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Fraser looks forward to NM visit

By ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH Las Cruces Bulletin

hen Brendan
Fraser came
to New Mexico
years ago, he remembers simplicity — a blue
sky spotted with white
clouds and red sand.

"Three primary beautiful colors," he said.

Although his previous visit was to Santa Fe, Fraser said he is looking forward to coming to Las Cruces to participate in the film festival and to talk to students at New Mexico State University.

"I like the spirit of the community supportive of the arts," he said of his previous visit to the Land of Enchantment. "There's a temperament among the people; it's¬ the best of what I like about the spirit of creativity."

Fraser said he is glad to see the Las Cruces In-



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ternational Film Festival screening "The Quiet American," which came out in 2002, in which he plays a lead role.

"I'm happy it's being screened," he said. "When it came out, it was not easy to release that movie."

In 2001, the test audience reaction was mixed, he said. And the next morning "it was immediately put on ice."

Studio executives didn't want to release a piece critical of American foreign policy.

But when a Washington

YOUR

Post writer saw the film at the Toronto Film Festival and wrote a review asking why they would want to keep the movie under wraps, things changed.

"Politically, it was a piece that got people's attention," Fraser said. "It was a movie that would have gone unnoticed if it had not been for a film festival. It would have gone unnoticed because some authority didn't want to ruffle feathers. Festivals count. I am really interested to see how it will be received by a socially conscious audience."

"The Quiet American" was shot mostly in Vietnam and partly in Australia under the direction of Australian Phillip Noyce. It's based on the book of the same name by Graham Greene.

"It had a strong meaningfulness given the basic story that Graham Greene wrote in the early 1950s," Fraser said. it's a work of literature that clearly predicted the events that unfolded as 150-some years of French colonialism came to a bloody end and American interests took over.

Fraser said the story takes place just before the French leave and the Americans arrive.

"I play a character who is as naive as the day is long — well-meaning and seemingly harmless," he said. "It was a period piece for sure, adapted by a finely accomplished screen writer and playwright (Christopher Hampton)."

Symbolically, three characters caught up in a love triangle, Thomas Fowler (Michael Caine), Phunog (Do Thi Hai Yen) and Alden Pyle (Fraser), also represent the times and fate of Vietnam itself.

Another critically acclaimed film starring
Fraser is on the LIFF
schedule. The movie
"School Ties" (1992) is one
of his first starring roles

and played a part in getting him nominated for the Chicago Film Critics Association "Most Promising Actor Award."

"School Ties" is set in the 1950s and about a star quarterback (Fraser) who is given an opportunity to attend an elite preparatory school but must conceal the fact he is Jewish.

Most recently Fraser played a part in Show-time's "The Affair." His four-episode, Season 3 dip into the series provided a view into another side of his talent as he plays a prison guard. A character he describes as "really interesting."

"There is a twist in the very last episode," Fraser said. "Not all may be as it seems – smoke and mirrors."

At home, Fraser has put his photography hobby on the back burner because his family keeps him busy. He is a proponent of film over digital medium

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Stormwater coalition plans public meetings

The South Central New Mexico Stormwater Management Coalition has scheduled four upcoming community meetings to discuss a variety of issues.

The meeting schedule is as follows:

March 16, 1:30 p.m. at the Doña Ana County Office of Emergency Management in Las Cruces to discuss emergency action plans and operation/procedure manuals for dams.

April 20, 1:30 p.m. at the New Mexico Department of Agriculture on the NMSU Campus to discuss funding possibilities for dam sponsors, maintenance, projects, required plans and preparedness manuals.

May 18, 1: 30 p.m. at the Village of Hatch Council Chambers to discuss an update on the Placitas Arroyo, Spring Canyon Dam, and other Hatch-area stormwater issues.

June 15, 1:30 p.m. at the Rincon Community Center to discuss the Rincon watershed and arroyo projects.

Doña Ana County Flood Commission Director Paul Dugie said the coalition was established to improve coordination and communication of stormwater management issues in southern New Mexico and Doña Ana County.

Stormwater management is planned, funded, and implemented independently by a variety of public agencies in multiple towns, cities, and districts throughout the region.

Recognizing that stormwater does not respect political boundaries, the coalition strives to meet the needs of the region through coordination and communication from a professional watershed management perspective.

The individual entities have collectively expressed their desire to coordinate efforts to identify existing problems relating to flood control within their jurisdictions and then to work toward formulating potential solutions to those problems.

The coalition has been instrumental in disseminating information and coordinating stormwater management solutions, Dugie said, adding that all meetings are open to the public.



Capital Outlay Projects

Doña Ana County Facilities crews are using legislative appropriations to make improvements to the bathrooms at the Doña Ana County Fairgrounds (left) and the Mesquite Skate Park (below). The Fairgrounds project totals about \$235,000, while the Mesquite project is just over \$187,000.

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Clerk's office purging inactive voter rolls

Following federal and state law, the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office is going through the process of purging voter registrations for people who have moved and have not voted since 2014.

If the state or the county has been notified by the post office that a voter physically moved from their place of residence before the 2014 General Elections, and the voter has not voted in any election since then, and has not registered again or updated their registration in Doña Ana County, then they are on the list to be purged.

"If you have not voted since 2014, we strongly urge you to check to see if you are on the purge list on our website www.dacelections.com," said Doña Ana County Clerk Scott A. Krahling. "If you are on the list, you will need to re-register to vote."

The purge process is required by federal and state

law, and is a transparent, methodical process that takes approximately 4 years from start to finish. During the process, efforts are made to inform voters to check their registration status so they can avoid being purged. Staff is in the final phase of the purge process.

Residents with a current New Mexico identification card or driver's license who are unregistered can process their registrations anytime on-line at the N.M. Secretary of State's website.

Alternatively, unregistered individuals can register at the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office at 845 N. Motel Blvd. in Las Cruces, during regular business hours.

A third option is to call the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office at (575) 647-7428 to request that a voter registration form be mailed. There is no postage necessary when returning a completed form by mail.

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Council approves renovation plan

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces City Council unanimously approved resolutions at its Feb. 21 meeting:

• Renovation of a 1.5-mile stretch of Valley Drive from Picacho Avenue to Avenida de Mesilla and a portion of Avenida de Mesilla between Valley Drive and Hickory Loop. The proposal includes 5-foot sidewalks, buffered bike lanes, 4-foot-wide parkways, and would give Organ and Hayner avenues full access to Valley Drive, said Interim City Public Works Director Louis Grijalva. Because Valley Drive is a state road, the New Mexico Department of Transportation will pay the entire \$14 million allocated for the project.

• Designating portions of two streets near the Las Cruces Public Schools Field of Dreams sports complex — on Tashiro Drive between north Valley Drive and north Motel Drive, and on Motel Boulevard between W. Picacho Avenue and Tashiro Drive — as "Coach Jim Bradley Championship Way."

Bradley was the longtime football coach at Mayfield High School. He died in 2015.

Under the memorial roadway designation approved by the council, there will be no changes to any street names or to any addresses.

Four highway signs will be placed on the two streets to mark the designation.

• The council adopted the city's new affordable housing plan, which puts the city in compliance with the state Affordable Housing Act to provide affordable housing for very low- and low-income residents.

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City survey seeks public input

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Las Cruces residents have a chance to participate in the third survey the City of Las Cruces has commissioned to receive opinions on community characteristics, the government of the city and your ability to participate in local city government decision making. Survey questions include how respondents would rate Las Cruces as a place to live, raise children, work and retire. Other topics include public safety, employment and housing opportunities.

Those who fill out the survey will remain confidential and the results will assist Las Cruces city government in planning for the future.

"What's exciting this year for us is the opportunity to open the survey to all the residents of Las Cruces," said Jamey Rickman, Council and **Constituent Services** coordinator, in a press release. Rickman said the past two times the survey was conducted, only a random sample of residents was selected to take the survey, which is common for this type of input instrument. However, this year, the company conducting the survey added an opt-in option in which anyone with access to a computer and the internet can participate.

