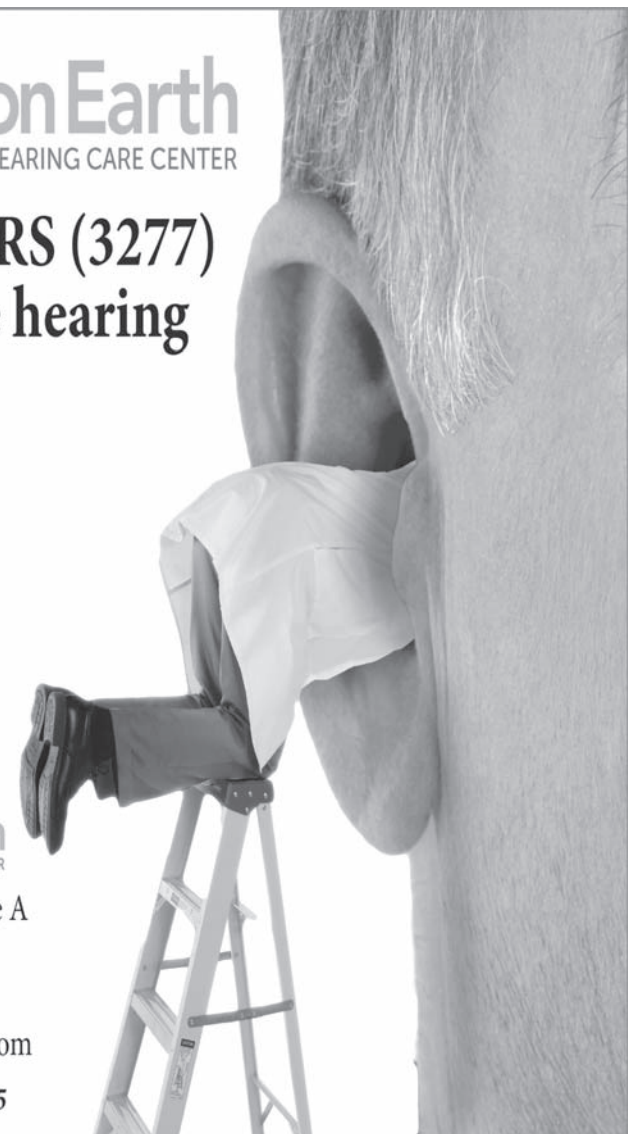
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IN THE NEWS

Skimming devices

Las Cruces police want area residents to be on the lookout for credit and debit card skimming devices that appear to be more prevalent in New Mexico.

A card skimming device can be attached to an ATM or the card reader on a fuel dispenser head. It can be used to capture information from the debit or credit card that's inserted or swiped. Perpetrators use the information illegally collected to make purchases or withdraw money from the customer's account.

One Las Cruces couple recently fell victim to a skimming device and lost several thousand dollars in unauthorized

withdrawals from their checking account. The incident is believed to have occurred in November while paying for gasoline, at the pump, at a local gas station.

The Las Cruces Police Department recommends card users follow these tips:

- Watch for suspicious card readers – the area where a debit or credit card is swiped or inserted – that do not match the rest of the ATM or fuel dispenser.
- Pull or tug on the card reader before using it. If it detaches or feels loose, do not insert your card or use it.
- Look for devices near the card reader that may hold a camera – sometimes just a tiny pinhole camera – as those can be used to record images of both sides of the bank

card or the user's PIN.

- Look for evidence of tampering with the ATM, card reader or on the head of the fuel dispenser. If you notice any tampering – loose or damaged doors – refrain from using it.
- Watch for suspicious

activity at or near where the ATM or card reader is located.

- Monitor your bank and credit card statements regularly. If you suspect abnormalities, or evidence of purchases you did not make, report it to your financial insti-

tution.

- Sign up for text-alerts through your financial institution so you are immediately made aware of purchases made on your card.

Immediately report to police any suspicious devices or suspicious activ-

ity near an ATM or card reader.

Some skimming devices can be placed inside an ATM, or inside the head of a fuel dispenser. Those internal skimmers are much harder for consumers to detect.

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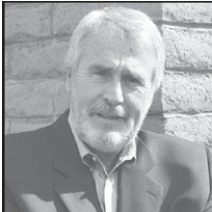


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IN THE PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA STATE OF NEW MEXICO

No. 18-0246

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LARRY R. FINNIGSMIER, a/k/a LARRY RAY FINNIGSMIER DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **STEVEN A. KUHLMAN** 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. Rm. 1-201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

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Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

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

**Edward Kriner
1645 Smith Ave
Las Cruces, NM 88001**

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The contents of the unit consists of
Bed, 3 Bikes, Sink, Tools, Misc.

Date of Auction: January 15,
2019 at 10 a.m.
Place: Stull Storage Units,
960 S. Triviz Dr.,
Las Cruces NM 88001
Stull Storage #2 - Agent
Laura Stull Kaczmarek,
Manager (575) 525-2927

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 2018

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

**Laurie & Chris Hooley
1353 N. Tornillo
Las Cruces, NM 88001**

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) **234** at Stull Storage Units #2, will be **SOLD AT AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$430.00**, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of
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Date of Auction: January
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Place: Stull Storage Units,
960 S. Triviz Dr.,
Las Cruces NM 88001
Stull Storage #2 - Agent
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Manager (575) 525-2927

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 2018

**Las Brisas Mobile Home
Park** hereby gives notice of intent to sell and/or remove the following abandoned mobile home from 381 Jasper Drive. Judgment was granted in favor of Las Brisas against Michael Zuniga & Yvonne Padilla for unpaid rents. The mobile home is a single wide Fleetwood, serial #TX303541.

Las Brisas Mobile Home Park hereby gives notice of intent to sell and/or remove the following abandoned mobile home from 413 Diamond Drive. Judgment was granted in favor of Las Brisas against Raiden Castro and Brianna Enriquez for unpaid rents. The mobile home is a single wide Fleetwood, serial #TXFL1A41891813.

Las Brisas Mobile Home Park hereby gives notice of intent to sell and/or remove the following mobile home from 131 Turquoise Avenue. Judgment was granted in favor of Las Brisas against Debbie Duran for unpaid rents. The mobile home is a single wide Melody, serial #980SB-470-539042.

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 14, 2018, Sandra Carolyn Bourgeois, J.J. Ulmer Jr., and Emily Ulmer Perry, 4915 Snow Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-03225-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-03225, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-03225-POD3 to a depth of 320 ft., with a 16 in casing, to be located within the NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 33, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 0' 34.41" N, 106° 38' 17.32" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, and

by discontinuing the use of well LRG-03225-POD2, located within the NW 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 of projected Section 33, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 0' 33.24" N, 106° 38' 25.84" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provision contained in the Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101, filed August 22, 2011, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 38.26 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the N 1/2 of projected Section 33, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM) and the S 1/2 of projected Section 28, Township 26S, Range 3E (NMPM), as described by S u b f i l e N o . LRS-28-014-0149 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. The proposed site of well LRG-03225-POD3 is located west of Anthony, NM and is approximately 0.73 miles north of the intersection of Washington Street and Waterfront Street. Old well LRG-03225-POD2 will be plugged.

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: 12/07, 12/14, 12/21,
2018

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 13, 2018, Ken and Denise Stark, 4201 HWY 28, Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-10256-S, OSE File No. LRG-00984 with the State Engineer for Permit to Use Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by utilizing existing well LRG-10256-S, located within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected Section 8, Township 27S, Range 3E (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 58' 9.21" N, 106° 39' 6.84" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, to supplement existing well LRG-00984, located within the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected Section 8, Township 27S, Range 3W (NMPM), and more specifically located where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 31° 58' 3.09" N, 106° 39' 35.16" W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of the amount of water subject to all conditions and provisions contained in the August 22, 2011 Final Judgment and Settlement Agreement in Stream System Issue No. 101, SS-97-101 combined with surface; water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District for the irrigation of 40 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected Section 8, Township 27S, Range 3E (NMPM), and the SE 1/4 of projected Section 8, Township 27S, Range 3E (NMPM), as described by S u b f i l e N o . LRS-28-015-0068 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey.

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO
APPROVE**

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of the transfer of location of Inter-Local Dispenser Liquor License No. 2756 to Carpe Diem, Inc. d/b/a Rad Retrocade, to be located at 201 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24

The site of proposed existing supplemental well LRG-10256-S is north of La. Union, NM and is approximately 528 feet south of the intersection of Haase Road and Highway 28.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number, email address, and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1.978.

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

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Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
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The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the City Council on Monday, January 7, 2019, at 1:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, 700 North Main Street, City Hall. If passed, the Director

of the Alcohol and Gaming Division of the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department may approve the issuance of the license.

Witness my hand and seal this 29 day of November 2018.

/s/Linda Lewis, CMC, City
Clerk

Dates: 12/07, 12/14, 2018

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

No. D-307-SA-2018-14
Judge Marci E. Beyer

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ADOPTION PETI-
TION OF:
NATALIA MAKAROVA
DUNN and husband, MI-
CHAEL JAMES DUNN,
Petitioners.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF PROCEEDING
FOR ADULT ADOPTION
TO: YONG CHOL CHO
GREETINGS:**

You are hereby notified that an Amended Petition for Adult Adoption has been filed in the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico in the above-captioned and numbered cause wherein you are identified as the biological father of the person sought to be adopted by Petitioners, NATALIA MAKAROVA DUNN and MICHAEL JAMES DUNN. Petitioners seek to obtain constructive service of process upon you. The general object of said Petition is to effectuate the adoption of JOHN DOE, an adult, by the Petitioners, NATALIA MAKAROVA DUNN and MICHAEL JAMES DUNN. Unless you file a responsive pleading or motion within twenty (20) days from the third publication of this notice, judgment or other appropriate relief will be rendered against you by default. The name and address of the attorney for Petitioners is: SHANE A. ENGLISH, Post Office Drawer 1329, Anthony, New Mexico 88021, telephone (575) 882-4500.

