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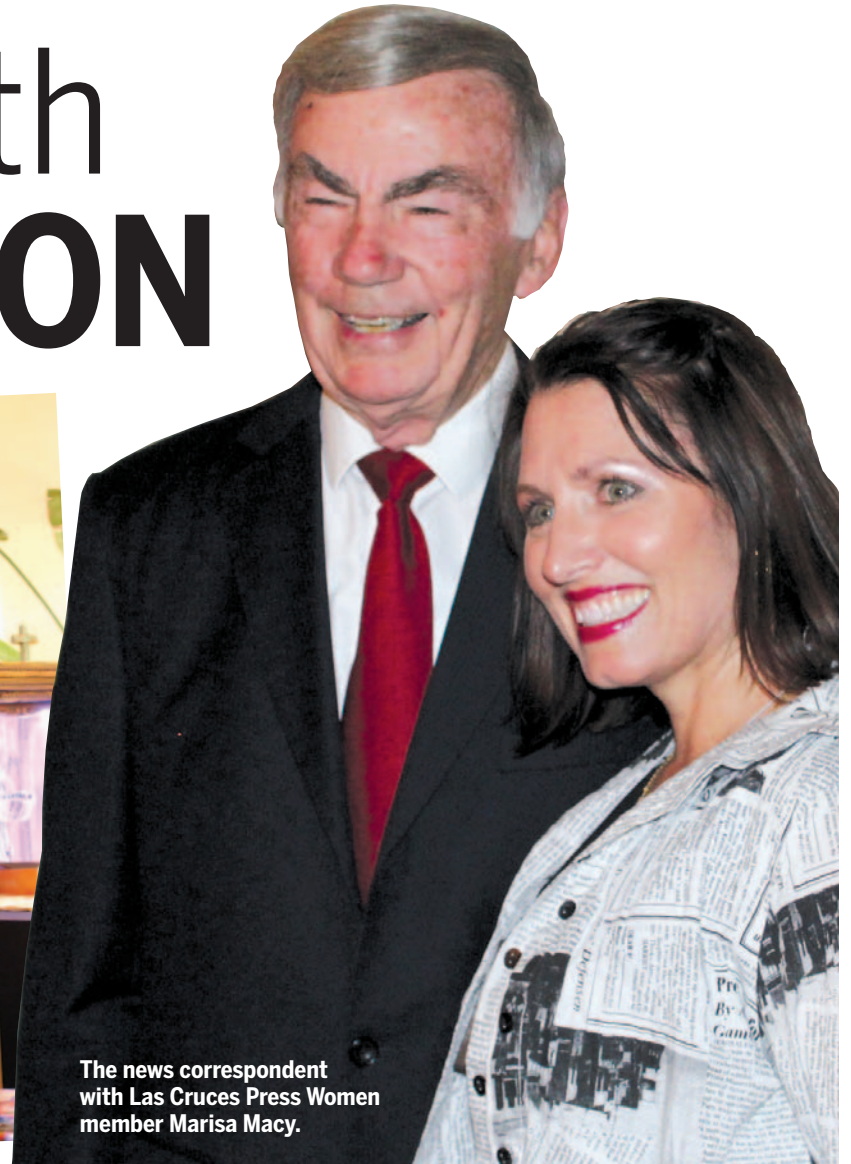


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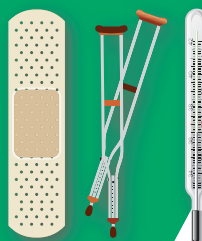
Sam Donaldson, renowned reporter and news anchor for ABC News (1967-2013), was the keynote speaker at the annual awards banquet for New Mexico Press Women at La Posta de Mesilla Saturday, April 22. Donaldson was a White House correspondent for 13 years and a panelist and co-anchor of the network's Sunday program, "This Week." The banquet capped a two-day conference in Las Cruces exploring the topic, "Media Literacy in a Post-Truth Society."

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The news correspondent with Las Cruces Press Women member Marisa Macy.

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Tax payments can be made a number of ways, such as: 1) Mailing payment to the Treasurer's Office using the self-addressed envelope provided with the tax notice; 2) Utilizing the indoor drop box adjacent to the Treasurer's Office teller windows, during business hours; 3) Online with a credit/debit card at www.donaanacounty.org/tax/. There is a nominal fee for this service; 4) By phone at (877) 458-2425. There is a nominal fee for this service; or 5) In person at the Treasurer's Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, at 845 Motel Blvd, Las Cruces

Property owners whose taxes are handled by an escrow company will not receive a mailer. Instead, the escrow holder will receive the tax notification.

Rodriguez said property owners who have not paid their taxes in full and did not receive reminders should immediately contact the Treasurer's Office at (575) 647-7433.



Staff from the Doña Ana County Animal Control and Codes Division staged an Earth Day celebration on Friday, April 21, on the east lawn of the Doña Ana County Government Center. Local vendors participated in the event, which included the planting of a western soapberry tree on the Government Center grounds. The event attracted a steady stream of people throughout the day, many of whom were greeted by departmental mascots Carlos the Coyote and Lizzie the Lizard.

PHOTO: Corrie Stone-Fielder

DASO: Dispose of drugs on April 29

Doña Ana County residents with unused, expired or unwanted prescription medications are encouraged to participate in the annual drug take-back program on Saturday, April 29, sponsored in part by the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration and other local law-enforcement agencies.

The program gives the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous drugs. The service is free and anonymous. All drugs surrendered will be destroyed using protocols designed to protect the environment.

Several locations in Las Cruces will host take-back sites, and will be accepting medications from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Elk's Club, 3000 Elks Dr.; New Mexico State Police, 4055 Sonoma Ranch Blvd.; Branigan Library, 200 E. Pícacho; Mesilla Town Hall, 2231 Avenida de Mesilla; Albertson's, 2551 E. Lohman; Dublin's, 1745 E. University Ave.; Walmart Neighborhood Market, 150 Sonoma Ranch Blvd.; Walmart, 3331 Rinconada Blvd.; or Sam's Club 2711 N. Telshor Ave.

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Students in the Pre-K class at Jardin de los Niños plant their garden in celebration of Earth Day.

Jardin students dig into Earth Day

BULLETIN REPORT

Students at Jardin de los Niños took time out to celebrate Earth Day this April, learn some lessons, have some fun, and prepare to set their own tables for the summer.

Characteristically, the center uses their Earth Day observance as a way to not only teach children about taking care of the Earth but also taking care of themselves. “The children are given both seeds and small plants to put in their gardens,” Jardin de los Niños Executive Director Audrey Hartley said. “And most of what they plant are fruits and vegetables that they will eat throughout the summer.”

The children planted tomatoes, carrots, squash, cantaloupe, watermelon and corn. They will take turns watering, weeding and tending to their gardens, and will harvest the fruits and vegetables for meals and snacks at the center.

“We are most excited with our corn planting,” Hartley said. “The plan is to have a corn roast for children and parents when it is ready. We will be having the kids measure the growth of the corn, and see the various stages it goes through before harvest. Ultimately, it is our mission to show them how great it feels to grow, produce and consume your own foods.”

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NMSU launches ambitious fundraising effort

BY AMANDA BRADFORD

For the Bulletin

The New Mexico State University system has embarked on a \$125 million comprehensive campaign, and will kick off the public phase of its largest-ever fundraising effort with an energized event Friday, April 28, at the Center for the Arts.

The program begins at 4 p.m. in the Mark and Stephanie Medoff Theatre in the Associated Students of NMSU Center for the Arts, with the reveal of the campaign's theme, the announcement of a transformational gift to the university and a performance from Las Cruces' own country music star, Bri Bagwell. The campaign launch is free to attend, and the public is invited to join the NMSU system in the celebration. A reception outside the theatre will follow the short program.

During the comprehensive cam-

"Every person has the power to make a huge difference in this campaign, because their gifts have a collective impact."

ANDREA TAWNEY

President, NMSU Foundation

paign's quiet phase, which began in May 2013, the NMSU Foundation raised more than half the campaign's goal – nearly \$70 million. While NMSU is a public university system, funding from private donors, alumni, corporations, foundations and other sources supports vital community programs, research and student scholarship opportunities.

"Every person has the power to make a huge difference in this cam-

paign, because their gifts have a collective impact," said Andrea Tawney, president of the NMSU Foundation. "If we can move every alum, every member of our Aggie family, to participate, no matter what the amount of their gift, we will see a complete transformation in what is possible for our community, our faculty and our students."

One of the most important goals of the campaign, which extends through 2019, is the creation of \$50 million in new scholarship endowments. This would provide \$2 million each year in perpetuity for new, game-changing scholarships.

Scholarship funding is crucial so that all NMSU campuses can offer opportunities to students who have earned them, regardless of their means, and also so the university can attract top students and nurture their success. Whether endowed or current use, scholarships reflect

the passion of NMSU donors and augment student resources while impacting various groups, including high achievers, military veterans, underrepresented populations, and many others.

"Private funding and support for students and programs is always a necessity and we are working hard to inspire donor support through the NMSU Foundation," said NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers. "Launching a comprehensive campaign allows us to focus our energy and momentum on a common purpose throughout our entire system. We continue to be deeply grateful for the generosity and confidence that our Aggie community has shown us by investing in the future of our system and our students."

To RSVP for the public campaign launch celebration on April 28, contact Nohemi Perez at 575-646-1106 or nohemip@nmsu.edu.

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LCPS seeks donations for award winner

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Remember the Bulletin's April 1, story about Arrowhead Park Early College High School senior Hailee Cook winning a Gold Medal Portfolio in this year's Scholastic Art & Writing Awards? She was one of 16 7th-12th-grade students out of more than 320,000 who applied nationwide to receive the award and the



BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK
Hailee Cook and her mother, Beth Cook

\$10,000 scholarship that goes with it. Hailee will attend New Mexico State University next fall to study finance.

The LCPS Foundation is helping Hailee and her mother, LCPS employee Beth Cook, raise funds to pay for Hailee's trip to Carnegie Hall in New York City to attend an on-stage recognition of portfolio winners in June.

Donations of any amount are welcome.

To make a donation, send your check to LCPS Foundation (put "Hailee Cook" on the memo line), P.O. Box 16214, Las Cruces, NM 88004. Or you can deliver your donation in person to LCPS Community Outreach Coordinator Brigitte Zigelhofer in the LCPS Professional Development Center, 505 S. Main St., Loretto Towne Centre, Suite 400.

For more information, contact Zigelhofer at 575-527-6014 or bzigelho@lcps.net.

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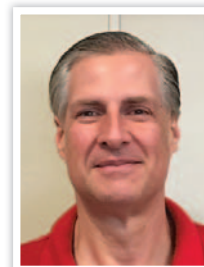
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A communication wall?

Federal official's border comments perplexing

The quote came during a radio report about the federal budget.

"I certainly think the border wall is essential, as does almost everyone that lives along the border."



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

Having missed the introduction, I didn't hear who made the quote, and I assumed it came from an East Coast congressman, someone unfamiliar with the border area.

On the report's replay, however, I learned the quote came from Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly, made just three days after Kelly and Attorney General Jeff Sessions had visited El Paso.

During their visit, it was made clear to Kelly and Sessions by regional officials, as well as by the general public, the proposed border wall is not essential and would likely cause more harm than good.

For Kelly to say "almost

everyone" along the border thinks the wall is essential means he's either disingenuous or tone-deaf. Or both.

Rather than make objective observations and listen to the people actually living and working in the Borderland, they maintained their incomplete, often inaccurate narrative. Kelly and Sessions continue to portray the border region as dangerous and violent, ignoring numerous reports, most based on FBI data, listing El Paso as the safest U.S. city of more than 500,000. The No. 3 city on those lists? San Diego, the big city near the California-Mexico border. Another city that pops up on the top 25 safest cities lists among smaller populations is McAllen, Texas, another border city.

Those of us in Las Cruces, and New Mexico in general, know the value of trade and commerce through Mexico, most of it coming through the Santa Teresa Port of Entry here in Doña Ana County. That border commerce is one of the few bright spots in our state's struggling economy.

Just the mere talk of a border wall has led some companies working near the border to put plans on hold. Some are hesitant to invest in their operations because of the uncertain future. It's a game of wait and see.

Similar stories are happening in Texas, Arizona and California.

Jon Barela, former New Mexico economic development secretary, is now CEO of the Borderplex Alliance, an organization which works to promote economic opportunities and activity where New Mexico, Texas and Mexico intersect.

Upon the arrival of Sessions and Kelly, Barela issued a statement: "During their time in El Paso, we hope Attorney General Sessions and Secretary Kelly take away with them the reality of the border and the benefits and opportunities that abound for our region and nation."

Unfortunately, the statement appears to have fallen on deaf ears.

Immigration between the U.S. and Mexico is essentially

a net zero.

Border security has greatly increased in the past decade as agents have essentially doubled and technology has advanced. Many Border Patrol agents will tell you accelerating technology aids, such as drones with cameras, will do more than a wall to tighten the border.

Many elected officials have long touted the impracticalities of a big wall. For years, a key Republican talking point has been, "If you build a 15-foot wall, the ones who want to get across will just build a 16-foot ladder."

The border wall, in my mind, represents a solution to problems that may have existed 15 years ago. Today, though, the U.S. and Mexico are in a functional situation regarding crossing, traffic and commerce.

America has many dysfunctional situations domestically and globally that need more immediate attention.

And why, suddenly, has the wall become such a big issue within the federal budget?

Wasn't Mexico supposed to pay for it?

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Support Bixby and Fenske

To the editor,

I was pleased to see the announcement that Kevin Bixby and Craig Fenske are seeking election to the Doña Ana Soil and Water Conservation District Board.

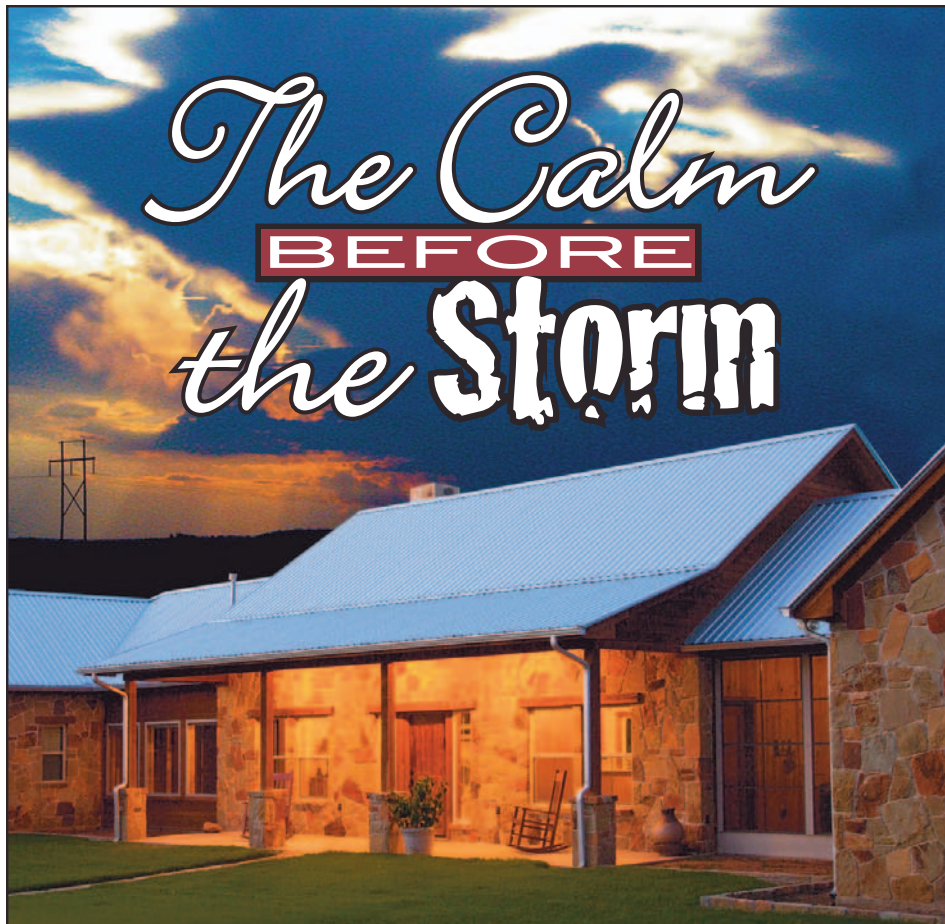
There is so much potential there, and both Bixby and Fenske have decades of experience in conservation issues.

We need to get the DASWCD back to doing things that matter, like conserving our precious water resources, coping with a changing climate and preserving our

natural heritage.

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*Mary Kerwin
Las Cruces*



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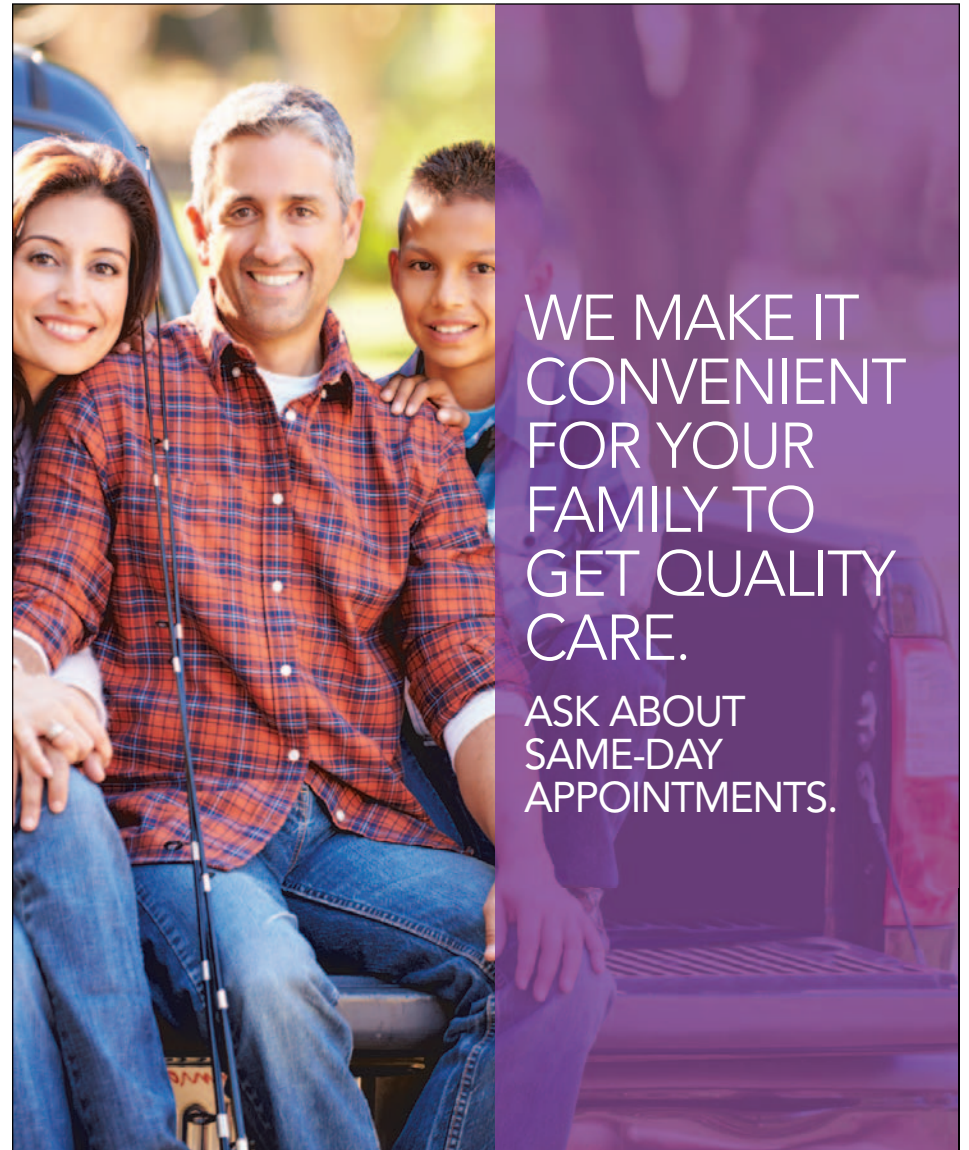
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Community Foundation awards foster care grant

The child abuse rate for New Mexico was 17 in 2016, based on substantiated victims per 1,000 children. According to the United States Census Bureau, there are roughly half a million children in our state. So, when we consider the child abuse rate that means 8,000 children in New Mexico have experienced some form of abuse.

This month is Child Abuse Prevention Month and what better time to begin asking critical questions? What are we doing for these children? What services are provided to help protect these children and ensure a better life?

Mesilla Valley CASA is working on behalf of



COURTNEY LOPEZ

Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

these abused children who have ended up in the foster care system. They make sure children in foster care receive the critical support they deserve by providing them with a volunteer advocate who champions their best interests and fights for their right to a

happy, safe life.

At the end of 2016, the Community Foundation awarded a grant of \$11,400 to Mesilla Valley CASA for use during 2017. The Community Foundation awards grants annually to nonprofit organizations in southern New Mexico through its Wellness Fund. The Wellness Fund was made possible by generous donors to support projects and programs positively impacting maternal/child well-being.

The grant has not only been used to enhance the organization's training facility for volunteers but it's allowing Mesilla Valley CASA the opportunity to create and implement an assessment to evalu-

ate whether or not family connections are being preserved amongst foster children and their relatives, and the impact of those connections.

"Support from the Community Foundation has given us the resources to better equip our training space," said Brandie White, Mesilla Valley CASA Program Director. "This allows us the opportunity to provide effective training so that our volunteers can be the best possible advocates for our children."

Research shows that foster children who maintain connections with extended family members have increased opportunities of being placed

with family when reunification with parents is no longer a viable option. Children who maintain connections with their family during foster care also have a heightened sense of personal identity and better self-esteem.

The Children's Code of New Mexico states that the Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) must demonstrate reasonable efforts in locating and engaging family members. CASA volunteers play a unique role in supporting this work and advocating throughout the processes of the child welfare system that family members be sought out and considered for placement.

Mesilla Valley CASA's "Wellbeing Assessment for Preserving Family Connections," made possible by the Community Foundation's Wellness Fund, will utilize best-practice standards set forth by the Court Improvement Project of New Mexico. This joint commission publishes best practices for all areas of child welfare in Children's Court.

The assessment allows CASA volunteers the opportunity to document pertinent information regarding the preservation of family connections. And for those who do not have the benefit of

a dedicated CASA volunteer, staff are still able to complete the assessment so that the data collected can accurately illustrate outcomes.

"Our goal is that Mesilla Valley CASA plays an integral role, from the beginning of a case, in supporting CYFD and the court in identifying family members that may be a good resource for the children," White said. "It's vital that the children have consistent contact with the people in their life that are important to them."

According to the National CASA Association, children with a CASA volunteer are more likely to find a safe, permanent home and half as likely to reenter foster care.

Mesilla Valley CASA is currently recruiting volunteers.

"One of our goals is to have a volunteer advocate for every child in foster care because right now we only have enough volunteers for about half of our kids," White said.

For more information, call 575-527-0035 or visit www.mesillavalleycasa.org.

Courtney Lopez is the Assistant Director of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico. She can be reached at courtney@cfsnm.org.



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IN THE NEWS

Carnival held over

Due to demand, the Frazier Shows Spring Carnival will continue for a third week at the NMSU Pan American Center Parking Lot.

The carnival is open 6-9 p.m. Thursday, 6 p.m. – midnight Friday, 3 p.m. – midnight Saturday, and 3-10 p.m. Sunday, through April 30.

Admission to the carnival itself is free. Ride tickets are \$1 each and rides take from three to six tickets. Bulk-ticket discounts are available.

Ngage New Mexico presents 2017 Champions awards

Ngage New Mexico hosted its third annual “Champions for Education” award ceremony at the Sunset Grill Pavilion April 20. About 75 attendees included students and organizations from Las Cruces and surrounding areas. The keynote speakers were Frank R. López, executive director of Ngage New Mexico, and Monica Torres, Ngage New Mexico board president.

Twelve finalists were selected from a pool of nominees by an independent group of judges. Four of the twelve were awarded based on four categories: Educator, Student, Community Sector and Collaboration.

The winners were Dr. Azadeh Osanloo, Educator; Matthew Torres, Student; Judy Carter, Community

Sector; The League of Women Voters Youth Engagement Committee, Collaboration.

López was excited with the outcome of the event, “It’s important to see how people in our community affect education in a wonderful and positive way.”

Ngage New Mexico presented the awards with the assistance of 16 local sponsors. The nonprofit organization plans a fourth awards ceremony in 2018.

Academy plans physical fitness practice tests

The Las Cruces Police Department is accepting applications for its 47th training academy and invites potential candidates to evaluate their physical fitness during one of two practice tests.

The tests will be held on Saturday, April 29, at the Las Cruces High School track, and Saturday, June 3, at the Field of Dreams. Both are scheduled for 8-10 a.m.

Applicants may wish to participate in both tests to self-evaluate their physical fitness development during the five-week span and before the actual Physical Training Test that’s held for all successful applicants.

The practice tests are measured against New Mexico Department of Public Safety basic entry standards for law enforcement, which include:

- 1.5 mile run in 15 minutes, 14 seconds or less.
- 300-meter dash in 71 seconds or less.
- Minimum 27 sit-ups in less than 1 minute.
- Minimum 15 pushups in less than 1 minute.

Applications for the LCPD’s training academy must

be received no later than June 11. Laptops will be available at the practice tests for those who wish to apply for the Academy. LCPD’s academy is tentatively set to begin Nov. 27, 2017.

Applicants are required to be U.S. citizens, at least 19 years old when the academy begins, and have at least a high school diploma and no felony convictions. Additional material required for the application is available on the Las Cruces Police Department’s website at www.CLCPD.com under the “Recruiting and Training Academy” link.

BLM repairing access road to Picacho Peak

The Bureau of Land Management Las Cruces District is repairing the access road to Picacho Peak Recreation Area, northwest of Las Cruces, damaged during last year’s monsoons. During the three-week project, the Picacho Peak trailhead and picnic areas will remain open to the public.

The BLM is installing erosion-control structures on some of the major arroyos and crossing areas, as well as grading and adding fine gravel to the access road.

Drivers in the area are advised to be aware of road signs directing vehicles to slow down for BLM heavy equipment and the operations staff conducting the repairs. For more information on the project timeline, visit the BLM Las Cruces District Office, 1800 Marquess Street, or call 575-525-4300.