"We are looking for your opinions on community characteristics, the government of the

city and your ability to participate in local city government decision making," Rickman said in the release, explaining that the survey asks questions about safety, mobility in the community, the natural environment, the built environment, the local economy, and opportunities for recreation, wellness, education. enrichment and community engagement.

The City of Las Cruces commissioned the survey from the National Research Center, a company that conducts similar surveys for municipalities throughout the country. The first survey was done in 2012-2013, and served to provide benchmark data of resident opinions. The second survey was conducted in 2014-2015. Both surveys can be found on the City's website at www.las-cruces.org with keyword search citizen survev.

Those who would like to participate in the survey but don't have a computer may use the computers at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.

Results of the 2016-2017 survey will be available later this year. The survey has been available since early January. The online survey will close on March 10. Anyone with questions about the surveys is encouraged to contact Rickman at 541-2192 or at jrickman@las-cruces.org.

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which he says is "more of an image requiring a digital device than an actual camera."

He used to have an actual darkroom and now his enlarger is mounted on his living room wall, he said.

"I like the feeling of a range finder formatted camera, like a Leica or a sturdy old camera like the Canon I had long ago," he said.

Today he just needs an extra refrigerator to keep his three boys fed, he said. Fraser's sons are 10, 12, and 14 and he looks forward with anticipation to every day with them.

"They are good boys and they have an amazing mom," he said.

In addition to being at LCIFF for the viewing of "The Quiet American," Thursday, March 9 at Allen Theatres Cineport 10, 705 S. Telshor Blvd., and the question-and-answer period following, Fraser is spending an hour talking with students at NMSU during the day.

"I am really looking forward to speaking with the students there," he said. "I'm hoping they will have challenging questions for me and I'm hoping I can help them with their process."

"School Ties" will also be screened at 4 p.m. "School Ties," at Cineport 10, followed by a discussion with Rabbis Larry Karol and Bery Schmukler.

The LCIFF takes place March 8-12 and offers hundreds of films of all lengths and types, as well as several industry workshops and award events with attending celebrities. Visit lciffest.com or see our official guide for more information. Special rates are available for students of all ages.

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What's your sign?

Protests, rallies reminiscent of 1960s

merica feels like the 1960s again. That era was filled with political activity. Protests and demonstrations were every-

People protested for civil



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

rights, against the Vietnam War, for women's liberation, and many other issues.

The right to peaceably assemble is a First Amendment right, and protests and

demonstrations have been used in this country since before its inception.

A valid question, as we've had a return to demonstrations nationally and locally, is, "Do they do any good?"

The answer, as for so many other human endeavors, is, "It depends on how you do it."

As we've seen throughout history, it's easy for demonstrations to unravel, and to turn violent, even when the point is to promote peace.

Seldom has a demonstration caused a direct action that solved the problem but, over time, they have a cumulative effect.

Protests did not specifically end the Vietnam War, or lead to Civil Rights legislation, but they played a big role in national awareness on those issues.

Las Cruces has seen a lot demonstration activity recently.

Saturday, Jan. 21, about 1,500 people participated in a women's march, a local offshoot of the Women's March on Washington. Valentine's Day saw a "Love Trumps Hate" walk on the New Mexico State University campus. The next day, Feb. 15, after people learned of local raids by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), several Las Crucens staged a protest rally downtown. Then, Feb. 24, critics of U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce staged a mock town hall protest outside his Las Cruces office.

Taking an overview of those four demonstrations, it may be overly simplistic, but it seems demonstrations that are "for" something go better than demonstrations "against" some-

The women's march and the love march were, by all accounts, peaceful and positive. People are still talking about how just a few dozen were expected for the women's

march, and it kept growing and growing.

There has been a lot of criticism of the Feb. 15 ICE protest because demonstrators blocked traffic and even sat in the street at some points. Thankfully, it did not turn violent, but it did create opportunity for people to get hurt. Las Cruces police, and specifically Chief Jaime Montoya, diplomatically and effectively defused the situation with minor incidents. However, the lasting impression of the protest was the traffic blocking, not the opposition to the ICE raid.

It is similar to football player Colin Kaepernick's sit-down of the national anthem. His sitdown dominated the discussion, not the issues he was trying to address.

The recent mock town hall for Pearce was meant to be sarcastic, funny and get attention. The action took place a few days after Pearce held a town hall via phone because he was not in Las Cruces during the recent Congressional recess. Someone donned a Pearce mask and stood in for the absent Congressman.

But is mocking people and playing "gotcha!" the best way to get people to listen to your point of view? The event was interesting and creative, but probably not effective in creating a dialogue with Rep. Pearce.

Maybe this is just a reflection of our times. Maybe people don't care anymore about a dialogue. Maybe they care more about putting something provocative on Facebook. Or maybe they have tried other ways at dialogue and failed. Probably a combination of those.

Of course, when you have a president who spent his whole campaign mocking people and playing "gotcha!" and continues those things in social media, maybe that sets the tone.

Public demonstrations are part of the American way, and constitutionally protected. Courts have ruled, though, that part of that protection includes planning with authorities beforehand, so public safety is preserved.

Demonstrations are one of many ways people can participate in the political process. Expect more of them the next four years. While they can go in unexpected directions and take a life of their own. Las Crucens can take a positive lead by making their protests safe and civil. By keeping them focused and organized, these demonstrations can make a difference.

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Take political fundraising out of immigration issues

"If you want to understand any problem in America, you need to look at who profits from that problem, not at who suffers from that problem."

-Amos Wilson

he immigration problems of the last thirty years are caused by politicians who profit from them. Both sides use immigration problems for fundraising with no intention of ever solving the problems.

No one knows what the immigration laws are any longer so people with legal status in our country and those without legal status have no idea what government agencies are going to do.

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they don't want to cure cancer. Again, probably not true but I hear that said.

It is true that when it comes to immigration reform, neither party wants to fix this broken

system since they are getting political contributions from frustrated citizens on every side of the dispute. More on that shortly.

But what is the controversy? The immigration laws of our country, specifically, the Immigration Reform and Control Act known as Simpson-Mazzoli Act enacted in November of 1986 is not being enforced. Some people think we need immigration reform while others think we should enforce the existing immigration laws.

What is the most unfair is that both political

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What's the value in a state organic program?

By BILLY HUNTSMAN

Las Cruces Bulletin

At the same time the New Mexico Organic Certification Program is facing funding difficulty, and talk is rampant about whether to cut the program entirely or impose more fees on farmers and so make already-expensive organic food more so for consumers, I find myself for the first time wondering whether the organic industry has any value.

Make no mistake: I detest organic food for the sole reason that it's upheld as healthier than its nonorganic counterparts, when there are ample studies and scientists, some cited by the British Broadcasting Company, others by Organic.org, that

say there is no definitive evidence that organic food is more nutritious.

What's more, even though there's no difference in its nutritional con-



HUNTSMAN

food is often more expensive and comes with its meaningless state Department of

tent, organic

Agriculture or U.S. Department of Agriculture labeling certifying it as organic.

A study in the Journal of Consumer Research recently found people to tend to think food is healthier when it's expensive, termed "the health halo of higher cost."

So, to recap: organic food is no more nutritious

than regular food, it's more expensive and so exclusionary to the lower classes, and cost-available only to the upper-middle and upper classes.

The state organic program, and on a larger scale the USDA's own organic program, should be abolished, right?

I used to think so.

But then I recently rewatched a fabulous documentary called "Food, Inc." Not until the end credits does the film reveal itself as pro-organic propaganda but the content of the film makes a strong case for the importance of the organic industry.

Food companies such as Tyson Chicken and the Monsanto Company, which produces, among other things, farming seeds and pesticides, as well as the North American Free Trade Agreement, signed into law by President Bill Clinton to allow reduced or altogether eliminated tariffs on imports and exports between the U.S., Canada and Mexico, have long had farmers and ranchers in a corner.