Dates: 12/07, 12/14, 2018

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-2018-02652
Judge: Marci Beyer

In The Matter of a Petition
For Change of Name of:
MILTON J. GARDNER

**NOTICE OF HEARING
ON PETITION FOR**

WITNESS the Honorable MARCI E. BEYER, District Judge of said Court for the State of New Mexico and the Seal of the District Court of said County, this 26 day of November, 2018

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

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

NO.D-307-CV-2018-02420
JUDGE ARRIETA

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE PETITION OF
NORMA ARAGON**

**AMENDED NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR NAME
CHANGE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that **NORMA ARAGON**, 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 for Name Change in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Norma Aragon to Norma Aragon Camilliere, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge on the 24th day of January, 2019, at the hour of 9:15 a.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ J. Marcos Perales-Piña
J. Marcos Perales-Piña
Attorney for Petitioner
NM State Bar #25873
1127 E. Idaho Ave.
Las Cruces, NM 88001
575-523-0144 Tel.
575-523-0177 Fax

Dates: 12/07, 12/14, 2018

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-2018-02652
Judge: Marci Beyer

In The Matter of a Petition
For Change of Name of:
MILTON J. GARDNER

**NOTICE OF HEARING
ON PETITION FOR**

CHANGE OF NAME

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 40-8-1 through Sec. 40-8-3 NMSA 1978, the Petitioner, Milton J. Gardner, will apply to the Honorable Marci Beyer, District Judge of the Third Judicial District at the Dona Ana County Courthouse, Las Cruces, New Mexico at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, the 24th day of January, 2019 for an Order for Change of Name from Milton J. Gardner to Milton Jay Gardner.

Submitted By:
ROGGOW LAW, LLC
By: /s/ James A. Roggow

James A. Roggow
205 W. Boutz Rd., Bldg. 2,
Suite C
Las Cruces, NM 88005
(575) 526-2448
(575) 524-0160 Fax
Attorney for Petitioner

Dates: 12/07, 12/14, 2018

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

No. D-0307-PB-2018-
000116

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
Mary Ann Kramer a/k/a
Mary A. Kramer,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO CRED-
ITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at 3321 N. W. View Road, Vancouver, WA 98685, or filed with the District Court of Luna County, Deming, New Mexico.

DATED this 4TH day of
December, 2018.

/s/ Barbara D. Wills
Barbara D. Wills
Personal Representative
Bentling Law Firm, LLC

By: /s/ Tyler W. Bentling

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Tyler W. Benting
Attorney for Personal Representative
115 E. Ash Street
Deming, NM 88030
Ph: 575.546.6300
Fax: 575.546.4053

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

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

No. D-307-PB-2018-00117
Judge James T. Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN E. DOWNHAM, 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: November 6, 2018

/s/ Amy L. McNulty
Amy L. McNulty, Personal Representative of the Estate of Steven E. Downham, Deceased

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

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

Dates: 11/30, 12/07, 12/14,
2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2018-00344

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

vs.

EDAH FAYE BENGE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF WILBUR B. BENGE, DECEASED; CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA) N.A.; Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1960 Chilton Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 15 IN BLOCK NUMBERED N OF COLLEGE HEIGHTS, BLOCK M AND PART OF N AND R, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID COLLEGE HEIGHTS, BLOCK M AND PART OF N AND R, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON SEPTEMBER 22, 1956 IN PLAT BOOK 7, FOLIO 76. The real property is also described as follows: LOT FIFTEEN (15), BLOCK N, COLLEGE HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES ACCORDING TO A PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the

street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on January 3, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on October 4, 2018 in the total amount of \$128,250.36 with interest at the rate of 3.329% per annum from August 31, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

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

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

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2017-03017

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

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF ENRIQUE M. LOPEZ AKA HENRY M. LOPEZ, DECEASED; DAVID V. NUNEZ; TERRY S. ENRIQUEZ; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA) N.A.; HARVEST CREDIT MANAGEMENT VII, LLC, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 4224 San Ysidro Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

A 0.69 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, U.S.R.S. SURVEYS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND BEING A PORTION OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 5-79A1A2, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS TO WIT: BEGINNING AT A FOUND IRON ROD ON THE WEST R-O-W LINE OF THE A.T. & S.F. RAILROAD FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, WHENCE THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 5-79A1A2 BEARS THE FOLLOWING COURSE AND DISTANCE: N 23 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 39 SECONDS W, A DISTANCE OF 218.22 FEET; THENCE

FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING ALONG THE AFOREMENTIONED R-O-W LINE S 23 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 39 SECONDS W, 87.79 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE LEAVING THE AFOREMENTIONED R-O-W LINE S 62 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 08 SECONDS W W, 240.21 FEET TO AN ANGLE POINT OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE S 64 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 09 SECONDS W, 90.32 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON PIPE ALONG THE EAST R-O-W LINE OF SAN YSIDRO ROAD; THENCE ALONG THE AFOREMENTIONED R-O-W LINE N 21 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 37 SECONDS W, 96.06 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A SET IRON ROD; THENCE LEAVING THE AFOREMENTIONED R-O-W LINE N 64 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 39 SECONDS E, 326.06 FEET TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.69 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, AND BEING SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS OF RECORD AND SUCH AS MAY EXIST ON THE GROUND. DONOHUE LAND SURVEYS DATED DECEMBER 16, 2008 JOB NO. 156-54.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on December 20, 2018, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on October 4, 2018 in the total amount of \$83,998.00 with interest at the rate of 4.000% per annum from July 1, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

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

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

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

D-307-DM-2018-00347
Hon. Judge Jeanne H. Quintero

APRIL JEAN CARRILLO,

vs.

CARLOS GUILLERMO CARRILLO GARCIA, Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO: CARLOS GUILLERMO CARRILLO GARCIA Respondent

Take Notice that a lawsuit has been filed against you.

The subject of this lawsuit is: Petition for Dissolution of Marriage. If you do not file a response or responsive pleading with the above-titled Court within 30 days after the third publication of this Notice, the Court may enter a Decree of Divorce by Default against you.

Petitioner's Attorney:
Kelly O'Connell, P O Box 1922, Las Cruces, NM 88004, 575-496-6359

WITNESS this Honorable Jeanne H. Quintero, District Judge of the Third Judicial Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 11th of April, 2018.

(seal)

/s/ David S. Borunda
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: /s/ L Atencio
Deputy

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

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

No. D-307-PB-2018-00108
Judge: James T. Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN E. BIELCIK, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MARK J. BIELCIK and WENDY S. WALZTONI have been appointed co-personal representatives 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 co-personal representatives in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las

Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

DATED: November 19,
2018.

MARK J. BIELCIK 2312 Uranus Avenue
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012
Telephone: (575) 532-9190

WENDY S. WALZTONI
3995 Amaryllis Drive
Plainfield, Indiana 46168
Telephone: (708) 257-3332

Prepared by:
ALAN D. GLUTH
New Mexico Bar #14980
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Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. D-307-CV-2017-03950

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff,

v.

VICTOR LARA AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF VICTOR LARA,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on January 15, 2019 at 11:00 am, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT 9, BLOCK F, VISTA DE LA MONTANA, PHASE V, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF

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THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON DECEMBER 27, 2005, IN BOOK 21, PAGES 472-473 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The address of the real property is 5927 Norte Vista Dr, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on October 2, 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 \$130,005.48 plus interest from June 1, 2018 to the date of sale at the rate of 3.25000% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

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

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all

patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

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

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28, 2018, 01/04, 2019

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.: D-307-CV-2017-02562

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

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISEES AND LEGATEES OF WAYNE A. BAILLIE, DECEASED; TINA M. BAILLIE; REBECCA BAILLIE; ALLISON BAILLIE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with

the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1226 Lewis Street, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 12 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 2 OF SUNRISE TERRACE ADDITION, PHASE II, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID SUNRISE TERRACE ADDITION, PHASE II, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MARCH 29, 1978 PLAT BOOK 12, FOLIO 170-172.

The Property is also described as follows: ALL OF LOT NUMBERED TWELVE (12), IN BLOCK NUMBERED TWO (2), OF SUNRISE TERRACE ADDITION, PHASE II, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MARCH 29, 1978.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on January 3, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on October 12, 2018 in the total amount of \$157,045.34 with interest at the rate of 2.56000% per annum from April 1, 2018 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. NATIONSTAR Mortgage LLC D/B/A Champion

Mortgage Company, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

By: Robert Doyle c/o Legal Process Network P.O. Box 51526 Albuquerque, NM 87181 2 NM-17-773968-JUD IDSPub #0147317 11/30/2018 12/7/2018 12/14/2018 12/21/2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.: D-307-CV-2017-02701

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A MR. COOPER, Plaintiff,

vs.

FREDDIE SANCHEZ; ANNA RIOS F/K/A ANNA SANCHEZ; NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Dona Ana Coun-

ty, New Mexico, commonly known as 5575 Patagonia Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 4 IN BLOCK E OF DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON JULY 26, 2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 714-717.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on January 17, 2019, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on April 10, 2018 in the total amount of \$124,574.85 with interest at the rate of 4.75% per annum from November 8, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at

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

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

By: Robert Doyle c/o Legal Process Network P.O. Box 51526 Albuquerque, NM 87181

2 NM-17-776652-JUD IDSPub #0147478

11/23/2018 11/30/2018 12/7/2018 12/14/2018

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

No. D-307-PB-2018-00112 Hon. Arrieta, Manuel I.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VICTOR LESLIE PLUMB, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

Dated: November 29th, 2018.

/s/ Jason Plumb Jason Plumb 18 Westland Ave. Westhartford, CT 06107 860-840-4188

/s/ Ryan Plumb Ryan Plumb 4650 Twin Peaks Court Loveland, CO 80537 970-290-9659

SUBMITTED: ESTRADA LAW, P.C. By: /s/ Michele Ungvarsky, Esq. 1340 Picacho Hills Drive Las Cruces, NM 88007 575.556-2462 Attorneys for the Estate of Victor Leslie Plumb, deceased.

Dates: 12/07, 12/14, 12/21, 2018

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2018-00172

WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR MFRA 2014-2, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISEES OR LEGATEES OF CHARLES W. JOHNSON, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHARLES W. JOHNSON, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on January 15, 2019 at 11:00 am, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

UNIT NUMBER 1421 B ALAMO STREET AND A 3.967 PERCENT UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN THE COMMON AREAS AND FACILITIES OF THE ALAMO MISSION CONDOMINIUM OF LOTS 1 THROUGH 19, BLOCK 21 OF COLLEGE SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF THE LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT DATED APRIL 1910 FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY IN BOOK 4 AT PAGE 6 OF THE PLAT BOOK RE-

CORDS A BUILDING SUBJECT TO THE BUILDINGS BUT OWNERSHIP ACT AND DECLARATION FILED ON APRIL 12, 1976 IN BOOK 114 AT PAGE 353-383 OF THE MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AND BEING SUBJECT TO THE USE RESTRICTION SET FORTH IN THE AFOREMENTIONED DECLARATION AND PROTECTIVE COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS.

