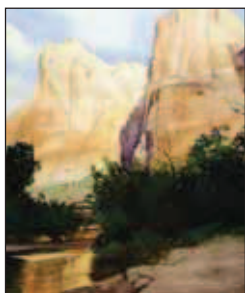


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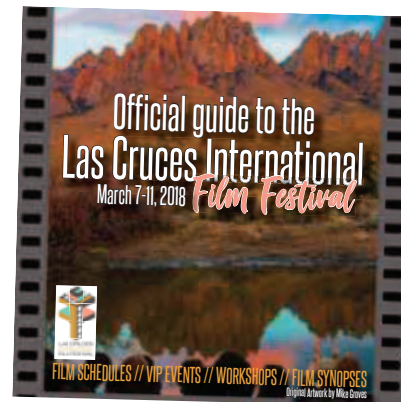


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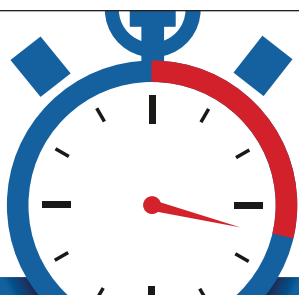


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Las Cruces Police Officer Aaron Glymph and Doña Ana County Sheriff's Deputy Joe Gutierrez enjoy their Morning Joe during "Coffee with a Cop" at Washington Federal Bank Saturday, Feb. 24. The departments teamed with the Ronald McDonald House of El Paso to host the meet-and-greet for residents and to offer a free Ident-A-child card with photo, fingerprints and other identifiable information for use in emergency. LCPD also had its Mobile Command Center and personnel from its Victims' Assistance Unit on hand.



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# Residents' issues addressed in Dist. 4

More than two dozen residents from the Del Rey and Desert Wind neighborhoods attended a recent community outreach meeting hosted by District 4 Doña Ana County Commissioner Isabella Solis.

The meeting took place at the Doña Ana Community Resource Center on Ledesma Drive and featured updates from District 35 Representative Angelica Rubio and Melanie Goodman from Senator Tom Udall's office.

Deputies with the Doña Ana County Sheriff's department addressed concerns from residents regarding potentially dangerous ATV use in the desert areas in and around their neighborhoods, and announced an upcoming cadet academy that will alleviate some staffing shortages, bringing more law-enforcement coverage to each district in Doña Ana County.

Several other county departments provided updates

on animal control issues, community clean-up initiatives, valuation notices from the Doña Ana County Assessor's Office that will be mailed in April, and a new, paperless electronic billing system (e-bill) the Doña Ana County Treasurer's Office is implementing county-wide. Representatives from the Doña Ana County Treasurer's office reminded residents that the second half of property taxes will become due on April 10, 2018.

For more information on addressing concerns throughout Doña Ana County, contact Doña Ana County Community and Constituent Services Manager Liz Reed at (575) 525-5959.



**ABOVE:** Dist. 35 Rep. Angelica Rubio gives a legislative update to residents in the Del Rey/Desert Wind neighborhood at a recent community meeting hosted by Dist. 4 Commissioner Isabella Solis, right.

## Fire chief: Know the rules before you burn



Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services staff is cautioning residents about the dangers of open burning during the traditional spring clean-up season.

According to officials, fire crews have responded to an unusually high number of calls for service related to out-of-control open burns recently. Typically, windy weather conditions in springtime can cause fires to spread to other surrounding properties or homes, some of which can result in a total loss of the home.

To ensure safety, only vegetative material is allowed to be burned in open areas. That includes any plant material, like

grass, grass clippings, shrubs, trees or other yard waste. Before conducting any open burning, residents are reminded to notify the Mesilla Valley Dispatch Authority at (575) 526-0795.

Doña Ana County fire ordinance allows for open burning no earlier than one hour after sunrise and fires must be extinguished one hour before sunset. Burning shall be attended at all times and property owners must ensure that open burning is at least 300 feet away from any occupied dwelling, workplace or place where people congregate.

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# Forgiveness: Rwandan holocaust survivor recounts ordeal

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Immaculée Ilibagiza was on Easter break from her studies at the National University of Rwanda in the city of Butane, visiting her family in a small Rwandan village in 1994, when government-instigated Hutu tribe members began attacking Tutsis.

One hundred days later, nearly one million Tutsis had been

murdered, including Ilibagiza's mother, father and two brothers. (Another brother survived because he was studying in Senegal.)

Ilibagiza and seven other women hid during 91 days of the rampage in a three-foot by four-foot bathroom in the home of a sympathetic Hutu pastor.

Ilibagiza recounted her ordeal during retreats Feb. 23-24 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate

Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1240 S. Espina St.

Because of her "ability to forgive those who took the lives of her family members, she can speak with such moral authority on this subject," Rev. Bill McCann said as he introduced Ilibagiza.

"Genocide happened in our country because we failed to love one another," Ilibagiza said in Las Cruces.

She and the other

women survived on scraps provided by the Hutu pastor, who also gave Ilibagiza a Bible. That and her Rosary beads sustained Ilibagiza for three months, as she sat in silence listening to the massacre going on around her and fearing death at every moment.

"Soldiers came many times to times to search the house," Ilibagiza. Sometimes, the Hutu soldiers would even call her name.

Ilibagiza would pray the rosary for about 16 hours each day, she said.

"When I prayed the rosary, it took me to a different place," she said.

She also recited the Lord's Prayer about 200 times each day.

"Every time I got to the part asking God to 'forgive those who trespass against us,' my mouth went dry," Ilibagiza says in her best-selling book, "Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust," published in 2006. "My inability to forgive caused me even greater pain than the anguish I felt in being separated from my family, and it was worse than the physical torment of being constantly hunted."

Through prayer, she said, "all of a sudden, it was as if the world was lifted. Something was telling me, 'Don't be sad.'"

"Prayer has the power to change us," Ilibagiza said.

Her final message to her Las Cruces listeners: "There's always hope."

Ilibagiza and the other women were finally able to leave the hidden bathroom in the dead

of night in July, fleeing to a French-controlled refugee camp. Ilibagiza emigrated to the United States in 1998. She lives in New York City.

Rwanda is located in east-central Africa and is about the size of West Virginia. It has a population of about 12 million, with an average annual income of about \$2,000 per capita. The country is comprised mostly of Hutu, Tutsi and Twa (pygmy) tribe members. Most Rwandans are Christians, and a majority of those are Catholics.

The Berlin Conference of 1884 assigned the area to German control in 1884, which began colonial domination. Belgium took control of Rwanda and Burundi in 1916. Both the Germans and

Belgians promoted the supremacy of minority Tutsi tribe members, although there is no ethnic difference between Tutsis and Hutus. Rwanda separated from Burundi and gained independence from Belgium in 1962. Juvénal Habyarimana, a Hutu, led a coup in 1973 and became the country's president. A civil war between Hutus and Tutsis broke out in 1990, and a plane carrying Habyarimana and the president of Burundi was shot down near Kigali, Rwanda, April 16, 1994. Mass murders of Tutsis began the next day.

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Rwandan genocide survivor and best-selling author Immaculée Ilibagiza spoke to hundreds of people about her experiences during Feb. 23-24 presentations at Cathedral of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



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# Superintendent Ewing's contract extended

## BULLETIN REPORT

Following a mid-year performance evaluation, the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education unanimously voted Feb. 20 to extend Superintendent Dr. Greg Ewing's contract by two additional years. The move, representing a break from the traditional one-year contract extension, extends Ewing's current contract from June 30, 2019, to June 30, 2021.

"We're extending his contract to provide a sense of stability throughout the district and continue our collaborative efforts with Dr. Ewing," said Board President Maria Flores. "We work well together and we consider this a long-term relationship. I feel very strongly about Dr. Ewing's leadership and this extension is what the Board considers to be the best move forward."

"It's an honor and a privilege to know that the Board has put their trust in me to serve as superintendent for another three years. I'd like to thank the Board for their support," Ewing said. "This extension is a validation of the efforts of our entire staff. As a district, we all work very hard every day and I am fortunate to work alongside such an incredible team of individuals."

Ewing was hired as LCPS superintendent on Dec. 5, 2016, with 32 years' educational experience as a teacher and administrator. In 2016, he was named



Greg Ewing

the Hispanic Serving Administrator of the Year by the Association of Latino Administrators & Superintendents (ALAS) and received the 2016 Special Educator Award from Univision.

"I'm extremely proud the Board voted to offer this extension. I know he [Ewing] may not walk on water, but I think his leadership speaks for itself," said Board Member Maury Castro.

Ewing began his work at LCPS with a 90-day look, listen, and learn tour where he met with students, teachers, staff members and community partners to understand the wants and needs of the district.

During his tenure, Ewing created the department of Equity, Innovation and Social Justice; established international welcome centers at all four comprehensive high schools; led the passage of a \$50 million bond issue and developed collaborative working relationships with representatives from the National Education

Association of Las Cruces (NEA-LC) and Classified School Employees Council – Las Cruces (CSEC-LC).

In 2017, Ewing testified before members of Congress at the "American Border Communities Forum: The State of Affairs under a Trump Administration," in Washington, D.C., that uncertainty over the future of U.S. immigration laws continues to create anxiety among families that live in border communities. The event was organized by the Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC), chaired by Representative Michelle Lujan Grisham (D), representing New Mexico's 1st Congressional District.

In addition to his role as superintendent, Ewing also teaches a course at Doña Ana Community College and donates his salary from that teaching position to the LCPS Foundation.

Ewing was previously the Chief Accountability and Research Officer with the Cobb County School District in Marietta, Georgia. He holds a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Classics, and a Master's of Science degree with double concentrations – Social Foundations of Education/Educational Policy Studies and Latin and Italian literature, both from Georgia State University in Atlanta. His Doctoral degree in Counseling Psychology is from the University of Sarasota in Florida.

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From left: Las Cruces High School Sophomores Andruw Fierro, Mahlon Everhart, Osaze Williams and David Alcalá wait for class inside the LCHS walkway.

## Graduation rates continue improvement

### BULLETIN REPORT

Despite having some of the most rigorous graduation requirements in the state, Las Cruces Public Schools had an 85.5 percent high school graduation rate for the graduating cohort of 2017, according to newly released data from the New Mexico Public Education Department (PED).

The figure represents the highest four-year high school graduation rate in New Mexico, exceeding the state average of 71.1 percent. The national average is 84 percent.

“The steady improvement of our graduation rate shows that our staff and students are committed to the learning process,” said Superintendent Dr. Greg Ewing. “Our goal is not only to ensure that every student graduates, but that they graduate with the knowledge and skills they need to be successful throughout their careers and lives.”

According to the PED,

a cohort is named according to students’ expected fourth year of high school. The 2017 cohort four-year graduation rate was based on 9th graders in 2013-14, 10th graders in 2014-15, 11th graders in 2015-16 and 12th graders in 2016-17.

New Mexico requires a student to earn 24 high school credits to graduate; students at LCPS high schools are required to earn 29 credits, the highest requirement in the state, says Dr. Wendi Miller-Tomlinson, LCPS assistant superintendent of teaching and learning.

“Our eight-period, A/B high school class schedule allows students to earn up to 32 credits throughout their high school career, while still giving them opportunities to take elective classes. In addition, offering engagement opportunities such as programs of study, dual-credit classes and blended and online learning has given students more educational options and helped many to per-

sist to graduation.”

In an effort to help students graduate on time, Miller-Tomlinson said that “credit recovery classes” were decentralized about four years ago, allowing students to stay at their “home” school to repeat failed courses after regular school hours instead of attending night classes at a separate campus.

She also says the district implemented new advising practices so that any student who falls behind is quickly notified and advised about credit recovery options.

“As an additional measure, we started using an algebra I course across the district that has improved student achievement in that course, which has historically been a gatekeeper to student achievement in high school,” Miller-Tomlinson said.

The district’s 2016 high school graduation rate shows a 5 1/2 percent improvement from 2015 and an 11 percent improvement over 2014.



## Trump’s Tariffs Can’t Stop Solar. Here’s Why.

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On January 22nd, the Trump Administration announced a 30% tariff on US imports of solar cells and panels. But—for New Mexico homeowners and businessowners—the news doesn’t change a fundamental fact:

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Falling costs are just one of many reasons to go solar in 2018. There are other big reasons to act now:

**Some pre-tariff priced modules are still available.** In anticipation of the solar tariffs, SunPower by Positive Energy Solar took steps to have pre-tariff priced modules available for residential systems in early 2018. These supplies are very limited but create a great opportunity for people ready to buy solar today.

**The 30% federal tax credit starts scaling down after 2019.** The federal government is still offering big incentives to go solar—if you take action before the end of 2019. In the following years, tax credits will decline to 26 percent and then to 22 percent.

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# It could be Burger Time for a long time

## 12th Man Tournament poised to build on legacy

In the 18 football seasons from 1977 through 1994, only one Las Cruces team made it to the state championship game.



**RICHARD COLTHARP**  
From the Publisher

In the 22 seasons from 1995 through 2016, 23 Las Cruces teams made it to the championship game. In 14 of those seasons, a blue title trophy was earned.

How did our fair city go from being a high school football desert to a championship oasis?

Because a lot of Las Cruces cared about their high school kids, and also liked golfing with friends on a hot summer day. And donating money.

In 1992, Armando Alba organized a small fundraising golf tournament, with Kevin McGrath's Burger Time restaurant as a sponsor. The tournament could not make a go in 1993, but in 1994, McGrath took on the responsibility and namesake of the tournament. He did it again for the next 22 years.

The 1994 It's Burger Time Golf Tournament raised about \$3,500, remembered Bump Elliott, the Las Cruces Public Schools athletic director at the time.

It wasn't long before the tournament was raising 10 times that amount, peaking in 2015 with a record distribution to the high schools of more than \$70,000.

"Kevin's involvement got it to the next level," said Don Beasley, of Beasley, Mitchell & Co. CPA. "He brought the enthusiasm and business acumen to

make it work."

McGrath defers personal accolades to his committees that organized and ran the event, and the original tournament founder, Alba. Credit also goes to anyone who swung a club or helped in the tournament in any other way. Still, McGrath's persistent leadership kept things going.

"I believe in the youth, and I believed in helping our football programs, whose budgets couldn't compare to the schools up north," McGrath said. "You can't build a house with one hammer and one nail. We can't say we're the cause of the success. We have great coaches and great athletes. But I like to think our subsidies helped give them the tools they needed."

During its amazing run, the tournament returned more than \$800,000 to football booster clubs and other participating sports, activities and extracurricular programs. Late last year, the tournament was converted into the Burger Time Foundation, a 501(c) 3 endowment that will continue distributing money.

The Foundation's board of directors consists of Don and Brad Beasley of Beasley, Mitchell & Co. CPA, and Elliott, longtime athletic director for LCPS and Gadsden Independent School District. Donations can still be made to the Foundation, whose endowment is currently valued at \$900,000, Don Beasley said.

Last year, the Foundation distributed \$16,000, with \$4,000 each going to the booster clubs of Centennial High School, Las Cruces High School, Mayfield High School and Oñate High School.

Don Beasley said the plan is –

as earnings allow – to distribute \$30,000 each August, \$7,500 per school. Distributions could still be going 20 or 30 years from now.

The Burger Time tournament's rise coincided with other events in Las Cruces athletics.

"In the early 1990s, we said, 'Let's start putting together some higher expectations and some better teams,'" Elliott said.

"There was a perfect storm, with Burger Time, Coach (Jim) Bradley coming back and the Field of Dreams project," Brad Beasley said. "Now we had resources. Now we had success. And it created a demand for excellence."

Bradley, who had won state titles at Mayfield in the mid-1970s before leaving to New Mexico State University and then Roswell High School, returned to Mayfield in 1994. He promptly led the Trojans to state titles in 1995, 1996 and 1998. When Oñate moved into its new building in 1993, the school stepped up its athletics, while competing in a state class below LCHS and Mayfield. After six years of planning, and the work of multiple public and private partners, the Field of Dreams football stadium opened in 1999.

The pinnacle was 2002, when all three teams made the state final. Oñate won the 4A state championship and LCHS defeated Mayfield 17-14 for the 5A title.

Centennial High School, which opened in 2012, made the 2015 state championship in 5A (by then the second-highest class). Now all four Las Cruces schools compete in 6A.

"It got to the point where, if

there wasn't a state champion from Las Cruces it was like, 'What happened?'" Brad Beasley said.

Elliott believes the community's engagement in the Burger Time tournament was contagious.

"We all know Las Cruces is one of the most generous communities in the United States," Elliott said. "The effect the Burger Time tournament had on high school athletics was unbelievable, but it also helped form a new culture, a new camaraderie of giving. People branched off Burger Time and it blossomed into other charity giving and generosity for other projects."

Although the Burger Time tournament is no more, Las Cruces have not lost their appetite for hot summer golf and helping out kids. The high school coaches and booster clubs created the 12th Man Tournament, which had a solid event in 2017.

"We're super happy the booster clubs have decided to continue the golf tournament tradition with the 12th Man Tournament," Brad Beasley said.

But anyone who played in a Burger Time tourney, or watched our local high school athletes compete toe-to-toe with the best in the state, won't forget the good times and the legacy left by the determination of Kevin McGrath.

There's a good chance in, say 2041, local high school athletes who never heard of McGrath will still be benefiting from the Burger Time Foundation and our good times on the golf course.

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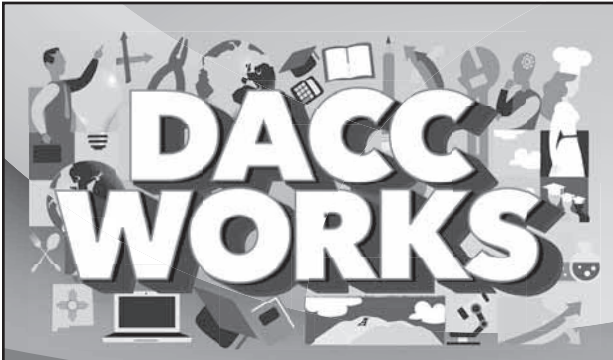

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## Letter to parents from LCPS Superintendent Greg Ewing:

Recent events in our state and nation have raised concerns about the safety of students at school. In the past few days, isolated threats on social media have led to increased worry in our community. I wish to assure you that the Las Cruces Public Schools shares your concerns. The safety of your children is our greatest responsibility and we are dedicated to their well-being.

We have intensified our focus on safety and security procedures to make certain that students and staff are safe. Principals will continue to monitor activity in their respective school buildings. They have already begun reviewing safety drills with faculty, staff, and students, as it is most important that all individuals feel safe and that learning continue as normal in all school buildings. We are also working closely with the Las Cruces Police Department and the mayor's office to investigate all threats and determine the best course of action to make sure that schools are safe for students.

As we strengthen our efforts at school facilities, we also need your assistance. We ask you and your child to report any threat or safety concern to school officials or law enforcement. While the authenticity of social media threats can be difficult to verify, be assured that every threat will be taken seriously and investigated thoroughly. Coming together as a community and remaining vigilant will help us to ensure that students are safe and allow us to continue the important work of education.

Respectfully,  
Gregory Ewing

## Tragedy was gross incompetence

To the editor:  
On Feb. 22, the American public learned of yet another failure by government officials related

to the Florida school shooting. An armed school resource deputy assigned to work security failed to enter the building and engage the attacker. Based on video

footage from the school's security cameras, the deputy took up a position and never went in. Shameful.

This latest revelation only adds to the growing list of failures by school administrators, federal and state government officials and law enforcement. Not only was the killer a known problem to local law enforcement, the FBI had been warned twice about this teenager and his talk of wanting to be a school shooter. The gross incompetence displayed by public officials is staggering.

President Trump, in response to the Parkland massacre, has suggested arming teachers as a way to deter possible threats, while the National Rifle Association has also pushed for more armed guards in schools. More law-abiding people with firearms could help stop a shooter.

Meanwhile, the media and the gun control crowd continue calling for more limits on Americans' 2nd Amendment rights in the name of protecting children. The irony here is that the Left is calling for more power and trust to be given to those very government leaders who so abysmally failed in their duties. This is a classic example of the leftist mindset, which always entrusts the government with power over the rights of the individual. The fact is, limiting law-abiding citizens' access to firearms will do nothing to stop criminal behavior.

Mark Best  
Las Cruces

## Don't blame guns

To the editor:

Like everyone, I was numbed by the latest school shooting but not surprised. I grew up in the '50s and '60s and watched the country change from "Gun-smoke," where every week justice was done by hero Matt Dillon, to "Easy Rider," where two drug-dealing motorcycle-riding pot heads were cool. In 1960 we had one country, by 1975 another.

The list of social changes would take volumes. Suffice to say, most of the change the country saw during this period was negative. In 1960 school prayer, respect for authority and the nuclear family were in; by 1975 they were out. Abortion, declining respect for authority, sex, drugs, rock & roll were in. Civil rights were positive, civil rights coupled with a huge expansion of the welfare state without social responsibility were not. Many things that were once taboo were now accepted, legalized, advertised and celebrated.

As a young man I watched the Vietnam War end and naively believed the country would right itself and move to a better future. I was wrong, and have watched for more than 40 years as it continues its false course.

Short of someone inventing a time machine to undo a long list of terrible policy mistakes, I don't know what we are going to do; it's difficult to put toothpaste back



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in the tube. Perhaps we should put God back in our lives and fathers back in the home. There are a multitude of causes for our nation's ills; guns are not among them.

*Dennis Stone  
Las Cruces*

## Stop the slurs

To the editor:

Children killing children goes back to the lack of critical thinking and dialogue skills fostered by a public K-12 education system and ingrained into public education teachers by a university culture that denies constructive argument because it might offend someone.

I remember my daughter and son-in-law telling their kids early on, when they were throwing a tantrum, to "use their words" to describe the problem. They even taught them sign language to express their needs before they could talk.

Our public education system is all about ... the power and control of the teacher. So, extremely frustrated kids bring a

gun to school to get the attention they have been denied because no one was listening. We, as the adults in the room, need to stop throwing slanderous slurs and begin using our words to communicate and debate on a civilized basis so children learn through our example.

*Rob Wood  
Las Cruces*

## In so many words

To the editor:

Catherine Fuller wants to limit letter length (Bulletin, Feb. 16) (and) justifies her stand by claiming a previous writer's statement that immigrants contribute to our economy is unsubstantiated. Then she herself states that this must be false because she has been asked by green card holders to be paid in cash.

Does Ms. Fuller think that green card holder does not buy food, housing, gas for his car? While some may go back to his home country to help his family, some of it is spent here, and that contributes to our economy.

Funny that folks on the right are quick to defend

the 2nd Amendment, but not the 1st. And that is all you need to know – in 128 words.

*Larry Felhauer  
Las Cruces*

## Immigrants contribute

To the editor:

Regarding Catherine Fuller's letter complaining about the length of an earlier letter, Ms. Fuller goes on to say that the immigration system is "totally out of control" and that it is false that "immigrants contribute hundreds of millions of dollars a year to (the) U.S. economy ... I've hired holders of green cards who insist on payment in cash."

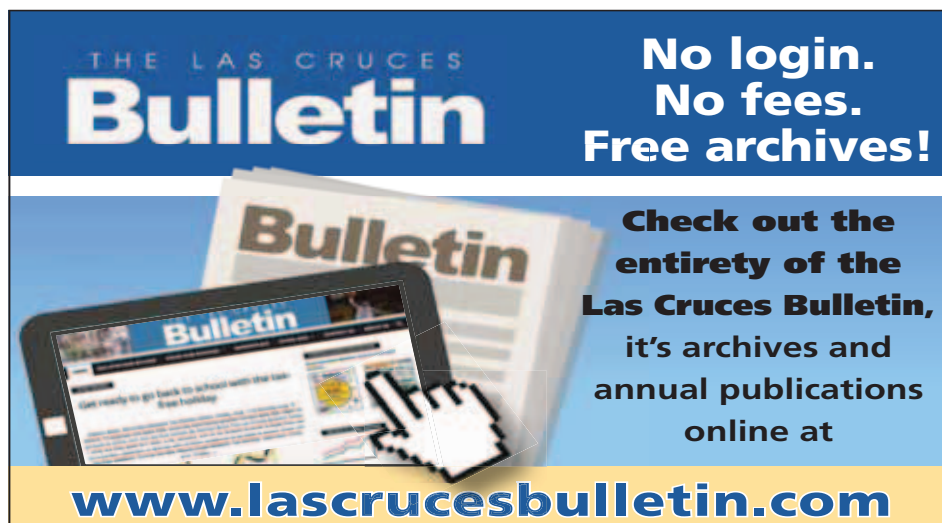
Immigrants (along with everybody else) contribute to the economy by paying rent and buying food, clothes, gas, etc. Whether workers pay taxes on their wages is a different issue. However, it appears that taxes are what Ms. Fuller is referring to by admitting that she is breaking the law by paying her employees in cash (presumably) so that she doesn't have to pay the employer's share of FICA taxes.