If you're an independent chicken farmer, odds are you'd be surrounded by farmers contracted by Tyson to produce for that company and you'd quickly go bankrupt because you wouldn't be able to sell your chickens because of how cheap the others around your farm are.

So, to survive, you must contract with Tyson, and you'll make only enough to subsist, not prosper, because you'll have to constantly update your chicken warehouse — not coop — and clean up the ample dead chickens that live in utterly black unsanitary conditions.

If you're a farmer who uses non-genetically engineered seeds (which I have no problem with, along with GMOs and pesticides), you're likely surrounded by other farmers who grow with Monsanto's patented genetically engineered seeds, which produce larger harvests than you're able to grow with your regular seeds.

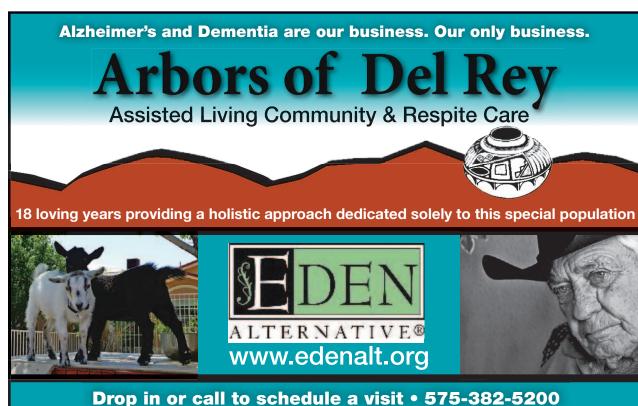
So, to save the farm, you contract with Monsanto and start growing with their seeds and your harvests are great, but every year you must buy expensive new seeds from Monsanto, instead of being able

to use the same seeds year after year as you can with regular seeds.

After realizing the cost, maybe you decide you don't want to farm with Monsanto anymore. If you try to go back to regular farming, Monsanto can sue you for intellectual property theft because your farm's soil has been altered with Monsanto's seeds. Or maybe the wind blew some of Monsanto's seeds from the farm next to yours onto your farm and Monsanto can sue you.

With the proliferation of such genetically engineered seeds, America started producing more food than we knew what to do with. That is until NAFTA went into effect.

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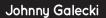
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parties have spent thirty years fundraising and not dealing with the immigration issues. Namely, there are millions of people in our country without legal status. This is the strategy of both parties to have millions of people who are uncertain of what our government is going to do.

Recently President
Trump started an effort
to deport people without
legal status who have committed felonies. Both political sides are showboating
the issue while millions
of people, heck, the entire
population of our country,
both those with legal status and those without legal
status have no idea what
will happen.

In a nation of laws, it is unconscionable to have

laws but not obey them. I don't blame the people in our country without legal status because both political parties have barked about the issue but only looked at it to get political contributions. We should either follow the laws, make more specific laws or amend the laws. We should never ignore our laws.

The political climate harms our nation in many ways. First, people without legal status often do not get the legal protection of our laws because they don't want to be involved in a legal system that will note that they are without legal status. Criminals often take advantage of these people because they rarely report crimes.

It is unfair to immigrants who followed the laws to gain legal status to have millions of people who are jumping the immigration lines. It is especially unfair to have immigration processes that often take more than ten years. We can send people to the moon and back safely, but we cannot operate an immigration system.

Yes, I know that it doesn't operate so that politicians can use the fear, uncertainty and doubt to drive their fundraising efforts. I see a whole lot of dysfunction that is intentional.

So, what to do? Obviously, stop using immigration issues for fundraising. We will never get viable solutions when "There's gold in them ills." I see three possible actions which will be opposed by the political animals because they will reduce fundraising.

First, before enacting immigration reform go back and see what was wrong with the 1986 Immigration Reform Act. Is it a problem of enforcement or wrong solutions? Second, endeavor to not have a shadow society since that isn't good for anyone except politicians. Finally, find ways to have win win solutions instead of the normal political one side wins while the other side loses.

I often say to never use a political solution for a non-political problem, be it education, the military, the economy or immigration. Finally, the political trolls on both sides who only want to call people names and make our society unpleasant, they cannot be part of any solution. We must make our society better despite the actions of our fundraising politicians.

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Then we started exporting the extra food, namely corn.

We exported massive amounts of corn and other produce to Mexico and put independent Mexican farmers out of business. Corporations like those listed above and others moved in, seeing the opportunity for cheap exploitative labor.

And some of the Mexicans took the jobs they were offered, working in hideously unsanitary, dangerous conditions for cents a day, while others moved north looking for work,

eventually crossing the border to find decent farm work. And naturally some got picked up by Border Patrol or Immigration and Customs Enforcement and imprisoned or deported.

Traditional food and agricultural manufacturers have essentially monopolized the non-organic food industry, thus giving rise to the organic phenomenon. Organic farming tenants include not using genetically engineered or modified seeds, such as Monsanto's, and raising livestock in open, lighted, sanitary conditions, unlike Tyson's mandates for its contractors.

At its naissance, organic

farming was a revolt to corporate farming, so that farmers and workers could earn decent livings. Somewhere along the way, to increase revenue, organic food started marketing itself as healthier.

So now I'm split: I hate what organic food has become, but I see its essentiality to keeping people from being little more than slaves to corporations.

At the end, I must say continuing funding to the state organic program is vital.

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Disrespecting the arts

To the editor:

This proposed takeover of the Rio Grande Theatre is disrespectful to all the musicians, artists, other arts organizations and art supporters in Las Cruces. The

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way it is being handled by the new city manager, the Convention and Visitors Bureau, and who knows who else, discredits the work of the Doña Ana Arts Council for another organization's gain.

At the last city council work session, the city manager seemed to be reaching for ways to make the DAAC look financially irresponsible. When in fact, the problem was with the city accounting departments.

The two organizations' missions are totally different. The Convention and Visitors Bureau is under the Economic Development Department of the city, and its mission is to promote the benefits of a city to the outside world, bringing conventions, conferences, events and meetings, supporting hotels, motels, events and venues, and working with community groups to create event packages to bring an outside audience into the city.

The mission of an arts council is to promote and support the performing and visual arts and artists of a city through concerts, theatre, exhibitions, workshops and education. Its audience primarily comes the city and its surrounding communities.

I attended Bob Burns' memorial service that packed the Rio Grande Theatre. I wonder what this extraordinary musician, mentor and humanitarian would think about this proposal for a takeover. He loved the Rio Grande. I don't think he would approve of this plan to take it away from the Arts Council.

What does this say to the large arts community? I can't help feel the arts are being made to feel insignificant in the economic development process in Las Cruces.

I implore the mayor and the entire council to look at both missions, their record of accomplishments and their motives, before you make this important decision. If this can happen to the Dona Ana Arts Council, it can happen to other organizations.

> Jack LeSage, President Las Cruces Arts Association

Retain Arts Council

To the editor:

I am concerned about the arts and the quality of life in Las Cruces and the benefits of having a performing arts venue downtown. Art should be a prominent feature in any city. It attracts new people and new business to the area, bringing in much needed dollars. The

and cents, but the results of art and art-related venues will be realized by the additional gross receipts tax generated from increased use.

I am concerned about the fate of the Rio Grande Theatre. There has been much discussion and public

actual quality of life cannot be measured in dollars

I am concerned about the fate of the Rio Grande Theatre. There has been much discussion and public outcry about the theater and the Dona Ana Arts Council's management. The Arts Council has extensive experience in running the theater and should be allowed to continue to do so. No other organization or city department that I know of has any experience in the operation of a theater.

Jim Vorenberg Las Cruces

Save the trees

To the editor:

As a resident of North Miranda Street of the Alameda District neighborhood, also fondly known as "Mirandaville," I am very concerned that a new design being considered by our city government for our Pioneer Women's Park does not allow for the existence of our 100-year-old trees that beautify our historical neighborhood, give it its unique pastoral character and connect us to our community's beginnings.