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Watering schedule begins

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The Water Conservation Ordinance of 1996 is helping residents to make wise use of water to conserve for future demand. For more information, call 575-528-3549.

2017 summer lottery registration

The City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department will be accepting lottery registration applications for both sessions of the Summer Recreation Programs through Saturday, April 29, at the following locations:

- Parks and Recreation Administrative Office - 1501 E. Hadley Ave.
- Frank O'Brien Papen Community Center - 304 Bell St.
- Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center - 1401 E. Hadley Ave.
- Meerscheidt Recreation Center - 1600 E Hadley Ave.

Registration for the Summer Recreation Program is determined by lottery selection only. Participants who are selected will be notified on Tuesday, May 9, by email or text message and winning lottery numbers will be posted at sites listed above and on our website: www.las-cruces.org/summer-recreation.

Payment must be received between May 9 and May 20, at the Parks & Recreation Administrative Office, 1501 E. Hadley Ave. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Administrative office at 575-541-2550.

NM Ag Leadership recruiting class

Over the past 16 years the NM Ag Leadership program has served New Mexico by identifying and providing leadership development opportunities to over 90 men and women in the food, agriculture, and natural resource industries so they could become more effective in their industries and communities.

NMAL is presently recruiting participants for its 12th class scheduled to

begin in May. Download the application packet at <http://aces.nmsu.edu/nmal/application.html> and submit it via email or regular mail.

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The City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department will accept applications for the Youth Scholarship Fund for youth recreational programs through June. Interested applicants must submit their application at the Parks & Recreation Administrative Office, 1501 E. Hadley Ave.

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To qualify, participants must show proof of residency and financial need. For more information, call the Parks & Recreation Department at 541-2550.



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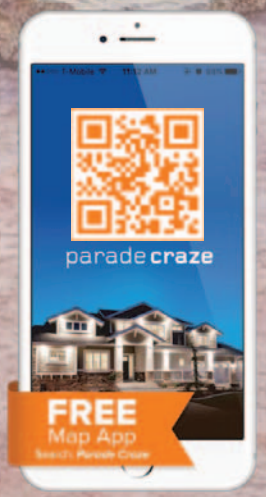
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Complaints against police department continue decline

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

A total of 20 formal complaints, including five filed by a citizen, were brought against officers of the Las Cruces Police Department (LCPD) between July 1 and Dec. 31, 2016, the private firm hired to audit complaints against the department reported during the Las Cruces City Council's Monday, April 24, work session.

Fifteen of the complaints were "internally initiated" by the department itself, said Kym Craven of Public Safety Strategies Group (PSSG) of West Townsend, Massachusetts.

The 20 formal com-

plaints involved 41 total police officers or LCPD staff with a total of 63 allegations, Craven said. Of the 63 allegations, 26 were sustained, and five other allegations were sustained for a violation other than the one originally filed, she said. There also were 16 exonerations, five cases where the charges were not sustained, six cases where the allegations were unfounded and one where the complainant refused to cooperate with investigating authorities, Craven said.

Two of the sustained allegations were for code-of-conduct violations; two each were for "criminal conduct prohibited," "domestic

family disturbance gathering" and "preliminary investigations"; and three were pursuit-policy violations.

"The department recognized that there were some gaps in the pursuit policy and ordered a stand down on all pursuits until the updated policy was ready," Craven's report said. "Once established, training was provided."

Allegations found to be without merit included rudeness, failing to act, use of force, discourteous/rude, failure to act/unsatisfactory performance and harassment/following, she said.

Areas of proficiency listed in the report included "willingness to

change operations and policies to improve performance," openness "to hearing different strategies that will strengthen the written case reports": LCPD Professional Standards Unit "members are highly professional and non-judgment(al) when interviewing witnesses and victims," "providing appropriate training" and "handling high-profile cases as confidential during the process, but transparent with the outcomes."

Areas of improvement included clearer letters to complainants; "addressing issues through briefings, roll call and training"; "the identification of the subjects of taped interviews is

clearer and is reflected in the written narrative"; and "case summary information is clearer."

Craven also said LCPS has enhanced communication and support, and is now meeting with PSSG on a monthly basis to "discuss cases reviewed and to provide policy assistance."

A total of 20 formal complaints was filed from Jan. 1 to June 30, 2016, and 42 were filed from July 1 to Dec. 31, 2015, according to PSSG reports.

Police Chief Jaime Montoya said LCPD has a psychologist on staff to work with officers dealing with stress and other issues. "The job itself is stressful," Montoya said, but "we have a very good

relationship with our community," he said.

Mayor Ken Miyagishima said he and former City Councillor Miguel Silva came up with the LCPD review plan "eight or nine years ago" to ensure the "transparency and accountability" of the department.

PSSG was awarded the city's LCPD auditor contract in August 2014, according to city documents. The contract can be extended annually for up to four years.

For more information, visit the LCPD Professional Standards Unit at <http://www.las-cruces.org/en/departments/police-department/chief-jaime-montoya/professional-standards-unit>.

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Centennial High students win national broadcast competition

BULLETIN REPORT

After spending eight continuous hours writing, directing and producing a complete video news magazine, a team of Centennial High School students was awarded first place in the Crazy 8s Broadcast News Magazine category at the 2017 Student Television Network (STN) International Convention, March 28-31 in Anaheim, California.

"It's astonishing to see the work these students were able to produce in just eight hours," said LCPS Superintendent Dr. Greg Ewing. "The talent and professionalism that went into the video is apparent, and I'd like to congratulate the entire team on a job well done."

The annual convention is one of the largest international competitions for high school and middle school broadcasting, film and media programs, and drew more than 3,000 participants from approximately 200 high schools throughout



Centennial High School students and their advisors celebrate winning the Crazy 8s Broadcast News Magazine category at the 2017 Student Television Network (STN) International Convention, March 28-31 in Anaheim, California.

the world, according to LCPS-TV Operations Manager Bill Fox, who added that the Crazy 8s Broadcast News Magazine category is the convention's most-competitive category.

"The entire team put in so much hard work this year and it really paid off," said CHS Media Teacher Melissa Prentice. "We recognized

that many of the student-produced news programs had a similar look and feel, so we really focused on what we could do to set ourselves apart."

As part of the competition, high school teams had just eight hours to write, film, edit and finalize an original news magazine show covering a small number of in-depth topics about the

topic of social justice. Once complete, the news magazine shows were then judged by a panel of experts, based on the criteria of camera/direction, lighting, audio/sound, camera presence/talent, storytelling/content, integrity/courage, segue/transition, creativity, closeness to topic, and following directions.

Students from other

LCPS schools also earned recognition at the convention including: CHS student Luis Bojorquez, who won fifth place in the Multimedia Journalist category; Las Cruces High School students Simon Miller and Peter Martin, fourth place in the Radio Host category; Sierra Middle School students Marley Gbogbo and Natalia Molinar,

fifth place in the Middle School Convention Recap category; Mesa Middle School students Kenneth Andrews and Ruben Garcia, fourth place in the Middle School Nat Package; and Sierra Middle School students Chris Favela, Michael Le, Moriah Misquez, Maxine Pardo-Avila and Ella Hutchinson, fifth place in the Middle Public Service Announcement category.

Members of the winning CHS team were also recognized at an LCPS School Board meeting, April 18.

STN is a nonprofit started by a group of teachers to support and encourage scholastic broadcasting and to provide a forum for teachers to share ideas, ask questions, and learn from professionals in the industry. Over 18 years, STN has expanded to include film, media and other forms of communication taught in high schools and middle schools, according to STN's website.

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Couple promotes understanding of cannabis use

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

Ken Thompson and his brothers watched their mother die of cancer.

It was in Georgia and as she suffered, they knew if only they could bring her back to New Mexico, at least they could get help with the pain she was in through

the benefits of medical cannabis. Some studies even indicate cannabis may be able to stop the type of cancer she had.

Efforts to move Ken's mother failed, due in part to a lack of knowledge in general about the benefits of marijuana. But Ken, and his wife Melissa, determined to fight the ignorance about

the substance.

Though medical marijuana is legal in New Mexico, the Thompsons have a lot of work ahead of them, work that started last week on April 20 and 21 with the New Mexico 420 Music and Arts Fest held at Young Park.

The Las Cruces residents organized the event, which included 60 vendors and several regional bands, to begin the conversation and share real information about cannabis. They had people representing the medical marijuana industry but also other legal uses for cannabis and hemp products. On hand were CannabisNM Staffing and a seizure support group from Albuquerque.



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ELVA K. OSTERREICH

From Albuquerque, representatives of a seizure support group share information about seizures. They attended the Las Cruces 420 Music and Arts Fest to encourage epileptics and others who are subject to seizures to form a local support group.

"The NM 420 Fest was to build awareness," Melissa said. "New Mexico

needs more tools to understand. The first step is awareness."

Earlier in the year the Thompsons represented Las Cruces in the state Legislature at the behest of Rep. Bill McCamley, talking to representatives about legal marijuana.

She said that New Mexico has studied the experience of Colorado, the first state to legalize recreational marijuana, but that there had been missteps in the process.

The Thompsons were

disappointed when some who had bought online tickets requested their money back after Las Cruces police issued a statement warning about marijuana use during the event.

There were no arrests. "It was just two days of peace, love, education, music and art," Ken said.

"We felt the event was a huge success in regards to that," Melissa said. "Just building networks and understanding."

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Matthews became a full-time DACC instructor in 2011, after having taught several years at the high school and college levels. His ability to help students succeed took a big jump when he was elected state chair of SkillsUSA, an organization that aims to "...ensure America has a skilled workforce...[by helping]...each student excel." Matthews has found that success in SkillsUSA is a strong predictor of future success in a student's career.

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Candidate forum canceled because of no-shows

OLÉ, a non-partisan, non-profit organization canceled their candidate forum for the Doña Ana Water & Soil Conservation District elections, scheduled for April 20, after multiple invitations to incumbent members Joe Delk and Kent Thurston were refused.

According to OLÉ, other groups have tried to make contact with Delk and Thurston, and those requests have

been ignored outright or responded to with, “the district is not allowed to give out candidate or incumbent’s contact information.”

In addition, OLÉ received confirmation from Delk that both candidates have been “advised not to participate” in public forums, and therefore would not be doing so.

“The unwillingness to respond to the public and/or answer questions

about important issues, either through survey or in a forum, is disheartening and concerning,” OLÉ said in a press release.

“Because candidate for Zone 3, Kevin Bixby, and candidate for Zone 4, Craig Fenske, have been in multiple public forums, answered our survey, and been responsive to voters in giving insight on their positions, OLÉ has officially endorsed Bixby and Fenske in this election.”

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- By Physical Therapist Dennis Prickett

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Is Headache Free Living Possible?

Absolutely, Chronic headache sufferers, even ones with migraines so fierce that they have to lock themselves in a dark closet... can get real relief and lasting freedom from pain. That’s why I want to tell you about this new “Consumer Awareness Report” that I’ve created to help you first spot the warning signs that your recurring “headache”... isn’t just another headache, and what you can do about it.

My name is Dennis Prickett from Las Cruces, and through this report I want to show you things that you can do at home, starting tonight, to make a significant and lasting difference to your pain.

Here’s Just Some Of What You’ll Discover

This Free Report is entitled: **“How To Get To The Root Cause Of Neck Pain (And Migraine Headaches)... Without Relying On Pills To Get Relief”**... and here’s a sample of what’s inside:

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- 1, 2 or 3? Just how many **pillows** should you sleep with? And what about your mattress... It’s covered in here on page 5.
- The new, and most **successful treatment** for tension headaches that doesn’t involve any drugs, seeing a chiropractor or talking to a doctor.
- The **one simple exercise** you can do in your kitchen, starting tonight, that is proven to



ease down the intensity of migraines and neck pain.

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Centennial High School's Knight Teacher of the Year

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

"I've always loved learning and sharing my passion," Las Cruces Public Schools 2018 Teacher of the Year Rachel Knight told the annual Celebration of Excellence dinner, April 24, at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum.

The Centennial High School agriculture and science teacher received the district's highest teaching honor.

"It's really an amazing profession," said Knight, who has taught in LCPS for 11 years.

First runner-up for Teacher of the Year was Ashley Cartwright, a 3rd-grade teacher at East Picacho Elemen-

tary School. Second runner-up was Las Cruces High School French teacher Natalie Goodwin. Third runner-up was Valley View Elementary School intermediate dual-language teacher Terri Stockberger. Fourth runner-up was Las Cruces High School English teacher Rosilyn Skibyak.

The dinner also honored:

- LCPS Dr. Sandra K. Nakamura Professional Development Excellence award winners: Lisa Ehlers McCuller, Arrowhead Park Early College High School; Cristina Parra, Sierra Middle School; and Bernadine Cotton, Tombaugh Elementary School;

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LEFT: Centennial High School agriculture and science teacher Rachel Knight is the Las Cruces Public Schools 2018 Teacher of the Year. Behind her are LCPS Associate Superintendent for Operations Gabe Jacquez and LCPS Foundation President Denten Park.

BELOW: 2017 National Merit Scholar finalists are, left to right, Renata Starostka, Centennial High School; and, from Las Cruces High School, Elisa Davidson, Irene Ferald and Tharani Murali. Behind them are their principals, Michael Montoya, Centennial High School, left, and Jed Hendee, Las Cruces High School.

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LCPS Teacher of the Year finalists (from left to right) Rachel Knight, Rosilyn Skibyak, Terri Stockberger, Ashley Cartwright, and Natalie Goodwin.

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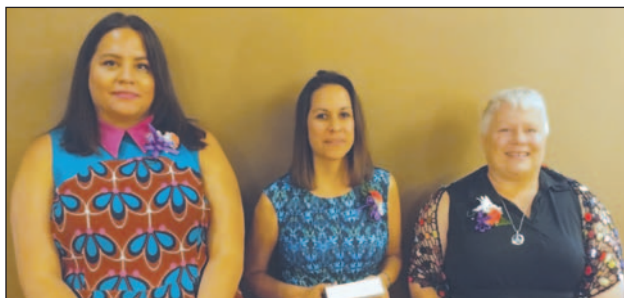
- Newly National Board Certified teacher Maggie Hornung, who teaches art at Valley View and Desert Hills elementary schools. Hornung is one of 47 LCPS teachers who are nationally board certified. 38 others are undergoing the certification process;

- National Merit Scholar finalists Renata Starostka of Centennial High School; and Elisa Davidson, Irene Fernald and Tharani Murali, all of Las Cruces High School; and

- National Hispanic Scholars Victoria Howard of Arrowhead Park Early College High School; Elisa Davison, Adriana Sanchez and Alfredo Matthew Torres, all of Las Cruces High School; Ocran Holloway, Stephen Jeffries and Trevin Reyes, all of Mayfield High School; and Bridget Andresen and Antonio Tabullo, all of Oñate High School.

The dinner is sponsored annually by the LCPS Foundation. This year the committee was again facilitated by LCPS Staff Development Specialists Jane Gurnea, Pete Dinger and Chris Woods.

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



Honored with the LCPS Dr. Sandra K. Nakamura Professional Development Excellence Award are, left to right, Christina Para, Sierra Middle School; Bernadine Cotton, Tombaugh Elementary School; and Lisa Ehlers McCuller, Arrowhead Park Early College High School.

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Budget solutions highlight mayor's education town hall

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Mayor Ken Miyagishima's education town hall April 20 yielded suggestions on ways residents can support Las Cruces Public Schools as the district deals with severe budget cuts.

LCPS Chief Financial Officer Crystal Valdez said people can make donations to individual schools' activity accounts to help pay for classroom supplies, field trips and other expenses. Valdez also said the LCPS Foundation, a nonprofit that benefits teachers and students, welcomes donations.

"My office is open; come see us," LCPS Superintendent Dr. Gregory Ewing said, telling the audience of about 50 that he would entertain ideas on cutting spending and increasing revenues.

Ewing said LCPS has 22 teaching positions left vacant and has cut central office payroll by an additional \$1.3 million, creating \$2.7 million that has been set aside in case of additional district cuts made during a potential special session of the state Legislature.

Funding for public education takes about 40 percent of the state's general fund. With higher education added in, the figure is about 55 percent, State Sen. Bill Soules, D-Doña Ana, said.

Ewing said LCPS also has \$7 million in cash reserves, equal to about one-half of the school district's \$13.9 million monthly payroll.

Since his arrival in Las Cruces in December, Ewing said LCPS has experienced cuts in student funding, transporta-

tion and instructional supplies. He instituted a hiring and spending freeze in January.

Ewing said LCPS will also save about \$70,000 a year by no longer printing and mailing student report cards. Instead, they will be available online and can be printed out at schools for parents requesting it.

"I have the budget balanced," Ewing said.

The district's 2017-18 calendar has been released and the new school year begins in August, he said, but LCPS "can't make plans until I know what the budget will be for next year."

"We have the dream team in Las Cruces, we just don't have the money," LCPS Board of Education President Maria Flores said. "We're going to keep fighting. They want us to think we're failing; we're not failing. We can't do anything about poverty. This is the issue that the schools just can't deal with."

Soules, who is chair of the state Senate Education Committee, said a majority of the Legislature supports dipping into the state's \$16 billion permanent fund to cover the current budget shortfall, but the "leadership of a couple of committees don't agree." Martinez also has expressed opposition to tapping into the fund.

"We should be using that," State Rep. Joanne Ferrary, D-Doña Ana, said. "It's (for) a rainy day. The Legislature is behind protecting our schools and our teachers and our students."

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State Sen. Bill Soules, D-Doña Ana, speaks at Mayor Ken Miyagishima's April 20 education town hall meeting. At the table, backs to the camera, are Miyagishima and State Rep. Joanne Ferrary, D-Doña Ana.

ucation Department has said public schools are sufficiently funded," Soules said. "If it weren't so tragic, it would be laughable."

The Legislature passed a "responsible" plan to keep the schools solvent during the 2017 session, Soules said, but it was vetoed by Martinez. "Where's the plan?" Soules asked. The governor's only response, he said, has been, "I'm not going to raise taxes." That's not a plan, that's an ideology."

In the 1970s, Soules said, New Mexico adopted a funding formula – the state equalization guarantee (SEG) – to ensure all school districts received the same funding per student, regardless of the wealth or poverty of the communities they served.

"It's a fair system," Soules said. "But what we have is shared poverty, because we don't put enough money in the system."

As part of SEG, the state doesn't allow local taxes to support individual school districts, Soules said. But, he added, early childhood education is not addressed in the funding formula, so Las Cruces could raise money to help better prepare children to enter 1st grade.

LCPS Board of Education member Ray Jaramillo suggested the city charge a fee of 10 cents a bag on plastic grocery bags, which would raise about \$500,000 per year and could be spent "anywhere the city deemed appropriate," including to "support children."

The fee, which Jaramillo

said would not be a tax because shoppers would have a choice between using plastic or bringing their own bags, could also help the environment by reducing the number of plastic bags being thrown away and blown by the wind.

A parent in the audience, who said she has a son in kindergarten, suggested schools cut back on the amount of copy paper they use and ask parents to supply reams of paper. There are "thousands of parents like me," she said. "We'll buy paper."

Miyagishima called the meeting "a very healthy discussion. I learned a lot." He suggested similar meetings be held every three months.

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City to install seven information-gathering modules

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The City of Las Cruces has invested \$30,000 in seven portable data-gathering modules that will be located downtown to provide stations where cell phones can be charged and laptops plugged in.

With a range of 150 feet, each solar-powered unit will count “individuals coming through the area and how long they stay,” city Downtown Coordinator Andy Hume said.

That information will be used by the city to determine if providing downtown wi-fi service would be a worth-

while investment for the city, Hume said, as “one of a set of strategies” for downtown development.

While wi-fi is “not as critical as it used to be,” it will “always be a resource that will be important,” city Information Technology Director Scott Marr said.

The modules are designed and built by the Soofa company, which “started out of the MIT Media Lab (and were) launched in Boston in 2014,” according to www.soofa.co. Soofa’s “solar-powered bench” is now found in 23 states, five countries and 65 cities, according to the website site. Hume said Las Cruces is the first city in New Mexico with

the technology.

Hume said the devices do not collect any personal data from users or the people it monitors.

The Soofa modules, which will include a \$6,000 annual operating budget, are part of the city’s “Las Cruces Downtown Wi-Fi Feasibility Study,” conducted by Presidio, a company that provides “advanced technology solutions and services,” according to <http://www.presidio.com>.

The project is funded through the city’s Tax Increment Development District (TIDD), created by the city in 2009 “to generate revenue within the downtown area and to use those

revenues within that area for public improvement projects,” according to city documents. It is funded through existing gross receipts tax revenues, with additional funding from the New Mexico Legislature.

The TIDD board is comprised of Mayor Ken Miyagishima and the six members of the Las Cruces City Council. Doña Ana County Commissioner Billy Garrett is an ex-officio member.

Hume said initial data collected through the project will be presented at a future TIDD meeting.

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City updates public on Church-Water conversion project

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The project to convert Church and Water streets from one-way back to two-way traffic will begin in late May near the Amador Hotel, as the city extends a portion of Water Street from Amador Avenue to Lohman Avenue.

The \$13.2 million project will continue for the next 18 months as it progresses from south to north, City of Las Cruces Downtown Coordinator Andy Hume told about 30 people at a public meeting held Wednesday, April 18, at the city Museum of Nature and Science.

Hume said the city will provide detailed

information about the project every step of the way through its website, weekly email blasts and e-newsletter updates, news releases and other coverage in local media (print, radio, CLC TV), monthly project open houses, regular social media updates and additional community meetings.

On the city website, www.lascruces.org, click on “Church-Water two-way conversion” under “construction projects.” Follow the work on the city’s and Downtown Las Cruces Partnership’s Facebook pages, and on Twitter at “MSDT Las Cruces.”

The conversion is “one of the largest public works projects the city



City of Las Cruces Downtown Coordinator Andy Hume discusses the conversion of Church and Water streets at the city’s April 18 public meeting.

BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

has ever undertaken in scope and in cost,” Hume

said. It will “promote the goals of revitalization that have been developed and implemented over 20-plus years,” according to one of the posters at the April 18 meeting.

The project will “make downtown a destination,” Hume said, by “making downtown a place to drive to, not through.”

The project’s primary goal is to “complete the roadway project with minimal disruption to businesses and their customers,” Hume said. The city will “keep at least one lane of travel open throughout the entire project,” he added.

The project will in-

clude converting Church and Water, work on a number of connecting streets, and, in some cases, upgrading utility lines under the streets and repairing or replacing sidewalks.

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About 30 people attended the city’s public meeting regarding the conversion of Church and Water streets.

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COMING UP

Rio Grande birds: 7:30 a.m., Saturday, April 29, at the Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park, 5000 Calle Del Norte; join professional photographer and expert birder Ken Stinnett on a trip to one of southern New Mexico's best birding spots. \$5 vehicle fee. Info: 575-522-5552.

Shred-Fest: 10 a.m.-noon, Saturday, April 29, at the 571 Walton Blvd. WalMart parking lot, AARP will be hosting "Operation: Stop Scams," a Shred-Fest event. Bring up to 50lbs of material to shred at no cost. Join in the fight to stop fraud!

Camp Cody: Historian Jim Eckles will give a talk on Camp Cody from his book, "Deming, New Mexico's Camp Cody: A World War Training Camp," April 29 at Coas Bookstore, 317 North Main St. from 10 a.m. to noon. Info: Jim, 575-521-8771 or email 19jeckles50@gmail.com.

People's Climate March: Assembles at 10 a.m., Saturday, April 29, at Albert Johnson Park, Picacho Avenue and Main St., to hear from local community leaders, professors and elected officials before a march down Water Street. Marchers will join others in nearly 30 cities nationwide, representing "a movement for human rights, environmental rights, and economic justice," according to organizers. Info: www.peoplesclimate.org, or Peter Sloan, 575-522-5552, peter@wildmesquite.org.

MVCS Golf Tournament: 1 p.m., Saturday, April 29, at the Picacho Hills Country Club, the Mesilla Valley Christian School's 10th grade class is holding a golf tournament. Four-person Scramble. \$100/individual, \$400/team. Sponsored by the MVCS Sophomore Class. Info: Lori Conn, 575-525-8515 or www.mvconline.com.

Interested in caves?: The Mesilla Valley Grotto, the Las Cruces chapter of the National Speleological Society, meets on the first Monday of each month at the New Mexico District 4 State Police Headquarters, 4055 Sonoma Ranch Blvd. at 7 p.m. The May program will be a presentation on the History of Exploration of Fort Stanton Cave, Lincoln County, NM, by Steve Peer-

man. Mr. Peerman is the Project Director of the Fort Stanton Cave Study Project. All interested persons are welcome to attend. Info: Steve Peerman, gypcaver@comcast.net or 575-649-2193.

Roadrunner Pre-K enrolling: The New Mexico State University School for Young Children Roadrunner PreK is beginning enrollment for the 2017/18 school year. Children must be 4 years old by Sept. 1. Priority is given to children who will be attending Title 1 schools for their kindergarten year and who have never been in a school setting. Info: Christina Ruybal, 575-646-7183 or cruybal@nmsu.edu.

Storytellers of Las Cruces: Storytellers of Las Cruces is hosted throughout April at both COAS Bookstore locations. Children who attend will receive a coupon worth \$2 off on a book. Downtown location, 317 N. Main St., April 29, Sarah Addison and Sharlene Wittern. Solano location, 1101 S. Solano Drive, April 29, Gloria Hacker.

Food drive: Saturday, May 13, put your non-perishable donations in a bag by your mailbox. We'll deliver it to a local food bank.

Native Plant society: Nonprofit dedicated to conserving native flora in New Mexico. Info: 575-523-8413, Carolyn Gressitt. 7 p.m., May 10, Kirsten Romig and Connie Maxwell present "Ongoing Research at the Jornada (part 2): from seed banks to historical quadrant date" at Good Samaritan Village, 3011 Buena

Vida Circle. 8 a.m., May 13, field trip to either Aguirre Springs or Mesilla Bosque State Park.

Women in Agriculture Conference: May 30-June 1, Las Cruces. More than 150 women from across New Mexico are expected to gather to forge partnerships and develop innovative ideas to propel New Mexico's agriculture industry. Info: Mary-Esther Grider, 575-524-0050.