The address of the real property is 1421 Alamo St B, Las Cruces, NM 88001. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on September 18, 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 \$31,897.35 plus interest from August 1, 2018 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.75% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist,

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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
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Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018 01/04, 2019

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

No. D-307-CV-2018-02587
Judge: Beyer, Marci

**LARRY J. LONGNECKER
and PAMELA J.
LONGNECKER,
Plaintiffs,**

vs.

**THE UNKNOWN HEIRS
OF THE FOLLOWING
NAMED DECEASED
PERSON: ANTHONY
MONTELEONE, a/k/a
TONY MONTELEONE;
AND LEE ANN MOORE;
AND TONI TUCCI, a/k/a**

**TONI P. TUCCI; AND
ANY AND ALL UN-
KNOWN PERSONS WHO
MAY CLAIM A LIEN,
INTEREST OR TITLE
ADVERSE TO PLAN-
TIFFS,
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF SUIT**

**THE STATE OF NEW
MEXICO TO: TONI
TUCCI, a/k/a TONI P.
TUCCI; and THE UN-
KNOWN HEIRS OF THE
FOLLOWING NAMED
DECEASED PERSON:
ANTHONY MONTE-
LEONE, a/k/a TONY
MONTELEONE; and
ANY AND ALL UN-
KNOWN PERSONS WHO
MAY CLAIM A LIEN,
INTEREST OR TITLE
ADVERSE TO THE
PLAINTIFFS**

I, David S. Borunda, Court Administrator of the Third Judicial District Court in the County of Dona Ana, State of New Mexico, do hereby cause to be issued this Notice of Pendency of Suit, for the purpose of service of process on the above-named Defendants by publication. The names of the Plaintiffs, Defendants, and the Court in which said cause is pending and the civil cause number are set out herein above. The Defendants against whom service by publication is sought to be obtained are the above-addressed Defendants.

The general object of this action is to quiet and to set at rest the title of Plaintiffs in and to the lands described herein against any adverse claims of the Defendants and that the Defendants be barred and estopped from having or claiming any lien upon, any right or title to the estate of Plaintiffs in and to said lands, or any portion thereof, adverse to the Plaintiffs.

The property which is affected and concerned by this pending action is located at 102 Tornillo Flats Drive, Chaparral, Dona Ana County, New Mexico 88081, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

The name of the Plaintiffs' attorney is as follows: Dana M. Kyle of The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.A., P.O. Box 2227, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004, (575) 525-0020.

The above-addressed Defendants against whom constructive service is sought to be obtained, are hereby notified that unless they file a responsive pleading or motion with this Court within thirty (30) days after the date of the third and last publication of this notice, judgment or other appropriate relief will be rendered in such suit against them by default.

WITNESS MY HAND
AND SEAL this 16th day of
November, 2018.
Court Administrator

By /s/
Deputy

The Law Offices of Dana M.
Kyle, P.A.

/s/
Dana M. Kyle
Attorneys for Plaintiffs
P. O. Box 2277
Las Cruces, NM 88004-2277
(575) 525-0020
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dana@dmlkylelaw.com

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

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

No. D-307-CV-2018-02430
Judge James T. Martin

**MELISSA WALTERS,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ANTONIA VALENCIA,
THE HEIRS OF
ANTONIA VALENCIA,
WHETHER KNOWN
OR UNKNOWN; VIC-
TOR VALENCIA AND
THE UNKNOWN WIFE
OF VICTOR VALENCIA,
IF ANY, JOE VALEN-
CIA, AND THE UN-
KNOWN
WIFE OF JOE VALEN-
CIA, IF ANY, THE
HEIRS OF VICTOR VA-
LENCIA, WHETHER
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**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
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FENDANTS:**

NOTICE is given that in the above-styled cause, Plaintiff has filed suit against you, the general object of which is to quiet title in fee simple in and to the real property described in the Complaint, which lands are more particularly described as follows:

Lots 16 and 17 in Block 12 of Grandview Subdivision in the City of Las Cruces, as per plat thereof filed June 3, 1908, situate in the Doña Ana Bend Colony Grant, Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

Unless you enter your appearance herein on or before January 21, 2019, judgment will be rendered against you by default.

**JOSEPH M. HOLMES,
P.A., Attorney at Law, P. O.
Box 366, 220 S. Water
Street, Las Cruces, NM
88004-0366, (575)
524-0833, is the attorney for
the Plaintiff.**

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, New Mexico on this 5th day of December, 2018.

**DAVID S. BORUNDA
DISTRICT COURT CLERK**

by: /s/ Elizabeth Balizan
Deputy Elizabeth Balizan

Dates: 12/14, 12/21, 12/28,
2018

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

No. 18-0231

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF RUE-
LINE FRANCES DEVEN-
PORT,
a/k/a RUELINE F. DE-
VENPORT, DECEASED**

NOTICE TO CRED-

ITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
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WAGONER** 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: September 24,
2018.

KAREN D. WAGONER 43
Coors Road
Vado, New Mexico 88072

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: 12/07, 12/14, 12/21
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**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
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IN THE PROBATE
COURT
DOÑA ANA COUNTY**

No. 18-0304

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE
ESTATE OF NORMAN
JASON PALMER,
DECEASED**

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ITORS**

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LIAM PALMER** 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: November 20,
2018.

**CLAY WILLIAM PALM-
ER**
5021 Yucca Place
El Paso, Texas 79932-2218

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EDITH HARRIET ROBERDS

EDITH HARRIET ROBERDS, age 92, of Las Cruces passed away, Monday, December 3, 2018.

Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

ROSS E. BIGBEE

ROSS E. BIGBEE, age 72, of Las Cruces passed away Tuesday, December 4, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

ARTURO MONTOYA

ARTURO MONTOYA, age 86, of Las Cruces passed away Tuesday, December 4, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

PAULA STEVENS

PAULA STEVENS, age 72, of Las Cruces passed away Wednesday, December 5, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

RITO C. SANCHEZ

RITO C. SANCHEZ, age 77, of Anthony passed

away Thursday, December 6, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

JOANNA POLANCO

JOANNA POLANCO, age 73, of Las Cruces passed away Thursday, December 6, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

MERIAM E. MCMULLEN

MERIAM E. McMULLEN, age 69, of Mesilla Park passed away Friday, December 7, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

SAVANNAH ALEXIS QUINTANA

SAVANNAH ALEXIS QUINTANA, age, 20, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, December 3, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

VIRGINIA FUENTES WIDNER

VIRGINIA FUENTES WIDNER, age 98, of Las Cruces and formerly of Truth or Consequences

entered eternal life on Monday, December 3, 2018 at the Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village.

Survivors include two daughters, Rebecca F. Trujillo and Mary Belen Sanchez; four sons, Emmanuel F., Edmund F., Eddie F., and Tommy F. Widner.; sister, Helen Salas.

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday, December 7, 2018 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in T or C. The Rite of Committal and Interment followed at Vista Memory Gardens Cemetery where she was laid to rest in the family plot.

The Widner Family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 300 E. Boutz, 527-2222.

GRACE ANN MADRID GARCIA

GRACE ANN MADRID GARCIA, age 64, of Las Cruces passed away Sunday, December 2, 2018 at Memorial Medical Center. Grace enjoyed a diversity of careers within the medical field.

On May 25, 1974, Grace married the love of her life, Armando Garcia and together they raised their

loving children, all whom survivor her; two sons, Armando Jr. and Diego Garcia; three daughters, Tania G. Valles, Nina Garcia-Nigro and Teresa Garcia; her mother, Tillie Madrid.

The Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine and Parish. At her request cremation will follow and inurnment of cremains will be held at a later date in a private ceremony.

The Garcia Family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 300 E. Boutz, 527-2222.

ROSS E. BIGBEE

ROSS E. BIGBEE, age 72, of Las Cruces passed away from this life on Tuesday, December 4, 2018.

He is survived by his loving wife, Mary Jane Bigbee; brothers: Jerel, Dennis, and Terry Bigbee; children, Kenneth and Tammy Bigbee; stepchildren, Paula Harzewski, Bobby Romero and John (BJ) Harzewski.

A Memorial Service and fellowship in memory of our loving Ross was held on Saturday December 8, 2018 at Faith

Christian Fellowship. Inurnment of cremains will take place at a later date.

The Bigbee Family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 300 E. Boutz, 527-2222.

ARTURO RODRIGUEZ MONTOYA

ARTURO RODRIGUEZ MONTOYA, age 86, of Las Cruces passed away peacefully on December 4, 2018, at home with his wife Ernestina Montoya and granddaughter Sabrina Lopez at his side. He married to Ernestina Garcia Montoya who survives him.

He is survived by his children, Cynthia Aponte, Art Montoya, Priscilla Sandoval, Christina and Ruben Lopez. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

A brief military honors service will be held Saturday, December 15 at 11 AM at the old section of St. Joseph's Cemetery in Las Cruces with inurnment of cremains to follow immediately thereafter.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests you consider making a donation to the Toys for Tots of

Las Cruces.

The Montoya family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

THOMAS D. CRUISE

THOMAS D. CRUISE, age 65, of Las Cruces passed from this life on Sunday, November 25, 2018 at his home.

Survivors include two sons, Benjamin Wayne Cruise, and Tommy Richard Lee Cruise; his companion, Kathaleen Satterlee; two brothers, Rocky Cruise and Dusty Cruise; two sisters, Gayle Weiherer and Annie Mann. Other survivors include seven grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

A Funeral Service will be held Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 1:30 PM in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Mausoleum, 5140 W. Picacho Avenue with Pastor Joseph Andrews officiating. Military honors will be accorded by the Marine Corps League - El Perro Diablo Detachment.

The Cruise family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

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Creation that heals

The sun rises on a Las Cruces interactive studio

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

During her teaching career, Las Cruces artist Jan Hampton watched her students as they were creating.

"Something calming happened in most of them as they drew or painted. I became very interested in what the creative process did for us and began studying art as a healing process."

A few years and a move to Las Cruces later, that creative spirit has guided Hampton to create an expressive arts studio at 537 N. Alameda Ave., where she is in the final stages of opening Desert Sunrise Studio.

The studio, which opens in January, will provide space for local artists and would-be artists of all ages to draw, paint and create in a self-expressive and healing environment, Hampton said.

