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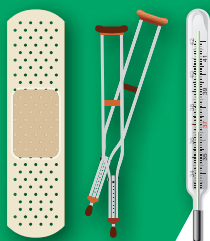
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Carrying a United States flag, Curtis Rosemond — president and CEO with the Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce — leads Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima, center, and others during the Martin Luther King Jr. March, Monday, Jan. 16 in downtown Las Cruces. In conjunction with a federal holiday, the march was held the day after what would have been the Civil Rights leader's 88th birthday. King was struck down by an assassin's bullet on April 4, 1968 at age 39. For coverage of the MLK Breakfast, see Page 4; for more photos of the march, see Page 20.

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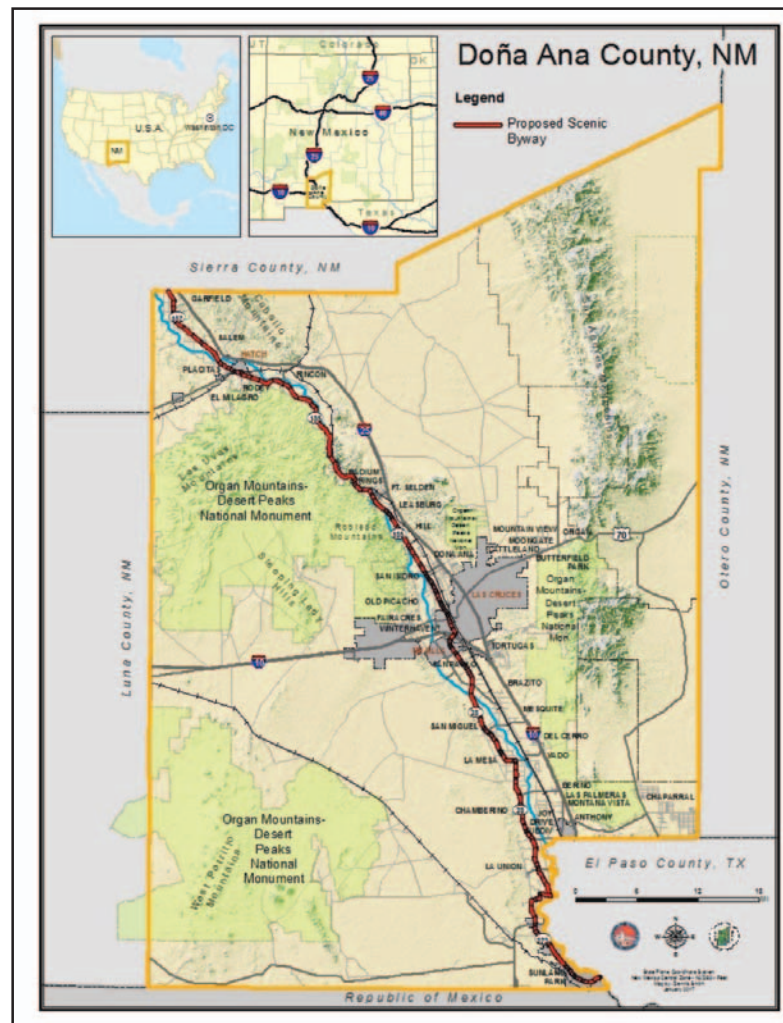
Contest aims to rename highway

Following two community meetings at which a variety of topics were discussed, District 5 Doña Ana County Commissioner John L. Vasquez is teaming up with some of Doña Ana County's legislative delegation to ask Doña Ana County residents to assist with an initiative to rename the roadway connecting Garfield to the City of Sunland Park.

The series of roads in question includes N.M. 187 between Garfield and Hatch, as well as N.M. 185 between Hatch and Las Cruces, and then N.M. 28 between Las Cruces/Mesilla and the City of Sunland Park.

"This scenic stretch of road is emblematic of Doña Ana County's beauty and diversity of uses," Vasquez said. "At our recent community meetings in Hatch and Doña Ana, Sen. Jeff Steinborn, Representatives Rudy Martinez and Nathan Small and I started tossing this idea around as a way to benefit our constituents. We collectively believe that if we can brand it with a memorable name, we can use that name to market the route to tourists and locals alike, thereby invigorating rural businesses and our unique communities."

Because the entire route is made up of state highways, Vasquez said that once a name for the route is chosen, he, Steinborn, Martinez and Small will lead an effort to have the New Mexico Legislature and New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez support the initiative and authorize the appropriate signage.



"We have wonderfully creative people throughout Doña Ana County whose minds we want to engage to find a simple but memorable name for this fascinating stretch of highway that bisects our county from north to south," Vasquez said. "Once we name it, we can market it, and then I firmly believe that, working together, we can make it beneficial for everyone concerned."

Vasquez said he will propose that he and his partners in the venture announce the winner of the naming contest at an upcoming meeting of the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners, at which point that person can be formally recognized and presented with a proclamation designating a day in his or her honor throughout Doña Ana County.

"We envision new and continuing festivals — large and small — coming together along this beautiful corridor, at churches and community centers and vineyards and other venues," Vasquez said.

To submit an entry, fax it to (575) 525-5948, send it by mail to the Doña Ana County Special Projects Office at 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, N.M. 88007, or send it via email to input@donaanacounty.org with the words "Name The Road" in the subject line. The deadline for receipt of entries is Friday, Feb. 24, 2017.

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POLICE REPORTS

Dispute results in gunfire

Las Cruces Police arrested a man suspected of pistol-whipping a neighbor and firing at least two rounds during a dispute Thursday evening. Dewitt Powells, 59, of the 200 block of Avenida de Mesilla, is charged with one count each of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Shortly before 9 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 12, officers learned that Powells was armed with a handgun when he went to a neighbor's home and began arguing with the 20-year-old man. Detectives learned that during the argument, Powells used the handgun to strike the 20-year-old's head. Powells is also suspected of firing at least two rounds during the confrontation.

Men rob deliveryman

Las Cruces Police are asking for the public's help in identifying two men who robbed a sandwich deliveryman at gunpoint. The incident occurred at about 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, in the parking lot of an apartment complex at 2600 E. Idaho Ave. The 21-year-old Jimmy John's employee made a delivery and was returning to his vehicle when he was approached by two men, one of whom was armed with a handgun. The deliveryman was thrown to the ground and one of the men displayed a handgun and demanded money. The two suspects obtained a small amount of cash and were last seen running eastbound on Idaho. The employee was not seriously injured. Anyone with information that can help identify the suspects is asked to call police at 575-526-0795.

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Remarks by Pearce, new city manager highlight Martin Luther King Jr. breakfast

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“Thank you for remembering the sacrifice of Dr. King,” U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce, R-N.M., told members and guests of the Doña Ana County branch of the NAACP during the annual Martin Luther King breakfast.

The breakfast was held Monday morning, Jan. 16, the day after what would have been King’s 88th birthday. He was struck down by an assassin’s bullet on April 4, 1968 at age 39.

The breakfast was held at Hotel Encanto. “Tapping into the human spirit is what Dr. King did,” Pearce said. “You and I have a choice to reach across every line that divides us. Yes, we have things that divide us, but we are one.”

“There is more division today and more concern for our future than I have seen in my adult life,” Las Cruces City Manager Stuart Ed said during his keynote remarks at the breakfast. “The challenges are as alive today as they ever were.”

“We all have a responsibility to uphold the legacy of Dr. King,” Ed said. “It starts with us as individuals to make sure the message of Dr. King is always honored. We have to watch out for one another and accept only honesty, humanity and kindness to one another.”

Ed said Lt. Gen (Ret.) Emmitt Paige, who is black, was his father’s commander during much of the elder Ed’s military career. Paige, he said, had a great “influence on my father,” and that influence was passed on to him by his father. In fact, Ed said, the first time he met Paige, the retired general “challenged me to be the man that my father was.”

“We’re all equal,” Ed said.

Paige had a 41-year career in the U.S. Army and served as assistant secretary of defense for Networks and Information Integration. He commanded the 361st Signal Battalion in Vietnam and also served in Korea.

Ed’s father, Robert C. Ed, who retired as a colonel, served three tours of duty in Vietnam.

City Councillor Jack Eakman read a city pro-

clamation declaring Jan. 15 as Martin Luther King Day in Las Cruces.

“We must commit ourselves to the principles of justice and equality, following the example of Martin Luther King,” Eakman said.

County Manager Julia Brown presented DAC NAACP with a certificate of special recognition “on the occasion of Martin Luther King’s birthday.” She also was recognized as a recipient of the 2016 Presidential Lifetime Achievement award. Brown was one of 65 people nationwide to receive the award.

Community activist Frances Williams, who has lived in Las Cruces for 64 years, was presented with the DAC NAACP 2017 Freedom Fighter award.

Williams, who started the first affirmative action program for women at White Sands Missile Range in 1969, said “the whole world has to come to Las Cruces and Doña Ana County to see the diversity of this community.”

“This is indeed an overwhelming honor for me,” Williams said in accepting the award. Williams said she joined the NAACP in 1950 while living in Gulf Port, Mississippi.

Las Cruces Police Chief Jaime Montoya received the DAC NAACP’s 2017 Community Hero award. He has been a police officer with LCPD for 25 years and became chief in December 2013.

“He is someone that will listen,” Third Judicial District Presiding Judge Fernando Macias said in presenting the award to Montoya. “He’s someone you can talk with.”


“I only did what my parents taught me to do,” Montoya said. “I really felt passion about helping people” when he became a police officer in 1991. His goal has been to bring that passion to his service as

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Mayfield student wins Martin Luther King essay, poetry contest

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"In the face of injustice and division, we must fight for what is just," Mayfield High School student Mireya Sanchez-Maes told the audience at the Doña Ana County branch of the NAACP's annual Martin Luther King breakfast.

Sanchez-Maes was the winner of this year's Martin Luther King Jr. essay and poetry contest, sponsored by DAC NAACP and Woodmen of the World.

This year's contest, which was open to high school students throughout the county, drew more than 30 entrants, said DAC NAACP board member Alonzo Moore.

The second-place winner was Andrew Angel of Centennial High School. Third place went to Centennial's Kaden Taylor. Caitlyn Larson of

Arrowhead Park Early College High School received an honorable mention award.

Using this year's theme of "Dr. King's influence on me," Sanchez-Maes said King, Henry David Thoreau and Gandhi "went out and changed the world. Sometimes, the most powerful voice isn't the one at the podium," she said.

"Your voice is your agent of change," Sanchez-Maes said. "My voice is knowledge; standing up for someone who can't stand up for themselves," she said.

"When the world is dark and unforgiving, show it love as Dr. King did," said Angel in his essay.

All three contest winners received plaques. Sanchez-Maes also received a \$200 cash prize, while Angel received \$100 and Taylor received \$50.

vice president of the state NAACP. Sam Bone of Las Cruces is NAACP state president. DAC NAACP vice presidents are Dr. Bobbie Green, Dr. Liz Rodriguez-Johnson and Jo Bob Sellers. Terry Tolbert is the treasurer, and Sarah Addison is the secretary.

For more information, visit <http://naacpdo-naana.org/>, and find them on Facebook at NAACP - Dona Ana County Branch #6102.

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chief of police.

Founded on Feb. 12, 1909, the NAACP is the nation's oldest and largest civil rights organization.

DAC NAACP meets at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Hilton Garden Inn in Las Cruces. Curtis Rosemond is the chapter president and is also

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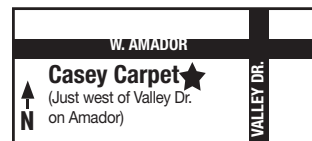
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A bid farewell to journalism

As a 12-year-old in the gifted program in the Ligonier (Pa.) School District, I was bused once a week from the small, small town of Stahlstown to the metropolis (about 1,000 souls) of Ligonier for special education classes.

There we did a lot of fun activities: We worked on computers – hey, that was a big deal in 1984 – we took and developed photographs, we dissected frogs, we created an elementary school television newscast.

What I enjoyed the most, though, was publishing a student newspaper. Sure, it was just photocopied pages on colored paper, but dang I was proud.

While other 11-year-olds wrote about school lunch issues and such, I wrote a piece about the 1984 Democrat primary race. I wanted to know what Walter Mondale, Gary Hart, Jesse Jackson and the others thought about the plan to mothball the B-2 bomber.

Even then I was a news devotee.

Thirty-three years later, I am hanging up my pen (well, keyboard.) You see, it is time to move on after more than a quarter century in professional journalism – most of it in Las Cruces.

Wednesday, Jan. 18, was my last day as managing editor of the Las Cruces Bulletin after more than two years with this great publication. Before that, I

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served as sports writer, sports editor and business editor with the Las Cruces Sun-News. Previously I worked for the Farmington Times, the Gettysburg Times in Pennsylvania, as well as The Penn, the student paper at my alma mater, Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

I cannot even guess how many stories I've written, but certainly the number is well into the thousands. I've interviewed famous folks and discovered they are just folks – and often shorter than I imagined.

I told a joke and laughed loudly while a colleague was interviewing then-presidential candidate Barack Obama on the phone next to me – I was told to “Keep it down.”

I've eaten out of vending machines and at fancy restaurants in the same week, all the while with a pen behind my ear and a notebook in my back pocket. Fast-food drive-thrus, for good or for naught, have been my close friend.

I could not even begin to tell you how much coffee I've drunk or how many post-deadline happy hours I've enjoyed with fellow journalists. There

were the late-night and early-morning calls from bosses about breaking news, and the countless times I've heard a siren, or seen smoke in the air, and drove to the “scene” to see if something newsworthy was happening.

I've been called knucklehead, stupid, biased, imbecilic, uninformed, condescending, too slow, too fast and a whole host of other names best left unwritten.

I've also won numerous awards such as Best Small Business Journalist in the State, Best Sports Column in the State and a long string of Best Columnist awards as voted upon by readers.

People would incessantly lean into me at church and ask when Olive Garden would open in Las Cruces. People would call me up to shoot the breeze on subjects such as Aggie basketball, the city council or, even once, about the plan by the Chinese to invade the U.S. by sneaking soldiers across the border from Mexico in shipping crates.

I've learned so much from people and I've laughed with them, wanted to cry with them – maybe a tear or two actually slipped out from time to time – and I even once smashed a tape dispenser against a wall and watched it shatter and spray sand all over my desk and keyboard. (That happened during a busy afternoon in the news-

room; everyone stopped typing for a moment, looked my way, and then went back to typing.)

Being a journalist is the most fulfilling and frustrating career a person can undertake. You might interview the governor and then write up a press release about a church pot luck, all within the same hour. And both are very important to the readers.

So you see, I will miss the business. For many journalists, the career is not just a job, but a calling. Sure, your shirt might be partially untucked, a food stain might grace your tie and a bunch of papers and media guides and folders and magazines are often stacked precariously on your desk, but you are a warrior of the word. You bring news to the masses. You report.

I will not report anymore – well, maybe not, you never know – and I'm OK with the situation. I've had a good run. I will miss the trade for sure, but I'm excited about doing something else with my life too. What will that be? Well, I've got a bunch of balls in the air at the moment, but things should clear up for me soon.

Thank you to everyone who ever read my stories, called me, emailed me or even stopped by to say ‘Hi’ or complain. I've learned from all of you and am a better man for the experience.

Goodbye journalism. Hello whatever comes next.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'We have a mess to fix'

As we move into our 60-day legislative session, we have a mess to fix. Unreality is high on columnists' lists so far on the budget. What will the Legislature do? Between Paul Gessing and Dr. Swickard, we sometimes wonder what's next - just except more general cutting and no new revenue. That is not the way to a sane NM economy. That's tried-and-true failure. NM's best interests lie in fixing the economy. Cutting spending in general, no. Try revenue.

Between everything I read and hear, another questionable legislative session and an unmovable rock may be the result of the next 60 days. Some of the Democratic leadership is still part of the problem.

Our columnists complain of an expanding government. How terrible. Where?

It's OK to cut teachers' take-home pay and sweep away all unused school reserves to gain shortfall filling cash. Not. NM schools are hurting overall. Education expenditures are slipping. Decreasing services to our taxpayers is insupportable. Please fix disastrous court defunding among others.

Any solution must look at targeted cuts at state and school administrative levels, not frontline workers and programs - these should be increased. Madam Governor, if you want a functioning NM for all, new revenue streams - legalize marijuana, raise gasoline taxes - are part of the mix. Taxes on the rich? We know that this is an unmovable barrier. You are not helping. Funds must go to frontline folks, not bean counters. And that also means bettering our workforce.

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During a three-day period earlier this month, I did a telephone interview with two actors I've watched on television for years; I interviewed Bishop Ricardo Ramirez and Monsignor Robert Getz in person about their amazing lives and their latest ventures as authors; I took a ride on a 1945 B17 fighter aircraft and stared at the bomb bay pondering what it must have been like for the pilots and crews of these flying fortresses



MIKE COOK
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in World War II; I interviewed a 91-year-old artist and visited her beautiful home gallery and met her cat, Cisco; I talked to volunteers for the city's Food 4 Paws program as

they prepared to deliver dog and cat food to the pets of some city Meals on Wheels clients; I listened to an informative discussion by City Parks and Recreation Department staff about preparing city ball fields for the coming outdoor sports season; I had an incredibly delicious and gluten-

free lunch at Salud! de Mesilla; and I got to watch a remarkable production of "Beauty and the Beast" at New Mexico State University that took my breath away and made me laugh and cry.

I also attended a work session of the city council and listened to a thoughtful discussion about city boards and commissions, as well as new City Manager Stuart Ed's proposed reorganization of city government.

And I had the pleasure of interviewing Dave Lynch, president of the local chapter of the AARP, which I just joined for the princely sum of \$5. I discovered that the RP in AARP now stands for "real pos-

sibilities"; and, hearing Dave's enthusiasm for the many things AARP is involved in, I am not quite as daunted as I was about turning 60 in a few months.

My first thought on rereading this list is, How lucky am I? There are so many remarkable, caring, passionate people in this community, and I get to meet them and tell their stories.

Some of them are famous, like Charley Johnson, Garrey Carruthers and Mark Medoff. Some have strong local and regional followings, like Bob Diven, Megan McQueen, Heather Pollard, John and Diane Schutz, magician Chris Mitchell and Las Cruces Public Schools' Jo Galvan.

Others you may not know so well, like Food 4 Paws volunteer Nancy Lee Wertz or mental health advocate Micah Pearson or actors David Edwards and Brandon Brown or Mesilla Valley Hospice nurse Lennie Brown or Las Cruces High School librarian Kim Barany or St. Paul's United Methodist Church music director Doug

Weeks or pilot Wes Baker or Sally and Albert Rel, my wonderful retired neighbors. But they are all here and they are all colorful threads in the tapestry we are weaving together.

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On and on it goes with them happily flaming each other and then being enraged by the flame backs. Meanwhile, I am listening to a nice song on the radio and waiting for them to come back to driving which may take a light or two depending on how many people they are calling poo-poo heads.

Gee Michael, why don't you engage your horn? I was born in New Mexico and have spent much of my time in

a ranching environment. We blow our horns to warn of danger and not otherwise. I don't blow my horn to wave, chide someone or to announce I am in the driveway waiting. I just do not do it.

So, I sit peacefully until they come back to consciousness in their car. Often, they look up and see that the light has turned green so they drive through the yellow light or even the red. After getting through the intersection they glance down to see someone has called them a poo-poo head so they text while driving.

By golly, that behavior is dangerous. And if you want to write the word "Stupid" on your forehead you can spend some time telling them that they should not text and drive. They will do until death, which is closer to them than if they are in a war zone.

This is why I want self-driving cars and I want them now. It is the only thing that will save our youth. They could spend the whole trip like they spend the rest of their time: you a poo-poo head. No, you a poo-poo head. All these current people know how to do is to flame. You cannot have a conversation with them because all they know is to flame people.

I am not kidding. Every day there are more tragic deaths because texting and smart phones are an addiction. It's amazing to watch a young person if my smart

phone rings and I don't answer it. First they start sweating. Then they get restless leg syndrome. They can't stand that I am ignoring a call or text. When I get where I'm going I'll check it but not before.

If we put the vast resources of our great country into having self-driving cars it will take a bit of trust that the technology really works. But I see problems for the youngsters. First, it will be programmed to go the speed limit and no more. Many youngsters have never gone the speed limit. It will be a shock to them.

Next, it will be hard to do scummy stuff like road rage. The self-driving cars will ignore the command to cut someone off or menace a car. The rage-addicted drivers will need sedation because the programming will not allow those behaviors.

But now we can go down the road eating nachos and drinking an adult beverage if we so desire. I don't know anyone who can drive and eat corn-on-the-cob. It takes two hands and then some. The programming could even enforce seatbelt laws. Think of how safe we will all be.

Me, I would prefer to drive myself since I have driven for 50 years without an accident or ticket. Partially, it is because I am a calm driver and part just luck. But my luck would increase if we put those texters into self-driving cars.



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Grant will help food production, says La Semilla, Green Chamber

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The \$500,000 U.S. Department of Agriculture Local Food Production program grant received

by La Semilla Food Center in Anthony, New Mexico will provide “an opportunity to support our local food entrepreneurs,” said Las

Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce CEO and President Carrie Hamblen.

“We are ready to post job descriptions for a marketing and promotions specialist and a local foods business specialist, both positions designed to help our food entrepreneurs connect with valuable resources, learn best practices for creating a long-term, sustainable business, and really hone their business sense,” Hamblen said.

“The USDA grant really supports the mission of our agency,” said La Semilla Executive Director Aaron Sharrat. “Farms are struggling to reach profitability; nearly all the raw food grown is for export;

and very little has been done to market and promote local foods,” he said.

“La Semilla Food Center has laid groundwork to close this ‘food gap’ by now addressing the ‘food en-

“La Semilla Food Center has laid groundwork to close this ‘food gap’ by now addressing the ‘food enterprise development gap.’”

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La Semilla executive director

terprise development gap.’ This grant will help us meet the pressing need to support our local and regional food business entrepreneurs with outreach, business and marketing, training, and technical assistance,” Sharrat said.

La Semilla was awarded the grant last September. It requires a \$166,667 match.

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Early voting in school board election continues

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Three seats are on the ballot for the Las Cruces Public Schools board of education, and early voting is underway and continues through Friday, Feb. 3. Election day is Tuesday, Feb. 7.

Early voting takes place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (through the lunch hour) Monday through Friday at the Doña Ana County Government

Center, Room 111, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

Voting convenience centers will be open on election day for all eligible voters in school districts 1, 2 and 3. If you live in any of the districts on the ballot, you can vote at any one of the convenience centers:

Jornada Elementary, 3400 Elks Drive; Mayfield High School, 1955 N. Valley Drive; Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho

Ave.; Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 111; Lynn Middle School, 950 S. Walnut St.; Tombaugh Elementary School, 226 Carver Road; Las Alturas Fire Station, 4145 Cholla Road; Hillrise Elementary School, 1400 South Curnutt St.; and University Hills Elementary School, 2005 S. Locust St.

You must be a registered voter to cast a ballot, and you must live in

one of the districts that will be on the ballot. Jan. 10 was the last day to register to vote in the school board election.

To determine which district you live in, visit the LCPS website at <http://lcps.k12.nm.us/>, click on "School Board" in the left-hand column, then click on "District Maps" and "Map of Board of Education Districts, 1-5."

The LCPS board of education has five seats, with members serving four-year terms. Three seats are up in 2017, and two incumbents are retiring from the board. School board elections are nonpartisan, and there are no runoffs. Which-

ever candidate receives the most votes in each race wins that seat.

"Traditionally, school board elections get very low voter turnout, which is disappointing," said Jo Galvan, LCPS chief communications officer. "School board members determine the policies that govern our entire educational system and they set the budget that operates our schools. Hopefully, more voters will recognize the importance of this election and will cast their vote."

In District 1, the only candidate on the ballot is Ray (Ray J.) Jaramillo.

In District 2, incumbent Barbara Hall is

not running for re-election. There are four candidates on the ballot in this race: Allison K. Smith, Terrie Dallman, Ronald James Fitzherbert and Charles R. Wendler; however, Wendler has dropped out of the race.

In District 3, incumbent and current board president Maria A. Flores is seeking re-election. Also on the ballot in district three are Wanda R. Bowman, Mary Lou Barrio and Gerald Michael Miller.

For more information, call the county Bureau of Elections at 575-647-7428. Visit <https://donaanacounty.org/elections/2017-School-Board-Elections>.

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'America's Most Trusted Horseman' coming to Las Cruces on Feb. 14



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BULLETIN REPORT

A four-hour demonstration and question and answer session by one of the equine industry's leading teachers is planned for 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14 on Las Cruces' east mesa.

John Lyons, who is known as "America's most trusted horseman" will pass on his proven horse training methods during an afternoon demonstration workshop at Red Sky Farm, 7440 Arroyo Seco. The lifelong horseman, who continues to learn as he teaches, encourages participants to sign up for a chance to find the answers to persistent horse training questions and to learn to develop a successful relationship, friendship and performance with your horse.

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Food 4 Paws of Las Cruces volunteer Irma Telles, right, delivers dog food to city Meals on Wheels client Esther Ballesteros, who is partially blind. The food is for Ballesteros' dog, Mikey.

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MIKE COOK



Hearts 4 Paws pet food drive underway; special event happens Feb. 11

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

The City of Las Cruces Hearts 4 Paws program is conducting a pet food drive to collect dog and cat food donations for more than 80 pets of clients served by the city's Meals on Wheels program, said city Nutrition and Meals Services Program Manager Roger Bishop.

The drive will begin Wednesday, Feb. 1, with collection boxes located at sites around the city. In addition to pet food, donations of pet supplies, including kitty litter, also is welcomed, Bishop said.

Volunteers gather at the Eastside Community Center, 310 N. Tornillo St., every two weeks to collect and package pet food and deliver it to participating clients, Bishop said.

Funding is provided by a small grant from the Meals on Wheels America program, and supplemented by support from the Action Program for Animals of Las Cruces and the Banfield Charitable Trust, he said. Funding for the program is "year-to-year," Bishop said, and the city would like to continue it.

"We're really focused on building our pet-food bank up," Bishop said.

Collection boxes will be located at these sites beginning Feb. 1: Eastside Community Center, 310 N. Tornillo St.; Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road; Frank O'Brien Papan Community Center, 304 W. Bell Ave.; Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.; Sage Café, 6121 Reynolds Drive; Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.; Meerschheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave.; Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave.; Las Cruces City Hall, 700 N. Main St.; Las Cruces Convention and Visitors Bureau, 211 N. Water St.; Better Life Pet Foods, 365 Avenida de Mesilla; Petco Animal Supplies, 3050 East Lohman Ave., Bldg. D; Peace Lutheran Church, 1701

"A lot of our clients live alone. Animals are their only companionship."

ROGER BISHOP

Nutrition and meals services program manager

Missouri Ave.; Tractor Supply Co., 1440 W. Picacho Ave.; Lowe's Fiesta Foods, 2180 N. Main St.; Pet's Barn, 1600 S. Valley Drive; PetSmart, 2200 E. Lohman Ave.; and Horse N Hound Feed N Supply, 991 W. Amador Ave.

The collection boxes are being decorated by volunteers from Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Las Cruces, said City Volunteer Coordinator Ryan Steinmetz. The whole pet-food donation program is "really involving a lot of community partners," he said.

Community groups will gather at a number of the drop-off locations from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, Bishop said. Participants will include New Mexico State University students, 4-H members, Latter Day Saints missionaries, city Juvenile Citation Program participants and others.

The event will be held just before Valentine's Day as a "reminder that we love our pets and that they're very important, especially to our Meals on Wheels recipients," Bishop said. "We want to make sure everyone in the family has food," he said.