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



— PUBLIC NOTICE —

Capital Improvements Advisory Committee Member Sought

The City of Las Cruces is currently accepting applications for an opening on the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee that serves in accordance with the Las Cruces Development Impact Fee Ordinance.

Interested applicants must be representatives of the real estate, development, or building industries; including businesses that finance, underwrite, or lend money for real estate, development, or building purposes; and cannot be an employee or official of the City, County, or other governmental entity.

Committee members advise and assist the City in adopting land use assumptions, which includes a description of the service area and projection of changes, and land uses, densities, intensities, and population in the service area over at least a five-year period.

They review the capital improvements plan that identifies capital improvements or facility expansion, for which impact fees may be assessed, file written comments, and monitor and evaluate implementation of the capital improvements plan.

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

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

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at (575) 541-2115. The TTY number is (575) 541-2182. www.las-cruces.org

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— PUBLIC MEETING —

CLARK ROAD RECONSTRUCTION

The City of Las Cruces will hold a Project Information meeting regarding the Clark Road Reconstruction Project.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3,
5:30-7 P.M.
City Hall, 2nd Floor, Room 2007B
700 N. Main St.**

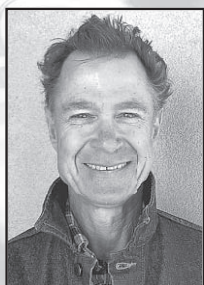
The meeting will consist of an open house from 5:30 to 7 p.m. for the public to view the proposed improvements, and ask questions.

For more information, contact Project Development at 528-3135.

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Bookstore to launch immigrant, refugee storytelling campaign

BULLETIN REPORT

Casa Camino Real Bookstore, 314 S. Tornillo St., and owner Denise Chávez will host “Words Have No Borders, a gathering to harness our writing for the good,” from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday, May 1, which is International Workers Day.

The event includes a potluck. Participants are invited to bring an international dish to share.

“Inspired by the Writers Resist Movement, now called Write Our Democracy, we are taking the challenge with them to mobilize our local community and its writers to bring the power of stories to dismantle fear and stereotypes, Chávez said.

“In order to combat the current climate of fear and isolationism, Write Our Democracy is launching a storytelling campaign meant to vividly illustrate the humanity of immigrant and refugee people,” she said. “We would like to flood the country with stories that shake ugly, misinformed stereotypes and reveal the individuality and humanity that is trying to be obscured by the current immigration ban.

“Most of us know someone who came from another country to settle in the U.S.,” Chávez said. “Maybe that person was a friend or a family member. Maybe you are an immigrant yourself. No matter the circumstance, we are asking you to gather and write these stories and share them.

“This is an organizational meeting to rally our literary voices to share the stories of our borderland with the larger world as we celebrate the lives of our immigrant families. We need to remember who we are and where we came from. ¿Quién nos parió? . . . Who gave us birth?”

Chávez said the gathering will include members of CAFÉ: New Mexico Communities in Action and Faith/Comunidades en Acción y Fé (www.organizenm.org) and SOA Watch (www.soaw.org).

For more information, contact Chávez at 575-523-3988 or comezon09@comcast.net.

For more information on the Words Have No Border Project, visit www.writersresist.org/activists.

Book Club celebrates 50 years

By **MARJORIE BURR**

For the Bulletin

With a list of 587 books read by the group, the Book Club celebrated 50 years together in April. About 45 different women have participated in the group over the years, and the membership remains constant with about a dozen women.

The founder of the club, Donna Hussein, now lives in Monterey, California, and was unable to attend. But original members Cally Williams and Marjorie Burr were present.

As a rule, one member each month chooses a book for the group, purchases a supply and distributes them to members, then hosts a discussion the following month.

Member Nova Jannett notes how loyal members are. “Nothing, not holidays or hectic schedules, kept us from having our monthly meetings,” she said.

Founding member Cally Williams said she is impressed that “this group of women can discuss a book thoroughly, and then comment that they didn’t like some-



Refreshments served at the anniversary meeting featured a 50th anniversary cupcake.

thing about the book.” She also admires that the group discussion stays mostly on topic.

“I have read many books that I would never have chosen myself. I’ve learned something from each one,” states Marjorie Burr. “Once we had a science fiction aficionado member. I don’t like science fiction, but I read her book choices and appreciated her enthusiasm. Another time we had an immigrant from Australia, and she introduced us to her country’s literature during a period in the ‘70s and ‘80s when Australia was experiencing a literary outpouring.”



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Those attending the anniversary meeting are, first row (l to r) Joan McClure-Post, Martha Liefeld, Betty Sadler, Cally Williams; second row (l to r) Marjorie Burr, Rayma Claesen, Cheryl Wilson, Nova Jannett.

When the Book Club started, paperbacks cost about a dollar each. Options for format have also increased. Members may read e-books or lis-

ten to audio recordings before they gather to discuss the book.

Book clubs have gained in popularity recently as people choose

them to connect with others of similar tastes and engage in directed conversation. Only a few such groups have an unbroken 50-year history.

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'Mr. Safety' to retire after 20 years' service

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

"They always called me 'Mr. Safety,'" Las Cruces Fire Department (LCFD) Lt. Michael Martinez said, approaching retirement after 20 years of service with the department.

The top priority as a firefighter, he said, is "be safe."

With two decades of experience behind his words, Martinez said his advice to rookie firefighters is also to always "Be respectful, not only to your fellow workers, but to the country and yourself. Be open. Listen, or you'll never learn. Be students. Go get as much education as you can. Do as much as you can. Help others."

The Las Cruces native and Las Cruces High School graduate had been a plumber before joining LCFD at age 26. A relative was a lieutenant in the department at the time, and Martinez decided, "Maybe I should look into it and see what I thought about it," he said.

Over time, Martinez has seen many changes in the department. When he started, most of LCFD's work was centered around fighting fires and respond-

ing to vehicle accidents. Now, firefighters are EMTs and routinely become paramedics.

"The increase in service they provide the community is just outstanding," Martinez said. "We need that growth."



MARTINEZ

The training firefighters receive also has "changed a lot," he said, but common sense is still important. "If it's on fire, you need to put water on it. Get as much water on that fire as quick as you can. Get rid of the threat as quick as you can."

Firefighters always work to put a fire out without "pushing it into the unburned part" of the structure, he said. They don't open doors or windows (except to effect a rescue) because additional oxygen makes a fire grow.

"Fire hasn't changed," Martinez said, although some fires grow faster now because of different materials used in construction.

Today's firefighting equipment is "lighter and more durable" than 20 years ago, Martinez said. It



can sustain firefighters for "longer periods of time" in intense heat, but that also can increase the number of deaths and injuries because it can create "a false sense of security."

Among the memories Martinez will carry with him from his tenure is responding to a mobile-home fire on Stern Drive years ago. Martinez lived only a mile away. Two children, ages 2 and 4, were found inside the remains of the mobile home hallway, Martinez said, burned beyond recognition. The 4-year-old had covered the 2-year-old, trying to protect the younger sibling, he said.

The adults involved, two women, were found "with their skin falling off," Martinez said, because they had tried to find the children.

"That affected me," he

said, especially since he had a daughter and son the same ages as the children who died.

Martinez also remembers an auto accident on U.S. Highway 70 east of Las Cruces several years ago that claimed the life of a mother and son; Martinez was in charge of the scene for the LCFD.

And, he remembers a fire at New Hope Church during which he "slipped down" and had to be pulled out by his shoulders by fellow firefighters.

A fourth incident that remains unforgettable was a vehicle accident on Motel Boulevard near I25. The victim suffered a broken ankle and broken lower leg. "I see him around town now," Martinez said. "He always comes up to me and says, 'Thank you for saving my life.' I didn't. I just

did my job."

As a firefighter, Martinez has also been involved in the delivery of four babies.

"You see so much bad and good."

And, come July, he said, it will be "time to move on."

After being stationed at six of the department's fire stations, including the last year at station No. 5 on Porter Road, Martinez is looking forward to retirement. He and his wife, Jennifer, plan on going into the photography and video business.

"I'm ready for a new chapter in life," Martinez said. "After 20 years, I want to be normal."

Martinez's son, P.J., a senior at Mayfield High School, is planning to

join LCFD, said Martinez, who is proud that his son "wants to continue to provide service to the community."

"I'm very proud to be a part of this department," he said. "I think it's one of the best departments in the nation." His fellow firefighters "go above and beyond," he said. "I love the department - what's it's done for me and my family."

At LCFD, Martinez said, he built "a foundation, a family. We're always there for one another. At the end of the day, we took care of each other and at the same time, we took care of the city."

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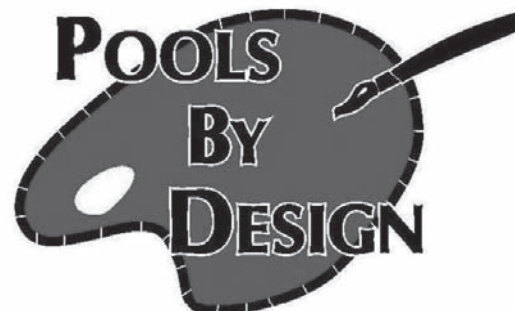
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MELBA JEAN PINNEY

Melba Jean Pinney, Children's minister under the Agape Christian Church elders in Las Cruces, went to be with the Lord at supertime the 11th of April. Melba was born on October 1st, 1934 in Waco, Texas. Her parents were Riley "Buster" and Anna May Hope; they went before her to Glory. She is survived by a brother, John, and two sisters, Mary and Barbara. Melba met Herb at Redondo Union High School and became engaged to him, her husband of 63 years, Herbert Dale Pinney Sr. before graduating.

Brother Herb Pinney is the founding Pastor of Agape Christian Church and the teaching Pastor today. Herb and Melba were married August 30th, 1953 at the South Bay Christian Church in Redondo Beach, CA. They made their home in Socorro, NM, where Herb was a student in geology at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology also Herb was Youth Minister of Socorro Christian Church.

In 1957, Herb and Melba were challenged to become bi-vocational

church evangelists and they sold their geology business and their home in Socorro and moved their family to Ozark Christian College in Joplin, MO, to do five more years of undergraduate and graduate work in Bible, theology and history, graduating in June of 1962 as class Salutatorian.

Herb and Melba moved back to Aztec, NM, to build the Aztec Christian Church, and bring Christianity to the Navajo land. Here Melba put her child-rearing training to work with Mrs. Augustine of the Santa Fe CPS to get abandoned children of New Mexico adopted, regardless of race. Melba had a 100% success rate.

In 1970, that church established and in a new building, Herb and Melba moved their growing family to Vidor, TX, to reestablish the First Christian Church that had nearly died out due to liberal denomination problems and another denomination's attempted property take over.

This church now established on solid Bible foundation in 1994 Herb and Melba moved to Las Cruces to establish Agape Christian Church in the western part of

town. The Agape Church is a mission-centered church that has the local trustee and printer persons for Spanish American Evangelistic Ministries, a Spanish language printing and benevolence ministry in Horizon City, Texas. Also, Agape Church is the fund raising and CEO of New Iberian Mission Association of San Raymundo, Guatemala, with four schools, four churches and a hospital.

At Agape Church Melba taught a Sunday school class, was minister of the morning Children's church and helped in the office work of NIMA.

Herb and Melba have ten children, H Dale Jr. and wife of New Orleans, LA; Lorelei Delle Nij and husband of San Raymundo, Guatemala, in Central America; Linda Dawn Clavijo and husband of Nederland, TX.; Daniel Pinney and Donny Pinney, Danny and Donny died serving Christ in the ministry. Twin sons David and Jonathan died in infancy due to a birth defect. S Dean Pinney and family minister to First Christian in Royce City, TX; Jeni Chavira and husband live in Albuquerque, NM; Jeannie Hughes lives in Wood River, IL.

To these were born 29 grandchildren and 43 great grandchildren. Among their progeny are seven ministers; six in childhood education; business owners; school administrator; lawyer; doctor; chemical engineer; nurse; College professor in Holland, Europe; dealer exec. with Mercedes Benz;

busy house wives; hard-working tradesmen and many students on their way up.

Melba also mothered in her home for six months or more 67 babies, youths and young adults to get them or their families on their feet.

There will be a celebration of life for Melba at Agape Christian Church located in the Dream Center at 1400 6th street in Las Cruces, at 10:30 AM Saturday the 29th

April followed by a pot luck dinner. Friends are invited to come for the celebration, bring food to share and stay for the fellowship dinner.

In place of flowers, the family has suggested a gift to New Iberian Mission Assoc. for the sponsored children's fund; P O Box 15133, Las Cruces, NM 88004.

The family wish to thank Memorial Medical Center, ICU and La Posada Hospice for taking excellent care of Melba during her illness. Also, la Paz-Graham's Funeral Home of Las Cruces for arranging organ and body donation.



ISABEL M. VILLARRUEL

Isabel M. Villarruel, 88, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on April 23, 2017. Services are pending with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



DANIEL "CHIEF" ROMERO PORRAS

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Daniel passed away Saturday, April 15, 2017 at his home. He was born in El Paso, Texas to Amy and Luchy Porras.

Survived by his wife, Suzanne "Cristy" Porras; Sonia Crose, Tara Pacini, and Anthea Cotton; a brother, Robert Porras; two sisters; Irene Carroll and Norma Miller. Other survivors include 9 grandchildren and 10 nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents, brothers; Freddy and David, nephew, Fred Jr.

A Memorial Mass was held at 2 PM Tuesday, April 25, 2017 in St. Genevieve's Catholic Church, 100 S. Espina Street. Inurnment of Cremains will take place at a later date in Fort Bayard National Cemetery, Bayard, NM.

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MIGUEL MONGER SAENZ

It is with deep sadness and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved faithful husband, father, brother, grandfather, uncle and friend, MIGUEL MONGER

SAENZ, age 95, of Las Cruces on Monday, April 17, 2017 at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was a construction worker and was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Those left to mourn his passing include his loving wife of sixty-nine years, Gilda Cavazos Saenz; two sons, Miguel Eduardo and Carlos G. Saenz; three daughters, Lily Guerrero, Yolanda Donaldson and Laura E. Pearson; one brother, Juan C. Saenz. Other survivors include fifteen grandchildren, twenty-one great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Mr. Saenz was preceded in death by three sons, Jesus Miguel, Robert and Jose Luis Saenz, three brothers and a sister.

A Prayer Vigil was held Sunday, April 23, 2017 at Baca's Funeral Chapel. Family and friends celebrated the Mass of Christian Burial on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 10 AM in Our Lady of Health Catholic Church. The Rite of Committal and Entombment was held at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

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PARTICIA A. OLLIS HAYWARD

Our beloved mother, aunt and dear friend, PARTICIA A. OLLIS HAYWARD, age 77, of Deming passed from this life on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at La Posada-Messilla Valley Hospice. She was born April 5, 1940 in Minneapolis, North Carolina to Herbert and Edith Lewis Ollis. Patricia was a loving homemaker.

Those left to mourn her passing include her son, Chris Hayward and her nephew, Dan Martin.

At her request cremation will take place and no services are scheduled at this time.

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MARIA MADRIGAL

MARIA MADRIGAL, age 86, of Las Cruces died Sunday, April 16, 2017 at her home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



MARY ARMSTRONG ZIMMERMAN

MARY ARMSTRONG

ZIMMERMAN, age 73, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, April 10, 2017. Cremation will take place and a memorial service will be held at a later date. Entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory. 527-2222



JONAH JERIMYH FRAUSTO

JONAH JERIMYH FRAUSTO, age 6, of Las Cruces went to heaven to be an Angel on Sunday, April 16, 2017 at the Children's Hospital of El Paso. He was born July 23, 2010 in Las Cruces to Anthony Frausto and Sonya Bernal. At the time of his death, Jonah was a first-grade student at Valley View Elementary School.

Those left to mourn his passing include his mother, Sonya Bernal; his father, Anthony Frausto; a brother, Christopher Angel Aparicio Jr.; a stepbrother, Armando Ramirez; four stepsisters, Nadia Frausto, Mireya Ortega, Gabriela and Esperanza Ramirez. Other survivors include maternal grandparents, Elizabeth Saenz and Juan Bernal; paternal

grandparents, Dorothy Garcia (George), Jesse Frausto (Darlene); maternal great grandmother, Estella Gamez; paternal great grandmother, Esther Grajeda.

Visitation will begin at 9:30 AM Saturday, April 29, 2017 in Cedar Hills Church of the Cross, 5550 Stern Drive where the Funeral Service is scheduled for 10 AM with Pastor Caleb Perez officiating. Cremation will follow and Inurnment of Cremains will be held at a later date.

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JOSE BERTOLDO

JOSE BERTOLDO, age 63, of Las Cruces died Thursday, April 20, 2017 at Mountain View Regional Medical Center. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



JOSE M. GARCIA

JOSE M. GARCIA, age 58, passed away Monday, April 17, 2017 in Holy Cross Hospital in Nogales, AZ. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory 527-2222.





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Panel addresses border business uncertainty



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During his recent visit to Santa Teresa, U.S. Sen. Tom Udall toured Southwest Steel and Coil, Inc. In 2013, Southwest Steel and Coil was named the Small Business Association's Exporter of the Year for District Six, which includes New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas.

By ALTA LeCOMPTE
Las Cruces Bulletin

NAFTA, the proposed border wall and heightened vigilance at border checkpoints were among concerns the Doña Ana County business community aired with U.S. Sen. Tom Udall during a panel discussion April 19 in Santa Teresa.

Representatives from the Border Industrial Association, International Business Accelerator, Omega Trucking Inc., Union Pacific and New Mexico State University participated in the panel.

"The message I gave was if NAFTA (the North American Free Trade Agreement) is to be re-

negotiated, do it quickly. Move on it — don't prolong the uncertainty," Jerry Pacheco, executive director of the International Business Accelerator said following the event.

Pacheco said President Donald Trump is within his rights to renegotiate the 23-year old treaty, but uncertainty about what a new agreement would look like is having a chilling effect on border businesses.

Pacheco said he has already seen southern New Mexico companies put the brakes on planned expansions because of the uncertainty.

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March housing market promising for New Mexico

BULLETIN REPORT

Spring is generally the peak season for the housing market, and March housing trends got things off to a good start.

During March, 1,760 properties were reported as sold to the REALTORS Association of New Mexico (RANM), a 6.2 percent increase over the number reported sold in March 2016. A healthy March brings the first quarter 2017 total sales to 4,302,

7.7 percent ahead of first quarter 2016.

"First quarter 2017 figures show nineteen reporting counties experienced an increase in number of sales from last year," says 2017 RANM President Victoria Murphy of Santa Fe. "Inventory is still tight in many areas, so homes that are priced right are selling quickly and sometimes with multiple offers."

RANM CEO Steven Anaya

2017 1st Quarter

SALES: 4,302
MEDIAN: \$182,500

March 2017

SALES: 1,760
MEDIAN: \$184,975

adds, "Median prices continue to rise — up just over 4 percent statewide for first quarter 2017 compared to first quarter 2016.

2016 1st Quarter

SALES: 3,994
MEDIAN: \$175,000

March 2016

SALES: 1,658
MEDIAN: \$179,000

Buyers are realizing they need to act quickly before prices and mortgage interest rates go up."

"While New Mexico's unem-

2015 1st Quarter

SALES: 3,688
MEDIAN: \$169,125

MARCH 2015

SALES: 1,549
MEDIAN: \$174,900

ployment numbers continue to put a damper on home ownership for some, the housing market in many areas of the state is holding its own," says Murphy. "Property sales have contributed over \$1.013 billion to New Mexico's economy during the first quarter of 2017."

Anaya adds "This is the first time since RANM started keeping statewide statistics in 2008 that the reported first quarter volume has topped \$1 billion."

Green Chamber names Sustainable Business of the Year

BULLETIN REPORT

The Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce at its fifth annual meeting in April honored four local businesses for their sustainability efforts.

Las Cruces Academy was named Sustainable Business of the Year. Also recognized were Health Alternatives, Sunpower by Positive Energy Solar and Safe Haven Thrift Store.

The Green Chamber launched the Sustainable Business Recognition Program in November, opening the application process to all local businesses to self-report their efforts to recycle, reuse, conserve resources and keep money in the local economy.

Carrie Hamblen, president and CEO of the Las Cruces Green Chamber, said the Sustainable Business Recognition Program is new this year. It is broader in scope than its predecessor, which recognized local businesses pri-

marily for their recycling initiatives.

“The objective of this annual program is to encourage more businesses to reduce their waste, buy green products, recycle more, build value and raise awareness for businesses that are making a concerted effort to reduce their impact on the environment and profits, while supporting other local businesses,” Hamblen said.

She told the Bulletin the judges for the competition provided feedback to each applicant, suggesting additional ways they could become even more sustainable.

“A total of 14 businesses completed the application process, varying in size from a sole proprietor to multiple employees, representing several different types of businesses,” Hamblen said.

Las Cruces Academy’s sustainable practices include reuse, recycling, using green cleaning



COURTESY PHOTO BY CATHERINE PITCAITHLEY

Lou Ellen Kay and Vince Gutschick of Las Cruces Academy, 2017 Sustainable Business of the Year, pose with the banner they received at the Green Chamber annual meeting.

products, buying used furniture and electronics, purchasing products with recycled content, composting and purchasing local products and services to keep money in the community.

Cloth towels, compostable paper plates, refillable water containers and washable service ware are the norm.

The school has five employees and two volunteers.

Health Alternatives,

also recognized as a sustainable business, has just one employee.

Sustainable practices include a solar system, low flow fixtures, energy-saving equipment and landscape irrigation controls. Health Alternatives recycles and buys green products and products with recycled content.

In her application, Dr. Joni Newcomer of Health Alternatives stated she buys healing products at the Farmers & Crafts

Market of Las Cruces and patronizes locally owned businesses.

SunPower by Positive Energy Solar, a larger company with 21 employees, has an employee incentive program, sets waste reduction goals, conducts regular staff training and has low water flow fixtures. Its energy saving program includes lights, HVAC, electronics and appliances. In addition, SunPower by Positive Energy Solar has a written sustainability policy.

Safe Haven Thrift Store, which employs six, gives items it can't sell to a neighborhood thrift store, reducing its waste by tons.

Reuse is a trademark of Safe Haven Thrift Store's sustainability efforts.

“We use worn towels donated by our customers for cleaning at the thrift store and also at the animal sanctuary,” store manager Cassandra Lockwood wrote in the application.

Mary Canavan, a Green Chamber board member and head of the Green

Committee, said, “We were so excited to see the different, creative ways our local businesses are reducing their carbon footprint by having clear policies and programs in place to reduce, reuse, recycle, and conserve energy and water. The great thing about what they are doing is that every business can implement green policies that are right for them, ultimately reducing their overhead and increasing their profits.”

The Green Chamber in partnership with the South Central Solid Waste Authority announced the winners at the April 19 annual meeting at the Grapevine Event Center/Picacho Peak Brewery.

Hamblen said the Sustainable Business Recognition Program is the kick off to upcoming “Go Green to Make Green” workshops, with a schedule to be finalized by mid-May.

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He said the U.S. and Canada are opposed to a program Mexico put in place following the enactment of NAFTA that grants Mexican factories tariff exemptions to bring in components produced by non-NAFTA countries.

Another panelist, Miriam Kotkowski, CEO of Omega Trucking said a recent uptick in the level of scrutiny at border checkpoints is disruptive to the movement of products across the border.

“The senator understands

clearly what we're doing at the border in the way of job creation and attracting industry,” Pacheco said. “He was very receptive to our suggestions.”

New Mexico — and particularly our border economies — would be hardest hit by a trade war with Mexico, Udall said in a statement following the discussion.

“I heard from businesses today and they are concerned with the talk coming from Washington and the Trump administration about our relationship with Mexico

— from shortsighted changes to NAFTA, to imposing a harmful border tax, to building a wall along the entire border,” the senator said. “These proposals would each be destructive to New Mexico's border economy.

“I am committed to educating this administration about the facts about our border, and ensuring this reckless talk doesn't lead to reckless policy.”

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Robot apocalypse is already here

The fear and hope has long been that robots will replace people in workplace.

It is a fear because the loss of employment may impoverish the displaced, who will no longer have a job. The hope is that people will be freed to pursue leisure activities that can give meaning to life not available from the everyday drudgery of employment.



CHRIS ERICKSON

State of the Economy

Of course, it could be that instead of competing with people, robots could increase worker productivity and salaries. Robots might, by making people more productive, even increase the demand for laborers. Sure, there are fewer assembly line jobs, but those jobs

are replaced with high-paying engineers who spend their days maintaining the robots.

In fact, the pattern in the past as always been that technology, rather than replacing labor, has enhanced labor — making workers more valuable to their employers and raising wages in the process. The steam-powered loom made clothing cheap so people could afford multiple outfits; thus, more jobs were created in the factory than hand-sewing jobs destroyed.

Regardless of what could happen, the real question is what actually is happening.

A new study by Daron Acemoglu of MIT and Pascual Restrepo of Boston University sheds light on this topic.

Acemoglu and Restrepo looked at local labor markets as determined by commuting patterns. The results are striking.

Based on their data, for

every new robot employed, more than six workers lost their job. An additional robot per thousand workers reduced local wages by about 1 percent.

This is a jaw-dropping result.

If Acemoglu and Restrepo's results hold up, then adoption of robot technology could lead to mass layoffs and depressed wages.

And many observers believe the trend going forward will be the adoption of yet more and more robots. We are all aware of self-driving cars, AI attorneys and computers better at teaching than professors. Massive restructuring of labor markets may be just around the corner.

All this raises questions about the organization of society. Let's be clear. Technology is the creation of humanity, not of any one person or entrepreneur. Nevertheless, current intellectual

property law allows the company that controls the latest technology a disproportionate share of the benefits via patents and laws that protect trade secrets.

Such a system is designed to motivate innovation at the most rapid pace possible. This is good when new technologies produce wide-spread gains to both the corporate employer and the toiling laborer, which is the way the world worked from the inception of the Industrial Revolution to the end of the 20th century.

Things appear to be different now, if Acemoglu and Restrepo are correct. Robots are not augmenting labor productivity but rather replacing workers, suppressing wages in the process. The benefits of rapid technological process are not being shared broadly but rather concentrated among those who control technology.

Motivating technological in-

novation remains a major goal.

There are a lot of problems in the world. Technology is likely to be a major part of the solution to those problems. Global warming, water shortages in Africa, malnutrition in South Asia are likely to be solved through the judicious application of technological advances.