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## LOOKING BACK | THIS WEEK IN MESILLA VALLEY HISTORY

### 100 YEARS AGO 1918

• “The enrollment headquarters for the U.S. Public Service Reserve for Doña Ana County has been opened by F.M. Hayner in his office on Griggs Street,” the Las Cruces Rio Grande Republican reported in early March 1918. “The object of this branch of the service is



**MICHAEL SCANLON**

Looking Back

• The Blue Ribbon Bar was under new management, ac-

ording to a March 1918 advertisement in the Las Cruces Citizen. “Domestic and imported liquors of all kinds. Will deliver to any place in town. Phone 115.” In the same edition of the newspaper was an ad for Elite Candies, The Store Beautiful in El Paso, which billed itself as “One of the largest and most attractive confectionary stores in the United States.” It offered, “Pound boxes of bon-

bons & chocolate by mail, 66 cents.”

and white, bearing the numbers SA-370.”

### 75 YEARS AGO 1943

• “A bicycle found in front of the Rio Grande Theater three nights ago still remained unclaimed at the police station last night, city officers said,” the Las Cruces Sun-News reported in March 1943. “It is red

• “Lieut Com H.J. Mecklenburg, son of Lieut H.G. Mecklenburg, commandant of Naval trainees here, who was aboard the U.S. cruiser Chicago when it was sunk in the south Pacific, is safe and back on American soil,” the Sun-News reported. “The lieutenant commander

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Three unidentified teammates from the Mesilla Park Reds show off a trophy in this photo from New Mexico State University's Library Archives.

The photo was taken by Las Cruces lawman and photographer Jim Flanagan in 1958, according to an online index of the extensive collection. That was the year the Mesilla Park Reds edged Fairacres 16-15 to win the Little League minor tournament, the Las Cruces Sun-News reported with three paragraphs in its sports section on July 28, 1958.

“Pat Cash was credited with the win. A double by G. Carrillo drove in the winning tally ....,” the newspaper said.

Readers who know more about the photo can contact [mscanlon999@gmail.com](mailto:mscanlon999@gmail.com).

Photographer Flanagan moved to Las Cruces from Kansas in 1938, according to NMSU, where his many photographs and other materials are archived.

According to his biography, “Flanagan served in the U.S. Army, 45th Infantry Division, during World War II in Sicily, Italy, Germany and southern France. He was severely wounded in Germany when the tank in which he was riding struck a land mine, killing all the other occupants of the vehicle. He was awarded the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star and the World War II Victory Medal, among other military distinctions.

“He joined the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department around 1950 and served as deputy for 10 years. During that time, he established a photographic lab for the department and did extensive photography work



of crime scenes and police investigations.

“Flanagan also photographed community events, such as weddings, school pageants, festivals and parades, in the Las Cruces area during this time period. In 1959 he became chief of police of the Las

Cruces Police Department and served at that post through 1960. Flanagan died at the Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso in 1983 at the age of 71.”

*Photo from the Jim Flanagan photographs, NMSU Library Archives. Image number 02590405.*

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telephoned his father last night from San Diego after arriving there. He is on 30 days leave, and Lieut Mecklenburg said today he hoped to induce his son to visit Las Cruces during the leave.”

• “Gov. and Mrs. John J. Dempsey were expected to pass through Las Cruces late today on their return to Santa Fe from a 10-day vacation trip in Mexico,” a Sun-News article said. “Friends of the governor were not advised at noon as to what time they will reach Cruces or how long they will stop. The train out of Mexico was reported late reaching Juarez.”

50 YEARS AGO  
1968

• “Filling teacher vacancies with qualified applicants is becoming an increasingly difficult job, Superintendent of Schools Earl Nunn warned members of the Las Cruces Board of Education Thursday,” the Las Cruces Sun-News reported in early March

1968. “Cited as the prime cause is the low starting salary of \$5,350 per year, as compared to that paid by other New Mexico school districts, industry and the federal government. Some New Mexico school districts last year paid beginning BA Degree teachers as much as \$6,000.”

• “A letter of appreciation from a city resident for improvement of West Brown Road has been received by City Manager A.J. Vasilakis,” the Sun-News reported. “Floyd G. Rivera wrote the letter, which reads: ‘The street department surfaced the street and during the last rainfall the muddy conditions which we experienced in the past did not exist.’ ... (City) Commissioner Johnny Gomez noted that if people contact the proper source, they can get things done.”

25 YEARS AGO  
1993

• “City officials Monday took a big step toward solving one of the city’s worst flooding problems

when council informally approved a plan to channel water away from the El Molino Drain area,” the Las Cruces Bulletin reported in early March 1993. “That area, roughly bordered by Amador on the north, Avenida de Mesilla on the south, Alameda on the east and Armijo on the west, is flooded any time the city has any serious rainfall. Storm drains in the area aren’t big enough and aren’t sloped properly to handle heavy rains.”

• A Page 1 photo in the Bulletin shows construction workers toiling at a job site, with a caption explaining, “Workmen renovate the historic Hadley House at the corner of University Avenue and El Paseo Road. When completed in May, the building will be the new home of Glenn Cutter Jewelers.”

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This year's President's Associates Ball looks to continue this tradition. Join us on Saturday, April 21, at the Las Cruces Convention Center for a night of celebration to support our current roster of President's Associates. All ticket and table proceeds, along with a live and silent auction, support student scholarships for the entire incoming class who plan to make us all proud and further NMSU's reputation as a top-tier institution. Whether you sponsor a table or purchase a ticket, your support makes a difference for New Mexico's highly-talented young scholars.

For table reservations or to receive sponsorship information for this event, please call Kelley Coffeen at 575-646-1538 or email her at [kcoffeen@nmsu.edu](mailto:kcoffeen@nmsu.edu). We look forward to spending the night dancing, enjoying refreshments and introducing you to our impressive President's Associates Scholars and their dreams you're helping make come true.

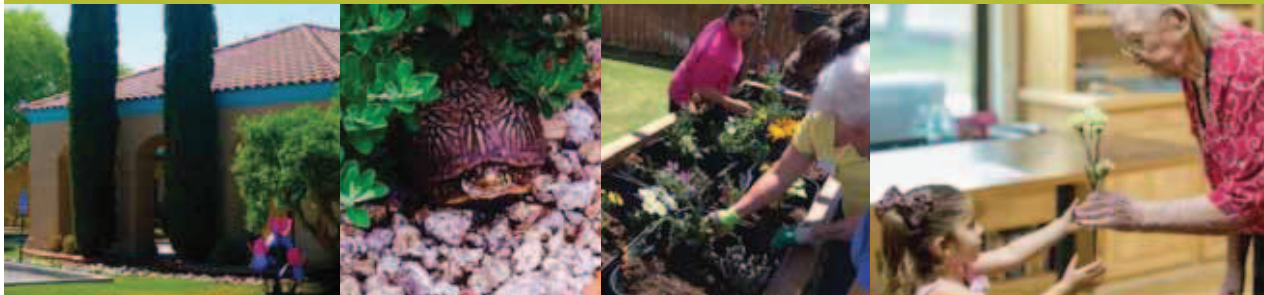
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## IN THE NEWS



John Vasquez

## Commissioner resigns

District 5 Doña Ana County Commissioner John Vasquez resigned from the commission on Feb. 22 via a letter to Commission Chair Ben Rawson. His resignation follows much-publicized criticism and calls to resign over his treatment of women and public behavior from residents, colleagues and leaders in the Democrat party.

A formal complaint was filed Feb. 5 by NM CAFé organizer Johana Bencomo after he posted inflammatory comments toward her on Facebook.

State Democrat Party Chair Neomi Martinez-Parra in a Feb. 12 letter to the party chairman alleged “inappropriate sexual misconduct” against her by Vasquez.

In his resignation letter, Vasquez claims Martinez-Parra’s claims are “unsubstantiated” and said she has not provided evidence or identified the specific incident.

“I need to focus on my marriage, my family, and my health,” he wrote. “I hope this will allow you (Rawson) and the rest of the Commission to go back to focusing on what Doña Ana County needs to improve the lives of our residents with whom

I have served diligently and with honor.”

Gov. Susana Martinez may appoint someone to serve out Vasquez’s term, but that person would only serve until the general election in November, when a new commissioner will be elected.

## Street closure

Main Street at the intersection of Griggs Avenue will be closed to vehicle traffic for about three weeks.

Northbound Main Street traffic will be detoured east onto Bowman Avenue, then north onto Church Street, west onto Las Cruces Avenue, and back onto Main Street.

Traffic traveling south on Main Street will be detoured west onto Las Cruces Avenue, south onto Water Street, east onto Bowman Avenue, and

back onto Main Street.

Access to businesses and residences will be maintained. RoadRUNNER Transit routes will not be affected.

The closure is due to continuing work on the Downtown Two-Way Conversion Project.

For information, call the Contracts Administration section of the City’s Public Works Department, 575-528-3098. For the hearing impaired the number is 575-541-2182.

## Henson breakfast

Coach Lou & Mary Henson will welcome Terrell Davis, two-time Super Bowl Champion, to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Henson Community Breakfast in support of Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces (BGCLC). The breakfast is Thursday, April 19,

at 7 a.m. at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum.

For the past 10 years, the breakfast has featured prominent athletes and coaches. Davis is a former Boys & Girls Club member from San Diego.

Davis was a 1995 sixth-round draft pick of the Denver Broncos. He started training camp as a sixth-string tailback and was not expected to make the final cut.

However, he earned the starting position for the season opener and became a key contributor in Denver’s two Super Bowl-winning seasons in 1997 and 1998. He is the Broncos’ all-time leading rusher, with 7,607 yards.

Off the field, Davis combined his desire to help children with his love of food by creating Terrell Davis Foods, a

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## Gun show protest



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Las Cruces resident Eva Barber protested the use of automatic weapons during the Sunrise Lions Club Gun Show Feb. 25 outside the Las Cruces Convention Center.

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line of culinary products that raises money to support programs dedicated to fighting hunger in children. He created The Terrell Davis Salute the Kids Foundation, a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization.

Over the years, the Henson Breakfast has become the signature event for the Boys & Girls Club, with ongoing support from the Hensons, beloved figures in NMSU basketball lore.

"We are indebted to Coach and Mary for their support and partnership with our club over the last 10 years," said club CEO Ashley Echavarría. "This year brings an added level of excitement with the celebration of the 10th anniversary of this event. It's always

moving to hear from a former Boys & Girls Club member, and Terrell Davis is just one more piece of living proof that signifies the importance of the work that we do in clubs across the country. We are thrilled to welcome him to Las Cruces to hear his story."

Sponsorships for the breakfast are available and individuals are welcome (reservations required). Call the club at 575-526-1519. Visit [www.bgclasruces.org](http://www.bgclasruces.org).

**Buddy Day**

Down Syndrome Families of Las Cruces (DSFLC) will host its third annual Buddy Day

from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, March 10, in Pioneer Park, 500 W. Las Cruces Ave.

Buddy Day celebrates World Down Syndrome Day.

The event includes horse-drawn carriage rides, clowns, balloon animals, face painting, jumpers, games, a magician, members of the Las Cruces Fire Department and a special appearance by Spider Man, according to DSFLC's website and Facebook page.

The event is free and open to the public.

**Reyes runs**

Antoinette Reyes is running for Doña Ana County Commissioner for District 1, the seat currently held by Commissioner Billy Garrett.

According to a news release, Reyes received

**Antoinette Reyes**

her bachelor's in Anthropology with a supplementary major in Sustainable Development from NMSU. She is completing her master's in Applied Economics with a focus on the environment and natural resources. She is a substitute teacher and private tutor in Las Cruces and Anthony.

A former City of Las Cruces employee, Reyes helped garner a \$10

million bond for energy-related projects, such as green retrofits, xeriscaping, and solar installations.

Among her proposals: getting the mobile library running again, improving the county's energy efficiency, emphasizing the need for bilingual materials, addressing poverty and food insecurity, encouraging the county to buy

local and diversifying their banking choices. Also: streetlights, rain drainage, road grading, road signage, and expanding transit and bike-friendly spaces. She wants to add Wi-Fi, public computers and a printer to all county community centers.

Reyes currently lives in San Miguel with her

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# Fish fry



COURTESY PHOTO

The Lenten Fish Fry, a fundraiser for The Kiwanis Club of Las Cruces for serving kids in the community, is 4-7 p.m. Friday, March 2, at the Good Samaritan Village's Social Center, 3011 Buena Vida Drive. For a \$10 donation, the menu offers fish, shrimp, coleslaw, French fries, hush puppies, iced tea, lemonade and coffee. High-school students in Key Club will be selling baked goods (pictured, Oñate students at the 2017 fish fry). Tickets can be purchased at the door.

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family.

Visit [www.AntoinetteReyes.com](http://www.AntoinetteReyes.com).

## LCPD reminder

The Las Cruces Police Department reminds users of social media to refrain from sharing or re-posting posts that can create unnecessary fear and the rapid spread of misinformation. Sharing makes it more difficult for police to track the original post.

Police learned that a classroom discussion on the recent shooting in Florida somehow morphed into one individual believing that a threat existed locally. That individual then posted the inaccurate information to social media, which was shared by others multiple times.

Officers later determined the original post originated from misinformation.

Anyone who learns of a threat to a school or public safety is encouraged to call police at 575-526-0795 or call 911 immediately if the nature of the information is believed to be an emergency.

## New app

Recreational visitors to public lands have a new tool to document damage they might encounter.

The mobile app Terra-TRUTH encourages users to "Explore, Snap, and Send" images that show harm on land managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Brian Sybert, executive director of the Conservation Lands Foundation, says the app gives out-

door enthusiasts a direct way to be stewards of public lands.

"Whether it is vandalism to an archeological site (or) disturbance to a landscape ... the app geolocates it onto a map and it uploads into a database."

The database can then be used for land management or to support lawsuits.

Vandalism on lands managed by the BLM is subject to fines up to \$1,000 and imprisonment.

## Record hugs

Doña Ana Deputy Sheriff Jamar Cotton is now the unofficial record holder for the most hugs given in a single minute. At halftime of the NMSU/UMKC game Feb. 24, Cotton met a line of people on the court and successfully made it to 112 before the buzzer sounded.

According to Cotton, the challenge was "to show the community that a single act of kindness, like a hug, can go a long way to lift someone's spirit."

"In everything I do, I make sure to stay positive and set the example that attitude is altitude," he said. "It's impossible for us to know the battles other people might be struggling with, so why not be that light that shows them a little love and support?"

The current Guinness World Record for the most hugs given in one minute by an individual is 86, by actor Jason Ritter in New York City on Oct. 9, 2017, during a live filming of ABC's "The View."

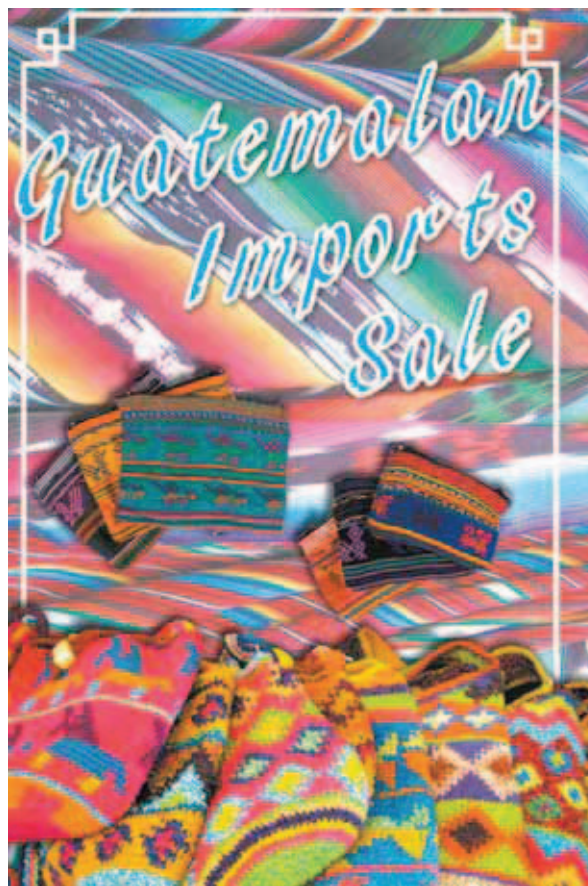
The county will submit the results to Guinness for review and final certification.

## Large donation



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The Shed restaurant on Valley Drive donated \$30,000 to Casa de Peregrinos food pantry Feb. 23. From left: Casa de Peregrinos board members Tom Packard and Nancy Ryan, Shed restaurant owners Gabe and Andrea Mendoza, Casa de Peregrinos Executive Director Lorenzo Alba Jr., Casa de Peregrinos Program Manager Diana Alvarez, and Casa de Peregrinos Operations Manager Rudy Carbajao.



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Flanked by a Bourbon Street backdrop, Border Jazz performs.



Tony Calder of Albuquerque's Marble Brewery pours a pilsner.



Las Cruces residents La-Ray Atlas, Araniz Turnbaugh, Troy Turnbaugh and Pam Rossi.

# Mardi party

It wasn't New Orleans, but Mardi Gras did land in the desert Feb. 24 at Picacho Peak Brewery for beads, brews and blues.



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Maria Vasquez, executive director of Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity, talks to guests Belia Barjas and Aurelia Thornhill.



Michael Perez and his grandson, 6, work on a planter at the Kids Workshop.

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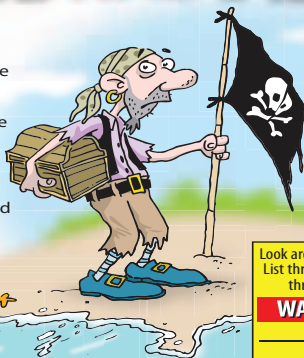
Meet Pirate Pierre. He'll be stuck on this island for the next few months until another ship arrives to rescue him. It's a great time to know the difference between **WANTS** and **NEEDS**.

#### Which is which?

A **NEED** is something you **must have** in order to survive. You need water, food, shelter, clothing and sometimes medicines.

A **WANT** is something you would **like to have**, but can live without. A computer, cellphone, television and a bike are wants, not needs.

Standards Link: Economics: Understand the difference between basic survival and nonessential items.



Look around the room you are in now. List three things that are **WANTS** and three things that are **NEEDS**.

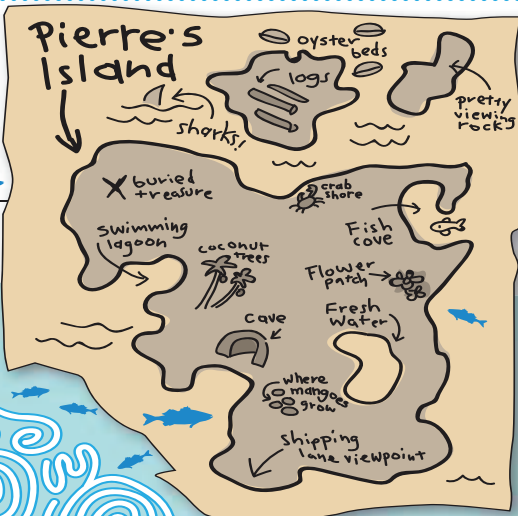
WANTS	NEEDS

#### True Treasure Map

It's going to be six months until the next pirate ship visits Pierre's island. He made a map of the island.

Circle the places on Pierre's map that will provide **NEEDS**. Cross out places that provide **WANTS**.

Standards Link: Economics: Differentiate between wants and needs.



Help Pierre catch a crab for dinner!



Pierre needs fish! How many can you find on this page?

### SURVIVAL SUPPLIES

When his ship began to sink, Pirate Pierre had to act quickly to grab things he would **NEED** on the island rather than things he might **WANT**.

How did he do? Circle the things he will **NEED** on the island. Cross out the things he might **WANT** that won't really help him.



#### Extra! Extra!

#### Wants and Needs in the Newspaper

Look through today's newspaper for five examples of things you **need** to survive. Then find five things you **want**.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

Sometimes it's hard to decide if something is a **need** or a **want**. For example, cake is a food, but is it a want or a need?

Circle the foods here that you think are a need. Show your choices to a family member. Do they agree?



### Kid Scoop Word Search

CELLPHONE  
TREASURE  
COMPUTER  
RESCUE  
ISLAND  
PIRATE  
TROPHY  
OYSTER  
WANTS  
NEEDS  
KNIFE  
SINK  
CRAB  
ROCK  
ROPE

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

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

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

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### "I REALLY Want That!"

Look through the newspaper ads for something that you want. Divide the price of that item by 12. There are 12 months in a year, so how much would you need to save each month to purchase the item in a year?

Standards Link: Math: Calculate amounts using money.

### Write On!

#### Needs & Wants

List three things you **NEED** in your life and three things you **WANT**. Write a paragraph explaining your choices.

### Kid Scoop Together: Funny Filler

Have a friend give you each type of word to fill in the blanks. Then read the story aloud!

Pierre's ship sank after someone put a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ inside one of the cannons.

Pierre swam to the shore of a very strange island. It was covered with \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, so he knew he'd have plenty to eat.

Instead of coconuts, \_\_\_\_\_ grew on the trees. And to catch fish, he used \_\_\_\_\_ for bait!

He built a little hut out of \_\_\_\_\_ that he found on the \_\_\_\_\_.

It protected him when rain began to \_\_\_\_\_ from the sky.

Pierre was eager to \_\_\_\_\_ home. He made a tall tower of \_\_\_\_\_ to

\_\_\_\_\_ to catch the attention of passing ships. It worked! The captain of a \_\_\_\_\_

saw the tower and Pierre was rescued!

Standards Link: Grammar: Understand and use nouns, adjectives and verbs correctly.

# LCIFF 2018 FILM & EVENT SCHEDULE

## Wednesday March 7

Off site Events

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events	
7:00 PM	Rose					
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VIP After Party @ La Posta  
2410 Calle de San Albino, Mesilla • 9pm

## Thursday March 8 cont'd.

Off site Events

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events			
6:30 PM				Tis The Season				
6:45 PM		Valentina	Humming Bird & Crane; Daytrip; Game; Dogs & Tacos; Still Hunt; The Privates					
7:00 PM	Chances Are Followed by Q&A w/ Cybill Shepherd							
7:15 PM								
7:30 PM								
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8:30 PM								

VIP After Party @ Hotel Encanto • 9pm

## Thursday March 8

Off site Events

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events							
10:00 AM	Axis	Socorro; Soldier; Ivan's Need; Adam; Its Just a Gun; The Clitoris; Rosario; Me Myself and I; Silent Showing; A Gold Friend	Lilly Riggs; The Cycle of War; Alchemy; The Eve; Lovers	A Family; Prysia's Garden; Mutu; Prosperity								
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2:15 PM			Golden Bream; Disappeared; Four-Ninety; The Embroidered Dress; Zoe; The Other Side	Maya Faces in a Smoking Mirror					"Diversity & Inclusion in Entertainment" Cybill Shepherd, Pam Grier, Anne Cauffell Saunders, Jamie Marchi, Monica Rial, and Brian Espinosa, Corbett Center NMSU Campus 2pm			
2:30 PM												
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3:00 PM		The 5 Year										
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4:00 PM	Jackie Brown Followed by Q&A w/ Pam Grier				Zaman	Army & Coop	The Last Doll Lady; Wonderful Ed a Santa Fe Story; Casting in Jaguey Grande; Reverend Wheels; Story of Self					
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## Friday March 9

Off site Events

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events							
10:00 AM	Femme Frontera 2016 Showcase	OM+ME; Fortress Home; Eternity Grows; Discovering the City of Faith; Why We Make Films; Orgullo; Retirement Planning; Blackmail	Longshotsville									
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12:30 PM												
12:45 PM	FRI Last Minute Trips Ep 7 Bruneau, ID; A Subway Story; Apollo 8: A Christmas Moon; Rebuilding EPCON											
1:00 PM												
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1:30 PM												
1:45 PM												
2:00 PM				Made in Las Cruces		How to Get Started In Show Business Panel: John Crosby, Brian Espinosa, Tina Presley-Borek, Faith Hibbs Clark 1pm						
2:15 PM			Yochi									
2:30 PM												
2:45 PM												
3:00 PM		Annie Waits; Laboratory Conditions; It Began Without Warning; Prep Talk; Remembrance; Cain's Shadow										
3:15 PM												
3:30 PM												
3:45 PM					The Magic Bomb		Trans Youth	Independent Film and Film Festivals panel featuring Ross and various independent filmmakers 3pm				
4:00 PM												
4:15 PM												
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4:45 PM												
5:00 PM	Meet The Real Wolf; A Single Life; Thundercluck; Chicken of Thor; A Fork In The Road; Curpigeon; Duck A Cola; Panic Attack!; Saturn Return; Substratae; The Giant											
5:15 PM												
5:30 PM												
5:45 PM				Pitch Black; Utsukushiki Tennen; Arnie; True Bugs; Cowards; Goofinger		Wizards						
6:00 PM												
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6:30 PM												
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# Friday March 9 cont'd.