Worktables and materials will be provided free of charge,

she said, including pencils, pens, paper and other materials for drawing and painting (including drawing with your eyes closed), creating collages, tile painting with alcohol inks and scratch-off mandalas, rubbing alcohol and paint to create alcohol-ink tiles; materials to make archetypal collages; and meditation.

The studio walls are already filled with art by Hampton, her mother and other artists to serve as inspiration to visitors.

Artist friends will periodically offer classes for a fee at the studio. The classes will include art therapy, she said. And, at preset times, the space will be available as an open studio, Hampton said, to let artists "do the artwork they want to do."

Hampton and her husband, James, moved to Las Cruces from Sugar Land, Texas, in June, after four years of caring for her late parents, to whom she has dedicated her new studio. Her mother, Margaret Milz,

was an artist, Hampton said, and her father, Elmer Milz, "took us all around the world."

"Art has been a part of my life since I was a child," she said.

Hampton worked as a designer and an illustrator in Tennessee and Texas during the 1970s and 1980s, learning the importance of "strong composition," she said.

"While my children grew during the 1990s, I painted portraits, murals and commissioned work in a variety of media."

She received teaching certification in 2003 and taught K-12 art for more than a decade before retiring to take care of her parents.

"Watching my own children, my students and most recently my parents create artwork has shown me that art heals," Hampton said. "I have a deep appreciation for the power of the creative act when I see



SEE **CREATION**, PAGE 27

Las Cruces Artist Jan Hampton.

PHOTOS COURTESY JAN HAMPTON



PHOTOS COURTESY JAN HAMPTON

"Ancestor Dance"



"The Window"



Desert Sun Studio on N. Alameda Avenue

CREATION

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people in groups I facilitate find peace as they create. My own artwork has changed during the past few years as my creative and my spiritual life expand."

As she has moved more into abstraction, Hampton said meditation has provided her with new subject matter. "Something's coming through," she said. "It's not verbal. The images speak more clearly to me than words." Coming to Las Cruces was "a mountain-calling thing," Hampton said. Walking toward the Organ Mountains near her new home off Roadrunner Parkway at sunrise every morning gave her studio its name.

Hampton has worked

with residents of La Casa, Inc. domestic violence women's shelter in Las Cruces and plans to contact other local organizations to share the benefits of art therapy, she said.


"The soul speaks through imagery" when people make art, Hampton said. "We have our healing energies and they get to work when we create."

Hampton is a member

of the New Mexico Watercolor Society, ArtsForms, the Las Cruces Art Association and the Doña Ana Arts Council.

For more information, contact janhamp@gmail.com or visit desertsunrise537.blogspot.com and www.janhampton.com.

Mike Cook may be reached at mike@lascrucsbulletin.com.

 <h3>Fountain Theatre</h3> <p>2469 Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla 575.524.8287 www.mesillavalleyfilm.org</p>	
<p>December 14-20 Colette</p> <p>Colette is pushed by her husband to write novels under his name. Upon their success, she fights to make her talents known, challenging gender norms. Starring Keira Knightley and Dominic West. (OC)</p>	<p>December 21-23 Free Solo</p> <p>Follow Alex Honnold as he becomes the first person to ever free solo climb Yosemite's 3,000ft high El Capitan Wall. *NOTE*: Theatre closed Dec. 24-27</p>
<p>Nightly 7:30, Saturday matinée 1:30, Sunday matinée 2:30. No one will be admitted after the film has begun.</p>	

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FRI DECEMBER 14 • 7:00 P.M.

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The Game's Afoot - \$10

SAT DECEMBER 15 • 2:00+7:00 P.M.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

The Game's Afoot - \$10

TUE+THU DECEMBER 18+20 • 4:00 P.M.

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

Teen Game Night

TUE DECEMBER 18 • 6:30 P.M.

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

Branigan Book Club-Bernd Heinrich, *Mind of the Raven*

WED DECEMBER 19 • 4:00 P.M.

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

Design & Create - Christmas Ornaments

WED DECEMBER 19 • 7:00 P.M.

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Academy of Music and Dance - \$10-\$14

SAT DECEMBER 22 • 7:00 P.M.

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White Christmas (Movie) - \$8

SAT DECEMBER 29 • 8:00 P.M.

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Las Cruces Jazz Collective- \$10

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

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The aroma of nostalgia pervades this kitchen

BULLETIN REPORT

Penny Thomas Simpson's search for a nostalgic look at the essence of farming and ranching brought her to the kitchen table.

The Las Cruces artist's new show at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum features 33 watercolor paintings and opens with an artist's reception from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. Admission to the reception is free and refreshments are included.

"Around the Farm and Ranch: Watercolors by Penny Thomas Simpson" will be in the Museum's Arts Corridor through March 31, 2019.

"Finding images that center on farming and ranching was a welcome challenge," she said.

"Often, the New Mexico landscape is the first idea that comes to mind."

But Simpson's search for agriculture in its purest form took her to



Penny Thomas Simpson, "Two of a Kind," watercolor

"Grandma's table, where the kitchen was the heart of the home, and fueling farm and ranch hands was a never-ending job," she says in a press release.

Her realistic work captures moments in time with dramatic lighting. Many of the paintings in the exhibit show fruits, vegetables and cooking utensils in the kitchen.

Also part of the show are colorful images of cacti.

"Luckily, cacti are everywhere," she said. "Their blooms shine for everyone's enjoyment."

Penny Simpson has been a New Mexico artist since 1977. She studied graphic design at Prairie State College in Illinois but her real

interest was illustration. Painting realistic fruit and flowers with dramatic lighting has become a passion. She has been honored with numerous awards both in-state and nationally and is a signature member of the New Mexico Watercolor Society and the Western Federation of Watercolor Societies.



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Penny Thomas Simpson, "Apple Pie," watercolor

COURTESY PHOTOS

'Colette': Her writing helped make a husband famous

By **JEFF BERG**
For the Bulletin

Similar in content, vaguely, to the recently screened "The Wife," "Colette" tells the story of noted French author Sidonie-Gabrielle Colette and how she handled the many challenges in her life.

It is an enjoyable interpretation, starring Keira Knightly, whose skills marched over the "important" male writers of the time, including those of her first husband, Henry Gauthier-Villars, a noted libertine, who introduced Colette to a somewhat alternative lifestyle. Gauthier-Villars, who wrote under the pseudonym "Willy," also became famous for four books actually written by Colette, who, at the end

GRADE: B+

Colette will be at the Fountain Theatre in lovely downtown Mesilla for a week, starting tonight, December 14.

of their marriage, didn't have access to the funds created by same.

The film opens as director Wash Westmoreland (whose career started in adult films) introduces Colette as a teenager residing in Burgundy. Here she meets Willy, 14 years her senior, who visits on occasion, sharing his views on the art scene of Paris. A bit later, Willy and Colette take their first, literal, roll in the hay, which somewhat cements their relationship.

When they marry, the couple moves to Paris,



COURTESY PHOTO

Keira Knightly is Sidonie-Gabrielle Colette

where "Willy" hires any number of ghostwriters to write reviews and short stories that he publishes under his own name. Colette becomes somewhat involved in the local fashion scene, often overlooking Willy's dalliances.

Soon, he has Colette working as a sort of writing secretary, while his behaviors – wine, dine, ladies of the eve and gambling keep the couple on

the edge of poverty. He encourages Colette to write a novel using her youthful experiences, an idea that he thinks will bring in much-needed cashflow.

Colette loves writing, she finds, but his criticism about her work, feeling it is unpublishable, shelves it aside for a while. Some time later, as repo men haul things from their home, he rediscovers the work and decides that the

potential outweighs his ego. He adds some fiction, and soon "Claudine at School" is a bestseller.

Colette is also motivated sexually and has taunted Willy about her attraction to women, and soon, as their fame grows, she is exploring this part of her life, ironically, with Willy's approval.

Willy, as one would suspect, sees the potential in this and engages in an affair with "a wayward American debutante" who was also Colette's first female lover. When Colette discovers this, she is not terribly upset, but it does signal a major change in her life.

The film leaves a lot of loose ends, especially when Colette is locked in a room by Willy and forced to write a sequel to "Claudine," since it was

such a success. Instead of protesting, she gladly and feverishly sets out to work.

The film is lush in performances and detail but is a bit lacking in storyline unless the viewer is a big fan of Colette, who died in 1954.

And Westmoreland takes too much time to show the depth and independence of his subject.

By concentrating on Colette in her 20s, it also disbars her two other marriages and an affair with her much younger stepson.

An interesting but flawed film.

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

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Dec. 16: Alison Reynolds, guitarist

Dec. 21: Daisy Blue & the MF Rhythm, pop/folk/blues

Dec. 22: Ricky Luna, variety

Dec. 23: Calista, rock, singer/songwriter

Dec. 24: Damn Union, singer/songwriters

Artisan Fair: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, Cruces Creatives, 205 East Lohman Avenue. Free, open to the public. Info: Nancy Hastings at 575-541-5744 or bluegeckosw@msn.com.

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

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Dec. 15- Judith Ames
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Dec. 29- Mary Ellen Floyd

Weaving demonstrations: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Weaving demonstration on a 4-harness floor loom in the Education Classroom. Info: 575-522-4100, www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org

STEAMPunk-Isaac Newton: 11:45 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, The Museum of Nature

& Science 211 N. Main St. Info: 575-523-6403 or riograndetheatre.org.

Holiday Concert: By the M-Cubed Recorder Ensemble: 2:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 17, Good Samaritan Creative Arts Room. Free. Works including Corelli's Pastoral, Handel's Hallelujah Chorus, with new and traditional holiday favorites. Info: m3ensemble@gmail.com

Rio Grande Theatre December Events: 211 N. Main St. tickets available at the box office 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, online at riograndetheatre.org, or at the door. Info: 575-523-6403.

Dec. 19: Academy of Music and Dance Recital: Children's dance recital.

Dec. 22: White Christmas

Dec. 29: Las Cruces Jazz Collective

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

Across the Board

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Through Dec. 29
"A Visionary of our Time - Past and Present," featuring landscapes, still lifes, portraits, period historical paintings, animals, birds and florals. Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road.

Laurie Churchill, Steve Klinger, Paul Vakselis & Carol Wortner

Through Dec. 29
Whimsical animal portraits, mermaids, Organ

Mountains landscapes and more. Greenspace Gallery and Gifts, 517 N. Mesquite St. Regular hours 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Info: 575-551-6778, greenspace-gallerylc@gmail.com.