"A lot of our clients live alone," Bishop said. "Animals are their only companionship."

"A lot of the clients are glad we're providing for their animals," said Irma Telles, one of five volunteers who helps deliver the pet food every other week.

"The animals recognize us now," said volunteer Bonnie Gonzales.

For more information, contact Bishop at 575-528-3013 or rbishop@las-cruces.org.

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Paws on the Patio



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Waiter Jordan Wright of Farley's, Assistant Manager Santa Ochoa and General Manager Amber Lundquist, pose with dogs Nasa Ella and Jagger, both of whom are up for adoption. The event, Paws on the Patio, to featuring seeking forever homes, was held at Farley's, Saturday, Jan. 14.

LEFT: Alex Weaver, one of the Farley's managers, hangs out with Stella, who hopes to be adopted.



Paws on the Patio participant, Liza, is the puppy of one of the 2016 "Wizard of Oz" Totos.



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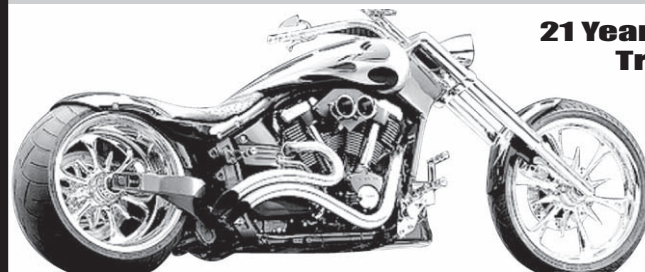
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RIGHT: World War II pilot Bill Shade takes a ride in the B-17 Flying Fortress Aluminum Overcast that visited Las Cruces recently. Shade was one of the people who visited the Las Cruces International Airport to climb inside or even ride in the WWII-era aircraft.



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City to revisit management of Rio Grande Theatre

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) Executive Director Kathleen Albers said the Las Cruces City Council will hear a proposal from city staff about management of the Rio Grande Theatre (RGT) at its Monday, Feb. 13 work session.

Albers said she and other local arts advocates met with City Manager Stuart Ed earlier this month to discuss theater management.

“What came out of that meeting is that city staff will introduce a proposal at a city council work session on Feb. 13 regarding the management of RGT starting July 1, 2017,” she said. “The city council will ultimately make the decision regarding whether to renew DAAC’s contract for year four of our five-year RGT management agreement, or to go in a different direction.

“Mr. Ed assured us that the city would

honor the contract that is in place, and the arts council will not be forced to vacate our offices by March 1, 2017,” Albers said.

“We will be providing various options for mayor and council to consider,” Ed said.

Ed raised the issue of changing theatre management at the city council’s Dec. 12 work session, proposing turning theatre management over to the Las Cruces Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB), and suggested the CVB might move from the building it currently leases on Water Street into RGT by March 1 and stay there until new CVB offices are finished in October.

At the council’s Jan. 9 regular meeting, Ed said the city will honor its current contract with DAAC for RGT management “unless they and we decide to change.” He also proposed moving theater oversight from the city Facilities Management Department

to a newly expanded Economic Development Department.

“The arts council has raised the funds, renovated the theatre, and operated it for the past 11 years,” Albers said. “No matter what transpires in the next few months, DAAC remains committed to the future of RGT and to developing the cultural, educational and economic growth of our community.”

“I haven’t changed my position, and that is the CVB is looking at taking it over,” Mayor Ken Miyagishima said. We appreciate Kathleen (Albers) and her group for running it,” he said, but added that “half the money from the (DAAC-sponsored) Renaissance ArtsFaire is used to cover a lot of the expenses that come from running RGT.”

“I think the CVB (Executive Director) Phil San Filippo and his group could run it,” Miyagishima said. “I think they could utilize it a little bit differently and really take it to a differ-

ent level.”

“We feel we could do a good job” managing the theater, San Filippo said. “We certainly have the experience making things happen and working with the arts,” he said.

“In some ways, it’s a natural for us,” San Filippo said. “The stronger the arts community, the more effective we will be in promoting the downtown area,” he said. With the CVB managing the theatre, San Filippo said, some events that currently have only local attendance could be promoted as tourist events to bring higher attendance.

“This shouldn’t be about the CVB vs. the arts council,” he said. “We would welcome the arts council to do a series at the theater. We don’t have a beef with the arts council.”

“I lean toward having DAAC continue in its role and increase the city’s support,” Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith

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said. The local arts community “is very strongly in favor of the arts council continuing” to manage the theatre, he said.

“There’s a certain amount of history there that has to be respected,” Smith said, but that doesn’t mean the theatre should be operated “to the detriment of the city.”

City staff need to “appropriately assess how they’re doing what we’re asking them to do,” Smith said. And, the city may need to provide additional funding to help RGT accomplish its mission.

It’s “unrealistic” for the city to think DAAC can “sell enough tickets to pay for the cost” of operating the theater, Smith said.

A “straight-up tally on

return on investment – it’s not going to be that direct,” he said. Instead, the theatre creates “a ripple effect” that impacts arts, the downtown area and economic development, Smith said.

“We don’t get money back from the library or roads or bus service,” he said. An investment in the arts has a seven-fold return, “but it’s not a direct path back to us. It’s a much larger circle.”

“In the long run, it doesn’t make sense for the CVB to be there or to be in charge of the theater,” Smith said. He suggested housing the CVB temporarily in the old post office building that is on the east side of the downtown plaza until Amador renovations are complete.

San Filippo said he believes the CVB could

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JACK EAKMAN

City councillor

bring RGT to the break-even point within three years. “I feel pretty confident we could do that,” he said.

“All parties involved in maximizing the community value of RGT are involved in a healthy discussion,” said City Councillor Jack Eakman. “Unfortunately, it is being perceived by some as a political question; Who best to operate this

wonderful resource? As a process question, I would ask all interested parties to submit competing business plans for operations covering the next five years of operation. It would then be visible as to which plan has the best mission, vision, financial viability, audience attraction and added value to the community,” he said.

“We must also balance the needs of the arts com-

munity and their ability to enrich lives through performance and appreciation,” Eakman said. “Pure dollars and cents cannot measure the value that the arts can bring into our lives.”

“I would be interested in a round table discussion about the management of the theater,” Councillor Gill Sorg said.

“I’m very grateful about what the arts council has done for the city as it relates to managing RGT,” Councillor Kassandra Gandara said. “They have made it into what it is today. My concern is, and I think we’ve been pretty clear, we need that place to be an anchor site leveraging more activity downtown.”

Gandara said she isn’t ready to decide yet who should manage the theater.

“We need performance measures,” Gandara said. “In terms of our contract, we need to honor that contract and be clear with DAAC, these are the things we need to see happen and can you do this?”

“How do we take what’s existing to make it work, as opposed to saying something didn’t work, so let’s throw the whole thing out?” Smith asked. “I’m willing to listen to all options and find a path that makes the most sense for us.”

Smith said he hopes council members hear “from a lot of folks between now and when we vote,” and said the discussion about RGT management may lead to “a greater sense of awareness of what the arts and the arts council are doing for us.”

NMSU a leading degree producer for minorities

By TIFFANY ACOSTA

For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University has been honored as a top university for awarding degrees to minority students. In its annual ranking, *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education* publishes the Top 100 producers of associate, bachelor’s and graduate degrees issued to minority students.

NMSU ranks in the top 10 in bachelor’s degrees awarded to Hispanics for communications technologies/technicians and support services (seventh); agriculture, agriculture operations and related sciences (eighth); hospitality adminis-

tration/management (ninth); engineering technologies and engineering-related fields (10th); and education (10th).

NMSU ranks in the top 10 in bachelor’s degrees awarded to Native Americans for marketing (fourth); engineering

(fourth); agriculture, agriculture operations and related sciences (fourth); physical sciences (fifth); engineering technologies and engineering-related fields (fifth); and computer and information sciences and support services (ninth).

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Marching for unity at Plaza de Las Cruces



ABOVE: At the Martin Luther King Jr. Unity March on Monday, Jan. 16, at Plaza de Las Cruces, brothers Vincente and Alonzo Johnson hold a banner and flank Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima.

Dr. Bobbie Green and Curtis Rosemond, president and CEO of the Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, lead the Martin Luther King Jr. Unity March at the Plaza de Las Cruces, Monday, Jan. 16.

BELOW RIGHT: Joe Thergood and Las Cruces Mayor Ken Miyagishima listen to the speeches given before the march.



Nancy & Rudy Apodaca

Las Cruces International Film Festival to unveil 2017 poster

By MINERVA BAUMANN
For the Bulletin

The Las Cruces International Film Festival, presented by New Mexico State University, is set for March 8-12, but film lovers can get a preview when festival organizers unveil the 2017 festival poster at a special event from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, at the Cutter Gallery at 2640 El Paseo Road.

Tickets for the unveiling are \$25 and include food, beverages and an official poster signed by the artist, Jud Wright, an accomplished illustrator, painter and graphic artist. Wright and his wife, Anna Perez-Wright, have owned and operated Del Valle Design and Imaging as well as Justus Wright Galeria for more than 30 years.

"As a special incentive for the folks attending the poster party, we will be offering VIP passes to the festival for \$100, which is \$50 off the regular price," said Ross Marks, assistant professor in NMSU's Creative Media Institute and executive director of the festival.

The Creative Media Institute in the College of

Arts and Sciences began supporting the festival last year to bring the best of international cinema to Las Cruces.

This year's festival will include appearances by actor Johnny Galecki and writer and producer Don Foster of the "Big Bang Theory." Other celebrities at the festival include John Heder, actor in "Napoleon Dynamite" and "Blades of Glory," and Rizwan Manji, actor in "Outsourced" and "Wolf of Wall Street."

One of the many festival events got underway on Jan. 9, with an eight-week intensive acting workshop coordinated by Priscilla Moralez, who is originally from Las Cruces but spent the last 16 years working in Los Angeles. During the festival on March 11-12, a Holly-

wood Casting Director's Seminar will provide area actors, age 6 and up, a chance to hear what it takes to break into the business and what casting directors are looking for in an audition.

More than 2,000 people attended last year's event and organizers expect more to attend this year. The festival selects outstanding short and feature length films, documentaries, student shorts and narratives of all genres from around the world as part of five days of festivities, workshops, after-parties and film screenings. Festival organizers hope the variety of events will attract film lovers, filmmakers and film students as well as the general public. VIP and filmmaker receptions are also part of the festival.

An All Access Pass to the film festival, which includes all screenings and workshops, a filmmakers reception and awards reception, costs \$75. A student film pass costs \$25 and a VIP All Access Pass includes all screenings and workshops as well as after-parties with exclusive access to an opening night red carpet party with film celebrities.

For tickets, hotel packages and more information, visit <http://www.lciffest.com/>.



The 2016 Poster for the Las Cruces International Film Festival. The new official poster for the 2017 Las Cruces International Film Festival will be unveiled at a special party on Tuesday, Jan. 24.

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FROM MENTAL ILLNESS TO FREEDOM: MICAH PEARSON'S JOURNEY

Las Cruces offers help, resources for those struggling with mental illness

Editor's note: This is the third installment of a three-part series on Micah Pearson and the Doña Ana County National Alliance on Mental Illness.

By **MIKE COOK**

For the Bulletin

As vice president of the Doña Ana County National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) affiliate, Micah Pearson is not only a fierce advocate for those suffering with mental health issues, he's also dealt with serious mental illness from a young age.



PEARSON

Pearson, 40, lives with bipolar disorder type 1 with rapid cycling, along with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder

(ADHD) and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

Last week, we learned about the onset of bipolar disorder for Pearson after he witnessed his grandfather's death at age 4.

In the first two installments, we were introduced to Pearson's mental illness and how treatment differs from individual to individual.

Mental health and Hollywood portrayals

The stereotyping of mental illness includes the "Hollywood personification" of disorders on television and in the movies, Pearson said. He remembers Sally Field's Emmy-winning performance as Maggie Wyczenskion on "ER" in 2000. Her character suffered from bipolar disorder type 1 with psychotic features, as Pearson does. But, her portrayal was "bug nuts," he said.

"That's not me. That's a cartoon."

"In my head, even though I knew that was a Hollywood portrayal, I thought it was possible," he said.

"You didn't find a more textbook case of bipolar than mine," Pearson said. "I check every box. I am the personification of bipolar."

But, at the same time, he didn't "fit what Hollywood says that I should look like," he said.

And, since there were few other images of mental illness available, Pearson continued to deny his diagnosis for many years.

Another part of the stigma surrounding mental illness is that it's "jargon heavy," he said.

"Never use acronyms," Pearson said. "You need to tell people what you are."

NAMI

In addition to serving as NAMI-DAC vice president, Pearson is NAMI's Consumer Council representative for New Mexico. He also facilitates all NAMI peer programs in the county and is working to develop other NAMI affiliates in southern New Mexico. Pearson has nine certifications and five years' experience as a mental health advocate.

"I'm really proud of the work we're doing now," he said. "We have to develop community partnerships to be effective."

NAMI-DAC has a work group called NAMI Rainbow that includes advocates for the Las Cruces LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered) community. The group is particularly important, he said, as so many LGBT members have mental health issues because the "culture denies their ex-

periences and identities."

NAMI also has a faithnet program that encourages cooperation among all faiths with individuals and families dealing with mental illness.

NAMI also has volunteer programs for people with mental health issues who are just coming out of treatment and of institutions.

Pearson said NAMI-DAC has diversified its board of directors to be "better representative of the community" it serves, and has several multi-cultural diversity work groups. Minorities, he said, are 46 percent less likely to get an accurate diagnosis of a mental health issue from a health care professional who is not of their community.

There are three "tent poles" in NAMI's national advocacy for mental health, Pearson said: technology, youth and universal justice reform. NAMI's goal is to "make sure you look past the diagnosis and see the person."

Mental health issues in Las Cruces

Pearson said the 16 days he spent in the Arlington County Jail after an arrest due to his mental health condition in 2011 was the worst experience of his life.

Conditions at the Doña Ana County Detention Center (DACDC) are dramatically different as part of an initiative to move away from conditions like those he experienced, Pearson said. Today, "they have a dedicated staff of people who care."

Those with mental health issues who are incarcerated at DACDC are referred to as patients rather than inmates, Pearson said. The staff holds weekly meetings to determine the mental health caseload. The meeting Pearson attended recently "sounded

like a mental health briefing at a medical center," he said.

DACDC Administrator Captain Justin Porter has been asked to present a white paper on how the detention center deals with the mentally ill at a national NAMI meeting, Pearson said.

Of the 730 people held in DACDC in October, 250 are "receiving mental health care treatment," Porter told a Domenici Institute forum on mental health issues held Nov. 3 at NMSU. Providers at DACDC include a staff psychiatrist and a nurse practitioner for mental health, and programs include individual counseling and group therapy, he said.

Many other communities are not so fortunate. "Detention centers have become hospitals nationwide," Pearson said. The goal there is not recovery.



"At best, you're keeping them stable," he said. "It costs more to keep them locked up in jail than it does to get them treated."

People with mental health issues are "much more likely to be victims of violence than perpetrators," Pearson said.

Doña Ana County has "a lot of diverse groups of dedicated people who are working to make the system better," Pearson said.

The Las Cruces Police Department has also done a lot, Pearson said. About two-thirds of current officers have received crisis intervention training that includes how to handle interactions with the mentally ill, and Police Chief Jaime Montoya has said his goal is to have all officers receive the training.

For more information, visit www.nami.org and www.nami-dac.org.





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Footrace ends at Spaceport

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

Marc and Marianna Heon have participated in 24 relay footraces. Their love for the special aspects of the format has led them to create their own company, MH Enterprises, which specializes in organizing races, from 5K to 200 miles, with unique distances.

Now, the couple is organizing a race, April 8 and 9, from El Paso to Spaceport America. All levels of runners are invited to participate in the Spaceport America Relay, from amateur to professional levels, and form teams from groups of friends to company co-workers, including participating in the Corporate Challenge.

What Marc loves best about the relay aspect is the teamwork.

"There is something about the team aspect that is pretty amazing," he said. "It's something that is truly a team effort. There is always some obstacle that crops up - you do truly have to come together as a team. This is something fairly unique in the race world, not relying on just one runner."

The 180-mile race is a point-to-point relay with 36 designated exchanges — locations to switch out runners/walkers. As long as the team makes the trip in the 40-hour time limit, people can participate at their own levels. The exchanges are located at interesting, culturally significant and unique locations, Marc said.

"The runners are going to have the best of both

worlds, from the conquistadores to space," he said. "In this type of a race event, we have an overnight run. Along the course we have minor exchanges and major exchanges where we have aid stations, medical support and water stations. When we mapped out course, we highlighted areas of history and communities providing moments you can stop and reflect."

The shortest leg of the race is two miles and the longest is 13.1 miles, Marc said. That is the big challenge leg for the hardcore runners. All the runners completing the 13.1-mile stretch receive an official medal for doing so.

Mark and Marianna have been to the race area multiple times to scope out the course. They are excited about the special aspects and history of the area.

"The finish line at the spaceport is fantastic," Marc said. "There is no other race in the world that has a spaceport as a finish line. Once we established the finish line, we fell in love with the region, the Rio Grande Valley, etc. History is part of the excitement, the idea we are following the whole trail, coming though the path of the conquistadores."

He said one of the benefits of the Spaceport America Relay Race is that it is an opportunity for people from around the country to experience the communities and learn about the history not only relevant to the area, but to the United States.

While Marc does

much of the traveling and networking for MH Enterprises, Marianna is working hard at home in Surprise, Arizona, scheduling, planning and making sure all the ducks are lined up. During the race she will be waiting, organizing and documenting at the finish line while Marc is out on the course making sure everything is moving smoothly.

"We have grassroots ambassadors in multiple states (promoting the race)," Marc said. "We are looking for people who are looking to try out a new adventure."

Las Cruces Justin Atteberry is a 26-year-old runner who will be completing the entire 180 miles by himself. Atteberry said he has done several 100-milers and a number of multi-day endurance events.

"Over the years I went from 50-milers to 100-milers and I have been wanting to do a 200-miler for some time," he said. "When I saw this event going on, it really spurred my interest. I thought it would be really cool to actually do."

Atteberry is a structural engineer working in



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Marc and Marianna Heon have organized a 180-mile relay footrace from El Paso to Spaceport America in April.

El Paso and trains for his running daily, extra on weekends.

"With my busy schedule, there is no consistent training plan," he said. "I go home (after work) and do four to six miles every night, 10 to 18 miles on weekends. It's about spending as much time on your feet as you can. In an ultrarun sometimes you are on your feet for 36 hours."

When Atteberry was 8 years old, he did his first Bataan Memorial

Death March with his dad. When he was in college he started running regularly. At 21, his dad asked him if he would participate in a 50-mile ultra-marathon.

"I thought, 'You've got to be somewhat dumb to do a 50-miler,'" he said. But when his dad said they would do it together, Atteberry said "yes."

Not a competitive person, Atteberry does long-distance running to challenge himself. He likes talking to the other

runners and keeps his spirits up that way.

"Running is what I really enjoy," he said. "It is about finishing in a reasonable amount of time."

Atteberry said someone once told him, "If you have some type of problem, you go on a four-hour run and if you haven't figured it out by the end, you should give up on that problem."

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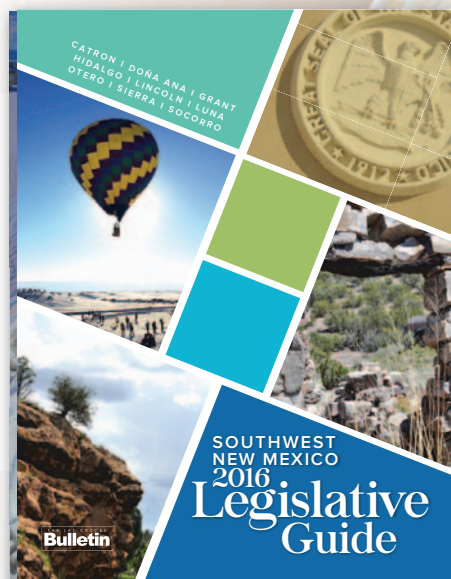
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AARP: It's not just about retirement anymore

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

When AARP was created in 1958, the initials stood for American Association of Retired Persons. Not anymore.

Today, because so many of the nonprofit's 38 million members are still active in the workforce, the "RP" stands for something else – "Real Possibilities," said Las Cruces AARP Chapter 1230 President David Lynch.

And the local chapter is involved in a lot more than just answering questions about Social Security and Medicare, he said. It also provides smart driving classes, mans information tables at the Saturday Las Cruces Farmers and Crafts Market and other events, lobbies the New Mexico Legislature, takes members on field trips, helps with the local volunteer fair and provides a monthly program and regular workshops on issues like wills, care giving and Alzheimer's disease.

Support for Medicare and Social Security remains extremely important for AARP members, Lynch said. Members of a local advocacy group will wear "Take a Stand" T-shirts when they visit the state Legislature on Jan. 24 to encourage legislators to "tell us what you're going to do (and) support our population on Social Security," Lynch said. Social Security benefits will be cut

AARP UPCOMING EVENT

Las Cruces AARP Chapter 1230 has a wide range of ongoing events coming up in the near future and throughout the year.

Here are some of those events:

SMART DRIVING CLASSES: 1) taught by David Lynch from 1 to 5 p.m. Thursdays, Feb. 16 and March 2 at Senior Circle, 3849 E. Lohman Ave. at Roadrunner Parkway: For reservations, call Alejandra at 575-522-0502. 2) taught by Ernie Apodaca from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 14; Saturday, April 1; and Monday, May 15 at Good Samaritan-Las Cruces Village, 3025 Terrace Drive. For reservations, call Ernie at 575-642-2582. All classes are \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members.

AARP FRAUD-WATCH PRESENTATION: noon, Thursday, Feb. 9 at Organ Community Center, 5880 Second St. in Organ, New Mexico; presented by Las Cruces AARP Chapter 1230 Vice President Jerry Gunderson and director Patrick Gillespie.

LAS CRUCES AARP CHAPTER 1230 MEETING PROGRAMS at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month: Feb. 15: Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Dave Daniels will talk about the Zika virus; March 15: Sandy Meyer, adult protective services; April 19: the topic will be "disrupt aging."

AARP INFORMATION TABLE AT SENIOR CIRCLE, from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 3849 E. Lohman Ave. at Roadrunner Parkway

INCOME TAX RETURN PREPARATION ASSISTANCE (taxes are due Tuesday, April 18): from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1 through Monday, April 17 (except for Good Friday, April 14;) Monday through Thursday, and from 8:30 to 11:45 a.m. Friday; evening hours 5:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays (Feb. 23 through April 11) at Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico, 3880 Foothills Road, Suite A.

by 25 percent by 2034 if something isn't done, he said.

"We don't want to see anything negative happen to the Medicare and Social Security," Lynch said. He said AARP doesn't know what changes if any will be proposed by the incoming Trump administration. "We'll just have to wait and see what comes down the line," he said. "We'll continue to support

what's best for seniors."

AARP members' lobbying efforts helped pass a caregiving training bill during the 2015 legislative session, Lynch said. In 2017, he said, members will lobby for a bill to expand the use of sick leave for caregiving.

AARP also will lobby for "some path ... to get savings plans for employees," he said. Because

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New Mexico has mostly small businesses, more than two-thirds of its workforce “doesn’t have access to a savings plan,” he said.

AARP is totally non-partisan, Lynch said. It works with elected officials on both sides of the aisle.

AARP Las Cruces also does fraud-watch presentations to help people learn about scams and how to deal with them.

The local AARP chapter has about 50 members, Lynch said, and usually attracts about 35 members and five or six visitors to its monthly meetings, which are held at 2 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Senior Circle, 3849 E. Lohman Ave.

“We’d like to grow,” Lynch said.

Las Cruces has one of the oldest AARP chapters in the state, Lynch said, and provides outreach to surrounding communities. The state AARP office is in Santa Fe.

Lynch, 67, moved to Las Cruces with his wife, Manuela, from Indiana in 2010. They joined a couple of months after moving to town. Manuela is the local AARP treasurer. Jerry Gunderson is the vice president, Irene Lewis is the secretary and Louise Hosa is the health representative. Patrick Gillespie is in charge of advocacy.

You can join the Las Cruces AARP chapter for \$5 a year (after joining national AARP for \$16), which includes local potlucks every September and December and a quarterly newsletter,

Lynch said.

Lynch is one of two local AARP members qualified to teach a driver safety course that helps people of all ages get a reduction on vehicle insurance. The workshops are held regularly and cost AARP members \$15 and everyone else \$20, he said.

Lynch said one of AARP’s most important goals is to help older and retired people “stay busy.” Its “disrupt aging” program emphasizes that the RP in its name now stands for “real possibilities.”

AARP members have access to many resources, Lynch said, including the AARP website, www.aarp.org, and the New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department at 2407 W. Picacho Ave., suite B2.

Lynch said AARP is not an insurance company, but members can get dental and vision insurance discounts through AARP, along with Medicare supplement plans and discounts on a wide range of services and programs.

You can sign up for Medicare at age 65, and you can sign up for partial Social Security benefits at age 62 or full benefits at age 67. The local AARP chapter has flyers and information about Social Security, with a lot of information on its website. Lynch said it’s a good idea to begin looking into benefits about a year before you become eligible.

For more information, visit www.aarp.org and www.nmaging.state.nm.us. Find AARP on Facebook at AARP New Mexico. Contact Lynch at 317-385-8874 or dlynchio@hotmail.com.



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High Tech Consortium meets Jan. 20

The High Tech Consortium of Southern New Mexico holds an annual membership meeting from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20 at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course Banquet Room. The speaker is Christine Logan, a certified economic developer. The meeting is open to the public. Meeting fee (no meal) is \$5; with meal is \$20. Info: Dr. Ed Pines, 575-646-2976 or Paul Deason at 575-644-8427.

Roundtable discussions for January

Jan. 22: Robert (Skip) Shelton: "Doing Hard Time On the Pleasure Planet. The theory and practice of Happiness." The title is a hint at a very interesting discussion.

Jan. 29: Paul O'Connell: The U.S. spends more on health care (per citizen) than any other country—why? Cost and incentive changes over the last 50 years; life style changes that effect health care; monopolization of health care because of inelastic demand and politicization of the industry.

All Roundtable Discussions take place from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the library of the Unitarian Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. Info, comments or suggestions: roundtable@uuchurchlc.org.

Observatory open house Jan. 20

The NMSU Department of Astronomy will hold an

Observatory Open House at the NMSU campus observatory at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20 at 3415 Williams Ave. Astronomy personnel on hand will be Dr. Rene Walterbos and graduate assistants Nigel Mathes, Gavin Mathes, and Rebecca O'Sha. Objects viewed may include: planets Venus and Mars, the Pleiades star cluster, the Andromeda Galaxy and more. Info: NMSU Astronomy Department at 575-646-4438. Admission is free.

Friends of the German Language meet

Freunde der Deutschen Sprache (Friends of the German Language) will meet at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 at New Mexico State University, Breland Hall, Room 173-A. (Park in the east parking lot and use the east entrance). The group will view the documentary, Deutschland Saga parts three and four. Info: Christine at 575-524-2530 or Heike at 575-522-5393.

For the Love of Art Month events

Ruth Drayer, ArtForms, and the Thomas Branigan Library present two Pre-For the Love of Art Month events to kick off the February month-long celebration of the arts. Two free art films will be shown with group discussions following from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday Jan. 21 and 28. Due to licensing restrictions at the Branigan Library, the names of the films cannot be announced; however both films are about famous artists and will not be of interest to small children. Las Cruces painter Ruth Drayer will lead the discussions. Info: visit artformsmnm.org.