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events	
7:00 PM	<b>American Pop followed by Q&amp;A with Ralph Bakshi</b>	<b>Beautiful Roses; Lost in Brooklyn; Eric Loya &amp; The Super Orgasmic Panty Dropping Guitar; Mind Your Body; Impression; Parade of Dreams; My Condolences; Sparrow</b>				
7:15 PM						
7:30 PM						
7:45 PM						
8:00 PM				<b>Requiem for Greed</b>		
8:15 PM						
8:30 PM						
<b>VIP After Party @ St Clair Winery and Bistro 1720 Avenida de Mesilla 9pm</b>						

# Saturday March 10

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events	
10:00 AM	<b>Milwaukee 53206</b>	<small>The Chamas - Feel It Still; Vanish - Abyss; Porcelain; Frame of Mind; Xzavier - Want it All; The Funky Autopsy; Squalo; Burn the River Down; Untitled 5 - Longest Summer; Villains Kiss; Can You Hear Me; Blas Off; Son de Condenada; Nevermind; Ser Humano - Camilo Septimo; Great Shapes - Brightness 1:05:59</small>	<b>Selling Isobel</b>	<b>"Acting for Voiceover and Working for Anime" presented by Jamie Marchi and Monica Rial 10 am</b>		
10:15 AM						
10:30 AM						
10:45 AM						
11:00 AM						
11:15 AM						
11:30 AM	<b>Shotgun; Hold on to you; Matter of Black; Rebellion; Real Eyes by Tawanda; Rock Me Sock Me; Everyone Else; Mud; The Last Transmission; Friends by Alabama Death Walk; Light</b>	<b>The Lightest Darkness</b>	<b>Forbidden Cuba</b>	<b>The Stone Circle</b>		
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2:00 PM	<b>Saturn Return</b>	<b>Spirit of Art</b>	<b>Rhinoceros; Belly's Suction; The Girls Were Doing Nothing; Human Dropout; Cut</b>	<b>Inside Breaking Bad w/ RJ Mitte, Charles Baker, and more! @ Rio Grande Theatre 211 N. Downtown Las Cruces Mall 2pm</b>		
2:15 PM						
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4:00 PM	<b>Black Snow; Last Minute Trips Ep 1 - Truth or Consequences; The Mustached American Man of the Year; The Kiss; Richarc Twice; Stripes</b>	<b>Femme Frontera 2017 Showcase</b>	<b>Tribal Justice</b>	<b>Occupants</b>	<b>A Conversation &amp; musical interlude with Billy Boyd @ Rio Grande Theatre 211 N. Downtown Las Cruces Mall 4pm</b>	
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**LEGEND**

- Narrative Shorts
- Doc Shorts
- Animation
- Student
- Music Video
- NM Made
- Narrative Feature
- Doc Feature
- Workshops
- VIP Parties

# Saturday March 10 cont'd.

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events
6:30 PM					
6:45 PM					
7:00 PM					<b>Awards Ceremony @ Rio Grande Theatre 211 N. Downtown Las Cruces Mall 7pm</b>
7:15 PM					
7:30 PM					
7:45 PM					
8:00 PM					
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9:00 PM					
<b>VIP After Party @ Plaza De Las Cruces</b>					

# Sunday March 11

	Theater A	Theater B	Theater C	Theater D	Off site Events
10:00 AM					
10:15 AM					
10:30 AM					
10:45 AM	<b>Best Narrative Short &amp; Best Doc Short</b>				
11:00 AM					
11:15 AM					
11:30 AM		<b>Best Screenplay</b>			
11:45 AM					
12:00 PM					
12:15 PM	<b>Best Director</b>		<b>Last Picture Show</b>		
12:30 PM					
12:45 PM					
1:00 PM					
1:15 PM					
1:30 PM					
1:45 PM					
2:00 PM		<b>Audience Choice</b>			
2:15 PM					
2:30 PM					
2:45 PM	<b>Best Cinematography</b>		<b>Groove Tube</b>		
3:00 PM					
3:15 PM					
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4:30 PM		<b>Best Documentary</b>			
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5:15 PM	<b>Grand Jury Winner</b>				
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Jon Hendry, business agent for International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees Local 480 Film Technicians Union, speaks to the Las Cruces City Council at its Feb. 26 work session.

BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK



# City considering incentives to spur film production

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The nonprofit working to bring film and television production to Las Cruces wants to offer a tax incentive to filmmakers who use local goods and services.

A 10 percent tax credit offered to filmmakers who work inside the city limits would give Las Cruces “a jump-start to

help get us in the game,” said State Sen. Jeff Steinborn, D-Doña Ana, the president of Film Las Cruces (FLC). It will help the city get a larger share of the more than \$500 million generated by film and television production in New Mexico each year, Steinborn said.

Last week, FLC signed a contract with Doña Ana Community College (DACC) and the owner of the one-time Coca-Cola bottling plant to open Las Cruces Studios in the building, 2100 S. Valley Drive.

Speaking at its Feb. 26 work session, Steinborn asked Las Cruces City Council to make \$400,000 available for the tax credit. The money would come from the nearly \$4 million the city already has set aside to promote film and TV production.

The tax credit – which filmmakers working in Las Cruces would receive on top of a 30 percent credit available from the state – could be used to pay “a lot of small busi-



NEW MEXICO FILM OFFICE GRAPHIC

**Film production in New Mexico has grown from \$12 million in 2002 to more than \$500 million in 2017.**

nesses,” Steinborn said, including hotels and motels, restaurants and caterers and others.

Providing the incentive would also help build a trained film workforce in Las Cruces, he said, and would create local jobs for film graduates from New Mexico State University and DACC.

Las Cruces, he said, would likely see a return on that investment in increased gross receipts and lodgers taxes.

The tax incentive would

“bring more film production” to Las Cruces, state Film Office Director Nick Maniatis told the council. “Las Cruces is already pretty much ready to go when it comes to production.”

Cities like Savannah, Georgia, that have similar film incentive programs have seen multiple benefits, he said, including boosts to local tourism.

“I just think you guys are in a great spot,” Ma-

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**A set depicting the interior of Air Force One is one of the sets the City of Las Cruces is expected to buy and make available at the new Las Cruces Studios.**

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# China policies affecting recycling in Las Cruces

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Because of changes in China, Las Cruces may see changes to its recycling program, including a small price increase.

China, which consumes 55 percent of the world's sorted recyclable products, instituted new environmental policies in late 2017, including new restrictions on mixed recyclables, that will impact Las Cruces' award-winning recycling program, South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) Director Patrick Peck told Las Cruces City Council at its Feb. 26 meeting.

SCSWA manages garbage collection and

recycling for the city, and contracts with Friedman Recycling for curbside collection of recyclables and for sorting and selling recycled materials. Friedman is the only recycling contractor in the region, and also provides service to El Paso, Albuquerque and Santa Fe.

Friedman Recycling President Morris Friedman told the council his company hasn't made a profit since the middle of last year.

"It's a Chinese political issue," he said.

China's policy changes have resulted in a 240 percent increase in Friedman's processing costs, and that figure could double, Peck



**South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) Director Patrick Peck address city council Feb. 26. Seated at the table is Las Cruces Utilities Director Dr. Jorge Garcia.**

said. The impact to Las Cruces residents is likely to be an increase of \$1.10 a month – from \$5.40 to \$6.50 – for recycling services.

It also means SCSWA will focus more on the quality of products that go into the city's blue recycling

bins, Peck said.

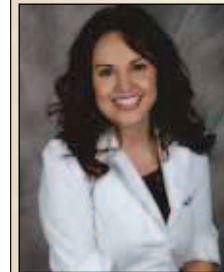
SCSWA's recycling program was recognized as the nation's best last year by the National Recycling Coalition.

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niatis said.

"This will become a film hub," said Jon Hendry, business agent for International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees Local 480 Film Technicians Union and president of New Mexico Federation of Labor (AFL-CIO). "You have a great opportunity."

"The chamber is just so excited about this potential," said Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Debbi Moore.

Steinborn also asked the city to purchase several film sets, including an Oval Office set from the recently cancelled TV series "Graves," as well as an Air Force One set, a missile and a jail cell and the Lincoln bedroom. The sets have a value of more than \$200,000, Steinborn said, and will be used in the new Las Cruces

sound stage.

Councilors expressed their support for the film-incentive program, the

soundstage and buying the sets. They are expected to vote on the proposals later this month.

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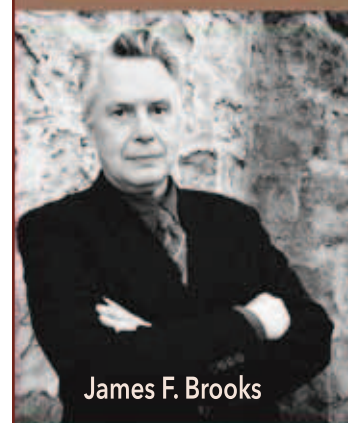
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## COMING UP

**Stamp club:** 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 1, Belton Bridge Center, 1214 E. Madrid. Mesilla Valley Stamp Club meets in its new location. Info: 575-202-1937.

**Bead Society:** 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 1, Western Traders, 1300 El Paseo Road. Las Cruces Bead Society meets. Info: 527-1470.

**Lenten fish fry:** 4-7 p.m. Friday, March 2, Good Samaritan Village Social Center, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Kiwanis Club of Las Cruces annual fish fry to benefit Las Cruces school kids. Cost: \$10,

including desserts by high school Key Clubs. Tickets at the door or from Key Club members. Info: Grady, 521-0598 or Kiwanis-lascruces.org.

**Otero Mesa trip:** 8 a.m. Saturday, March 3, Bank of the Rio Grande, corner of University and Telshor. Meet up with Native Plant Society to carpool for all-day trip to Otero Mesa. Attendees must sign a release. Bring hat, sunscreen, good walking shoes, lunch and water. Info: 575-523-8413.

**Back by Noon:** 8 a.m. Sat-

urday, March 3, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Meet up for an excursion to Aden Crater, an extinct shield volcano southwest of Las Cruces and part of the Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument. David Soules will lead us on a two-mile round trip hike to the crater rim. The hike is rated moderate to strenuous. Info: 575-522-5552. Visit [www.wildmesquite.org](http://www.wildmesquite.org).

**Cowboy Days:** March 3-4, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. The museum's largest

event pays tribute to the state's ranching traditions with cowboy demonstrations, chuck wagon cooking, children's activities, mounted shooting, the CASI Chili Cook-Off, cowboy music, pony rides, gunfight reenactments and more. Cost: \$5 for those 5 and older.

**X-ray science:** 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Saturday, March 3, Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Families and individuals can take a deeper look at what lies beneath the surface of anatomical and inanimate objects, by exploring the technology of X-rays, CT scans, and MRIs. Info: 575-522-3120 or [las-cruces.org/museums](http://las-cruces.org/museums).

**Legacy giving workshop:** Noon-1 p.m. Saturday, March 3, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Attorney Melissa Reeves will give detailed information on estate planning and charitable giving. SWEC's executive director Kevin Bixby will also be available to explain how legacy gifts will help to protect wildlife and their habitats for many years to come. Info: 575-522-5552 or [ashley@wildmesquite.org](mailto:ashley@wildmesquite.org).

**Ending poverty:** 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 3, Good Samaritan Meeting Center at 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Baha'i of Las Cruces explores principles and perspectives from the Baha'i point of view on economic foundations. Info: 575-339-3205 or [localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com](mailto:localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com).

**Food Fantasy:** 9 a.m.-noon Sunday, March 4, Hotel Encanto ballrooms, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Entries due for Karin Davidson Pecan Food Fantasy Contest. Youth and adults can choose from 14 different categories to enter home-baked items containing pecans. Cash prizes. Info: Karim Martinez at 575-525-6649 or Carol Koenig at 575-526-2952 or [www.westernpecan.org](http://www.westernpecan.org).

**USA Dance:** 3:15-6 p.m. Sunday, March 4, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. Music for two-step, waltz, foxtrot, cha-cha, salsa, tango, swing, hustle and more. Dance lessons at 2:15 p.m. Cost: \$5 for USA Dance members, \$10 for non-members. Info: Jerry 575-639-3993 or [geraldcarlcarson@gmail.com](mailto:geraldcarlcarson@gmail.com)

**Driver safety:** AARP Smart Driver. Arrive 15 minutes early to register. Cost: \$15 for AARP mem-

bers, \$20 for non-members. Bring exact change or check made out to AARP.

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

• 10 a.m.-2 p.m. March 22 and April 7. Good Samaritan. Info and reservations: 575-642-2582.

**Democrat Women:** 6 p.m. Monday, March 5, Lion's Club Event Center 1502 N. Solano Drive. Come at 5:30 to order dinner. Info: Rosemarie at 575-650-3545, or Connie at 575-521-0096.

**Gifts of Character:** 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, Good Samaritan Lower Level Conference Room, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Introductory program presented by Virtues Project facilitator Linda Elkins and the Baha'i's of Las Cruces. Virtues Project is a global grassroots initiative to inspire the practice of virtues in everyday life. Info: 575-339-3205 or [localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com](mailto:localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com).

**DAV mobile:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, March 8, American Legion, 1185 E. Madrid Ave. The DAV Mobile Service Office will be available to provide counseling and claim filing assistance. Cost: Free to veterans and their families. Info: Gary Prescott 505-346-4864.

**Young at Heart:** Concert, 2:30 p.m. Thursday, March 8, Good Samaritan Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Young at Heart Chorus will present a free concert. Info: Ray Scroggins at 575-524-0511 or [ray@scroggins.biz](mailto:ray@scroggins.biz).

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### ENTRY RULES & INFORMATION

All entries are due on SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018 between 9 am and NOON. Deliver to the Hotel Encanto Ballrooms. All entries should be handmade by the entrant, and the food entry MUST contain PECANS. Exhibitors need to complete a legible ENTRY FORM for each entry. These may be downloaded from <https://www.westernpecan.org> in advance, and will also be available at Hotel Encanto on Sunday morning. Exhibitors also need to submit a legible RECIPE with each entry. Please put all food on disposable containers because we cannot return platters. Refrigeration is available. Entries and recipes become the property of WPGA. Any questions? Call: Karim Martinez at 575.525.6649 or Carol Koenig at 575.526.2952 for any Food Fantasy questions. Contact John White at 575.640.7555 if you would like more information about the Western Pecan Growers Conference.

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### PRIZES and AWARDS

The Karin Davidson Food Fantasy Contest will be judged professionally. All participants will receive a certificate of participation when they deliver their entries. Ribbons will be given to the first three places in each category for youth and adult. Cash prizes are also awarded. First Blue Ribbon in all categories youth and adult is \$40.00. The best traditional pecan pie in youth and adult is awarded \$250.00 (sponsored by Leigh Fox Fletcher and Marge B. Fletcher). Outstanding Adult receives \$200.00 and Outstanding Youth receives \$100.00. Second Place Adult and Youth Traditional Pecan Pie receives \$50.00. Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces will be presenting a Best of Show award of \$250.00. Samples of nonperishable entries and award results will be on display from 9 am to 5 pm on Monday, March 5, 2018.



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### YOUTH & ADULT Categories

(and quantity of servings for entry)

#### BREADS

Quick Breads. . . 1 loaf or 6 muffins

Yeast Bread . . . . . 1 loaf or 6 rolls

#### CAKES

Un-Iced.....1 cake

Iced.....1 cake

CANDY..... 12 pieces

CHEESECAKE..... 1 cake

#### COOKIES

Drop Cookies..... 12 cookies

Bar Cookies..... 6 Bars

Other Cookies..... 12 Cookies

#### DECORATED CUPCAKES

..... 6 cupcakes

OTHER PIES..... 1 pie

TARTS ..... 1 large or 6 Small

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**Culture Series:** 7 p.m., Thursday, March 8, NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Historian Dale Owen will present a program titled, "Memories of Ranch Life in the San Andres Mountains," in this month's Culture Series. The Love Owen Ranch was located northeast of Las Cruces on what is now White Sands Missile Range. Cost: Free.

**Dance Las Cruces:** 7:30-9:30 Thursdays Alma d' Arte School, 410 Court St. Dance to live music. Free dance lessons at 6:45 p.m. Cost: \$8 for members, \$10 for non-members, \$5 students. Info: 575-496-2761.

• March 8: Country, Latino, and swing, music of Mark Coker.

• March 15: Ballroom, Latino, swing and country music provided by Alan Kuncel.

• March 29: Ballroom, Latino, swing and country music provided by Luigi's Rhythms.

**Kitty Glitter:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday-Saturday, March 9-10, Griggs and Raymond Event House, 504 W. Griggs Ave. Project Save A Kitten's 3rd annual jewelry sale. Pre-sale 5:30-8 p.m. Friday. Cost: \$10 for the pre-sale with snacks served. Proceeds benefit nonprofits that spay, neuter, rescue, and adopt out kittens and cats. Info or to donate: Jackye Meinecke, 575-680-7749.

**The Big Read:** 7 p.m. Friday, March 9, Rio Grande Theater, 211 N. Main St. NMSU's Honors College presents screening of

1954's "The Magnificent Seven" as part of the 2018 Las Cruces International Film Festival. Cost: Free. Info: 575-646-2005 or mchicken@nmsu.edu or nmsu.edu, www.arts.gov and www.arts.

**Photography Boot Camp:** 9 a.m.-noon, second Saturdays of each month through May 12, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Doña Ana Photography Club continues its series of photography classes. Bring your camera. Registration is required. Cost: \$5 per class. Info: daphotoclub.org/boot-camp.

• March 10: How to take better photos/composition.  
• April 14: Editing.  
• May 12: Image critique and Q&A.

**NARFE meeting:** 8:30 a.m. Saturday, March 10, Hilton Garden Inn Esperanza

Room, 2250 Don Roser Drive. US Border Patrol, El Paso Sector, representative will discuss managing 125,500 square miles area of responsibility covering 278 linear border miles. Karla Candelaria from Blue Cross/Blue Shield will answer questions from annuitants who were on the HBO Blue Preferred plan and switched to one of the BCBS Plans. Cash-only breakfast buffet at 8:45. Reservations by March 6. Info: Carol Main at 382-7686 or Carol Smith at 522-3033.

**Friends book sale:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, March 10, Branigan Memorial Library Roadrunner Room. A newly donated collection of books on trains will be part of the sale. Sale for Friends of the Library only will be 3-5 p.m. Friday, March 9.



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*...giving up on hobbies...golf, bowling, tennis, shopping, or just plain going out to dinner.*

*...feeling discouraged because they don't feel that they're not the same person anymore.*

There's been so much interest in our free report, that I'm hosting a

### FREE Knee Pain Reduction Workshop

here at Atrium Physical Therapy. There are two dates to choose from:

- Tues., March 6, 2017 at 9:30 am
- Sat., March 10, 2017 at 9:30 am

At the workshop you'll learn:

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- The top 3 things you can do to prevent worsening of your symptoms, which may also make you better!
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- How NASA Technology can help get you back to a normal
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This workshop is for people who have missed out on family time, are unable to do the things they enjoy, have tried everything from exercises to long periods of rest, and people who don't know what to do.

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Dennis Prickett  
Physical Therapist  
Co-owner of Atrium Physical Therapy.



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The Camuñez Building, with the awnings next to the Rio Grande Theatre at 201 N. Main St., as it appeared in 1922.



An artist's rendering of what the Camuñez Building is expected to look like following renovations by Las Cruces Community Partners, which bought the building from the city last year.

## Group plans to preserve downtown building's historic facade

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

It's been a barber shop, a bakery, a restaurant, a print shop, the home of J.C. Penny and an office building, and a local development group wants to preserve that 110-year history as it prepares the Camuñez Building for new tenants.

The building, located at 201 N. Main St., was among more than 90 buildings in downtown Las Cruces made with red "penitentiary" brick (from Juarez) at one time in its history, but now fewer than 10 remain, architect Steve Newby of Las Cruces Community Partners (LCCP) told the Las Cruces City Council at its Feb. 26 work session.

LCCP bought the building from the city in November for \$200,000, and its renovations will honor the four different facades the building has had since it opened in 1908, Newby said.

LCCP's new façade design will include brick features, glass, awnings, art deco banding with



The Camuñez Building as it appears today.



The Camuñez Building, housing J.C. Penny, as it appeared in 1941.

painted stucco, blade signage and a new entrance that relates to the nearby downtown plaza and La Placita walkway.

Councilor Kasandra

Gandara said she worked in the Camuñez Building in the early 1990s and is glad LCCP was "keeping the historic nature" of the building.



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Dance students at New Mexico State University, along with dance alumni, will be performing pieces choreographed by NMSU dance faculty during the Desert Spring dance concert.

## NMSU dance program to host concert

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

Dance students at New Mexico State University, along with NMSU dance alumni, will perform pieces choreographed by NMSU dance faculty during the Desert Spring dance concert.

Desert Spring performances will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, and at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. March 3 at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. A desert reception will follow the March 2 show.

Tickets at the door are \$20 for adults, \$15 for stu-

dents and seniors, \$5 for children 12 and younger.

The dance concert is the NMSU dance program's biggest event of the spring semester. Pieces will be choreographed by dance program director Ann Gavit and faculty members Ray Backlund, Debra Knapp, Lucilene de Geus, Paco Antonio and teaching assistant Jerney Edmonson.

"Desert Spring highlights the strengths of our three dance concentrations," Gavit said. "The audience will experience the elegance of ballroom, intricate

footwork of flamenco and thought-provoking choreography of contemporary themes."

*Adriana M. Chavez may be reached at 575-646-1957, [adchavez@nmsu.edu](mailto:adchavez@nmsu.edu).*

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**ABRAHAM NUNEZ GOMEZ**

Abraham Nunez Gomez, 29, of Mesquite died Friday, February 16, 2018. At the time of his death, Abraham was employed for Western Enterprises as a roofer and was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include two sons, Jason Ruiz and Jayden Gomez; his parents, Cleto and Rosario Gomez; two brothers, Hector and Gerardo Gomez; a sister, Brenda Quintana.

A Prayer Vigil was held Monday, February 26, 2018 at San Miguel Catholic Church, where the Funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday, February 27, 2018. The Rite of Committal and Interment followed in the San Miguel Cemetery where he was laid to rest.

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**DAVID JAMES PASION**

David James Pasion  
3/8/1943-2/19/2018

David "Dave" James Pasion, 74, passed away on Feb. 19, 2018, in Las Cruces. Dave retired

from the Army after 22 years of active duty.

Survivors include his wife Therese; daughter, Nora; son, Christopher; six grandchildren; brother, Winfred.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2 pm on March 10, 2018, at Baca's Funeral Chapels, 300 E. Boutz Rd, Las Cruces, NM. Dave will be laid to rest with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

**JAMES ANTONY NARVAEZ**

James Antony Narvaez "Baby James" "Jaime", died unexpectedly on February 21, 2018 at the age of 27.

Survivors include his parents, Matthew "James" and Rachel; two younger brothers, Sebastian and Isaiah; the love of his life, his fiancée, Ariana Nicole Herrera.

The Holy Rosary was recited on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at St. Genevieve Catholic Church, where the Funeral Mass was celebrated. Cremation will follow and inurnment of cremains will take place at a later date.

The family is thankful for the outpour of love and support in this difficult time. In lieu of flowers, the family requests you donate in James memory to <https://afsp.donordrive.com/cam->

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**JOSEFINA "JOJO" ENRIQUEZ**

Josefina "Jojo" Enriquez, age 53, of Las Cruces passed from this life on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at University Medical Center in El Paso, TX. Having received her Associates Degree in Healthcare and was employed as a CNA.

Survivors include her mother, Josefina Enriquez; two brothers, Juan and Samuel Enriquez; eight sisters, Eva, Gracie, and Fred Enriquez, Isabel Caldeiras, Olga Veleta, Tina Merida, Mel Rivera and Diana Enriquez-Pena.