A New Start

Through Dec. 30
Nopalitos Galeria Presents: The artwork of John Dick-Peddie & Arnold Puentes. The art is homage not only to the fertile valley and various locales of Doña Ana County and Las Cruces, but also to the fertile beginnings of indigenous/cultural myths, stories, and images. 310 S. Mesquite St.; 575-524-0003.

World War I exhibit

Through Jan. 5, 2019
Featuring Las Cruces history enthusiast's World War I memorabilia collection thematically organized by participatory countries. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

Birds in Art

Through Jan. 12, 2019
Traveling exhibit from the Lee Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, Wausau, Wisconsin, at the Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. Open 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday. Info: las-cruces.org/museums, 575-541-2137.

'Four Generations, Four Languages'

Through Jan. 19, 2019
Exhibit by four artists in Mexico whose works highlight generational influences seen in art-making approaches. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

'Passing Through'

Through Feb. 2, 2019
Artist Jimin Lee transforms photo-based images of industrial landscapes, miniature sets, and other loci otherwise ignored, into central subjects

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

Challenging the boundaries of painting


Through Feb. 16, 2019
"Lightning Field," computer-generated imagery featuring artist Ken Morgan is an interplay of light and dark that brings the digital age to the forefront. Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154 or museums.las-cruces.org.

'Dressed for the Occasion'

Through March 3, 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.


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

Through Sept. 13, 2019
Renowned 20th-century artist Peter Hurd is the subject in a new exhibit at the NM Farm & Ranch Museum's Traditions Gallery. Hurd (1904-1984) chose to live and work in his native New Mexico.



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‘Growing Pains’ continues at Boba Cabaret

BULLETIN REPORT

“Growing Pains: Learning as You Go” continues for its second and final weekend at Boba Café and Cabaret, 1900 S. Espina St.

The show “was put together for easy listening for those of us passionate about constant self-discovery,” according to a Boba Cabaret news release.

The show stars recent New Mexico State University graduate Asiah Thomas-Mandlman, Nicholas Roche and a Las Cruces musician and performer whose nickname is “Rootz.”

Thomas-Mandlman, an actor and vocalist, started in NMSU’s recent productions of “Rent” and “The Drowsy Chaperon.”

Roche, a native of Santa Teresa, is a singer/songwriter inspired by the works of Bob Dylan, Paul Simon and The Beatles, according to the news release. “His music incorporates elements of pop, folk, jazz and various other genres to invoke a calming and warm atmosphere for deep introspection,” according to Boba. He has performed extensively in New Mexico and Texas and his completing work on his first full-length album, “Anthesis.”

Drummer Rootz hails from Arkansas, according to the Boba news release. He is a member of the local group “Soul and Rhythm Crew,” and has been playing drums since about age five, accord-



“Rootz”



Nicholas Roche



Asiah Thomas-Mandlman

ing to the Boba news release. His styles range from rock to gospel, Boba said, and he has performed with five local bands during his 15 years in Las Cruces.

There are two shows each night on Friday, Dec. 14 and Saturday, Dec. 15, a dinner show at 6 (\$27.50) and a cocktail show at 8:30 (\$12.50).

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

The persona of Sherlock Holmes is on the case

BULLETIN REPORT

The Doña Ana Repertory Theatre (DART) and the Rio Grande Theatre present a live stage production of Ken Ludwig’s “The Game’s Afoot – Or Holmes for the Holidays” at the Rio Grande Theatre. The holiday “whodunit” has three performances: 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14 and 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15.

The play is set in December 1936, and Broadway star William Gillette, admired the world over for his leading role in playing Sherlock Holmes, has invited his fellow cast members to his Connecticut castle for a weekend of revelry. When one of the guests is stabbed to death, it is up to Gillette to assume the persona of his beloved Holmes to track down the killer before the next victim appears.

“We are extremely excited about the op-



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Left to right in Doña Ana Repertory Theatre’s (DART) production of “The Game’s Afoot” are Heather Hosford, Jeff Dolecek, Gus Sanchez and Erin Wendorf.

portunity to perform at the Rio Grande Theatre,” said DART founding company member, Darin Cabot. “DART features so many great actors, we can’t wait to bring this hilariously fun and eerie murder mystery

to life for your holiday enjoyment!”

Tickets are \$10 available online at RioGrandeTheatre.com or at the

theatre box office from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Visit RioGrandeTheatre.com or call 575-541-2290.

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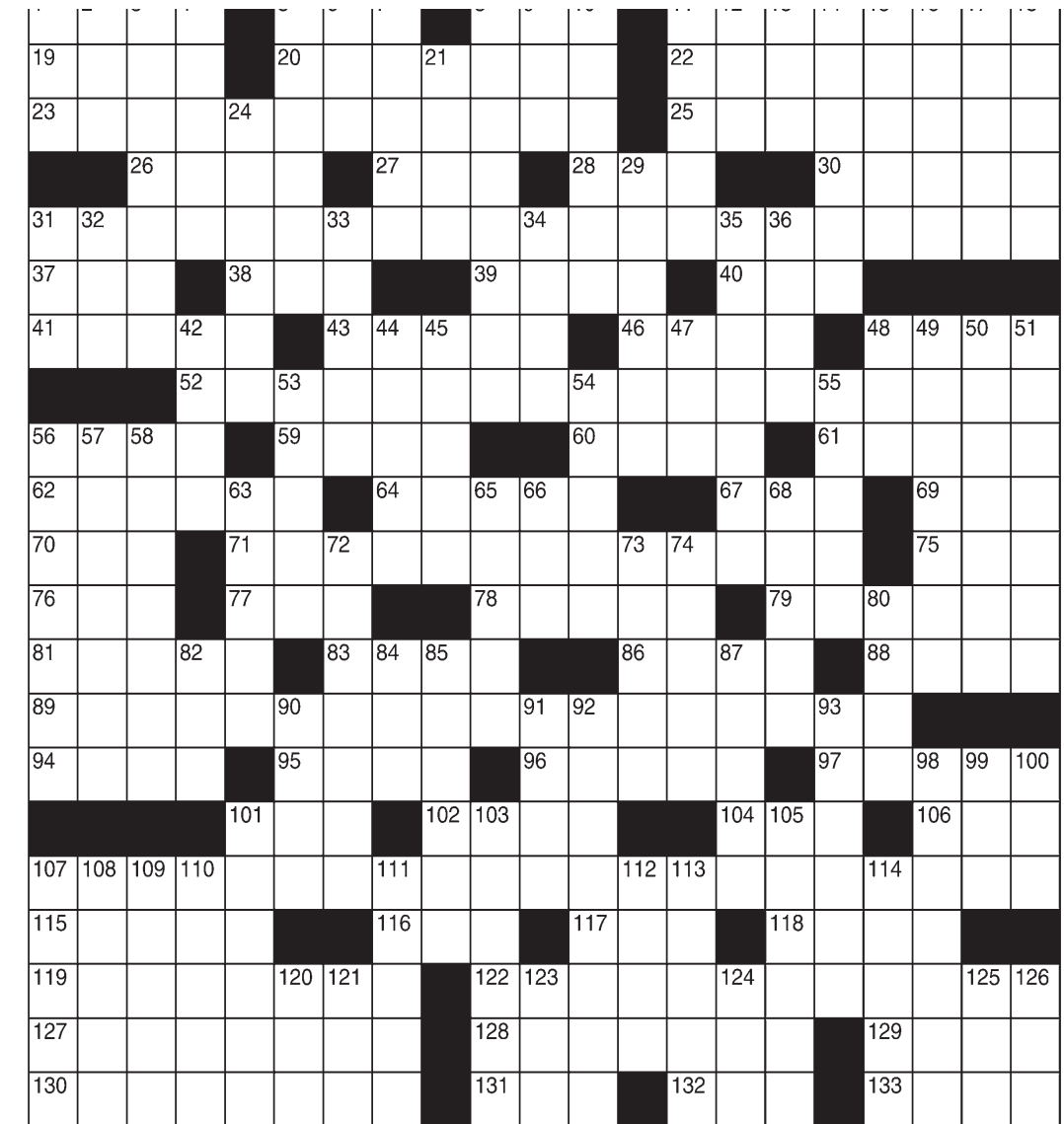
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ACROSS

1 "Glinda of Oz" author
 5 -- de deux
 8 Finking sort
 11 Award for excellence
 19 "Give that -- cigar!"
 20 Milky and iridescent
 22 Orchestral introduction
 23 Start of a riddle
 25 Fishel of "Boy Meets World"
 26 Dice, e.g.
 27 "Yoo- --!"
 28 Zodiac sign before Virgo
 30 Relaxed
 31 Riddle, part 2
 37 Boating tool
 38 Suffix with butyl
 39 Jewish round dance
 40 Slalom curve
 41 Old Dodge models
 43 Foreigner
 46 Glove worn at first base
 48 Logging tools
 52 Riddle, part 3
 56 Facet
 59 Preminger of cinema
 60 Thereabouts
 61 With 62-Across, student's grade booster
 62 See 61-Across
 64 Siberian dog
 67 Catering hall receptacle

69 Feeling sick
 70 Infomercial host
 71 Riddle, part 4
 75 The Great Lakes' -- Locks
 76 Start for cycle
 77 Big NYSE event
 78 Name of Amazon Echo's personal assistant
 79 Buzzing (with)
 81 -- nova
 83 Feedbox fill
 86 Gel in a lab
 88 Extra details
 89 Riddle, part 5
 94 Has an itch
 95 Towed-away car, maybe
 96 Wren dens?
 97 Actress Pfeiffer
 101 Hosp. zones
 102 Bar brew, in Berlin
 104 "-- already said ..."
 106 Vain sort's problem
 107 End of the riddle
 115 Uproar
 116 "-- a go"
 117 Tart's cousin
 118 Golf's McIlroy
 119 Journeyed
 122 Riddle's answer
 127 Nephew, e.g.
 128 Non-piercing bit of jewelry
 129 Nephew of Abel
 130 Appraises
 131 Big insurance company, for short
 132 Bro's counterpart