We must have our ancient trees for they are a part of our history. These trees are my neighbors. I have known and loved them for 25 years. They are the reason I live in this neighborhood. Their shade and their connection to the past are what make it possible for me to cope with the searing Las Cruces summers. Newly planted trees cannot provide these benefits.

It is important that our school children can walk under ancient trees. Where else can they see a tree trunk five feet in diameter and know the awe of looking up into those branches? Those are the same tree trunks that have kept reckless cars out of the park and safeguarded our children. The owls and Cooper Hawks need those trees. We all need the shade and safety, oxygen and sanctuary these grand trees provide.

I know some of the trees are dead. But not every tree that you have marked to be taken down is dead. They give us faith that the natural world can persevere in an urban environment. To kill them is just plain wrong.

> Lamaia Vaughn Las Cruces

Disappointed in column

To the editor:

It was rather disheartening to read A Caucasian-American's Pet Peeve (Bulletin, Feb. 10) in which you spelled out your logic dictating that "Blacks are technically 'uncolored people,' Mexicans are 'partially colored people' and white people – shock! – are the true 'colored people.'

Disheartening, but not surprising.

You see, I was born into a world in which those who look like you were compelled to label those who look like me. It was just one method dominant groups use



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to control, disparage and discourage those they considered less than.

According to my birth certificate, my mother was a "negress" and I was born "coloured."

As a child, I watched — confused and helpless — as a group of blonde, blue-eyed girls danced around me singing a song about how I was an "nword."

As a teen, I learned to "say it loud, I'm black and I'm proud."

As an adult, I was called into the office of my editor more than once to be told that I was being underpaid because it had been their belief that those who look like me couldn't possibly understand the English language well enough to do a good job until I

proved them wrong.

I can't tell you how many times I've been spat on, called the n-word and told I don't know my place; or worse. Yet, I do not allow other people's labels to dictate who and what I am.

As my dear husband points out, when you know someone loves you, they can say just about anything and you don't take offence. When you don't know someone loves you, even a well-meaning "uncolored person" can be perceived wrongly.

I don't know you.

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Deborah Rodgers Las Cruces

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BULLETIN REPORT

The deadline to submit nominations for Ngage New Mexico's their annual Champions of Education awards is Wednesday, March 22.

Champions will be recognized in four categories: educators, students, community members from non-education sectors who have made contributions to education, and groups collaborating on education initiatives.

Previous honorees include Dr. Michael Morehead, Victoria Fisk, Jonah O. Garcia, Blanca Adriana Ontiveros and Monica S. Duarte Peña.

NgageNM provides logistical support for the SUCCESS! Partnership of Doña Ana County education initiative, which is working to "bring together representatives from all sectors to discuss mutual goals on how education can be improved," according to ngagenm.org.

"The SUCCESS! Partnership is now focusing on early childhood education and community schools," said Ngage Assistant Director David Greenberg.

Visit www.ngagenm.org/ champions-for-education-2017-nomination-form for a nomination form. The form must be completed and submitted online, emailed to info@NgageNM.org or mailed to Ngage NM, 3880 Foothills Rd Ste. A, Las Cruces, NM 88011.



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Future homeowners visit Habitat for Humanity houses

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Five Las Cruces families who will soon become first-time homeowners—thanks to Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity (MVHH)—were able to visit their homes on Saturday, Feb. 25, as construction nears completion on five houses off Wendall Road on the East Mesa.

The families have hundreds of hours of sweat equity invested in the homes, which is part of their down payment, said MVHH Executive Director Maria Vasquez.

Getting a new home through MVHH is "awesome, amazing," said Victor Ojeda.

"There are no words; we're just so grateful," said his wife, Delilah Ojeda.

The couple were visiting their home with children Chris, Ellahdy and Eli.

Most of the construction is done by Habitat for Humanity volunteers from across the United States.

"MVHH depends highly on the volunteer work of many local and national volunteers, like Habitat For Humanity Care-A-Vanners, to carry out its mission," Vasquez said. "The amount of hours, hard work and love make these more than houses; it makes them homes."

Volunteers Jon and Greta Boyer of Mammoth Lake, California, were making their second recent trip to Las Cruces to work on the houses. The couple have been married for 44 years and are in their third year as Habitat for Humanity volunteers.

Construction began on the five homes in October and should be completed in March, Vasquez said. Volunteers put in about 5,000 hours to construct each house, she said.

When the five houses are complete, MVHH will have built 110 homes over the past 29 years.

During the 28 years since it has been active in Las Cruces, MVHH has constructed 101 homes, and five more are already in the planning stages for next year, she said. Every family that has received a home through MVHH

still owns it, and four of this year's soon-to-be homeowners are single mothers.

Qualifying homeowners are selected based on economic need, ability to pay their share of the costs and willingness to help with the construction, Vasquez said.

Each participating family makes a \$500 down payment on the house and pays \$500 a month on a long-term, low-interest mortgage. To qualify, families must have a steady source of income, which could include a job, Social Security payments – "anything that's going to be steady," she said.

Most MVHH homes are 1,200 square feet and have



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Corina Hursey, left, and son Joseph, 9, are the future homeowners of Habitat home #106. Alongside them is MVHH Executive Director Maria Vasquez.

three bedrooms, although MVHH has built some four- and five-bedroom homes for larger families, Vasquez said. MVHH is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. It also has individual and corporate sponsors.

You can visit the MVHH ReStore at 2301 S. Main St. The ReStore "is a building and personal materials reuse and surplus center open to the public," according to a ReStore brochure. It welcomes donations of new and used items, and you can also make a cash donation to MVHH. The store is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

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State courts 'crisis' averted until end of year

By BILLY HUNTSMAN

Las Cruces Bulletin

Lt. Gov. John Sanchez. acting in place of Gov. Susana Martinez, who traveled to Washington. D.C. for a national governors meeting, on the night of Feb. 23 signed House Bill 261 into law on request by the governor, giving New Mexico courts \$1.6 million in emergency funding and averting the crisis some involved in the judiciary branch had predicted.

Martinez had previously vetoed two other funding proposals sent to her by the legislature and left lawmakers and the state concerned about the fate of the court system, which predicted it

would run out of funding for jury trials one month from the beginning of February.

HB261 provides \$80,000 from the state general fund to the New Mexico Supreme Court, with the condition that any remainder shall be given back to the general fund at the end of FY2017.

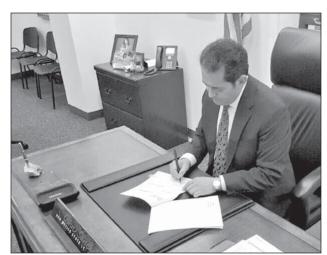
Another \$800,000 will be appropriated from the fund to be given to the administrative office of the courts, alleviating fears of employee furloughs. Another \$37,100 will be given to the 12th Judicial Court.

The bill's sponsors, Rep. Nate Gentry (R-Bernalillo), Rep. Zachary J. Cook (R-Ruidoso), Speaker of the House

Sen. Brian Egolf (D-Santa Fe), and Rep. Daniel A. Ivey-Soto (D-Bernalillo), wrote into the legislation that "It is necessary for the public, peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately."

Marci Beyer, Third Judicial District judge in Las Cruces, and Senate Majority Leader Peter Wirth (D-Santa Fe) predicted New Mexico falling into crises if the courts were to lose funding.

"For the third time, Gov. Martinez now has rejected the Administrative Office of the Court's urgent warnings that it will run out of money to pay jurors in one month's time," Wirth said in a statement after Martinez's second veto. "Make no mistake, there will be severe consequences resulting from the governor's irresponsible veto of more than \$800,000 that the legislature passed in House Bill 1 (HB 1) to fund juries across our



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Lt. Gov. John Sanchez signs HB261 into law.

state. As a former prosecutor, Gov. Martinez knows better."