A Memorial Service was held Thursday, February 22, 2018 at Las Cruces First Assembly of God. Inurnment of Cremains will take place at a later date.

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**MARILYN RUTH RINSCH**

Marilyn Ruth Rinsch, 83, was called to be with the Lord on February 18, 2018.

Survivors include four loving children, Ruth Ann Rinsch, Jane A. Baldassi, Carol A. Franich, and David F. Rinsch.

A Memorial Service was held on Monday, February 26, 2018 at Baca's Funeral Chapel, 3805 Delk Drive in Silver City.

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**OSCAR C. BENAVIDEZ**

Oscar C. Benavidez, 89, resident of Hurley, NM entered eternal rest on Friday, February 16, 2018 at his home. Oscar began his career with Kennecott Copper Mine and after 35 years, retired as a foreman at the Refinery, Loading and Casting Department.

Oscar is survived by his daughters, Nora Ann Holguin, Lovina Sue

Polomski, Debra Winborn, and Belinda Jane Benavidez; a son, Gary Victor Benavidez; 14 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson.

Recitation of the Holy Rosary was held Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at Baca's Funeral Chapel in Silver City. The Mass of the Christian Burial was celebrated Thursday, February 22, 2018 at Infant Jesus Catholic Shrine in Hurley. The Rite of Committal and Interment followed at Garden of Memories Cemetery in Hatch where he was laid to rest alongside his wife.

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**RAMON PARRA**

Ramon Parra, age 55, lifelong resident of Las Cruces passed away Saturday, February 17, 2018 at La Posada - Mesilla Valley Hospice. Ramon was employed in construction and was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Those left to mourn his passing include two sons,

Jacob Hulk and Joshua Jake Parra; his companion of over seventeen years, Patricia Abeyta; three brothers, Ronnie Derk, Henry and Jose Albert Parra; three sisters, Terry Guillen, Sylvia Curtis, and Sandra Luna.

A Prayer Vigil was held Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at St. Genevieve Catholic Church, where the Funeral Mass was celebrated immediately thereafter. The Rite of Committal and Interment followed at St. Joseph Cemetery where he was laid to rest.

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**FRANCISCO VAQUERA**

Francisco Vaquera, age 93, of Anthony died Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at Providence Memorial Hospital in El Paso, TX. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.

**JOHN D. WATSON**

John D. Watson, 64, of Las Cruces passed away Wednesday, February 14, 2018. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

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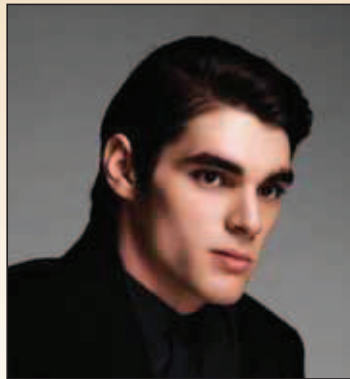
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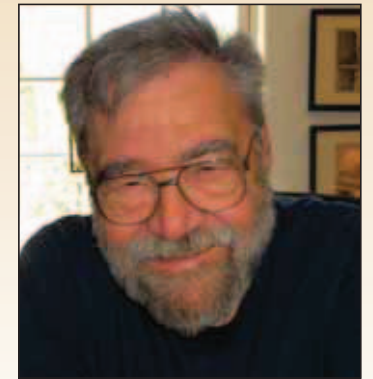
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All wells are located on property owned by the Garays and will be used for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 13.33 acres of land, owned by the Garays, of Section 19, Township 17S, Range 4W and the NW 1/4 of said Section 30 (NMPM) as described in Subfile No. LRR 280030017 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24. The site of proposed well LRG-4523-POD13 will be located northwest of Derry, NM and may be found approximately 600 feet northwest of the intersection of Old Hot Springs Rd. and Green Canyon Rd.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number 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: 03/02, 03/09, 03/16, 2018

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

Brent Kelley  
1795 Chaparro St.  
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 265 at Stull Storage

Units #2, will be SOLD AT AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$360.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of

couch, bins, boxes, misc.

Date of Auction: March 20, 2018 at 10 am

Place: Stull Storage Units, 960 S. Triviz Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001

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

Dates: 03/02, 03/09, 2018

**New Mexico State University**, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, will accept BIDS for the following project in the office of the Chief Procurement Officer of Procurement Services.

BID Invitation: 2018-ITB-004 NMSU New Residence Hall

BID Due Date & Time: 03/29/18 2:00PM (local time)

Non Mandatory Pre Bid conference: 03/01/18 @ 2:00 PM at the NMSU Facilities and Services Conference Room 1530 Wells Street Las Cruces, NM 88003

Vendors are encouraged to register with NMSU's Pistol Pete's Bidding System at <https://purchasing.nmsu.edu/nmsu-bids-and-request-for-proposals/> to obtain a copy of this bid electronically and be registered for future bids for this commodity.

Date: 03/02/2018

# LEGAL NOTICES

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

Juan Lopez  
701 Stull Dr. Apt. #301  
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 84 at Stull Storage

Units #2, will be **SOLD AT AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$330.00**, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of

yard tools, paint, tools, tile, misc.

Date of Auction: March 20, 2018 at 10 am  
Place: Stull Storage Units, 960 S. Triviz Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88001

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

Dates: 03/02, 03/09, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that pursuant to Section 73-13-4 NMSA, the Board of Directors of Elephant Butte Irrigation District (District) will consider a Resolution to transfer water rights appurtenant to lands within the district which are not suitable for irrigation or capable of being properly irrigated to other lands within the District, if in the Boards' judgement the land may be profitably irrigated and advantageously irrigated. The request is made by RALPH E & DELLA S MCNUTT who requests that the Board suspend a total of 1.28 acres of water rights from lands located in Section 26, Twp. 22S, Range 2E NMPM., and being a part of USRS Map 5-22D1A2 and transfer them to lands owned by JIM & SOPHIE MCNUTT located in Section 26, Twp. 22S, Range 1E, NMPM, being a part of USRS Map 5-24E1. The place of the hearing is the offices of the District located at 530 S. Melendres, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and the date of the hearing is March 14, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. Protest or protests from any person or persons interested may be heard at the hearing. At the end of the hearing, the Board of Directors shall take formal actions

upon the Resolution. Any protestant or protestants may appeal the decision of the Board directly to District court within 10 days of the adoption or rejection of the Resolution.

Dates: 03/02, 03/09, 03/16, 2018

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on January 29, 2018, Luis Perez of Farms El Consuelo, LLC, PO Box 170, Chamberino, NM 88027 filed application numbered LRG-15220-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-15220, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-15220-POD2 to a depth of 120 feet with an 8-inch casing, in a location within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 29, Township 25S, Range 3E (NMPM) and more specifically at or near the intersection of X: 1513641 ft. & Y: 403151 ft. (NMSP Central NAD83), on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of well LRG-11985-POD2, located on land owned by applicants within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said Section 29 and more specifically at or near the intersection of X: 1513514 ft. & 403143 ft. (NMSP Central NAD83), for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 3.1 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said Section 29 as partially described in Subfile No. LRS 280100102 of Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. The site of proposed well LRG-15220-POD2 will be located southeast of Vado, NM and may be found approximately 0.32 miles southeast of the intersection of Lechuga Rd. and Highway 478. Existing well LRG-11985-POD2 will be properly plugged.

Dates: 02/16, 02/23, 03/02, 2018

### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Intent to Adopt the Following Ordinance(s) at a Regular City Council Meeting to be Held on March 19, 2018:

**(1) Council Bill No. 18-021: Ordinance No. 2845:** An Ordinance Placing a Moratorium on Enforcement of the Las Cruces Municipal Code (LCMC) Section 27-6 et seq., LCMC 1997, as Amended.

**(2) Council Bill No. 18-022: Ordinance No. 2846:** An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Las Cruces to Enter into a Limited Revocable License Agreement with WNM Communications Corporation, A Delaware Corporation.

**(3) Council Bill No. 18-023: Ordinance No. 2847:** An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from R-3C (Multi-Dwelling Medium

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

Dates: 02/16, 02/23, 03/02, 2018

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**(3) Council Bill No. 18-023: Ordinance No. 2847:** An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from R-3C (Multi-Dwelling Medium

Density-Conditional) & C-2 (Commercial Medium Intensity) to R-3 (Multi-Dwelling Medium Density) on Five Parcels Totaling 3.76 ± Acres Located at 2356, 2360, 2364, 2368 & 2372 Saturn Circle. Submitted by Shawn Evans and James Evans, Property Owners (Z2835).

**(4) Council Bill No. 18-024: Ordinance No. 2848:** An Ordinance to Adopt a New Subdivision XIV, Sections 2-577 Through 2-580 "Downtown Parking Committee" to the Las Cruces Municipal Code (LCMC), 1997, as Amended.

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 27th day of February, 2018.

Linda Lewis, CMC

City Clerk

Date: 03/02, 2018

### Notice of Non-discriminatory Policy As To Students

Mission Lutheran School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or mad available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Date: 03/02, 2018

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

No. D-307-PB-2018-00022  
Judge James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CLAY BURT THOMASON, JR., Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**

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

Dated: February 20, 2018

/s/ Grace M. Klement  
Grace M. Klement, Personal Representative of the Estate of Clay Burt Thomason, Jr.

**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: 03/02, 03/09, 03/16, 2018

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

No. D-307-CV-2017-00407

BAYVIEW LOAN SERV-

ICING, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

RICHARD J. LUCERO, JR., aka RICHARD J. LUCERO; and VERONICA C. LUCERO, Defendants.

### NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **March 7, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 126 Blacktail Deer Avenue, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 8 of Los Venados Estates Subdivision Phase 2, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Los Venados Estates Subdivision Phase 2, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on January 21, 2006 in Plat Book 21, Folio 490-491.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 31, 2018, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which

includes interest and costs, is \$344,298.06 and the same bears interest at 5.375% per annum from August 19, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

### NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

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

### NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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

Dates: 02/09, 02/16, 02/23, 03/02, 2018

### NOTICE OF SALE

UNDER AND VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE OUT OF DISTRICT COURT AND THE DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO DATED NOVEMBER 3, 2017 IN THE MATTER OF (PLAINTIFF) MARVIN DOMINGUEZ V. HECTOR JIMMY DOMINGUEZ PEÑA, (DEFENDANT). CASE NUMBER CV2017-3630.

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT SATURDAY APRIL 07, 2018 AT THE DONA ANA COUNTY SHERIFF OFFICE, LOCATED AT 845 N. MOTEL BLVD. LAS CRUCES, NM 88007 AT 11:00 AM

I WILL BE IN THE OBEDIENCE OF SAID COURT ORDER OF SALE TO SELL THE FOLLOWING: RESIDENTIAL LAND LOCATED WITHIN NEIGHBORHOOD 185-BERINO-TS-MT, SITUS ADDRESS: 910 STARLIGHT LANE, ANTHONY, NEW MEXICO 88021. SQFT: 21344

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DER FOR CASH OR LAWFUL MONEY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

/s/ ENRIQUE KIKI VIGIL  
SHERIFF OF DONA ANA COUNTY NM

/s/ EDUARDO FLORES  
DEPUTY SHERIFF  
Dates: 03/02, 03/09, 03/16,  
03/23, 2018

## NOTICE TO PUBLIC

2002 Hyundai Sonata VIN # KMHWF35H72A588285 white is being held at LUCHINI'S TOWING & RECOVERY located at 3621 W Picacho in Las Cruces, New Mexico for auction at 8 am on 5/2/18 at LUCHINI'S TOWING & RECOVERY due to mechanics lien of \$262.70 plus storage.

Dates: 02/23, 03/02, 2018

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

D-307-PB-2018-00020  
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
KENNETH FRANCIS ALLIN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned MARY ANNE OWEN has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative c/o The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.O. Box 2277, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, 201 W. Picacho, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 14th day of February, 2018.

/s/  
MARY ANNE OWEN, Personal Representative of the Estate of Kenneth Francis Allin, deceased.

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

Dates: 02/23, 03/02, 03/09,  
2018

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2017-02907

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE STRUCTURED ASSET INVESTMENT LOAN TRUST MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-2, Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSE C. VEGA, JR.; UNIFUND CCR PARTNERS; TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO; CIELO DORADO HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; and ASSET ACCEPTANCE, LLC, Defendants.

## NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **March 21, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 6 Cielo Lindo, Anthony, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 2, Block 2, CIELO DORADO ESTATES, in the County of Doña Ana, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on Plat No. 1027, thereof filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said county on January 22, 1980, and recorded in Book 13, Page 15-24, Plat Records.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 31, 2018, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$357,904.22 and the same bears interest at 7.125% per annum from June 23, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

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

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

Dates: 02/09, 02/16, 02/23,  
03/02, 2018

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2017-01974

WELLS FARGO BANK,  
N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSE R. VILLA; ALICIA ROMAN, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF ALICIA ROMAN, Deceased; and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF ALICIA ROMAN, Deceased, Defendants.

## NOTICE OF SALE

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THE WESTERLY 30.10 FEET ON THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND; LOT 1, BLOCK 6, MEADOW VISTA SUBDIVISION, PLAT 1, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO. 479 ON APRIL 16, 1958, IN BOOK 8 PAGE (S) 15 OF PLAT RECORDS.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 31, 2018, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$78,528.15 and the same bears interest at 6.875% per annum from November 30, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees

has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

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Electronically filed  
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody  
Pamela Carmody, Special Master  
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Dates: 02/09, 02/16, 02/23,  
03/02, 2018

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-01910

BANK OF AMERICA,  
N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

JORGE HERNANDEZ AKA JORGE SAUL HERNANDEZ AKA JORGE S. HERNANDEZ; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JORGE HERNANDEZ AKA JORGE SAUL HERNANDEZ AKA JORGE S. HERNANDEZ; NEW

MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY; UNIFUND CCR PARTNERS ASSIGNEE OF PALISADES COLLECTION, 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 Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 906 Parque Avenue, Berino, NM 88024, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 5 & 6, IN BLOCK NUMBERED 11 OF BERINO TOWNSITE, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID BERINO TOWNSITE, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON DECEMBER 17, 1909 IN PLAT BOOK 3, FOLIO 65, including the manufactured home, described as a Clayton 1993 Texan Mobile home, with VIN CL W00G618TX. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at **2:00 pm on March 29, 2018**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 22, 2018, in the total amount of \$77,397.00 with interest at the rate of 6.1100% per annum from September 1, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

2/23/2018 3/2/2018  
3/9/2018 3/16/2018

claim 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  
1 NM-16-740882-JUD  
IDSPub #0137360

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2017-02583

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, f/k/a The Bank of New York, successor in interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Bear Stearns Asset Backed Securities Trust 2006-3, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-3, Plaintiff,

vs.

MARSHA M. BACA aka Marsha Sanchez; and LEONARD SANCHEZ, Defendants.

## NOTICE OF SALE

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201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 1715 Smith Street, Las Cruces, and is situate in Dona Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 22, Block A, MONTECITO SUBDIVISION, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 5, 1953, in Book 7 Page 36 of Plat Records.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 31, 2018, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$130,321.59 and the same bears interest at 9.750% per annum from January 2, 2018, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

**NOTICE IS FURTHER**

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GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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

Dates: 02/09, 02/16, 02/23,  
03/02, 2018

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2017-01103

FINANCE OF AMERICA  
REVERSE LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,  
DEVISEES AND LEGA-  
TEES OF STEWART  
WHITTIER, DECEASED;  
UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA BY AND  
THROUGH THE SECRE-  
TARY OF HOUSING AND  
URBAN DEVELOPMENT,  
Defendants.

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2991 W Crocus Court, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 16 OF RILLITO ACRES SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID RILLITO ACRES SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 3, 2001, IN PLAT BOOK 19, FOLIO 729-731. Also known as: LOT 16, PHASE II, RILLITO ACRES SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW

MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON OCTOBER 3, 2001, IN BOOK 19 PAGES 729-731 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at **2:00 pm on April 12, 2018**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on February 6, 2018 in the total amount of \$102,808.21 with interest at the rate of 5.060% per annum from December 1, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

## NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

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

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

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

## ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

By: Robert Doyle  
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1 NM-17-760265-JUD  
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## STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-00773

MTGLQ INVESTORS,  
L.P., Plaintiff,

vs.

NUNE NAGAPETYAN;  
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF  
NUNE NAGAPETYAN;  
THE NUNE NAGAPETY-  
AN LIVING TRUST U/T/D  
DATED AUGUST 18,  
2010; OCCUPANTS OF  
THE PROPERTY, Defend-  
ants.

## 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 4636 Camino Dos Vidas, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 23, BLOCK K, DOS SUENOS ESTATES, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY AS PLAT NO 4230 ON 09/28/2005 IN BOOK 21 PAGE(S) 352-57 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at **2:00 pm on March 29, 2018**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency

of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 18, 2018 in the total amount of \$283,346.31 with interest at the rate of 7.2500% per annum from September 11, 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. MTGLQ Investors, L.P., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

## NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

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

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

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2017-03312

JUDICIAL DISTRICT

BOKF, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

JUANITA ORTEGA; NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY, 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 1024 Sycamore Dr., Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 1, BLOCK 6, UNIT NO. 2 DALE J. BELLA-MAH'S GLENDALE GARDENS, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON FEBRUARY 17, 1964, IN BOOK 9 PAGE (S) 17-18 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at **2:00 pm on April 12, 2018**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 31, 2018 in the total amount of \$107,842.85 with interest at the rate of 6.49% per annum from January 2, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. BOKF, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all

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

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

**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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3/16/2018 3/23/2018

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2017-00557

BANK OF AMERICA,  
N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

DALE E. RADA, Defend-  
ants.

## 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 623 Cedardale Loop, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 23, BLOCK A,  
COUNTRY CLUB ES-

TATES NO. 24-PHASE 3, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON MAY 6, 2004, IN BOOK 20 PAGE(S) 661-662 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at **2:00 pm on March 29, 2018**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 22, 2018 in the total amount of \$224,812.12 with interest at the rate of 4.50% per annum from May 12, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

## NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

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

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

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

TION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTORNEY BEFORE BIDDING.

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3/9/2018 3/16/2018

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2015-02642

BANK OF AMERICA,  
N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

E. LELA MCCOMMONS,  
IF LIVING; IF DE-  
CEASED, THE UN-  
KNOWN HEIRS OF E.  
LELA MCCOMMONS,  
DECEASED; UNKNOWN  
SPOUSE OF E. LELA  
MCCOMMONS; CHERYL  
E. SMART; LESLIE A.  
GAST; NEW MEXICO  
MORTGAGE FINANCE  
AUTHORITY; HOUSING  
AUTHORITY OF THE  
CITY OF LAS CRUCES;  
OCCUPANTS OF THE  
PROPERTY, Defendants.

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2977 Tulip Circle, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 26, PHASE II, RILLITO ACRES SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON OCTOBER 3, 2001, IN BOOK 19 PAGE(S) 729-731 OF PLAT RECORDS.

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

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

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2017-03036

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

vs.

**CARLOS TELLEZ; GLORIA Q. TELLEZ, 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 1405 Myrtle Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 8A, REVISED EL ENCANTO HOMESITES LOTS 4 TO 16 INCLUSIVE, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON MAY 27, 1958, IN BOOK 8 PAGE(S) 18 OF PLAT RECORDS.

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control. The sale is to begin at **2:00 pm on March 29, 2018**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 10, 2018 in the total amount of

\$136,057.79 with interest at the rate of 6.3750% per annum from November 28, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

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

By: Robert Doyle  
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**STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT**

No. CV-2017-01839  
Judge Martin

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

vs.

TOUSSAINT R. CLARKE,  
1990 CHEVY BLAZER,  
TAN;  
VIN:  
1GNCS18Z4L8102995;  
NEW MEXICO LICENSE  
PLATE NO. NXW061,  
Respondent,

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

To: RESPONDENT TOUSSAINT R. CLARKE:  
1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1990 CHEVY BLAZER, TAN; VIN: 1GNCS18Z4L8102995; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. NXW061.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,  
CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: /s/ Robert A. Cabello  
Robert A. Cabello  
Assistant City Attorney PO  
Box 20000  
Las Cruces, NM 88004  
575-541-2128  
Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable Martin, James T., District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 15 day of February, 2018.

(Seal)

By: /s/ Lindsey Brown  
Deputy  
Lindsey Brown-Judicial  
Specialist II  
COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dates: 03/02, 03/09, 03/16,  
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**STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT**

No. CV-2017-01869  
Judge: Martin

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

behalf of the LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT, Petitioner,  
vs.

ROBERT M. ATCHISON,  
CARICE DEMCHOK  
AND 2000 FORD EXPLORER, GREEN  
VIN:  
1FMZU73E9YZA52791  
NEW MEXICO PLAIE NO. 623PPX  
Respondents.

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

To: RESPONDENT CARICE DEMCHOK:

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2000 FORD EXPLORER, GREEN; VIN: 1FMZU73E9YZA52791; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. 623PPX.

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

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

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, CITY OF LAS CRUCES**

By: /s/ Robert A. Cabello  
Robert A. Cabello  
Assistant City Attorney Senior  
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rcabello@las-cruces.org  
P.O. Box 20000  
Las Cruces, NM 88004  
(575) 541-2128  
(575) 541-2017 (Fax)

WITNESS the Honorable JUDGE ARRIETA, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 12 day of DECEMBER, 2017.

DAVID BORUNDA  
COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(seal)

Dates: 02/23, 03/02, 03/09,  
2018

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

No. D-307-PB-2018-0004

Judge: Martin, James T.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
NORMA L. WOLFF, DECEASED.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

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

/S/ Danny Charles Wolff  
Danny Charles Wolff  
P.O. Box 4107  
El Paso, TX 79914

SUBMITTED:  
ESTRADA LAW, P.C.  
By /S/ Michele Ungvarsky

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1340 Picacho Hills Drive  
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Attorneys for the Estate of  
Norma L. Wolff

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"The Ride Home"



"Canyon Snows"

## Robert Highsmith's watercolors: coming home to the light



PHOTOS COURTESY SALLY CUTTER/CUTTER GALLERY  
"Near the Tracks"

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road, presents a one-man exhibition by Las Cruces painter Robert Highsmith – "New Mexico Watercolors."

"Robert is one of the finest artists in the Southwest," gallery owner Sally Cutter said. "He is very well-known for his watercolors."

The gallery hosts an opening reception for Highsmith 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 3. The exhibition continues through April 13.

A regional watercolorist, Highsmith said he paints the Southwestern landscape "because it's where I live. I'm a regional painter. When I lived in Connecticut I painted that landscape, with its water and trees. But when I moved

back to New Mexico, I came home to the light of the desert – those incredible, expansive spaces, the light on the rock and on the land."

An artist of 45 years, Highsmith attended New Mexico State University and Ringling School of Art in Sarasota, Florida.

He's won more than 100 arts awards, most recently the Governor's Award of Excellence in Art, and has been featured in such publications as "American Artist," "Western Art Collector," "New Mexico Magazine" and "Southwest Art."

Sally and Glenn Cutter were among the first people Highsmith met when he returned to Las Cruces 15 years ago. "He was trying to locate an artistic home for his work, and after scoping out the local gallery scene, he felt Cutter was

the perfect fit," Sally Cutter said.

"Robert's technique, his subject matter, the beauty of his images and colors – it all just clicked with us. And you know he'd never tell anyone this, but he's become one of the most highly respected watercolorists in the Southwest."

"I'm always thrilled to get a look at Robert's latest work," Glenn Cutter said. "In every painting, he takes you to such a specific place. I see a Highsmith painting of, say, Highway 28 through the pecan orchards, and immediately I think of Chope's, and I start craving a Corona and a taco."

In addition, Highsmith shows his work at Manitou Galleries on Canyon Road in Santa Fe, and at Four Corners Gallery in Bluffton, South Carolina.

Highsmith "sees placing his work with galleries and collectors as an essential part of the artist's job, and he has never been shy about going after opportunities and doing the necessary legwork to get his work in front of people," the Cutters said.

"You have to think of art as a business," Highsmith said. "After all, if the work just sits in your studio and no one ever sees it, what difference does it make if it's any good or not?"

Working out of a converted garage space attached to his home, Highsmith has become highly skilled at desktop publishing, regularly updating the images and other materials on his website, [www.rhighsmith.com](http://www.rhighsmith.com).

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## CALL TO ARTISTS

**All media show:** The Las Cruces Museum of Art, in collaboration with the University Art Gallery, NMSU, seeks submissions for Here and Now, a regional exhibition to feature art in all media May 11 through July 21. Submit online through March 30. Info: uag.nmsu.edu/hereandnow/.