But we need a system that also shares the benefits from innovation widely among all segments of society. The tradeoff between efficiency and equity will be challenging, to say the least.

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State budget crisis puts dual-credit program at risk

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

“What happens on July 1? That’s the question I get asked on campus today,” Doña Ana Community College (DACC) President Dr. Renay Scott said on April 19.

On April 7 – the first Friday of registration for summer and fall courses at DACC – Gov. Susana Martinez vetoed all funding for higher education for next fiscal year. Unless it is restored, state funding to DACC and other colleges and universities will stop when the current fiscal year ends June 30.

“We have about two months of reserves. We know we can get through the summer semester,” Scott said.

“We need to hasten toward a solution,” she said. “People are trying to make plans.”

Students planning to graduate in December, for example, are asking her if they can get the course work needed to graduate.

DACC’s ability to fill the community’s needs for skilled

professionals like nurses and welders also comes into question, Scott said. And, students preparing to graduate from high school this spring have to make decisions about where they will go to school in the fall.

“Time is of the essence here,” Scott said, asking the governor and legislators to “please come to the table quickly. We would hate to lose some of our best and brightest because they are



SCOTT

worried about having access to higher education after July 1.”

Although Scott said she “can’t fathom as a possibility” funding for colleges and universities not being restored at an upcoming special session of the Legislature, there is still going to be “a significant cut to higher education. We’re going to get cut.”

Scott expects up to a 6 percent budget cut from a special session.

There is “no way” that it won’t be felt by students,” she said.

DACC’s current budget is \$69 million, with \$21.5 million coming from the state. A 6 percent cut in state funding would mean a reduction of \$1.6 to \$1.7 million, Scott said.

In addition to its own students, DACC also provides instructors to teach dual-credit courses at Las Cruces Public School’s Arrowhead Park Early College High School (APECHS), located on the NMSU campus. “That most likely would be my first cut,” Scott said. “I have an obligation to tuition-paying students.”

Scott said DACC has seen a steady increase in students taking dual-credit courses since 2009, when the state passed a law mandating that students take an Advanced Placement, online or dual-credit course to graduate.

Since APECHS – the state’s first early-college high school – opened in 2010, “often we have supplied the teacher” for the school’s dual-credit courses, Scott said. “Which means we play the teacher.”

“The revenue ought to follow

the expense,” she said. But, instead, “the revenue goes to the high school and the expense goes to DACC. Under the law, we can’t bill them for instructional costs.”

“It’s a problem worth fixing,” Scott said. Dual credit is “one of those programs that works.” A higher percentage of dual-credit students go on to higher education and get more four-year degrees, she said, and need remedial education less often.

APECHS is “a good program,” Scott said, helping to increase the school district’s graduation rate to 80 percent. And dual credit is a “huge benefit” to students at APECHS and other high schools.

But, DACC’s “direct instructional costs” for teaching dual-credit courses were \$600,278 last year, Scott said. That’s up from almost \$447,000 the year before and just over \$395,000 three years ago. “It’s become like a budget cut” for DACC, she said.

Cutting dual-credit funding “hurts a good program,”

Scott said, and “it’s not good for our relationship with the schools.”

“I’ve talked to everybody who would listen,” Scott said, adding that she and NMSU Provost Dan Howard are “the leading voices at the Legislature” about dual-credit funding. But, the state Higher Education Department secretary and legislators have not addressed the issue.

If DACC gets a 6 percent state budget reduction, cutting dual-credit funding won’t completely balance the books, Scott said. “I’m still going to have to find \$1 million in savings somewhere else.”

For now, it’s a waiting game for DACC and other higher education programs.

“I get up every day trying to find ways to take care of our students and faculty, who deserve a champion,” Scott said. “This is the right mission. This is worth fighting for. This is how New Mexico is going to grow its economy.”

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

Stephanie Quesada 2108 S. Solano Dr., Apt. 23 Las Cruces, NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 279 at Stull Storage Units #2, will be SOLD AT AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$400.00, which includes legal costs and fees.



City of Las Cruces
PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

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

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/Pre-Proposal Meeting	Due Date / Time
JHWWTF Cogeneration System Installation	16-17-108	May 11, 2017 / 2:00pm 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM	May 25, 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.newmexicobidssystem.com/Registration.asp?ID=1757> Sealed 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 4/28/2017

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The contents of the unit consists of: 2 TV's, Rims/Tires, tools, clothes, misc.

Date of Auction:
May 23, 2017 at 10 a.m.

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

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

Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 2017

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

**WILLIE AMADOR
PO BOX 53
HATCH, NM 87937**

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 740 at Stull Storage Units #2, will be **SOLD AT AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$415.00**, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of: Bed, couch, weights, misc.

Date of Auction:
May 23, 2017 at 10 a.m.

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

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

Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 2017

**Lohman Self Storage
2209 E. Lohman
Las Cruces, NM 88001**

**To
Joseph Coffelt
1150 S. Triviz Apt. #27
Las Cruces NM 88001**

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #CC216 at Lohman Self Storage will be **sold at LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$488.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Big Flat Screen TV, Wall Clock, Clothing & Misc. Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

**AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:40 a.m.**

**LOCATION OF
AUCTION:**
Lohman Self Storage
2209 E. Lohman
Las Cruces, NM 88001

LEASING SERVICES,
INC.
Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

**Lohman Self Storage
2209 E. Lohman
Las Cruces, NM 88001**

**To
Tova R. Gennrich
1923 San Fernando
Las Cruces NM 88011**

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #302 at Lohman Self Storage will be **sold at LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$200.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Round Table & Chairs, End Table, TV Stand & Misc. Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

**AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:40 a.m.**

**LOCATION OF
AUCTION:**
Lohman Self Storage
2209 E. Lohman
Las Cruces, NM 88001

LEASING SERVICES,
INC.
Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

**Lohman Self Storage
2209 E. Lohman
Las Cruces, NM 88001**

**To
Jana Smith
DBA: Epoch Behavioral
Healthcare
118 S. Water Street
Las Cruces NM 88001**

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #010 at Lohman Self Storage will be **sold at LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$353.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Boxes of Medical Records & Office Equipment

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

**AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:40 a.m.**

**LOCATION OF
AUCTION:**
Lohman Self Storage
2209 E. Lohman
Las Cruces, NM 88001

LEASING SERVICES,
INC.
Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 20, 2017 Steven and Darlene Hernandez, 3011 Mesilla Verde Terrace, Las Cruces, NM 88005, filed application numbered LRG-1897-POD4, OSE File Nos. LRG-1897-1B and LRG-1897-1J, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by proposing to: use existing well LRG-1897-POD4 as a supplemental point of diversion. Well LRG-1897-POD4 is located within the NE¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of Section 36, Township 21S, Range 1E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near the intersection of X: 1,472,030.69 ft. & Y: 459,152.1 ft. (NMSP Central NAD83), on land owned by James Cruise and Donna Winslow, for the continued diversion of up to 12.33 acre-feet per annum combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 2.74 acres of land (1.35 acres under file No. LRG-1897-1B and 1.39 acres under file No. LRG-1897-1J) both owned by the applicants and located within the SW¹/₄ of said Section 36 as described in part of Subfile Order No. LRN 28-013-0147-A of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to use well LRG-1897-POD4 under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-2-12-24. Well LRG-1897-POD4 is generally described as being located south of Las Cruces, NM at the physical address of 3051 Mesilla Verde Terrace.

Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 05/12, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on April 5, 2017, Gary & Marnie Massey, 3055 Doña Ana Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-16474-POD1, OSE File No.: LRG-16474-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-16474-POD2 to a depth of 200 feet with a 4-inch casing, located within the NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of projected Section 1, Township 23S, Range 1E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where X = 1,470,244 ft. & Y = 488,481 ft. NMSP Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicants, and discontinue the use of existing well LRN10-0009, located on land owned by the applicants located within the NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of said projected Section 1 and more specifically described where X = 1,470,262 ft. & Y = 488,489 ft. NMSP Central NAD83, for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic one-household use as described in Subfile Order No.: LRN-28-010-1002 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The

applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. The site of proposed well LRG-16474-POD2 will be located northwest of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 262 feet west of the intersection of Artifact Ln and Doña Ana Rd at the property address of 3055 Doña Ana Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Existing well LRN10-0009 will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writers 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.

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Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 05/12, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 14, 2017, Susan and Ward Champion, 8305 Westside Road, Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-11902, OSE File No. LRG-06481-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by using existing well LRG-11902 located in the SE¹/₄ of Section 15,

applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. The site of proposed well LRG-16474-POD2 will be located northwest of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 262 feet west of the intersection of Artifact Ln and Doña Ana Rd at the property address of 3055 Doña Ana Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Existing well LRN10-0009 will be properly plugged.

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 05/05, 2017

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Township 27S, Range3E NMSP and more specifically located near the intersection of X = 1,522,401.3 ft. & Y = 346,521.8 ft., NMSP, Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicants, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-6481, located on land owned by the applicants located within the SW¹/₄ of Section 15, Township 27S, Range3E, NMSP and more specifically described at the intersection of X = 1,522,428.4 ft. and X = 346,519.88 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 1.9 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the SW¹/₄ of Section 15 as described in part by Subfile Order No.: LRS-28-018-8004 Right A of the Third Judicial District Court, Dorm Ana County, State of New Mexico. Existing well LRG-11902 is located southwest of Anthony, NM and may be found approximately 1,435 feet southwest of the intersection of Vinton Road and Westside Road, Anthony, 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 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.

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Dates: 04/14, 04/21, 04/28, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 17, 2017, Joaquin & Viola Legarreta, HC 31 Box 36, Garfield, NM 87936, filed application numbered LRG-12647-POD2, OSE File Nos. LRG-12647-3 & LRG-12647-4, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-12647-POD2 to a depth of 120 feet with a 16-inch casing, in a location within the NE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of Section 6, Township 18S, Range 4W (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near the intersection of X: 1,322,304.8 ft. & Y: 649,108.22 ft. (NMSP Central NAD83), on land owned by the applicants, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-12647, located on land owned by Antonio T. & Mary Esther Gonzalez located within the SW¹/₄ of Section 31, Township 17S, Range 4W (NMPM) and more specifically located at the intersection of X: 1,319,894 ft. & Y: 649,250.3 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 10.28 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the NE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of said Section 6 as described in Subfile Order No. LRR 28-004-0008-B & LRR 28-004-0008-C of the Third Judicial District Court, Doha Ana County, State of New Mexico. The site of proposed well LRG-12647-POD2 will be located south of Derry, NM and may be found approximately 800 feet west of the intersection of Lorna Parda Rd. & Two Counties Rd., Garfield, NM. Existing well LRG-12647-POD2 will be retained for other rights.

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

Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 05/12, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 27, 2017, Jose M. and Christina Estrada, 2433 Bugatti, Las Cruces, NM 88001, filed application numbered LRG-11802-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-11802-C, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling replacement well LRG-11802-POD3 located to a depth of 120 feet with 6-inch casing to be located in the SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of Section 13, Township 21S, Range1W, NMPM, and more specifically located near the intersection of X = 1,439,241.84 ft. & Y = 538,208.86 ft., NMSP, Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicants. Applicants propose to discontinue the use of existing well LRG-11802, located on land owned by Chris C. & Ymelda L.Chavez, located within the SW¹/₄ of Section 13, Township 21S,

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Range1W, NMPM, and more specifically described at the intersection of X = 1,439,127.1 ft. & Y = 538,023.5 ft., NMSP, Central NAD83 and will not be using well LRG-11802-POD2 previously permitted but not yet drilled on land owned by Peter Paulson, within said Section 13 at approximately X = 1,439,188 ft. & Y = 537,872ft., 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 4.78 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the SW 1/4 of Section 13 as described in part by Subfile Order No.: LRN-28-002-0013 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The replacement well LRG-11802-POD3 is located north of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 850 feet southeast of the intersection of Dona Ana Road and Sunken Train Place, 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 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: 04/21, 04/28, 05/05, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given that on March 28, 2017, 77 Investments, LLC (c/o: Robert B. Salvo), HC 62 Box 624, Datil, NM 87821 filed application numbered LRG-16035-POD1, OSE File No.: LRG-16035-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-16035-POD1 to a depth of 200 feet with a 18-inch casing, in a location within the NE 1/4 of projected Section 02, Township 23S, Range 2E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where X = 1,468,986.2 ft. & Y = 489,323.7 ft. NMSP, Central NAD83 on land owned by the applicants, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-20-S, located on land owned by Steven & Anna M. Lyles located within the SE 1/4 of projected Section 35, Township 22S, Range 1E (NMPM) and more specifically described where X = 1,468,222 ft. & Y = 489,720 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 12.13 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of projected Section 35, Township 22S, Range 1E (NMPM) as described in Subfile Order No.: LRN-28-008-0318 Right A of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. The site of proposed well LRG-16035-POD1 will be located west of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 1,273 feet southwest of the intersection of Engler Rd and Doc Bar St, Las Cruces, NM. Existing well LRG-20-S will be

retained for other rights.

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

Dates: 04/14, 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Notice of Auction

There will be an auction of storage unit contents to be held on **May 6, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at North Telshor Self-Storage**, 300 N. Telshor, Las Cruces, NM. The following units will be auctioned to satisfy the lien for monies owed:

Unit H202
Tommy Flores
300 Squaw Mtn Drive
Las Cruces, NM 88011
Unit consists of miscellaneous boxes, household goods

Unit H167
Teresa Calderon
Southern Comfort Builders
4093 Mojave Drive
Las Cruces, NM 88005
Unit consists of barrel, household goods, miscellaneous boxes and bins

Unit B020
Lucinda Randall
364 Jasper

Las Cruces, NM 88001
Unit consists of table, chairs, tv, miscellaneous

Unit G146
Miguel Garcia
5080 E. Ortega Rd
Las Cruces, NM 88012
Unit consists of mattresses bookcase, miscellaneous household goods

Unit H187
Michelle Storm
825 S. Telshor, Apt. 19
Las Cruces, NM 88011
Unit consists of luggage, boxes, miscellaneous, household goods

Unit B034
Ryan Fitzpatrick
1440 Monte Vista Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001
Unit consists of mattresses, bookshelves, dresser, miscellaneous

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

The City Council of The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Intent to Adopt the Following Ordinance(s) at a Regular City Council Meeting to be Held on **May 15, 2017**:

(1) Council Bill No. 17-025; Ordinance No. 2811: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from A-2 (Rural Agricultural District from the 1981 Zoning Code) and R-1A (Single-Family Medium Density) to R-3 (Multi-Dwelling Medium Density) on a 4.16 ± Acre Parcel Located at 4211 Elks Drive. Submitted by Kathy Jordan on Behalf of Calvary Bible Church, Property Owner (71121).

(2) Council Bill No. 17-026; Ordinance No. 2812: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from C-2 (Commercial Medium Intensity) to C-3 (Commercial High Intensity) on a 2.7 ± Acre Parcel Located at 990 Quesenberry Street. Submitted by Maldonado Gustavo, Property Owner (71133).

(3) Council Bill No. 17-027; Ordinance No. 2813: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 28 of the Las Cruces Municipal Code (LCMC) 1997, to Add the Board of Commissioners for the City of Las Cruces Utilities.

(4) Council Bill No. 17-028; Ordinance No. 2814: An Ordinance Amending Section 2-189, Repealing and

Replacing Divisions 3, 4, and 5, of Chapter 2, Article IV, Boards, Commissions and Committees and Repealing Chapter 12, Article II, Sections 12-56 thru 12-59 of the Las Cruces Municipal Code (LCMC) 1997

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 25th day of April, 2017.**

Linda Lewis, CMC
City Clerk

Date: 04/28, 2017

Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Amanda Kane-Moore
1860 Myrtle Dr.
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #204 at Pecos 1 Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$195.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Mattress & Box Spring & Bed Frame

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces NM 88001

LEASING SERVICES,
INC.
Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Dawn M. Guevara
506 E. May
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #075 at Pecos 1 Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$351.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Clothing and Household Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces NM 88001

LEASING SERVICES,
INC.
Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Felicia N. Hinojosa
2300 Jordan Rd. Apt. #1
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #081 at Pecos 1 Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$156.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Kids Bicycle, Dresser, Water Cooler, Clothing, Boxes & Misc. Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces NM 88001

LEASING SERVICES,
INC.
Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Marilyn A Gabaldon
301 Jasper
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #053 at Pecos 1 Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$244.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Coffee Table, Vacuum Cleaner, Plastic Tubs, Carpet Pieces & Misc. Items

DATE OF AUCTION:

May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF
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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Jana Smith
DBA: Epoch Behavioral
Healthcare
250 S. Main
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #026 at Pecos 1 Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$983.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Office Room Dividers

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AUCTION STARTING
AT: 10:00 a.m.

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AUCTION:
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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Jana Smith
DBA: Epoch Behavioral
Healthcare
250 S. Main
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #035 at Pecos 1 Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$795.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Office Room Dividers, Countertops & Cabinets

DATE OF AUCTION:

May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
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Las Cruces NM 88001

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Pecos 1 Self Storage
1320 Pecos
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Palmira Ramos
1650 La Fonda Apt. B
Las Cruces NM 88001

820 Mormon Dr.
Las Cruces NM 88011

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #068 at Pecos 1 Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$304.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Kids Toys, Bicycle, End Table, Coffee Table, Boxes & Misc. Household Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
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1320 Pecos
Las Cruces NM 88001

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Rawson Self Storage
1103 N. Solano
Las Cruces, NM 88001

To
Derrick Pritchard
2984 W. Camino Oro
Blanco
Tucson AZ 85746

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #33-6 at Rawson Self Storage will be sold at **LIVE AUCTION** to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$476.22**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Tackle Box, Kids Toys,

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Sports Equipment & Several
Boxes

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 12:00 p.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
Rawson Self Storage
1103 N. Solano
Las Cruces, NM 88001

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Rawson Telshor
Self Storage
560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

To
James Ikard
P.O. Box 16227
Las Cruces NM 88004

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #B07 at Rawson Telshor Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$824.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Misc. Building Supplies

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
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560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Rawson Telshor
Self Storage
560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

To
Abigail Aguilera
700 California Apt. #11
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #208 at Rawson Telshor Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$244.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Sofa, Love Seat & Chair

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May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:00 a.m.

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AUCTION:
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Las Cruces, NM 88011

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Rawson Telshor
Self Storage
560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

To
Jennifer Telles
1370 Cabin Creek Ave.
Las Cruces NM 88012

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #H45 at Rawson Telshor Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$240.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

TV, Futon, Boxes & Misc.
Household Items

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May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:00 a.m.

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Rawson Telshor
Self Storage
560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

To
Kenneth Parker
3251 Solar Ridge St.
Las Cruces NM 88012

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #H30 at Rawson Telshor Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$400.00. The

contents of the unit consist of:

Kids Toys, Boxes & Misc.
Household Items

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Rawson Telshor
Self Storage
560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

To
Shawn Hall
5475 Porter Drive Sp. #98
Las Cruces NM 88012

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #201 at Rawson Telshor Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$288.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Rocking Chair, Mattress &
Box Spring Headboard &
Misc. Items

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AT: 9:00 a.m.

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Rawson Telshor
Self Storage
560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

To
Virginia Haynes
1636 Birch Ct.
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #G06 at Raw-

son Telshor Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$400.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

(2) End Tables, TV,
TV Stand & Misc. Items

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AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:00 a.m.

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AUCTION:
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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT

WELLS FARGO BANK,
N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

LORENZO BARELA, and
if married, THE UN-
KNOWN SPOUSE OF
LORENZO BARELA,
(true name unknown),
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF ACTION

Defendant(s) Lorenzo Barela and The Unknown Spouse of Lorenzo Barela, (true name unknown) 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 2120 Margaret St., in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT 24, BLOCK 4, AMENDED LOMA HEIGHTS, PLAT-NO 1, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON JANUARY 23, 1959, IN BOOK 8 PAGE(S) 37 OF PLAT RECORDS.

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

April 17, 2017

By Electronically signed
/s/ Rachel M. Chiado
Karen H. Bradley
Deborah A. Nesbitt
Rachel M. Chiado
Marisol C. Garcia
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 17
day of April, 2017.

CLAUDE BOWMAN
CLERK OF THE
DISTRICT COURT
By /s/ Joe M. Martinez
Deputy Joe M. Martinez

Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 05/12,
2017

South Main Self Storage
1910 S. Main /
150 W. Farney
Las Cruces, NM 88005

To
Carla Escobedo
4801 S. Main #126
Mesilla Park NM 88047

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #G36 at South Main Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$309.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Kerosene Heater, Portable
A/C Unit, Boxes & Misc.
Household Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING

AT: 11:00 a.m.

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South Main Self Storage
1910 S. Main /
150 W. Farney
Las Cruces, NM 88005

To
David Strader
2224 S. Valley Dr. Sp. #25
Las Cruces NM 88005

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #G19 at South Main Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$372.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Yamaha Scooter, Desk,
Boxes & Misc. Household
Items

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AT: 11:00 a.m.

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Rawson Telshor
Self Storage
560 N. Telshor
Las Cruces, NM 88011

To
Josefita Lopez
2036 Ave. E
Carrizozo TX 88301

5172 Galano Dr.
Camarillo CA 93012

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #280 at Rawson Telshor Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$240.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Household Furnishing, Mat-
tress & Box Spring Boxes &
Misc. Household Items

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AUCTION STARTING
AT: 9:00 a.m.

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South Main Self Storage
1910 S. Main /
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To
Irma J. McClarin
3200 Oak St.
Las Cruces NM 88005

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #K14 at South Main Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$467.50. The contents of the unit consist of:

Suitcase, Clothing, Rifle
Case & Misc. Items

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AT: 11:00 a.m.

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South Main Self Storage
1910 S. Main /
150 W. Farney
Las Cruces, NM 88005

To
Jessica B Torres
P.O. Box 78
Chamberino NM 88027

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #H05 at South Main Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the

amount of \$183.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Kids Toys and Boxes

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May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 11:00 a.m.

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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

South Main Self Storage
1910 S. Main /
150 W. Farney
Las Cruces, NM 88005

To
Steven Widmer
435 Milton Ave.
Las Cruces NM 88005

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #K44 at South Main Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$177.00. The contents of the unit consist of:

Boxes of Ceramic Tile &
Misc. Household Items

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AT: 11:00 a.m.

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To
Fernando Alphonzo
Mickens
2732 N. Glenn Ave
Winston Salem NC 27105

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #H07 at South

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Main Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$434.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

Harley Davidson Motorcycle

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May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING AT: 11:00 a.m.

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Carol Peña
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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

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

NO. CV-2017-875
Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Lorenzo Montez Trujillo FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Lorenzo Montez Trujillo**, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein he seeks to change his name from **Lorenzo Montez Trujillo** to **Larry Trujillo**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge, on the **2nd day of May 2017, at the hour of 9:00 a.m.** at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Larry Trujillo
Larry Trujillo
1016 Ivy Dale
Las Cruces, New Mexico

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

South Main Self Storage 1910 S. Main / 150 W. Farney Las Cruces, NM 88005

To Ricki Martinez 1496 California Ave. Unit #2 Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit #H29 at South Main Self Storage will be sold at LIVE AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of **\$609.00**. The contents of the unit consist of:

(2) T.V. Love Seat, Christmas Decorations, Wire Basket & Misc. Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING AT: 11:00 a.m.

LOCATION OF AUCTION:
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Las Cruces NM 88005

LEASING SERVICES, INC.
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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

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

NO. CV-2017-967
Marci E. Beyer

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Abram Tinejaro FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Abram Tinejaro, a resident of the City of Mesquite, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein he seeks to change his name from Abram Tinejaro to **Abram Tinajero**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Marci E. Beyer, District Judge, on the **27th day of June 2017, at the hour of 11:15 a.m.**, at the Third Judicial District Courthouse,

201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/Abram Tinejaro
Abram Tinejaro
228 Santo Tomas
Mesquite, NM 88048
P.O. Box 86
Mesquite, NM 88048
575-233-3669

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

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

CV-2017-234
JUDGE ARRIETA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF LEONOR ARANDA, n/k/a ESTRADA FOR NAME CHANGE

AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Leonor Aranda, n/k/a Estrada, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, herein she seeks to change her name from **Leonor Aranda** to **Eleanor Aranda**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel Arrieta, District Judge, on the 10th day of May, 2017, at the hour of 11:00 a.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Respectfully submitted by:

THE GARDEA LAW FIRM, P.C.

/s/ Dania R. Gardea
DANIA R. GARDEA
Attorney for Petitioner
3850 Foothills Rd., #12
Las Cruces, NM 88011
(575) 993-5963

Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2014-02074

U.S. Bank National Association, Successor Trustee to

Bank of America N.A. Successor by merger to LaSalle Bank N.A. Trustee for the holders of the Merrill Lynch First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-FF18, Plaintiff,

vs.

INEZ Q. McLAUGHLIN, and if married, JOHN DOE A (true name unknown), her spouse; PAUL McLAUGHLIN, aka PAUL E. McLAUGHLIN, and if married, JANE DOE McLAUGHLIN (true name unknown), his spouse; and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **May 24, 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 4614 April Place, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 1, Block 3, DEL NORTE COUNTRY ESTATES UNIT III, in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on June 30, 1992, in Book 17 Page(s) 198-199 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on April 3, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$189,059.21 and the same bears interest at 6.700% per annum from February 20, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to

the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

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

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

Dates: 04/14, 04/21, 04/28, 05/05, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2016-01850

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

BILLIE D. MITCHELL, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF BILLIE D. MITCHELL, Deceased, and if married, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BILLIE D. MITCHELL, (true name unknown); THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVEISEES AND LEGATEES OF BILLIE D. MITCHELL, Deceased, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **May 3, 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 1925 Gladys Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

THE SOUTH 63.13 FEET OF LOT 5 AND THE NORTH 7.83 FEET OF LOT 6, BLOCK 12, COLLEGE PARK REPLAT NO. 2, A SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 594 THEREOF, FILED OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON SEPTEMBER 4, 1963, RECORDED IN BOOK 1, PAGE 66, 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 March 27, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$68,508.39 and the same bears interest at 5.5500% per annum from February 10, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the

purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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: 04/07, 04/14, 04/21, 04/28, 2017

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

No. D-307-PB-2017-00030
Judge James T. Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF OTIS ALAN DAVENPORT a/k/a OTIS A. DAVENPORT, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **JAMES ALAN DAVENPORT** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

DATED: April 4, 2017.