133 Look at leeringly
DOWN
 1 Audi rival
 2 "Yeah, that's the spot!"
 3 Mythical beast
 4 -- Picchu (Inca site)
 5 Woolen ball on a hat
 6 Kwik-E-Mart proprietor
 7 Younger Obama girl
 8 Glancing rebound
 9 Actress Ortiz
 10 Part of ATM
 11 Beckett's "Waiting for --"
 12 Some gametes
 13 Football's Dawson
 14 Moisture-removing additives
 15 Geyser stuff
 16 City on the Arkansas
 17 "Stormy Weather" composer Harold
 18 Like some marshes
 21 Maned beast
 24 "Fingers crossed!"
 29 Beguile
 31 Yucky stuff
 32 Slam into
 33 Large meal
 34 Skye of the screen
 35 Is leaked
 36 Villa d'--
 42 Covered with frosting
 44 Thin and graceful
 45 "A Mighty For-



ress -- God"
 47 They're uncertain
 48 Female, e.g.
 49 Craftsperson
 50 Military commander
 51 "Giant" skiing events
 53 Still sleeping
 54 Arthur Conan --
 55 Sells from a cart, say
 56 Covered with brushwood
 57 Smelted stuff
 58 University in Granville, Ohio

63 Basketball's -- Thomas
 65 Stockpile
 66 -- Kan (old brand of dog food)
 68 Raises
 72 Most needy
 73 Tests
 74 Bedevil
 80 Walk across a creek
 82 Rte. parts
 84 Nile biter
 85 Second-rate
 87 Very, to Verdi
 90 Screws up

91 Rare blood type, for short
 92 Lima-based flag carrier of 1973-99
 93 Tesla rival
 98 Rejecting
 99 Custard ingredient
 100 Greek dawn goddess
 101 Swamp birds
 103 Foot or shoe part
 105 Sharpening belts
 107 SAG- -- (labor union)

108 Angler's aids
 109 Spoken tests
 110 Star bursts
 111 Pokes fun at
 112 Of financial matters: Abbr.
 113 Gets better
 114 "-- ed Euridice" (Gluck opera)
 120 Fleur-de- -- (royal emblem)
 121 Eden dweller
 123 Laugh syllable
 124 12, to Nero
 125 Loudness: Abbr.
 126 WNW's reverse

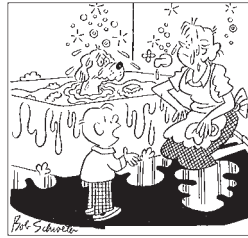
PUZZLES

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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		8	6			4		
	5				8			7
		1			9			8
8				1		2	5	
	6		2				9	
9	1		8			6		
		6		5				2
7					3		8	

SCRAMBLERS



"Can we trade him in for a cat?"
They're self-_____."

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!

Blend
LEMING

Blunt
TRICED

Invent
TRACEE

Sniff
HEALIN

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: S equals W

SLF EGAKH LNGBM L NLFNKF

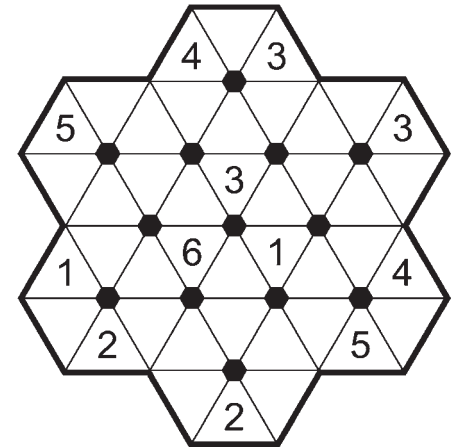
SOG FKDKLMKZQP FKEGAKU L

WH'U NKLFZ UMBNNQK:

"UOLAHRW DFHALMK FPLR."

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.



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◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

PUZZLE ANSWERS

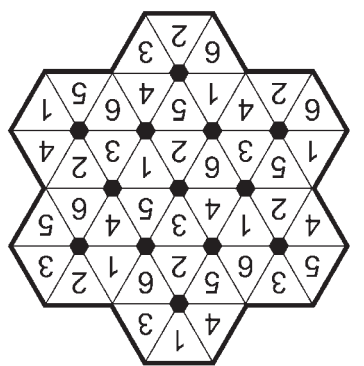
War movie about a barber who repeatedly removes a Gil's beard stubble: "Shaving Private Ryan."

CRYPTOQUIP

CLEANING

Today's Word
3. Create; 4. Inhale
1. Mingle; 2. Direct

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

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

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SUPER CROSSWORD

'Life and Beth' is spirited holiday fun

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Charles Dickens isn't the only British author who wrote about ghosts at Christmas, and Jacob Marley isn't the only spirit that shows up for the holidays.

In Sir Alan Ayckbourn's "Life and Beth," now in production at the Black Box Theatre, Beth Timms is a recent widow just trying to survive Christmas with help from her son and his new girlfriend, her sister-in-law and the local vicar. In answer to a somewhat misdirected prayer from said vicar, Beth's late husband, Gordon, also shows up. Gordon doesn't

REVIEW

moan and wail so much as he nags and nitpicks. Whereas Marley was a bit ragged and rattled chains; Gordon, who was a health and safety officer in life, wears an orange vest and writes on a clipboard, citing improvements Beth needs to make in her life. (He has apparently already made a lot of upgrades in the afterlife.)

The cast includes some Las Cruces theatre veterans and newcomers portraying an interesting mix of the grieving, the tipling, the confused and the downright looney as they gather in



PHOTO BY PETER HERMAN/BLACK BOX THEATRE

Left to right are Nancy Sorrells, Joshua Taulbee and Scott Brocato starring in "Life and Beth."

Beth's sitting room (this is a British play!) and kitchen.

Nancy Sorrells is Beth Timms, who has lost her

cat on top of everything else; Nicole Jones is her sister-in-law, Connie, who drinks a bit too much; Joshua Taulbee

is David, the vicar, who may be attracted to Beth and is most certainly attractive to Connie; Luz Francisco is Beth's son, Martin, who finds Christmas tree lights a challenge and can't turn off a madly glowing reindeer on the front lawn; Jazmin Buchman is Martin's girlfriend, Ella, who watches all the goings on in speechless wonder (or, possibly, horror); and Scott Brocato is Gordon.

As director Autumn Gieb pointed out, this isn't your typical Christmas offering. It's a comedy, but one that makes you think about families and relationships and all the subtexts of life that the holidays bring out.

Gieb and her cast and crew find those subtle cracks crevices in the script to let the light through. I enjoyed and appreciated their work on a story that is more than it appears on the surface.

The show continues for two more weekends at Black Box Theatre, 420 N. Main St. downtown.

Remaining performances are at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 14-15 and 21-22; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Dec. 16 and 23 and 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20.

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2	Santa Fe	-0.1%	\$414	1.6	\$447	3.07
3	Doña Ana	0.1%	\$314	9.0	\$828	2.94
4	San Juan	-3.9%	\$240	2.1	\$115	2.84
5	Lea	3.3%	\$153	9.1	\$6	2.73
6	Sandoval	3.0%	\$150	16.3	\$239	2.73
7	Chaves	0.8%	\$127	8.2	\$16	2.70
8	Eddy	10.3%	\$127	12.3	\$3,487	2.70
9	Curry	-0.3%	\$94	4.9	\$192	2.65
10	Taos	-3.3%	\$93	3.8	\$26	2.65

Source: SmartAsset, self-described as a "a financial technology company that empowers people with automated personalized financial advice."

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Consider your personal traits when starting a business

In my last article, I discussed the basics of starting a business. In this article I will go over some necessary personal traits that you should consider.

• Education or work experience in your chosen industry.

• Strong work ethic
• Time management skills

• Ability to multitask
• Management skills
• Willingness to seek advice

• Self motivated
• Resourceful
• Organized
• Persistent
• Decisive
• Good health
• Supportive family

Personal traits aren't the only factor in business success. Starting a business costs money. To assess how realistic a startup is for you, begin by considering your personal budget. Add up:

• Your total monthly cost of living

• Areas where you can cut back

• Outstanding debt
• Amount in savings
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BCOM students advocate for increased nutritional education

By **JESSICA SALOPEK**
For the Bulletin

A group of students from BCOM's Student Osteopathic Medical Association (SOMA) chapter wrote a resolution advocating for increased nutritional education in the medical school curriculum, which was voted on and passed by the National SOMA organization. "This means that the national organization now holds this resolution, written by our students, to be their official stance on the subject," explained BCOM student and SOMA National Liaison Officer Shaun Antonio.

Antonio said the team felt passionate about this particular issue because "There is a concern, and data that shows, physicians are not adequately prepared to advise patients on basic nutrition, and that this could have numerous health consequences."

This was the third attempt by a SOMA student group to get a national nutrition curriculum increase. Students from other osteopathic schools have submitted similar resolutions that did not end up passing. BCOM SOMA President Giselle Irio explained, "The first one was a bit too broad and it almost seemed



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The team of BCOM second-year medical students who contributed to the resolution are, from left, Shaun Antonio, Elaine Uchuya, Zachary Coffman, Giselle Irio, Mario Soliman and Melissa Sayegh.

like nothing would get done if that resolution passed. The second was a little too specific and too forward. Ours is a nice in-between and we used the blueprint of the new COMLEX (Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination) to match what we're learning in the classroom to what we will ultimately be tested on."

The BCOM team of six medical students completed a training on how to write resolutions and

then researched the subject for several weeks.

"One of the main reasons we did this is because obesity is such a big epidemic and it links to so many other diseases," said BCOM SOMA member Melissa Sayegh. "If as physicians we're adequately prepared to address the situation before it's an issue, it would not only benefit us, but also benefit our patients in the long run."

Second year student Zachary Coffman added,

"Patients go to their doctor with the expectation that their doctor is giving them advice on a subject they are very knowledgeable about, but in all reality, many physicians don't feel entirely comfortable advising their patients when it comes to nutrition. We want to get to the point where all physicians feel confident speaking on this subject."

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Burrell student selected as national leadership fellow

By **JESSICA SALOPEK**
For the Bulletin

The Student National Medical Association, has recognized Temi Ogunleye, a third-year student at the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine (BCOM), as a National Future Leadership Project Fellow.

The SNMA is the nation's oldest and largest student-run organization focused on the interests and concerns of minority medical and pre-health students and the needs of all underserved communities. The National Future Leadership Project (FLP) offers students opportunities to gain leadership skills and receive mentorship from national SNMA leaders.

Ogunleye was born in Nigeria and moved to the U.S. at the age of five. He comes from a family of healthcare professionals and he became interested in sports medicine after sustaining injuries as a football player. He plans to become an orthopedic surgeon.

Ogunleye, who founded the SNMA branch at BCOM, said, "I want to eliminate the stigma that SNMA is a club for black students. SNMA is for everybody. Our mission is to develop culturally compe-



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BCOM medical student Temi Ogunleye.

tent students, and you don't have to be African American or Hispanic or a minority to fit into that. We will all practice medicine in different cultures and societies and with different patient populations. SNMA highlights how, as physicians, we interact with all types of patients."