Auditions for NMSU theater productions

Time slots are still available for community members who wish to sign up and audition for this spring's New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department productions. Auditions begin at 10 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 21 in the Mark and Stephanie Medoff Theatre of the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. Callbacks will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 22. Visit www.nmsutheatre.com/audition/55/spring_2017/ to reserve a time. Info: Mike Wise at 575-646-5418.

Las Cruces Young Professionals meet third Tuesday

Grab some coffee with fellow young professionals every third Tuesday of the month when a young professional in our community gives a quick presentation about their business or organization.

The next Caffeinated Conversation is 8 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, at Beck's Coffee House, 130 N. Mesquite St. The January guest is Griselda Martinez of the Arrowhead Center, who will speak about Arrowhead's New Mexico Small Business Assistance (NMSBA) program. Info and RSVP: <https://www.facebook.com/lascrucesyp/>.

Kiwanis breakfasts benefit Peace Village, Loma Heights

A benefit pancake breakfast to benefit Peace Village NM, an interfaith, multicultural day camp focusing

on nonviolence and peacemaking from various world traditions is from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 at First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Pancakes, juice, sausage and coffee. Tickets: \$5 in advance from Peace Village or at the door. Eat in or carry out.

Loma Heights Elementary school will benefit from a Kiwanis pancake breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 4 at the school, 1600 E. Madrid Ave. Tickets are \$5 in advance from school representatives or can be bought at the door. Eat in or carry out. Info on either breakfast: 575-525-9478.

Lions Club pancake breakfast Jan. 21

The Lions Club hosts the "Over the Top Pancake Breakfast" to benefit club vision efforts, buy medications and glasses for an international medical/vision team and free vision screenings and medical treatment for refugees in Eastern Europe. All you can eat pancakes; first plate also has sausage and eggs from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 at the Lions Club Community Center, 1501 N. Solano Dr. Info: 575-636-8248.

Toastmasters Club meets every Wednesday

Las Cruces Toastmasters Club meetings are held from 7 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday at the Good Samaritan Community Center, Kiva Room, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Info: 575-642-0032 or email lascrucestoastmasters@gmail.com. Find us on Facebook @lascrucesTM or visit Toastmasters International website www.toastmasters.org.

GFWC Progress Club card party is Jan. 21

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) Progress Club of Las Cruces holds its annual card party from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. Doors open at 11:30; lunch at noon; play will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person. The event helps to fund all GFWC charities. Reservations and info: Ingeborg Peter at 575-522-5474 or 575-642-7588.

Golfers can learn the world's No. 1 green reading method

The same green reading method used by the world's No. 1 female golfer, Lydia Ko, and recent Olympic gold medal winner Justin Rose, will be taught at the New Mexico State University Golf Course. PGA Head Professional John Lynch will conduct a two-hour AimPoint session from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, at the practice putting green, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive. Bring a putter and three balls and Lynch will help you master the method. Cost is \$75 per person; only 12 spots available. Reserve space at 302-332-5495 or jlynch1@nmsu.edu.

Birthday observance for Scottish poet Jan. 28

An informal Robert Burns birthday observance will take place from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Phase I Clubhouse, the Casitas at Morning Star, 3650

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Morning Star Drive. Las Cruces area Scots, persons of Scottish descent and persons interested in Scottish heritage are encouraged to attend. Parking in the circle in front of the office/clubhouse. No charge. Light refreshments provided. Info: Rosalie Nichols at 785-259-2969, 575-652-4260 or at redolafil@gmail.com.

Las Cruces Ukcs change practice days

The Las Cruces Ukcs welcomes new members to weekly practices starting in January at Good Samaritan - Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Practices are Thursday evenings, with a strum for fun/beginner group meeting from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. and the performance group practicing from 6:30 to 8 p.m. There is no charge and loaner ukuleles are available. Info: www.lascrucesukes.blogspot.com or by calling 575-405-7133.

Enchilada dinner Feb. 12

A benefit red enchilada dinner will be from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2755 E. Idaho Ave. Tickets are \$7 for an enchilada plate or for two hamburgers. Sponsored by the Fr. Roscoe L. Finnegan Assembly 0684. For tickets, contact any council member or Mannie Morales at 575-522-0437.

Las Cruces Civitan Club meets

The Las Cruces Civitan Club meets monthly on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Second Tuesday meeting starts at noon; fourth Tuesday meeting starts at 6 p.m. at Los Compas Restaurant, 1120 Commerce Drive. Info: 575-649-0165.

Vital Records Office hours

The Vital Records Office at the Las Cruces Public Health Office is available for registering and acquiring birth or death certificates 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1170 N. Solano Dr. (Office is closed noon to 1 p.m. for lunch.) Info: Las Cruces Vital Records Office at 575-528-5046.

Quilt Guild meets third Monday

Las Colcheras Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at the American Legion Post 10 Hall, 1185 Madrid Ave. Guests are welcome.

Meetings consist of brief business announcements, a program, show-and-tell and door prizes. Starting in November, the guild meets at 1:30 p.m. for six months of daytime meetings. Info: Linnea Egbert at 575-521-0521, linneanfce@aol.com or visit www.lcqq.org.

Gene's Gesters meet on Tuesdays

From 7 to 8 a.m. every Tuesday the Gene's Gesters Toastmaster Club meets at the Doña Ana Community College (DACC) Workforce Center Solutions, 2345 Nevada Ave. If you are interested in improving your public speaking and leadership skills, you are cordially invited to attend a meeting to learn how this organization can benefit you. Info: clobato@nmsu.edu, or visit the Toastmasters International website at <http://www.toastmasters.org/>.

Las Cruces Shrine meets second Monday

The Las Cruces Shrine meets the second Monday of each month at 1150 W. Brown. All Shriners are invited to attend. Info: 575-526-8396.

Doña Ana County Republican Party office hours

The Doña Ana County Republican Party Headquarters, 3201 S. Main St., is open to serve the public 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. Info: 575-523-8683.

Story time, discounted shopping

At 10:45 a.m. Wednesdays at 300 El Molino St. Tutti Bambini hosts a children's story time. Attendees can shop for children's clothes at half price. Info: 575-526-9752.

Ukulele kids club meets second, fourth Saturday

The Las Cruces Ukcs Kids Club meets from 10:30-11:15 a.m. the second and fourth Saturday of the month at El Calvario United Methodist Church, 300 N. Campo Street, just east of the downtown post office. The club is free to elementary-school-age children who want to learn to play the ukulele and loaner ukuleles are available for those who don't have their own. No experience is necessary. Info: www.lascrucesukes.blogspot.com, www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes, or by calling 575-405-7133.

Business Builders meet Wednesdays

Elite Business Builders BNI Group meets from 8:30

to 10 a.m., Wednesdays at Sonoma Ranch Grill, 1274 Golf Club Road. Open networking, questions and answers, coffee and water with food available to order. Bring business cards. Info: Cheryl 575-524-1201 or 520-730-4456.

Brown Bag lecture at Las Cruces Railroad Museum

The Las Cruces Railroad Museum hosts a free lunch time lecture at noon on the second Tuesday of the month at 351 N. Mesilla St. Admission to the Railroad Museum is free. Info: <http://las-cruces.org/museums> or call 575-647-4480.

MS Support/Education group meets first Thursday

Group meets from 4:30 to 6 p.m. the first Thursday of every month in the Social Center Creative Arts Room, Good Samaritan Society Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle for emotional support and MS education. Date, time, location subject to change. Info: 575-373-5130 or lascrucesmselfhelp@gmail.com.

'Blast from the Past' discussions

Take a walk down memory lane when Stan Blitz and Jim Gibson lead discussions about the movies, music, television and stars of the 1950s and '60s from 2 to 3 p.m., every Friday at MountainView Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. Info: 575-522-0503.

Soroptimist International meets 2nd, 4th Wednesday

Soroptimist International of Las Cruces, a women's advocacy group, meets at noon on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Good Samaritan Village, 3010 Buena Vida Circle. Info: silascruces@soroptimist.net.

Immunizations available at Dept. of Health


The New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Central Public Health Office provides immunization services for children and adults on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 1170 N. Solano Drive. Info: 575-528-5017.

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NMSU provides statewide 4-H Military Partnership program

By JANE MOORMAN
For the Bulletin

Paper airplanes and propeller sticks fly around the room as kids chase their flying objects.

This is a special day at the Kirtland Air Force Base youth recreation center. It's National Youth Science Day and the youth are learning about airplane flight and drones.

New Mexico State University's 4-H agents Brittney Sonntag and Nicole Jaynes have brought the national 4-H activity to the youth center. Helping with the activities are volunteers from Sandia Labs. Lockheed Martin, parent company of Sandia Labs, is a national partner for the science day.

This is just one activity the 4-H agents provide for the children of military personnel through the 4-H Military Partnership program.

Through deployment and other events, military children face multiple stressors that emphasize the importance of youth development skills that help them process adversity by positively adapting to situations.

"The 4-H club provides youth an opportunity to take on leadership roles, creating the opportunity to communicate and think of others' interests, and the needs of other age groups of youth," Sonntag said. "It is critical that military children have the opportunity to develop resiliency skills within their family and community."

During the last four years, New Mexico 4-H has been working to strengthen its partnership with the military installations in the state. Currently, there are programs at Holloman and Kirtland Air Force bases, New Mexico Army National Guard in Albuquerque and



New Mexico State University's Urban 4-H agent Brittney Sonntag shows a Kirtland Air Force Base 4-H member how to fly her paper airplane during the National Science Day activity. NMSU's youth development program is participating in the national 4-H Military Partnership program by providing 4-H clubs and other activities at the U.S. Department of Defense installations in New Mexico.

White Sands Army Base.

"Statewide annually we have approximately 215 military youth enrolled in 4-H and another 650 military youth reached through 4-H programming at the various installations," Sonntag said.

"There are four main components in the program, health and nutrition; STEM – science, technology, engineering and math; community service; and integration into traditional 4-H programs off-base," Jaynes said.

Fourteen youth participating in a five-day 4-H cooking camp at Holloman AFB learned about nutritional food choices, menu planning, food preparation, food and kitchen

safety and etiquette.

At Kirtland AFB, a year-long project combined learning where food comes from with nutritional cooking.

"We decided to reconstruct a garden area on the base and asked Home Depot for help," Sonntag said. "Home Depot donated \$500 worth of plants and provided a gardening expert to help design and plan for a successful garden."

With help from military personnel volunteers, the garden was created. An automated drip irrigation system was designed and installed by the youth.

"Throughout the summer, the Kirtland AFB youth center had harvest days," Sonntag

said. "The youth harvested the produce then prepared it for consumption and served it with lunch that day."

Twenty-four youths, grades kindergarten through fifth grade, attended a week-long STEM camp at White Sands Army Base where they experienced science through hands-on activities. They had fun learning about chemical reactions and what happens when different ingredients are mixed together making Play-Doh, bubbles, Silly Putty and goo.

Eleven youths, ages 9 to 14, participated in a three-day rocketry camp at Kirtland AFB youth center.

"They build three rockets –

a construction paper model, a water rocket and a model rocket," Sonntag said. "At the conclusion, the model rockets were launched."

Community service projects at the various installations included participating in the Read Across America Celebration and making no-sew blankets for Animal Humane of New Mexico.

"An important aspect of the 4-H Military Partnership is to have the military youth participate in traditional 4-H programs so they become involved in the community where their installation is located," said Sonntag. "One way to do this is to have the military youth enter their projects in their respective county fairs. The New Mexico military youth entered over 400 projects."

Future plans are being made for a leadership building activity of rafting on the Rio Grande south of Taos. The activity is being offered to all military pre-teens and teens. They will be joining the Bernalillo County 4-H Council members in this activity.

"This will be a big event, getting everybody together for a leadership day," Sonntag said. "It will be interesting seeing what other activities evolve from this gathering of the youth."

The 4-H Military Partnership between Bernalillo County Urban 4-H and Kirtland AFB has already established a working relationship that the youth enjoy.

"The kids really look forward to 4-H day," said Lucy Burbach, recreational specialist at Kirtland AFB youth recreation center. "I really appreciate Brittany and Nicole. They have vast knowledge for various activities such as cooking, jewelry making and sewing. They have helped me a lot with our photography club."

NMSU PHOTO BY JANE MOORMAN

NMSU student selected for Google internship

By **KRISTIE GARCIA**

For the Bulletin

Have you ever “Googled” something? Chances are, you have.

Elena Davidson, New Mexico State University honors student, will be doing more than Googling something this summer. Not only will she know Google as a search engine, she will get to know the company from the inside as an engineering practicum intern.

She was accepted into the 12-week developmental program from May to August. The engineering practicum program is open to first- and second-year undergraduate students interested in the technology field.

A sophomore computer science major, Davidson will be working with a team on a software project at Google's Mountain View, California, location.

“Google is the place to intern if you're a computer science major or an electrical engineering major, and I am excited about absolutely everything about this internship,” Davidson said. “I'm excited to get my feet wet and really start

taking what I learned in the classroom here at NMSU and applying it in the workplace. I'm looking forward to networking with these amazing Googlers and other interns.

“For a girl born and raised in Las Cruces, New Mexico, I'm also excited about living in the Bay Area for a summer.”

NMSU Honors College Dean Miriam Chaiken speaks very highly of Conroy Scholars and said Davidson is no exception.

“We knew when we were recruiting students as Conroy Scholars that these were people with enormous capability and potential,” Chaiken said. “Elena's success in earning this prestigious opportunity as only a sophomore is proof that our expectations were accurate. Elena and her fellow Conroy Scholars are definitely going places.”

High school students who are national merit semi-finalists or national Hispanic merit semi-finalists are eligible for the Conroy Scholarship beginning with their freshman year. Students' PSAT scores determine whether they are invited to apply for the scholarship, which is a four-year offer if a 3.5 grade point average is maintained.

Davidson said her

hands-on experience at NMSU has helped prepare her for this opportunity. She was a camp assistant and research assistant with the Young Women in Computing program for over a year.

Daniela Miranda-Tellez was the program coordinator for Young Women in Computing when Davidson worked with the program.

“Elena has always brought an outstanding approach to her work through her strong desire to connect with the program participants and families,” Miranda-Tellez said. “I have no doubt she'll do an exceptional job at Google, because she has always demonstrated a tremendous drive to succeed.”

Davidson recently began working in the NMSU Media Productions and Learning Games Lab in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences. In her new position, she will assist with application development and website creation from an educational perspective.

She equated the competitive Google application process to that of an Ivy League school. She said her recruiters and interviewers emphasized the importance of the applicants' ability, passion and problem-solving capa-

bilities.

She also said that both NMSU and her family have provided her with much-needed support.

“NMSU has such an amazing, supportive and encouraging environment,” she said. “I wouldn't be able to go into this internship if it weren't for all of the opportunities NMSU has provided me. I also want to thank my mom, dad, sister and the rest of my family for their encouragement and excitement regarding the internship. My entire family has been so supportive, now and always.”

Google employs over 50,000 people in 50 countries. The company makes hundreds of products used by billions of people, including YouTube, Android, Google Search and Smartbox.

OBITUARIES

Genaro G. Baeza

GENARO G. BAEZA, age 77, of Vado died Sunday, December 25, 2016 at his home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Robert C. Clark

Robert C. Clark, 64, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on December 31, 2016. Services are pending with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



Ramon M. Rivera

RAMON “MONI” M. RIVERA, age 81, of Las Cruces passed away January 14, 2017. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 527-2222



Cosme Encinias

COSME ENCINIAS, age 72, of Las Cruces died Sunday, January 15, 2017 at his home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Bruce O. White

Bruce O. White, 74, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on January 15, 2017. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



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Doña Ana Mutual expands rural services

By ALTA LeCOMPTE
Las Cruces Bulletin

From her long blonde hairs to her high-heeled pumps, Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association Executive Director Jennifer Horton looks the part when she enters a meeting room.

But the safety vest hanging on a chair in her office and the pink hard hat on her conference table attest to the fact that her job also takes her into the field, where boots replace dress pumps.

Since arriving on the job six years ago, Horton has been instrumental in securing \$30 million in federal and state financing to improve and expand the water and sewer infrastructure that serves 5,600 members in unincorporated areas west and north of the city.

The association's territory extends from Interstate 25 on the east to the Rio Grande on the west — and from the city limits north to Lujan Hill Road. It also includes all of Picacho Hills and “a small section south of the pumpkin patch.”

As new subdivisions go online — and older systems need upgrades and existing water customers opt for sewer service — the association is working on \$900,000 worth of projects and looking ahead to an additional \$3 to \$4 million now in the planning stages.

Horton's business studies and experience in

banking prepared her to make the numbers work for the growing enterprise.

What is a mutual water association?

Doña Ana Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association is neither a company nor a nonprofit,



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Doña Ana, all getting their water from wells.

The association became a nonprofit organization in the late 1990s and built the nucleus of the current system with federal funding.

In the early 2000s, the association morphed from an NPO to a local public agency governed by the city and county. Its revenue is derived from sales and services. Any excess over costs goes back into capital improvements, Horton said.

A board of directors representing five districts heads the association and meets twice a month, Horton said.

She said the elections are uncontested — one year when nobody came forward to run, Horton had to recruit a candidate.

“Most people don't care as long as they can get up in the morning and turn on the water and flush the toilet,” she said.

Association serves growing area

In 2013, the association underwent a major expansion, acquiring Fort Selden Water Co., Picacho Hills Utility Co. and Fairview Estates Water System.

The net result was 5,000 new members, Horton said.

A new growth spurt appears to be underway.

Horton said a number of subdivisions are being built now, and the water association is busy constructing water lines to serve them.

Projects include Legends West, which is starting a new phase with more than 60 homes, and a 140-lot subdivision.

Construction is about to begin on River Walk, a community of 80 mobile homes at the intersection of Picacho Avenue and Burke Road, Horton said.

Meanwhile, Doña Ana Mutual is working on some serious upgrades — \$8 to \$10 million worth — for the Picacho Peak community. The association acquired that system when the prior owner went bankrupt.

Two new tanks each have a 900,000-gallon capacity. Thanks to pressure-reducing valves, tanks can be filled and water distributed — and there will always be a tank full and available to meet peak demand, Horton said.

A replacement line for Via Norte, the oldest

section of Picacho Hills is currently under design, with construction expected in summer and fall, she said.

The waste water treatment plant also is undergoing an upgrade under contract with Picacho Hills Country Club so that water from the plant can be used to irrigate the golf course without the addition of fresh water.

A third project will connect Picacho Hills with the main system, which currently ends at Shalem Colony Trail.

Home for the holidays

While Horton and her

colleagues are water specialists, her dad Buddy Grice specializes in high-pressure drilling in the oil fields of southeastern New Mexico.

After a long career in the oil and gas industry, Grice recently started his own company, Grice Consulting Inc.

During a recent visit with her parents, Horton accompanied her dad to an oil rig. He asked if she ever wore a hard hat, and when she said yes he surprised her with the pink one at Christmas.

“I'm Daddy's girl,” said Horton, who's an only child. “And my mom is

my best friend.”

Horton said her dad never finished high school and her mom, who is now the business manager for the Artesia School District, earned a business degree while Jennifer was in high school.

“I saw how hard it was for my mother to work full time and go to school,” she said. “Watching my parents, I always knew I wanted to go to college.”

Horton left Artesia for Las Cruces to attend New Mexico State University,

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New Mexico's strange tax system undermines public education

I hope that state legislators, as they contemplate the dire state of New Mexico's finances, will read a recently published white paper on the funding of K-12 education. The white paper, written by veteran economists Jim Peach, Brian MacDonald, Lee Reynis and Chuck Wellborn, lays out the argument for reforming gross receipts taxes.

The current system has its origins in the Great Depression. Prior to 1935, public schools in New Mexico were funded from local property taxes. But when property values collapsed during the Depression, state funding was used on an emergency basis to make up for the shortfall in local revenue. But, as often hap-



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pens, what had been done on an emergency basis became permanent.

Later, New Mexico instituted a public-school funding formula to deal with the inequalities in public school funding capacity across the state. Together, formula funding coupled with elimination of property

taxes meant public schools were to be funded from the state's General Fund.

This means that K-12 education must compete with other programs for funding,

Flash forward to the present. Cuts in personal and corporate income tax rates, coupled with declines in oil and gas revenue, have meant the state has become more dependent on the gross receipts tax. Public education along with other worthwhile programs must compete for slices of a declining pie.

Meanwhile, gross receipt revenue is in decline. The biggest reason for this is the exclusions granted food, prescription drugs and medical expenses — but there are many other exclusions that have been

granted over the years. These smaller deductions are often aimed at stimulating economic development, despite the lack of evidence that such tax breaks work.

The lack of stable funding has consequences. In New Mexico, employment levels remain below those achieved in 2007, before the Great Recession. Meanwhile, employment nationally has fully recovered. New Mexico continues to slip further behind. The inability of the state to fund needed projects contributes to the state's stagnation.

The overall tax rate in New Mexico is not particularly high, despite what you might hear. Sure, gross receipts tax rates are high, but this is offset by

low property and income taxes. Add to this the taxes paid by oil and gas, which are largely paid by energy companies' out-of-state customers, and not by New Mexicans.

So, what to do? The Peach-MacDonald-Reynis-Wellborn white paper proposes three fixes. First, the authors suggest an overhaul of the gross receipts tax. Gross receipt tax breaks that can be demonstrated to be effective should be retained, but other tax exemptions should be eliminated.

Second, the white paper suggests that there be a periodic review of existing inducements offered by the state to job creators — including tax breaks, subsidies for training and infrastructure — as to

their effectiveness. If the incentive programs are ineffective, they should be cut and the revenue diverted to better uses, including public education.

Third, the state shouldn't rely solely on job creation inducements, but should also enact strong stimulative fiscal policy. An obvious thing to do would be to issue additional bonds to fund infrastructure projects.

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Tuesday, Jan. 24

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2017 Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe, an annual event held in Santa

Fe to focus on the legislative issues of Las Cruces and Southern New Mexico. Hosted by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and the Council of the Conquistadores. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Eldorado Hotel & Spa, 309 W. San Francisco, for Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe guests. Hotel reservations: 800-955-4455. Event info: www.lascruces.org; 575-524-1968.

Thursday, Feb. 2

2 to 4 p.m. Free workshop on starting a business. The Small Business Development Center (SBDC), Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave. Info and registration: www.nmsbdc.org/lascruces or 575-527-7676.

Thursday, Feb. 9

2 to 4 p.m. Pasos Para Iniciar Su Negocio, a free workshop on starting a business given in Spanish at the DACC. Workforce Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave. Info and registration: www.nmsbdc.org/lascruces or 575-527-7676.

Tuesday, Feb. 28


9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Promoting Your Business Online Using Social Media workshop presented by the Small Business Development Center at Doña Ana Community College. Learn 10 ways to earn positive user reviews, promote and grow your business and establish your brand online. Speaker: Eric Spellmann. Info: www.nmsbdc.org/lascruces or 575-527-7676.

Thursday, March 2

2 to 4 p.m. Free workshop on starting a business. The Small Business Development Center (SBDC), Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave. Info and registration: www.nmsbdc.org/lascruces or 575-527-7676.

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SBDC ramps up its outreach

By ALTA LECOMPTE

Las Cruces Bulletin

After a year of working one-on-one with clients, presenting workshops and studying for new certifications, the staff of the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) expects to be more visible in the community during 2017.

“What we want to do this year is be more involved in the community, going out and speaking to groups about the services we offer,” said Jo Ann Garay, director of the local SBDC housed in the Workforce Center of Doña Ana Community College.

Garay said SBDC would assist with MoneySmart Week, a collaborative venture held each spring to promote financial literacy among both adults and school students. Local banks, credit unions, community outreach groups and local nonprofit organizations coordinate the MoneySmart Week campaign, which is held each April.

She said she is discussing with the South Central Council of Governments ways SBDC can provide more assistance to those in southern Doña Ana County.

Winter-spring workshops set

SBDC also will present a regular series of free workshops for owners and would-be owners of businesses, as well a special full-day event that will bring marketing expert Eric Spellmann of Spellmann and Associates back to the City of the Crosses for the second consecutive year. Spellmann is an online and social media marketing consultant.

Garay said, based on positive response from attendees at last year’s presentations by Spellmann, he will give two sessions Tuesday, Feb. 28, at the Small Business Development Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave.

She said Spellmann’s topics will include how to earn positive user reviews, how to promote your business using offline communication and how to establish an online brand without huge expenditures.

The day will be divided into two sessions, Garay said. From 9 to 11 a.m. Spellmann will gear his talk to beginners. The afternoon session from 1 to 4 p.m. will address topics of interest to those with more online marketing experience.

“He talks about how to get the most out of social media in a way that’s easy to understand,” Garay said. “He’s very engaging with the audience.”

Also on the calendar for spring is a two-

day session on color accounting, a visual approach to understanding accounting principles such as debits, credits and liabilities through color coding. The workshop will be held 8 a.m. to noon Thursday, April 20, and 8 a.m. to noon Friday, April 21.

Two workshops are on the schedule for March 14: Get Found on Google Search and Maps from 2 to 3 p.m. and Grow Your Business Online, using Google tools such as Webmaster Tools, Google Analytics, Google Apps for Work, 3 to 4 p.m. at the Small Business Development Center, Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave.

Free workshops on starting a business will be held regularly throughout the spring at the Workforce Center. Dates and times for workshops given in English are as follows: 2 to 4 p.m. Feb 2, March 2 and March 9, and 9 to 11 a.m. March 16.

Topics include defining a business, choosing a business name, registering a legal structure for the business and registering with the New Mexico Department of Taxation and Revenue.

The same topics will be covered in Pasos Para Iniciar Su Negocio, a workshop given in Spanish 2 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, at the DACC Workforce Center.

SBDC helps businesses grow

Garay said the focus of SBDC’s one-on-one business counseling is evolving as client needs change.

“We are seeing more clients who are already in business and wanting to grow their business,” she said.

In addition, SBDC this year is addressing the need of small businesses for succession planning.

“We’re looking to help clients who are getting ready to retire in three to four years and want to prepare their business for that transition,” Garay said.

Through counseling, clients will have an opportunity to look at their financials and determine what they need to do to get ready to retire. Options include selling the business for a profit, which is better for the owner, employees and community than simply closing up shop, Garay said.

To learn more about SBDC services or to register for a workshop, visit www.nmsbdc.org/lascruces or call 575-527-7676.

Alta LeCompte can be reached at lecompte.alta@gmail.com or 575-343-7478.

Say hello to the Class of 2016

The Downtown Las Cruces Partnership recently launched a new program with the aim of celebrating, supporting and promoting new businesses that open downtown each year.

By viewing each calendar year as a “class” we are able to provide targeted networking opportunities and outreach efforts and offer resource-building strategies to the new businesses.

Additionally, it is our hope that the program will grow and evolve along with the businesses and that each class will be able to mentor the class the following year, providing critical peer-to-peer guidance from those who have first-hand experience. We hope those businesses that paved the way for these newcomers (our Legacy Class) will similarly share their stories and best practices.

The six new businesses that



ARIANNA PARSONS

Downtown Lowdown

opened in 2016 had a chance to meet one another at our recent Class of 2016 photo shoot, and the energy in the room was wonderful. Our business owners seemed to have nothing but a positive, cohesive outlook. We think the Class of 2016

is spectacular and that each brings something truly unique to Las Cruces — from fresh pressed juices to handmade, one-of-a-kind home goods. Check them out and let us know what you think.