JAMES ALAN DAVENPORT
775 Pedro Madrid Rd.
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88007

Prepared by:
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. D-307-CV-2015-02643

BEAL BANK AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CHARTER BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

TRACY L. VENEGAS, JESUS VENEGAS, AND HECTOR ROCHA D/B/A ROCHA'S SEPTIC SERVICES, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on **May 23, 2017 at 11:00 am**, outside the main entrance of the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, NM, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 65, AMBER MESA, located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the Plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on October 20, 1988, and recorded in Book 15 at Pages 326-349 of the Plat Records,

The address of the real property is 6886 Florite Road, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that 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

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the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on March 8, 2017 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$52,447.46 plus interest from October 1, 2016 to the date of sale at the rate of 6.350% 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 con-

cerning 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: 04/28, 05/05, 05/12,
05/19, 2017

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-00445

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR NOMURA ASSET ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2006-WFI MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff,

v.

JOHN C. GARZA, DECEASED; UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF JOHN C. GARZA, DECEASED; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY; Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, the Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Legatees of John C. Garza, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee For Nomura Asset Acceptance Corporation, Alternative Loan Trust, Series 2006-Wfi Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates 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 620 Engler Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE NORTH OF LAS

CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, IN SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T.22S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.R.S. SURVEYS, BEING PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 5-112B1 AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT A 1/2" IRON ROD SET AT THE NORTHWEST INTERSECTION OF ENGLER ROAD AND DOÑA ANA ROAD FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; BEING IDENTICAL TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 5-112B1; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF ENGLER ROAD, THE FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES:

S.62°42'06"W., . 373.50 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET; THENCE S.63°11'15"W., . 117.87 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET; THENCE S.62°06'48"W., . 113.56 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET; THENCE S.62°41'06"W., . 288.87 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE LEAVING THE NORTH LINE OF ENGLER ROAD, N.24°21'54"W., . 410.09 FEET TO A NAIL FOUND FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT THENCE N.59°14'30"E., 649.59 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND FOR A CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.32°12'00"E., 183.33 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND FOR A CORNER OF DOÑA ANA ROAD FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF DOÑA ANA ROAD, S.24°07'00"E., 281.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 7.967 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

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

McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP

By:/s/ Steven J. Lucero
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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

No. D-307-CV-2017-00817
Judge MARTIN

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE CHANGE OF
NAME OF: ARIANNY
OLINDA MORENO,**

A Child Under the Age of 14 years, OLINDA BARRERA, Petitioner.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF NAME CHANGE

TO: ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The nature of this suit is substantially as follows, to-wit:

This action is brought to change the name of **ARIANNY OLINDA MORENO to ARIANNY OLINDA BARRERA.**

Hearing on the petition tiled by the undersigned will be held before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge on the **15th day of May, 2017, at 9:00 A.M.** at the District Courthouse located at 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico.

(Seal)

Attorney for Petitioner:

KEITHLY & ENGLISH, LLC

/s/Shane A. English
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Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

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

Case No.
D-307-CV-2016-01773

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF NOMURA HOME EQUITY HOME LOAN, INC. ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2, Plaintiff,

vs.

HERMELINDA B. CASTANEDA; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HERMELINDA CASTANEDA; STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT; 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 6518 Rio Mojado Ct, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 6 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 1 OF VALLE DEL RIO SUBDIVISION NO. 1, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID VALLE DEL RIO SUBDIVISION NO. 1, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 3, 1984 IN PLAT BOOK 13, FOLIO 304-305,

The sale is to begin at **10:45am on June 1, 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 March 17, 2017, in the total amount of \$174,326.99, with interest at the rate of 3.040% per annum from January 18, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. HSBC Bank USA, National Association, As Trustee, For The Registered Holders Of Nomura Home Equity Home Loan, Inc. Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-2, 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
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Albuquerque, NM 87181
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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT**

Cause No.
D-307-CV 2017 - 00062
Judge Marci Beyer

GECU, a/k/a GREATER EL PASO'S CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

v.

JORGE L. PEREZ, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on the **11th day of May, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the east entrance of the Doña Ana County District Court, located at 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following real property located in said county and state:

LOT 22, BLOCK 12, VILLA VALENCIA SUBDIVISION PHASE II, CITY OF SUNLAND PARK, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY, ON MAY 17, 2013, IN BOOK 23, PAGE (S) 453 THROUGH 456, PLAT RECORDS.

with a Parcel ID Number of 16-05257, and which currently has the street address of 5862 Baywood St., Sunland Park, New Mexico 88008.

Said sale will be made pursuant to the Default Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure, entered on March 31, 2017, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which, among other things, was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage against all secured real property by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$160,558.40, on which post-judgment interest shall run at 6.625% per annum until satisfied in full, which the Special Master calculates

to be a per diem of \$29,142,449 from March 25, 2017 for 48 days to the date of the Special Master's sale (the "Sale"), for total post-judgment interest of \$1,398.84, together with attorney fees incurred and costs of sale to the date of sale, and a reasonable Special Master's fee. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit their 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 sale.

Bidders, to the extent that they do not have a judgment permitted to be bid in lieu of cash, must bid cash at the sale. The successful bidder will be given until the close of the second business day following the determination of the winning bidder to supply to the Special Master cash, certified check, or cashier's check in the amount of the bid. Failure to do so will void that bid, and the Special Master shall either accept the next highest bid, or the Special Master may, in her sole discretion, telephone each bidder who attended the sale, using the telephone number each bidder submits at the sale, and communicate a new date and time for a subsequent sale, without republication of any further notice. Responsibility for reception of notice of any subsequent sale is on the bidder submitting the telephone number.

Notice is further given that the above-described real estate and improvements located on such real estate will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein and all recorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. All prospective bidders are notified that they are responsible for making their own determination as to the extent and nature of the title being conveyed by purchase at the Special Master's sale.

DATED at Las Cruces, New Mexico, this 7th day of April, 2017.

/s/Pamela A. Carmody
Pamela A. Carmody,
Special Master
P.O. Drawer 16169
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Dates: 04/14, 04/21, 04/28,
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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2017-00290

**LSF9 MASTER PARTICI-
PATION TRUST,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO DEPARTMENT OF
TAXATION AND REVENUE;
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA BY AND
THROUGH THE INTER-
NAL REVENUE SERV-
ICE, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF ACTION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO to Defendants, Paul
Rivera, to be published on:**

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff LSF9 Master Participation Trust 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 11105 N Doña Ana Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE NORTH OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, BEING PART OF LOT 10, SECTION 14, AND PART OF LOT 17, SECTION 24, T.21S., R.1W., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND ON THE EAST LINE OF SELDEN DRAIN FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; WHENCE THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 17 OF SECTION 24, T.24S., R.1W., BEARS THE FOLLOWING TWO COURSES AND DISTANCES: N.69°28' 40"W., 57.24 FEET; THENCE S. 88°41'15"W., 729.45 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND LEAVING THE EAST LINE OF THE SELDEN DRAIN, N.44°21'45"E., 103.98

FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND ON THE WEST LINE OF DOÑA ANA ROAD (A.K.A. NEW MEXICO STATE ROAD 28) FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF DOÑA ANA ROAD, S.46°33'05"E., 181.46 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE SELDEN LATERAL FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SELDEN LATERAL, S.43°26'55"W., 26.29 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET ON THE EAST LINE OF THE SELDEN DRAIN FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE SELDEN DRAIN, N.69°28'40"W., 198.81 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.271 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD. INFORMATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS DESCRIPTION DERIVE; FROM DEED FILED MAY 8, 1997, IN CLERKS BOOK 88, PAGES 1506, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS. A PLAT WAS PREPARED UNDER JOB #05-0295. FIELD NOTES BY MOY SUREYING, INC., LICENSE NO. 5939.

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

**MCCARTHY &
HOLTHUS, LLP**

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Dates: 04/28, 05/05, 05/12,
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**STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

No. D-307-CV-2016-02501

**LENOX FINANCIAL
MORTGAGE
CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**HOUSHANG SOLHJOO,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that on **May 3, 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 3175 Posada Court Unit B, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

UNIT#B:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE: CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO A PART OF LOT 42, BLOCK 10, PLACITA DE LA POSADA REPLAT OF PART OF TRACT A AND PART OF TRACT 2, BLOCK 10, MAJESTIC HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. TWO, PLAT FILED OCTOBER 30, 1978 IN PLAT RECORD 12, PAGES 223-224, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 42, BLOCK 10, PLACITA DE LA POSADA REPLAT OF PART OF TRACT A AND PART OF TRACT B, BLOCK 10, MAJESTIC HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. TWO PLAT FILED OCTOBER 30, 1978, IN PLAT RECORD 12, PAGES 223-224, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS;

THENCE PARTIALLY ALONG A ROCK WALL S.20 DEG.01'45"W., 171.46 FEET TO A POINT ON A CURVE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF POSADA COURT FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE ALONG POSADA COURT AROUND THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.00 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 50.10 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 57 DEG. 24'3" AND WHOSE LONG CHORD BEARS N.51 DEG.24'15" W., 48.03 FEET TO A POINT FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE LEAVING POSADA COURT N.19 DEG. 10'55"E., 114.02 FEET TO A POINT FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE N.68 DEG.18"E., 63.30 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 29, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$84,333.74 and the same bears interest at 4.750% per annum from February 1, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER
GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the

valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

Electronically filed
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody
Pamela Carmody,
Special Master
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Dates: 04/07, 04/14, 04/21,
04/28, 2017

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

No. D-307-CV-2016-02462

**LENOX FINANCIAL
MORTGAGE
CORPORATION,
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**HOUSHANG SOLHJOO,
Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN** that on **May 10, 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 3175 Posada Court Unit A, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

UNIT #A:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS PART OF LOT 42, BLOCK 10,

PLACITA DE LA POSADA, A REPLAT OF PART OF TRACT A AND PART OF TRACT B, BLOCK 10, MAJESTIC HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. TWO; PLAT FILED OCTOBER 30, 1978, IN PLAT RECORD 12, PAGES 223-224, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, RECORDS, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD FOUND FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 42, BLOCK 10, PLACITA DE LA POSADA, A REPLAT OF PART OF TRACT A AND PART OF TRACT B, BLOCK 10, MAJESTIC HILLS SUBDIVISION NO. TWO, PLAT FILED OCTOBER 30, 1978, IN PLAT RECORD 12, PAGES 223-224, DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS;

THENCE FROM THE PLACE OF BEGINNING N.68 DEG.16"E., 115.28 FEET TO A POINT FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE PARTIALLY ALONG THE CENTER OF A ROCK WALL S.19 DEG. 10'55"W., 114.02 FEET TO A POINT ON A CURVE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF POSADA COURT FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE ALONG POSADA COURT AROUND THE ARC OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.00 FEET, AN ARC LENGTH OF 33.17 FEET; THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 38 DEG.00'14" AND WHOSE LONG CHORD BEARS S.80 DEG.53'10"W., 32.56 FEET TO A POINT FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE LEAVING POSADA COURT PARTIALLY ALONG THE CENTER OF A ROCK WALL N.28 DEG.06'30"W., 79.54 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.1408 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on March 31, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mort-

gage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$84,333.74 and the same bears interest at 4.750% per annum from February 1, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

Electronically filed
/s/ Pamela A. Carmody
Pamela Carmody,
Special Master
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Dates: 04/14, 04/21, 04/28,
05/05, 2017

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

No. CV-2016-02677
Judge: Martin

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS
CRUCES, on behalf of the
LAS CRUCES POLICE
DEPARTMENT,**

Petitioner,

vs.

**THE MARTIN LIVING
TRUST, GLORIA MORE-
NO, AND 1990 FORD
F-150, WHITE; VIN:
1FTEF15Y7LKB58580;
NEW MEXICO LICENSE
PLATE NO. MBW092,
Respondents.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF ACTION**

**To: RESPONDENT
GLORIA MORENO:**

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1990 FORD F-150, WHITE; VIN: 1FTEF15Y7LKB58580; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. MBW092.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: /s/ Thomas R.A. Limon
Thomas R.A. Limon
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PO Box 20000
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575-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable Martin, James T., District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 14 day of April, 2017.

(Seal)

CLAUDE BOWMAN
COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: /s/ Javier Cuevas
DEPUTY

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 05/05,
2017

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

No. CV-2017-00424
Judge: MARY ROSNER

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS**

LEGAL NOTICES

Las Cruces Bulletin - your legal publication for
Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico

CRUCES, on behalf of the
LAS CRUCES POLICE
DEPARTMENT,
Petitioner,

vs.

CLAY GERONIMO,
AND 2005 SUZUKI
FORENZA, SILVER;
VIN:
KL5JD56Z95K188563;
NEW MEXICO LICENSE
PLATE NYX 572,
Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondent
CLAY GERONIMO:

1. The City of Las Cruces,
New Mexico, seeks to forfeit
all interest you may have in
the following described motor
vehicle: **2005 SUZUKI
FORENZA, SILVER;
VIN:
KL5JD56Z95K188563;
NEW MEXICO LICENSE
PLATE NYX 572.**

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

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

Respectfully submitted,
CITY OF LAS CRUCES
By: Thomas R.A. Limon
Thomas R.A. Limon
Assistant City Attorney
P.O. Box 20000
(575) 541-2128
(575) 541-2017 Fax
Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable
, 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 day of
, 2017.

COURT EXECUTIVE
OFFICER

By:
DEPUTY

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 05/05,
2017

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

No. CV-2016-02675
Judge: Martin

STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO, ex rel., CITY OF LAS

CRUCES, on behalf of the
LAS CRUCES POLICE
DEPARTMENT,
Petitioner,

vs.

NATALIE DE ALEJAN-
DRO, NORTH AMERI-
CAN TITLE LOANS,
AND 2001 PONTIAC
GRAND AM, TAN; VIN:
1G2NF52T61M562444;
NEW MEXICO LICENSE
PLATE NO. 411TLC,
Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: RESPONDENT
NATALIE DE
ALEJANDRO:

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New Mexico, seeks to forfeit
all interest you may have in
the following described motor
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NEW MEXICO LICENSE
PLATE NO. 411TLC.**

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not filed by you or your
attorney.

RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED,

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

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

WITNESS the Honorable
Martin, James T., District
Judge of the Third Judicial
District Court of the State of
New Mexico and the seal of
the District Court of Doña
Ana County, this 24 day of
March, 2017.

(Seal)

COURT EXECUTIVE
OFFICER

By: /s/ LKBrown
DEPUTY

Dates 04/21, 04/28, 05/05,
2017

STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
IN THE
PROBATE COURT
DOÑA ANA COUNTY

NO. 17-0073

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
Evelyn H. Raley, a/k/a
Evelyn E. Raley, a/k/a
Evelyn Raley, 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 re-
quired to present their claims
within Four (4) months after
the date of the first publica-
tion of this notice, or the
claims will be forever bar-
red. Claims must be pre-
sented 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. Rm 1-200, Las
Cruces, NM 88007.

Dated: April 2, 2017.

/s/Richard D. Baker
Richard D. Baker
4245 Sotol Dr.
Las Cruces, NM 88011
575-521-1433

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 05/05,
2017

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2016-01026

NATIONSTAR MORT-
GAGE LLC D/B/A
CHAMPION MORT-
GAGE COMPANY,
Plaintiff,

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS,
DEVEISEES AND LEGA-
TEES OF DAVID T.
RAMIREZ, DECEASED;
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA BY AND
THROUGH THE SECRE-
TARY OF HOUSING
AND URBAN DEVELOP-
MENT; 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 Coun-
ty, New Mexico, commonly
known as 1655 Camino De
Pavos, Las Cruces, NM
88001, and more particularly
described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SIT-
UATE WEST OF MESIL-
LA, DOÑA ANA COUN-
TY, NEW MEXICO, IN
SECTION 33, T.23S., R.1E.,
N.M.P.M. OF THE
U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS
AND BEING MORE PAR-
TICULARLY DESCRIBED
AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:
BEGINNING AT AN IRON
PIPE FOUND FOR THE
NORTHWEST CORNER
OF THE TRACT HEREIN
DESCRIBED; WHENCE
THE N1/4 CORNER OF
SECTION 33, T.23S., R.1E.,
N.M.P.M. OF THE
U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS
BEARS DUE WEST,
938.08 FEET; THENCE
FROM THE POINT OF
BEGINNING AND
ALONG THE MESILLA
CIVIL COLONY GRANT
LINE, S.23°45'00"E.,
704.96 FEET TO A 1/2"
IRON ROD FOUND FOR
THE SOUTHEAST COR-
NER OF THIS TRACT;
THENCE LEAVING THE
GRANT LINE, DUE
WEST, 283.92 FEET TO
AN IRON PIPE FOUND
FOR THE SOUTHWEST
CORNER OF THIS
TRACT; THENCE DUE
NORTH, 645.26 FEET TO
THE POINT OF BEGIN-
NING, CONTAINING
2.103 ACRES OF LAND,
MORE OR LESS. SUB-
JECT TO ANY EASE-
MENTS AND RESTRI-
CTIONS OF RECORD. IN-
FORMATION IN THE
PREPARATION OF THIS
DESCRIPTION DERIVES
FROM INSTRUMENT
#1035977, FILED DECEM-
BER 30, 2010, DOÑA ANA
COUNTY RECORDS. A
PLAT WAS PREPARED
UNDER JOB #11-0373.
FIELD NOTES BY MOY
SURVEYING, INC., LIN-
CENSE NO. 5939. JOB
#11-0373.

The sale is to begin at
10:45am on May 18, 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 Judg-
ment in rem granted on
March 7, 2017, in the total
amount of \$184,307.92, with
interest at the rate of
5.0600% per annum from
December 31, 2016 through
the date of the sale. The sale
is subject to the entry of an
Order by this Court approv-
ing the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER
GIVEN that the real prop-
erty and improvements con-
cerned with herein will be
sold subject to any and all

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

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2016-01243

DITECH FINANCIAL
LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

DON J. HALDEMAN;
PENNY S. HALDEMAN;
OCCUPANTS OF THE
PROPERTY, Defendants,

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situated in Doña Ana Coun-
ty, New Mexico, commonly
known as 3464 Wesley
Drive, Las Cruces, NM
88012, and more particularly
described as follows:

LOT 13, BLOCK A, SUN-
SET HILLS SUBDIVISION
PLAT NO. 1B, IN THE
CITY OF LAS CRUCES,
DOÑA ANA COUNTY,
NEW MEXICO, AS
SHOWN AND DESIGNA-
TED ON THE PLAT
THEREOF, FILED IN THE
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
CLERK OF SAID COUN-
TY ON AUGUST 23, 1978,
IN BOOK 12 PAGES 213
OF PLAT RECORDS.

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10:45am on May 18, 2017,
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Ana, State of New Mexico,
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America, the Property to pay
expenses of sale, and to
satisfy the foreclosure De-
fault Judgment granted on
March 14, 2017, in the total
amount of \$144,401.20, with
interest at the rate of 3.50%
per annum from January 14,
2017 through the date of
the sale. The sale is subject
to the entry of an Order by
this Court approving the sale.

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
1 NM-16-703438-JUD
IDSPub #0125183

4/14/2017 4/21/2017
4/28/2017 5/5/2017

patent reservations, ease-
ments, and all taxes and
utility liens, special assess-
ments and taxes that may be
due. Ditech Financial LLC,
its attorneys, and the under-
signed Special Master, dis-
claim all responsibility for,
and the purchaser at the sale
takes the property "as is," in
its present condition, subject
to the valuation of the prop-
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Case No.:
D-307-CV-2016-01243

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tion of title to a mobile or
manufactured home on the
property, if any, environ-
mental 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-
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4/28/2017 5/5/2017

Westside Self Storage
1712 W. Hadley
Las Cruces, NM 88005

To
Brian J. Estrada
5408 Sombra Azul St.
Las Cruces NM 88012

Notice is hereby given that
all the contents of your
storage unit #109 at West-
side Self Storage will be
sold at LIVE AUCTION to
satisfy our lien in the
amount of \$577.71. The
contents of the unit consist
of:

Full of Auto Mechanic Car
Parts & Tools, (4) Rims and
Tires & Tool Box

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING

AT: 11:40 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
Westside Self Storage
1712 W. Hadley
Las Cruces, NM 88005

LEASING SERVICES,
INC.
Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

Westside Self Storage
1712 W. Hadley
Las Cruces, NM 88005

To
Lillian Gomez
231 Turquoise Rd.
Las Cruces NM 88001

Notice is hereby given that
all the contents of your
storage unit #98 at Westside
Self Storage will be sold at
LIVE AUCTION to satisfy
our lien in the amount of
\$378.00. The contents of the
unit consist of:

Couch, High Chair, Boxes &
Misc. Household Items

DATE OF AUCTION:
May 8, 2017

AUCTION STARTING
AT: 11:40 a.m.

LOCATION OF
AUCTION:
Westside Self Storage
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Las Cruces, NM 88005

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Carol Peña
(575)525-0808

Dates: 04/21, 04/28, 2017

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Cinco de Mayo celebration in Mesilla

Events on Saturday and Sunday, May 6-7

BULLETIN REPORT

Here's the schedule of events:

Saturday, May 6

Noon: Welcome from Mesilla Mayor Nora Baraza, invocation, National Anthem
 12:15 p.m.: Nationally renowned Jose Tena and his Ballet Folklórico Tierra del Encanto, with Con Junto

2 p.m.: K'AA Y Ballet Folklórico

3 p.m.: Mariachi Alma de Jalisco

4 p.m.: Las Perlitas with Mariachi Aguilas

5:30 p.m.: Grease Pole climb and piñatas

6:30-10 p.m.: Animo

Sunday, May 7

Noon: Welcome from Mesilla Mayor Nora Baraza, National Anthem

12:15 p.m. Nationally renowned Jose Tena and his Ballet Folklórico Tierra del Encanto, with Mariachi Aguilas

1:30 p.m.: Mariachi Galivan, Mariachi Amanecer and Mariachi Nuevo America

2:30 p.m.: Erenca Mexicana Ballet Folklórico

3:30 p.m.: Grease pole climb and piñatas

4-7 p.m.: Latin Funktion

What is Cinco de Mayo?

On May 5 (Cinco de Mayo), 1862, the Mexican Army, led by General Ignacio Zaragoza, defeated a much larger French invasion force at the Battle of Puebla, Mexico. It was not, as some assume, the battle for independence from Spain, which is observed on Sept. 16. In subsequent years, Cinco de Mayo came to celebrate Mexican culture, in general.

For more information, call the Town of Mesilla at 575-524-3262 and visit www.mesillanm.gov.



Blazin' Brewfest brings the suds

BULLETIN REPORT

The 5th annual Blazin' Brewfest, sponsored by the New Mexico Brewer's Guild, is preparing for its biggest event yet. Breweries from around the state will descend upon Main Street and Downtown Las Cruces to pour their fresh, unique ales, lagers and ciders on Saturday, May 6, from 5-9 p.m.

There will be live entertainment and local food trucks.

"We have a great lineup this year; twenty breweries is a record for Blazin' Brewfest," said Deanna Green, Southern NM Liaison for the New Mexico

Attending Breweries

Abbey Brewing	High Desert
Bosque Brewing	Kaktus
Drafty Kilt	Little Toad
Enchanted Circle	Marble

Milton's Palmer
Pecan Grill
Picacho Peak
Santa Fe
Sierra Blanca

Spotted Dog
Starr Bros
Taos Mesa
Tractor Brewing
La Cumbre
Red Door

Brewers Guild. "Many of the breweries will have brews in Las Cruces for the first time."

Local band The Beaux Peep Show will open the festivities, followed by Fixed Idea, a ska band from El Paso. Fire performers from Odd-Lab will be bringing the heat at dusk.

"The layout will be different, we are delighted to incorporate the new Downtown Plaza this

year in addition to Main Street," Green said.

Each guest will receive a commemorative tasting glass and samples from New Mexico Breweries. Additional pints can be purchased for \$4-\$6 each. Tickets are \$17 in advance, \$20 at the gate, and can be purchased in advance at High Desert Brewing, Spotted Dog, and Bosque Taproom or at www.nmbeer.org



Las Cruces UkeFest 2017
May 19 - 21 • New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum

Take your ukulele playing to new heights at Las Cruces UkeFest 2017



Daniel Ward & Heidi Swedberg

Danielle Ate The Sandwich



Liz & Jim Beloff

- Friday evening concert with nationally-known instructors
- Instructional workshops all day Saturday and Sunday morning
- Workshops for all levels of players with loaner ukes available
- Saturday evening jam session at Hilton Garden Inn
- Vendors, drawings for great prizes, and lots of ukulele fun!
- PLUS, stand-alone kids' workshop with Heidi Swedberg



Info & registration at lascrucesukefest.com

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6th Annual Golf Tournament

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Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN

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Saturday, May 20, 2017
Sonoma Ranch Golf Course
1274 Golf Club Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

7:00 a.m. registration & breakfast burritos
8:00 a.m. shotgun start with lunch & awards to follow



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Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks names spring artist in residence

Denver-based oil painter Heidi Annalise has been selected as the spring 2017 Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument (OMDPNM) artist in residence.

“As a visitor from Colorado, I look forward to learning more about this land, and its relationship to the local people, both past and present,” Annalise said. “My goal is to retell this story through my art as part of the ongoing discussion about the importance of public lands.”

As an artist, Annalise is “focused primarily on capturing the beauty of the natural world,” according to a Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks news release.

“Floating between realism and impressionism, her artwork adds an element of fantasy and whimsy through heightened colors and streamlined shapes. Her goal is to adorn indoor spaces with extraordinary vistas, to beautify ordinary days, and to remind everyone to seize every opportunity to go exploring.”

Annalise will be in residence at the national monument from May 1 to 31.

The monument’s artist in residence program is sponsored by Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks and the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

Artists selected for the program receive housing

from the BLM and a \$500 stipend upon completion of their residencies. The nearly 500,000-acre monument was established on May 21, 2014, and the first artist in residence was selected in September 2015.

Work completed by the artist in residence during his or her residency “should represent the monument,” according to [http://organmountains-desertpeaks.org/artist-in-](http://organmountains-desertpeaks.org/artist-in-residence/)



Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks spring 2017 artist in residence Heidi Annalise

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residence/.