Bever elaborated on the nature of the current crises in the courts. Because of budget constraints, Beyer said too few judges handling too many cases, public defenders are underpaid and overburdened, and loss of funding would mean the closing of drug courts,

which act as "diversion programs" to keep people from incarceration, overpopulated prisons and the potential release of dangerous individuals.

Serious cases are often reduced to less serious, even minor transgressions, to keep the whole system moving, Beyer said, adding that, "Prosecutors don't have time to prepare good cases for prosecution."

Judges in New Mexico's two criminal courts (the Metropolitan and the U.S. District) typically hear 25 cases a day each, with six district attorneys to prosecute the plaintiffs.

Releasing people guilty

of serious crimes but who have pled to a lesser offense "is not a good protection of society," Beyer

"I've had public defenders who have come in the first day of a trial and met their client for the very first time," she said. "Who suffers? The people who are arrested, put in detention centers, and then a year later the DA gets around to looking at their case and decides it's not a good case (to prosecute)."

Despite bickering between members of the legislature, who accused Martinez of not acting in a timely manner to the situation of the court's budget constraints, and Martinez accusing the legislators working on the funding proposal of not being austere enough in their budgeting, Gentry issued a statement after the passage of HB261 congratulating the legislators and Sanchez for finding a solution in "a collegial manner."

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VP brings athletics background to Greater Chamber

By ALTA LeCOMPTE

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce has adopted a new focus on development and recruited Mississippi State University Associate Athletic Director Kyle Merhege to lead the ef-

Merhege said he's a "local boy" glad to be home again.

"It's nice to wake up every morning and see the Organ Mountains," he said.

Merhege has taken the newly created position vice president for development at the Greater Chamber.

"Debbi (Chamber President and CEO Debbi Moore) spoke to me the first part of November, telling me she had a potential opening that could be a good fit for me," Merhege said. "She was new to Las Cruces and changing some things about the chamber — making it more of an investment in the community and its members.

"The chamber is investing to promote business growth and growth

in the local economy. We want to establish a better overall presence in the community."

Merhege said one of the chamber executives' goals is to have people come up to them and say, "We see you everywhere."

Investing in the future

Moore and Merhege will position chamber membership as an investment, with customized returns on members' investments.

Merhege said the chamber will actively promote the success and growth of participating businesses - and the chamber wants them to feel a sense of pride in their investment.

"My main focus will be fundraising, investment and community relations," he said. "To me, building relationships is the No. 1 reason to be successful in any type of fundraising. You have to develop long-term relationships with people and once you develop relationships, both people will have confidence with the giving process."

The basic membership rate for newly recruited

small businesses has gone up from \$250 to \$300 a year and businesses can buy in to the chamber at a range of higher

"We have tweaked all levels and some of the associated benefits," he said. "Our goal is to provide what fits them. We want every business to tell us what they want and how we can participate in their success. The fun of it is figuring out what's best for them."

Merhege said the chamber is developing "a lot of a la carte options" for members.

Chamber leadership a team effort

Those who invest will be asked to commit their time and talents as well as their treasure, Merhege said.

"Board membership has increased, and ideally we would like the board to be active promoting the mission and vision of the chamber," Merhege said. "They're all very well aware they're going to be a true working board and our expectations will be very high for them."

Also sharing in the leadership role will be



Meet Kyle Merhege

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- Associate director for fundraising, Mississippi State University
- Assistant director for development, New Mexico State University

EDUCATION:

- Bachelor's degree, business and finance, NMSU
- Mesilla Valley Christian School

- Twin, Kevin Merhege
- Sister, Lindsay Merhege
- Parents, Julie and Brad Merhege

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members of the Membership Advisory Council, a new group created by Moore and headed by Janet Acosta.

Council members will focus on member retention and maintain frequent contact with members, Merhege said.

A sporting career

Merhege said his participation in sports began at the age of 2 or 3 when he started playing golf with his twin brother,

Kevin, now a vice president with WestStar Bank in Las Cruces.

He said the brothers began playing when their father, Brad Merhege, took up the game. Brad Merhege went

on to coach the Mesilla Valley Christian School golf team, the first from that school to win a state championship. The twins played on the 2005 team.

Throughout his college years, Merhege worked in the athletics department at NMSU.

When he graduated. the department had a full-time job for him.

Following his stint as assistant athletic director for development at NMSU, he left Las Cruces for three years to serve as associate athletic director with Mississippi State University.

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Community Foundation awards grant to Roadrunner Food Bank

By COURTNEY LOPEZ

For the Bulletin

In New Mexico, 30-40 percent of children are at risk of hunger. Many children in our schools rely on subsidized school meals, and a common misconception is that this school meal program addresses all child hunger needs. The reality is that children and their entire family unit go without



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food or skip meals during evenings, weekends, the summer months and holidays.

Roadrunner Food Bank is providing assistance to families through its "Childhood Hunger Initiative" with support from the Com-

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Southern New Mexico. The Community Foundation awards grants to nonprofit organizations in southern New Mexico through its Wellness Fund annually. The Wellness Fund was created with the intention of making projects/programs positively impacting maternal/child well-being in our

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Roadrunner Food Bank is aiding families through its "Childhood Hunger Initiative" with support from the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico.

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MEET THE COLUMNIST

Environmental Services

Lopez connects people to causes that are important to them

By SUSIE OUDERKIRK

Las Cruces Bulletin

"Anyone can participate in philanthropy,"

said Courtney Lopez, who writes a monthly piece for the Community Foundation, where she serves as the assistant director for development and communication. "Connecting people who care with causes that matter is what we do."

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After graduating from New Mexico State University with a four-year degree in communication studies, Lopez continued her education with a master's degree in educational administration, with a focus on higher education.

"I began my career as an assistant development officer for the NMSU College of Business in 2012 and then served as the Community and Alumni Relations Coordinator for the NMSU College of Health and Social Services before assuming my current role with the Community Foundation," she said. "I couldn't be more grateful for this opportunity to work for an organization that positively impacts our New Mexico in meaningful ways."

Originally from Clovis, New Mexico, Lopez is the daughter of a physical education teacher and coach (Kathy) at Yucca Middle School. Her grandparents, LJ and Rosie, are lifelong Clovis residents who retired from BNSF Railway and Clovis Municipal Schools, respectively.

Lopez feels blessed to be working with the Community Foundation.

"It's really incredible to be a part of such meaningful work. The generosity of individuals in our region is inspiring and

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Residents held rally, mock town hall meeting outside Pearce's office

By BILLY HUNTSMAN

Las Cruces Bulletin

About 100 people turned out for a rally and mock town hall meeting held outside New Mexico Congressman Steve Pearce's Las Cruces office, 570 N. Telshor Blvd., at noon Feb. 24.

The participants, many holding signs asking "Where's Pearce?" and criticizing the Republican congressman's political decisions, as well as his relationship with President Donald Trump, were members of Indivisible, a national advocacy group that opposes "the Trump agenda," said Tony Martinez, who founded Las Cruces' chapter on Jan. 12.

Participants, while mainly from Las Cruces, were also from Ruidoso, Silver City, Truth or Consequences, Hillsboro, Alamogordo, Socorro and Los Lunas.

The rally and fake town hall meeting were held in response to a "failure of Steve Pearce to communicate face to face with his constituents even once during Congress's Recess Week of Feb. 18-25 ... a time specifically set aside for congress people to return home to listen to their constituents' concerns," said Diana Tittle, communications manager, in a press release for Indivisible – Truth or Consequences.

Addressing complaints of inaccessibility, Keeley Christiensen, Pearce's press secretary, said the congressman has been and is currently traveling throughout Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Africa as part of a U.S. delegation.