**Alma Talent Show:** Show on March 9 at Alma d'Arte is open to all high school students in Las Cruces. Info and signup: kellinguinnluv3@gmail.com

**Open call:** Branigan Cultural Center seeks proposals for exhibits with themes of cultural and historical significance relating to the Southwest to be presented in 2019. Proposals

will be accepted through April 7. To apply, complete the form at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/LCMS2018](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LCMS2018).

**Second Saturdays:** Artists and artisans who want to open their studios to the public once a month and join a new informal group, Second Saturday Open Studios. There's no fee, and studios don't have to participate every month. Info: Kathleen at 828-467-9060 or kdarts2u@gmail.com.

**Talent competition:** Mesilla Valley Rotary Club is looking for talented young people to compete in its annual Mesilla Valley's Got Talent Youth Talent Competition at 3 p.m. April 22 at Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Apply by 2

p.m. Friday, March 30. Sponsorships are available and range from \$100 to \$2,000 or more. Info: 575-644-4609 or aklobby@gmail.com, or Clayton Albright at 480-233-5820 or clayton.exitlc@gmail.com. Visit [www.mvrtalentshow.com](http://www.mvrtalentshow.com).

**Tombaugh seeks submissions:** The Tombaugh Gallery calls for submissions from artists within a 300-mile radius of Las Cruces for 2019 exhibitions. Non-traditional media or subject matter is welcome. Submissions must be postmarked by April 1. Applicants will be notified by May 1 and show dates will be discussed. For electronic submission, contact Judy Licht at [jelicht@gmail.com](mailto:jelicht@gmail.com). Info: [www.uuchurchlc.org/2011/10/tombaugh-art-gallery](http://www.uuchurchlc.org/2011/10/tombaugh-art-gallery).

## Auditions planned for community theatre's 'Legally Blonde'

### BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT) will hold auditions for its upcoming production of the musical "Legally Blonde" from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, March 11 at LCCT, 313 N. Main St. downtown. Callbacks will begin at 8 p.m.

"Auditioners are asked to prepare 16 bars of an up-tempo song and 16 bars of a ballad in the style of the show," said LCCT Board President Janet Beatty-Payne, who will also serve as the production's choreographer.

Women trying out for the lead role of Elle Woods "should prepare the last 16 bars of the song 'So Much Better' from the show as one of their audi-

tion pieces," Beatty-Payne said.

An accompanist will be provided for auditioners, who should bring their own music. Audition accompanist will already have the music for 'So Much Better' available.

A group dance audition will be held as part of the audition, Beatty-Payne said, so auditioners are asked to "come dressed to move."

Roles to be cast for the show are:

- Elle Woods: Female, eternally optimistic and full of energy and enthusiasm; must be willing to be blonde, okay with dogs, must dance – tap preferred; soprano belt (Gb2-G5);

- Emmet Forrest: Male, age 20-27, quirky, lovable law student who befriends Elle, (B2-A4 tenor);
- Professor Callahan: Male, 45-60, arrogant Harvard law professor, lacking ethics, baritone (A2-F#4);

- Paulette: Female:

35-50, out-going, brash, naïve hair stylist (A3-A5 soprano belt);

- Vivienne Kensington: Female, 20-27, very upstanding and uptight law student engaged to Warner (A3-F5 – must belt);

- Warner Huntington III: Male, handsome, without depth, he breaks Elle's heart when he heads off to law school (Eb3-Ab4 tenor);

- Margot, Serena and Pilar: Females, 18-25, Elle's Sorority sisters, must move well (G#3-F5, belt);


- Brooke Wyndam: Female, 25-40, incarcerated fitness instructor, must move well and jump rope effortlessly (A3-G5 soprano/alto);

- Kyle: Male, 35-50, strong physique, becomes Paulette's love interest;

- Enid: Female, Harvard law student, strong feminist, 18-25 (G3-G5 soprano belt);

- Ensemble members:

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**High Desert Play Development Workshop**

### High Desert Play Development Invited Staged Readings

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# Strong cast bolsters 'An Enemy of the People'

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Long-time Las Cruces actor/director David Edwards leads a strong cast in Las Cruces Community Theatre's (LCCT) production of "An Enemy of the People," opening Friday, March 9, and continuing for a three-week run at LCCT, 313 N. Main St.

The cast includes Dave Edwards, Ed Montes, Teddy Aspen-Sanchez (the play's assistant director), Sarah Sayles, Mark Steffen, Spencer Taylor, Jessie Montoya Ortega, Mark Boudreau, Isac Quezada, Christopher Hamilton, Santiago Garzon and Rob Hinton.

"An Enemy of the People" was written by Henrik Ibsen and adapted by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Arthur Miller (1915-2005) in 1950.

In the play, "Dr. Thomas Stockmann (Edwards) attempts to expose a water pollution scandal in his home town which is about to establish itself as a spa," according to [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). "When his brother, the mayor, conspires with local politicians and the newspaper to suppress the story, Stockmann appeals to the public, only to be shouted down and reviled as 'an enemy of the people.'" Ibsen's explosive play reveals his distrust of politicians and the blindly held



PHOTO COURTESY MARK BOUDREAU

In a rehearsal of Las Cruces Community Theatre's upcoming production of "An Enemy of the People" are, from left, Rob Hinton, David Edwards, Teddy Aspen-Sanchez and Sarah Sayles.

prejudices of the 'solid majority.'"

Ibsen wrote "An Enemy of the People" in 1882 in response to the public outcry over his play "Ghosts," which had opened the previous year in Chicago and was a biting commentary of 19th-century morality. Ibsen said he wasn't sure if he should call "An Enemy of the People" a comedy or a drama.

LCCT performance dates surround Ibsen's 190th birthday (March 20, 1828). The Norwegian playwright, director and poet died in 1906.

Miller's adaptation of Ibsen's original work presents "the powerful study of an honest man

being persecuted because of his insistence on telling the truth," according to [www.intrepidtheatre.org](http://www.intrepidtheatre.org). "The inspiration for the Academy Award-winning film 'Jaws,' Ibsen's play is a penetrating exploration of what happens when the truth comes up against the will of the majority."

"The play is more timely than ever," the play's director, veteran Las Cruces director and actor Patrick Payne said. "In recent years, we have seen so many events and news stories that involve the kinds of issues explored in the play, including the ethics of making a profit at the expense of others, the importance of the ability to say unpopu-

provide technical support, including lighting, sound, stage management and stage crew.

Contact Kilroy at [wkilroy@nmsu.edu](mailto:wkilroy@nmsu.edu). Visit [www.lcctnm.org](http://www.lcctnm.org).

and will be directed by New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department Head Wil Kilroy. Christa Fredrickson will be the show's musical director.

The production is also seeking volunteers to

lar things that need to be said, the role and responsibilities of the media and the influence of corporations on public policy."

Crew members include stage manager Debbie Kocab, light and sound by Janet Beatty-Payne, technical director Charley Davis, set design by Brandon Brown and set decoration by Lennie Brown.

Performances are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, March 9-10, 16-17 and 23-24, and 2 p.m. Sundays, March 11, 18 and 25.

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

Call 575-523-1200. Visit [www.lcctnm.org](http://www.lcctnm.org).

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**FRI MARCH 2 • 7:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
Children of a Lesser God with Mark Medoff Q&A-\$10

**SAT MARCH 3 • 12 NOON** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
The Jungle Book (1967)-\$1

**SAT MARCH 3 • 7:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest-\$8

**SUN MARCH 4 • 4:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
Comedy Pet Theatre-\$17-25

**TUE MARCH 6 • 10:30 P.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Read to Me-Story time ages 3+

**TUE MARCH 6 • 2:00 P.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Intro to Computers-Basics

**TUE+THU MARCH 6+7 • 4:00 P.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Teen Game Night

**WED+THU MARCH 7+8 • 10:00 P.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
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To play students and featured roles, 18-30.

The play will be performed Friday, June 1-Sunday, June 18 at LCCT

# 'I, Tonya': A sordid plot hatched by morons

By **JEFF BERG**  
For the Bulletin

Some incidents just seem to linger in people's consciousness long after they've happened and long after they matter.

- Roswell UFO (never happened)
- O.J. Simpson
- Janet Jackson at the Super Bowl
- Bill Buckner of the Boston Red Sox allowing a ground ball to slip by him in the World Series
- The clubbing of Nancy Kerrigan prior to the Olympics

This mostly real story of Tonya Harding's misadventure with Kerrigan has a rather unwieldy presence about it.

Did skating rival Tonya Harding "arrange" to

## GRADE: A

The film opens March 2 in Mesilla's Fountain Theatre.

have Kerrigan injured so she would not be able to skate in the Olympics?

Amazingly, it did happen, and this award-nominated film shows the story, no holds barred, perhaps with some fiction over fact, and does it well. But throughout the documentary-style narration, Harding denies being involved.

Harding, played by Margot Robbie, is a kid from the wrong side of the tracks raised by a cruel and ultra-cynical mother.

Early in the movie, her father, who taught her how to work on cars and how to hunt, gets the boot from Tonya's mom (Oscar nominated Allison Janney), and Harding, who started to ice skate when she was 4, is pressed by Mom into becoming something big.

Along the way, she meets future husband and manager Jeff Gillooly, who starts out as not a bad guy, but turns into one along the way.

Harding, competing in numerous skating events, never gets a real break because, as she is told by one judge, she just doesn't have that "wholesome" all-American girl look. Her costumes are sewn by hand (often by her or her mother) and even though



COURTESY PHOTO

### Margot Robbie as Tonya Harding

she has the talent, they don't give her a break, especially when her routines include music by ZZ Top.

Things ramp up as Harding continues her upward mobility in the skating world, via two coaches, while Gillooly and his weird sociopathic lying loser friend, Shawn Eckardt (a great performance by Paul Walter Hauser), hang out in Eckardt's basement secretly planning nefarious activities.

We are also witness to Tonya's and Jeff's frequent brawls, which Gillooly denies; but it would

follow that since Harding was abused as a child that she would end up in an abusive relationship.

After an "associate" of Eckardt does the deed on Kerrigan's leg, things turn much darker and more stoic. The assailants are true idiots and Eckardt can't keep his mouth shut for 10 minutes and soon the law comes calling.

"I, Tonya" is a fine picture, filled with terrific performances and superb camera work, especially during the skating sequences. It is an amazing story, one basically carried out by morons, who just don't have a chance to

think.

At the end of the film there is a brief update about Harding and the other people depicted, except for Kerrigan who has mostly stayed out of the limelight. Gillooly is now known as Jeff Stone.

Hopefully this interesting film will mark the end of a sordid tale.

But if you are opposed to F-bombs, you'd better stay home.

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Ballet 5:8 dancers stretch to their graceful limits during a performance of "Scarlet."

## 'Scarlet' weaves ballet with film and word

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

Melding dance, film and spoken word, Chicago Dance Company's Ballet 5:8 brings "Scarlet" to Las Cruces for the retelling of Nathaniel Hawthorn's "The Scarlet Letter."

"This production is done with ballet but also with film," Ballet 5:8 Artistic Director Julianna Rubio Slager said. "We had the film created especially for the ballet, revealing back story and key moments. The film was directed by Preston Miller. As a 21st century choreographer, film has become a strong part of the culture. It is getting used in dance more than ever."

The production also features a score by American modernist composer Charles Ives and spoken word elements created by Chicago artist Kylla Pate.

According to a press release, "The production weaves the visual strength of film and the emotional impact of spoken word into the beauty, grace and power of ballet. Each artistic discipline adds a unique texture and voice into the narrative, creating a multi-layered and dynamic experience within a timeless story."

Slager said the company is taking the production on a Southwest tour with 18 dancers and a tech crew of four.

"It's a full schedule," she said. "We are really excited about it, it's such an amazing experience, getting to bring the artwork and what we do to other communities."

Some young dancers from the Las Cruces Michele's Dance Academy are participating in the show.

"It is exciting that these young ones are going to

be in the show," Slager said.

Slager said her biggest motivation is to use dance to bring stories to light and compel audiences to ponder "matters of life and faith, judgment, hypocrisy and redemption."

"To bring it to the stage – that's the greatest inspiration behind my work," she said.

After the performance, audience members are invited to participate in an open panel with Slager and company artists.

The Las Cruces performance is 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, at NMSU's Atkinson Recital Hall. Tickets are \$25 adults, \$20 students/seniors, and \$15 for children 12 and under – available at [ballet58.org](http://ballet58.org), 312-725-4752 or in person at the Ashley HomeStore, 3299 Del Rey Blvd.

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MAR. 2  
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7pm (DOORS OPEN AT 6:30) \$10

*Children of a lesser god*

MAR. 3 THE JUNGLE BOOK (1967)  
12pm (DOORS OPEN AT 11am) | \$1 (Cash only)

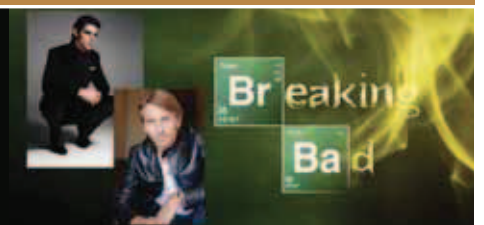
ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST  
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MAR. 4  
COMEDY PET THEATRE  
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MAR. 9 SEVEN SAMURAI  
6:30pm (DOORS OPEN AT 5:30pm) | FREE

MAR. 10  
LAS CRUCES INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL  
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## MARCH 1 - 10

### MakeShift by Los Dos Exhibit

Branigan Cultural Center. Free. [las-cruces.org/museums](http://las-cruces.org/museums)

## MARCH 1- 16

### Wendy Red Star: The Maniacs (We're Not The Best But We're Better Than The Rest) Exhibit

NMSU University Art Gallery. Free. [uag.nmsu.edu](http://uag.nmsu.edu)

## MARCH 1 - 17

### What's Your Las Cruces? Exhibit

Branigan Cultural Center. Free. [las-cruces.org/museums](http://las-cruces.org/museums)

## MARCH 1 - JULY 8

### Form & Function: Objects with Flair Exhibit

New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. \$2 - 5. [frhm.org](http://frhm.org)

## MARCH 2

### Downtown Ramble

Downtown Mall. 5 - 8pm. Free. [downtownlascruces.org](http://downtownlascruces.org)

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Harvard University

New Mexico State University. 6:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Play: MIDDLETOWN

Black Box Theatre. \$10-15. [no-strings.org](http://no-strings.org)

### Children of Lesser God - An Evening with Mark Medoff

Rio Grande Theatre. \$10. 7pm. [riograndetheatre.org](http://riograndetheatre.org)

## MARCH 3

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Harvard University

New Mexico State University. \$5, 12 & under free. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Aggie Women's Basketball Team vs. UT Rio Grande Valley

New Mexico State University Pan American Center. 2pm. \$8-31 [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Movie: The Jungle Book (1967)

Rio Grande Theatre. \$1. 12pm. [riograndetheatre.org](http://riograndetheatre.org)

### Movie: One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest

Rio Grande Theatre. \$8. 7:30pm. [RioGrandeTheatre.com](http://RioGrandeTheatre.com)

### Step Through Time

White Sands National Monument. [nps.gov/whsa](http://nps.gov/whsa)

### Cowboy Days (Mar. 3rd & 4th)

New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. \$5. [frhm.org](http://frhm.org)

## MARCH 4

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Harvard University

New Mexico State University. 12:05pm. \$5. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Popovich Comedy Pet Theater

Rio Grande Theater. 4 - 6pm. \$17-25. [riograndetheatre.org](http://riograndetheatre.org)

### Sunday Funday at the Plaza

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

## MARCH 6

### Scarlet: Ballet-Film Hybrid

NMSU Atkinson Recital Hall. 7pm. \$15-25

## MARCH 7

### Oñate the Spanish Conqueror

Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park. 10am-12:30pm. 575-524-4068

## MARCH 7 - 11

### Las Cruces International Film Festival

[lascrucesfilmfest.com](http://lascrucesfilmfest.com)

## MARCH 8

### Aggie Men's Tennis vs. New Mexico Military Institute

New Mexico State University. 1pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

## MARCH 9

### Movie: Seven Samurai

Rio Grande Theatre. Free. 7 - 9pm. [riograndetheatre.org](http://riograndetheatre.org)

## MARCH 9 - 25

### Play: An Enemy of the People

Las Cruces Community Theatre. \$10-15. [lcctnm.org](http://lcctnm.org)

## MARCH 10

### New Mexico Monarch Event

Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park. 1-4pm

## MARCH 10 - 11

### Classics Four: Ilya Yakushev, Piano

NMSU Atkins Music Recital Hall. \$35-40. 575-646-3709

## MARCH 11

### A Children's Theatre - The Greek Mythology Olympiaganza

Rio Grande Theatre. 1pm. \$6-8. 575-541-2290. [riograndetheatre.org](http://riograndetheatre.org)

## MARCH 15

### Aggie Men's Tennis vs. New Mexico

New Mexico State University. 1pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Thursday Night Music - OLLIO

Rio Grande Theatre. \$5. [riograndetheatre.org](http://riograndetheatre.org)

## MARCH 16

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Maine

New Mexico State University. 4:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Aggie Women's Softball Team vs. Minnesota

New Mexico State University Softball Complex. 6pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

## MARCH 16 - 18

### 8th Annual Las Cruces Arts Fair

Las Cruces Convention Center. 575-523-6403

## MARCH 17

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Maine

New Mexico State University. 12:05 & 4:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Aggie Women's Softball Team vs. Minnesota

New Mexico State University Softball Complex. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Annual Wheels of Dreams Car Show

Swap Meet & Car Corral. Free. \$30-35. [lascrucesrodrunners.org](http://lascrucesrodrunners.org)

### Sunrise Arts

White Sands National Monument. \$8- \$4. [nps.gov/whsa](http://nps.gov/whsa)

## MARCH 18

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Maine

New Mexico State University. 12:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

## MARCH 20

### Play: Two on Tap

Rio Grande Theatre. 7:30 - 9:30pm. \$5-60. [lascrucescca.org](http://lascrucescca.org)

## MARCH 21

### Oñate the Spanish Conqueror

Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park. 10am-12:30pm. 575-524-4068

## MARCH 23

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Seattle U

New Mexico State University. 6:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

## MARCH 24

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Seattle U

New Mexico State University. 2:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Lake Lucero Tour

White Sands National Monument. [nps.gov/whsa](http://nps.gov/whsa)

### Main Street Sweet FEST

Downtown Plaza de Las Cruces. 10am - 3pm. 575-522-1232

## MARCH 25

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Seattle U

New Mexico State University. 12:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Annual Bataan Death March

White Sands Missile Range. 6am. 575-678-1134. [bataanmarch.com](http://bataanmarch.com)

## MARCH 27

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Texas Tech

New Mexico State University. 2:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Aggie Women's Softball Team vs. UTEP

New Mexico State University Softball Complex. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

## MARCH 29

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Sacramento State

New Mexico State University. 6:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

## MARCH 30

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Sacramento State

New Mexico State University. 6:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

## MARCH 31

### Aggie Men's Baseball Team vs. Sacramento State

New Mexico State University. 12:05pm. [nmstatesports.com](http://nmstatesports.com)

### Southwest Brawl 7

Las Cruces Convention Center. MMA Cage fighting. 6-11pm

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# Film festival to show works by CMI students



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By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The Las Cruces International Film Festival will include several short films made by students in New Mexico State University's Creative Media Institute for Film and Digital Arts (CMI).

- **"Duck-a-Cola"** is a seven-minute animated short by CMI filmmaker Carlos Tejeda. The film, which took about six months to make, Tejeda said, "talks about the love of a duck for his soda. This is a story about being different and accepting yourself as you are." Tejeda wrote and directed the film, with music by Alfonso Loya.

- **"My Condolences"** is a two-minute, 15-second digital film made by CMI graduates Hisham Hajir (writer, director, star) and Carlos Arreola (director of photography). "It is a short film about the struggles of a melancholic man getting ready to say goodbye," Hajir said.

"As a student filmmaker, sometimes it is difficult to find people to work on your projects because everyone is busy with their own films," Hajir said. "Many times, you have to be a one-man crew or act in the movie you're directing. While filming these I discovered how arduous it was to act and direct at the same time because as an actor there's no one watching out for you and making sure the performance is right. Although I know how difficult it is to shoot like this I decided to make this short film to prove what I could do as a drama director and as a drama actor at the same time."

- **"Beautiful Roses"** is a five-minute animated short by CMI alum Laura Larson. The film "centers around Alistair, a priest who takes divine justice into his own hands," Larson said, "and Liam, a young boy in the parish who admires Alistair's beautiful rose garden."

The voices are provided by CMI students Raven Lara and Ian Steagall, and NMSU School of Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management (HRTM) Assistant Professor Darren Bloomquist.

The Las Cruces International Film Festival runs from March 7-11. Visit [www.lciffest.com](http://www.lciffest.com).

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

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Members of the cast of "Middletown" during a recent rehearsal are, back row, Autry Rebekah and Joshua Taulbee; front row, left to right, Robert Young, Tatiana Garzon and Erin Wendorf.

## 'Middletown' opens at the Black Box

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

"Middletown," written by Will Eno and directed by Las Cruces actor/director Autumn Gieb, opens Friday, March 2, for a three-week run at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St.

Twelve actors portray 21 characters in the play. The cast includes Bobby Senecal, Joshua Taulbee, Steven Trujillo, Scott Brocato, Nancy Sorrells, Anna Weeden, Stephen Caroe, Autry Rebekah, Karen Buerdsell, Robert Young, Erin Wendorf and Tatiana Garzon.

"Mary is settling in nicely to her new home," according to the Black Box, "but wants to know more than what the tiny local library can offer. Then John, an inquisitive jack of all trades, enters her life forming a connection like no other. From picnic lunches to plumbing disasters to

the possibility of new life, they discover that even the sleepy village of Middletown can hold the wonders of the universe."

"I just happened upon Middletown by accident," Gieb said. "I like to read play synopses, and this one popped up. I got a copy and read it during my lunch hour one day and fell in love."

"Here is a story about a real small town," she said. "People like to call Las Cruces small, but it's a small city. Where I grew up, in Lincoln County, New Mexico, we had one stop light. My high school graduating class was 54 people and we lived next to the First Baptist Church, which was next to city hall, which was a block away from the school. That is a small town."

"I connected with the script, not just because of the location, but with the stories of the people.

These are the no-name people you see every day that you maybe speak five words to. The cop on patrol, the librarian finding the one book you need on gravity and the mechanic on the park bench for his lunch break. Those quiet people. I wanted to know them.

"I found myself connecting to each of these characters in different ways and I think the audience will find a part of themselves, too."

Eno, who lives in Brooklyn, was a finalist for the 2005 Pulitzer Prize for drama.

Performances are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, March 2-3, 9-10 and 16-17; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, March 11 and 18; and 7 p.m. Thursday, March 15.

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

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





"Starry Night"

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## 'Middletown' art exhibit

The Theatre Gallery at the Black Box Theatre presents a collaborative exhibit by the New Mexico Watercolor Society and the Las Cruces Art Association during the theatre's production of "Middletown." An opening reception for the exhibit is 5-7 p.m. Friday, March 2, during the monthly Art Ramble. The venture was arranged by Paul Vakselis, Judy E. Licht, Margaret Bernstein and Ceil Herman.

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For more information, call Norma Hartell, Curator, at 575-541-2159 or visit [las-cruces.org/museums](http://las-cruces.org/museums).



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# Paul Schranz: '50 Years of Photography'

## BULLETIN REPORT

Paul Schranz, a photographer of 50 years, joins the Doña Ana Photography Club (DAPC) at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, for a retrospective of his career – from traditional landscape photographer to his current work in conceptual photo collage.

A native of Illinois, Schranz in the 1970s shot primarily black and white landscape images

in film using cameras of every format. When digital photography was introduced, Schranz adapted. Thus began his exploration of methods combining analytical skills of traditional photography with synthetic conceptual skills that until then had been reserved to painters.

Schranz moved to Las Cruces in 2003, where he exhibited, taught photography workshops and served as a judge for

photo competitions.

He plans to return to the Midwest this spring.

"His effect on photographers and photography is major and difficult to measure," according to a DAPC news release. "We are grateful to have had him in Las Cruces since 2003."

The DAPC is located in the SW Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Tuesday's event is free.

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# Featured artist of the month

## BULLETIN REPORT

Trish Hall is the Doña Ana Arts Council's (DAAC) featured artist for March in the gallery, 1740 Calle de Mercado in the Bulletin Plaza.

Her show is titled, "My Abstract World," on exhibit through March, opening with an artist's reception from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, March 3.