For more information, visit <http://organmountainsdesertpeaks.org> and

www.heidiannaliseart.com

Doña Ana Arts Council SUMMER ART PROGRAMS 2017

CAREER ART PATH for middle school students <i>June 12-23, 2017</i>	OPERA STORYTELLERS WITH THE SANTA FE OPERA for 3rd-8th grade students <i>June 19-24, 2017</i>	MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE for K-12th grade students <i>June 26-30, 2017</i>
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RIO GRANDE

Downtown Art Ramble
May 5, 2017 • 5-7pm

Every 2nd Wednesday
Linda Gallegos Flamenco (FREE)
May 10, 2017 • 6:30pm

Santa Fe Opera Spring Show presents:
Avastar (FREE!)
May 12, 2017 • 7pm

Academy of Music & Dance Spring Recital
May 13, 2017 • 4pm

Mesilla Valley Choral
Mother's Day Concert: Dreamin'
May 14, 2017 • 3pm

Borderlands Ballet presents: Cafe Noir
May 21 • 6pm

DOÑA ANA
Arts
COUNCIL

Tickets available at
RioGrandeTheatre.com or call (575) 523-6403
Located at 211 N. Main St. • Las Cruces, NM



UPCOMING EVENTS

FRI APRIL 28 • 10:30 A.M. Rhythm Roundup (Music/Dance for ages 2-5)	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
FRI APRIL 28 • 3:30 P.M. Library Lab (Activities/Stories for ages 6-10)	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
FRI+SAT APRIL 28+29 • 5:00 P.M. Library Closes at 5:00 to accommodate LC Country Music Festival	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
TUE MAY 2 • 8:00 A.M.-7:00 P.M. Special Hours to accommodate election	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
TUE MAY 2 • 10:30 A.M. Read to Me (Storytime for ages 3 and up)	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
TUE MAY 2 • 2:00 P.M. Computer Class: Computer Basics	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
TUE+THU MAY 2+4 • 4:00 P.M. Teen Game Night	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
WED+THU MAY 3+4 • 10:00 A.M. Toddler Time (Storytime for ages 1-3)	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
WED MAY 3 • 11:00 A.M. Mother Goose Time (Activities for Infants)	BRANIGAN LIBRARY
MAY 6 • 1:30 P.M. Studio A440 Recital	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
MAY 10 • 6:30 P.M. Every 2nd Wednesday with Linda Gallegos, Flamenco, FREE	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
MAY 12 • 7:00 P.M. Santa Fe Opera presents "Avastar", FREE	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
MAY 13 • 4:00 P.M. Academy of Music and Dance Spring Recital	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
MAY 14 • 3:00 P.M. Mesilla Valley Chorale presents Dreamin'	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
MAY 21 • 7:00 P.M. Borderland Ballet presents Café Noir	RIO GRANDE THEATRE

ONGOING EVENTS:

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

SPONSORED BY:



EVENTS CALENDAR

10th annual Railroad Day:

10 a.m., Saturday, April 29 at the Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Tours on the Rail Runner, the first time since 2010 that the Rail Runner has been in southern New Mexico. Historic Harvey Girl and train staff re-enactors from El Paso will be on hand to talk about life working for the railroads in the early 20th century. NMSU's 1912 Time Travelers class will perform skits between 10 a.m. and noon. Outside, weather permitting, live steam demonstrations will take place hourly. Equipment from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad will be on display. As part of the 5th annual Las Cruces Country Music Festival, two local country music bands will be performing: Daisy Blue at 11 a.m., and Vince Alten at 12:30 p.m. Info: las-cruces.org/museums or 575-647-4480.

NMSU choral concerts:

Highly acclaimed composer and arranger James Mullholland will be joined by the New Mexico State University Choirs and full orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 29, and 3 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at NMSU's Atkinson Recital Hall. Tickets are \$15 adults and \$5 students and can be purchased from the NMSU Choral Activities office by calling 575-646-1306. Mullholland's compositions have been chosen as required repertoire on many states' high school choral lists.

Foods of New Mexico: Watercolor artists in southern New Mexico show their creations in a new exhibit at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum in Las Cruces. "A Movable Feast: Foods of New Mexico" is an art show presented by the New Mexico

Watercolor Society, Southern Chapter. The show is in the museum's Arts Corridor through Aug. 6. Free viewing is only during the opening reception. The museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Rd. Regular hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and noon-5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, \$3 for children 4-17 and free for Museum Friends members with a card and children 3 and under. Info: 575-522-4100 or visit www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org.

Vintage Wines music: April live music, 2461 Calle Principal, 575-523-9463, <http://nmvintagewines.com>

- April 28: 8-10 p.m., Tanner Houston, Americana
- April 29: 8-10 p.m., Daisy Blue, Western/Blues fusion
- April 30: 3-5 p.m., Steve Selby, Sax/rock/jazz

Art workshops: The Las Cruces Museums will be hosting art workshops at both the Branigan Cultural Center and Museum of Art every Saturday in April from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Admission is free.

- The Branigan Cultural Center, 501 N. Main St.
- April 29, create art pieces out of wolf prints
- The Museum of Arts, 491 N. Main St.
- April 29, egg carton crafts

Portmanteau exhibition: New Mexico State University's graduating BFA class warmly

invites you to the Portmanteau exhibition. 11 artists will be showcasing work from 4 years of intensive studies as Fine Arts majors, and a variety of media will be on display at the show. Paintings, sculptures, ceramics, jewelry, photography, and video performances will be displayed in Portmanteau. The exhibition combines the work of a diverse group of students and serves as a presentation of the creative talent these artists possess. The opening reception will be held from 7-9 p.m. on Friday, April 28 at Wells Hall, located on Wells St. The opening reception is free and will include live music and refreshments.

The Swinging Dancers: The Swinging Dancers will host a dance from 7-9 p.m. on Saturday, April 29, at Alma D'Arte Charter School, 402 W. Court Ave. Music will be by Mark Coker playing country/Western two-steps, waltzes, polkas as well as Latin. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$7. Dance sponsored by Las Cruces Senior Citizens Corp. Info: 575-649-5306.

Big Band Dance Club: Live music, May 4. Dance to the music created by STEPPIN UP, 7:30-9:30 p.m., May 4, at the Alma de Artes School, 410 Court St. Dance lesson taught by member of the NMSU Dancesport team, 6:45-7:30 p.m. \$8 members, \$10 non-members, \$5 students with student ID. Beginners, singles and couples are welcome. No dance partner necessary.

CD's, May 11, Mike D'Arcy, DJ. The Big Band Dance Club invites you to join us to dance ballroom, country, swing and Latin styles at the Alma de Artes School, 410 W Court St., 7:30-9:30 p.m., May 11. The music will be by DJ, Mike D'Arcy. Group dance lesson taught at 6:30 p.m. by members of the NMSU Dancesport team at 6:45-7:30 p.m. \$8 for all on CD nights, \$5 for students with student ID. Beginners, singles and couples are welcome. No dance partner necessary. Live music, May 14, Dance to the music created by El Paso del Norte Big Band, 2-5 p.m., May 14, at the Alma de Artes School,

410 Court St. Dance to the best dance band in El Paso. They will be playing fox trots, waltzes, Latin and a little bit of country. This will be an excellent "Mother's Day" gift. There will be snacks and soft drinks provided. Dress in your finest "dressy clothes." Beginners, singles and couples are welcome. No dance partner necessary. Cost of this fun filled afternoon is \$15 each. Info: 575-526-6504

High Desert: Concert series held at High Desert Brewing Co. Open from 11-12 a.m. Monday to Saturday; 12-10 p.m. on Sunday. Located at 1201 W. Hadley Ave.

- May 4, C.W. Ayon - blues guitarist
- May 6, Matthew Frantz - folk/rock (Chicago)
- May 11, Sage Gentle-Wing - singer/songwriter
- May 13, Tiffany Christopher - one-woman band (Denver)
- May 18, Pop Jazz - jazz combo
- May 20, Derrick Lee Trio - Jazz combo
- May 25, Dan Lambert and the Creatures of Habit - Guitar combo w/vocals
- May 27, Chase Walker Band - Blues/Rock/Roots Americana (Nashville)

MVTS World Tour: The Mesilla Valley Teen Singers will perform a free spring concert from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, May 5, at University Presbyterian Church, 2010 E. Wisconsin. Their concert is entitled "MVTS World Tour 2017" and will feature music from around the world. The Mesilla Valley Teen Singers have been performing under the direction of Terry Kay Gilbert for over a decade and have earned a reputation for giving professional-level performances. A snack reception will follow the performance. More information at www.mvteensingers.blogspot.com.


May Ramble: Mas Art will present an exhibition by the artist Sue Ann Glenn. Glenn is a New Mexico Watercolor Society Signature member and will be having a one-person exhibit at Mas Art during the month of May. "Capturing the West" will feature representational watercolor paintings that have been

inspired by cactus, wild life, and cultural artifacts from our western environment. Sue Ann's work is influenced by textured objects, weathered wood, feathers, fur, and just plain detail! A reception will be held during the monthly Ramble from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, May 5. Mas Art Frame & Art Supplies, located at 126 S. Main St. Store hours are 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturdays. Info: 575-526-9113 or visit www.masarllc.com

Artists' talk: Join artists Sharbani Das Gupta and Scott Greene for a discussion of their exhibition, The New Romantic: Views of the 20th Century Landscape at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 6, in the Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. Both artists' work mirrors their concern for the often-destructive human impact on the environment. Admission to the museum is free. The museum is open from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday. Info: museums.las-cruces.org.

Dreamin': The Mesilla Valley Chorale, directed by Nancy Ritchey, presents "Dreamin'" at 3 p.m. on Mother's Day; Sunday, May 14, at the historic Rio Grande Theatre, located at 211 N. Downtown Mall. The program offers a mix of traditional, contemporary, and familiar music. Tickets are \$10, open seating. Info and tickets: 575-647-2560.

Popejoy Awards: The second annual Popejoy Awards will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 14 in Popejoy Hall on the University of New Mexico campus in Albuquerque. The event is presented by the New Mexico High School Musical Theatre Awards. This year, 11 high school drama programs from across the state, including one from Las Cruces, will compete for honors from the New Mexico High School Musical Theatre Awards (NMHSMTA). The statewide program is affiliated with the Jimmy Awards, also known as the National High School Musical Theatre Awards (NHSMTA). Contact info: Terry S. Davis, 505-266-3003, 505-362-1009, nmhsmta@gmail.com.

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<p>April 29-May 4</p> <h3 style="text-align: center;">The Heart Outright</h3> <p>Shot in Las Cruces and Mesilla, this drama by local director Ross Marks stars Brad Makarowski, Jessica Medoff, Joshua Rowan, Mark Medoff and Corinne Fox. **NOTE: Closed Friday April 28. **NOTE: Saturday, April 29 No matinee</p>	<p>May 5-11</p> <h3 style="text-align: center;">The Last Word</h3> <p>This comedy-drama stars Shirley MacLaine as a retired businesswoman who wants to control everything around her, including her own obituary. Also starring Amanda Seyfried.</p>
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Centennial High School Orchestra earns top state honors

By **ERIKA RIVERA**

For the Bulletin

For the fourth year in a row, the Centennial High School Orchestra has earned first place at



RIVERA

the 2017 New Mexico Activities Association (NMAA) State Symphony Orchestra Competition. The orchestra is under the direction of Daniel Rivera (no relation to this article's author).

Under Rivera's direction, the CHS Orchestra also earned, for the fourth consecutive year, superior ratings for both the symphony orchestra and chamber orchestra.

In the highly competitive chamber orchestra

class, CHS finished in fourth place out of a record 12 high schools competing.

The selections performed by the championship CHS Symphony Orchestra included "Galop" from "Orpheus in the Underworld," conducted by CHS Band Director Philip Ramos; "Andante Festivo"; and, their highly charged finale, "Danzon No. 2."

"The CHS Orchestra is a family, where each and every student has grown and prospered through the musical guidance of Mr. Rivera," CHS senior Annie Quintana said. "As the student liaison for the orchestra, Mr. Rivera has taught me loyalty, discipline and compassionate leadership. Mr. Rivera has been a mentor to us all, and will be the teacher I

will remember for the rest of my life."

Maria Soledad Martinez and her college-aged children, Analyssa and Arianna, who had been a part of the orchestra program at Centennial from its inception until their 2016 graduation, were at the state competition to cheer the orchestra on to victory.

"I just feel so proud to have been a part of such a wonderful program," Martinez said. "Mr. Rivera and the Class of 2016 set the standard pretty high through their hard work and dedication. We all miss being involved with the CHS Orchestra, and get a warm fuzzy feeling whenever we see them again."

"Of all of my high school classes and activities, I enjoyed orchestra the most," said Lilia Taylor, another program

alumnus who joined supporters at the state contest.

The leadership and vast experience provided by Daniel Rivera since the school's opening in 2012 has helped make the CHS Orchestra the most successful orchestra program in the state.

Mr. Rivera spent 34 years directing orchestras in Texas before coming to Centennial. Since 1980, he has consistently earned first-division and superior ratings in concert- and sight-reading festivals. For 43 years he has brought his talents on the viola to the El Paso Symphony Orchestra, including a tour of Germany in 1996.

Rivera also toured and performed in Turkey with the Borasan Istanbul Philharmonic Orchestra in 2000.

While at CHS, he has

helped lead the orchestra to four NMAA 5A/6A state champions, NMAA 5A runner up in 2016 and third-place in 2015 in the string orchestra division and 2016 Honor Orchestra at the NIMMEA All State and In Service Conference.

CHS is also a national candidate to perform at Carnegie Hall in New

York City.

This year's senior orchestra students will graduate in May with four first-place symphony medals – one for every year they have attended CHS.

Erika Rivera's son, Julian Rivera, plays the bass in the Centennial High School orchestra



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Centennial High School's award-winning orchestra

CALL TO ARTISTS

Starlight Theatre Co. Auditions: Youth ages 10-17 are invited to audition for the musical comedy "The Gondoliers" by Gilbert and Sullivan. Auditions are Friday and Saturday April 28 & 29. Rehearsals/performance June 12-July 22. Especially needed: young men between the ages of 15-17 for singing roles. All auditioners should be able to sing on pitch. Info: starlightonstage.org or 575-521-7400.

Words Have No Borders: Inspired by the Writers Resist Movement, now called Write Our Democracy, we are taking the challenge with them to mobilize our local community and its writers to bring the power of stories to dismantle fear and stereotypes. To combat the current climate of fear and isolationism, Write Our Democracy is launching a storytelling campaign meant to vividly illustrate the humanity of immigrant and refugee peo-

ple. We would like to flood the country with stories that shake ugly, misinformed stereotypes and reveal the individuality and humanity that is trying to be obscured by the current immigration ban. Join us from 5-7 p.m. on Monday, May 1, at Casa Camino Real, 314 S. Tornillo St. Bring an International Dish to share with others along with a story. Info: Denise Chávez, 575-523-3988 or <http://www.writersresist.org/activists>.



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La Posta has a starring role in 'The Heart Outright'

By **JEFF BERG**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Just when I was thinking that I was watching the first locally produced film without local acting star and gadabout Dave Edwards making an appearance, guess who has a cameo presence in this interesting picture...

But besides Mr. Edwards, the film, directed by Ross Marks, who is also the director of the Las Cruces International Film Festival, has two fine new actors in the lead roles, Jessica Medoff and Bob Makrowski.

The Heart Outright is a sequel of a very dark and heavy film, "When You Comin' Back Red Ryder," which was based on a stage play by another

GRADE: B+

'The Heart Outright' will open tonight at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla. Too intense for the young ones, so leave them at home!

local hero, Mark Medoff. Medoff has a co-starring role in this film and is also a producer.

If you are familiar with Red Ryder, Heart Outright will be a bit easier to follow.

Heart takes place in the early '80s, 13 years after the original (which had an outstanding cast of Lee Grant, Hal Lin-

den, Marjoe Gartner, and Candy Clark) and was filmed in a claustrophobic setting, a small roadside café. Ryder was filmed in Las Cruces, El Paso and at White Sands, as well. Within, an army veteran terrorizes a small group of people in the café until an accidental hero stops him. It is almost like an updated and darker version of the old John Wayne western, "Stagecoach."

"Heart Outright" is set in real time and filmed in and around the Mesilla Plaza, mostly at La Posta (which also "starred" as a bordello in the fine feminist Western, "Molly and Lawless John," back in 1972, although the very theatre you will see this film in, the Fountain,



Ross Marks directs a scene in "The Heart Outright," shot primarily in Mesilla.

has a small cameo background appearance in a few scenes, as well.

Anyway, the local hero has returned to the small town and re-encountered a woman he knew and who worked at the café where the vet kept her and the others as prisoners.

There is an unspoken bond between them and as they work to catch up on their lives, often at the local bus station, on the plaza or at lunch in La Posta. It is easy to tell that things would be much different if the lead, Steve, had not left town and Angel was not pregnant.

They share memories and emotion, punctuated with comic relief by the weird guy (Josh Rowan) who is the bus station manager. Medoff appears as the stepfather of Steve who is trying to sell Steve's mother's home

while swigging from a flask and being downright obnoxious. (But he does have a cool truck.) Steve's mother carried this man for years and now that she has passed away, is still hoping to live off her.

The film clearly shares Angel's kind and generous nature and her honesty, although she is a bit reticent about sharing her feelings for Steve with Steve, while Steve brushes off some of her hints and questions, before finally telling the truth about himself: that he is not the war hero that people think he is, he has a Vietnamese wife who he met while overseas, and he runs an adult movie theatre in Austin.

This doesn't get by Angel, but she still sees him as a good man, one whose heart is in the right place but not always under

the guidance of his brain.

"The Heart Outright" works in many ways and is based on the play of the same name by Medoff which had a run in New York on the late '80s. Music by local Josh Grider adds to the atmosphere and a step up for the film would have taken place if Las Cruces' other actor extraordinaire, P. J. Waggoner, would have made an appearance (Hi, PJ!).

"Heart Outright" has played in several festivals including the Santa Fe Film Festival and has been well received by audiences. And there is no reason why that shouldn't happen during this week-long theatrical run as well.

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

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Thaindia: A confluence of culture, cuisine

By **RICHARD COLTHARP**
Las Cruces Bulletin

If you're like me, you're weak on world geography.

You may not know where Thailand is. You may even have it confused with Taiwan, an island 1,500 miles away.

Thailand is actually closer, both geographically and culturally, to India.

So, the name of a new Las Cruces restaurant, Thaindia, may make more sense than first appears.

Managing Partner Arif Khan, a native of India, came to America for college at Purdue University, and spent much of his adult life in Indiana and Wisconsin.

Along the way, he met and married a lady named Bungon, who goes by Bun and happens to be a native of Thailand.

Starting to see the connection?

When the couple came to Las Cruces last year, they found another, unexpected, connection.

"We just came in here and fell in love with the place," Khan said. "It's amazing. Every single day I'm just in awe. I was driving home after a rain and a rainbow was in my yard."

Bun echoes the sentiment: "We just love it here. I love the energy."

The couple, however, arrived here with no intention of running a restaurant.

Khan came to New Mexico to continue his work in business consulting.



ABOVE: Chef Bianca Lugo, Managing Partner Arif Khan and his wife, Bungon (Bun).



LEFT: Thaindia offers a dining experience unique in Las Cruces.

One of those businesses happened to be a Thai restaurant on Picacho Avenue.

Khan has plenty of experience with restaurants, and his oldest son operates a fine dining restaurant in Indiana. As Khan got involved, he kept getting ideas. He kept having fun, and he kept falling more in love with Las Cruces and the people.

Then one day, he found himself purchasing the restaurant.

Step by step, the vision evolves.

1. Remove an unnecessary fence so patrons can enter either side of the restaurant for easier, safer access from Picacho Avenue.

2. Dress up the interior.

3. Greatly reduce the amount of sugar in the

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(The license application is in the works.)

7. Find a bigger location. (Khan has closed on a property on the East Mesa, but the renovation process will take around 18 months.)

8. Stay tuned for what's next.

There is enough variety on the menu, both in substance and price, to have either a fine dining dinner or a moderate lunch.

It's still primarily a Thai restaurant, and popular Thai favorites remain. Noodle dishes such as pad Thai, stir-fry dishes such as Thai beef, and Thai curry dishes – red, green and Panang – are prominent on the menu.

Indian dishes are there too, including Lukhnowi Koftas (vegetarian meatballs), Indian chicken curry, and others.

4. Hire a passionate chef. Bianca Lugo earned her certificate in the culinary arts program at Doña Ana Community College. She previously served as the sous chef at Double Eagle.

5. Ensure quality, fresh ingredients. The beef is Black Angus. The chicken and vegetables are fresh daily. Nothing is ever frozen or micro-waved.

6. Add wine and beer.

items made specially that are not on the menu.

"We're always experimenting," Bun said.

If there's something you've had before, but don't see it on the new menu, let your server know. Khan said, where possible, they can make specialized dishes. For me, that would be the Tom Kha soup, which I found delicious my first visit.

You also have your choice of cooking oils: coconut, olive, avocado and grapeseed. I had the aforementioned Tom Kha with coconut oil and was amazed, because I don't even like coconut.

There's a delightful dessert (khao nee mamuang) with sticky rice and coconut milk, brightened with fresh mango and black and white sesame seeds. It is light, delicious, a pleasant surprise.

"Our chef has exacting standards," Khan said. "And we use the quality ingredients because there's no reason for doing anything mediocre.

"First responders – anybody in a uniform, basically – get a discount," he said. "It's our way of showing appreciation for what they do."

Thaindia also offers discounts to employees of Las Cruces Public Schools, and the Khans make donations to the schools of their children, Desert Hills Elementary and Camino Real Middle School.

"We want to be part of the community," he said. "We want Las Cruces to thrive."

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RICHARD COLTHARP

Mesilla Valley Teen Singers perform spring concert

The Mesilla Valley Teen Singers will perform a free spring concert, "MVTS World Tour 2017," at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 5, at University Presbyterian Church, 2010 E. Wisconsin Ave. A snack reception will follow the performance.

The Mesilla Valley Teen Singers have been performing under the direction of Terry Kay Gilbert for more than a decade and are comprised of about 45 teens from throughout southern New Mexico. New singers are welcome. For more information, email mvteensingers@gmail.com or visit www.mvteensingers.blogspot.com.

Student art show opens at NMSU

BULLETIN REPORT

The NMSU Art Gallery opens its annual juried student show with a public exhibition from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, April 28, in D.W. Williams Hall, 1390 E. University Ave.

The reception will be held in tandem with the gallery's MFA exhibition, "Yolanda Cooper: Life as It is."

Both shows continue through Saturday, May 13.

Admission to both the gallery and reception is free and open to the public.

"The exhibition features a wide range of artworks created by both undergraduate and graduate students from diverse disciplines



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"La Chingada," a 2017 archival pigment print, by artist Mónica Martínez.

and various majors across the NMSU main campus," according to a news release from the museum. The show "presents a wonderful opportunity for students to demonstrate their talent and skills while engaging with the local Borderland community."

The "Life As It Is" exhibition includes "scintillating painting-drawing hybrids that function as visual materializations and embodiments of the artist's fight for her place in the present moment," according to the release. "The majority

of these complex and deeply personal self-portraits are created on wood panels, which also serve as the artworks' support."

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Designated gallery parking is available, and general

parking on the NMSU campus is free on weekends and after 4:30 p.m. on weekdays.

For more information or to arrange a group, visit uag.nmsu.edu or contact gallery manager Jasmine Woodul at 575-646-2545 or artglry@nmsu.edu.

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A 2017 mixed media on wood panel piece from the University Art Gallery's "Yolanda Cooper: Life As It Is" series.

Spring blooms in May Ramble, exhibitions



"Gift Bow," by Lara Teich

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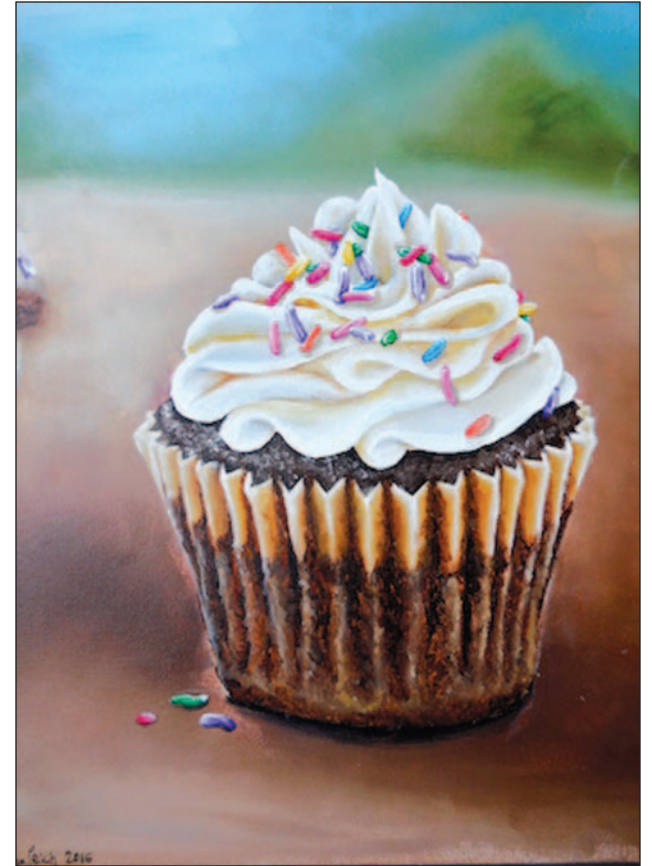
Las Cruces Arts Association members will represent spring at the Rio Grande Theatre in a variety of media and approaches, both abstract and realistic. "Patterns of Spring" opens at the theatre's El Paso Electric Gallery on Friday, May 5, as part of the Downtown Ramble. Media used include oils, acrylics, watercolor, pastels, graphic media, dyes on silk, copper, fused glass and gourds.



TEICH

Work of LCAA members' art can also be seen at the Community Enterprise Center on Main Street the same night from 5-8 p.m., featuring artist Lara Teich, a 17-year-old senior at Las Cruces High School. For the past few years Teich has been exploring as many mediums and styles as possible, taking classes at NMSU and finding guidance online. Her inspiration often comes from music, ranging from Carmina Burana to French pop, but she firmly believes it's always time to explore, which she will continue to do as a freshman this fall at Harvard College.

The Las Cruces Arts Association, founded in 1962, is the oldest arts organization in Las Cruces. Its mission is to foster an environment for artists of all levels to come together to learn and share the joy of art, and to extend that enjoyment to the greater community.