Arianna Parsons is the Executive Director of Downtown Las Cruces, Co-Owner of Beck’s Coffee and first time mother-to-be.

Downtown Business Class of 2016

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where she earned a degree in accountancy and another in finance. After college, she stayed in the city to start her career in banking.

She became a credit analyst and later marketing director for the Bank of the Rio Grande.

“My first mentor out of college was Steve Brown, president of the Bank of the Rio Grande,” she said. “He was firm, but he very much wanted me to learn. He taught me the banking world and I got a good feel for what it took.”

Horton said because the bank was small, she frequently interacted with management and staff, learning from everyone.

In her second banking gig — as business banker and then branch manager for Citizens Bank — Horton said she was fortunate to be mentored by Kim Hakes and George Ruth.

After a time she decided to study for a CPA, and took a temporary part-time job as an accounting clerk for Dona Ana Mutual.

“Six and a half years later, I’m still here,” she said. “I have come to the place where I fit.”

Focus on people

Horton said the thing she likes most about her position is the opportunity to work with people — the reason she initially was attracted to banking.

In addition, she has an opportunity to use the skills she learned at NMSU and honed in her banking career while learning a different industry.

“I get to be in the field, to use my background in finance and accounting and to work with legislators, funding sources, board members, engineers and customers,” Horton said.

The mother of a 6-year-old daughter, she said Las Cruces is a good community in which to raise a family.

“I like that it’s not small like Artesia but not too big like Albuquerque,” Horton said.

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Local real estate firms merge

BULLETIN REPORT

Two real estate firms serving the greater Las Cruces market — Mathers Realty Inc. and Steinborn Inc. — have merged.

Owners Laura Mathers Conniff and Van Bullock of Mathers Realty Inc. and Amy and John Hummer of Steinborn Inc. announced the merger in January.

Residential real estate services will operate under the name of Steinborn & Associates Real Estate and the commercial real estate services will operate under the name of Steinborn TCN Commercial Real Estate.

The Mathers real estate office lo-

cated at 2223 Missouri Ave. will continue to serve the community, as will Steinborn’s three offices in Las Cruces, Mesilla and Santa Teresa, the owners said in a press release.

Mathers Conniff, Bullock and Keith Brownfield will continue to provide residential and commercial real estate sales within the Steinborn companies.

The firms will operate their property management companies under their current names.

The combined property management company will represent more than 1,200 rental properties.

“We’ve been doing this (real estate sales and property management) for

almost 50 years,” Conniff said. “Ours is a name I’m very proud of. My parents did a good job. Now, I want to make sure our business is always moving forward in an ethical and conscientious manner. I felt this was an appropriate method; this is a great group of people to work with.”

The name of the new property management company is scheduled to be announced in the first half of 2017, the release said.

Juanita Lara will continue to serve as the property management director for Mathers. Jim Ericson will continue to serve as the property management director for Steinborn.

BRIEFS

WESST to hold business workshops in Spanish

WESST will give free workshops — Starting a Business — in Spanish, Tuesday, Jan. 24, in Las Cruces and Chaparral.

The workshops are for anyone interested in learning how to start, finance or market a business.

Juan Albert, WESST’s new bilingual consultant and trainer will conduct both sessions.

The Las Cruces workshop will be noon to 1:30 p.m. at the WESST office, 221 N. Main St. suite 104 A.

In Chaparral, the workshop will be 6 to 7:30 p.m. at The Grind Internet Shop, 309 Red Sun Drive.

Albert, who has 35 years of professional experience, began his career working for the federal government. From 1997 to 2003 he served as president of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in Greater Washington, DC. During his tenure he created three

businesses. He also worked in Latin America as an auditor and consultant for 10 years.

Upcoming WESST workshops include: a two-part financial course (budget and credit); entrepreneurship; access to capital; and a six-part business plan course; leadership; and QuickBooks overview.

For more information or to register for a Jan. 24 workshop, contact Alicia Garcia, agarcia@wesst.org or 541-1583.

NMSU staff helps businesses with energy efficiency

A team from New Mexico State University has spent the past year providing technical assistance to two small businesses in Truth or Consequences.

Funded under a two-year grant from the Environmental Protection Agency, their work has focused on encouraging pollution prevention, and implementing economic and energy efficient practices in rural hospitality-based businesses in the southern portion of

the state.

Through the Engineering New Mexico Resource Network in the College of Engineering, Chris Campbell, senior program manager, and Jalal Rastegary, research scientist, along with Amirreza Barin, a computer sciences graduate student, worked with the R & C Sumthins Ice Cream Shop and Desert View Inn to assess and recommend pollution prevention and energy efficiency best practices.

Madrid to serve as interim business services officer

Diane Madrid will serve as the New Mexico State University interim business services officer, previously held by Norma Noel.

Madrid will oversee Payroll/HRIS Services, Procurement Services, Accounts Payable, PCard and Financial Systems Administration.

Contact her through email at edmadrid@nmsu.edu or by calling 575-646-2432.

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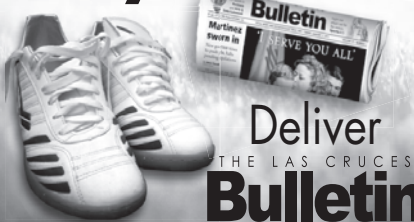
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Nancy Abeyta, Manager
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Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 2017

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Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 12, 2016, The Estate of Jose F. Perez-Ledezma, 2250 Shady Place, Las Cruces, NM, 88007, filed application numbered LRG-12302-POD1, OSE File No. LRG-12302, with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill and Use a Supplemental Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-12302-POD1 to a depth of 125 feet with a 6-inch casing in the NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of projected Section 34, Township 22S, Range 1E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near the intersection of X: 1,461,009 ft. and Y: 491,527 ft. (NMSP Central NAD83), on land owned by the applicant, which will supplement existing well LRG-12192, located on property owned by Jose Perez-Ruvalcaba & Ma Irene Ledezma Ramirez also within the NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of said projected Section 34 and more specifically located at or near the intersection of X: 1,460,652.87 ft. and Y: 491,754.43 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 1.22 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of said projected Section 34 as described in Subfile No. LRN 28-007-0206 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site of proposed well LRG-12302-POD1 will be located northwest of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 470 feet southwest of the intersection of Shady Place and Shadywood Lane.

Dates: 01/13, 01/20, 01/27, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 16, 2016, The Salopek Foundation, 5090 Snow Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-8447-POD6, OSE File No.: LRG-8447, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-8447-S-2 located within the NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of projected Section 17, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 13' 36.49"N, 106° 46' 2.06"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, and drilling a replacement well to a depth of 400 feet for a 16-inch casing to be located within the NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of projected Section 17, Township 24 South, Range 2 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect

Any person, firm or corpora-

tion 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.

Subdivision Township	Section Range
Part SE ¹ / ₄ 24 South	7 2 East
Part SW ¹ / ₄ 24 South	8 2 East
Part NW ¹ / ₄ 24 South	17 2 East
Part SW ¹ / ₄ 24 South	17 2 East
Part NE ¹ / ₄ 24 South	17 2 East
Part SE ¹ / ₄ 24 South	17 2 East
Part NE ¹ / ₄ 24 South	18 2 East
Part NE ¹ / ₄ 24 South	20 2 East

As described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-001-0016 Right A of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The

site for proposed well LRG-8447-POD6 is located south of Mesilla, NM and may be found approximately 1.0 mile southeast of the intersection of Pajaro Road and Snow Road. Old well LRG-8447-S-2 will be plugged. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22.

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

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

Dates: 01/13, 01/20,
01/27, 2016

NOTICE is hereby given that on December 2, 2016 Susan A. Krueger, PO Box 1143 Mesilla, NM, filed application numbered LRG-1768, OSE File No. LRG-1768-2, with the State Engineer for. Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County to continue using existing irrigation well LRG-1768 for irrigation purposes which is located within the SE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of projected Section 36, Township 23S, Range 01E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where Latitude & Longitude intersect at 32° 15' 28.681"N & 106° 47' 53.359"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicant, which will supplement existing well, LRG-1768-POD4, located at or near where Latitude & Longitude intersect at 32° 15' 27.796"N & 106° 47' 54.203"W (WGS84), located on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana

County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 6.95 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located in SE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of said projected Section 36, (NMPM), as described by Subfile Order No. LRN-28-013-0360, of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to continue to use existing irrigation well LRG-1768 for irrigation purposes under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24. The site of existing irrigation well LRG-1768 is located south of Mesilla, east of the intersection of Snow Road and W Union Ave., & further described at the property address of 2913 W. Union Ave, Las Cruces, NM.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest



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INVITATION
BID/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)/REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ)

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/ Pre-Proposal Meeting	Due Date / Time
Fleet Parts and Labor	16-17-087	N/A	February 16, 2017 / 4:00pm 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM
East Cambridge Reconstruction	16-17-052	February 2, 2017 / 2:00pm 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM	February 14, 2017 / 2:00pm 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM

Please use this link to access all City of Las Cruces solicitations: <https://www.newmexicobidsystem.com/Registration.asp?ID=1757Sealed> bids/proposals will be received by the City of Las Cruces Purchasing Section, at 700 N. Main, 3rd Floor, Room 3134.

Unless otherwise noted above, copies of solicitation documents may be inspected or obtained at City Hall, 700 N. Main St, Room 3134, Las Cruces, NM. Additional information/clarification regarding solicitations may be obtained by contacting the City Purchasing Section at (575) 541-2525 or by email to bidclerk@las-cruces.org

Dates 1/20/2017

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must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 01/06, 01/13, 01/20, 2017

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of the Following Ordinance(s) at the Regular City Council Meeting Held on January 17, 2017:

(1) Council Bill No. 17-015; Ordinance No. 2801: An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a \$3,700,000.00 Loan Agreement to Purchase Public Safety Vehicles and Heavy Equipment with Such Loan Agreement to be Secured by a Lien on State-Shared Gross Receipts Tax Revenues.

(2) Council Bill No. 17-016; Ordinance No. 2802: An Ordinance Amending Las Cruces Municipal Code, 1997, as Amended, (LCMC) Article II, Fire Protection Code, Chapter 11, Fire Prevention and Protection, by Repealing the Adopted 2009 Edition of the International Fire Code and Enacting the 2015 Edition of the International Fire Code as Amended with Certain Related Appendices.

(3) Council Bill No. 17-017; Ordinance No. 2803: An Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Division 17, Building Standards of Chapter 30, Buildings and Building Regulations of the Las Cruces Municipal Code 1997, as Amended, (LCMC) and Enacting Construction Codes as Implemented by the State of New Mexico Construction Industries Division. Submitted by the City of Las Cruces.

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 17th day of January, 2017.

Linda Lewis, CMC
City Clerk

Dates: 01/20, 2017

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of the transfer of ownership and change of location of Liquor License No. 28077, with on premises consumption, to Amsterdam Holdings, LLC d/b/a Boots & Bourbon, to be located at 805 South Main Street, Suite 85, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the City Council scheduled for Tuesday, **February 21, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.**, in the City Council Chambers, 700 North Main Street, City Hall. If passed, the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department may approve the transfer.

Witness my hand and seal this 10 day of January 2017.

/s/Linda Lewis, CMC,
City Clerk

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 2017

PUBLIC AUCTION

2000 Pontiac Grand Am VIN# 1G2NF52E3YC506222

This vehicle is being sold at public auction as there is a mechanic's lien in the amount of \$2899.36

Auction Date:
March 23, 2017
Auction Time: 8:00am
Auction Location:
425 W. Boutz,
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Date: 01/13, 01/20, 2017

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

The following legally described trust real estate will be sold, pursuant to the power of sale as provided in the following Deed of Trust, to wit:

Deed of Trust dated April

24, 2013, and filed of record in the office of the County Clerk for Doña Ana County, New Mexico, on May 2, 2013, as Instrument No. 1310912,

at public auction to the highest bidder on the front steps of the Judicial District Court for Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at 201 W. Picacho Ave, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, on March 3, 2017, at the hour of 1 o'clock p.m. of that day. The legal description of the real property that will be sold at this sale is as follows:

Tract I: A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 23 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, OF THE SURVEYS OF THE U.S. RECLAMATION SERVICE BEING A PART OF TRACT 613 AS DESIGNATED ON THE PLATS OF THE COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR AND PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 9A-79B, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED MARKED BY A CONCRETE MONUMENT ON THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY OF SOUTH MAIN STREET, IDENTICAL WITH THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF A TRACT OF G.O. WHITE, WHENCE AN IRON RAIL RIGHT OF WAY MARKER BEARS SOUTH 34° 59' 25" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 78.14 FEET; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY OF THE SHANNON TRACT NORTH 82° 23' WEST, 117.52 FEET ALONG THE CENTER OF A SMALL IRRIGATION LATERAL TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT MARKED BY AN IRON PIPE; THENCE SOUTH 83° 11' EAST, 143.42 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER MARKED BY AN IRON PIPE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE ORIGINAL SHANNON TRACT; THENCE ALONG SOUTH MAIN STREET

SOUTH 24° 39' 46" WEST, 80.59 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

TRACT II: A PART OF LAND SITUATE IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, BEING A PART OF LOT 3 OF THE PLAT OF GUSTAFSON'S SUBDIVISION FILED JANUARY 28, 1909, AND BEING PART OF TRACT 9A-79C AS SHOWN ON THE U.S.R.S. PROPERTY MAPS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT BEING A POINT ON THE WEST LINE OF SOUTH MAIN STREET, SAID POINT BEING IDENTICAL WITH THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 9A-79C; THENCE SOUTH 82° 29' 42" WEST, 23.00 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE NORTH 82° 23' WEST, 95.14 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE NORTH 5° 53' 29" EAST, 6.02 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE SOUTH 82° 23' EAST, 117.52 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Pursuant to NMSA 1978 §14-11-10.1, a simple description of the Real Property is: 1042 S. Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

The name of the Trustor in the subject Deed of Trust is 1042 Properties, Inc., a New Mexico corporation. The name of the original Beneficiary/Lender in said Deed of Trust is Bank of the Rio Grande, N.A., which, by merger, became First National Bank of Santa Fe. TriCentury Bank is the successor beneficiary to the Deed of Trust by recorded Assignment of Mortgage assigning said Deed of Trust to TriCentury Bank. Said Assignment of Mortgage (corrected) was filed of record in the Office of the County Clerk for Doña Ana County, New Mexico, on June 2, 2016, as Instrument No. 1612276.

A Notice of Substitution of Trustee naming the undersigned as the substitute Trustee, with power of sale, was recorded on May 10,

2016, in the office of the County Clerk for Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as Instrument No. 1610099.

The Deed of Trust secures a Promissory Note from the Trustor, of even date with the Deed of Trust, in the original principal sum of \$242,350.18. The unpaid balance due on said Note, secured by the Deed of Trust, is itemized as follows:

Unpaid Principal Balance \$115,861.46
Current Interest Due thru 11/29/16 \$1,216.53
Late Charges Due: \$149.69

Plus per diem interest after November 29, 2016, of \$57.14 per day (at the default rate of 18% per annum), plus costs of collection including legal fees, recording fees and publication fees as a result of the default on the Note and Deed of Trust.

This Notice shall act as notice of the acceleration of the full balance due on the Note, as stated above.

The Beneficiary reserves the right to sell both Tracts described above as one property, in bulk, at the sale.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2016. Richard Leverick, as Substitute Trustee

/s/Richard Leverick

/s/Richard Leverick, Esq.
5120 San Francisco NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109
(505) 858-3303
On behalf of TriCentury Bank

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 02/03, 02/10, 2017

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

No. D 307 CV 2016 0 2807
Judge: Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF LEILA GOMEZ TORREZ FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Amended NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Leila Gomez Torrez, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen (14) years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from **Leila Gomez Torrez to Leila Melinda Gomez**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta District Judge, on the 6th day of March, 2017, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W.

Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Leila Gomez Torrez
4057 Inca Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88005
(575) 644-7557

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2013-00444

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS TRUSTEE FOR CARLSBAD FUNDING MORTGAGE TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs.

GUSTAVO MOLDOÑO, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF BILL J. MARTINEZ, DECEASED, FIRST NEW MEXICO BANK, LAS CRUCES, FERGUSON ENTERPRISES, INC., LAS CRUCES MEDICAL CENTER LLC dba MOUNTAIN VIEW REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO and THE ESTATE OF BILL J. MARTINEZ, DECEASED, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that on **February 8, 2017, 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 735 Stone Canyon Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 23, BLOCK 1 OF CANYON POINT 2 SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON MARCH 5, 1996 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 18 AT PAGES 426-427, 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 4, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$427,062.05 and the same bears interest at 4.875% per annum from November 1, 2016, 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

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

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

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

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

Dates: 01/13, 01/20, 01/27,
02/03, 2017

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

No. 17-0011
Judge Diana A. Bustamante

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF:
AMADO ANTONIO
GARCIA (a/k/a Amado A.
Garcia), 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 two 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 5822 Jalapeno Dr., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012 or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED this 10th day of January, 2017.

/s/ Nahim Flores
NAHIM FLORES
Personal Representative
5822 Jalapeno Dr.
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88012

KEITHLY &
ENGLISH, LLC
SHANE A. ENGLISH
Attorney for Personal
Representative
Post Office Drawer 1329
Anthony, NM 88021
(575) 882-4500
(575) 882-5000 [FAX]

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 02/03,
2017

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

No. D-307-PB-2016-00090
Judge Douglas R. Driggers

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
CLAUDE RICHARD
HARRIS, 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: January 6, 2017

/s/Richard Patrick Harris
Richard Patrick Harris,
Personal Representative of
the Estate of Claude Richard

Harris, Deceased

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

/s/Joseph M. Holmes
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for the
Personal Representative

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 02/03,
2017

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2015-02247

**US BANK NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, AS
TRUSTEE FOR CITI-
GROUP MORTGAGE
LOAN TRUST INC.,
ASSET-BACKED PASS-
THROUGH CERTIFI-
CATES, SERIES
2005-WF1, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**SANTANA SALDIVAR;
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
SANTANA SALDIVAR;
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 1060 Mimbres Court, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 12, MIMBRES SUB-DIVISION, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 536, THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 31, 1960, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 1, PAGE 53, PLAT RECORDS.

LOT 12, MIMBRES SUB-DIVISION, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 536, THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 31, 1960, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 1, PAGE 53, PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **12:15 PM on February 23, 2017**, on the front steps of the

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 June 6, 2016, in the total amount of \$88,970.86, with interest at the rate of 6.95% per annum from April 8, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. US Bank National Association, As Trustee For Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-WF1, 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 PUR-
CHASERS AT SALE ARE
ADVISED TO MAKE
THEIR OWN EXAMINA-
TION OF THE TITLE
AND THE CONDITION
OF THE PROPERTY
AND TO CONSULT
THEIR OWN ATTOR-
NEY BEFORE BIDDING.**

By: Robert A. Doyle,
Special Master

c/o Legal Process Network
P.O. Box 51526
Albuquerque, NM 87181
505-417-4113

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

NO. D-307-CV-2016-00231

**FRANKLIN AMERICAN
MORTGAGE COMPA-
NY, Plaintiff,**

v.

**LUZ E. BRIVASCAS, LAS
CRUCES MEDICAL
CENTER LLC D/B/A
MOUNTAINVIEW RE-
GIONAL MEDICAL
CENTER, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on **January 24, 2017 at 11:45 am**, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

LOT NUMBERED 6 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 11 OF UNIT NO. 3 LOMA HEIGHTS SOUTH, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID UNIT NO. 3 LOMA HEIGHTS SOUTH, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 15, 1966 IN PLAT BOOK 9, FOLIO 98-99.

The address of the real property is 1948 Peri Ann Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88001. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street

address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on September 15, 2016 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$112,514.24 plus interest from May 1, 2016 to the date of sale at the rate of 3.3750% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

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

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

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

home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

Dates: 12/30, 2016
01/06, 01/13, 01/20, 2017

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

No. D-307-CV-2016-00024

**BANK OF AMERICA,
N.A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**STACY M. PACHECO,
and if married, THE
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF
STACY M. PACHECO,
(true name unknown);
CHRIS PACHECO, and if
married, THE UN-
KNOWN SPOUSE OF
CHRIS PACHECO, (true
name unknown); TAXA-
TION AND REVENUE
DEPARTMENT OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO, Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **February 15, 2017, 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 6235 Mesa Grande Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A 0.59 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATE NORTH OF THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO,

COMPRISING PART OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS, AND BEING PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, WHENCE THE EAST ONE-QUARTER CORNER OF SAID SECTION 15 BEARS THE FOLLOWING TWO COURSES AND DISTANCES: S 89 DEG. 50' 04" E, 150.00 FEET; N 0 DEG. 30' 00" E., A DISTANCE OF 340.20 FEET; THENCE S 89 DEG. 51' 00" E., A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE S 00 DEG. 27' 45" W., 170.04 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE N 89 DEG. 49' 36" W., 149.97 FEET, TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE N 00 DEG. 30' 00" E., 170.06 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE S 89 DEG. 49' 11" E., 149.86 FEET TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.59 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SUBJECT TO A 25 FOOT WIDE ROADWAY EASEMENT BEING PARALLEL AND ADJACENT TO THE SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY LINE OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND AND ANY OTHER EASEMENTS OF RECORD AND SUCH AS MAY EXIST ON THE GROUND,

and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as a 2009 Southern Energy/Legacy Double Wide, VIN No. DSETX12233AB.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause

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on January 5, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$121,931.57 and the same bears interest at 5.125% per annum from September 1, 2016, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

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

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

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 02/03,
02/10, 2017

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

No. PB-2016-132
Judge James T. Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
JOYCE EILEEN**

WATSON 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 Personal Representative c/o The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.O. Box 2277, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, 201 W. Picacho, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 3rd day of
January, 2017.

/s/

TANYA EILEEN
WATSON,
Personal Representative of
the Estate of
JOYCE EILEEN WATSON,
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: 01/06, 01/13, 01/20,
2017

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2014-00451

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

vs.

**MANUEL L. ROSALES
AND EMMA C.
ROSALES, 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 9230 Higgins Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88001, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 1 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 1 OF BUTTERFIELD PARK, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID BUTTERFIELD PARK, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MAY 8, 1963 IN PLAT BOOK 8, FOLIO 72. ALSO KNOWN AS:

LOT NUMBERED 1 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 1 OF BUTTERFIELD PARK SUBDIVISION, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON MAY 18, 1962 IN PLAT NO. 574, PAGE 72 OF THE PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **12:15 pm on February 23, 2017**, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on December 13, 2016, in the total amount of \$126,439.52, with interest at the rate of 5.25% per annum from June 21, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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

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

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

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

By: Robert A. Doyle,
Special Master
c/o Legal Process Network
P.O. Box 51526
Albuquerque, NM 87181
505-417-4113

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

CV-2016-01783

MAUREEN PONCE SINGLETON REVOCABLE TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs.

TUSACAN VALLEY PROPERTIES, INC., et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday February 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the main entrance to the Judicial Complex of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 West Picacho,

Las Cruces, NM 88005, the Special Master will sell all the right, title and interest of the named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described 4 tracts of real property to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds. Each of the 4 tracts to be sold are situated in Santa Teresa, Doña Ana County, NM and are as follows; 131 Tuscan Ridge Cir., Santa Teresa, NM 88008 and described as follows:

1st tract is known as 131 Tuscan Ridge Cir., Santa Teresa, NM 88008, identified as:

LOT 3, BLOCK 3, TUSCAN RIDGE VILLAS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM, AS DESIGNATED ON PLAT OF TUSCAN RIDGE VILLAS, FILED IN REAL PROPERTY RECORD OF DOÑA ANA, NM, 2/12/2015, BOOK 23, FOLIO 721-722 on 2/13/2015.

2nd tract to be sold is known as 134 Tuscan Ridge Cir., Santa Teresa, NM 88008, identified as:

LOT 10, BLOCK 2, TUSCAN RIDGE VILLAS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM, AS DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF TUSCAN RIDGE VILLAS, IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM ON FEBRUARY 13, 2015 IN BOOK 23, FOLIO 721-722. Plat filed: 2/13/2015.

The remaining 2 tracts shall be sold together and are known as 136 Tuscan Ridge Cir., Santa Teresa, NM 88008, further identified as:

LOT 11, BLOCK 3, TUSCAN RIDGE VILLAS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM, AS DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF TUSCAN RIDGE VILLAS, FILED IN TH OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM ON 2/13/2015 IN BOOK 23, FOLIO 721-722. Plat filed: 2/13/2015.

Which shall be sold with 139 Tuscan Ridge Cir., Santa Teresa, NM 88008, further identified as:

LOT 7, BLOCK 3, TUSCAN RIDGE VILLAS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM, AS DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF TUS-

CAN RIDGE VILLAS, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM ON FEBRUARY 13, 2015 IN BOOK 23, FOLIO 721-722. Plat filed: 2/13/2015.

The sale will be made to satisfy Final Default Foreclosure Judgment filed December 13, 2016, in favor of Plaintiff, pursuant to a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure therein.

Plaintiff, Maureen Ponce Singleton Revocable Trust, has a Judgment against Defendants, Tuscan Valley Properties, Inc. and Dan M. Brown, in the amount of \$652,894.97 bearing interest at 8% per annum from 7/1/2016.

Plaintiffs may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The purchaser at the foreclosure sale shall be entitled to immediate possession of the real property or properties and improvements more particularly described herein, subject to a one-month right of redemption.

The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real properties and improvements will be sold subject to all, taxes, utility liens, and other restrictions and easements not foreclosed herein.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that Special Master shall apply the proceeds of the sale first to the costs of sale, and Special Master fees, then to pay the above described Judgment, and then to be distributed in accordance with further Order of the Court. This sale is subject to Entry of an Order of the Court approving the sale.

Firth•Johnston•Bunn•Kerr
PO Box 942
El Paso, TX 79946

/s/Kenneth L. Beal
Kenneth L. Beal
Special Master

Dates: 01/13, 01/20, 01/27,
02/03, 2017

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

No. D-307-CV-2016-01740

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

vs.

EPI M. GALLEGOS, and if married, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF EPI M. GALLEGOS (true name unknown); WALTER GALLEGOS, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF WALTER GALLEGOS, Deceased; GLENN GALLEGOS; TOM GALLEGOS; WALTER GALLEGOS, JR.; MICHELLE PADILLA; TERESA MARTIN; MARIA PACHECO; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISEES OR LEGATEES OF WALTER GALLEGOS, DECEASED, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

Defendant(s) Walter Gallegos, if living, if deceased, The Estate of Walter Gallegos, Deceased, Glenn Gallegos, Tom Gallegos and The Unknown Heirs, Devises or Legatees of Walter Gallegos, Deceased is/are hereby notified that Plaintiff has filed a civil suit against Defendant(s) in the above-entitled cause of action, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 1997 SeDoña Hills Parkway, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

Lot numbered 41 in Block numbered V of Sonora Springs, Phase 4 at Sonoma Ranch South, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Sonora Springs, Phase 4 at Sonoma Ranch South, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on November 6, 2002 in Plat Book 20, Folio 176-177.

Defendant(s) is/are required to serve upon the Plaintiff an Answer or Motion in response to the Complaint within thirty (30) days and file a copy of the Answer or Motion with the Court as provided in Rule 1-005 NMRA 2005.

If the Defendant(s) fail(s) to file a timely Answer or Motion, a default judgment may be entered against Defendant(s) for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Attorneys for the Plaintiff:

Little, Bradley &
Nesbitt, P.A.
1700 Louisiana Blvd NE,
Suite 300
Albuquerque, NM 87110
(505) 248-2400
FAX: 254-4722

January 11, 2017

By Electronically signed
/s/ Rachel M. Chiado
Karen H. Bradley
Deborah A. Nesbitt
Rachel M. Chiado
Marisol C. Garcia
Loni J. Hodge
Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable JAMES T. MARTIN, 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 11th day of January, 2017.