She has always had a creative side, Hall says, but fell in love with abstract painting about a

year ago.

"Abstract painting has allowed me to create with no expectations, no limitations," she said. "I can start out with a vision in my mind about what I want a piece to look like and what techniques I want to explore. However, the process always changes. The colors, the brush, the tools, even the canvas will take on a life of its own and direct me where it wants to go ... and what the end product will look like."



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**Desert Spring dance:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 2; 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 3, ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 University Ave. An evening of dance features NMSU dancers. Cost: Pre-sell through March 1, adults \$15, students and seniors \$10, children 12 and younger \$5. At the door Adults \$20, students and seniors \$15, children \$10.

**Pastels:** Noon-1:30 p.m. Saturdays, Mas Art, 126 S. Main St. Classes open to adults and high-school students. Subject matter is still life and landscape. Basic assignments for beginning drawing included. Info and supply list: Instructor Wayne Carl Huber, MFA, 575-647-5684 or wch1966@msn.com.

- Mar. 3: Pastel still life drawing.
- Mar. 10: Pastel land-

scape drawing.

**Van Gogh:** ToadHall Theatre of Las Cruces will present "Van Gogh" by Phillip Stephens for six performances at three Las Cruces locations. Cost: \$5. Info: Ken Forestal km-forestal@yahoo.com.

- Good Samaritan Village theater, 3025 Terrace Drive, 7 p.m. Saturday, March 3 and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 4.
- Isabel M. Crouch Reader's Theatre at NMSU, 7 p.m. Saturday, March 10, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 11.
- First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road, 7 p.m. Saturday, March 17, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 18.

**Josh Grider concert:** 7 p.m. Saturday, March 3, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Country music performer and Las Cruces native will perform during the museum's annual Cowboy Days weekend. Cost: \$19.90, children 10 and younger free. Info: 575-522-4100.

**Ballet 5:8:** 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, NMSU Atkinson Recital Hall. Film/dance hybrid production inspired by Nathaniel Hawthorne's "The Scarlet Letter" comes to Las Cruces after the company's first visit in 2015. Cost: \$25 adults; \$20 students and seniors; \$15 for children 12 and younger. Tickets are available through ballet58.org, by calling 312-725-4752, or in person at the Ashley Homestore, 3299 Del Rey Blvd. Performance info: ballet58.org/scarlet.

**50 Years of Photography:** 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Paul Schranz, a photographer for over 50 years,

will join the Doña Ana Photography Club to share insights into what has taken him from working in the style of traditional landscape photographer to his current work in conceptual photo collage. Cost: Free. Info: www.daphoto-club.org

**Artrageous art classes:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Doña Ana Arts Council Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Calle de Mercado in Mesilla. A local expert teaches a variety of art topics. Cost: \$30, includes all materials and refreshments. Info: 575-523-6403 or www.daarts.org.

- March 7: Laurel Weathersbee, torn paper landscapes.
- March 14: No classes
- March 21: Sherry Doil-Carter, Book Short, creating a collage of ideas
- March 28: Sally Quillin, painting a purple iris in acrylic. 2-4 p.m. or 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**Talent show:** 6 p.m. Friday, March 9, Alma d' Arte Theater. High school talent in the spotlight. Cost: \$5. Info: kellingquinnluv3@gmail.com.

**Arts Fair:** 5-8 p.m. Friday, March 16; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, March 17; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, March 18, Las Cruces Convention Center. Sponsored by the Doña Ana Arts Council, it features John Harris, metal sculptor among more than 90 artists. Cost: \$10 for one adult, \$15 for two adults if purchased in advance. Children 12 and younger, free. Info: 575-523-6403, go to www.daarts.org or visit the DAAC office at 1740 Calle de Mercado, Suite B.

**Contra dance:** 7:30-10:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, Mesilla Community Center,

2251 Calle de Santiago. Music by The Big Ditch Crickets of Silver City with Lewis Land of Carlsbad calling. Basic instruction at 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$6, \$4 for youth, \$15 for family. Info: 575-636-5509 or www.snmmds.org.

**Scottish music:** 7 p.m. Saturday, March 17, Margot's Back Room. Alan Reid and Rob Van Sante return to Las Cruces with Scottish folk music for St. Patrick's Day. Info: margotlev@gmail.com for reservations and address.

**Arts, culture seminars:** 5:30 to 7 p.m., Doña Ana Arts Cultural Center, 1740 Avenida de Mercado Suites B-D. Feed Your Mind series continues through May. Cost: \$20 per seminar. Info: 575-523-6403 or www.daarts.org.

- March 22, 29, April 5, 12: Kathleen Key will present four talks on "Impressionism."
- April 19: Marisa Sage, NMSU Art Museum director, will present a seminar, "Hidden Treasures: The Art of Sol LeWitt on the NMSU Campus."

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

**Chris Young:** Tickets go on sale for the Sept. 13 Las Cruces performance of the "Chris Young Losing Sleep 2018 World Tour" with special guests Kane Brown and Morgan Evans. Info and tickets: chrisyoung-country.com.

## March entertainment

High Desert Brewing Company, 1201 W. Hadley Ave.

**MARCH 1:** Alan Raintree – Jazz/Classic Rock

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**MARCH 10:** Cole Mitchell – Guitar Duo

**MARCH 15:** Derrick Lee Group – Jazz Ensemble

**MARCH 17:** ST. PADDY'S DAY! Irish Band

**MARCH 22:** Roger Wendover – Solo Guitar (lowa)

**MARCH 24:** Ethan Eckart – Solo Guitar (Kansas City, Missouri)

**MARCH 29:** Sage Gentle Wing – Solo Guitar

**MARCH 31:** Cajón Brothers – Eclectic Ensemble

## ONGOING

**Art classes:** Beginning adult classes are 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesdays, My Place Jewell Studio, 132 B Wyatt Drive.. Intermediate and advanced drawing and painting classes are 1-3:30 p.m. Thursdays. Fee is \$60 for four classes. High school students welcome; 1:30-2:30 p.m. Wednesdays for children ages 7 to 12. Fee is \$40 for four classes. Students may begin any time. Info: 575-647-5684 or www.waynecarlhuber.com.

**Art classes:** Raven Art Studio, 300 N. Main St. For adults and teens 17 and older. \$25 per session. Info: Rick Rotante, 909-233-0425.

- 10 a.m. Mondays:

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## GALLERIES & OPENINGS

### MakeShift

*Through March 10*

Ramon and Christian Cardenas, who form the artist collaborative Lxs Dos, exhibit at the Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Info: 575-541-2154, museums.las-cruces.org.

### Student art

*Through mid-March*

Student paintings, etchings, photos and drawings from Las Cruces and Gadsden school districts in the first-floor corridors of the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Artists range from elementary students to high-schoolers.

### Wendy Red Star

*Through March 16*

Red Star traces the music career of her father, Wallace, from age 10 to 37 through photos, notes, sculpture and sound, ending with the story of "The Maniacs," his all-Native American rock band. University Art Gallery, 1390 University Ave. Info: 575-646-2545 or email artgry@nmsu.edu or uag.nmsu.edu.

### Las Cruces interactive

*Through March 17*

"What's Your Las Cruces?" at Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. Visitors can share Las Cruces photos, stories and more through questions posed at different stations. Free. Info: 575-541-2154 or

museums.las-cruces.org.

### Mirage

*Through March 24*

A NM diary featuring works on paper by Ellen Wetmore, Branigan Cultural Center. Info: 575-541-2154 or las-cruces.org/museums.

### Bob Diven solo

*Through March*

A solo exhibition of Divan's oil portraits of women, self-portraits and life-sized "dimensional cartoons," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, noon-4 p.m. Saturday, Four Points Perspective Gallery, 3405 S. Hwy. 28 at Union Avenue. Info: 575-621-1387 or FourPointsPerspective@gmail.com.

### Trish Hall

*Through March*

Doña Ana Arts Council features Hall's "My Abstract World" in its Arts & Cultural Center, 1740 Calle de Mercado, Suite D. Artist reception 5-7 p.m. Saturday, March 3. Info: 575-523-6403 or www.daarts.org.

### Picnpaint

*Through March*

Margaret Bernstein, artist, and Mel Stone, gallery owner, show their collaborative work at the Mesquite Gallery, 340 N Mesquite St. Bernstein creates art using Stone's photographs as a starting point. Opening reception 5-7 p.m. Friday, March 2, during Art Ram-

ble. Info: 575-640-3502 or melstone@mac.com, www.mesquiteartgallery.com.

### Lifetime of Art

*Through April 1*

Exhibit featuring the late Connie Garcia (1950-2017) at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Tile, foil, drawings, contemporary paintings, cards, and more. Info: 575-522-4100, www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org.

### Robert Highsmith

*Through April 13*

One-man show of 25-30 watercolors depicting the desert Southwest landscape at Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road. Opening reception 1-4 p.m. March 3. Info: www.rhighsmith.com.

### Politics on Paper

*Through April 7*

Art with an Agenda, featuring works from the Syracuse University Art Galleries from the 1600s to the present. Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St.

### Justice in Guatemala

*Through June 30*

"Defending Truth and Memory: The Path towards Justice in Guatemala," at University Museum, 1390 University Ave., featuring 35 photos of the indigenous Guatemalans, capturing "the strength and beauty of the people's struggle for

justice."

### Form & Function

*Through July 8*

NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum Legacy Gallery exhibit features more than 40 objects combining usefulness and beauty. Some objects are utilitarian without aesthetic appeal, some are art, and some are in-between. Info: 575-522-4100, www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org.

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# PUZZLES

## IN HONOR OF LEAP YEAR

**ACROSS**

- 1 Spanish squiggles
- 7 Blue Ribbon brewer
- 12 Places for military craft
- 20 Declare the truth of
- 21 -- Brothers ("That Lady" R&B group)
- 22 Most rare
- 23 Elicit the stamp "NSF"
- 25 Pause with uncertainty
- 26 Web site facilitating job-hunting
- 27 In -- (prebirth)
- 29 Credit card come-on
- 30 Bit of work
- 31 Little mistake
- 33 Chinese appetizer
- 36 Premolars, e.g.
- 39 Splendor
- 42 "Allow -- introduce myself"
- 43 Mall come-on
- 44 Austrian "a"
- 46 Nation due south of Iran
- 48 Maritime plea
- 50 Put a flaw in
- 51 Hell-bent
- 58 Got the soap out of
- 59 Slalom turn
- 60 "-- won't!" (firm refusal)
- 61 Gave the slip
- 65 "That's --!" ("False!")
- 66 Its cap. is Boise
- 68 French subway
- 70 Beethoven's "Fuer --"
- 71 Drill sgt., e.g.
- 72 Sky's high arch, figuratively
- 76 Abbr. on a rap sheet

77 "Inferno" author

- 79 Milo of movies
- 80 Hector
- 81 Skated
- 82 Nuts
- 84 "Whether -- nobler ..."
- 85 Beatty of movies
- 87 In-house
- 89 Start following a trend
- 93 Acct. amount
- 96 -- Paulo, Brazil
- 97 Spanish coin
- 98 Starting from
- 99 List abbr.
- 101 Lands in the ocean, to Henri
- 104 Leave the house
- 106 Sky twinklers
- 110 Go by plane
- 113 Bronze coin in Harry Potter books
- 115 -- chi
- 116 Stupefy
- 117 Angel player Della
- 120 Transverse rail support
- 123 Courage
- 126 Track-and-field event
- 128 Tangles
- 129 Come next
- 130 Irish city near Killarney
- 131 Scares
- 132 -- Park, Colorado
- 133 Indian lutes

**DOWN**

- 1 iPad Air, e.g.
- 2 Cote d'-- (country in Afrique)
- 3 Cocktail bar
- 4 Flashy hoops shot

5 Latin "Lo!"

- 6 Tool-holding buildings
- 7 Lawn lunch
- 8 Oar wood
- 9 Sky color, in Cannes
- 10 Religious branch
- 11 Rug rats
- 12 No longer sailing
- 13 See 73-Down
- 14 Univ. dorm monitors
- 15 BYOB part
- 16 Cast list
- 17 Froth made by waves
- 18 Ward of Miss Havisham
- 19 Pittsburgh footballer
- 24 Quinn who played Annie
- 28 Tachometer abbr.
- 32 Walks laboriously
- 34 "Who's there?" response
- 35 Nary a soul
- 37 Uptight
- 38 Animal skin
- 40 City of Iowa
- 41 Tit for --
- 45 Gymnast Comaneci
- 47 Cherry with the 1989 hit "Buffalo Stance"
- 49 Number of deadly sins
- 51 Chastain of soccer
- 52 Tin Man's container
- 53 Coalitions
- 54 Gives a hand at a card table
- 55 Mechanical learning
- 56 Carmen of "That Night in Rio"
- 57 East Indian lentil stew
- 62 Scripted lines
- 63 Inuit or Yupik language

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- 64 Benumb
- 67 Tag team, e.g.
- 68 Deg. for a painter
- 69 Female cells
- 72 Hot planet
- 73 With 13-Down, it's risky to skate on
- 74 Opposite of east, in Spain
- 75 "By gar!"
- 78 Trump -- Mahal

- 81 Elevator part
- 83 Send via PC
- 85 Stepson in "I, Claudius"
- 86 Thing read on a Kindle
- 88 Low cards
- 90 -- sci
- 91 "O" in a letter, maybe
- 92 Essence
- 93 Isn't naughty

- 94 Super-insect of 1960s TV
- 95 City near Anaheim
- 100 More slothful
- 102 Means of exit
- 103 That lady
- 105 Mothers' brothers
- 107 Head Hun
- 108 Luise of "The Good Earth"
- 109 Long fights

- 111 Lavish meal
- 112 Giggly laugh
- 114 Wrongful acts, in law
- 118 Phoenix hoopsters
- 119 Once, old-style
- 121 Goa dress
- 122 Some jazz singing
- 124 Org. for pucksters
- 125 Mid grade?
- 127 Fitting



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# PUZZLES

## WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

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

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

## SCRAMBLERS



Not only is the magic gone from our marriage, but so is my \_\_\_\_\_ !"

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!

Despise  
**AHOTEL**    \_ \_ \_   \_ \_

Display  
**UNFLAT**    \_ \_ \_

Beyond  
**TEDIOUS**    \_ \_ \_   \_

Fiend  
**TUBER**     \_ \_ \_ \_

**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: N equals S

QYVXO Q HSCD PXHQJ PKX VS

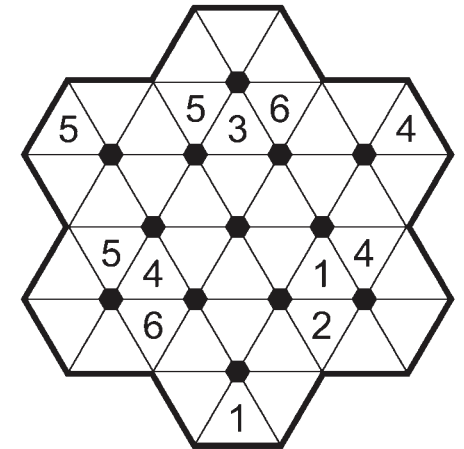
NSLX ECEVEQH NCQDN, VWX

VQEHSO EN OXQPJ VS DS YKHH

NXQL QWXQP.

## SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

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



**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

# PUZZLE ANSWERS

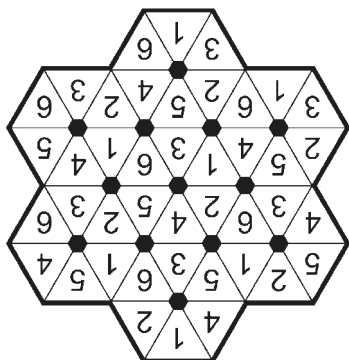
After a long delay due to some initial snags, the tailor is ready to go full seam ahead.

## CRYPTOQUIP

### HUSBAND

Today's Word  
1. Loathe; 2. Flaunt; 3. Outside; 4. Brute

## SCRAMBLERS



## SNOWFLAKES

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## WEEKLY SUDOKU

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## SUPER CROSSWORD

# Made in Las Cruces: City has played a role in films

By **JEFF BERG**

For the Bulletin

Movies started being made early in New Mexico, when the first known piece of film, less than a minute long, “Indian Day School” was shot at the Isleta Day School at Isleta Pueblo south of Albuquerque in 1897.

It was directed by James H. White, whose career includes 503 other shorts, mostly documentaries, who was working for Thomas Edison, which sent crews across the country to film different cultural events as they traveled by train.

Not long after, film crews came to Las Cruces. In 1910 or 11, the Powers Picture Play Company of New York

ended up, somehow, in southern New Mexico, shooting four short silent Western films. Titled “The Dude,” “Wages of Sin,” “Mexican Border Defenders” and “Brothers,” some of the shooting was done at the W.W. Cox Ranch, now Dripping Springs at the east end of University Avenue, where I delighted in being a pseudo-ranger, living onsite for several years when I came to Las Cruces in 2001.

Although no copies of these films are known to exist, which makes it unclear just how much of each was actually shot at the ranch or in town, it was the beginning of the movie age for Las Cruces. Ensuing years saw the Powers

Company and other film groups merge into what is now the huge conglomerate Universal Studios.

It was a long, long dry spell after that, however.

It wasn't until 1963 when another production came to town, a shoot for a TV pilot, “Calhoun County Agent” for CBS. It starred Jackie Cooper, Barbara Stanwyck and Howard Duff, all big names in the industry.

It was a long time before it became clear why the crew and cast came all the way to little old out-of-the-way Las Cruces to film. But it became almighty clear when a book called “Only You, Dick Daring” came to light. Written by Merle Miller and Evan

Rhodes, the book is a no-holds-barred look at what they saw in southern New Mexico during the week or so of shooting that took place in November 1963.

Lifting the following from fellow writer and outstanding film promotor David Salcido (a former Bulletin contributor), it was because, in part, Miller had been told “by a representative at the USDA that the penultimate source of information for agriculture in the Southwest was John White at New Mexico State University. An early research trip by Miller and star Jackie Cooper clinched the deal, as both fell in love with the area and the people.”

Miller also notes his liking for the Mesilla

Design and Book Center as “one of the best bookstores in the Southwest,” and the Mission Inn, located on South Main Street (“an excellent coffee shop and restaurant.”). He gave a mixed review for Mesilla, itself, (“a dusty relic of a village”).

The book is great fun to read and you can watch the unaired pilot of Calhoun on You Tube. I screened it once when I worked with the Mesilla Valley Film Society.

The '60s and '70s saw a rash of film crews coming to Las Cruces and Mesilla filming titles such as the unforgettable “Up in the Cellar,” the feminist Western “Molly and Lawless John,” “Shoot the Sun Down,” the unbelievable “Truck Stop

Women” and the best of the bunch, “Hang 'em High,” starring Clint Eastwood.

A German company arrived in New Mexico in the late '70s to film a psychological horror film “Fleisch” (Flesh) about organ harvesting. Around then Mark Medoff of NMSU's CMI program saw his work, “When You Comin' Back Red Ryder,” turned into a screen gem here.

For many years, Las Cruces couldn't cash in on the state's current film incentive program, since it stated that equipment, cast and crew had to come *directly* to New Mexico. Crews and cast that flew to El Paso didn't count, and it was often deemed

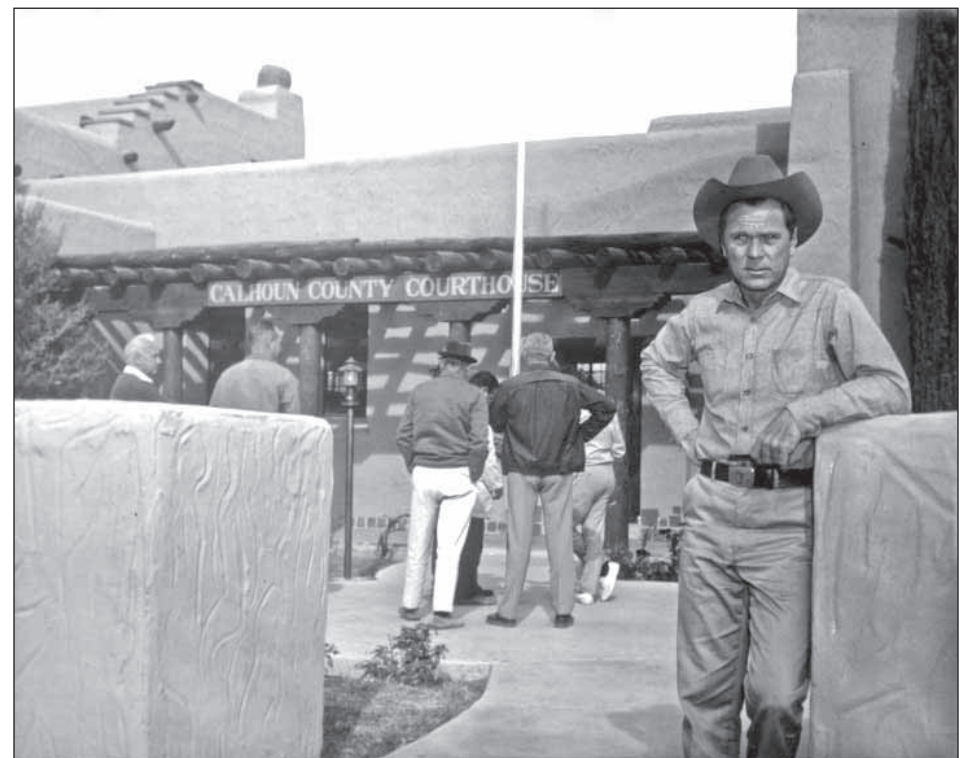
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COURTESY PHOTO

Despite stars such as Jackie Cooper, the TV pilot for “Calhoun County Agent” never aired.



## CITY

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too expensive and time-consuming to drive from Albuquerque to shoot. That has since been corrected.

Over the years many local small-budget productions used Las Cruces, along with second-unit crews shooting portions of films such as "Lost in America," "Twins," the remake of "Lolita," "Brokeback Mountain" and "Traffic."

It wasn't until 2009, when "he Burning Plain" was released here (with the U.S. premiere held at the Fountain Theatre) that a movie took full advantage of the area's assets.

The film stars Jennifer Lawrence in one of her first movies and Charlize Theron, but it took a beating at the box office, losing millions of dollars despite an inspired story and great performances and directing.

The last "big" produc-

tion to make it to Las Cruces/Mesilla was "Captain Fantastic," released in 2016, which co-stars the home of the owner of La Posta and the Fountain Theatre. Starring Viggo Mortensen, this one fared better financially and garnered an Oscar nomination for Mortensen's performance.

Despite efforts, Las Cruces remains an undiscovered gem for filmmakers – beautiful scenery, enthusiastic crews and the occasional good restaurant. But filmmakers will discover Las Cruces. As Judge Fenton says in "Hang 'em High" – "Don't you doubt about that. Don't you doubt."

*Jeff Berg reviews films for the Bulletin and will screen a 90-minute show during the Las Cruces International Film Festival at Allen Theatres, 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 9, featuring clips from movies shot in or near Las Cruces.*

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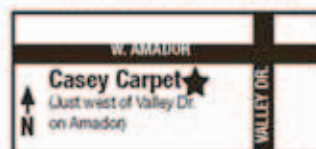
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# Pastors installed

## BULLETIN REPORT

Trinity Lutheran Church of Las Cruces (ELCA) celebrated the installation of two new pastors on Feb. 11. Bishop James Gonias of the Rocky Mountain Synod in Denver conducted the installation of Pastor Christa von Zychlin and Pastor Wayne Nieminen to serve the Trinity Lutheran Church congregation.

Rev. Nieminen is originally from the Philadelphia area and has studied at Gettysburg College, the University of Mysore and was awarded a Ph.D. from Iowa State University in marriage & family counseling. He studied at Lutheran Theological Seminary in Chicago and at Yale Divinity School. He has taught at Lutheran seminaries in the Central African Republic and Hong Kong, and served as

a pastor in Ohio, Iowa and Wisconsin.

Rev. Christa von Zychlin is originally from Rockford, Illinois, and graduated from the University of Illinois. She also attended Seminary at Lutheran Theological Seminary in Chicago and at Yale Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut. Pastor von Zychlin was awarded a Doctorate of Ministry from Lutheran Theological Seminary in Hong Kong. She has been a missionary and also served congregations in Ohio, Iowa and Wisconsin.

Pastor Nieminen and Pastor von Zychlin are married and have three sons. They will make their home in Las Cruces.

Trinity Lutheran Church is located at 2900 Elks Drive. Sunday worship services start at 9 a.m. Visit www.trinitylutheranlc.org.