PHOTOS BY BILLY HUNTSMAN

A participant in Friday's rally holds up a sign urging Congressman Steve Pearce to come talk with his constituents face to face outside his office at noon, Feb. 24.

"Rep. Pearce is going to some of the most unstable parts of the world as part of his official obligation as chairman of the new House Financial Services Subcommittee on Terrorism and Illicit Finance," she said.

Nonetheless, Pearce's absence has rubbed some of his constituents the wrong way.

"Constituents have been visiting Rep. Pearce's office weekly since mid-January in an attempt to meet with Pearce but have not been successful," said Linda Harris, communications manager for Las Cruces' Indivisible chapter.

Indivisible members have wanted to voice their concerns and urge Pearce to disavow his support for Trump, but their efforts have met no success, Martinez said.

"President Trump is not a populist president, he lost the popular vote," Martinez said. "He is not representative of the majority of the American people and he represents an agenda that we do not support."

Indivisible's chapters are working so that, in two years, when congressional elections come up, those who support Trump, such as Pearce, will be voted out of office, Martinez said.

"We will make a change," Martinez said.

Since November when Indivisible was established, more than 7,000 chapters have started throughout the country, with at least two in each state's congressional districts, Martinez said. There are 18 Indivisible chapters in Pearce's District 2 alone.

Tittle said "a monkey wrench" was thrown into the rally's efforts at Pearce's office on Friday because signs prohibiting political rallies were erected on the private property in which the congressman's office is located.

These signs were not on the property prior to Indivisible's gathering at Pearce's office on Feb. 16, in response to a town hall meeting held via telephone from Pearce's Washington, D.C. office.

While more than 10,000 people participated in this telephone meeting, a press release from Pearce's office said, Indivisible members were not satisfied and wanted to meet with Pearce face to face.

The Feb. 16 gathering was "to deliver letters requesting a public meeting with the congressman," Harris said, rather than a protest or rally.

One participant at the Feb. 24 rally was overheard as saying, "This is not a political protest, we only want to meet with our congressman."

The signs prohibiting political rallies on the property necessitated the participants to park outside of the property. Security guards ensured the participants were outside the property, along the sidewalk beside North Telshor. The fake town hall meeting took place in the street ending in a culde-sac beside the private property.

Tittle said she was concerned that Pearce's office was located on private property, effectively inhibiting dissatisfied constituents' right to gather at a publicly elected official's office.

Speaking on behalf of the property owners, a man named Michael (who would not give his last name) said the property owners were happy the Indivisible members had come to "exercise your rights."

"Not all of us agree with each other, but thank you so much for you guys being respectful," Michael said. "I know it was unexpected for you guys not being able to park in the parking lot. We were here just to maintain flow, to assist the businesses that are already in this building."

Following the rally in front of Pearce's office, the participants gathered on a side street near Pearce's office and acted out a town hall meeting in which someone pretending to be Pearce fielded mock questions from the audience.

Billy Huntsman can be reached at billy@lascrucesbulletin.com, whuntsman93@gmaill.com or at @billy_huntsman on Twitter.



NFL Hall of Famer to visit LC for Henson breakfast

BULLETIN REPORT

NFL Hall of Famer Andre Reed will serve as the guest speaker for the Ninth Annual Lou & Mary Henson Community Breakfast. The breakfast, which benefits the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces, will be held Thursday, April 13 at 7 a.m. at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Since 2009 this event has brought prominent keynote speakers, such as Reed, a former Boys & Girls Club member from Allentown, Pennsylvania, to Las Cruces in support of the club.

Reed ranks 12th in NFL history in total career recep-

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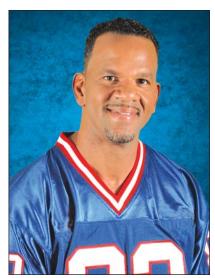
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For more information 575.522.1938 nmsu.alr@gmail.com dacc.nmsu.edu/alr tions with 951. He played for 16 NFL seasons, 15 with the Buffalo Bills (1985–1999) and one with the Washington Redskins in 2000 when he retired. After being eligible for eight years, Reed was selected for the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2014.

Off the field, he established the Andre Reed Foundation in 2010 to help underprivileged children become



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responsible contributors to their communities.

For Reed's on the field and off the field efforts, he was inducted into Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Hall of Fame in 2015 together with singer Trey Songz and several others. He volunteers his time as an am-

bassador for Boys & Girls Club kids, whose hall of fame honor he shares alongside the likes of Denzel Washington, Jennifer Lopez, Magic Johnson, and many more club alumni.

Over the years, the breakfast has become the signature event for the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces and the prime opportunity for community giving, with ongoing support from the Hensons.

"We are extremely grateful for the tremendous support of Coach Henson and Mary, who have become a part of our club's extended family," said Executive Director Ashley Echavarria. "Our club has had incredible success over the past few years, and all of that is owed to the generosity of our community and people like the Hensons who truly believe in our mission and the work we do with young people. Andre Reed is just one more testament to the work that we do in clubs across the country, and we are thrilled to welcome him to Las Cruces to hear his story."

Sponsorships for the breakfast event are available and individuals are welcome (reservations required). All sponsors are invited to attend an exclusive VIP reception the night before with the Hensons and Andre Reed.

For more information about the Boys & Girls Club, call 575-526-1519 or visit www.bgclasruces.org.

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Officer cleared in Jan. 24 shooting

BULLETIN REPORT

The investigation into the Jan. 24 shooting of a knife-wielding man at the Solano Square shopping center is complete and the Third Judicial District Attorney's Office has concluded that the Las Cruces Police officer's actions were justified.

The shooting resulted in the death of 29-year-old Jeremy Lopez-Robledo who was armed with a folding knife. Robledo was wanted by the U.S. Marshal's Office for violating terms of his probation. A warrant was issued for his arrest and he was located by a U.S. Marshals task force shortly after 11 a.m. on Jan. 24 near the shopping center. The task force included two officers from the Las Cruces Police Department.

As officers tried to make contact with Robledo, the suspect led officers on a brief foot pursuit.

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Miss Las Cruces, others crowned

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Taylor Rey is Miss Las Cruces 2017, and Abrianna Morales has been chosen 2017 Miss Picacho Hills Outstanding Teen.

The two qualified for their titles earlier this year, said Miss New Mexico Scholarship Organization Executive Director Greg Smith (no relation to Las Cruces Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith) of Portales.

Rey and Morales will begin their reign March 18. Rey and Morales will compete for Miss New Mexico and Miss New Mexico's Outstanding Teen, re-

Previous winners

- 2016 Miss Las Cruces, Faith Analies Cortez
- 2016 Miss Doña Ana County, Isabella Morrow
- 2016 Miss Las Cruces' Outstanding Teen, Abrianna Morales.

To sign up for the local competition, visit www.missnewmexico.org and click on the Miss Mesilla Valley, Doña Ana County, Southern New Mexico online entry form link.

For more information, contact Holcomb at 575-932-9041 or brandi.holcomb7@gmail.com.

For information on being a pageant sponsor or volunteer, contact Holcomb at 575-932-9041 or contact Smith at missnewmexico@yucca.net.

spectively, the week of June 12-18 at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, Smith said.

Whoever is crowned Miss New Mexico will then compete for the title of Miss America later this year.

Rey is a 2013 graduate of Las Cruces High School and 2013 Miss Las Cruces. She is a senior at Oklahoma City University pursuing a bachelor's degree

in music. Rey is currently preparing for her senior recital at OCU. She is on the OCU president's list because of her high GPA.

Rey has been chosen to participate in a second Broadway showcase. Last November, she performed with Tony- and Emmy-award winning actress Kristin Chenoweth during the closing performance of Chenoweth's show, "My Love Letter to Broadway" at the Lunt-Fontanne Theatre in New York City.

The 2018 Miss Las Cruces and Outstanding Teen will be chosen Saturday, March 18, at the 2017 Miss Las Cruces Scholarship Pageant at 5 p.m. at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts. Tickets to the pageant are \$20 each for those 13 and older, \$10 for NMSU students with valid ID and free for children ages 12 and under. Tickets will be available at the door the day of the show.