(Seal)

CLAUDE BOWMAN
CLERK OF THE
DISTRICT COURT

By /s/Wendy Couser
Deputy

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 02/03,
2017

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

Cause No.
D-307-CV-2016-02872
Judge: Martin, James T.

**NANCY A. BYRES
formally known as
NANCY A. CAPLAN
Plaintiff,**

vs.

THE TOWN OF MESILLA A NEW MEXICO MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AND UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING AN LIEN, INTEREST, OR TITLE ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ANY DECEASED PERSON MAKING CLAIM OF

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LIEN, TITLE OR INTEREST ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

To unknown persons claiming interest, lien or title adverse to the Plaintiff and unknown persons claiming a lien, interest or title adverse to Plaintiff and unknown heirs of any deceased person making claim of lien, interest or title to Plaintiff.

You are hereby notified that the above named Plaintiff has brought suit against you in the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico under Cause Number D-307-CV-2016-02872 the general object of which is to quiet title in the following described property situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico to wit.

A 0.3374 acre Tract of land situate within the Town of Mesilla, Doña Ana County, New Mexico. Located in Section 25, T. 23S., R. 1E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. surveys, being part of U.S.R.S. tract 11B-29, and being more particularly described as follows to wit;

BEGINNING at a 1/2" iron rod found along the East line of N.M. Highway 28 for the Southwest corner of the Tract herein described, **WHENCE**, a N.M.S.H.T.D. Aluminum cap for Station 147+11.13 (NMPM-45111(1)), bears S.36°10'32"E., a distance of 666.76 feet;

THENCE, from the point of beginning, along the East line of N.M. Highway 28 N.36°41'25" W., a distance of 91.62 feet to a point of curvature for this tract;

THENCE, along the arc of a curve to the right having a radius of 12.57 feet, an arc length of 13.40 feet, an included angle of 61°05'29", and whose long chord bears, N. 18°06'02"E., a distance of 12.78 feet to a point at a concrete sidewalk for an angle point of this tract;

THENCE, N.38°07'20"W., a distance of 5.95 feet to a point at the back of the curb along the South line of W. Boutz Road for the Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE, following the

back of curb, along the South line of W. Boutz Road, N.51°52'540"E., a distance of 19.00 feet to a point of curvature of this tract;

THENCE, along the arc of a curve to the left having a radius of 399.86 feet, an arc length of 25.85 feet, an included angle of 03°42'16", and whose long chord bears, N.46°29'37"E., a distance of 25.85 feet to a point of reverse curvature of this tract;

THENCE, along the arc of a curve to the right having a radius of 259.15 feet, an arc length of 50.71 feet, an included angle of I 1°12'40", and whose long chord bears, N.47°30'30"E., a distance of 50.63 feet to a point of tangency of this tract;

THENCE, continuing along the back of curb, along the South line of W. Boutz Road, N.55°16'31"E., a distance of 43.36 feet to a point for the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE, leaving the back of curb, and leaving the South line of W. Boutz Road, S.38°28'02"E., a distance of 112.05 feet to a 1/2" iron rod found for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE S.53°16'09"W., a distance of 152.13 feet to the point of beginning, enclosing 0.3774 acres of land, more or less. Subject to all easements, patents, restrictions, and reservations of record.

You are further notified that unless a responsive pleading or motion is filed with the District Court Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico at 201 W. Picacho Avenue Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 in which response to pleading or other motion shall also be served on the below named attorney for the Plaintiff within the time required by law which is 30 days after the date of the third publication of this Notice of Pendency of Suit, a judgment by default will be rendered against unknown persons claiming an lien, interest of title adverse to Plaintiff or unknown heirs of any unknown deceased person making claim of lien, title or interest to Plaintiff.

Plaintiff's attorneys are Martin & Lutz, P.C. 2110 North Main Street P.O. Box 1837

Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-1837

WITNESS my hand and seal this 30th day of December, 2016.

(Seal)

Claude Bowman
Clerk of the District Court
/s/ Joe M. Martinez
By: Deputy -
Joe M Martinez

Dates: 01/06, 01/13, 01/20, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

NO. 16-0258

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Amelita F Hill, aka Amelita Hill, aka Amelita Fox Hill, aka Amelita Fox Tankersley Hill, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO KNOWN CREDITORS

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

Dated: Dec. 2, 2016

/s/ Boyce E. Tankersley, III
Boyce E. Tankersley, III
340 Gatewood Lane
Grayslake, IL 60030

Dates: 01/06, 01/13, 01/20, 2017

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

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

NATIONSTAR MORT-

GAGE LLC, 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; Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, Nune Nagapetyan, Unknown Spouse of Nune Nagapetyan, The Nune Nagapetan Living Trust U/T/D Dated August 18, 2010:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 4636 Camino Dos Vidas, Las Cruces, NM 88012. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally 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

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

McARTHUR & HOLTHUS, LLP

By: /s/ Umair Malik
Karen Weaver
Umair Malik
6501 Eagle Rock NE,
Suite A-3
Albuquerque,
New Mexico 87113
Telephone No.:
(505) 219-4900
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dates: 01/20, 01/27, 02/03, 2017

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

Cause No.:
D-307-CV-2015-02385

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

vs.

DAVID A. DIBBLE; UN- KNOWN SPOUSE OF DAVID A. DIBBLE; JER- RY D. DIBBLE, IF LIV- ING; IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JERRY D. DIBBLE, DECEASED; OCCU- PANTS OF THE PROP- ERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 711 Lenox Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 10, AND 1/2 OF THE ADJACENT VACATED ALLEY, BLOCK D, COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES, REPLAT NO. 1, REPLAT OF BLOCKS D AND I, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 659, THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY, ON FEBRUARY 7, 1966, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 9, PAGE 88, PLAT RECORDS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

The sale is to begin at **12:15 PM on February 9, 2017**, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder

for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on November 28, 2016, in the total amount of \$146,525.43, with interest at the rate of 5.25000% per annum from October 21, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2015-01559

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

vs.

**MICHAEL A. CANDE-
LARIA, DELIA V. CAN-
DELARIA, HUSBAND
AND WIFE; OCCU-
PANTS OF THE PROP-
ERTY; Defendants.**

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**THE STATE OF
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Case No.:
D-307-CV-2016-02600

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

vs.

**JULIA ECHEVARRIA;
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA BY AND
THROUGH THE SECRE-
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AND URBAN DEVELOP-
MENT; Defendants.**

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ECHEVARRIA:**

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**THE STATE OF
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Case No.:
D-307-CV-2016-01907

**NATIONSTAR MORT-
GAGE LLC, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**SINDY L. JONES, INDI-
VIDUALLY AND AS THE
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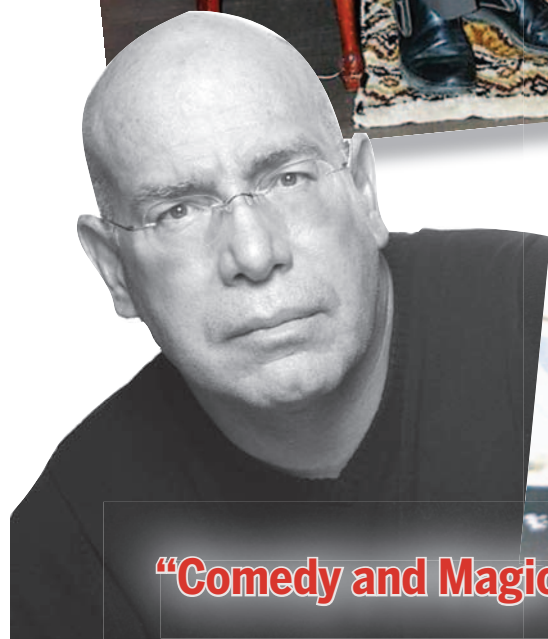
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"Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

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Three live shows opening in Las Cruces.
See page 44 for details.



"Comedy and Magic"



"Out of Sterno"



"Comedy and Magic"

Something for everyone at local theaters



PHOTO BY PETER HERMAN, NO STRINGS THEATRE COMPANY, BLACK BOX THEATRE
Raphael Medina and Nora Thomas play husband and wife in playwright Deborah Zoe Lauffer's "Out of Sterno," which opens Jan. 27 at the Black Box Theatre.

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Live theater offerings abound during the end of January and into February, with two dark plays and a much lighter comedy show. "Comedy and Magic," "Out of Sterno" and "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf" promise solid entertainment for every taste.

'Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf' opens Jan. 20 at LCCT

One of the classics of American theatre, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" opens on Friday, Jan. 20 for a three-week run at Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St.

Playwright Edward Albee, who died last September at age 88, won three Pulitzer prizes and two Tony awards for best play during a theatrical career that spanned more than 40 years.

Lead characters George and Martha sing lines from the song "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf" throughout the play, giving Albee his title.

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? stars Janet Beatty-Payne as Martha, Danny Wade as George, Erica Krauel as Honey and Greg Blackman as Nick. The play is directed by Patrick Payne.

The play centers on the relationship between George, a professor at a small college, and his wife, Martha, according to an LCCT news release. "They have just returned home, drunk from a Saturday night party. Martha announces that she has invited a young couple, an opportunistic new professor at the college and his exceptionally naïve new bride, to stop by for a nightcap. When they arrive, the charade begins. The drinks flow and suddenly inhibitions melt. Underneath the edgy banter between both couples lurks an undercurrent of tragedy and despair."

The play will be performed at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 20-21, 27-28 and Feb. 3-4 and at 2 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 22, 29 and Feb. 5.

Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$11 for students, senior citizens and military; \$9 for children under age six; \$10 each for groups of 10 or more. Student "rush" tickets will be sold to students

with a valid student ID for \$5 15 minutes before curtain time if seats are available.

For more information and reservations, call 575-523-1200. Visit www.lcctnm.org.

Comedians, magician come to Fountain Theatre

Albuquerque comedians Goldie Garcia and Eddie Tafoya will join Las Cruces magician Jamie O'Hara for Variety: "Comedy and Magic," beginning at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 23 and April 27 at the Fountain Theater, 2469 Calle De Guadalupe in Mesilla, said promoter Stan Blitz.

"This is an old-fashioned variety show that the whole family will enjoy," Blitz said.

Tickets for each performance are \$10 at the door.

Garcia, often called "the first lady of comedy in New Mexico," has opened for Paul Rodriguez and Rob Schneider, among other acts. She lives in Albuquerque and frequently performs in Las Cruces. Visit her Facebook page at Goldie Garcia.

Tafoya, an Albuquerque native, is an English professor at New Mexico Highlands University in Las Vegas, New Mexico. Visit him on Facebook at Eddie Tafoya.

O'Hara, billed as "The Magic Guy," and based in Las Cruces, has been a full-time performer and speaker since 1987. Visit his Facebook page at Jamie O'Hara The Magic Guy.

For more information, contact Blitz at saprinting06@gmail.com.

For reservations, call 575-524-3524.

'Out of Sterno' opens Jan. 27 at Black Box Theatre

"I'm drawn to her dark sense of humor," Las Cruces actor/director and No Strings Theatre Company board of directors member Algernon D'Ammassa said about Deborah Zoe Lauffer, the author of Out of Sterno opening Friday, Jan. 27 at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St.

Lauffer is part of "a generation of just really good woman playwrights"

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in a field that is “still so dominated by males,” D’Amassa said. “She takes something frightening and puts it in a frame where we can laugh at it.”

That “something frightening” is violence and oppression, D’Amassa said. The lead character, Dotty, is dominated by her husband. “We look at it, and we can see it’s abusive,” he said. “To her, the prison seems nice.”

This kind of abuse, he said, is “a common, invisible problem. It’s called ‘gas lighting,’” D’Amassa said. “You keep someone a captive, but they don’t know they’re a captive,” he said. “If they figure it out, you convince them that they’re insane.”

“A friend suggested that I take a look at the plays of Deborah Zoe Laufer when I was deciding what to direct this season,” said Sterno director and Black Box Theatre owner Ceil Herman. “I read all the plot synopses and then bought all her plays. I enjoyed them all, but ‘Out of Sterno’ was so funny and moving that I settled on it.”

“Out of Sterno” will be performed at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Jan. 27-28 and Feb. 3-4 and 10-11; at 2 p.m. on Sundays, Feb. 5 and 12; and at 7 p.m. during a single Thursday night performance Feb. 9.

Tickets are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and seniors age 65 and above and \$10 for the Thursday night performance. For reservations, call 575-523-1223. Visit <https://no-strings.org>.



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- FRI JANUARY 20 • 7:30 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
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Awakening in Taos, Premiere Screening and Gala Event for Independent Film about Mabel Dodge Lujan
- SAT JANUARY 28 • 1:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Independent Film Screening & Workshop by Mark Gordon, Writer/Director of *Awakening in Taos*
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Awakening in Taos, an Independent Film about Mabel Dodge Lujan
- SUN JANUARY 29 • 2:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
The American Association of University Women present *One For the Girls*
- FRI FEBRUARY 3 • 7:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
The Doña Ana Arts Council presents “*Moon Mouse, A Space Odyssey*”
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Chris Waggoner presents *Play Me, Neil Diamond Tribute*

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Singing Out chorus presents concert

Singing Out Las Cruces, an LGBTQ and allies community chorus, will present its winter concert, Moments in American LGBTQ History, at 7 p.m. Saturday Jan. 21 and at 3 p.m. Sunday Jan. 22 at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri. Refreshments and a silent auction fundraiser at intermission. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Info: www.singingoutlascruces.org.



About Singing Out Las Cruces

The chorus is entering its sixth year of practice and performance. In July 2016, the chorus performed at the International GALA Choruses Quadrangular Festival at the Performing Arts Center in Denver, Colorado, for an audience of 2000.

All people are welcome to join the chorus. There are no auditions; just bring a love of music. Rehearsals begin in February 2017 for the spring concert.



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured is Page Bartz, who has toured in the U.S. and Orient as principal bassoonist with the Mantovani Orchestra. For five summers she also toured in Austria and Hungary with the Festival Orchestra of the 18th Century. Bartz and the Southwest Chamber Winds Bassoon Quartet are performing on Valentine's Day at Stucky Auditorium, Good Samaritan-Las Cruces

Bassoon quartet presents American concert

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The Southwest Chamber Winds will present a concert entitled, 'Good-bye My Lady Love— American Popular Songs From the Early Twentieth Century' at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 29 at Stucky Auditorium, at the Good Samaritan Village at 3011

Buena Vida Circle. The concert consists of music written or arranged for bassoon quartet and piano and features the styles of music that were popular at the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th centuries including barber shop, ragtime, and lovely ballads.

The group will play Jo-

plin's 'The Entertainer,' Thomas Westendorf's 'I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen,' and the lively tunes of George M. Cohan to name a few of the offerings.

The group was founded two years ago and is sponsored by Southwest Chamber Winds. Members of the group have

experience with tour groups in the U.S. and Europe, as well as playing experience with such organizations as the El Paso Symphony, the Atlanta Ballet Orchestra and the Paris Opera Orchestra. Admission is free. For more information visit www.swchamberswinds.com.



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Salud! de Mesilla: Great food, amazing options

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

It's hard to say what I like best about Salud! de Mesilla, but it might actually be the blue type in the restaurant's new menu.

Items in blue are gluten free, and there are many to choose from.

I enjoyed four of them in a single lunch: I started with a gluten-free tortilla with two types of butter. The hamburger that followed, prepared by pastry chef Milo Rubio with cheese and a lettuce wrap instead of a bun, was perfection itself. Instead of French fries, I had papas bravas (small potatoes with cheese and bacon), which were outstanding. All three layers of the chocolate torte I had for dessert were as delicious as they were beautiful. Yummy!

I'm usually not a big fan of flavored teas, but Salud!'s mint melon iced tea was terrific.

I was waited on by Salud! owner Russell Hernandez himself, and got to sit on one of those high stools in the bar. It was all terrific.

Salud!'s menu will appeal to vegetarians and vegans, and there's a paleo lunch that includes steak pieces, artichoke, garlic aioli and a house salad.

And, there are many traditional dishes from Hernandez's own family, including the "100 years of tradition" menu items from "tried and true southern New Mexico recipes" like breakfast burritos, hue-

Chef creates unique gluten free pastries, breads

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Milo Rubio was a member of the very first Doña Ana Community College culinary program graduating class in 2015.

A native of Tucson who grew up in Hatch, Rubio has been the pastry chef at Salud! de Mesilla since the restaurant opened last April. And that's a perfect match, because his passion is making pastries and baking bread.

In addition to helping create Salud!'s impressive menu of gluten-free items, he also makes many Jewish breads for the restaurant. The secrets of his Jewish rye are a sourdough starter from a recipe that is more than 100 years old, and pickle juice. "That's what sets mine apart from all the others around here," Rubio said.

He makes Jewish challah bread on Fridays, and matzo-ball soup and potato latkes for Hanukkah.

The secret to really good bagels, he said, is the water. And, while southern New Mexico's water is not the same as what made the bagels famous in New York, it still works. "We use the

resources that we have here and make it better," Rubio said.

His rainbow bagel bites, served with artisan butter, are Salud!'s version of chips and salsa, Rubio said.

He also creates many gluten-free breads and desserts for Salud!.

"That's where my heart is — change the ordinary culinary menu of what people are used to," Rubio said. "Something that the town's missing — I like to fill it."

That keeps him busy not only baking, but researching what is being created around the world. He's studying Middle Eastern "street food" at the moment — items like falafel, "they make right there in front of you."

Rubio has made a four-pound cinnamon roll, after he heard someone had made one that weighed three pounds. "I'm really competitive," he said.

Rubio also loves authentic French and Italian food, and especially French pastries.

Rubio said he loves working at Salud!, but his dream is to one day be his own boss. My number one goal is to have my own bakery."



PHOTO MIKE COOK PHOTO

Salud! de Mesilla owners Russell Hernandez and partner Christopher Schaljo.

vos rancheros and eggs benedict.

The breakfast menu also includes thumper

toast, the classic, all-American breakfast and B.O.B. (blast of bacon); along with gluten-free

items like a seafood omelet, pancakes and waffles and arrachera

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Popular sitcom actors in Las Cruces for presentation, reception

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Remember Carol Willick, Ross Geller's ex-wife on "Friends," and Del Cassidy, Caroline's sometimes-boyfriend on "Caroline in the City?"

The actors who played those characters will be in Las Cruces in January as guest artists of the New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department and the American Southwest Theatre Company for

a presentation and reception and visits with NMSU theatre students, NMSU Theatre Arts Department Head Wil Kilroy said.

Eric Lutes, who played Del Cassidy, and Jane Sibbett, who played Carol

Willick, will make a joint presentation about their acting careers and offer advice for people who want to break into acting at 7 p.m., Friday, Jan. 27 at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

"They'll share some clips of their work and talk about working in film and TV and open up for questions," said Kilroy, who went to college and acted with Lutes at the University of Rhode Island. The two have stayed friends, and also "crossed paths working in New York City and Los Angeles," Kilroy said.

The presentation by Lutes and Sibbett at NMSU is "a chance for the community to interact with successful Hollywood actors and be entertained by some fun tales of show business," he said.

Lutes and Sibbett said their message to theatre students and other would-be actors is that "this is a viable career that can be handled like any other business," Lutes said. "I think there is a bit of a disconnect in academia at the college level. Very little attention is paid to how to make a career out of acting," he said. It's important to learn to act and "how to start a business."

"You can completely have your dream," Sibbett said. "It can happen with a lot of great work. It can happen in the blink of an eye. You have to ultimately say, 'yes, I'm going to go for it and see what I can do.' You should do that. You should go for your dream. You back it up

Want to go

WHAT: Sitcom actors reception

WHEN: 7 p.m., Friday, Jan. 27

WHERE: ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

INFO: 575-646-6000

with business plans," she said.

There is a notion "that hot, trendy shows are for the left or the right coast, and everything else is considered fly-over country and the heartland doesn't matter," Lutes said. But that's not true. "Everybody is the same, whether it's NYU or Julliard ... or NMSU in Las Cruces. I come from Rhode Island; it doesn't get any smaller than that. I didn't know anyone in the business. I was fortunate to have really good mentors along the way."

While working her way through school, Sibbett said she got a note saying there was an audition for a soap opera. The note was anonymous because, "If you got a part out of school, you had to leave school." "Within 24 hours, I was on a plane to New York City for my first screen test," she said. "I didn't get the part, but I did make a friend at NBC." That friend, Sibbett said, was a casting director who used her as his reader for auditions. Sibbett got to read "with all the actors that came in see how people really destroy their auditions." The casting director later found her an agent, who

got Sibbett her first acting job. "It was perseverance for me," she said.

One of Lutes' first acting jobs in Los Angeles was as the new station manager on "Frasier." The character was openly gay, which was unusual in 1995 television. "It was really cool to be part of that," Lutes said, "to be involved in the emergence of a more open playing field, to be part of TV history."

While on the Frasier set, Lutes said he was reading scripts for four other television pilots. Costar David Hyde Pierce advised him to choose "Caroline in the City," which Lutes did, leading to a four-year stint on the NBC series.

Both actors have connections to New Mexico. Sibbett's grandmother was born in Las Vegas, where her family owned a hotel often visited by Old West outlaws. Lutes was in the cast of the movie "I Was a 7th Grade Dragonslayer" that filmed for four weeks in Albuquerque in 2009. A painter, Lutes said he often thought his next genre in painting would be "the purple mountain majesty" of New Mexico, he said.

Even if you're not an actor, Lutes and Sibbett said their Jan. 27 presentation at NMSU will be of benefit. "We all need expertise in carrying ourselves in the world," she said. "Acting is a skill that helps everybody with their presentation."

For more information, contact Kilroy at 575-646-6000 or wkilroy@nmsu.edu.



Schedule of Events

11 a.m.

Doors Open

12 p.m.

Renee's Bridal Fashion Show - Prom & Quince in Ballroom

12:45 p.m.

Nearlywed Game Show in Exhibit Hall

1:30 p.m.

Renee's Bridal Fashion Show - Bridal in Ballroom

2:00 p.m.

Dillard's Menswear Fashion Show in Exhibit Hall

3:00 p.m.

Live Wedding in Ballroom



An artist for almost 90 years, Flo Hosa Dougherty still going strong



ABOVE: Las Cruces artist Flo Hosa Dougherty with the mixed-media art piece she is working on now, which she calls "Singing in the Rain."

RIGHT: Dougherty's political cartoonish piece that she calls "I'm watching you."

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By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

"My art career started when I was about two-and-a-half years old," Las Cruces artist Flo Hosa Dougherty said.

Her older brother and sister had a blackboard, but wouldn't let her play on it. One day when they left, she got up on a stool and used some colored chalk to make marks on the blackboard.

When Dougherty showed a talent for art at age five, her teacher and principal "thought they had discovered me," she remembers. They called her parents in to see the clay bust she had made. It didn't surprise her mother and father, Dougherty said, because she "had been doing it for years" at home. But, it did lead to encouragement at school for the budding, young artist.

Dougherty earned a BS in education from Kent State University in Youngstown, Ohio, near her childhood home. "We had to take a course called microscopic drawing," she said. "We were given a specimen to identify (and) draw. I made a painting of mine on illustration board. The prof took it to the art department chairman, and shortly afterward I received a scholarship in art."

Dougherty would enjoy a 30-year career as an award-winning high school art teacher in Boardman, Ohio.

She began visiting Truth or Consequences in 1995, and moved to Las Cruces three years later. Dougherty opened the Blue Gate Gallery next to Las Cruces Community Theatre on Main Street in downtown Las Cruces. After about 10 years there, she moved the gallery to her home near the intersection of north Valley Drive and Taylor Road.

And, nearly 90 years after getting up on that stool to draw on that chalkboard, Dougherty still paints nearly every day.

She is well known not only for her distinctly beautiful art, but also as the creator of the Downtown Arts Ramble in 2003 and the North Valley Art Loop, which also includes artists Roy van der Aa and David Jacquez, in 2012.

Dougherty's art hangs in many homes and galleries in Ohio, New Mexico and elsewhere, and she has illustrated books, magazine and book covers and educational coloring books, and has created more than a dozen limited-edition reproductions for marketing.

Dougherty also created and curated the "Knock on Wood" exhibit at Branigan Cultural Center in 2011, and contributed a mixed media piece called "Feel the Breeze" that included embedded leaves and tree branches. The Las Cruces City Council declared Sept. 4, 2012 "Flo Hosa Dougherty Day."

Dougherty received the Doña Ana Arts Council's 2013 Community Arts Award, and 46 of her pieces were included in the Butler Institute of American Art exhibition of her work this past July and August in Boardman, Ohio, where she is fondly remembered as a "hard driver" but much loved art teacher. "We had fun," she

said. "I insisted on originality."

Because she taught art for three decades, Dougherty said she enjoys "all types of media, styles and materials" as an artist. "I can work in any medium for a while," she said, "but then I have to get back into creamy oils."

Dougherty's favorite piece of art in her collection is "what I'm working on at the time, until the next one comes along," she said.

Currently, Dougherty is at work on a mixed-media piece she calls "Singing in the Rain." It has raindrops turning green and then morphing into frogs — one of her favorite subjects to paint — on cloth with textured spaces attached to a wooden panel.

Dougherty will be participating in this year's For the Love of Art Month in February at her home gallery north of Las Cruces. The Blue Gate Fine Arts Gallery Love of Art studio tours will be held Feb. 11-12 and 18-19, and will include the sale of original illustrations Dougherty did for the book "The Man Who Set the Town Dancing," about internationally acclaimed Folklorico dancer and instructor José Tena. Many of her artworks will also be for sale, along with greeting cards featuring her art.

Dougherty's home gallery is also open by appointment — and yes, it really does have a blue gate. The artist will turn 92 on March 17.

Contact Dougherty at 575-523-2950 or bluegate-flodoc@aol.com.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Book signing by Robert K. Swisher

Author Robert K. Swisher with sign copies of his latest novel, *Vent*, a reader participation satire from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Jan. 21 at COAS Books, 317 N. Main St., Downtown. Swisher is the author of 24 novels. Info: 575-524-8471.

Singing Out chorus presents concert

Singing Out Las Cruces, an LGBTQ and allies community chorus, will present its winter concert, *Moments in American LGBTQ History*, at 7 p.m. Saturday Jan. 21 and at 3 p.m. Sunday Jan. 22 at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri. Refreshments and a silent auction fundraiser at intermission. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Info: www.singingoutlascruces.org.

Free spirit dance every Wednesday

Spirit Dance - Express your spirit through free dancing takes place from 2 to 3 p.m., every Wednesday at the Center for Spiritual Living in the Heart of Las Cruces at 575 N. Main St. No experience necessary. Info: 575-523-4847.

NM Vintage Wines offers music

NM Vintage Wines presents:

- 8-10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21: Double Cluthers, bass-slappin' rockabilly act
- 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 22: The Cajon Brothers, original music, blues/jazz/acoustic rock
- 8-10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27: Chris Baker, local country
- 8-10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28: Megan Davenport, straight from Miami, Florida, country/blues/pop, originals
- 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29: Alister M + Steve MacIntyre, indie/rock/folk
- 3-5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3: Barney muggers, jazz in a folk/ragtime rhythm

Location: 2461 Calle de Principal in Mesilla.

Mas Art holds classes with Wayne Carl Huber

Pencil and Pastels art class taught by Wayne Carl Huber is open to adults and high-school students. Subject matter will comprise of still life and landscape. Basic assignments for beginning draw-

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ing will also be included.