## WORSHIP CALENDAR

**SeaSide Escape Women's  
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Friday, March 2, and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, March 3, Calvary Baptist Church, 1800 Locust St. \$25 per person, includes dessert on Friday and continental breakfast Saturday. Tickets, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the church office. Info: 575-522-7900

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**Trinity Lutheran Easter:** 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays through March 21, Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Drive. Foot-washing at 6 p.m., service at 6:30 p.m. Good Friday service, 6:30 p.m. Easter sunrise services, 6:15 and 9 a.m.

# Dr. King gave us words that resonate to this day

On Sunday, Feb. 11, over 160 people gathered at Temple Beth-El of Las Cruces to hear a speech and a voice echoing down to us from the past.

On March 12, 1961, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke at Temple Emanuel in Worcester, Massachusetts. Rabbi Joseph Klein of Temple Emanuel introduced Dr. King that night. Following his retirement from Temple Emanuel in 1977, Rabbi Klein made his way to Las Cruces to serve Temple Beth-El until 1984.



**RABBI  
KAROL**

Seeking Harmony

Before he left town to return to the Northeast, he presented Temple Beth-El member Frances Williams with a cassette tape copy of a recording of the King speech. Eventually, KRWG was given the opportunity to enhance the audio.

Rabbi Klein's granddaughter Laura contacted Temple Beth-El a few days before our program to let us know that the family had the original reel-to-reel tapes of the talk and the question-and-answer session following.

Temple Beth-El and the Doña Ana County Branch of the NAACP co-sponsored this gathering.

The NMSU Gospel Choir presented music to begin and end the event, and a local panel set a context for King's talk and responded to King's words.

Dr. King noted how people might approach the situation in 1961 with optimism, pessimism and realism, recognizing how the United States had come a long, long way in treating African-Americans with dignity and equality, after the Brown v. Board school desegregation decision

by the Supreme Court in 1954, and the registration of 1.3 million African-Americans in the South (but that was out of 5 million possible voters).

This paragraph touched us all, as we, in our time, all too often fail to engage in respectful conversation: "For too often in the South, we find ourselves seeking to live in monologue rather than dialogue. No greater tragedy can befall a community than this tragedy of seeking to live in monologue. Men hate each other often because they fear each other. They fear each other because they don't know each other and they don't

know each other because they can't communicate with each other. They can't communicate with each other because they are separated from each other. And so that is a real challenge of this hour for the people of good will in the white South to rise up and take over the leadership and open the channels of communication and thereby make for a smooth and peaceful transition."

One of the songs presented by the NMSU Gospel Choir at the beginning of the program was of my own creation, based on Psalm 133, verse 1: "How good and

how pleasant it is when we sit together." The lyrics continued: "Are we destined to live in a world divided? We still can see clearly what makes us united. When we feel the ties that bind us, love and understanding will find us."

On that day, hearing Dr. King's voice, we realized that we still share that hope for understanding and unity.

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

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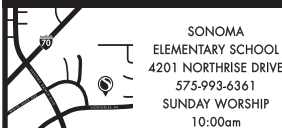
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Marcos Ramirez, owner of Ramirez Accounting and Tax Services at 914 S. Solano Drive, says he has seen confusion among taxpayers about when tax reforms take effect.

BULLETIN PHOTO  
BY MICHAEL  
SCANLON



## New tax brackets determine increase in paychecks

Although most of the changes to federal tax law won't show up until 2018 tax returns are filed early next year, the lower tax rates already are appearing in workers' paychecks. In some cases, the change is so small people hardly feel it. In other cases, employees are seeing substantial boosts and even pay raises.

The increase in take-home pay results from a reduction in tax rates. Employers must withhold enough from each employee's paycheck to cover the worker's tax liability for the year and, perhaps, provide a tax refund. With lower tax rates came a lower amount to be withheld.

Marcos Ramirez, whose accounting office provides payroll services to Las Cruces businesses, said making the change was as simple as applying a software update.

"People were worried, 'If I'm paying less, will I have to pay taxes at the end of the year?' That's not the case. It's just because of the new tax brackets," Ramirez said.

The rationale behind cutting taxes was that the cuts would put more money in people's pockets, boosting the U.S. economy.

Jim Peach, an economist

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# Full results of tax reform won't be obvious until 2019

BY MICHAEL SCANLON  
For the Bulletin

When the new federal tax law took effect Jan. 1, it ushered in lower tax rates, changes in deductions – which won't show up on tax returns until next year — and a fair amount of confusion.

"People were coming in expecting a higher child tax credit, and they already had in

their minds to go out and spend more," said Marcos Ramirez, owner of Ramirez Accounting and Tax Services in Las Cruces. "So that was the hardest part, explaining to people that they're not going to take effect until next tax season."

Indeed, the so-called Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, passed last year

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## New tax rates for different income brackets

Income Tax Rate		Income Levels for Those Filing As:	
2017	2018-2025	Single	Married-Joint
10%	10%	\$0-\$9,525	\$0-\$19,050
15%	12%	\$9,525-\$38,700	\$19,050-\$77,400
25%	22%	\$38,700-\$82,500	\$77,400-\$165,000
28%	24%	\$82,500-\$157,500	\$165,000-\$315,000
33%	32%	\$157,500-\$200,000	\$315,000-\$400,000
33%-35%	35%	\$200,000-\$500,000	\$400,000-\$600,000
39.6%	37%	\$500,000+	\$600,000+

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by the U.S. Congress, doubled the child tax credit from \$1,000 to \$2,000. But the second \$1,000 is not a refundable tax credit.

“The child tax credit has two parts,” Ramirez said. “One is not refundable, and one that is refundable. The non-refundable is the one that went to \$2,000. So it doesn’t mean you’re getting \$2,000 back, you’re just getting to write off \$2,000. But the refundable part grew from \$1,100 to \$1,400, so in reality, it’s \$300 more per child under the age of 17. That’s the refund. (The non-refundable part) still helps you because it lowers your tax, but it doesn’t put the money in your pocket.”

But it’s not individual taxpayers who will benefit most from the tax reform bill; it’s corporations. The thinking is that if corporations are more competitive in the global economy, they can offer pay raises and expand their workforce.

“The highest rate for corporations is only going to be 20 percent,” Ramirez said. “And now they have what they call the Section 179. It’s what they call depreciation. Before, you could write off in one year, per item, up to \$510,000. The new tax law will allow you to write off \$1 million. It almost doubled.”

He said non-incorporated small businesses should consider incorporating in order to take advantage of the change.

“We do offer incorporation services, and it will be to the advantage

### Key highlights

Key highlights of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, according to Marcos Ramirez, owner of Ramirez Accounting and Tax Services in Las Cruces.

- Tax rates are lower for all but the lowest-income taxpayers. That has brought about lower payroll withholding.
- Standard deduction increases from \$6,350 to \$12,000. Those earning less than \$12,000 a year will have no tax liability and will not be required to file a tax return.
- The law doubled the non-refundable child tax credit from \$1,000 to 2,000 and increased the refundable child tax credit from \$1,100 to \$1,400 per child under the age of 17.
- Corporations will get a tax cut with the highest corporate tax rate to be 20 percent.
- Depreciation write-off for businesses will increase from a maximum of \$510,000 per item per year to \$1 million.

of most small businesses to become corporations. People think it costs thousands of dollars to do that. In reality, it only costs a couple of hundred,” Ramirez said.

A Las Cruces native, Ramirez has been in the accounting business for 10 years. He currently is preparing to take the exam to become a certified public accountant.

It’s unclear what steps the Internal Revenue Service has taken to clarify the tax changes. Personnel at the IRS office in Las Cruces referred questions to the agency’s media relations office in Washington, D.C. A spokeswoman there said the questions would have to be submitted by email. In reply to the email, the agency sent various links to pages on its website along with some news releases.

Changes to the federal tax code tell only part of the story for Las Cruces, since New Mexico also imposes a state income tax. And while many agree the state tax law also is overdue for

major changes, that effort is stalled by partisan differences. Democrats control the state Legislature, and the governor is a Republican.

“I think there’s a strong feeling that we need it,” said state Rep. Doreen Gallegos, a Las Cruces-area state representative and a member of the House Taxation and Revenue Committee. “But with this particular governor, we see different ways of getting there. Her ideas and our ideas are very far from the middle.”

Gallegos, a Democrat, called for a slow, deliberate march toward tax reform.

“I think it’s going to take three to five years to have something in place,” she said. “We have the minds to do it. I think with a new governor, people will be willing to roll up their sleeves. I think we could get started next year.”

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and regents professor at New Mexico State University, said the tax cuts were oversold because they will boost the economy by only 0.3 to 0.4 percent.

“That is nowhere near what was advertised,” Peach said. “It is not enough to pay for the lost

revenue.”

Still, he said, the lower tax rates could be a boost for some, depending on their income.

Those making less than \$12,000 per year will have no tax liability under the new law.

Passage of the tax bill was hailed as a major victory for the White House and Congressional Republicans while Democrats

denounced it as a give-away to the rich.

Nationwide, 25 percent of U.S. voters said they have noticed an increase in their paychecks, according to a late-February poll commissioned by the websites Politico and Morning Consult; 51 percent said they have not noticed the change.

*Michael Scanlon*

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Nonprofit of the year

The Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has selected The Borderplex Alliance as nonprofit of the year to honor their regional advocacy and economic development efforts.

“The Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is grateful for the outstanding work

of Jon Barela and his team at the Borderplex Alliance,” said Curtis “C.R.” Rosemond, president and CEO of the Hispanic chamber.

“The Borderplex Alliance has been a stalwart advocate for our region and a driving force in economic development. Because of their work El Paso, Las Cruces, and Ciudad

Juárez are working closer together than ever before for the benefit of all in our region.”

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# Raising Cane's opens Las Cruces location

## BULLETIN REPORT

Louisiana-based Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers made its New Mexico debut in Las Cruces Feb. 20.

The new restaurant at 651 S. Telshor Blvd. held a ribbon-cutting hosted by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, NMSU cheerleaders and mascot Pistol Pete, and El Paso Chihuahuas mascot Chico.

"This is a very special moment for the entire

Raising Cane's family, to finally introduce the people of Las Cruces – and all across Southern New Mexico – to our 'One Love' chicken finger meals," said General Manager Cristian Montanez. "I previously worked at Raising Cane's in El Paso, and I respect the brand so much that I've relocated to Las Cruces. We've already started working on a partnership with NMSU, and we look forward to continuing our involvement with

schools and other organizations throughout the community."

In February, Montanez and his crewmembers volunteered their time at the Boys and Girls Club of Las Cruces, helping with the facility's beautification project.

"We were proud to pitch in at the facility for our pre-opening service project, supporting the important work they

do for children in our area," Montanez said.

The company was founded by Todd Graves in 1996 and named for his yellow Labrador, Raising Cane.

The Telshor location is open 10 a.m.-11 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and 10 a.m.-midnight Friday and Saturday. It's the 370th Raising Cane's system-wide.

Visit [raisingcanes.com](http://raisingcanes.com).



COURTESY PHOTO

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, NMSU and even "Chico" of the El Paso Chihuahuas helped cut the ribbon Feb. 20 on the first Raising Cane's in New Mexico.

## American Dream in danger of becoming just a memory

The American Dream is an essential part of our identity as a people. It is the idea that our children will do better than their parents. And until very recently, the dream

has been a reality. Immigrants leave home and hearth behind, are separated from family and loved ones, and often suffer deprivation, all so that their children can have a better life in America. This story has often been told and has been a true fact of American life.

But this becoming more difficult to achieve. A recent study, led by Harvard's Raj Chetty compared children's household incomes at age 30 (adjusted for inflation using the Consumer Price Index) with their parents' household incomes at the same age.

Chetty's study found that the probability that a child as a young adult would will earn more than their parent when the parent was a young



**CHRIS ERICKSON**

State of the Economy

adult has declined from 90 percent to 50 percent for a child born in 1940 compared to a child born in 1980. That is, a 30-year-old in 1970 had a 90 percent probability of earning more than their parent at the same age, while a 30-year-old in 2010 had only a 50 percent chance.

In New Mexico, the Chetty study found the decline in economic mobility was about the same as the national average, having fallen by 40 percent.

There are two causes of declining mobility: slower economic growth that the United States has experienced in recent decades, and worsening economic inequality. Of these, worsening economic equality appears to be the main cause.

To see this, consider a counterfactual simulation that maintains historical income distributions but calculates mobility "as if" the economy had grown since 1980 as it did in the

1950s and '60s. Intergenerational mobility improves, but not by much, from 50 percent of 30-year-olds earning more than their parents to 62 percent.

On the other hand, when the "as-if" involves maintaining historical growth rates, but redistributing income as it was in 1970, intergenerational mobility increases to 80 percent. That is, three-quarters of the decline in mobility is accounted for by increasing income disparity.

To illustrate the point in a different way, Chetty and colleagues found that economic growth would have had to average 6 percent for 1980-born children to achieve the same intergenerational mobility of children born in 1940. This is a growth rate twice the historical average during the 20th century.

Chetty's analysis illustrates the corrosive effect of income inequality on American society. Solving this problem is difficult. The most obvious way is to increase taxes paid by the very rich and use the



revenue to fund programs benefiting the poor and middle class. But this can be viewed as unfair and can undermine market incentives.

More difficult is to change the structure of the American economy to channel income to the middle class via the market. Better K-12 education, and minimum wage laws can help.

Government policies that focus more on improving median incomes could also help. The Federal Reserve's emphasis on inflation, for example, can stifle the economic growth exactly when wages are beginning to grow.

*Christopher A. Erickson, Ph.D., is a professor of economics at NMSU. Chetty's article on which this article is based can be found at <https://voxeu.org/article/trends-us-absolute-income-mobility-1940>. The opinions expressed may not be shared by the regents and administration of NMSU. Chris can be contacted at [chrerick@nmsu.edu](mailto:chrerick@nmsu.edu).*

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An NMSU student rides her bike towards Corbett Center Student Union on the New Mexico State University campus.

## NMSU named 2017 Bicycle Friendly University

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

New Mexico State University has been named among 2017's most bicycle-friendly universities by the League of American Bicyclists, a national organization that focuses on creating a bicycle-friendly America.

NMSU renewed its 2015 bronze-level designation from the League of American Bicyclists, which recognizes amenities such as good bike access to public transportation, arterial streets with bike lanes and bicycle skills classes among other things.

The prestigious award is presented only to campuses with remarkable commitments to bicycling, and is awarded based on multiple factors, such as bi-



NMSU Aerospace student Ivan Zubia rides to his Monday class.

cycle education, infrastructure improvements, ride encouragement programs, staffing and safety.

"NMSU is proud to receive this award, and encourages all

students, staff and faculty to support NMSU's commitment to being an active, healthy, and environmentally responsible

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## LUSH & LEAN

# Soil maintenance helps conserve water

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

In the desert, we value our limited resource of water. Yet there is another resource right underneath our feet that needs our care – the plentiful soil. When you learn more about the type of soil you are planting in, how to prepare and enrich it with nutrients, and protect it with mulches, you will use less water in your garden and produce stronger plants with more prolific harvests.

Join Dr. Bill Lindemann, Ph.D., Soil Microbiology/Plant Physiology, at the Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) Lush and Lean workshop on Thursday, March 8.

"Soil is not just the stuff that holds a plant in the ground. Soil controls the nutrients, water, and oxy-

gen available to the roots of plants," Dr. Lindemann, a retired soil microbiology professor, says.

Although soil is a complex environment, some simple actions can improve productivity, Lindemann says.

In our area, where the soil is low in nutrients, particularly in plant-available iron and zinc, Lindemann recommends working nutrients into your soil and always keeping your soil covered with organic material. A good and free source of Class A+ organic biosolid compost – also known as "black gold," – is available for pickup from the Jacob A. Hands Wastewater Treatment Facility on W. Amador Avenue. This compost is an excellent source of iron as well

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Join Dr. Bill Lindemann at the Branigan Memorial Library March 8 as he offers useful soil tips to stimulate a better garden or harvest.

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campus by supporting bicycling,” said Jack Kirby, assistant director of Environmental Health and Safety at NMSU.

NMSU currently has more than 2,000 slots for parking bikes throughout campus, extended bicycle lanes, four Fix-It repair stations for cyclists to complete a number of tasks, safety courses, a full-service bike shop located in the activity center and an opportunity for bicycle rentals.

“This latest class of Bicycle Friendly University awardees shows a wonderful commitment to safety, health and sustainability through their efforts to support

bicycling on campus,” said Amelia Neptune, director of the League’s Bicycle Friendly America Program. “We applaud this round of BFUs for raising the standard and being innovative in making bicycling a safe, convenient and enjoyable option for students, staff and visitors alike.”

The latest class of Bicycle Friendly Universities will maintain their 2017 awards through 2021, at which time they’ll be required to reapply to the BFU program to either maintain or improve their award status.

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as other nutrients.

A common mistake that Las Cruces gardeners make is watering incorrectly for the type of soil they have. “Sandy soils in the uplands quickly transmit water down... but not laterally,” said Lindemann. “It’s better not to water every day, but rather to water every two or three days and for a longer time.”

Lindemann will also explain how garden management changes in respect to water. He will show how soil can be used as a water reservoir to enable water conservation. “Soil is a natural resource and can be ruined just like water and air with improper management,” he said. “It’s important to know what you’re walking on and on what you want your soil to grow.”

All Lush and Lean workshops are hosted by the LCU Water Conservation Program, and are free and open to the public. They



**You can use less water and produce better gardens if your soil is healthy. Dr. Bill Lindemann will provide tips to improve and enrich your soil at the March 8 Lush and Lean free workshop hosted by LCU.**

are held Thursday evenings at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave, in the Roadrunner Room from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. See the complete list of speakers

and Lush and Lean dates at [www.las-cruces.org/Water-Conservation](http://www.las-cruces.org/Water-Conservation) or [www.facebook.com/cityoflascruc](https://www.facebook.com/cityoflascruc).

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*Baxter Black is a cowboy poet, former large animal veterinarian and entertainer of the agricultural masses. Learn more at [www.baxterblack.com](http://www.baxterblack.com).*



# Kitty Glitter seeks jewelry donations

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Project Save a Kitten's third annual Kitty Glitter fundraiser is Friday and Saturday, March 9-10 at the Griggs and Raymond House, 504 W. Griggs Ave.

The event begins with a pre-sale from 5:30-8 p.m. Friday, March 9. The entry fee is \$10 and includes champagne and refreshments.

Kitty Glitter continues with a sale from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, March 10. There is no entry fee for

the sale.

The pre-sale and sale include real and costume jewelry as well as decorative items like jewelry boxes and knick-knacks, said Kitty Glitter founder and coordinator Jackye Meineke.

All proceeds from both days of the event go to local cat and kitten rescue, spay and neuter and catch and release programs, Meineke said, including the Cat's Meow Adoption Center, Big Kitty Fix, ACTion Programs for Animals and Broken Promises.

Most cats and kittens picked up by animal control are euthanized at the local shelter, Meineke said. "It's so bad for cats," she said, and that's why she created Kitty Glitter.

Event sponsors include PetSmart, Better Life Pet Foods, the Griggs and Raymond House, the Las Cruces Coalition 4 Pets and People and several local jewelry stores.

Kitty Glitter also works with pet adoption programs at Pets Barn and the Doña Ana County Government Center's nationally

recognized Kitty Condo.

Anyone with jewelry or other items to donate for Kitty Glitter can take donations to either Better Life Pet Foods location in Las Cruces: 315 S. Telshor Blvd. and 365 Avenida de Mesilla.

"I take people's donations very seriously," Meineke said. "We treat their jewelry with respect."

For more information, contact Meineke at jackye-cats@gmail.com.

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

## CAT'S MEOW ADOPTABLE CAT OF THE WEEK

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## ACTion Programs for Animals receives emergency grant

One-year-old Boomer – a retriever mix – was relinquished to the Animal Service Center of the Mesilla Valley (ASCMV) a few months ago. With a serious injury to his right front leg, Boomer needed immediate and lengthy medical attention. ACTion Programs for Animals (APA) immediately pulled Boomer from the ASCMV when he came in, despite being faced with the challenge of steep medical costs.

With an \$800 emergency medical care grant from the Ian Somerhalder Foundation to supplement APA's efforts, as well as donations from the com-



**Boomer**

munity, Boomer's medical costs are being covered. He also went to a wonderful home with a client at the Schumacher Veterinary Clinic.

"We are very appreciative of the Ian Somerhalder Foundation for its generous grant," said Michel Meunier, APA ex-

ecutive director. "With the support from ISF, Boomer is on the road to recovery and has already found his forever home.

"When the shelter is unable to keep animals due to costs associated with medical treatment, APA does its best to pull those animals, pay for their medical care,

and help find adopters. Without generous support from grantors such as ISF, as well as many other kind individuals and charities, we would not be able to save nearly as many animals."

APA, a nonprofit organization, has rescued more than 3,300 animals since it started rescue efforts in May 2012.

For more information, text or call 575-644-0505, email [mail@apalascruces.org](mailto:mail@apalascruces.org) or visit [www.actionprogramsforanimals.org](http://www.actionprogramsforanimals.org).

## Special adoption fee offered in March

### BULLETIN REPORT

ACTion Programs for Animals (APA) is offering cat and kitten adoptions for \$20 until the end of March. "We have rescued more than 450 cats and kittens this season alone," said APA Executive Director

Michel Meunier. "However, we still have a ton of cats and kittens to home, so we are doing a feline adoption special in hopes of helping the animals find their forever homes."

The APA adoption and education center is located at 800 W. Picacho Ave. and

is open from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays and by appointment. Cash, checks and credit cards accepted.

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## Final Team Zane Celebrity Waiter event scheduled

### BULLETIN REPORT

The 9th annual – and final – Team Zane Celebrity Waiter Event will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 10, at the Las Cruces Convention Center.

This year's theme, Rock of Ages: The Farewell Tour, will be the last year for the fundraising event, which this year benefits the Hearts for Autism fund. Since it began nearly nine years ago, Team Zane has fundraised a quarter of a million dollars to benefit various charities.

Team Zane began its support for the March of Dimes, which was instrumental in assisting 10-year old Zane Silva, born prematurely at 30 weeks.

His father, Jeffrey Silva, said, "I promised the Lord if he would save Zane's life, I would do all



that I can to help our community." After nearly four months in a Neo Natal Intensive Care Unit, Zane came home. The community of Las Cruces has been close

to Zane's story and many of the waiters have consistently been a part of this event over the years.

The event is expected to sell out to an attendance of 700.

The Hearts for Autism Fund (H4A) is a special fund through the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico, which benefits kids and their families affected by autism. Hearts for Autism provides financial stipends to families, camps for kids and trainings for parents, students, educators, healthcare practitioners, law enforcement and members of the community.

Tickets for Team Zane Celebrity are on sale for \$60 each. To purchase or become a waiter, call 505-263-5918.

## Cornelius earns health care credential

### BULLETIN REPORT

Margaret Cornelius, an associate and licensed interior designer at Dekker/Perich/Sabatini (D/P/S) in Las Cruces, has earned the WELL Accredited Professional (WELL AP) credential through the International WELL Building Institute. The credential places her among a group of leading professionals dedicated to supporting human health and well-being in the built environment.

The WELL AP credential signifies specialization in the WELL Building Standard (WELL), an evidence- and performance-based system for measuring, certifying and monitoring design features that impact human health.

Cornelius has nearly 40



**Margaret Cornelius**

years of interior design experience, with specialization in health care interior design. As a WELL AP, she will be supporting D/P/S's firm-wide effort to support health and wellness in the built environment, according to a news release. She will also continue integrating her knowledge of health care facilities and wellness to create spaces that promote healing and well-being.

Dekker/Perich/Sabatini has offices located in Las Cruces, Albuquerque, Phoenix and Amarillo.

## Flu season expected to wane in New Mexico

### BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) reports that although flu activity remains widespread across the state, it appears activity overall in New Mexico has peaked and will likely continue to gradually decrease for the remainder of the season, which is expected to be several more weeks.

It is common during any flu season to have a peak of influenza A cases – typically the more severe flu – and then a later, smaller peak of influenza B cases, which is generally milder.

This year the influenza A and influenza B activity peaks were relatively close together, leading to a surge in activity during the season.

NMDOH reminds all New Mexicans that it is not too late to get vaccinated and that everyone should continue good hand-washing habits as well as cough and sneezing etiquette, and staying home from work/school, if possible, while sick.

Interim findings show effectiveness for this year's flu vaccine was 36 percent, which was on the lower end of the typical range of flu vaccine effectiveness of 40-60 percent.