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"Resized Cupcake," by Lara Teich



"Nest," by LCAA member Anne Laslo.

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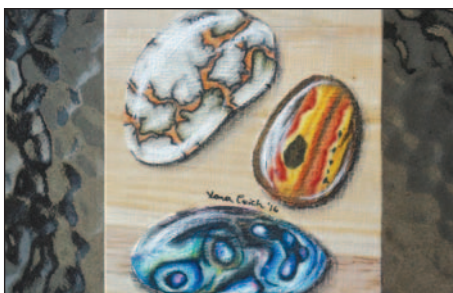


"Cactus Flower," by LCAA member Leslie Toombs

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"Abalone," by Lara Teich


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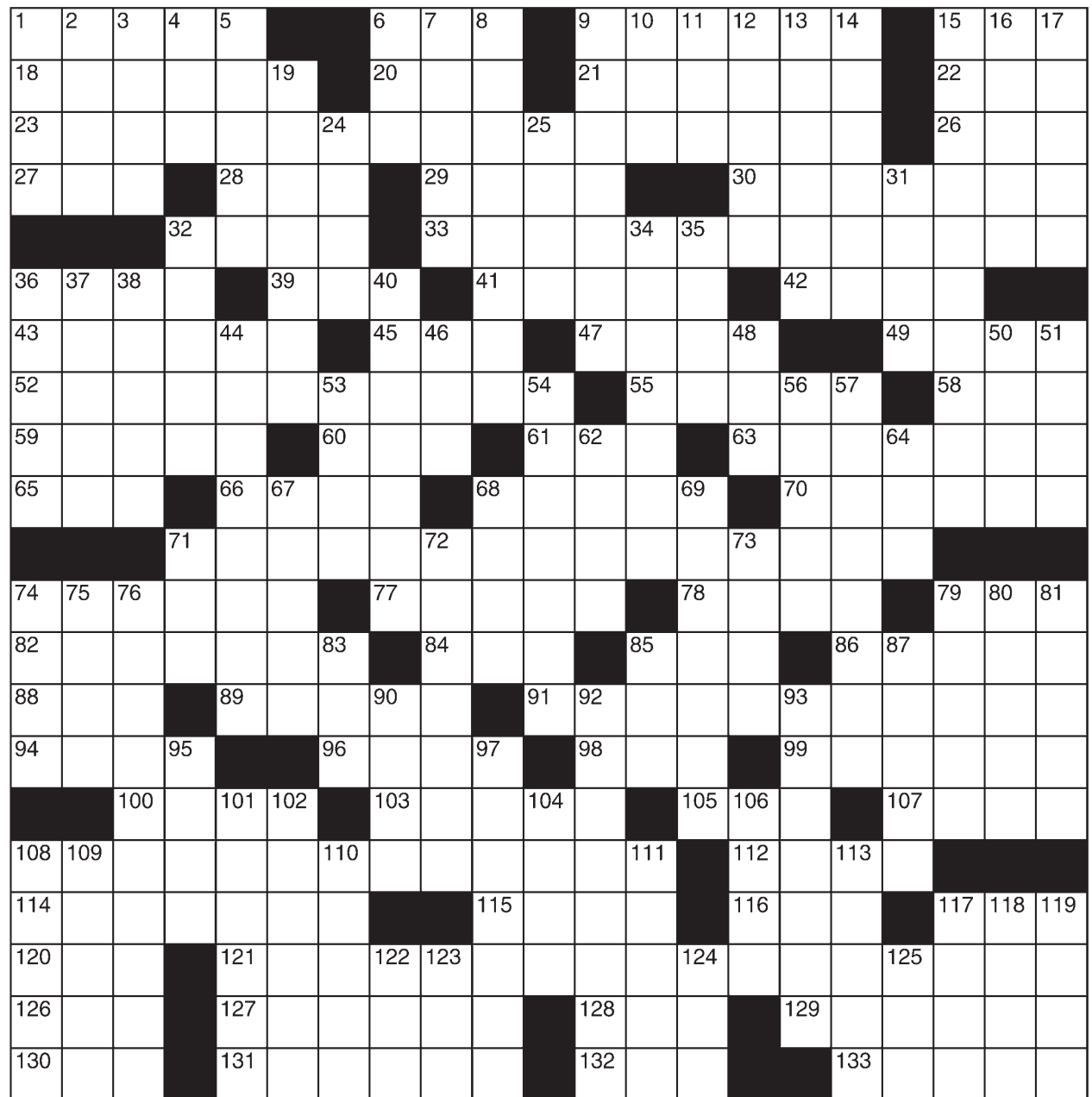
ACROSS

1 Between
6 Cartoon thud
9 Snively cries
15 Film format
18 Chat session
20 The Bruins' Bobby
21 Author -- de Balzac
22 Aussie leaper
23 "You only have so much time"
26 Ron of "Tarzan"
27 Quaint suffix with poet
28 Virgil's 61
29 "How sad"
30 Entwine anew
32 Den furniture
33 Swimmer also called a blueback
36 Scheduled mtg.
39 "+" or "-" atom
41 Take -- (cab it)
42 Wee child
43 Boggy area
45 Possess
47 Campbell's product, in Spanish
49 Netherlands cheese
52 Forts made of squared timbers
55 Any ":50" time
58 Slo- -- fuse
59 One of the Greys on "Grey's Anatomy"
60 Emailer's "incidentally"
61 Gun of Israeli design
63 "The Waste Land" poet
65 Suffix with trick or hatch
66 New Nintendo system of 2012
68 Bingham of "Baywatch"
70 Proverbs
71 Where all eight X's appear in this puzzle
74 "No --, Bob!"
77 Greek island near Paros
78 "Time --" (1990s sci-fi series)
79 Blabber
82 Trunk gunk
84 Actress Farrow
85 Pronounce
86 Bella -- (British Columbian native)
88 CPR-trained pro

89 Be dozing
91 Has a frank discussion
94 Heavy hammer
96 Old Pontiac muscle cars
98 TV scientist Bill
99 On deck
100 Turnip, e.g.
103 Regal crown
105 Sis or bro
107 Royal name of Norway
108 "Gravity" actress
112 -- -T-Pak (Wrigley's gum unit)
114 Worry-free
115 Nerve cell extension
116 River islet
117 Devilkin
120 Broadway's Hagen
121 "A Treatise on Money" economist
126 Click in Morse code
127 "Crack a Bottle" rapper
128 Dr. -- ("Crack a Bottle" rapper)
129 Wilds
130 I, to Johann
131 Really uncool types
132 Nile snake
133 Bird noise

DOWN

1 Part of a French play
2 -- scale of hardness
3 Individuals
4 16-team grid gp.
5 Noted family name in wine
6 -- choy
7 Opera solos
8 "Entertaining --" (Joe Orton play)
9 Cat food brand
10 Ad --
11 Pen filler
12 Bete --
13 Borgnine of film
14 Self-balancing two-wheeler
15 Had lofty aspirations
16 Saab rival
17 Senior group member
19 Puffer's cousin
24 "Bye now!"
25 Savoir-faire
31 Sommer of the screen



32 Actress Keanan
34 Unusual foreign objects
35 "Criminy!"
36 Stroll along
37 Gondola guider
38 Authorized substitute
40 Sign banning 180s
44 Statistical asymmetry
46 Compass pt.
48 Toiling insect
50 Salve plant
51 Verbal gems
53 Big Apple stage award
54 Tunic worn over armor
56 Port of Japan

57 Annual PGA Tour event
62 Drummer Starkey and screenwriter Penn
64 Secular
67 Perfect
68 Poison: Prefix
69 Entry points on pipes
71 Suffix with press
72 Kerosene
73 Abstainers from alcohol
74 Flower stalk
75 "-- la Douce"
76 Address that bounced email is delivered to
79 Rustic sort

80 Vega of "Spy Kids" films
81 Cable shows, e.g.
83 Tent securer
85 Clever
87 "Smoking --?"
90 Reproach to Brutus
92 Big boa
93 Resembling a vat
95 Ore deposit
97 Low bows
101 Toothache relief brand
102 City near Seattle
104 Old Big Appletheater
106 Apple tablet
108 -- Arabian

109 Garret
110 Vikki Carr's "It Must --"
111 Knots on tree trunks
113 Digital book, e.g.
117 As to
118 Dole (out)
119 "Hey, you"
122 Dir. 135 deg. from 46-Down
123 Sea, in Caen
124 Sales --
125 Hedge bush

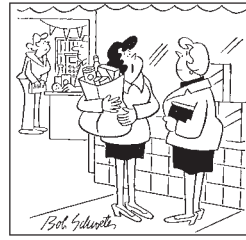
PUZZLES

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.

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

SCRAMBLERS



"The inflation must be cooling off — George still gives me the same grocery money as last year and I'm still gaining _____!"

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!

Vast **GAME**

Enamor **TWIBECH**

Brief **TREES**

Grasp **CHARE**

TODAY'S WORD

CRYPTOQUIP

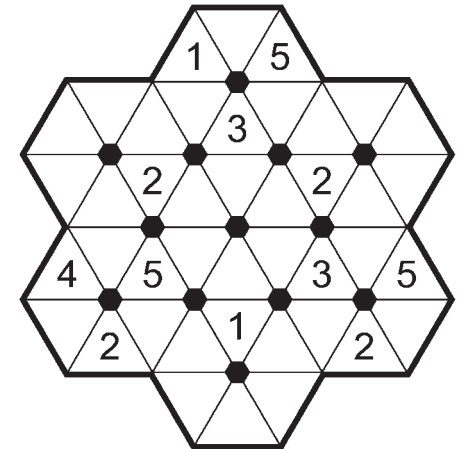
This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: E equals L

XGDNEC MF ZCBTZC VYTBV
 STQYTGW NDTM T VDGMCZ MF
 XQC, T'Z QDU T VDQ ICDEEU
 SEFXGZCITGW DIFXGZ.

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

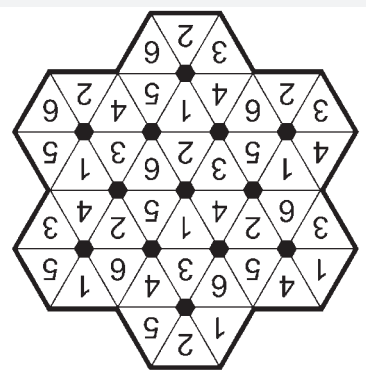
Unable to decide which fishing bait I wanted to use, I'd say I was really floundering around.

CRYPTOQUIP

WEIGHT

Today's Word
 3. Teise; 4. Reach
 1. Mega; 2. Bewitch;

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

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

WEEKLY SUDOKU

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

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On the historical reliability of ancient texts

So, you don't buy the Easter business? I don't mean the marshmallow chicks, dyed eggs, chocolate bunnies, sliced ham, and that sort of thing. I mean the Easter business about Jesus whom Christians call the Messiah being raised from the dead on the third day. Fair enough. I don't try to convince anyone; all I do is bear witness and let the chips fall where they may. The spirit will have to speak to your heart and mind for you to get it. I do, however, want to take away some roadblocks to your consideration of the New Testament texts.

Here's the problem: I have often heard and read the sentiment – in print and online – that the New Testament is a bunch of fables cobbled together by a group of guys who wanted to see if they could convince people

that Jesus really rose from the dead. It is not a historically reliable document.

In time, there came a veritable blizzard of texts, some of which the church stomped on to get rid of, because they read contrary to the central myth. The New Testament was put together by something called the Council of Nicaea in the fourth century, where “the church” expressly ruled out alternative readings and buried them so you can't read them.

What's wrong with this picture? First and working backward, the Council of Nicaea never authorized a list of New

Testament books, nor did the council attendees ban books. That story is a fabrication that probably originated with Voltaire in the 18th century.

Secondly, there was indeed a veritable blizzard of texts. They have been available, for the most part, for centuries for anyone who wanted to take the time to read them. Most of them were sidelined or abandoned rather than banned, however, because their content was either too weird or too obtuse, lodged as it was in ancient philosophies that were passé.

Third, in a masterful work entitled “The Many Faces of Christ,” historian Philip Jenkins dismantles the myth that the church suppressed many other writings that were once popular but deemed unworthy. Jenkins shows that various regions of

the world held these alternative resources in popular esteem through the centuries, and in some places, they are still esteemed with the writings that make up the New Testament. The Ethiopian Church, for example, considers the Book of Enoch to be sacred scripture.

Fourth, hear one major scholar: “If the New Testament were a collection of secular writings their authenticity would generally be regarded as beyond all doubt” (F. F. Bruce). Bruce points out that the antiquity and reliability of New Testament texts far exceeds that of many ancient writings accepted as historically accurate: Caesar's “Gallic Wars” was composed about the same time as Paul's letter to the Romans, but the only good manuscripts date from 900 and later. The same is true

with other early manuscripts that date from the 5th and 6th centuries. Healthy chunks of New Testament textual fragments date as far back as 150. If antiquity of sources is an index of historical reliability, the New Testament wins by a landslide.

None of this is my attempt to convince anyone about the real Easter business. My hope, however, is that some of these myths that circulate about New Testament and early Christian sources can be dispelled so that you can at least approach the written sources for our faith with confidence in their antiquity. You take it from there.

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The annual Showcase of Homes will be held over the next two weekends in Las Cruces, and a new phone app makes it even easier to map the perfect route.

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Showcase of Homes highlights area houses

New app makes the tour easier to navigate

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

There's an app for that!

The Las Cruces Home Builders Association's (LCHBA) annual Showcase of Homes will be held over the next two weekends across Las Cruces, stretching from Picacho Hills to the East Mesa.

Thanks to a brand-new phone app, participants will have an easier time finding their way to each house on the free self-guided tour, and they will have a wealth of information at their fingertips.

The app can be found on "Parade Craze," Las Cruces builder David Coyle said.

Click on each of two dozen homes on the tour to find a map showing the way to the house, information about it and a biography of its builder.

About half the homes on the tour are in the Mesa Verde subdivision on the East Mesa, Coyle said. Some are in Picacho Hills or in other locations throughout Las Cruces. The featured home that Coyle built is in the Sonoma Ranch area, he said.

Most of the homes are on the tour for the first time, and most are for sale. The properties include custom-built and model homes, Coyle said. They range in size from about 1,500 square feet to 4,000, he said. The highest-priced home on the tour is valued at \$750,000, Coyle said.

The builder, a real estate agent or someone who has information about the property will be onsite at each home during the tour, he said.

Coyle, who built his first house in Las Cruces after graduating from New Mexico State University in 1991,

said he has had at least one home featured on the tour every year except for two since then.

"It's the best avenue for advertising as a custom home builder," he said.

It's the best way to get the public there to see his product and meet him, Coyle said.

Coyle said tour participants will see a lot of different styles of homes on the tour, which will include the work of 18 to 19 different builders.

The Tour of Homes will be held 4 to 7 p.m. Fridays, April 29 and May 5; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays, April 29 and May 6; and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays, April 30 and May 7.

For more information, call 575-526-6126 and visit <http://lascrucesshowcaseofhomes.com>.

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

From the inside out

How many of you plan to attend our Showcase of Homes event? All of you? Great! At least that is what I would love to hear and I know our builders would love to see! As our builders are busy rushing to put the finishing touches on their homes for thousands of you to see over the course of two weekends,



NICOLE BLACK
LCHBA

I sit at my desk writing this article thinking of what all it takes to build a home from beginning to end. I can honestly say, I do not know.

I see our builders come in and out of this office daily — flustered, tired and on tight schedules, all to build a home for a family, an individual, someone like you, to build memories. A lot of people see developers and builders as ominous individuals, and of course everyone has a right to their opinion. We all know where that conversation could go, and I chose to take it in the direction of these homes being a place to rest, escape from the outside world, a place to grow your family, or yourself, a safe place.

As a perspective home-buyer, I walk in to these homes every year and feel the warmth. When you walk into these homes, what do you see? A nice place to live, a dream home you would like to see come true?

Every year builders scramble to get their model homes ready for the Annual Showcase of Homes with different levels of success. Our association and our builders, for 59 years have come together to open their doors for you to see their view, their ideas, and to help you make your family's dream come true.

So, tell me, do you look at these homes from the outside in or the inside out? Stay tuned for my three-part series about what it takes to build a home from the ground up.

Nicole Black is the executive officer of the Las Cruces Home Builders Association, 2825 N. Main St. She can be reached at the LCHBA offices, 526-6126 or nicole@lchba.com.

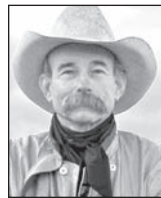
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Genie noticed the bottle of Jack Daniels on the kitchen table when she got home late that night. Like most lettuce farmers, if whiskey was kept in the house, it was not usually kept on the kitchen table.

She marched in the bedroom to find her husband Don sprawled out on the bed with one pant leg off and one sock on. He looked like a body that had been dragged off the bottom of a lake.

He began shakily, "I was watchin' TV in my shorts when I heard a ruckus on the lawn...and mooing."

Don went to the window and peeked out to discover his front yard covered with cows! They were obviously



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from neighbor Willie's farm across the road. It was a surreal picture under the yard light; black and tan and red clouds on a sky of green grass.

Don ran out on the porch waving and shouting at the curious beasts. Although the cows paid him little mind, Willie's bull developed an immediate urge to mash him to a pulp! Don did a wheelie on the cement walk and ran back into the house! The bull mounted

the porch steps and charged the door! After ramming it several times he clattered through the lawn furniture and mowed down a good sized decorative evergreen!

Don waited a few minutes, put on his jeans and nervously eased out intending to shoosh the cows off the lawn which was now covered with deep tracks and cow pattys. It was just as he stepped on the leaking sprinkler head with his socks on, that the bull charged from behind the arborvitae!

He raced to the front door, clearing the jam and slamming it in the bulls' face! He could see the paint cracking as the bull pounded on the other side! The bull then crashed off the porch and rammed the passenger side of his daughter's red Monte Carlo! Then he clattered back on the porch to resume his lusty bawling and door demolition!

Don was hyperventilating as he tried to dial the sheriff. "He's not here but I can call him on the radio," offered the receptionist, "What's the complaint?"

"Ma'am, yer not gonna believe this but a cow's tryin' to break into my house!"

The sheriff had come and gone and the sirens had all died away by the time Genie got home. The front lawn looked like Katrina! As she listened to her pitiful exhausted husband unfold his bizarre tale, she was torn between the need to comfort and hold him, and the uncontrollable desire to snort and fall over backwards in gales of hysterical laughter! She simply wiped her eyes and went to the kitchen and poured herself a shot.

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

LUSH & LEAN

Weeds confounding you? Get solutions

By **SUZANNE MICHAELS**
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

"Weeds are all encompassing, they are everywhere, opportunistic and the ultimate survivor," said Dr. Leslie Beck, NMSU Extension Weed Specialist. "That's why they are so fascinating."

Beck will share on controlling the weeds that are confounding you at the May 4 Lush and Lean free workshop hosted by Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) Water Conservation Program.

Weeds in your lawn and garden are aggravating, but weeds stealing water and soil nutrients from a cash crop could be devastating to a farmer. Toxic weeds can invade a crop like alfalfa and result in serious repercussions for livestock, unless they are controlled. Beck knows how critical a weed problem can



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Dr. Leslie Beck will present information to identify and control weeds and invasive species in the home landscape at the Thursday, May 4 Lush and Lean workshop.

be and has worked hard since she arrived at NMSU to find the best ways to control these pests.

"A major issue today in trying to conquer weeds is herbicide resistance," said Beck.

The solution? An integrated pest management plan that combines several tools.

"No one management option will work

by itself," Beck said.

"People need to be more proactive than reactive in dealing with weeds, and create an environment that is least advantageous to weeds, while being most advantageous to the plants you want."

Integrated pest management means using a variety of methods to control them, implemented at the right time. That means you should first identify the weeds you are trying to control.

Beck encourages attendees to bring samples of the weeds. She will share information about the best time to apply a synthetic or organic herbicide, help you find a happy medium —

save your time, effort, and resources in the future.

Lush and Lean workshops are free and open to the public, held 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday evenings at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library (200 E. Picacho Ave.) in the Roadrunner Room. Learn more at www.las-cruces.org/WaterConservation or www.facebook.com/cityoflas-cruces.

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Four families get keys to their new Habitat homes

BULLETIN REPORT

The public is invited to attend the dedication of four Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity homes at noon, Friday, April 28. Four families will be presented keys to houses at 4970-4978 Wendall Road.

Multiple local businesses and community leaders who donated their time, services and in-kind donations will be in attendance. This type of contribution and involvement helps make the dream of home ownership a reality for Habitat's partner families.

The event also signifies a year of building for volunteers, such as the Las Cruces Fire Department, City of Las Cruces Codes Enforcement, Partner Families, "Care-a-Vanners" and hundreds of individuals who care to make a difference.

Donations from the community, churches, corporate sponsors, and many others made possible the completion of this season's Habitat houses.

"Without local support, none of this would be possible." Restore Manager James Allison said in a statement. "Please join us on this special day so we can thank you in person."

Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity is a local, nonprofit, self-help organization assisting families in the community to build and purchase decent homes that they would not otherwise be able to afford.

To learn more, call Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity at 575-525-0475 or www.lascruceshabitat.org.

Enjoy the bounty of avocado

Avocado's rich, buttery, and addictive nutty-like flavor plays an important role in a Rolodex of recipes. Guacamole con chile, a favorite of mine (and probably yours), is just one. I spread it on crackers and use it as a dip for chips and veggies. It also tastes mighty bueno on ham and turkey sandwiches. But avocados are versatile. For breakfast I often cut one in half and top it with a poached egg and a slab of roasted hot green chile. Avocados, although a fatty fruit, it is considered a "good fat"; it's low in saturated and polyunsaturated fat, a fiber-full count, and furthermore, delivers a powerful vitamin and mineral punch. Need I convince you to try recipes other than guacamole? With Cinco de Mayo quickly approaching, I share celebratory recipes. Ole!

Creamy Avocado Pine Nut Egg Rolls (Makes 9 egg rolls)

2 large, ripe avocados, peeled, seeded and diced
Juice of one lime
4 ounces fat-free cream cheese, softened
2 tablespoons sun-dried tomatoes in oil, drained and chopped roughly
¼ cup red onion, minced
1 clove garlic, minced
1 tablespoons pine nuts, chopped
2 tablespoons cilantro,

stemmed and chopped
½ jalapeno pepper, stemmed, seeded and finely minced
Salt and pepper to taste
9 egg roll wrappers
Cooking spray

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside.

Place diced avocados in a medium bowl. Gently toss with lime juice. Stir in cream cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, onion, garlic, pine nuts, cilantro, jalapeño, and salt and pepper until thoroughly combined. Place an egg roll wrapper on a work surface. Add 2-3 tablespoons of the avocado mixture down the middle of the wrapper. Fold one point of the wrapper over the mixture and roll once. Fold in the two sides and roll the egg roll shut. Use a tad of water to fold in and seal the remaining tip. Place on baking sheet and repeat with remaining wrappers and filling. Spray tops of the egg rolls lightly with cooking spray. Bake for 10 minutes. Turn each egg roll and spray the other sides lightly with cooking spray. Return to oven and bake for another 10 minutes, until



browned and hot. For dipping: Serve with a favorite sweet chili sauce. (Adapted from baked-in.com)

Springtime Avocado Salad (Serves 4) Dressing

¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil
Juice of 1 lime
¼ teaspoon cumin
Kosher salt
Freshly ground black pepper

Whisk together olive oil, lime juice, and cumin. Season with salt and pepper. Set aside.

Salad

1 pint cherry tomatoes, halved
½ cup canned black beans, drained and rinsed
½ cup canned or roasted corn, drained*
½ medium red onion, finely chopped
1 serrano pepper, stemmed, seeded and minced
2 ripe avocados, peeled, seeded and cubed
2 tablespoons fresh cilantro, stemmed and chopped

In a large bowl, combine remaining ingredients. Toss with dressing until well combined. *For added flavor, roast corn kernels in a large cast iron skillet or stainless steel pan. (Note: Do not use a nonstick pan, as they do not tolerate high heat.) Heat skillet or pan over medium-high heat for

several minutes until skillet is very hot. Add the corn and cook until kernels brown, about 5 minutes, stirring once or twice to prevent sticking.

Sopa Avocado Fría (Cold Avocado Soup) Serves 4

3½ cups chicken or vegetarian stock
1 ripe avocado, peeled, seed removed
1 cup nonfat sour cream
1 medium onion, peeled and quartered
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
2 cloves garlic, peeled
½ teaspoon chili powder
Salt and pepper to taste
Garnish: About 1 teaspoon paprika or, for a bite, hot red chile powder

Combine the stock, avocado, sour cream, onion, lemon juice, garlic, and chili powder in a blender jar. Process until pureed. Chill for 45 minutes. Taste and season with salt and pepper if desired. Sprinkle each serving with paprika or red chile powder.

Sunny Conley is an award-winning author and food columnist. "Life is better sprinkled and spiced with chile pepper!" Conley can be reached at chileknights575@gmail.com.

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Spring is a reminder to spay and neuter cats

BULLETIN REPORT

Spring is here and that means it is kitten season. This is time of year when unaltered cats start producing litters of kittens.

Cats as young as four months old can become pregnant. The average litter may have between four to six kittens. Mothers will go back into heat after her kittens are weaned at 8 to

ten weeks old. This cycle is repeated up to four times a year. It can add up to 20 million kittens will be born in the United States this spring alone.

Local animal shelters become overcrowded with unwanted and stray kittens. There are not enough resources or staffing at our shelters to care for these kittens. Our community does not have enough homes for these furry innocent babies.



Unfortunately, many of these kittens will not have a full and happy life, but will be euthanized shortly after birth. You

can help to stop this cycle of unwanted kittens by having your cat spayed or neutered.

Feral cats in our community can also be spayed and neutered by trapping and then releasing them back into their neighborhoods.

Low-cost spay and neuter is offered at the following locations:

- The Big Kitty Fix, info@bigkitty.org, 575-639-3036

- Animal Service Center of Mesilla Valley, 575-382-0018
- SNAP, 575-524-9265

The Cat's Meow Adoption Center is located at 2211 N. Mesquite St. in Las Cruces. It's open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Send a tax-deductible donation to Cat's Meow Adoption Center to P.O. Box 3166, Las Cruces, NM 88003. Contact Cat's Meow at 575-386-6938.