- Jan. 14: pencil drawing with contour line;
- Jan. 21: pencil still life drawing;
- Jan. 28: pastel still life drawing;
- Feb. 4: pastel landscape drawing.

Classes held at Mas Art Frame and Art Supplies, 126 S. Main St. Contact instructor for fees. Enrollment is limited to eight students. Supply list and info: Wayne Carl Huber at 575-647-5684 or HYPERLINK "mailto:wch1966@msn.com" wch1966@msn.com.

Bassoon quartet presents 'Goodbye My Lady Love'

The Southwest Chamber Winds will present a concert entitled, 'Goodbye My Lady Love—American Popular Songs From the Early Twentieth Century' at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 29 at Stucky Auditorium, at the Good Samaritan Village at 3011 Buena Vida Circle. The concert consists of music written or arranged for bassoon quartet and piano and features the styles of music that were popular at the end of the 19th and the beginning of the 20th centuries including barber shop, ragtime, and lovely ballads. Info: www.swchamberswinds.com.

Raven Art Studio classes in full swing

Art classes for teens 17 and older and adults with Rick Rotante at Raven Art Studio take place at 300 N. Main St. All classes are \$25 per session.

Drawing in charcoal – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 6 to 9 p.m. Mondays.

Oil painting – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays.

Pastel painting – 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 6 to 9 p.m. Thursdays.

Special 10-week introduction to oil painting class 6 to 9 p.m. Fridays. Call for start dates and materials list. \$185.

Sunday model workshop – 4 to 7 p.m. (minimum four artists).

Info: Rick Rotante at 909-233-0425.

Singer/performer presents an overview of Judaism in China

Robyn Helzner, vocalist and storyteller, shares stories, photos, video and music exploring the extraordinary history of Jewish communities in Beijing, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Kaifeng in a performance entitled "Kreplach and Dim Sum — Yes, There are Jews in China." In addition, she traces the emergence of the fastest growing Jewish region in the world, at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 23 at 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave. Info: call the Temple office at 575-524-3380. The program is open to the greater Las Cruces community.

The Black Market Trust concert to benefit music scholarships

The Black Market Trust, an American pop/vocal jazz band whose music combines the sounds of the great American crooners and vocal groups with the romantic Eastern European gypsy fire of jazz guitarist Django Reinhardt is coming back to Las Cruces for a concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24 at the Rio Grande Theater, 211 N. Main St. with proceeds benefitting the Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society's scholarship funds. Tickets are \$15 pre-sale by credit purchase and \$20 at the door. The performance is general seating and doors open at 7 p.m. Info: www.mvjazzblues.net or 575-640-8686.

Art classes at My Place Jewell

The following art classes will take place at My Place Jewell Studio, 132 B Wyatt Drive:

Beginning Drawing and Painting: Tuesdays 1-3:30 p.m.

Intermediate and Advanced Drawing and Painting: Thursdays 1-3:30 p.m.

High School Students are welcome in either class. Payments of \$45 are due every four weeks. Students may begin anytime.

In addition, home school art classes offered for students between ages of 7 and 12, who may enroll in classes repeated every Wednesday from noon to 12:50 p.m. Price is \$25 for four classes. Instructor is Wayne Carl Huber, MFA, is licensed in art education

SALUD!

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(marinated flank steak) and eggs. I haven't had a waffle or a pancake since I went gluten free about eight months ago. That's the next thing I'm getting at Salud!

Tapas (appetizers) include chicken and waffles, nachos, crimini mushrooms, kale sprouts, pretzel y queso, toasted ravioli and muestras de chicharrones. Many of these items are also gluten free. And don't forget the rainbow bagel bites that Salud serves as its main appetizer.

There are antipasto platters, featuring calamari and seared ahi tuna, brie wontons and green chile macaroni and cheese. There's also el calle and taro tacos.

The menu has salads and a variety of sandwiches with names like chic crasin, blast of bacon and red jalapeno wrap. There are nine varieties of hamburgers.

Light entrees include enchiladas, penne margarita, green chile pasta and "grown up" mac and cheese. Featured dinner entrees are stuffed eggplant, pecan-smoked salmon and artichoke chicken. There

are New York strip steaks and filet mignon. Again, many items are gluten free.

There are many wines to choose from that come from all over the world as well as craft drafts, craft canned and bottled beer and domestic and imported beer.

And, please, let's not forget the desserts! There's Bailey's Irish cheesecake, cheesecake fondue, gooey rum butter cake, Mexican chocolate tiramisu and the torte I already mentioned. There's Milo's rocher cake, a prickly pear crème brulee and whiskey bundt cake. Again, many are

gluten free.

Salud! de Mesilla also has daily specials. Hamburgers were half off the Thursday I was there.

Hernandez and partner Christopher Schaljo opened Salud! last April at 1800 Avenida de Mesilla, and welcome guests in four dining areas, including a private dining room that seats 25 to 30.

"We wanted to do something fun and different," Hernandez said. "I wanted to have something for everybody. Ninety percent of what we do is from scratch. If somebody has a specific

requirement, we're going to do that."

Salud! is open six days a week, closed only on Tuesdays. The restaurant has recently changed its hours and is now open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday; from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday; from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday; and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

For more information, call 575-323-3548 or email contact@saludmesilla.com. Visit www.saluddemesilla.com, and find them on Facebook at Salud! de Mesilla.

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KILLER WHALES

Killer whales are powerful predators that eat fish, seals, sharks and even other whales. However, they are not interested in eating people. There has been only one attack on a person in the wild. Scientists believe the whale mistook a surfer for a seal. Interestingly, the whale realized the mistake and spat the person out.

Nope, no whale down there.

Camo Colors

From the land, the orca's black and white pattern may not look like good camouflage. But it is, and it helps the orca sneak up on its prey.

When an orca is swimming in the deep, fish swimming above it look down and see only inky darkness.

Fish swimming below an orca look up to the white of the orca's underbody, which blends with the bright light of the sun shining down.

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know that living organisms have distinct structures and body systems that serve specific functions in growth, survival and reproduction.

Let's Draw It!

Follow these easy steps to create a whale of a drawing!

5-step drawing guide for a killer whale, including outlines, coloring instructions, and a finished drawing.

Is it a fish?

Orcas look a bit like fish and live in the sea, but they are mammals. They are warm-blooded, feed their young with milk and breathe air through nostrils called blowholes. Orcas must hold their breath when they are underwater.

How long can a killer whale hold its breath?

Activity with symbols and a legend to determine how long a killer whale can hold its breath based on symbols found in the article.

Male or female?

Look at the two pictures, then read how to tell the difference between a male and female orca. Label each one. The male dorsal fin is upright and triangular. It can be about six feet high and is the tallest dorsal fin in the animal kingdom. The female's is shorter and curves backward.

Two illustrations of orcas for gender identification, with a legend for symbols used in the activity.

Extra! Extra! Black and White and Red All Over

Look at one page of today's newspaper and circle in red all the words you know! Standards Link: Life Science: Students know that organisms can be compared to observe their similarities and differences.

The scientific name for killer whales is Orcinus orca. They are often called orcas.

Signature Saddle Orcas have a patch of gray behind the dorsal fin. This patch is called a saddle patch. Each orca has its own distinctively shaped saddle patch.

Check Out the Chops! Orcas have 40 to 52 sharp teeth, each of which is about three inches long. As an orca gets older, it grows layers on the outside of its teeth, forming rings. If you slice an orca tooth and count the layers, you can discover the age of the orca.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Each underwater creature is worth points. Which bubble has the highest score?

Puzzler with fish icons and point values (15, 11, 9, -20) and four bubbles containing combinations of fish for calculation.

Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate sums and differences.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

Word search grid containing words like BLOWHOLES, DORSAL, KILLER WHALES, etc.

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

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Synonym Search

Orca and killer whale are synonyms. Synonyms have the same or nearly the same meaning. Look through today's newspaper for five or more pairs of synonyms. Write a paragraph using all ten words.

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify synonyms.

Write On!

Activity titled 'A Whale of a Pet' asking 'What would your life be like with a whale for a pet?' with a drawing of an orca.

Kid Scoop Together: Proof It!

Are you an eagle-eyed reader? Read the article below and circle the six errors you find. Then rewrite it correctly on the lines below the article.

Whale Life

Orca babies are called calves. They are born underwater. As soon as the calf is born, the mother orca helps it swim to the surface for its first breathe of air.

The calf will drink its mother's cream-like milk for two years. The milk is about 48% fat and helps the calf develop a thin, warm layer of blubber.

The calf will start eating solid food such as herring, young salmon and squid at about tree months old.

An orca never leaves it's family. Even a fully grown adult male spends its life with the family group called a pod.

Most pods have between 5 and 50 orcas. Occasionally, two or more pods meet and briefly form a "superpod" with up to 150 orcas.

Blank lines for student responses to the proof-reading and writing activities.

Standards Link: Life Science: Students know that living organisms have distinct structures and body systems that serve specific functions in growth, survival and reproduction.

AT THE MOVIES Your guide to the latest films

Coming to DVD on Jan. 24

Inferno

Rated: PG-13
Genre: Action
Directors: Ron Howard

The Light Between Oceans

Rated: PG-13
Genre: Drama
Director: Derek Cianfrance

I'm Not Ashamed

Rated: PG-13
Genre: Drama
Director: Brian Baugh

The Monster

Rated: R
Genre: Horror
Director: Bryan Bertino

Top grossing Jan 13.-Jan. 15

1. **Hidden Figures**
(Week No. 4) \$20,845,000
2. **La La Land**
(Week No. 6) \$14,500,000
3. **Sing**
(Week No. 4) \$13,810,000
4. **The Bye Bye Man**
(Week No. 1) \$13,530,000
5. **Rogue One**
(Week No. 5) \$13,360,000
6. **Patriots Day**
(Week 4) \$12,000,000
7. **Monster Trucks**
(Week No. 1) \$10,950,000
8. **Sleepless**
(Week No. 1) \$8,344,000
9. **Underworld: Blood Wars**
(Week 2) \$6,135,000
10. **Passengers**
(Week No. 4) \$5,385,000


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Sing 🌟🌟🌟
Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A koala named Buster Moon has one final chance to restore his theater to its former glory by producing the world's greatest singing competition.
Starring: Matthew McConaughey, Reese Witherspoon, Seth MacFarlane




XXX: Return of Xander Cage
Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: Xander Cage is left for dead after an incident, though he secretly returns to action for a new, tough assignment with his handler Augustus Gibbons.
Starring: Vin Diesel, Donnie Yen



La La Land 🌟🌟🌟🌟
Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A jazz pianist falls for an aspiring actress in Los Angeles.
Starring: Ryan Gosling, Emma Stone, Rosemarie DeWitt



Fences 🌟🌟🌟🌟
Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: An African-American father struggles with race relations in the United States while trying to raise his family in the 1950s and coming to terms with the events of his life.
Starring: Denzel Washington, Viola Davis




Patriot's Day 🌟🌟🌟🌟
Rated: R
Plot Overview: An account of Boston Police Commissioner Ed Davis's actions in the events leading up to the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing and the aftermath.
Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Michelle Monaghan, J.K. Simmons



Split
Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: After three girls are kidnapped by a man with 24 distinct personalities they must find some of the different personalities that can help them while running away and staying alive.
Starring: James McAvoy, Anya Taylor-Joy, Haley Lu Richardson, Jessica Sula



Hidden Figures 🌟🌟🌟🌟
Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A team of African-American women provide NASA with mathematical data needed to launch the program's first successful space missions.
Starring: Taraji P. Henson, Octavia Spencer, Janelle Monáe



Live by Night 🌟🌟
Rated: R
Plot Overview: A story set in the Prohibition Era and centered around a group of individuals and their dealings in the world of organized crime.
Starring: Ben Affleck, Elle Fanning, Brendan Gleeson



Monster Trucks 🌟🌟
Rated: PG
Plot Overview: Looking for any way to get away from the life and town he was born into, Tripp (Lucas Till), a high school senior, builds a Monster Truck from bits and pieces of scrapped cars.
Starring: Lucas Till, Jane Levy, Thomas Lennon



The Founder
Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: The story of Ray Kroc, a salesman who turned two brothers' fast food eatery, McDonald's, into one of the biggest restaurant businesses in the world.
Starring: Michael Keaton, Nick Offerman, John Carroll Lynch



The Resurrection of Gavin Stone
Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A former child star pretends to be a Christian to land the part of Jesus in their annual Passion Play, only to discover that the most important role of his life is far from Hollywood.
Starring: Brett Dalton, Anjelah Johnson-Reyes, Shawn Michaels



Rogue One 🌟🌟🌟🌟
Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: The Rebellion makes a risky move to steal the plans for the Death Star, setting up the epic saga to follow.
Starring: Felicity Jones, Diego Luna, Alan Tudyk





Isabelle Huppert (left) stars as Nathalie in “Things to Come” opening Jan. 20 at the Fountain Theatre.

Cerebral ‘Things to Come’ has a collective effect

BY JEFF BERG

Las Cruces Bulletin

“Things to Come” is certainly one of the most cerebral films I have seen in a long time. Led by recent Golden Globe winner Isabelle Huppert, (for her work in “Elle,” which hopefully will come to Las Cruces,) Things to Come is the story of Nathalie, a philosophy teacher, whose life slowly but surely comes apart during the course of the film.

One of her first challenges is a student strike which prevents her, briefly, from entering her school. It also requires her to explain to her students why she is not interested in the strike or their demands.

GRADE: B+

Opens Friday, Jan. 20 at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla. It is in French (mostly), with a bit of English here and there.

It is our first hint that not much matters in Nathalie’s world except for teaching and living by what one might call her own code of ethics: nothing is real unless it can be discussed or dissected via philosophy.

Another challenge is from her aging and depressed (and somewhat anorexic) mother who calls at all hours, making demands, threatening suicide, never wanting to leave her home or her cat.

With that, Nathalie’s daughter confronts her father, Heinz, after she spies him with another woman. The daughter demands that her father tell Nathalie about his new lover, who is much younger, before she does. Heinz has gone from an agitating socialist (also a teacher), to an overweight, cynical lout, who Nathalie seems to hold in contempt, perhaps the cause of his wandering.

There is also her publisher who wants to redesign and

change the content of her books, all based on philosophy of course, going as far as suggesting swirling covers of full color along with product ties, something that Nathalie wants nothing to do with.

My co-viewer of this film suggested that Nathalie seems so content with her life because she lives in her head—sort of in a fantasy world where her imagination overcomes reality quite easily. It is an interesting concept, since Huppert displays hardly any real emotion through any of these personal tragedies and is not one to really commit to anyone on any emotional level, not even her mother’s cat, Pandora, who she ‘inherits’ after the passing of

her mother.

But Huppert presents herself well in spite of these setbacks of middle age. She, as Nathalie, is a healthy, stately person, who is trying to live her life according to her philosophical principles and not become a nuisance to others.

“Things to Come” is hardly an enthralling experience. It has slow areas, but it had a collective effect on me, thanks to Huppert. You come away from it feeling enriched and grateful, but without really knowing how that came to be.

Jeff Berg has been reviewing movies for the Bulletin since 2002. He lives in Santa Fe and can be reached at 505-466-1634.

PUZZLES

SUPER CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Ditzzy types
 9 Stains, as with blood
 16 Yearn (for)
 20 Hellish
 21 Powder from chili peppers
 22 Drive- —
 23 Meat-curing company?
 25 Look as though
 26 "— Fideles" (Yule carol)
 27 Inning divisions
 29 Form of jazz
 30 R&B singer with the 1965 hit "Hold What You've Got"
 33 Last time you'll ever pull into a garage?
 39 Gerund ending
 40 Angsty music genre
 43 Placed (down)
 44 Tasting rich and sweet
 45 Messenger bringing news to cows?
 50 See 13-Down
 51 "It's the end of —!"
 52 Lance of the O.J. trial
 53 Real bargain
 55 Observe
 58 "Let's hear it"
 60 Ger.'s home
 62 Stephen of "Citizen X"
 64 Croft of video games
 65 "The Catcher in the Rye" author's tune penner?
 71 Old crone
 74 Lav in a pub
 75 Build — (make one's home)
 76 Geller of psychic acts
 77 Lamb suckler
 78 Obsolete provider of stability?
 83 Slangy suffix with buck
 84 Vehicle-towing org.
 85 Cong. member
 86 Looked hard
 90 Turf again
 92 Division of Islam
 96 Trunk bone
 98 Very brief time
 99 Movable kayak fin
 101 "You already know the answer is 'team spirit,' right?"
 104 Large arboreal snake
 107 Russian city

108 Co. suit

109 Paver's goo

110 Shoes worn in the Sahara?

113 In recent days

116 "My life" book

117 Eight, in German

118 Practically

121 Edison's middle name

123 Piece from "The Domestic Oratorio"?

131 NY Met, e.g.

132 Came

133 #1 Bruce Springsteen album of 1980

134 Emmy winner Sedgwick

135 Not unfeeling

136 Blood vessel to the heart

DOWN

1 Belittle, informally

2 — fix (stuck)

3 Eagles' org.

4 Insinuate

5 Groom's counterpart

6 Added on

7 Dogs' jinglers

8 ATM feature

9 Cold dessert

10 Scratch, e.g.

11 Off — mile

12 On Social Sec., say

13 With 50-Across, workers' advocates, for short

14 Sufficient

15 Summoned

16 " — true!"

17 Nickname of Boston's locale

18 Louisiana cuisine style

19 Like camels

24 Liveliness

28 Bone-to-muscle joiner

30 Holy war

31 Bridge bid, briefly

32 White heron

34 Styled after

35 Some vermin

36 Chanteuse Eartha

37 Sit in neutral

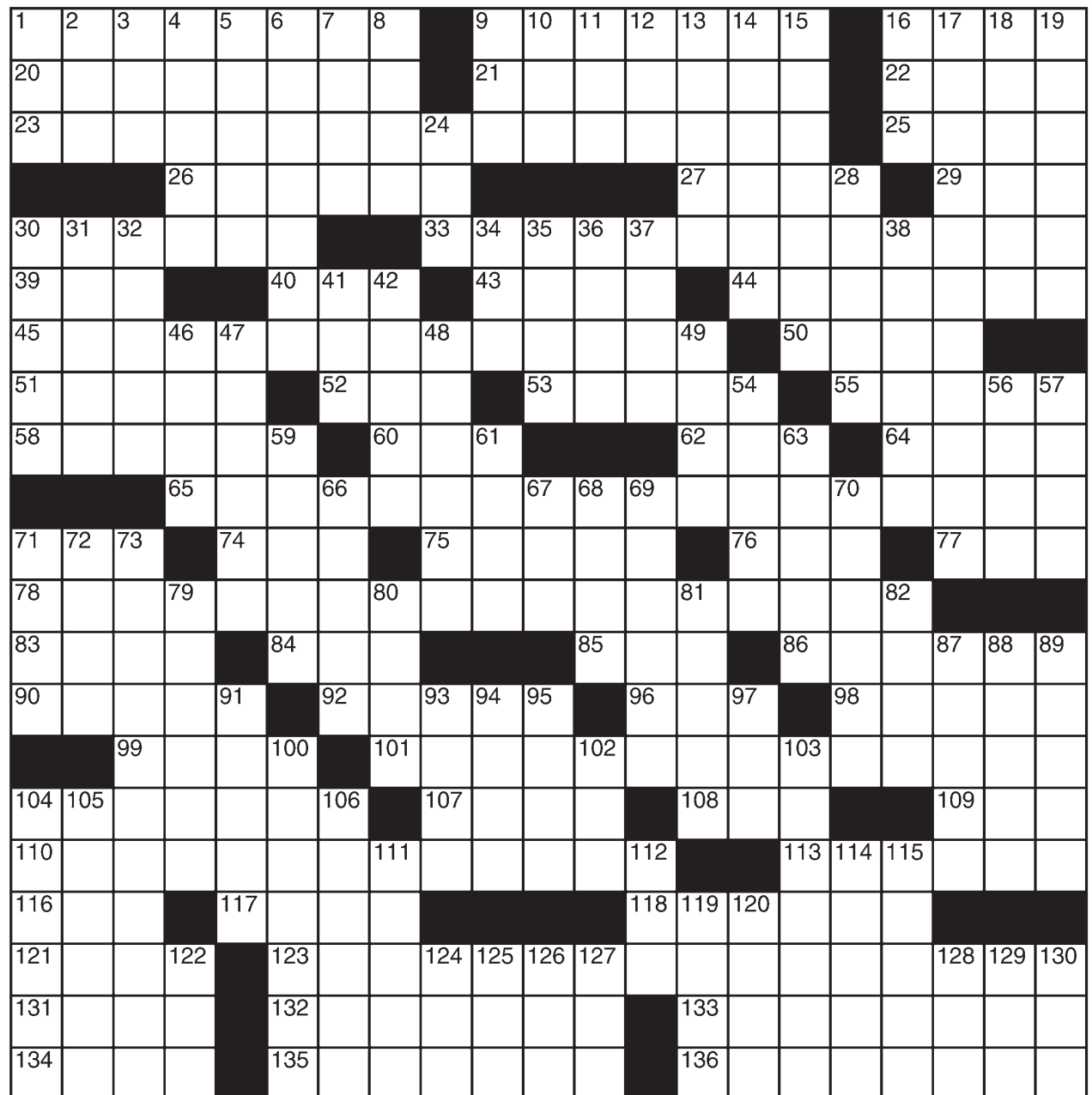
38 Language for a Sherpa

41 Me, to Gigi

42 Many a time

46 Warlike god

47 Refrain syllables



48 Puma
 49 Be worthy of
 54 Boost
 56 Flight staff
 57 Tortoise rival
 59 Novelist Mario Vargas —
 61 Casino city
 63 "That's —" (film-set cry)
 66 Greek l's
 67 Sleep cycle part
 68 Old fast fliers, briefly
 69 People who aren't you
 70 Meet, as the challenge

71 I-beam relative
 72 River in Switzerland
 73 Gives short shrift to
 79 "Well, — here!"
 80 Man-goat god
 81 Computer of the 1940s
 82 N. Mex., before 1912
 87 Calf catcher
 88 Showiness
 89 Plow maker
 91 "Smash" star Messing
 93 A noble gas
 94 Egghead

95 Brain gain
 97 "Farewell!"
 100 Entrapments in lies, e.g.
 102 In bad health
 103 Small aquatic rail
 104 Financial co. for which the Boston Celtics' arena is named
 105 Comic Charles Nelson —
 106 On dry land
 111 Done to — (well-cooked)
 112 NBC fixture since '75
 114 Plant life

115 Tune's text
 119 1999 Ron Howard film
 120 Feel sore
 122 Noted coach Parseghian
 124 Family gal
 125 A Gabor
 126 Riled, with "up"
 127 Keats poem
 128 A Gardner
 129 O.T. book
 130 Pitching stat

PUZZLES

WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

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

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SCRAMBLERS



"Talk about bad breaks — five daughters in the family and not one of em marries a _____!"

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

Explode
TRUSB _____

Graft
PICELS _____

Avoid
WECHES _____

Divine
IMBUSEL _____

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: I equals J

JF WQANML RTX IKXS

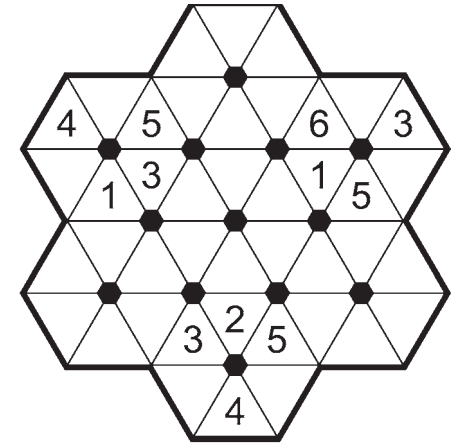
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GWWAYN. FGK JABVS YTZZ SVTS

NZNYSAGM NINYSAGM.

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

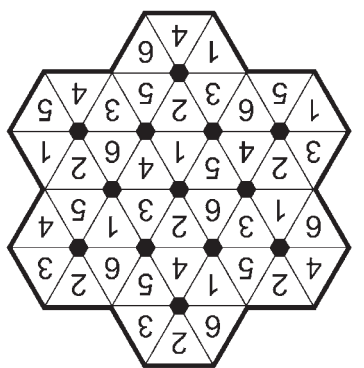
My friend was just overwhelmedly voted out of office. You might call that election ejection.

CRYPTOQUIP

PLUMBER

Today's Word
1. Burst; 2. Splice;
3. Eschew; 4. Sublime

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

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WEEKLY SUDOKU

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SUPER CROSSWORD

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

Gallery announces new artists for February

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery in February will feature artists Naida Zucker and Bert Gammill, according to a press release. The gallery also announces new member Anne Carter, who creates portraits, figures and landscape subjects using oil and acrylic mediums. She has studied and been displayed in California, Santa Fe, New Mexico, Montana and Texas.

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts gallery will kick off its annual Love of Art Month/My Masterpiece contest with a reception from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4 with light refreshments and music. Gallery hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre. For information, call 575-522-2933 or visit: www.mesillavalleyfinearts.com.

Tombaugh Gallery shows 'Moons, Mandalas & Meditations'

The exhibit, "Moons, Mandalas & Meditations" continues at the Tombaugh Gallery through Jan. 27. Inspired by the beauty and magic of the moon, artist Corina traveled a "wondrous journey into the mystical, universal, and divine circle - the Mandala," discovering the sacred circle residing in herself. Her exhibit includes acrylic, gold leaf and India ink mandala paintings, full moon photographs, and inspirational meditations. She states "The sacred circle, or mandala, can assist us in opening our hearts to create that space within us, which we can fill with peace, wholeness and harmony, and then reflect it back into the world."

The Tombaugh Gallery is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday inside the Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000

S. Solano Dr. Info: call the church at 575-522-7281.

NMSU art faculty, staff exhibition runs through Feb. 9

Featuring works by 11 NMSU Department of Art faculty and staff members, the exhibition "Impermanent Topography," which opens Tuesday, Jan. 17, addresses the social, political, geographical and cultural landscapes that comprise our ever-shifting understandings of contemporary life. Curated by Michelle Lanteri, "Impermanent Topography" includes artwork by Julia Barello, Tauna Cole-Dorn, Craig Cully, Jessika Edgar, Motoko Furuhashi, Richard Hesketh, Wes Kline, Adam Labe, Bree Lamb, Jacob Muñoz and Rachel Stevens.

The exhibition runs from Jan. 17 through Feb. 9 with an opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20 at the University Art Gallery, 1390 E. University Ave.

Mesilla Valley Fine Arts last chance for January artists

During the month of January, the Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery features two artists: Ruth Ann Sugarman and Yvonne Postelle at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre.

The First American Bank, Mesilla, is well represented by gallery members who continue to rotate their artwork monthly. Additionally, the 30 artists of the Gallery offer art in various mediums, including original paintings, oil, acrylics, pastels, fused glass art jewelry, one-of-a-kind woodturning objects, stained glass, photography, mixed media, decorated gourds, handmade textile weavings, art tile, natural quality gemstone jewelry, handcrafted basket weavings, pencil, charcoal and ink, prints, cards and miniature paintings.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday. Info: call 575-522-2933 or visit: www.mesillavalleyfinearts.com.

Branigan Cultural Center exhibit last chance

Three exhibits will close after Saturday, Jan. 21 at the Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St. An Enduring Tradition: 20th Century Navajo Weaving; Howard Clinton Tibbitts: Historic Advertising Photography of the Southwest; and In Service to Country: Military Equipment 1860 to Present. Admission is free. Info: 575-541-2154.