Yet the flu shot is recommended for the following high-risk groups:

- Pregnant women (any trimester) and up to two weeks post-partum
- Children younger than 5, especially children younger than 2 years old
- People age 65 and older

• People of any age with certain chronic medical conditions like asthma, diabetes, and lung or heart disease and those with immunosuppression from medication or disease

• People who live in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities

• People who live with or care for those at high risk for complications from flu, including healthcare personnel and caregivers of babies younger than 6 months

• American Indians and Alaskan Natives

• People who are morbidly obese

To find out more about flu vaccination clinics throughout New Mexico, visit [vaccinefinder.org](http://vaccinefinder.org).

## Breast cancer support



COURTESY PHOTO

New Mexico State University School of Nursing Level 5 students attended the recent Breast Cancer Support Group meeting as part of their clinical experiences. The title of their talk was "Radiation Therapy in the Management of Breast Cancer." From left are instructor Teresa Leon, students Manuel Barron (holding Lilly), Christina Favela, Elizabeth Pham, Mackenzie Nelson, Brandy Olivas, Jennifer Muñoz, Destiny Porras, Memorial Medical Center's Radiation Oncologist Dr. Gregory Willis (holding Laney) and breast cancer survivor Diana Wagner. The Breast Cancer Support Group meets the fourth Saturday of each month at Memorial Medical Center.

## HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

**Dementia caregiving:** 2-4 p.m. Tuesdays through March 16, Crossroads In-Home Care, 189 Howard Place. Alzheimer's Association New Mexico Chapter offers a program, Skills for Dementia Caregiving 101, for families facing dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Cost Free. Info: 1-800-272-3900 or kmgandara@alz.org.

**Chronic disease management:** 3-5:30 p.m. Thursdays, March 15-April 19, Department of Health Room 1607, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Learn to manage any long-term chronic health condition. Info and to register: Gabe Calderon 575-646-6133 or gabe@nmsu.edu.

**Healthy aging:** 2-3 p.m. Monday, March 19, Memorial Medical Center Annex Rooms A and B. AARP and Memorial Medical Center will be sponsoring a presentation on 'Foods for Brain Health and Healthy Aging,' by James Bronner, Registered Dietician at Memorial Medical Center. Cost: Free.

### ONGOING

**Alzheimer's and dementia support group:** 11:30 a.m. Thursdays, Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. Presented by Arbors of Del Rey and Home Instead Senior Care, support meeting offers information and interventions. Info: 505-659-8100.

**Ambercare Hospice Volunteer Program:** Ambercare seeks individuals interested in volunteers to offer comfort and support to patients and their families. Hospice volunteers read, take walks, listen or

provide companionship. Training provided. Info: 575-556-8409, ext. 12418, or jlopez@ambercare.com.

**Aquatic cardio:** 6:45-7:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department offers a Pound class, rhythmic cardio jam session, combining light resistance with constant simulated drumming. The total body workout fuses cardio, Pilates, isometric movements, plyometrics into a 45-minute series. Info: 575-541-2782.

**Birth, death certificates:** 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, Vital Records Office at the Las Cruces Public Health Office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Closed noon-1 p.m. Info: 575-528-5046.

**Bone Boosters:** 11:30 a.m. first Thursday. Sponsored by National Osteoporosis Foundation/New Mexico Affiliate. Info: 575-522-5106 or 575-522-0503 to RSVP.

**Breast cancer support group:** Meets 10-11:30 a.m. fourth Saturday each month, Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., west side annex building. Free, no pre-registration, open to all.

**Breastfeeding support group:** 10-11:30 a.m. every Friday, Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room. Mama's Milk Club Breastfeeding Support Group. Refreshments provided. Cost: free. Info: 575-521-5393.

**Cancer support group:** 6:30-8 p.m. second and

fourth Tuesday, University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer Care is a support group for those dealing with cancer, (patients, survivors, caregivers, family and friends). Info: Betty Harris, 575-524-3994 or the church office, 575-522-8220.

**Christian meditation:** 5:30-6:20 p.m. Tuesdays at The Bridge, northeast corner of Chaparral Street and East Mesa Avenue; Wednesdays at Nopalito Gallery, 326 S. Mesquite St. "In stillness, silence, emptiness a journey to the inner self, where the Spirit of God abides." Info: Joe Murray 860.514.0548 or joe@haidacher.cc.

**Co-Dependents Anonymous:** 7 p.m. Mondays, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri, Room 107. A 12-step program to let go of unhealthy rescuing behavior. Info: www.coda.org or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

**Dance fitness:** Professional instructor. Class size limited. Cost: \$20-\$45 a month depending on hours attending. Free tryout classes. Info: Call or text, 575 405-4142.

- Dance Fit: 8:30-10 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Ballet: 8-9 a.m. Tuesdays and Fridays.

**Diabetes support group:** 10-11:15 a.m. third Thursday in the meeting room of Natural Grocers, 3970 E. Lohman Ave. Diabetes Educational Support Group meetings provide open discussion and teaching regarding diabetes and a question-and-answer period. Info: 575-522-0289.

**Epilepsy Support:** 1-2:30 p.m. first Saturday of every

month, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Support for anyone with epilepsy, those who have loved ones with epilepsy, and caregivers of epileptics. Info: 505-243-9119 or EpilepsySupportNM.org.

**Flu vaccines:** Immunization Hotline, toll free 866-681-5872, or visit flushot.healthmap.org.

**Immunization services:** For children up to 18, Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at the New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Central Public Health Office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Info: 575-528-5006.

**Jazzercise Lite:** 10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Las Cruces Jazzercise Fitness Center, 3217 El Camino Real. Info: Dianne Sage, 575-650-9721; jazzercise.com.

**MS support group:** 4:30-6 p.m. first Thursday, Social Center Creative Arts Room at Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Multiple sclerosis support/education group. Info/

RSVP: Andres Selgado, 915-433-2588

**Near Death Experience Group:** International Association for Near Death Studies, support group for those who have had an NDE. Experiencers, family and friends welcome, third Monday, Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Infor: Jane at 928-897-0933 or LasCruceslands@gmail.com

**Needle disposal/syringe exchange:** 8:30 a.m.-4:40 p.m. weekdays, Las Cruces Public Health office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Info: 575-528-5090.

**Overeaters Anonymous:** 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. and noon Wednesdays in the library

of St. James Episcopal Church, 1102 St. James Ave. OA is a fellowship of individuals recovering from a compulsive relationship with food. Info: www.oa.org; Barbara, 575-405-0128 or Wayne, 575-647-5684.

**Parkinson's support group:** 10 a.m. third Tuesday at the Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. Info: Sarah Stegall, 575-496-2550; Jon Roberts, 702-217-0450; pdsgsnm.org.

**Reclaim Wellness:** Third Thursday Mini-Fairs 6-9 p.m. at 2201 N. Main St. Features card readers, artists and vendors of organic handmade products. Info: 575-613-1664

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**Savvy Caregiver Program:**

Free seven-session course presented by the Alzheimer's Association, NM Chapter, 2-4 p.m. each Tuesday from Oct. 24-Dec. 5, 2017, hosted by Crossroads In-Home Care, 189 Howard Place. Info, registration: Lindsey Bachman, 575-647-3868 or [lbachman@alz.org](mailto:lbachman@alz.org).

**Sexual Compulsives Anonymous:** 7 p.m. Mondays, Sierra Vista Community Church, 514 N. Telshor Blvd. 12-step fellowship of men and women who

share experiences, strength and hope to solve common problems and help each other recover from sexual compulsion. Info: [www.sca-recovery.org](http://www.sca-recovery.org) or 575-526-9535; also, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, First Christian Church, 1802 El Paseo Road. 12-step fellowship. Info: [www.sca-recovery.org](http://www.sca-recovery.org).

**Sunday Funday:** 3-6 p.m. first Sunday of each month February-October, Plaza de Las Cruces. Cancer Aid Resource and Education Inc., CARE, invites nonprofits, human-service organizations, community groups, art groups, artists, youth groups, vendors, entertainers -- any individual or

entity that has something to offer or showcase to the community. Cost: Free. Download the participant form at [carelascruces.org](http://carelascruces.org).

**Tai Chi class:** 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday, Frank O'Brien Papen Center, 304 W. Bell St. Sponsored by Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Dept. Info: 575-541-2455.

**Yoga classes:** Las Cruces Parks and Recreation department has added two yoga classes at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatics Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Both are on a drop-in basis. Cost: \$2 per class, \$1

for participants 60 or older. Info: 575-541-2782.

• **Power Yoga:** 9:30 a.m. Fridays and 1:30 p.m. Saturdays. This class synchronizes conscious breathing with functional movement and encourages proper alignment of the body.

• **Power Yoga Life:** 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. This flowing class

moves at a slightly slower pace to give more emphasis on proper alignment of the body.

**Zen Buddhist meditation:** 6 p.m. Thursdays, 1605 S. Main St. Walk-ins welcome. Info: 575-541-5660.

**Zumba class:** 10-11 a.m. Saturdays presented by

the City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department, Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Info: 575-541-2782.

**Zumba classes:** 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at MountainView Senior Circle, 3948 Lohman Ave., Suite 1. Info: 575-522-0503.

## Counterculture meets the medical cannabis world

In the words of one of my patients, "I was lost but now I am found"! This is what he said when he confided in me that his visit to a local dispensary was very uncomfortable and left him feeling lost and confused and not cared for at all.

Once I oriented him in the world of the counterculture-meets-the-emerging-medical-cannabis world, he left feeling supported and comfortable. Let's just say, it is a learning curve to enter this new world and it requires trust in someone with experience. For those looking for guidance, I will consult with you confidentially.

In Las Cruces there are now four cannabis dispensaries. They are not open to the general public. Only medical cannabis card holders are allowed to enter and purchase cannabis products. These dispensaries are selling much more than smokeable flower, buds or herb. They are selling hard candy, gummy bears, lollipops, brownies, cookies and more.

Some medical patients and practitioners are not



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The Good Herb

happy with this scenario. The feeling is that selling medicine disguised as candy and cookies is opening up a Pandora's Box. Children do not know the difference. To a child, it looks

like candy and cookies so it must be candy and cookies.

The possibility of misuse or accidental use by minors is now becoming apparent. The dispensaries are also selling concentrates, isolates and more. If you do not know what these terms are, you are not alone; you have entered a counterculture world meeting the emerging medical world.

It used to be that the names of the dispensaries were kept private by NMDOH, but now they are advertising in all media outlets. Some allow people to walk in even though the rules are clear that only card holders are allowed to purchase. In the last couple of years, more and more recreational users are looking for certification into the NM Medical Cannabis Program. NM is not a recreational state yet. It is a medical canna-

bis state.

The point is that there is a lingo in the emerging medical-meets-counterculture world. Medicines have counterculture names: Afghan Kush, Lemon Diesel, Pineapple Express, Bubblegum, Girl Scout Cookies, etc. There are thousands of names and strains of marijuana, all with different names.

Remember, smoking cannabis allows the user to have an instant effect, but it may only last a couple of hours. Ingesting cannabis products is more medicinal. It produces a longer-lasting effect (6-8 hours) but it must be done carefully and with full understanding that it is a drug and you will feel altered.

Let me hear from you. I would like to know what your experience is with the local dispensaries and the products they are selling. Sharing this information helps everyone learn.

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# Bulldawgs win freestyle relay at state meet

## BULLETIN REPORT

In an exciting finish, the Las Cruces High School Bulldawgs upset favored Albuquerque Academy to win the gold medal in the 200-yard freestyle relay by 0.02 seconds at the 2018 NM State Swimming Championships held in Albuquerque.

Each of the four swimmers swam a near-perfect leg.

Senior Jacqueline Cervantes-Vanderlugt led off and took a lead the Dawgs would never relinquish, with a personal best that qualified her for Sectional meets in Washington. Junior Sue Harding swam the fastest leg, showing off her second-place speed in the 50-yard individual freestyle finals earlier. Junior Sierra Ortiz's strong 3rd leg increased the lead that would be imperative as freshman Sarah Gormley hit the water ahead of the fastest freestyle swimmer in the state, All American Academy senior Sarah Vianco. Gormley would swim a personal best and barely held off the charging Vianco.

Earlier, Cervantes-Vanderlugt was 6th in the 100 freestyle and 9th in the 500 freestyle, Harding finished 6th in the 200 freestyle to go with her 2nd in the 50 freestyle, Ortiz was 4th in the 500 freestyle, and Gormley was 6th in the 200 individual medley and 10th in the 100 butterfly. The same foursome were 3rd in the 400 freestyle relay.

Elsewhere, Cervantes-Vanderlugt, Julia Fernald, Ainslie Boswell and Claire McFarrin finished 11th in the 200 individual medley relay. Cervantes-Vanderlugt was 15th in the 200 freestyle and 13th in the 500 freestyle. And



COURTESY PHOTO

**The LCHS freestyle relay team is all smiles after winning state in Albuquerque. The girls, with their gold medals, are shown with Coach Mo Modero and Head Coach Adrian Law.**

McFarrin finished 16th in the 100 freestyle. The girls' team finished 5th overall.

On the boys' side, the quartet of sophomore Asa Mynatt, senior Kean Leung,

freshman Stephen Ewing and junior Sean Claeys were 7th in both the 200 freestyle and 400 freestyle relays. Ewing was 11th in the 200 freestyle and 12th in the 500 freestyle,

while Claeys was 13th in the 50 freestyle and 10th in the 100 freestyle. The boys placed 11th overall.

These swimmers swim year-round on local club teams, Las

Cruces Aquatic and Wild West Aquatics. Las Cruces's swimming tradition continues to produce numerous state, collegiate, national and Olympic trials contenders.

# Meet the team: CGA Boys' Gymnastics

*Editor's note: The boys' gymnastics team at Cruces Gymnastics Academy (CGA) will compete in Albuquerque mid-March, and qualified gymnasts move onto regional competition in Cheyenne, Wyoming, the first weekend of April. The boys compete in six events: floor, pommel horse, still rings, vault, parallel bars and horizontal bar. In USA Gymnastics, men's competitive skill levels range from 4 through 10. At CGA, the levels by the current boys' team are 4 through 7.*



COURTESY PHOTOS

## TIEGAN JORDAN

Tiegan Jordan is 12 years old and a level 7 gymnast. He has been competing for five years,

## Tiegan Jordan

but from the first moment Tiegan stepped into a gym at age 5, it was love at first sight.

"I wanted to be upside down; it was amazing!" Tiegan said of wanting to join the gym.

He begged anyone who would listen to join the team but had to wait two years. His accomplishments include first all-around athlete (level 5) – the highest score for all six events combined – at the state meet and eighth all-around at regional competition, which included New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming and Utah. At Level 6, he placed second all-around at state and qualified for regionals. At Level 7, Tiegan nabbed a variety of first- and second-place spots. At the Junior Rocky Mountain Open (JRMO) in Colorado Springs, Colorado, he took second on parallel bars and sixth all-around.

Now, as a level 7, Tie-

gan says gymnastics "gets my energy out in a fun and dangerous way that is accepted by society!"

He is known for his strong competitive nature but shares genuine joy when his teammates and other competitors succeed. Tiegan's favorite event is floor, but he enjoys watching horizontal bar. He also enjoys BMX (bicycle motocross) and aerial acrobatics.

## GAGE BINNS

Gage Binns is 7 years old and a level 4 gymnast, and it's his first year on the team. Level 4 gymnasts do not compete individually, so his current focus is to improve his individual scores in every gym meet by up to two points and perform difficult bonus skills for his level.

At the Chile Warrior

Challenge, held Feb. 17 in Las Cruces, Binns scores were high.

He is a fraternal twin, and his sibling is also on the CGA team.

Since beginning gymnastics, his family has seen an incredible change in Gage: significant increase in strength and muscle tone, an increase in discipline and responsibility, and gym has helped Gage to be goal-oriented. Gage is analytical, thinks before he speaks, questions everything and has a talent for designing and building. He once designed and built (with his brother) a boy-sized space ship out of wood scraps where the pieces fit together without nails or screws, and the boys could play inside. Gage's favorite event is rings because "I'm good at it, and it's fun!"

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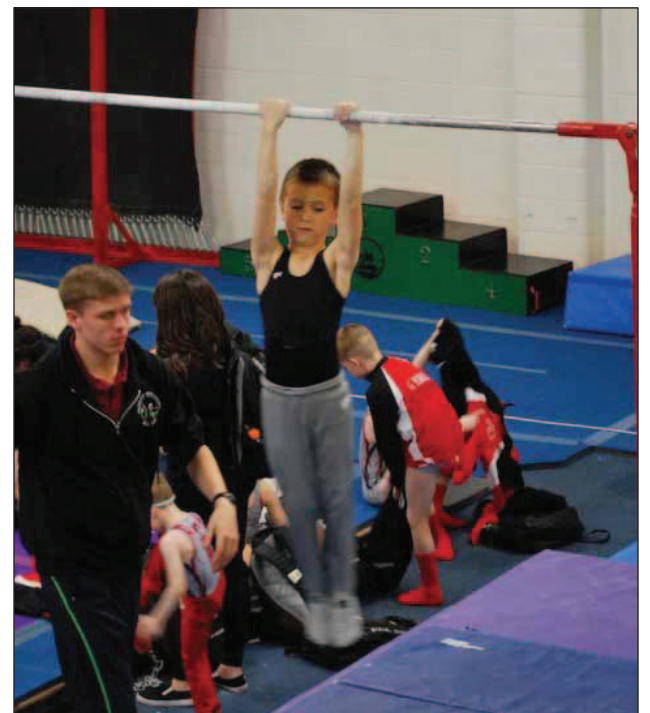
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Gage Binns

# Are your golf clubs real or fake?

If you bought your golf clubs on the internet you may have purchased fakes. High-end, brand-name golf clubs are like anything else valuable – perfume, dresses, watches, electronics, jewelry – and counterfeit goods are rampant. If the price is “too good to be true” it probably is.

All the major club companies have been affected. When I attended the PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando a few weeks ago there was an entire booth set up to show how counterfeit clubs may be discerned from the real thing; it was promoted by U.S. Manufacturers Anti-Counterfeiting Working Group.

It should be noted that



**CHARLIE BLANCHARD**  
Golf Doctor

there is a significant difference between “knockoffs” which mimic or resemble branded clubs, but are not the same – e.g. “king snake” vs. King Cobra – and counterfeits that are intended to fool the consumer into believing they are buying the real thing. The market for knockoffs constitutes a huge and lucrative piece of the golf industry and represents a shadowy form of deception.

The vast majority of club heads and shafts (among other golf equipment) are manufactured by tooling factories in Asia, mainly China. Hence, the designs, specifications and molds get stolen, and later the product is reproduced in a

strikingly lookalike form. This has been going on for decades.

It began in Taiwan in the early 1980s. When Taiwan got tough in the mid-1990s, counterfeit exploded in mainland China, powered by a vast, low-paid labor pool. Clever engineers, presented with stolen blueprints, can produce slick-looking fakes with astonishing speed. Busts by undercover snoops have been made over the years but nothing has stopped the counterfeit trade. One industry blog noted that a counterfeiter stands the biggest chance of being arrested after failing to pay off a government official.

It is not as though Chinese authorities are unaware of the thefts of American brands. China (and others) does not

have the same regard for either the concept or the morality of “intellectual property” as does the West. Not even close. Chinese inspectors, often accompanied by U.S. club manufacturer agents, routinely raid retail shops and factories. But this hidden network, estimated at tens of billions of dollars annually, has a wide global reach. An attorney for a major U.S. brand likened the raids to a game of Whack-a-Mole: “You knock down a target, and another pops up somewhere else.” He adds, “We’ve made some progress, but we’ll never be able to stop the problem. We can only hope to control it.”

So how do you avoid

buying counterfeit clubs? At the PGA Show they displayed numerous examples of counterfeit clubs in side-by-side comparisons. Yet, when you’re buying a set of clubs, or even a single club, from a retail store or online site you really can’t see that type of comparison. Some of the signs inspectors look for are serial numbers, brand-specific ferrules, fine details of lettering, paint, fonts and logos, and close-up photos. Mostly, if the price suggests it’s an out-of-this-world deal, it’s probably a fake. If you are buying from a retail store ask for a guarantee that the product is real. But retailers are now getting scammed too! You can

contact the manufacturer directly or check out these web sites: [myspygolf.com](http://myspygolf.com)-fake-counterfeit-golf-clubs; or [golfclubbrokers.com/home/counterfeit-clubs](http://golfclubbrokers.com/home/counterfeit-clubs) for images of many side-by-side comparisons.

One investigation of fakes several years ago concluded: “Counterfeiting is so ingrained in the Chinese business culture that the perpetrators seldom feel they’re doing anything wrong.”

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## District champs



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Mesilla Valley Christian School beat Lordsburg Feb. 24 for the 2A District 3 title, 73-42. Hunter Conn (holding the district trophy), a 6-4 senior guard, had 18 points, 11 rebounds, four assists and four steals. Michael Johnson (No. 22), a 5-10 junior guard, totaled 17 points, four assists, three steals and three blocked shots. Nolan Nunley (No. 30), a 6-3 sophomore forward, led the team in scoring with 19, adding nine rebounds. Noah Coyle (No. 10) chipped in with seven points, five rebounds and five assists. The SonBlazers, riding a 12-game winning streak, are seeded No. 3 in the state tournament and play 14th-seed To'hajiilee in the 2A round of 16 at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 3. The winner goes to the state quarterfinals against the winner of Logan and Tse' Yi' Gai.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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The LCHS Swim Team of Susan Harding (Jr.), Sierra Ortiz (Jr.), Sarah Gormley (Fresh) and Jacqueline Cervantes-Vanderlugt (Sr.) made quite the splash at the state swim meet by claiming the STATE TITLE in the 200 yd. free style relay defeating an unbeaten Albuquerque Academy team by .02 seconds. These young ladies also brought home a 3rd place medal in the 400 yd. free style relay. With a combined GPA of 4.0 these young ladies are dedicated, humble, encouraging and determined. The future is bright for the LCHS swim program and these student athlete's as they look to defend their state title next year.



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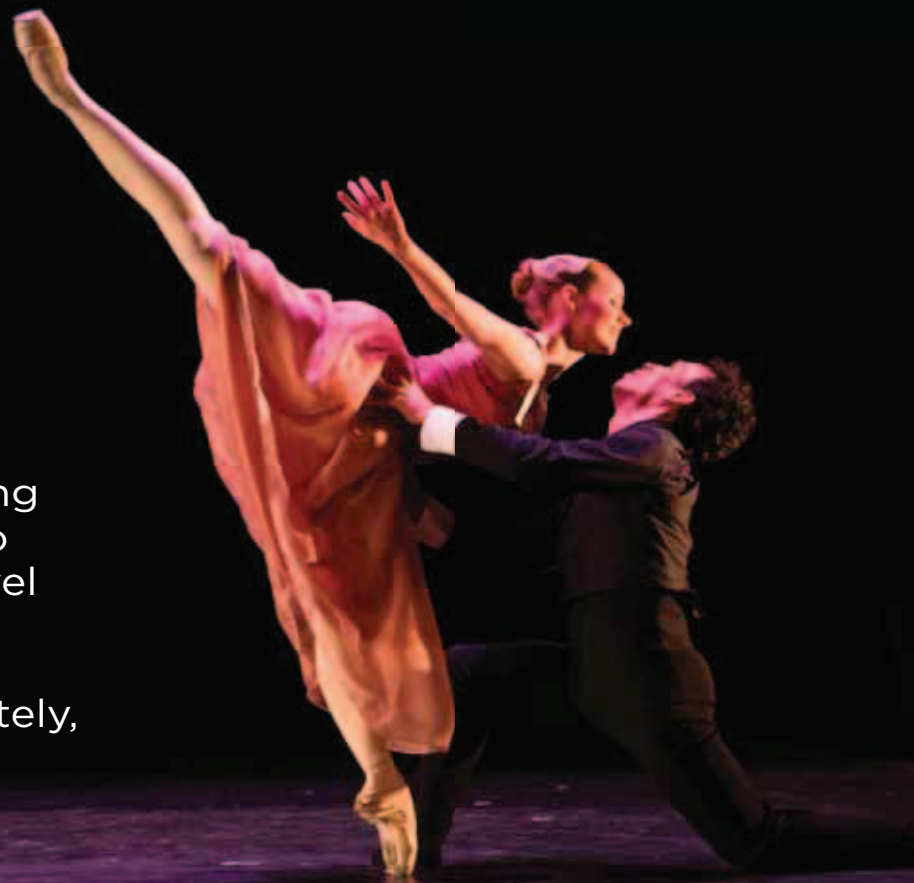
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