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Shadow

Long whiskers, yellow piercing eyes, and beautiful cuddly fur are just a few of the features that make Shadow an amazing feline. Shadow, a 1-year-old male domestic medium hair, is looking for his forever home, would you be able to provide the perfect home for Shadow?



ASCMV hours of operation are noon to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and noon to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, at 3551 Bataan Memorial West. Call 575-382-0018.

Off-Site Adoption Events

- Farmers & Crafts Market – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays
- Dog adoptions are located at the far north end of the market on the Downtown Mall.
- Cat adoptions are located at the Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St.
- Petco – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, 305 E. Lohman Ave. Bldg. D.

Additional Services Offered

Microchip your pet: \$20. Available daily, no appointment necessary.

Pet Licenses: City and County licenses available daily.

City: Altered \$7; Unaltered \$50

County: Altered \$7; Unaltered \$50

Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Program: Dogs \$35, Cats \$25. By appointment only.

DONATION REQUESTS – ASCMV is in need of dog crates, blankets and towels. Collars and leashes are also always needed. Donations can be dropped off during normal hours of operation or left at the door.



CAT'S MEOW ADOPTION CENTER

Jet

My name is Jet and I am looking for my forever home. I am 3 years old, a short-haired male. I have all my shots and I have been neutered. I get along with other cats. Come and see me at Cat's Meow Adoption Center, 2211 N. Mesquite St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

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Pediatric Intensive Care Unit is the only one in southern NM

Liz McNulty shares with an audience the experience her son Sean had as a Memorial Medical Center Pediatric Intensive Care Unit patient. With Liz are her husband, Jay, and children Sean and Erin.



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The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce and the Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce cut the ribbon at Memorial Medical Center for the first Pediatric Intensive Care Unit in southern New Mexico Thursday, April 13. At the center are MMC Medical Director Dr. Jorge Sainz, patient Sean McNulty and MMC chief operating officer Steve Ruwoldt.

Golf tourney educates about stroke, raises money

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Nearly 800,000 people have a stroke each year in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). It's the fifth leading cause of death in the United States. A Las Cruces organization and its upcoming annual golf tournament raises money to help local stroke victims directly.

Many may not know about New Mexico Friends of Wellness (NMFW), a Las Cruces nonprofit, or the debilitating "brain attack" they are trying to educate people about, NMFW President Ron Cavill said.

"(The organization is) kind of a well-kept secret in this town," Cavill said. "We assist people with expenses related primarily to strokes and neurological injuries that are not covered by insurance," he said.

NMFW pays for things such as toilet-seat risers, shower benches, oxygen, walkers and wheelchairs, Cavill said. It will soon expand services to include the

NMFW Stroke Awareness Golf Tourney

WHEN: Saturday, May 6, registration at 7 a.m.

WHERE: Sonoma Ranch Golf Course, 1274 Golf Club Road

HOW MUCH: \$100 per player; \$400 for a team of four; Events sponsors welcomed (\$150 to sponsor a hole, \$500-\$5,000 monetary donation levels)

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purchase of grab rails and ramps, he said.

"We help lots of people to make their life more bearable," Cavill said. "We get good community support, especially from the medical community."

In addition to grants and donations, NMFW's primary fundraiser is the golf tournament it hosts each year in May, during National Stroke Awareness Month. NMFW's eighth annual Stroke Awareness Gold Scramble will be held on Saturday, May 6, at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course.

NMFW has a small, all-volunteer board of directors and no overhead, Cavill said, so that "every nickel (it raises) goes back into the community," Cavill said.

Since it was founded, NMFW has raised more than \$150,000, and has assisted hundreds of people, Cavill said.

Stroke awareness

A stroke occurs when a clot blocks the blood supply to the brain or when a blood vessel in the brain bursts and it's a leading cause of adult disability, according to

the CDC.

Cavill, whose mother had a stroke at age 72 and lived for seven and a half years with its devastating impact, said it's important for everyone to recognize the signs of a stroke.

The signs are abbreviated as FAST: F for face – if a person smiles and one side of his or her face droops, that's a signal that a stroke may be occurring; A for arms – if a person cannot raise both arms, that is a signal; S for speech – if it's slurred, that's another stroke signal; T is for time – "Patients who arrive at the emergency room within three hours of their first symptoms often have less disability three months after a stroke than those who received delayed care," according to the CDC.

Someone getting treatment within two hours of having a stroke "has a very high likelihood of walking away, of beating it," Cavill said.

Numbness, nausea, a sense of a lack

Horses can be hosts to parasites

Chemical deworming compounds are available and are an effective allopathic way of treating parasites in horses. When we wish to use more natural (yet still effective) methods, there are many possibilities.

Horses in a wild existence have no real exposure to internal parasites (worms) because they are in constant motion and do not graze over land where they have defecated. This is, of course, a clue to the line of sound management to reduce worm loads in horses. We must keep their environment clean and, ideally, remove all manure daily. Worms are “host specific” and those that infest horses cannot infest humans.

Horses in a natural environment can develop immunities to parasites. A healthy digestive tract and metabolism can repel the opportunistic organisms. So, the horse whose immune system is compromised or has digestive or metabolic issues will be a chosen host of the parasites and the one who will be further debilitated by the chemical dewormers.

A regular program of feeding herbs that discourage parasites and support gut health is a wise practice.



KATHARINE LARK CHRISLEY
Stable Woman

With the herbs, feeding for three days before the full moon and three days after can have the strongest effect because the worms become active as the moon waxes.

The feed additive Diatomaceous Earth can be fed daily on a regular basis.

Herbs with sulfur content are useful to keep the worms discouraged and garlic, turmeric and sea weeds are good sources of organic sulfur. Anise seed is a digestive aid added with the deworming herbs or fed afterward to reduce flatulence. Ginger root in small amounts can prevent “gripping” – simple stomach pain after treatments. Fenugreek seed fed in between worming aids digestion and strengthens the stomach/intestine lining.

• Wormwood (*Artemisia absinthium*): For removing roundworms (ascarids), it is a good choice for young horses who are often plagued by these. I feed the ground, dry herb - one teaspoon per 1,000 pounds daily for the one

week period as part of the herbal worming combination.

• Thyme (*Thymus vulgaris*): Contains Thymol which kills heartworms.

Thyme is effective against all parasites. It also contains phenol and is a good digestive aid. I feed one tablespoon daily per 1,000 pounds to a horse.

• Garlic (*Allium sativum*): Not only a dewormer but is “nature’s antibiotic” because it kills pathogens. Garlic can adversely affect the liver in large amounts over prolonged periods, especially given as oil. I feed the dry, granulated or fresh cloves. I add one teaspoon per 1,000 pounds per day to the worming combination that is fed for five to seven days.

• Pau D’Arco (*Tabebuia avellandae*): Inner bark is used for many healing applications from yeast infections to cancers. It is very useful in a mixture for deworming. Pau D’Arco combines well for humans with Black Walnut, but we must NEVER feed Black Walnut to horses (and never use shavings from the tree); either will founder a horse.

• Olive Leaf (*Olea europaea*): The dry, ground leaves are used to boost the immune system (which also

helps to repel parasites) and as an anti-parasite herb. I feed the powder by one teaspoon per 1,000 pounds per day in the horse’s deworming mixture.

Pumpkin seeds work for humans as well as horses to repel internal parasites. The seeds are also chock full of minerals that are healing to the digestive tract. When I do an herbal deworming, I will add a handful of dry, raw, plain pumpkin seeds to the daily dose in the bucket feed.

Sulfur is the mineral that aids in eliminating internal parasites and herbs that are yellow in color (roots like turmeric, yellow dock and burdock) or bound with iodine (such as sea vegetables) will be good sources of organic sulfur.

Always use the herbalist’s safety ways by dosing a small amount of the herbs while watching for adverse reactions. All beings are unique and can have individual sensitivities.

Katharine is a natural health consultant and equine specialist who is the founder and president of Dharma-horse Equine Sanctuary. She teaches riding and equine-assisted learning for all ages on the “now wanted” horses in her care.

HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

Chronic disease management: St. Luke’s Health Care Clinic is hosting a Chronic Disease Management Workshop from 12-2 p.m. Friday, April 28 at Mesilla Valley Community of Hope Resource Room, 999 W. Amador Ave. Presentations include Information on Cooking and Nutrition (ICAN) and Pathways to Better Health, a free program to help individuals with diabetes. Diabetes-friendly lunch will be provided. Free.

Senior Circle talk: 12-1 p.m., April 28, Health care for baby boomers, MountainView Regional Medical Center’s Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave. Info: www.senior-circle.com

Hormone seminar: 6 p.m., Thursday, May 18, at New Mexico Primary Care Group, 179 Howard Place, off Roadrunner Parkway. Learn more about BIO TE hormone therapy, hosted by CFNP Hedsna Rocha. RSVP to Taylor at 575-521-8500.

STROKE

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of well-being, shortness of breath and confusion can also be signs of a stroke, Cavill said.

Sometimes, he said, the person having the stroke doesn’t realize what’s happening to him or her.

That’s why everyone should know the signs.

Both Las Cruces hospitals provide treatment for strokes, Cavill said.

To learn more, visit www.cdc.gov/stroke/facts.htm and www.stroke.org.

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Hummingbirds

Spring is here. It is time to watch for the tiny hummingbirds flitting around your neighborhood. Hummingbirds are part of the second largest bird family in the world, with more than 300 species worldwide and 13 species in North America.

Find the differences between these two hummingbirds.

Use the code to learn more.

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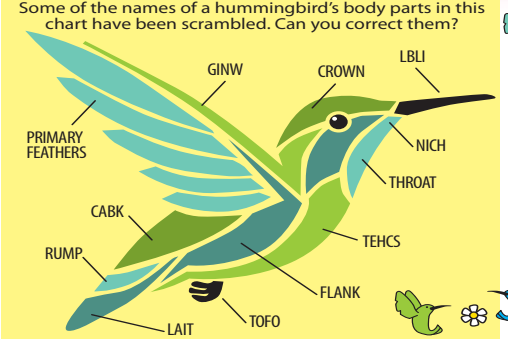
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Have you ever watched a hummingbird flying by and noticed that their feathers seem to change as they move into different light? Hummingbird feathers are **iridescent**, meaning that reflections of light make them appear differently. Some hummingbirds are more colorful than others. Male hummingbirds are usually more colorful than females, because they need to attract a mate, while the females tend to camouflage better with their nesting spots.

To get energy, hummingbirds eat sugar in the form of nectar from flowers or from homemade nectar in feeders, which they lap up using their long tongues.

Some of the names of a hummingbird's body parts in this chart have been scrambled. Can you correct them?

How many hummingbirds and flowers can you find on this page?



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Hungry, Hungry Hummingbirds

Hummingbirds have an incredibly fast **metabolism** so they need to eat all day long. One hummingbird can eat up to twice its body weight and feed on hundreds of flowers in a single day. If humans had a metabolism as fast as a hummingbird's, we would need to eat more than 1,500 of these in one day!

Circle every third letter.

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Dot-to-Dot

On one page of the newspaper, try to find and circle one of each letter of the alphabet. Connect the circles to make a picture.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Draw what comes next in each row to continue the spring pattern.

Standards Link: Math: Recognise and extend patterns.

Double Double Word Search

CAMOUFLAGE Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

FEATHERS

COLORFUL

DESIGNED

HUMMING SPECIES

SPRING

FAMILY

WINGS

LIGHT

SPOTS

MALE

MATE

RUBY

TINY

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

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Abbreviations

An abbreviation is a short version of a word. Look at a newspaper page and circle every abbreviation. Copy these onto a piece of paper and write the long version of each word.

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

Write On!

If You Were a Bird

If you were a bird, what kind would you be? Why?



Kid Scoop Together:

Amazing Hummingbirds

Replace the missing words to learn more about hummingbirds.

- CONTINUOUS
- POLLEN
- DIRECTION
- JELLYBEAN
- FLOWERS
- SUMMER

Hummingbirds are the only birds that can fly in any _____, forward, backward, up, down and side-to-side.

Hummingbirds pollinate flowers because _____ sticks to their wings. This feeding behavior is vital to helping _____ become pollinated, which makes hummingbirds very important to the ecosystem.

During migration, ruby-throated hummingbirds fly non-stop over the Gulf of Mexico – it can take up to 22 hours of _____

flight over 500 miles of water. The rufous hummingbird has the longest migration traveling up to 6,000 miles from its winter home to its _____

_____ breeding grounds.

Hummingbirds nests and eggs are tiny. The eggs are about the size of a _____

The nest is about the size of a walnut.





Mark Trakh, bound for USC, led NMSU to a historic season in 2016-17.

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Coaching carousel

Second NMSU basketball coach leaves in April

BULLETIN REPORT

First, the men; now, the women.

Two weeks after New Mexico State men's basketball coach Paul Weir accepted the head coaching position at the University of New Mexico, Aggie women's basketball coach Mark Trakh is moving on.

Trakh returns to USC, where he coached the Women of Troy from 2005-09, it was announced April 21.

At NM State, Trakh coached for six years, revitalizing a program that became a Western Athletic Conference powerhouse and perennial NCAA Tournament team.

"Mark has been one the most successful

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Aggie star Mack signs with Minnesota Lynx

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State guard Moriah Mack signed a training camp contract with the Minnesota Lynx of the Women's National Basketball Association. She becomes the first player in Aggie women's basketball history to sign with a WNBA franchise.

During 2016-17, Mack's senior season, she led the

Aggies to a 24-7 record and a program record 17-consecutive wins. She was key in the Aggies' third-straight Western Athletic Conference regular season and tournament titles, and the team's third-consecutive berth in the NCAA Tournament.

The San Antonio, Texas, native started in

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Wood court to be auctioned

BULLETIN REPORT

Fans of New Mexico State University Aggie basketball and volleyball will have a chance to own important sports memorabilia Saturday, May 6.

Sections of the original Lou Henson Court will be auc-

tioned at 5 p.m. at Ashley Furniture Homestore, 3299 Del Rey Blvd., with auctioneer Charles Dickerson.

The wood court is the parquet floor used in the Pan American Center for NMSU basketball games from 1988 to

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2012. It was only the second floor in the building's history.

Numerous basketball and volleyball players pounded the parquet during their illustrious careers in Las Cruces, as it was used in NMSU's victory over eventual national champion UNLV in 1990,

the 2007 and 2008 Western Athletic Conference basketball championships and the 2007 WAC volleyball championship.

It was dedicated on Feb. 9, 2002, as Lou Henson Court, named for former NMSU basketball coach and athletic director and member of New Mexico State Athletics Hall of Fame (1978), the New Mexico Sports Hall of Fame (2005) and the Collegiate Hall of Fame (2015).

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Golf clichés to help one stay in the present

Webster's defines "jargon" as an "obscure and often pretentious language marked by circumlocutions," often with confused and unintelligible metaphors. There's business jargon, techno jargon, medical jargon, legal jargon, news jargon and political jargon.

Then there's golf jargon, and lingo we find in one form or another during our rounds. How about the trite offering from some chop in your golf group, after you nearly make the impossible side-hill putt while leaving it on the lip of the cup; "never up, never in." Yeah, I know. Over 99.9 percent of putts that are short of the hole don't go in. Hey, you bozo, what about all the other putts you run five feet past the hole, most of which you miss coming back?

Here's another one. "One shot at a time." Duh. I know, one shot, then the next shot, then the next... Did someone come up with that cliché thinking that we golfers were supposedly hitting the previous shot or the forthcoming shot before the one where we're standing over the ball? Did some jargon guru get the idea that we weren't allowed to plan where the best place for us to play the next shot from? Or even visualize the succession of shots to get us into the hole in the fewest strokes possible? According to Ben Hogan, "the most important shot in golf is the next one."



CHARLIE BLANCHARD
Golf Doctor

What's a chop to believe? The "one-shot" mantra is sorta close to what many golf shrinks advise to "just stay in the present." So, if you just topped two shots in a row and find

yourself lining up your fifth putt, my guess is you're not really thinking of how you plan to birdie the next hole. If golf is about "no pain, no gain," I'm getting better daily.

One of my favorites comes from the down-home yokel who watches a sharp 100-yard wedge shot landing inches from the cup and then quips, "like shooting fish in a barrel." Are you kidding me? If any of you have ever seen any fish in a barrel or anybody shoot fish in a barrel, please let me know. And if the fish were put in the barrel, why would someone bother to shoot them anyway?

What about when someone says "you didn't keep your head down." Keeping your head down is fine for praying, but not for a golf swing. I can still hear my Performance Golf School partner Herb Wimberly explaining to our week-

end golf students, "keep your head down is the worst advice you will ever get." He then demonstrated how dropping and hanging one's head hog-ties the golf swing by restricting the rest of the body movement. Herb did advise keeping your eyes and neck steady and your body flexible while not casting after the ball like one would use a fly rod. But then there's the school of thought that your golf pro says to keep your head down so you don't see him laughing! The better advice is "keep your head in the game."

The next bit of golf jargon comes from televised tournaments where some overserved imbecile hollers "get in the hole" after a tour pro smashes his drive on a 650-yard par 5. Maybe that idiot had the telecast recorded at home so that he can later claim the voice in the background was his to demonstrate to his kids how not to grow up.

And for Heaven's sake, you better not look up and say, "Even God can't hit a 1 iron!"

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New Mexico State University's rodeo team rides again

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State University's rodeo team will host its 75th anniversary rodeo Friday-Sunday, April 28-30, at the Southern New Mexico Fairgrounds.

Action starts each day at 1 p.m.

The rodeo celebrates the 75 anniversary of the founding of NMSU's team. Perhaps more important, NMSU has a chance to maintain or improve its rank in the Grand Canyon

Regional and national standings.

The Aggie women can't improve a whole lot. They are ranked No. 1 in the region and No. 2 nationally.

The Aggie men, however, have a good opportunity. They are ranked No. 3 in the region and No. 24 nationally.

"We've got to make sure we're taking care of business," first-year NMSU Rodeo Coach Logan Corbett said.

Regionally, the Aggies have several leaders in

all categories among both men and women.

Nationally, NMSU has two men in the top 10: Josh Davison is No. 7 in saddle bronc riding and Carl Sweazea is No. 8 in team roping (heeler).

Among the women's national rankings, Nicole Sweazea is No. 5 in the all-around and No. 10 in goat tying. NaLynn Cline and Carly Billington are ranked No. 4 in barrel racing and breakaway roping, respectively.

The April 28-29 rodeo

will feature teams from NMSU's fellow members of the Grand Canyon Region: Adams State College, Dine College, Cochise College, Mesalands Community College, Central Arizona College, University of Arizona and Navajo Technical College. The teams and individuals will all vie for spots in the College National Finals Rodeo June 11-17 in Casper, Wyoming.

Corbett attributes his team's success to the culture he wants to develop at

NMSU. "Main thing we're trying to incorporate is a family atmosphere and a championship culture," he said.

"We've had a lot of ups and downs. It hasn't been

like this all year, and we've had to work through our fair share of disappointments and frustrations this season but it's nice to see all the kids' hard work pay off."

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coaches in the history of New Mexico State women's basketball," Director of Athletics Mario Moccia said in a press release. "I'm appreciative of him and the many staff members in his tenure for their hard work and dedication, which resulted in an unprecedented three-year run at NM State. We wish him luck at USC as their new head coach. The search for a new women's basketball head coach will begin immediately."

The 20-plus year veteran finished his Aggie career with a record of 104-80, 57-33 in conference play. In the process, he arguably guided New Mexico State

to its golden era, claiming three straight regular-season titles, three straight tournament championships and three WAC Coach of the Year awards.

He also coached a pair of WAC Players of the Year in Brianna Freeman (2015) and Moriah Mack (2017).

In 2011, Trakh inherited a losing program but turned it around when the Aggies earned their first 20-win season in seven years, going 22-8 in 2014-15.

Trakh led NMSU to just its fourth NCAA Tournament berth in 2015-16 with a 26-5 record. Despite losing support staff, the veteran found a way to improve in 2016-17. After a shaky non-conference record, NM State ran the table in WAC play (14-0) while also winning a program-record 17

straight games.

With its third-straight WAC Tournament title, NM State joined Louisiana Tech (2002-04) as the only teams to do so in conference history. As the No. 15 seed in the 2016-17 NCAA Tournament, the Aggies led second-seeded Stanford almost wire-to-wire before falling late in the fourth quarter, 72-64.

At Southern California, Trakh's teams won at least 17 games all five seasons and advanced to two NCAA tourneys. His Women of Troy players made All-Pac-10 teams 23 times and Pac-10 All-Academic squads 14 times. He turned out two All-Americans and four WNBA draftees. He signed Top 10 recruiting classes four times, including the

nation's No. 1 group in 2006. He resigned after the 2009 season for personal reasons.

Trakh, 61, replaces Cynthia Cooper-Dyke, who resigned last month at USC after four seasons.



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all 31 games this year, averaging a team-leading 13.5 points with 4.0 rebounds and 2.6 assists.


For her accomplishments, Mack was named WAC Player of the Year, First-Team All-WAC, First-Team All-Defen-

sive and WAC Tournament MVP.


On Jan. 28, against Utah Valley, Mack became the 22nd player in New Mexico State women's basketball history to join the 1,000 point club, finishing her Aggie career with 1,155 points over 115 games (10 PPG). Her three-point field goal percentage is fourth-best in program history.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK


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Amy Gardner is a 17-year old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. She plays shortstop and pitcher on the Lady Blazers softball team. She is batting .525 this season with 21 RBIs. Gardner is a four-year letterman and was all-district last year. She is a hard worker with the respect of her teammates and a positive leader. Gardner's coach said she is a joy to work with and a positive influence on her school and community. She is a dedicated student, with a 3.8 GPA and enjoys her family, church and showing market steers.



Josh Castillo is a 16-year-old sophomore at Mesilla Valley Christian School. He plays on the Son Blazer football, basketball and baseball teams. Castillo is pitching 3-0 this season, with 59 strikeouts and only 13 hits. He has a positive attitude, is hard-working and calm under pressure. Castillo is a dedicated student, with a 3.5 GPA and is a leader on and off the field. He enjoys hiking, camping with family, loves to travel on summer vacations, watching and training for sports.



MESILLA VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

NMSU cheerleaders celebrate an Aggie touchdown at the 2016 Tough Enough to Wear Pink football game at Aggie Memorial Stadium.

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Tough enough to call it a day

'Pink' fundraising effort for cancer research to be discontinued

BULLETIN REPORT

After 10 years of fundraising for cancer research, dozens of awareness activities and a decade of pink Aggie football games, NMSU Aggies Are Tough Enough to Wear Pink organizers have announced their volunteer efforts will not continue in 2017.

"We've always known the life cycle of a volunteer effort such as ours is limited and we believe the completion of 10 years is a tremendous achievement," said TETWP Co-Chair Pat Sisbarro. "Since 2007 the efforts of countless volunteers and the generosity of this community have contributed almost \$5 million in cash and in-kind contributions to benefit breast cancer research and awareness efforts here in New Mexico."

In 2011, Cowboys for Cancer Research and NMSU Aggies are Tough Enough to Wear Pink announced a partnership to create a \$1.5 million endowment with the NMSU Foundation to support cancer research

at NMSU. That pledge was met a few years later and those funds will continue to support cancer research efforts.

"We owe so much to Pat Sisbarro, Laura Conniff and the other Tough Enough to Wear Pink Co-Chairs, including Magellia Boston, Mary Henson, Lynda Garcia and June Mumme," said NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers. "For the past 10 years, they've not just raised money for cancer research, they've also raised awareness for proper screenings and care. Our community is better off because of their tireless commitment."

"Since 2007, Cowboys for Cancer Research have provided us with organizational support for the work we've done and they've been the beneficiary of our fundraising efforts," said Conniff. "Going forward, we encourage the community to continue the impact and contribute directly to the TETWP/C4CR Cancer Research Endowment at the NMSU Foundation."

In recent years, a series of seed

grants were awarded to cancer researchers at NMSU to jump-start various projects. These benefited projects in chemistry, biochemistry, biology, chemical engineering and animal and range sciences.

Jeffrey Arterburn, a Regent's Professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, has led research efforts into drug therapies and in developing diagnostics that would be able to tell patients more about the type of tumor they have and to monitor the status of a tumor in response to therapy.

"Tough Enough to Wear Pink and Cowboys for Cancer Research have both helped support our initial efforts to explore these leads to develop new and improved drugs and diagnostics that could be used to enhance the treatment of breast cancer," Arterburn said. "It's been the most exciting science I have experienced and could imagine, and we hope this research will ultimately lead to new breakthroughs in cancer treatment."

Athletic physicals to be conducted for adolescents

BULLETIN REPORT

Southwest Sport & Spine Center will host comprehensive Sport Physicals Saturday, April 29, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Arrowhead Medical Park High School (NMSU Campus). The event is tailored to athletes that have had past injuries or want to play at the next level.

The event includes an NFL/Military level

physical exam with volunteer services provided by local health care providers and educators. Athletic trainers, physical therapists, kinesiologists, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, nurses, paramedics, primary care physicians, orthopedic surgeons and cardiologists are onsite to provide physicals.

"In the past nine years we have identified athletes involved in active concussion episodes, knee injuries requiring surgery, risk factors for diabetes, exercise-induced asthma, depression and most importantly two athletes who had serious precluding heart conditions," said David Gallegos of the Sport & Spine Center.

"Had the two athletes participated without the follow-up medical services they received, there is a chance they would not be with us today. Of course, we also identified athletes that needed extra fine-tuning to take their performance to the next level."

Education is a key component of the event, Gallegos said. "To address the common needs of the adolescent athlete, we include vendor booths with educational material and information on resources available in the community."

Registration is online at www.swsportand-spine.com. The cost is \$20, with \$10 donated back to the team/charity of choice. For more information, contact Gallegos at 575-521-4188.

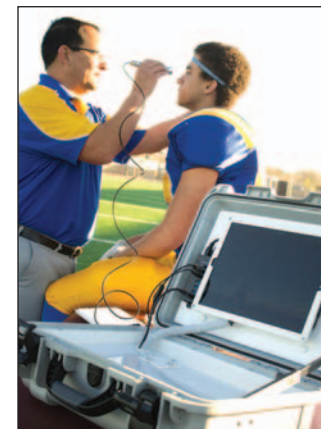


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Southwest Sport & Spine Center's David Gallegos runs a battery of tests on a Mesilla Valley Christian School football player.