Gallery features Tugel, Hendrickson

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, located at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre, will feature local artists Arlene J. Tugel and Sylvia Hendrickson. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Sunday. Info: 575-522-2933 or visit www.mesillavalleyfinearts.com.

Blue Gate showing Estelle's works

Donnie Estelle's art works are on display at the Blue Gate gallery. She is a self-taught artist Estelle's working surfaces usually have textures, often weathered wood.

Also featured at Blue Gate will be paintings by Flo Hosa Dougherty. Both exhibits will continue through December by appointment, 575-523-2950 or bluegateflodoc@aol.com.

Woodcut exhibit

Artist Nancy Frost Begin has an exhibit at Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road, featuring woodcuts, architectural images, and the "Avian Fashion Show," where she has taken favorite persons in history, art, science, music and made wood cuts with birds. Info: 575-541-0658.

CALL TO ARTISTS

NMSU theater auditions set for Jan. 21, 22

The American Southwest Theatre Company (ASTC) at New Mexico State University Theatre Arts announces auditions for its spring 2017 productions Truth/Dare, directed by Larissa Lury, the musical Urinetown, directed by Wil Kilroy with music direction by Megan McQueen and Broadway Today, direction and music direction by Megan McQueen. Auditions will be held at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts (CFTA), 1000 E. University Ave. on the New Mexico State University (NMSU) campus starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, with callbacks scheduled for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 22. No roles for any production have been pre-cast, and roles span all ages. Info: 575-646-5418.

Acting workshops feature sitcom veterans

Eric Lutes, who played Del Cassidy on Caroline in the City, and Jane Sibbets, who played Carol Willick on Friends will make a joint presentation about their acting careers and offer advice for people who want to break into acting at 7 p.m., Friday, Jan. 27 at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. For more information, contact Kilroy at 575-646-6000 or wkilroy@nmsu.edu.

NMSU Masterworks Chorus to hold auditions

The New Mexico State University (NMSU) Choral Activities Department will hold auditions for the Masterworks Chorus for the 2017 spring semester by appointment in room 106 of the NMSU Music Building, 1075 N. Horseshoe Drive. Singers are asked to prepare a short song, or a familiar hymn, tune or carol will be provided. An accompanist will be provided. The NMSU Masterworks Chorus combines campus and community singers coming together to perform a larger choral repertoire of major choral works and shorter extended works with and without orchestra. The ensemble meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays in Room 103 of the music building. For more information or to set up an audition time, contact John Flanery, director of Choral Activities, at 575-646-1306 or jflanery@nmsu.edu.

Submissions sought for juried ceramic exhibition

The Las Cruces Museum of Art and the Potters' Guild of Las Cruces seek submissions for From the Ground Up XXVIII Regional Juried Ceramics Exhibition 2017. Submissions are open to ceramic artists living and working in states in the Rocky Mountain Time Zone region of the US: NM, TX, AZ, UT, CO, WY, ID and MT. The exhibition

runs Aug. 4 – Oct. 21, 2017. Awards include cash prizes. This year's juror is Steven Hill.

The deadline for submissions is postmark-date April 21, 2017. The full prospectus and submission form are available online at www.pottersguildlc.com and www.las-cruces.org/museums. For more information, contact Exhibitions Curator Joy Miller at jmiller@las-cruces.org.

Call to Artists: Monument Artist in Residence program deadline Feb. 28

The Friends of Organ Mountains Desert Peaks and Bureau of Land Management announce a call to artists to apply for the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument Artist in Residence Program to take place May 1-31, 2017. The Artist in Residence program educates and promotes the appreciation, protection and preservation of natural and cultural resources on public lands. The residency provides an artist and public an opportunity to interact to better enhance the understanding of the public lands as well as the unique qualities an artist's eye can capture.

Entries for the 2017 Spring Residency must be received via email on or before Feb. 28, 2017. For more information, see program details and application materials at: organmountainsdesertpeaks.org/artist-in-residence/ or contact Ben

Gabriel at 575-323-1423 or email info@organmntfriends.org.

Aldo Leopold writing contest open to grades six through 12

The purpose of the Aldo Leopold Writing Contest is to build on the author's legacy by inspiring the next generation of citizens to participate in the evolution of the land ethic through the written word. The Aldo Leopold Writing Contest invites New Mexico students in grades six through twelve to read Leopold's work, especially A Sand County Almanac, and to write an essay on land ethics. The essays vary in length according to grade category. Students in grades 6-7 write essays no longer than 300 words; grades 8-9 (400 words); grades 10-12 (500 words). Each grade category will be judged separately. A \$500 cash prize will be awarded in each age category with an additional \$250 worth of books awarded to the school of the overall best essayist. The first place essays will be read at the Awards Ceremony to be held on April 23 2017 at 2:00 pm at the First Annual Leopold Lecture at the National Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque. Entries must be emailed to brian@goldenapplenm.org by February 7. Go to www.LeopoldWritingProgram.org for contest and entry information.

Moving out of superstition



CAROL CARNES
Ask the
Opti-Mystic

Dear Dr. Carol,

I am a young adult with no religion. How can I live in this world without some kind of belief in a higher power?

Lost in Mesilla

Dear Lost,

What an intelligent question! Down through the ages we humans have made up stories about our place in the universe and the source of our lives. We did it to

make ourselves feel safe in a world of change and uncertainty.

As we have evolved in our understanding of the universe, the idea of a man-in-the-sky-God seems ridiculous. It is not that there is not a higher power, but it is not made in our image and likeness.

Replacing those old ideas with awe and wonder lifts us out of superstition into

“right relationship” with our source. The universe is a mystery but it is one that can be lived. If you can be comfortable with the mystery you can be free of fear. You will discern an order in this cosmos that includes you.

Everything is interconnected, inter-dependent. It is all held together in right relationship by love, the cohesive force that brings

things together that belong together and maintains them in harmony and balance.

You and I are part of this incredible field of Intelligence that projects itself into visibility. Call it whatever you like; it is real and it is right where you are, within you as your own intelligence, your own love. You and I and all of the perceived universe are

what the world used to call God, made visible. That is not religion; that is spiritual truth.

Mesilla Valley resident Carol Carnes is the author of “The Way In” and a daily email blog, “Living Consciously.” She also is a frequent keynote speaker at mind-body conferences. For more information, visit www.carolcarnes.com.

MEET THE BULLETIN COLUMNISTS

Spiritual director lets life experience guide her teaching

You read them every week, but what do you really know about them? What makes Katharine Chrisley an expert on horses? Why does Michael Swickard have such staunch opinions and should you trust his judgement? We're confident that Father Gabriel Rochelle, Rabbi Larry Karol and Reverend Tom Baca are above reproach, but are they really? You decide.

In our series “Meet the Columnists,” Susie Ouderkirk profiles each of our columnists so you'll know more about them. This week, we introduce the author of “Ask the Opti-Mystic,” Reverend Carol Carnes.

By **SUSIE OUDERKIRK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Reverend Carol Carnes writes every day. She produces a daily blog and has published two books, so writing a column for the Bulletin “was a given,” she said.

Originally from La Cañada, California, a small town

Carol Carnes

AGE: “Irrelevant”

LIVES IN LAS CRUCES

EDUCATION: Attended ministerial training in California and became licensed after 11 years of classes in the Science of Mind and the Art of Being.

FAVORITE QUOTATION: “The God you believe in is your vote for the kind of world you want to live in.”

CONTACT: www.carolcarnes.com

near Hollywood, she's been a regular mediator since 1975, and an ordained minister of Centers for Spiritual Living since 1987.

“My day job is more like a way of life,” Carnes said.

She is the spiritual director of the newly formed Mesilla Valley Center for Spiritual Living.

She also loves jazz music, movies, dancing, travel, reading, drawing, home decorating and “anything creative,” she said.

Carnes believes all of life is a spiritual lesson “if we decide to see it that way. Not that there is a power outside of us teaching lessons, but that life experience and nature can remind us of our innate wholeness. We get into trouble when we forget it,” she said.


“We possess within our own “beingness” everything we desire to see in our world. It is a matter of expressing it,” she said. One of her favorite sayings comes from ancient Hindu writings: “What you are looking for, you are looking with.”

Because she works “from inspiration,” she has no idea what will appear in her columns this year. “That being said, it will always be on the theme of raising our consciousness so that we raise our level of living,” she said.

Read the entire Bulletin at www.lascrucesbulletin.com

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Haase to hold workshop at St. Andrew's

BULLETIN REPORT

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and the Southwest Deanery of the Episcopal Diocese of the Rio Grande present a workshop with Fr. Albert Haase, OFM, according to a press release.



HAASE

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21, Haase, an ordained Franciscan priest, will lead a workshop on the "true self" and the "false self," entitled

"Contemporary Holiness: Becoming the Person God Calls Us to Be," which includes discussions on the process of the spiritual journey, the 10 characteristics of the true self, the "lie" of the false self's agenda and how to break free and begin the transformative journey to the true self. The workshop takes place at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 518 Alameda Blvd.

The release states: "Ordained a Franciscan priest in 1983, Albert Haase, OFM, is a preacher, teacher and spiritual director. A former missionary to mainland China for over 11 years, he is the author of nine books on popular spirituality and the presenter on four best-selling DVDs. He trains spiritual directors in the diocese of Springfield, Illinois. He lives in Crowley, Texas."

Haase's books and DVDs will be available for purchase during the day (cash or checks only). There is a \$10.00 donation payable at the door. Lunch will be on your own. No prior registration required.

Info: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at 575-526-6333.

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Eckankar, religion of sound and light of God, is a practical spiritual teaching which can be used to better understand the ordinary and miraculous events in our lives. Eckankar will host a spiritual discussion on the topic of "Discover God's Love in your Daily Life" from 11 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Jan. 28. The events take place at The Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. For more information, call 654-0071.

Enchilada dinner Feb. 12

A benefit red enchilada dinner will be from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2755 E. Idaho Ave. Tickets are \$7 for an enchilada plate or for two hamburgers. Sponsored by the Fr. Roscoe L. Finnegan Assembly 0684. For tickets, contact any council member or Mannie Morales at 575-522-0437.

Men's prayer meeting at Heart for the World

Heart for the World announces a 7

a.m. Saturday morning prayer meeting at 1605 S. Valley Dr. Manny Howie leads the prayer. Info: 575-523-1113.

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church invites all

Cross of Christ Lutheran invites new members to begin the new year by exploring the life of humble service and peace that Jesus, the ultimate "difference maker" has in mind for each one of us. Worship services are held at 10 a.m. every Sunday followed by a light meal before Bible classes for all ages at 2540 El Paseo Road. Information concerning the church and beliefs can be found at www.crossofchristlc.net, on the Facebook page or by calling 915-740-7714 or 575-649-5458.

Seventh Day Adventist worship service

Sunday services include: 9:30 a.m. worship service; 11 a.m. Sabbath School; 6 p.m. Wednesdays Bible study at 240 Three Crosses. Info: 575-526-5623.

Science of Mind Magazine weekly discussion

From 10:30-11:30 a.m. every Monday

at the Center for Spiritual Living Sacred Living Circle, 575 N. Main St., ask yourself: do you enjoy the monthly magazine Science of Mind? Join to discuss the articles with like-minded people. Bring a lunch and come to the center. Info: 575-523-4847.

Memorial Medical Center Holy Mass

At Noon every Wednesday at MMC, 2450 S. Telshor in the Chapel, Holy Mass is offered. Info: 575-636-3274.

Christian Men's Fellowship meets at IHOP

At noon every Tuesday at IHOP, 2900 Del Rey, come to better know Jesus Christ and the Holy Scripture. Open discussion. All men welcome. Info: 575-621-2350.

Mountain View Baptist Sunday services

Events at Mountain View Baptist begin at 10 a.m. Sundays with Bible study; 11 a.m. worship services at Mountain View Baptist, 705 N. Main St. Nursery available. Info: 575-680-6247.

Cowboys for Christ

At 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month, this non-denominational outreach organization meets for those involved in livestock and agriculture. For meeting place information: 575-571-6367 or cfc.lcnm@yahoo.com.

GriefShare at First Baptist

From 4 to 6 p.m., Sundays in room 229, First Baptist Church Las Cruces, 106 S. Miranda, GriefShare is held. This is a weekly seminar and support group designed to help rebuild life after losing a loved one. Bereavement experience may be recent or not so. The seminars offer encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member or friend. Cost: \$10 for participant workbook. Info: Penny Baca 575-635-9696.

Events at Unity

Book study continues from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays; Meditation service 11 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursdays; Prosperity class 4 p.m. on Thursdays. All activities at the church, 125 Wyatt Drive. Info at www.unityoflascruces.org or 575-523-5592.

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Vince and Megan Aguirre met while attending New Mexico State University. They became "The Aguirres" in November 2016. They love everything Disney, which is why Vince surprised Megan by proposing at Disney World.

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Here comes the Bridal & Special Events Showcase

BULLETIN REPORT

Planning a wedding or quinceañera? Events like these are a lot of work, so simplify the process at the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29 at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

The annual event brings together a wide range of products and services for weddings, special events and more, according to a Bridal Showcase press release. Attendees can try samples from area caterers, get planning ideas, meet DJs and take in a fashion show for the latest in prom, quinceañera and wedding couture and hair styling.

Local businesses and service providers will be onsite at the Convention Center to present options and ideas for event planning. Wedding photographers, caterers, venue representatives, limousine companies, travel professionals, rental companies, DJ services, dressmakers, tuxedo rentals and more will

BUTTERFLY DRESS PROJECT

The Butterfly Dress Project is a group of volunteers who collect and provide new and gently used formal gowns free of charge to any high school girl from the southwestern region of New Mexico, according to the group's Facebook page. Founded in March of 2016, the project is managed by Kandi Kielbasa. She can be reached at 505-319-0173 or butterflydressproject@gmail.com.

be represented. According to the release, a highlight of the showcase is a fashion show, with the latest dress and tuxedo styles, as well as the handiwork of local hair and makeup stylists, the release stated.

The event supports the Las Cruces Butterfly Dress Project by giving free admission to anyone who donates a gently used prom dress or event gown. This organization provides free dream prom dresses for area high-school girls.

Additionally, according to the event flyer, one couple will win a free wedding to be held at the event. For details on how to register for the no-cost nuptials, listen to Magic 105 radio.

"This is such an awesome showcase for anyone who's planning

on putting together any kind of large celebration," said event organizer Staci Mays of Las Cruces Event Planning. "This showcase puts everything you need under one roof, and the contacts you can make are unbeatable."

The Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase is presented by the Las Cruces Bulletin, Las Cruces Event Planning and the Las Cruces Convention Center. Tickets are \$5 in advance at Renee's Bridal, Enchanted Occasions, or at www.LasCrucesBridalShowcase.com. Admission will be \$7 at the door on the day of the event or free with the donation of a prom or event gown.

Info: 575-522-1232, at www.lascrucesbridalshowcase.com or on Facebook.



COURTESY PHOTO

Garrett and Andrea Arnold won a free wedding at the 2016 Las Cruces Bridal and Special Events Showcase. Another couple will win a similar wedding this year.

A thousand's a crowd

Local couple married at last year's showcase

By JACKYE MEINECKE

Garrett and Andrea Arnold will celebrate their first anniversary this month with a much smaller gathering than their wedding a year ago. The two were married at the Las Cruces Convention Center in front of about 50 family members and friends and

more than 1,000 strangers. The strangers were participants in the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase in January 2016, and the marriage ceremony was part of the event.

"We focused on each other," Andrea said about any shyness over getting married during the event in front of

such a large crowd.

The two began dating in 2015 and after about six months, Garrett proposed, Andrea said. Both were thinking it would take a year or more to save for and plan their wedding. Then, in January, Andrea, Garrett and their parents entered the wedding giveaway contest promoted by Magic 105, one of the event sponsors. Garrett won the wedding package valued at up to \$6,000.

"You don't say 'no' to that deal," Garrett said.

While winning the prize

was exciting, they were given little more than a week to get the family together, meet with planners and prepare for a wedding on Jan. 31 — an anniversary date they agreed was easy to remember.

"It was nerve wracking," Garrett said, but they both said getting married in such a short time frame was less stressful than it could have been, particularly at no expense.

While many women fantasize about their weddings and often spend years planning the event, Andrea was pleased to have

support through the process.

"(Winning the package) was a good omen," Andrea said. "I'd do it again. It was the perfect deal for us."

Their fondest memory of the wedding was when they joined friends and family in the smaller reception after the public wedding.

Garrett farms with his father and Andrea works at a Cheers-type bar in Anthony.

"It was a good day, a memorable day," Andrea said. "We got to enjoy the people we loved. We are very blessed."

BLM hosts hikes, bike ride

BULLETIN REPORT

A press release from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces Prehistoric Trackways Discovery Site guided hikes in English and Spanish at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 (English) and 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 (Spanish) at the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument (second parking lot). The interpretive hike is led by a BLM paleontologist, and is a monthly event. The hike itself is about three miles long. Bring comfortable shoes, a snack and plenty of water.

A Mountain Bike Trail Etiquette Ride takes place at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 22 at the Desert Wind Way Trailhead in the Doña Ana Mountains, the release said. The event is approximately two hours long and includes mountain biking etiquette as well as basic information about the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. Bring your own bike, ready to ride, not in need of any repairs. The event will be led by a BLM ranger. Bring plenty of water.

Photography 'Boot Camp' workshops start Jan. 28



By **JULIE SCHMITT**

For the Bulletin

Did you recently get a new camera? Do you have a camera sitting on a shelf because you haven't figured out how to use it? Maybe you've got a camera but you want to get more use out of it?

The Doña Ana Photography Club (DAPC) of Las Cruces is offering the Photography "Boot Camp" Workshops, a five-part series for anyone new to photography, anyone wanting to learn how to better use his or her camera, or anyone with questions about photography and how to take better photographs, from 9 a.m. to noon, starting Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. The series starts with Learning About Your Camera, and includes five sessions covering topics such as getting your camera off automatic mode, taking better photographs and editing, and will conclude with a question-and-answer session. Courses are led by a DAPC member with other club members present to answer questions and assist. Bring a camera to the first class.

The Boot Camp is open to the public; registration is required and the cost is \$5 per course for non-photography club members. DAPC members attend for free. Non-members may join for \$15 (which covers the annual membership) and attend Boot Camp classes for free. Go to DAPC website to register: <http://daphoto-club.org/boot-camp.html>

Schedule for the Doña Ana Photography Club Photography Boot Camps:

Class one: Learning your camera, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 28.

Class two: Getting your camera off auto mode/how ISO, aperture, shutter speed work 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 25.

Class three: How to take better photos/Composition, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 25.

Class four: Editing, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 22.

Class five: Image critique and Q&A, 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 27.

Info: contact Rob Peinert at education@daphotoclub.org

COURTESY PHOTO

Doña Ana Photography Club Boot Camps start Jan. 28 at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St.

Julie Schmitt oversees public relations for the Doña Ana Photography Club. She can be reached at 575-522-1691.



COURTESY PHOTO

A wine tasting and hors d'oeuvre reception takes place in the Bobby Lee Lawrence Academy of Wine on the NMSU campus to kick off the Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management International Dinner Series on Feb. 9.

International dinners set for spring

Tickets go on sale Jan. 27

BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State University (NMSU) school of Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management (HRTM) International Dinner Series is a gourmet dining experience held on Thursday nights on the NMSU campus. According to an HRTM press release, each dinner

begins at 6 p.m. with a wine tasting and hors d'oeuvre reception in the Bobby Lee Lawrence Academy of Wine. Dinner starts in 100 West Café at 6:30 p.m. All are five-course meals with specially paired wines. The dinners cost \$62.50 per person.

The dates and themes for the International Dinners are:

- Thursday, Feb. 9 – Brazilian Steakhouse
- Thursday, March 2 – Asian
- Thursday, March 16 – Trin-

chero Family Estates Winemaker Dinner/GT Chair Event

- Thursday, April 6 – Italian
 - Thursday, April 20 – French
- Purchase dinner tickets in person at Gerald Thomas Hall Room 138 starting at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 27. Payment must be made the day dinner tickets are purchased; there are no refunds. For more information about reservations, call the department office at 575-646-7324.

Unwind with The Adjustment Project

BULLETIN REPORT

Everyone needs the chance to wind down on Friday afternoons; do so in a friendly, fun environment with the NMSU College of Agriculture, Consumer and Environmental Sciences at The Adjustment Project (TAP). Once a month, join TAP from 5 to 7 p.m. at 100 West Café for a cash bar of specialty

100 West Café

cocktails, beers, wines, and non-alcoholic beverages at modest prices. Appetizers are complimentary with a purchase of a beverage. All proceeds will benefit student clubs, activities, and travel. TAP will be held on

the following dates: Friday, Feb. 3; Friday, March 3; Friday, April 7 and Friday, May 5. Info: <http://hrtm.nmsu.edu>.

Beer-pairing dinner features unique recipes at Grapevine Plaza

BULLETIN REPORT

Picacho Peak Brewing Company, located inside the historic Grapevine Plaza Event Center, is offering a recipe and beer-pairing dinner starting at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25 at 3900 W. Picacho Ave.

The four-course menu features unique recipes for a beer-pairing dinner created by chef JC Bruckmann. All craft beers are brewed on site by Picacho Peak Brewing Company Head Brewer Jim Fulkerson.

The menu is comprised of: First Course: warm grilled salad with Hefeweisen vinaigrette drizzle, a 10 ounce glass of High Noon Hefeweisen; Second Course: French Onion Porter Soup, served with a 10 ounce glass of Nitro La Bruja Porter; Third Course: beercan chicken quarter with an IPA lemon mushroom risotto, served with a 10 ounce glass of Dirty Blonde; Desert: Smooth and Stout chocolate brownie with Dirty Blonde ice cream, served with a 10 ounce glass of Smooth and Stout.

Tickets are \$25 for a single and \$40 for a couple and are available at Picacho Peak Brewing Company, 3900 W. Picacho Ave., 575-680-6394.



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To communicate with “another life form” is a two-way street. When you, as a rider, learn to aid (signal) clearly, to prepare your horse for all his movements and shape



KATHARINE LARK CHRISLEY

Stable Woman

him into something beautiful, you have mastered half of the communication skills necessary to become an artist. The other half – the listening – is essential in any relationship.

Your horse is a living,

feeling, and thinking creature like you. He surrenders himself to your will in a way, I dare say, you yourself would refuse to do with another person. If he is treated fairly and with compassion, he will give to you all his life long. If he is misunderstood, ridden inconsistently or abused, his confusion will manifest itself in varied degrees of resistance. And, it should go without saying; he needs food, water

and shelter!

To become aware of your horse’s point of view, to empathize with him, you can consider and observe his daily life. Watch him eat, play and interact with other horses. Become aware of his personality traits. Since no two horses are alike, get to know yours as an individual: Is he dominant? Timid? Does he eat fast or slowly? Does he doze through the day? And so forth.

You may wonder about the physical part of schooling your horse. It is essential that the correct signals be applied and carried out. But oftentimes riders become more aware of their power to force a horse into submission, not by strength for he is stronger, but with psychological tricks, forgetting that horses know how to be horses.

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MEET THE BULLETIN COLUMNISTS

Columnist continues to learn as she teaches

You read them every week, but what do you really know about them? What makes Rorie Measure an expert on reading? Why does Gary Guzman play in the dirt? We’re con-

fidant that Father Gabriel Rochelle, Rabbi Larry Karol and Reverends Carol Carnes and Tom Baca are above reproach, but are they really? You decide.

In our series “Meet the Columnists,” Susie Ouder Kirk will profile each of our columnists so you’ll know more about them. This week, we reintroduce our Stable Woman, Katharine Lark Chrisley.

By SUSIE OUDERKIRK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Katharine Lark Chrisley believes horses are “teachers and pure gifts to treasure.” And she walks the talk by passing on her philosophy to her students, be they humans or horses at her Dharmahorse sanctuary in Las Cruces.

Born in West Virginia, Chrisley has lived all over the country, settling in New Mexico in 1973 and making her way to Las

Katharine Lark Chrisley

AGE: 61

CURRENTLY LIVES IN LAS CRUCES

EDUCATION: I attended pre-veterinary junior college in Virginia at the age of 15 intending to become a very young vet! Life took me to Florida instead to ride horses off the racetrack that were heading for new careers.

FAVORITE QUOTATION: “Love is the active promotion of the well-being of the love object.” – Erich Fromm

Cruces in 1981. Now, her job is 24/7 care of the horses in sanctuary at Dharmahorse, she said.

“I also write books, articles, do consultations and training through workshops on holistic systems of horse care and on organic, biodynamic gardening,” she said. She’s written for everything

from New Mexico Magazine to Organic Gardening Magazine. Her Bulletin column was suggested after an article was done about the Equine Sanctuary and Stable Women Program. “The idea of a column about well-being and equine perspectives seemed right proper. It is my pleasure to contribute

to the Bulletin, hoping that we can help horses and people with their relationships and good health.”

Chrisley’s Stable Woman Program is an opportunity for women to gather together in the evening once or twice a month to interact with horses, she said. Some activities include moving a horse with a feather, balancing a pillow on our heads while being led around on a gentle horse, doing paintings with brushes made from the horses’ tail hair, releasing our concerns into a campfire (written on pieces of paper) — “all during which we discuss the things that trouble us, that please us, that we dream of and that we want

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If the signals are applied properly, they will fulfill their function of influencing the horse's body.

Consider how you first learned a lateral (side-ways) movement – leg yielding, for example. You had to coordinate your own body, concentrating on and memorizing the position of each leg, each hand, shoulders, hips and seat bones. You struggled a little. When you did it correctly, your horse stepped across the arena. He may never have done a leg yield under saddle in his life, but when you put him into the right shape, channeled his energy and sent it on correctly,

he leg yielded. Maybe he was stiff. If it was his first time, his muscles were not used to it, but he was willing. And he understood. Not because he reasoned it out and thought, "This is a leg yield," but because you learned how to leg yield him.

The "horse moving like a river between the banks of your aids (signals)" is a good visualization, and it is even better if you think of his energy, too. If you keep the vision in your mind of where you need him to be for the next stride, the next moment, you will channel him forward like a benevolent, flowing river. If you aid suddenly and violently without preparation or thought, he will churn like the writhing rapids

of a twisted stream. In those instances, through no fault of his own, the horse becomes a burden or feared and can fall into neglect or even abuse by the person who originally wanted to love him.

Horses are complex beings. Apart from just being fed and watered they need emotional sustenance and connection with their owners. Depriving them of these needs will lead to negative consequences. For those considering owning a horse we would encourage them to first spend time to learn with us. Through riding lessons and volunteer work the prospective owner will soon come to understand what's needed.

CHRISLEY

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to eliminate in our lives."

The dates and details of the program for 2017 will be announced on the Dharmahorse website and here in the Bulletin.

Dharmahorse is an herbal/holistic stable and Chrisley maintains the health of the animals through natural protocols and the growing of organic "medicine."

"At Dharmahorse, we have a stable of unwanted horses with many breeds and ages, from a three-year-old who was starved nearly to death twice in her short life to a 36-year-old who was going to be killed even though he was sound and healthy," she said.

She also works with human students, some of whom are only four and five years old; "some have learning and physical challenges; some are mature persons coming to horses for "therapy" and health reasons. My human students have taught me to listen and to remember what it feels like to be in a first-time situation.

"I have come to realize that horses are forgiving, perceptive, generous beings with no sense of hostility, even when they are maligned. I have come to respect their insight and if a horse doesn't like some-

one, I pay attention," she said. "They are completely attuned to the natural cycles."