For his National Leadership Project, Ogunleye is working with students from around the country to raise awareness about osteopathic medicine, particularly among minority pre-medical students. At the SNMA annual conference next April, his team plans to present a video of student testimonials on osteopathic medicine and osteopathic manipulative medicine.

As an FLP Fellow, Ogunleye participates in

Reading to your child ends ‘Word Hunger’

Disparity between children’s educational success isn’t so much a matter of economic poverty as it is “word hunger.” Research reported in the *Journal of Human Resources* suggests that one change in parent behavior changes educational outcomes in just half an hour a day.

Parents who engage in face-to-face conversation and read books to their very young children nourish them with words during a critical period of neurological and cognitive development. Children who have not experienced daily face time conversations and books will start school with a 30 million-word deficit when compared to their “word-wealthy” peers. Talking and reading with small children daily provide the lan-



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Reading Solution

guage experiences they need to be ready for school at age 5. The effect of inadequate exposure to language cannot be easily remedied by later interventions.

According to a 2012 report by the Brookings Institution, less than half of poor children show up to school prepared with the early math and reading skills, emotional and behavioral control, and physical well-being needed to be ready to learn, and that disadvantage persists into adulthood. Even after adjusting for differences in family background, students who start school with higher levels of school readiness at age 5 are generally successful in grade school, likely to finish high school, and will usually earn more as adults.

Child’s Trends Analysis of the National Households Education Survey compared the amounts of family time spent reading with children ages 3 to 5 years. Overall, less than half of American parents find time to read with their children seven times a week. Only 28 percent of mothers without high school diplomas read with their children regularly. The amount of reading time goes up only slightly to 31 percent for mothers with a diploma or GED.

Forty-four percent of mothers who attended vocational/technical school read daily and 61 percent of mothers who are college graduates read with their children seven times a week.

Professor Susan E. Mayer, dean emeritus at University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy, led a research team to test an inexpen-

sive technique to change parent behavior to increase read aloud time.

The intervention was simple. During a six-week period, parents set goals for reading with their children. They then received daily text message reminders, weekly feedback as well as the social reward of sharing their success with other parents. Results were that parents in the treatment group doubled the amount of time they spent reading. They read an average of five books a week compared to members of the control group who read two or three books. Three months after the experiment, the new parent behavior was still evident.

Professor Mayer acknowledges that the study did not take into account effects of poverty. “Behavioral tools can support parents in going the ‘last mile’ in reach-

ing their goals for their child’s development so long as parents have the desire, knowledge, and minimally sufficient resources.”

While goal-setting and reminders may be enough for parents with easy access to books there are many families in In Doña Ana County who must overcome additional barriers. Children’s Reading Alliance (CRA) is helping families overcome challenges associated with poverty. Parents who participate in First Teacher/Primer Maestro classes receive books, information, tools, and encouragement to prepare their children to arrive at school ready to learn.

Participants report considerable increases in time spent reading, talking and playing with their children:

- 94 percent of parents read more or much more

than before

- 94 percent talk to their child more or much more than before

- 100 percent play learning games more or much more than before

- 87.5 percent understand more or much more about how young children learn after

- 93 percent enjoy learning times more or much more after completing the FT/PM classes.

Find out more about CRA and First Teacher/Primer Maestro by visiting www.childrensreadingalliance.org or calling Maria Zuniga, 575-522-3713.

Rorie Measure is a reader, writer, teacher and President of the Children’s Reading Alliance, a grassroots citizen-led initiative to encourage family literacy throughout Doña Ana County. She may be reached at rmeasure@gmail.com.

Breast Cancer support

The Breast Cancer Support Group annually collects holiday gifts for the Community of Hope, Jardin de Los Niños homeless or near homeless children. At left is Josephine Wiskowski, Breast Cancer Support Group co-chair; at right is Gisela Dominquez of Jardin de Los Niños accepting the gifts.

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weekly webinars covering topics such as diversity in medicine, and business budgeting and finance.

“This program is preparing us for what it will be like to be a physician of color,” he said. “It has really matured me by showing me how to run an organization from the bottom up and how to work with various people and bring them together to promote a common goal.”

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Authors map out hikes in the national monument

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“It’s so quiet here. There’s no people here. You’re just away from everything.”

That’s what Las Cruces author Devon Fletcher’s brother said when he first visited the Organ Mountains not long ago from his home in New York.

Fletcher, an English major and geologist who works for Las Cruces Public Schools, and Las Cruces native David Soules, who has a Ph.D. in mechanical engineering, recently published “Exploring Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument” to guide visitors to the ancient sites, historic places and silent corners throughout the nearly half-million-acres that became a national monument in 2014.

The 213-page book details 56 hikes into the monument’s (OMDP) five major mountain ranges (the Doña Anas, Sierra de



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Co-author David Soules hikes in the Organ Mountains, where the quietude is deafening.

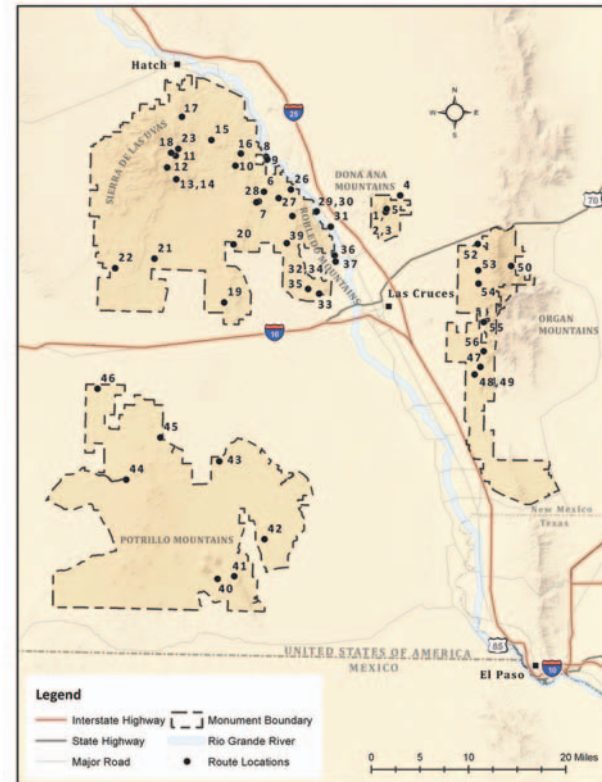
las Uvas, Robledos, Portrillos and Organs) and includes a map of each hike, its length, duration, difficulty and elevation change and the driving time and vehicle terrain to reach it.

It also provides information about the monument’s nine officially designated trails, all of which are either entirely in or start in the Organ Mountains and are recommended by the authors for first-time hikers. Once a hiker has gained experience, “you can go exploring off trail, and here’s how to do it,” said Soules,

pointing to the book.

OMDP is located entirely within the Chihuahuan Desert, and Fletcher and Soules offer advice on how to deal with its weather extremes during hikes and how to be safe every step of the way. They include photographs of the monument’s highest and lowest points, its most breathtaking vistas and hidden treasures, along with history and lore from pre-historic times to the present day.

The book advises hikers about encounters they may have with rattlesnakes,



Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks National Monument virtually encircles Las Cruces.

owls, javelina, mule deer, foxes, coyotes, cows and other animals, along with other humans, including hunters. And, it tells monument visitors about the native vegetation, geological formations, rock

art, archeological sites, waterfalls, lava flows, craters, maars and points of interest to watch for.

At every step on every hike, “keep your eyes open,” said Fletcher, who has maintained the South-

ern New Mexico Explorer blog, southernnewmexicoexplorer.blogspot.com, for 11 years.

The wonder of OMDP is “not just the destination” of each hike,” he said. “It’s all along the whole way you’re walking.”

The monument is home to part of the mid-19th century Butterfield Trail stage route, visible artifacts of ancient Pueblo and Apache cultures, ranching and mining history and World War II bombing tests.

“It’s chapters and layers of what’s happened here over time,” Soules said. “It sparks imagination and curiosity. That’s what exploring is all about.”

As managed by the federal Bureau of Land Management, the vast majority of the monument is open to the public 24 hours a day without access fees. With monument designation, “It’s guaranteed you can go there forever,” Soules said.

One of the best-known sites in the monument is Kilbourne Hole, said Soules, an early advocate for the monument designation. The site, located in the Potrillo Mountains, is a National Natural Landmark. Named for a local rancher, it’s probably best known as the place where Apollo astronauts were trained to find for the right rock specimens to bring back from the moon. About 100 feet down, it also contains prehistoric horse bones, likely left behind when the last ice age re-

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Las Cruces among 'most beautiful' destinations in southwestern U.S.

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Las Cruces ranks 14th on a list of the "21 most beautiful Southwest destinations in the U.S.," according to a survey by Expedia.com polling 1,000 American travelers.

"These destinations were called out too many times for us to ignore," according to a press release from Expedia, which bills itself as "one of the world's leading travel companies."

The paragraph on Las Cruces reads, "Outdoor recreation in and around Las Cruces is as scenic as it is sporty. Hiking Picacho Peak or the Doña Ana Mountains provides plenty of places to scan the scenery, and you can tackle both by mountain bike or horseback. For rides that take you through ancient migration routes and abandoned mines, visit Corralitos Ranch Trail Rides. Perhaps the most scenic destination in the area is White Sands Na-

The complete list

- 1 Carlsbad, New Mexico
- 2 Las Vegas, Nevada
- 3 Denver, Colorado
- 4 Colorado Springs, Colorado
- 5 Winslow, Arizona
- 6 Tubac, Arizona
- 7 Springdale & Rockville, Utah
- 8 Breckenridge, Colorado
- 9 Holbrook, Arizona
- 10 Garden City, Utah
- 11 Sedona, Arizona
- 12 Strawberry, Arizona
- 13 Mesa Verde, Colorado
- 14 Las Cruces, New Mexico
- 15 Ely, Nevada
- 16 Grand Canyon, Arizona
- 17 Sky City, New Mexico
- 18 Monument Valley, Utah/Arizona
- 19 Escalante, Utah
- 20 Abiquiu, New Mexico
- 21 Aspen, Colorado

tional Monument, where sugary dunes stand in contrast to colorful sunsets and varied desert hues."

Colorado polled as the most beautiful Southwest state. Other New Mexico entries on the list are Carlsbad (Caverns), Acoma Pueblo Sky City and Abiquiu.