During the pageant, "the titles of Miss Mesilla Valley, Miss Doña Ana Count and Miss Southern New Mexico in both the teen and miss divisions will be available, plus many other titles," Smith said.

New director

The new local director of Miss Las Cruces is Brandi Holcomb, who teaches family and consumer

science at Camino Real Middle School.

Holcomb was Miss Otero County 2014 and competed in the 2015 Miss New Mexico Pageant, where she was a top five competitor, Smith said.

Holcomb said she is honored to work with the local pageant, and encouraged "all young ladies to give this a thought because this is such an amazing opportunity. I would not be who I am today without this program," Holcomb said.

Holcomb said she earned a scholarship from the competition that helped her further her education at NMSU.

And it's not just a beauty competition,

Holcomb said. To succeed in pageant interviews, "you have to be very articulate, know current events; you have to be educated, which really makes our girls stand out," she said. "These girls are brilliant. That was something that this pageant taught me."

The skills exhibited during the talent portion of the competition are very wide ranging, Holcomb said. They include everything from singing and dancing to volleyball and nursing.

Being in the competition also helped Holcomb get in the best physical shape of her life, she said. "They gave me that time to become a healthy individual," she said. "I have never been as healthy as I am now."

During the competitions, girls also develop lifelong



Miss Las Cruces is Brandi Holcomb, who teaches family and consumer science at Camino Real Middle School. Brandi Holcomb was Miss Otero County in 2014.

friendships, and help each competitor become "a

very well-rounded young woman," Holcomb said.

leading advocate for women's education and the

"The Miss America organization is the nation's

largest provider of scholarship assistance to young

women in the United States, awarding millions of

dollars annually," Smith said. "It provides young

women an opportunity to further their personal

and professional goals and instill a spirit of com-

munity service through a variety of unique, local

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Taylor Rey is Miss Las Cruces 2017. She will go on to compete for Miss New Mexico later this year.

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having the opportunity to witness the lives that are touched and positively changed is beyond rewarding," she said.

She started writing the Community Foundation column for the Bulletin when she took the job as assistant director for development and communication in November of 2015.

Her job challenges her to find philanthropists who want to donate money and hook them up with organization and individuals who need help.

"Being aware of donor interest is so important because we're able to serve as a philanthropic vehicle when we can help align those interests with community needs," Lopez said. In 2016, the foundation had a donor wanting to make a gift but wasn't sure what he wanted his gift to support. "Knowing that he has had a longtime interest in helping improve the lives of individuals who are blind or visually impaired was important because we also knew that there was an existing need at the New Mexico School

Courtney Lopez

Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico

AGE: 27

CURRENT LOCATION: Las Cruces, New Mexico

EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree in communication studies (double-minored in journalism and marketing)

MASTER'S DEGREE: in educational administration, focus on higher education

FAVORITE QUOTATION: "Let your faith be bigger than your fear"

for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NMSBVI)."

Foundation staff had been informed throughout the course of a year that many children lose their glasses or break them but their insurance won't cover another pair.

"For low-income families, this could mean that their child would suffer until insurance eligibility allowed for a replacement," Lopez said, so she helped the donor create what is called the Eye Glass Fund.

"Children who are visually impaired, associated with the NMSBVI, are eligible to apply to this fund when they need glasses. Monies from the fund are awarded to cover the costs associated with the purchase," she said.

In addition to finding funds and getting them distributed to those in need, Lopez enjoys yoga, traveling, and managing her fashion and lifestyle blog, "somewhere southwest," with assistance from her faithful and adorable four-year-old wire-haired Jack Russell Terrier, Bentley.

Lopez reminds Bulletin readers that the Community Foundation can help anyone and everyone fulfil charitable goals.

"If you're interested in supporting the arts, feeding the hungry, expanding literacy, providing scholarships, improving health —among countless other causes in southern New Mexico— we can help," she said.

Lopez's column for the Community Foundation runs on the fourth week of each month.

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Robledo was armed with a folding knife and was swinging it toward the officers in an aggressive manner. The officers created distance, and Frias drew and fired his sidearm striking Robledo four times. Robledo was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead shortly after arrival.

The investigation revealed, through video and independent eye witnesses, that Robledo had the knife in his hand in an aggressive and threatening manner from the onset of contact with the officers.

Shortly after the incident, Frias was placed on administrative leave which is standard protocol. He has since returned to regular duty. Frias has been an officer with LCPD since 2008.

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region possible. In 2016, Roadrunner Food Bank received a Wellness Fund grant from the Community Foundation in the amount of \$15,000 to support the acquiring and distributing of food to its partner schools in southern New Mexico in 2017.

The Childhood Hunger Initiative brings a combination of hunger relief services to about 80 schools statewide. The initiative provides schools with a monthly mobile food pantry, an on-site food pantry located inside the school,

and/or backpacks filled with food in emergency situations and during times when school is not in session.

"This program allows us to bring food into schools, right where people are already congregating," shared Sonya Warwick, Roadrunner Food Bank communications officer.

In recent years, Roadrunner Food Bank revamped its services and outreach, and transitioned from their Food for Kids backpack program, that supplied backpacks filled with food to elementary schools for over a decade, to the Childhood Hunger Initiative. The former program provided weekend food placed in a backpack or a bag for children to take home on Friday afternoons. One

reason the new model was adopted is because entire families or multiple children were sharing food meant to feed a small child over two days.

When asking what could be done differently and what more could be done, Roadrunner Food Bank leadership found the answer to be quite simple. Through the Childhood Hunger Initiative, the organization would impact the lives of children of all ages and their families, and no longer only focus on elementary schools.

"What we've realized is that child hunger is family hunger," said Warwick.

By providing food to the entire family unit, Roadrunner Food Bank is helping ensure that hungry children will have a consistent source of meals. In a state that ranks among the worst for childhood hunger, it is important to find new ways to bring more food to hungry children and their families.

And it's not just about bringing more food to these individuals, it's about providing healthy food options as well.

"This program allows us to introduce nutritious foods, specifically produce, into the diets of the individuals we serve," said Warwick. "Long gone are the days that food banks are providing only canned goods."

This is important because 75 percent of hungry people report purchasing inexpensive, unhealthy food as the most common way to have at least some food to eat. "Short of reaching the ultimate long-term goal of completely ending childhood hunger in New Mexico, our goals are to provide the food needed in a safe, accessible location so we can ensure families and children are getting the much needed nutrition to learn, work, and live full and healthy lives," said Alissa Barnes, Roadrunner Food Bank Director of Community Initiatives.

The Community Foundation is proud to support programs through its Wellness Fund that are addressing even a portion of the child population affected by hunger.

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



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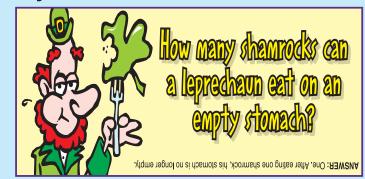
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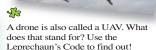
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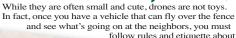


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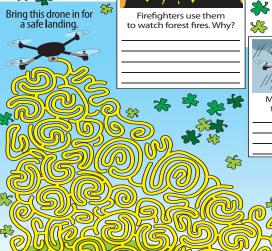
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Youth bowling: Leagues ongoing, 1 p.m. Sundays, Ten Pin Alley, 1201 E. Amador Ave., through April 30. Las Cruces USBC invites youth ages 6-20 to join bowling leagues. Info: Linda Goff, 575-642-6054.

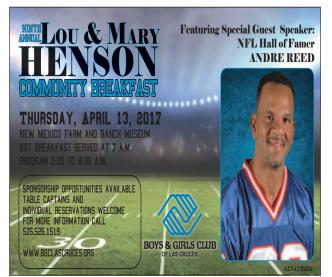
Guided birding tour at the Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park 8 a.m. every Saturday. Led by internationally known volunteer resident ornithologist Richard Anderton.