In addition to her devotion to horses, one of her hobbies is painting.

"I paint when I can and have had paintings in galleries in Silver City and Mesilla. Finding time for art these days is almost impossible, but I have done the art for a book cover a few times and I illustrate herbs for articles (including my own column) in Natural Horse Magazine," Chrisley said.

For 2017, the Stable Woman columns will take a new and deeper look at "the relationships with horses we can build and foster – horses healing humans and humans healing horses." She will explore the symbiotic therapeutic connections, the non-toxic care and nursing of horses with nature and plant therapies and the possibilities of gentle communication when training horses.

"The main thing I love about living here in the high desert of southern New Mexico is the chance I get on a daily basis to meet kind and insightful people," who feel the same way that she does about horses.

Chrisley's Stable Woman column runs the third week of every month.

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Cuddle Bubbles

As her name suggests, Cuddle Bubbles is all love and spirit! It's close to a year now that this black and white Pitbull mix been waiting at the ASCMV for her new family, but she'll never let that get her down. Her upbeat and devoted demeanor is sure to brighten any home, so why not yours?



Bill and Ted

Meet Bill and Ted. These orange and white tabby brothers have been growing up in the kennels since their owner gave them up in June. With their first birthday just around the corner, their secret wish is to find a new home together with a caring family that will love them forever.

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Las Cruces to march for equality



By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces are invited to take part in a Women's March taking place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, starting at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. in Downtown.

The march, sponsored by Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains, will take place in conjunction with the Women's March on Washington, D.C., and is one of an estimated 735,000 sister marches taking place throughout the world, according to Planned Parenthood's website.

"In the spirit of democracy and honoring the champions of human rights, dignity and justice who have come before us, we join in diversity to show our presence in numbers too great to ignore," according to a press release from march organizers. "The Women's March on Washington will

send a bold message to our new government on their first day in office, and to the world that women's rights are human rights. We stand together, recognizing that defending the most marginalized among us is defending all of us."

The Las Cruces march is being organized by a group of volunteers called Unified Community Action (UCA).

"The rhetoric of the past election cycle has insulted, demonized and threatened many of us: women, immigrants of all statuses, those with diverse religious faiths, particularly Muslims, people who identify as LGBTQIA, Native and indigenous people, Black and Brown people, people with disabilities, the economically impoverished and survivors of sexual assault," the UCA's website says.

The Washington march released its political platform on Jan. 12, 2017.

"We do not accept any

federal, state or local roll-backs, cuts or restrictions on our ability to access quality reproductive healthcare services, birth control, HIV/AIDS care and prevention, or medically accurate sexuality education," the platform says. "This means open access to safe, legal, affordable abortion and birth control for all people, regardless of income, location or education."

The march is also concerned with issues relating to race, legal status and sexual orientation and expression.

"We reject mass deportation, family detention, violations of due process and violence against queer and trans migrants," the statement reads. "We recognize that the call to action to love our neighbor is not limited to the United States, because there is a global migration crisis. We believe migration is a human right and that no human being is illegal."

HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

Jazzercise Lite for low-impact exercise

Las Cruces Jazzercise Fitness Center is offering Jazzercise Lite to its schedule of classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Jazzercise Lite is a low-impact version of Jazzercise, the world's leading dance-fitness program. The 60-minute class is an ideal exercise option for seniors, pregnant woman, those new to exercise, or anyone looking for a moderate yet effective workout. Center Associate Amy Richards will be teaches the classes at 10 a.m.,

Tuesday and Thursday at 3217 El Camino Real. Info: Dianne Sage at 575-650-9721 or visit jazzercise.com.

Breast Cancer Support Group hosts reconstructive surgeon

January meeting is from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28 at Memorial Medical Center West Side Annex Bldg., 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. The speaker will be Paul M. Phillips, MD, plastic and reconstructive surgeon presenting "Breast Cancer Reconstruction at MMC." The group meets

the fourth Saturday of each month, excluding December. No pre-registration, no charge and open to all who are interested in health and wellness. Info: 575-524-4373.

Alzheimer's and dementia support group meets

At 11:30 a.m. every Thursday, Arbors of Del Rey Assisted Living Community holds a support meeting at Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. Arbors of Del Rey experts offer information and interventions. Info: 575-382-5200.

Tesoro Integrative Health Center yoga classes

At 10 a.m. Monday/Wednesday/Friday is Gentle Yoga; 7:15 a.m. Tuesday and 8:30 a.m. Saturday is Kundalini Yoga; 6:15 Tuesday/Thursday, 10 a.m. Saturday is Hatha Yoga; 6:15 Monday/Wednesday is Gentle Yoga at Tesoro Integrative Health Center, 1605 S. Main St. Walk-ins welcome. Drop-in fee is \$7; five classes for \$30; and 10 for \$60. Info: 575-541-5660.

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Parkinson's Support Group meets third Tuesday

At 10 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. the Parkinson's disease Support Group of Southern New Mexico (PDSGSNM) meets.

MS Support/Education group meets first Thursday

From 4:30 to 6 p.m. the first Thursday of each month in the Social Center Creative Arts Room at Good Samaritan

Society Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle, join a multiple sclerosis support/education group. Date, time and location are subject to change. Info/RSVP: 575-373-5130 or lascrucesmself-help@gmail.com.

Breastfeeding support group

From 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Friday at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room Mama's Milk Club Breastfeeding Support Group meets. Refreshments provided. Free. Info: 575-521-5393.

Zumba class at aquatic center

From 10 to 11 a.m. every Saturday the

City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department holds Zumba class at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Info: 575-541-2782.

Zumba at Mountain View Senior Circle

At 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Mountain View Senior Circle, 3948 Lohman Ave., Suite 1, Zumba classes are held.

Info: 575-522-0503.

Flu vaccines available

Flu vaccines are offered in many locations, including doctor's offices, hospitals, public health offices, and pharmacies, as well as by many em-

ployers and some schools. New Mexico Department of Health encourages those with health insurance to contact their healthcare provider or pharmacist about getting the flu vaccine. The Department offers vaccinations for people without insurance or who are otherwise not able to get vaccinated. Those with Medicaid or other insurance who go to Public Health Offices are asked to bring their insurance card.

To find out about flu vaccination clinics throughout the state, call the Immunization Hotline toll free at 866-681-5872 or visit <http://flushot.healthmap.org/> to see where the vaccine is being offered.

DEA seeks stricter cannabis regulation

Published in the Federal Register on Dec. 14, 2016: "... the DEA seeks to control all natural occurring cannabinoids from the cannabis sativa plant," according to the Hoban Law Group, the nation's premier "cannabusiness" firm. The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) attempted this move once before, in 2014, and tried to include ruderalis (aka hemp) in the definition.

The question is, does the DEA have the power and authority to do this as it pertains to the legality and regulation of all cannabis?

The DEA is an unelected government body with no legislative authority, and yet it is attempting to outlaw all cannabinoids (CBDs). I contacted numerous legal sources in the hemp industry and was advised to proceed with the use of hemp CBD oil until further notice.

In the cannabis world, there are two types of plants: hemp plants and drug plants. Hemp is generally known for fiber and seed oil with low levels of CBD. Drug plants contain psychoactive tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and non-psychoactive CBD.



HILDA LUZ CHAVEZ
The Good Herb

The week after the Hoban Law Group's announcement, I received numerous calls and emails from concerned medical patients with cancer, Parkinson's, epilepsy, pain, PTSD and more. They feared hemp CBD oil would be outlawed and that their access would be threatened. These patients prefer hemp CBD to THC.

All cannabis plants contain cannabinoids, the active ingredients proven to be medicinal, including THC, the cannabinoid that is psychoactive. THC is the reason recreational users smoke cannabis. THC is also the reason that cannabis is illegal and why the DEA has it listed as a schedule 1 drug.

Although all cannabis plants contain some level of CBD,

I am going to focus on the non-psychoactive and most beneficial and medicinal cannabinoid: CBD extract from the hemp plant (not the sativa or Indica plants).

CBD oil is trending all over the world and first made its appearance on the internet years ago as legal in all 50 states for epileptic children. However, that is not the whole truth. Since CBD is also extracted from Indica and sativa, hemp CBD oil falls into a gray area of the law, which is why it is still being debated.

It is not legal in every state because the DEA states that CBD extract, whether it is extracted from sativa, Indica or ruderalis, is part of the cannabis plant and therefore is illegal. So, even though cannabis plants differ in cannabinoid content (which is still being researched) the three are all lumped together.

At this time, it appears that many of the CBD products on the internet or available at smoke and vape shops come from China. As a consumer, you should remember "buyer beware," because China is known for its toxic farms and

toxic water. We don't know how they grow their hemp. Furthermore, who is monitoring the levels of toxins and pesticides used on hemp plants? And who is regulating the levels of CBD and THC in the final extracts?

There is growing responsibility and awareness that medical patients are using these products and producers must meet higher standards. CBD products coming from U.S. states that legally produce hemp, such as Kentucky, Colorado, Oregon and Washington, are being monitored. These states tend to produce hemp that is organic or is, at least, not sprayed with pesticides. Also, some of the legitimate manufacturers of CBD products in the states have certified labs testing the products for levels of cannabinoids, bacteria and pesticides.

The interest in hemp CBD is growing exponentially. Anyone can find hemp CBD oil on line. The buyer does not have to prove they are a medical-marijuana-certified patient. The question is, how does one find a reliable source not made in China? Contact me

for information.

Bottom line: when you try to prohibit something, it tends to make people want it more. You would think the DEA would have figured this out by now.

Prohibition is not working. It never did and never will. It is time for sensible and compassionate attitudes in New Mexico and nationwide. Cannabis is an ancient herb with medicinal value; always has been and always will be.

Does the DEA really want to make criminals of patients with cancer, Parkinson's, multiple sclerosis, epilepsy, chronic pain, PTSD, etc., who successfully use hemp CBD products to manage their symptoms and conditions?

I will keep you posted as the hemp CBD chapter unfolds.

Hilda Luz Chavez, ND, is a third-generation healer and curandera. Her work in the Las Cruces community is all about educating and awakening the interest of the younger generations to herbal medicine and supporting the older generations with remedies they remember.



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Molina Healthcare cuts ribbon at new facility

Molina Healthcare of New Mexico celebrated the opening of its new regional office in Las Cruces with an official ribbon cutting ceremony on Tuesday, Jan. 10., at 312 E. Wyatt, C-4. Molina mascot Dr. Cleo and Patty Kehoe (center) cut the ribbon for the opening of the 5,200-square-foot facility, which will serve as a resource center for a variety of Molina stakeholders and community members, including care coordinators, health risk assessment staff, outreach teams to meet with potential enrollees, and offer conference rooms to community-based organizations free of charge.

Burdock root used to treat skin conditions

By **TRISH McCAUL**

For the Bulletin

Burdock root is traditionally used as a detoxifying herb. Early in the Industrial Revolution, people began to recognize that they were being affected by environmental pollutants. Burdock root was widely used to remedy or offset the effects. This nourishing root increases secretions, feeding and cleansing bodily tissues. It improves the elimination of wastes through the lymphatics, liver, gallbladder, lungs, kidneys, skin and large intestine. It's also an excellent supportive tea for use during fasting, and is often combined with yellowdock for this purpose.

One of the primary uses of burdock root is in the treatment of skin conditions. This is due to the supporting and cleansing effect it exerts on the blood and liver, as well as its diaphoretic (pore-opening)

Herb of the Week

NAME: Burdock

LATIN NAME: *Arctium lappa*

PARTS USED: Root

properties. It contains a volatile oil which opens the pores, helps eliminate wastes and brings nourishing oils to the skin. These properties make Burdock root helpful in treating acne, atopic eczema, psoriasis, boils, dry skin, and abscesses as well as staph infections such as impetigo. It can be made into a poultice for boils, and used as a wash for eczema, psoriasis and dandruff. When using Burdock to treat skin conditions, many herbalists combine it with dandelion, sarsaparilla or yellowdock.

Burdock is also beneficial for the digestive system. It belongs to a class of herbs called bit-

ters. Bitters stimulate digestive enzymes and bile that break down food and absorb vital nutrients. Burdock root contains water-soluble fibers that help clean out gut toxins. It's high in inulin, a beneficial gut flora used as a food source.

Burdock stimulates and supports the kidneys, and can be beneficial in the treatment of ailments related to poor kidney function, such as gout, arthritis and urinary stones. It also helps soothe minor inflammations of the genitourinary tract.

Because burdock helps with transport of fats and oils throughout the body, it can be considered an endocrine and female tonic. It's helpful for those who have trouble digesting and absorbing fats and oils. Steroid and sex hormones are made from oils, and also require oils to move through the body. Burdock can support endocrine function, oil transport and hormonal issues. It can



help normalize the menstrual cycle during menopause. Many midwives use it to strengthen the uterus, and in England it has long been used as a remedy for prolapsed uterus.

Burdock is commonly available in tea or tincture form, and is best taken in small, frequent doses. When using the tea or tincture as a cleanse, be sure to combine it with a diuretic herb such as dandelion. This encourages the toxins to move out of the body through

the urine, versus the skin. It should be used for at least two weeks to achieve maximum benefit. The fresh root is great in soups.

Courtesy of our friends at Mountain View Market Co-Op

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Late run boosts Aggs past Roadrunners

BULLETIN REPORT

Down 50-44 with 6:36 left to play, the New Mexico State University men's basketball team went on a 19-8 run to close out the game and deal CSU Bakersfield, the defending Western Athletic Conference champions, its first loss in league play Saturday, Jan. 14 in the Pan American Center with a 63-58 victory.

The win, fueled by a rambunctious Aggie (17-2, 4-0 WAC) crowd, pushed the NM State win-streak now to 15 games and only trails Gonzaga (17) and Kansas (16). It was also NM State's 21st-consecutive victory in the Pan Am Center and its 37th-straight win at home in

conference action.

Both teams struggled from the floor early on as the Aggies and 'Runners exchanged leads six times, including one on a thunderous jam from Matt Taylor that gave NM State a 13-12 lead before CSUB went on an 8-1 run to take the 24-17 lead with 2:48 left to play in the first half.

A pair of free-throws from Jermaine Haley were sandwiched by buckets from Eli Chuha and brought NM State within 31-24 of CSUB (11-7, 2-1 WAC) at the break.

New Mexico State slowly crept its way back into the game in the second half, bringing it

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Eli Chuha attempts to secure a rebound against CSU Bakersfield's Fallou Ndoye and Greg Lee. The Aggies rallied past the Roadrunners, 63-58

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NMSU guard Moriah Mack snared WAC Player of the Week honors Jan. 16.

Mack snares Player of the Week honors

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State women's basketball guard, Moriah Mack, was named the College Sports Madness WAC Player of the Week on Monday, Jan. 16, after leading the women's basketball team to a pair of wins over conference opponents, Grand Canyon University and CSU Bakersfield. The senior averaged 16.0 points, 4.5 rebounds, 4.0 assists and 4.0 steals over 78 minutes of play.

The San Antonio, Texas native is the fourth Aggie to receive the honor of College Sports Madness WAC Player of the Week this season as teammates Brooke Salas,

Tamera William and Gia Pack have also earned the title.

Mack helped lead NM State both offensively and defensively to an 81-65 victory at GCU, as the guard dropped 18 points to go along with a team-leading five steals. On the night, the senior shot seven for 11 (.636) from the field, including a perfect 2-for-2 from beyond the arc and 2-for-2 from the free throw line.

During the second contest of the week, NM State traveled to take on CSU Bakersfield, as the team won 64-55. Mack led the Aggie starters in scoring with 14 points and four assists, to go along with five rebounds and three steals.

After the week, New Mexico State women's basketball moved to 12-6 on the year and 4-0 in WAC play. Mack has started in all 18 games for the Aggies and has averaged 12.0 points and 4.2 rebounds and 2.4 assists over that time. The senior also sits 48 points away from 1,000 for her career, with 10 games remaining in the regular season.

NM State's next contest will pit the team against the UM-Kansas City Roos, on Saturday, Jan. 21 at 1 p.m. MT. This will be the second time this season the Aggies have squared off with the Roos, as they opened conference play with a 78-72 victory over UMKC on Jan. 5.

NMSU football adds five players to line-up

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State football head coach Doug Martin bolstered his line-up with the addition of five players during the December signing period. Martin signed a pair of junior college transfers while gaining the services of three gray shirts.

Davis Harker and Ron LaForce make up the two JUCO transfers for NM State while Cameron Matthews, Bryce Roberts and Tevis Abraham round out the gray shirts that will join Aggie football in January.

"This group of midyear enrollees is both specific and exciting," Martin said. "Davis and Ron are the beginning of our emphasis in this recruiting class of offensive lineman and defensive backs. We will continue to work on both of those groups as we finish recruiting the 2017 class. We are also excited about adding Cameron, Bryce and Tevis to our offensive unit this spring. Getting a whole semester of school and spring practice under their belt

will be very beneficial."

DAVIS HARKER

Offensive Line
Tulsa, Okla. | Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College (Union HS)
Before NM State (NEO):

Earned All-Southwest Junior College Football Conference Honorable Mentions as a sophomore...blocking efforts allowed Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College rushing corp. to tally 2,054 yards on the ground – 1,600 of which came in conference play...guided running back Darwin Thompson to second-team honors with his blocking on the offensive line...also gave the Golden Horsemen's quarterback enough time to pass for 3,240 yards on the year.

High School:

Three-year letter winner at Oklahoma state powerhouse Union High School...led UHS to two straight district championships and back-to-back appearances in the Oklahoma High School Football State Championship game as a ju-

nior and senior...the Redskins went 32-8 overall during his time on varsity and 20-1 in league play.

RON LAFORCE

Defensive Back
Bayou La Batre, Ala. | College of the Sequoias (Alma Bryant HS)

Before NM State (COS):

Earned 2016 all-state honors and All-Valley League defensive team honors as a sophomore after totaling 66 tackles (52 solo), five interceptions, 1.5 sacks and a fumble recovery...his 7.3 tackles per game in 2016 were good for fifth in the conference...his five picks tied for eighth-most in the California Community College Athletic Association.

High School:

Played at Alma Bryant High School for Bruce Breland with current Aggie Connor Cramer...was a 2014 all-state defensive back as a senior and earned back-to-back all-region honors his junior and senior campaign.

CAMERON MATTHEWS

(Gray Shirt)
Quarterback
Crowley, Texas | Trinity Valley School

High School:

Played at Trinity Valley School in Crowley, Texas under Aaron Mattox...named 2014 and 2015 All-Southwest Preparatory Conference Player of the Year...threw for 5,207 passing yards over career...racked up 33 passing touchdowns with the Trojans...completed 455-of-791 passes in three years for a 57.5-completion percentage...tallied three-straight years of 1,000-yards passing and a pair of 10-touchdown seasons...recorded 231 punting yards on eight punts through at TVS.

BRYCE ROBERTS

(Gray Shirt)
Tight End
Yukon, Okla. | Mustang High School

High School:

Played at Mustang HS in Mustang, Okla., under Jeremy Dombek...ranked as the No. 41 overall prospect in the state by

247sports.com in 2015...was an all-district honoree as a tight end for MHS...selected as Honorable Mention Big All-City...started at power forward on basketball state champions team in 2014-15...played against fellow NM State signee, Davis Harker, in high school.

TEVIS ABRAHAM

(Gray Shirt)
Wide Receiver
Baton Rouge, La. | Southern Lab High School

High School:

Led Southern Lab High School to the Louisiana Division IV State Championship his senior year...named second-team all-state for division IV and first-team all-district after guiding SLHS to the state championship...earned first-team all-state accolades after leading the Kittens to the state championship before falling in the finals as a junior...was a three-time state team champion in track and field...was a third-place finisher in the 400 meters as a senior and runner-up his junior season.

First indoor meet of 2017 in the books for Aggies

BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State women's track and field team finished third in its first event of the indoor season on Saturday, Jan. 14, at the Martin Luther King Jr. Invitational held in the Albuquerque Convention Center.

"One of the ways we gauge our returners is look at what their numbers were this time last season and compare it to today's meet," interim co-head coach Larry Carmichael said. "Keyarha showed great promise in the high jump today along with Lashira in the 60-meter dash. They both did great competing in their first collegiate meet."

In the field events, freshman Keyarha Wilson claimed second-place in the high jump with a mark of 1.65 meters (5'5") in her second attempt while Kayli Farmer came in third with a leap of 1.62 meters

(5'3"). Senior Akuadasuo Ezenyilimba was the only top-three finisher for the Aggies in the weight throws event, tossing a final mark of 16.97 meters (55'8") for second behind an unattached New Mexico participant. La'Shya Cole placed third to give NM State two points in the long jump when she leaped a distance of 5.58 meters (18'3") in her final attempt.

"Kayli jumped well for her opening meet here in Albuquerque and Katara also had one of our better results from today in the 200," Carmichael said. "La'Shya had a very good start as well for us in the long jump."

On the track, several Aggies were able to grab points with top-three finishes. Crissey Amberg (5:27.99) and Meghan Aguilera (5:28.35) earned a combined three points when they finished in fourth and fifth, respectively, in the mile. Sidney Aguilera took fourth in the

800m with a mark of 2:27.41 while senior Katara Nelson took second in the 200m, zooming in with a time of 25.29.

Lashira Tremble sprinted in with a time of 7.74 in the 60-meter dash, checking in with the second-best time with New Mexico JC and UNM's unattached participants tied for first with a mark of 7.67. Sophomore Arniesha Mitchell claimed third in the 60m hurdles when she crossed the finished line with a time of 9.10 for three points since the winner ran unattached for a time of 8.71.

The first-year event wrapped up with the 4x400 relay as NM State's A team of Nelson, Tanisha Scott, Savannah Coleman and Dominique Joiner ran for a time of 4:13.87. The Aggies' B team of Tremble, Mitchell, Nia Garcia and Madelin Whelpley clocked in with a time of 4:28.33.

New season of golf means hope springs eternal

As we start the new year, hope springs eternal for all of us. We hope for a better world; we hope (and pray) for peace; we hope we'll stay safe and secure in our homes. Some folks hope soon for a job; others hope that sick loved ones will get well. The holiday season helps us put things into proper perspective a bit, allowing us to reflect briefly on how good we have it here in the U.S., and giving us reason to feel blessed.

When it comes to sports, it's good to remember that our favorite baseball, basketball, football, hockey and soccer games are just that — games. Sport is, first of all, entertainment and recreation. Yes, golf is a game; and despite some books that suggest otherwise (e.g. *The Game of Life* and *How to Play It* by Florence Scovel Shinn), life is not a game! I don't think the families streaming out of Aleppo view life as a game. I urge everyone to grasp the difference between games we play and life we live. Life is not a game.

That having been said, I'm hoping for an entertaining year in professional golf, especially since Tiger Woods is healthy and playing tour golf again. He is slated to play four out of five upcoming tournaments early this year. I believe Tiger will



CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

win again and he still has a chance to win a major.

From the pinnacle of golf's public popularity in 2005 in the "Tiger era," the number of recreational golfers has declined, yet youth now playing the game has increased 20 percent from 2.5 million in 2010 to 3 million in 2015, according to Tim Finchem, former PGA Tour Commissioner. In an interview in *Forbes*, he also expressed pride in the total charitable donations by the Tour now reaching an estimated \$2.5 billion.

In the same *Forbes* 2016 forum interview, Mike Whan, LPGA Commissioner said, "Looking only at rounds played, or people playing, dramatically underestimates the impact and engagement of our sport." He cites viewer team sports, like NFL football, but the fact remains that golf as a recreation

depends on people playing more than viewing or gaming on smart devices. The trend of the game is certainly positive, and hopeful.

One of the things I'm hoping for this year is that marketers and promoters of golf products tone down their outlandish claims of huge gains in distance when you use their product, whether it be a new-fangled tee or a training device.

As you probably know, I review hundreds of products and test a lot of golf items at the PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando every year, and it's where I'll be at the end of January. I'll quickly admit that I'm always searching for golf's holy grail of 20 more yards, but we need to view product claims and infomercials with a mostly skeptical eye. Very often the claims can get pretty ridiculous.

When I say that "hope springs eternal" I'm thinking, in a way, about the Chicago Cubs, who since 1908, when they won the World Series, went to spring training for the succeeding 107 years with hope eternal, only to be disappointed for that many years. Until their hopes, dreams, perseverance, never-give-up attitude, and yes good (not bad) luck were realized

a few months ago when the Cubs finally won their first World Series since 1908. Golf is not really a team game, except for maybe the Ryder Cup and the Solheim Cup, and other amateur games, but we all, as avid dedicated golfers, look at the new season with goals, plans and hope in our souls. Pro golfers, I think look it at the same way. We want to do better, avoid the mistakes that we made last year, get longer, make more putts, win more golf

games and be proud of our game.

I hope people remember how great the late Arnold Palmer was for sport. Every day I look at a painting in my office of Cypress Point's ocean hole with the inscription underneath by Palmer that reads: "Golf is deceptively simple and endlessly complicated. It satisfies the soul and frustrates the intellect. It is at the same time rewarding and maddening — it is without a doubt the great-

est game mankind has ever invented."

Dr. Charlie Blanchard is a licensed psychologist specializing in sports and leadership who works with PGA professionals and young golfers to enhance their performance. He partners with coach Herb Wimberly as the principal instructors at Performance Golf Schools. Contact Blanchard at drblanchard@lascrucesbulletin.com. Or performancecoach@zianet.com



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Aggies win 15th game in a row



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Caught between CSUB defensive players, NMSU's Eli Chuha passes to a teammate on the outside.



ABOVE: Looking to keep possession of the ball, Johnathon Wilkins tries to move toward the basket.



LEFT: Jaylin Airington works in a layup past the Aggies' defense during the first half of the NMSU and CSUB matchup on Saturday, Jan. 14.



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within 42-38 at the 11:36 media timeout after Las Cruces native Joe Garza drained a 3-pointer from the elbow. Jaylin Airington completed his and-1 opportunity out of the media timeout to make it 43-38.

Dedrick Basile made it 50-44 in favor of the visitors when he knocked down all three free throws with 7:30 left on the clock. Back-to-back buckets in the paint from Jemerrio Jones, who finished with 13 points and 16 rebounds, started the 19-8 run for NM State.

The Aggie floor general, Ian Baker, then joined in and combined to score the next 14 points with Jones – giving New Mexico State a 58-53 lead with 1:23 left to play.

Following an easy

lay-in from Jones, CSU Bakersfield's Damiyne Durham swished in a deep 3-pointer to cut the Aggie lead to 58-56 with 32 seconds remaining. Out of the CSUB timeout, NM State broke the 'Runners' press and found Braxton Huggins for an open lay-up.

On the ensuing play, CSUB's Taze Moore was assessed a technical foul that allowed Baker to seal the deal with nine seconds remaining in the game. Chuha added another point when he hit the front end of his free throws for insurance as the 63-58 win.

Jones and Chuha combined for 30 of NM State's 46 total rebounds, including a combined 18 rebounds on the offensive glass. Chuha also finished with 12 points for

his WAC-leading ninth double-double. Baker finished with 13 points, four assists and four rebounds to round out the double-digit scorers. Johnathon Wilkins finished with a season-high tying nine points on 4-of-7 shooting.

The Aggies now have a week off before wrapping up a three-game homestand against UMKC at 7 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 21, for their Pack the Pan Am game.

POSTGAME NOTES: The last time NM State started league play 4-0 was during the 2011-12 season... the Aggies are now one win shy of tying the 1968-69 squad for the second-longest winning-streak in program history with 16 (21, 1937-38)...NM State is now 12-1 all-time against CSUB and 6-0 when playing them at home.