OMDP among more than 100 national monuments

There are 130 national monuments in the United States, including 89 managed by the National Park Service and 27 managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Congress passed a law declaring Yellowstone the nation's first U.S. national park in 1872. But by 1906, the country was changing rapidly with settlement west of the Mississippi, and conservationists felt

they needed a way to quickly take control of that change.

Congress and President Teddy Roosevelt legalized a new procedure for protecting federal lands. The Antiquities Act established the preservation of historic buildings and archaeological sites as "national monuments," in addition to the natural wonders that had been preserved as parks. And significantly, it gave

the president the authority to establish national monuments by himself, without having to get Congress' approval first.

At the time, scientists argued that the act was necessary because Native American cultural sites were being looted and in danger of disappearing, and that waiting for Congressional action could be too late.

Since 1906, U.S. presi-

dents have dedicated more than 120 national monuments, though some have since been abolished or redesignated by Congress.

From the Roosevelt administration through Barack Obama's, every president except three – Richard Nixon, Ronald Reagan, and George H.W. Bush – has used their authority to establish national monuments.

— Mike Cook

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ceded, Soules said.

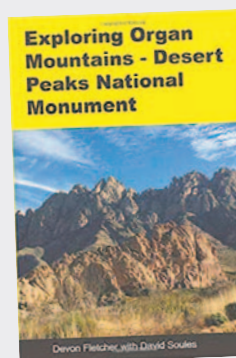
If you look carefully, Fletcher said, you can find "mega-fauna rubs" on boulders in the Doña Ana Mountains in the north-central part of monument, where ice-age animals rubbed their itchy heads. You'll also find Pinhole Cave and Narrow Arch in the Doña Anas, he said. The mountains' north trailhead "is located at the so called 'Pizza Boulders,'" ac-

ording to the book, "an area where rock climbers would test their skills after grabbing a take-out pizza for dinner."

Soules loved finding Uva Spring, named by Spaniards for an underground cavern filled with water that gave life to acres of grapevines.

In the Robledos, just west of the Doña Anas, is Split Rock Canyon, Fletcher said. The five-mile roundtrip hike (from Las Cruces) features an 80-foot drop and a spectacular view of the city.

Excerpt from "Exploring Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument," by Devon Fletcher and David Soules




"From 280 million year old fossil beds, to volcanic fields and lava flows that formed anywhere from tens of thousands to tens of millions of years ago, to polished boulders rubbed smooth by large mammals around the time of the last ice age, to Native American rock art and grinding mortars that span the last few thousand years, to hillsides that explode with wildflowers when seasonal rains arrive, to waterfalls that last a matter of hours after summer thunderstorms, to fleeting sunrises and sunsets that dazzle for a few spellbinding moments, never to be duplicated, the handiwork of time, both expansive and brief, is evident throughout OMDP."

The book, which is the first for both authors, took more than two years to write and edit, but it's based on decades of hiking and exploring.

Buy "Exploring OMDPNM" at COAS bookstores, Mesilla Book Center, the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum gift store, Organ

Mountain Outfitters, amazon.com or by emailing Fletcher at Devon devfletch@msn.com. The book is available in color or in the less expensive black-and-white. An e-book is also available.


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Rank injustice

They stand up to the nation's No. 1 team, but Aggies can't catch a vote in the polls

There is a hierarchy – call it a caste system – in pro and collegiate sports that works like this: If you have a winning tradition or you play in a big market or you've got a rock star in your midst you'll get a lot of love in the media regardless of your current situation.



MARTY RACINE
Aggie Athletics

“New Mexico State was better than us. Other than the first four or five minutes, they controlled the game the entire time. They were quicker, but they are quicker; physically they are quicker, and they were turned up more.”

We said it here last week: Aggie fans should relish such a matchup. It's the best way to put this promising squad into perspective.

The verdict: They can hang with anyone, ranked or not.

Had the Ags hit a commonplace 70 percent of their free throws instead of going 3-for-10 at the stripe, the math says they would have claimed arguably the most significant regular season victory in program history.

And this, as a road team before a national audience on ESPN2 and 15,000 blue-clad Jayhawk fans in Kansas City's Sprint Center.

So, let's see if I have this straight: After barely surviving a team unworthy of the top 25, Kansas deserves to move up in the rankings?

Coach Self was right: These Aggies are quick as cats. They scratch on defense and claw you



JoJo Zamora is emerging as a top scorer for the Aggies and led NMSU's balanced attack with 15 points against Kansas.

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This is how the Associated Press led the story on Dec. 12:

“Kansas is back where it started the season.

“The preseason No. 1, the Jayhawks are again the top-ranked college basketball team in the Associated Press Top 25 despite struggling to get past New Mexico State at home.”

Leave it to Bill Self, the esteemed coach of the Jayhawks with a championship pedigree, to put it like this in his postgame assessment after slipping past the Aggies 63-60:

on the boards. They are smart and athletic. They are deep, well-coached and take no plays off. They are unselfish, as in the “Beautiful Game,” a term coined in the NBA for the passing brilliance of the San Antonio Spurs and, later, the Golden State Warriors. Yes, the Beautiful Game also is choreographed in the Pan American Center.

On the other hand, this team is smaller than some and young – or at least new to each other and to their coaches. And that might have spelled the difference when they

didn't close the deal on the Jayhawks after leading by seven in the second half.

The good news is that, regardless, the Aggies don't need to impress a few obtuse sportswriters who can't see the Mesilla Valley for the Organ Mountains. They'll orchestrate their destiny in a dozen or so gyms throughout the rigors of a Western winter.

At 7-2, they will have had nine days off to prepare for their next test, 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 17, against Northern Colorado at the Pan Am.

CSUN of Northridge, California, visits two nights later, then it's off to the Las Vegas Classic to face Drake and a team to be decided.

Western Athletic Conference play begins Jan. 3 at California Baptist and ends March 9 at home against the same school. There are four WAC home games in January and five in February.

The WAC Tournament, which the Aggies have owned in recent years, opens March 14 in Las Vegas, and the NCAA Tournament begins

March 21. The Aggies are a lock for the NCAA if they win the WAC tournament. They could be eligible for an at-large bid with a solid record and, yes, even that close loss to No. 1.

Through the campaign they will respect the schedule, but they're also playing for national identity with a chip on their shoulder. In the aftermath of Kansas, they have earned that chip, however much it might weigh.

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A new season offers opportunities to improve your game

In a few weeks we start a new golf season. Rather than review past tribulations, let's look ahead. Will we become stuck in old habits, old excuses? Or are we motivated to make changes and improve? Here are my 18 ways to improve your game for 2019 and beyond.

- Make your plan. Decide exactly what you need to do to become a much better golfer. Make a thorough assessment and inventory of your game, focusing on your strengths and weaknesses – which will soon become strengths.

- Establish your goals for the year. What about GIR's, distance, putting,



CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

scoring, handicap? Are you content with the way you've always played, or are you motivated for greater achievement?

Record your goals in measurable ways.

- Check out your clubs. Are you playing with up-to-date equipment? If money is an issue update your equipment on e-bay, while seeking advice from knowledgeable e-bay customers.

- Get a teacher, even if it is an occasional lesson.

- Think hybrid this year. Hybrids are not reserved for geezers and the senior tour.

- Organize a practice schedule, with a couple of sessions a week. Start

with short-game pitching and chipping, go through your irons and woods and finish with 20 minutes of putting.

- Commit to working out at least three times a week. These days the best golfers, pros and amateurs alike, are athletes, unlike 30 years ago.

- Join a gym. Even if you don't get a personal trainer, you can get good advice there.

- Don't forget cardio. Weights and machines are super, but if you leave the gym without spending 30 minutes on cardio, like step trainers or bicycles, you're making a mistake.

- 'Tis the season to get creative with new shots. Can you come up with at least two new short-game shots? Let's face it, the

players who have more great shots in their repertoire often score the best. How about a "bump-and-run" chip or a 50-yard lob wedge?

- Incorporate drills into your practice routine, both on the range and on the practice green. Go to RevolutionGolf.com, read the magazines or watch the Golf Channel for drill tips.

- Get longer. Golf courses aren't getting any shorter. Go out to Red Hawk to see what designers are doing with length these days. As we age we become more challenged for distance with all our longer clubs, especially the driver.

- If you play the same golf course with the same group of golf buddies nearly all the time,

consider expanding your horizons and play different courses. Sierra del Rio, Desert Lakes, Rio Mimbres, Painted Dunes, Dos Lagos and Lone Star are an hour away.

- Watch "Seven Days in Utopia" three times. I talked with Dr. David Cook, the author of the 2007 "Utopia" book for my 2008 column. The movie is beautifully inspirational.

- Pressure-proof your putting. Focus on the process of your putting rather than the results. Most misses are due to feelings of "must make." To get over that practice games with friends.

- Learn and understand the rules of golf this year. They're changing slightly starting Jan. 1. Go to www.usga.org and order

a "Decisions" book to really grasp rules details.


- Use training aids to practice, like the Speed Stick, Orange Whip, Momentus clubs, Hackers Rx alignment tool, a string line, chalk line and alignment rods. Get creative.

- Finally, adopt a new attitude. Attitude is the inward manifestation of private beliefs and thinking patterns, usually expressed in behavior. Stop complaining, arguing and bellyaching.


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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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Jaiden Coyle is a 17-year-old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. She is on the Lady Blazers tennis and volleyball teams. Coyle has 100 points scored serving, with 39 aces. She has 1,391 sets this season with 336 assists and 130 digs. Coyle is leading 2A volleyball in assists. She is team captain, has a great sense of humor, while maintaining the ability to keep focused and her team on track to achieving goals. Coyle is able to see the individual, as well as the team, and highlights the strengths, finding creative ways to strengthen the weaknesses. She is a dedicated student, with a 3.40 GPA and enjoys riding ATVs, camping, fishing, reading and family time.



Michael Johnson is a 17-year-old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. He plays on the Son Blazers basketball, baseball and football teams. This season, Johnson has rushed for more than 1,000 yards, 14 touchdowns, rushed 10 times for 100 yards and has 100 tackles on defense. He is a positive role model on the team, encouraging others to do their best. Johnson is blessed with many skills athletically and academically. He is a dedicated student, with a 3.70 GPA. Outside of school and sports, Johnson enjoys hanging out with his friends and watching movies.

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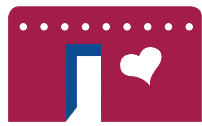
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