Latino Week at NMSU: Salsa Tasting Festival, 4 to 9 p.m. Thursday, March 2; La Academia Dolores Huerta Ballet Folklorico and Mariachi, 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 7; Movie Night: Guillermo del Toro's "Pan's Labyrinth," 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 7; Keynote Speaker Marisel Herrera, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 9; Matachines Dancers, noon Friday, March 10. All events at NMSU Corbett Center Auditorium or Corbett Center Outdoor Stage.

Pancake breakfast: 8 a.m.-11 a.m., Saturday, March 4, East Picacho Elementary 4450 N. Valley Drive, hosted by Kiwanis Club. Cost is \$5 and includes pancakes, sausage, orange juice and coffee; eat in or carry out to benefit school projects. Info: 575-525-9478.

Beginners bridge classes: 9:30 a.m. Saturdays starting March 4 at Belton Bridge Club, 1214 E. Madrid Ave.

"Mini" bridge game: 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays starting March 4 at Belton Bridge Club, 1214 E. Madrid Ave. Ten-12 hands of bridge for beginner players and 'party' bridge players who would like to try duplicate style and pick up pointers. Mini-game is sanctioned by the ACBL; masterpoints awarded. Duplicate bridge players with fewer than five master points may attend. Cost: \$3 table fee. Info: John Randall at 786-338-5970 and Dave Allen at 575-635-6486.



Comfort items fundraiser: 7:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 5, at Walmart, 1550 S. Valley Drive. Comfort Items supporting the veterans of our local area and county. Sponsored by the American Legion Post 10 of Las Cruces. The event supports the veterans of Oak Street and Pecos Apartments, as well as many need veterans in nursing homes and assisted living of our local area. Info: Chaplain Lawrence, 575-222-5416.

The new exhibit at the Tombaugh Gallery opens Sunday, March 5. The exhibit is titled "Animal Animas" and features pastels by Dinah Swan and sculptures by Claudia Dennee. Info: Ilene Steele, 575-449-4180.

The Federation of Democratic Women of Doña Ana County will hold its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, March 6 at International Delights, 1245 El Paseo Road. Please come early if you wish to order a meal or beverage. Everyone is welcome. Info: Marianne Lappin, 575-644-0444.

Computer literacy classes: Free, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 201 E. Picacho Ave., 2nd floor. Registration is not required, however, only the first nine attendees will be guaranteed a computer. Attendees are welcome to bring their own laptops if space permits.

• Introduction to Computers: The Basics — 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, This class for the absolute beginner will introduce students to the parts of the computer and mouse skills. Students will learn the components of Windows-based programs.

 $\, \cdot \,$ Windows 10 — 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, March 14. This class will describe the new features of Windows 10 and how to navigate the new operating system. Topics include the new start menu, Cortana and how to customize the desktop.

• Introduction to Computers: File Management — 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, March 21. A basic class where students will learn how to manage files by saving, attaching and storing information.

• Introduction to the Internet — 2-4 p.m. Tuesday, March 28. A class for those who want to learn how to go online and move around the internet with ease. Students will learn how to access websites, how to navigate, what web addresses are, basic searching skills, and internet safety.

Info: 575-528-4005 or library.reference@las-cruces.org.

DAC Genealogical Society: 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library in the Roadrunner Room. DACGS member Georgie McDougle will be doing a presentation on "Planning a Family Reunion." She will be giving expert advice on everything you might need to know about planning a reunion, big or small. All visitors are welcome. Info: dacgslc@gmail.com, mormor24@comcast.net or 575-680-0516.

Las Cruces Homebuilders Association general membership luncheon 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday, March

9, 2825 N. Main St. \$12, RSVP at frontdesk@lchba.com.

Neighborhood Consortium: 5:30p.m. Thursday, March 9, Conference Room 2007 B and C, City Hall, 700 N. Main St. Stuart Ed, Las Cruces city manager, will be the guest speaker. The public is invited. Info: Melinda Whitley, whitleyms@gmail.com or 575-993-8496.

Stamp Show: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, March 11, and 10 a.m. 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Mesilla Valley Stamp Club hosts exhibits, competition, dealers, buying and selling, door prizes. Cost: free. Info: 575-202-1937.

Cruces Apple User Group (CAUG) will meet at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 11, at the Administration Building of Doña Ana Community College, South Espina and Gregg streets, Room 114 (Parking on Gregg Street).

Federal Employees meeting: 8:30 a.m. Saturday, March 11, Esparanza Room, Hilton Garden Inn, 2550 Don Roser Drive. National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association offers a presentation by Justin McHorse, MS, assistant dean, multicultural affairs, marketing and communications of the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine. There is a cost (cash only) for the breakfast buffet beginning at 8:45 a.m. Reservations must be made by March 7 by calling Carol Main at 382-7686 or Carol Smith at 575-522-3033.

Republican Women of Mesilla Valley meeting: 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 11, Sunset Grill at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course. Guest Speaker Rick Lopez, first vice chair GOP state representative. Info: 575-522-5494.

Acton Academy: Spring enrollment open house 1:30-4 p.m. Saturday, March 11, 1730 Tierra de Mesilla. For an appointment, call Anna Biad at 575-449-4796 or visit www.actonlascruces.com.

AARP: March meeting of the Las Cruces AARP Chapter will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at Senior Circle at 3948 E. Lohman, Ave. behind Walgreen's. Presentation by Sandy Meyer of Adult Protective Services. Please bring a dry food good to share with those who have less.

Jewelry sale: Kitty Glitter Jewelry Sale, presented by Project Save A Kitten!, will begin with a pre-sale opening 5:30-8 p.m. Friday, March 17, at Griggs and Reymond Event House, 504 W. Griggs Ave. Admission is \$10, light refreshments served. The sale continues 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at the same location, no admission charge. Thousands of donated jewelry pieces, boxes and decorative items, \$1 and up, will be for sale, including men's jewelry. Fundraiser beneficiaries include Cat's Meow Adoption Center, Doña Ana Big Kitty Fix, Broken Promises SW and others.

COMING UP

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Info: gardens@zianet.com or elaine. stachera@yahoo.com.

La Piñon 25th anniversary charity golf tournament: 8 a.m. Friday, March 17, at the New Mexico State University Golf Course, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive. La Piñon and community partners will tee off at to raise money for items not covered in grant funding sources. \$10,000 hole-in-one contest and lunch provided by Texas Roadhouse. Info: Sarah at 575-526-3437 or email media@lapinon.org.

'Shamrocks & Shenanigans': 1-3 p.m., Saturday, March 18, Genesis HealthCare Village at Northrise, the Hallmark, 2882 N. Roadrunner Pkwy. Open house to learn about the senior living options

at the Village. Snacks, refreshments, music, tours. Info: 556-8574.

Charity fashion show: 2:30-4 p.m. Saturday, March 18, Golden Mesa Independent Living, 151 N. Roadrunner Parkway. Annual charity fashion show with models on the runway, music, entertainment, refreshments and door prizes will benefit Southern New Mexico Diabetes. Info: 522-0289.

Wheels of Dreams Car Show: 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, March 18, Field of Dreams, 2501 Tashiro Drive. Rod-Runners Car Club hosts its 2017 car show, swap meet and car corral. Door prizes, raffle, 50/50 drawing, engine drawing. Open to all vehicles. Preregistration March 1-16, \$30; registration day of the show \$35. Proceeds benefit Las Cruces Youth. Info: 575-524-0150.

OBITUARIES



Michael S. Lucero

It is with deep sorrow and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our dearest beloved, MI-CHAEL S. LUCERO, age 41 of Las Cruces on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born May 12, 1975 in Las Cruces to Arturo Gomez Vega and Genevieve Valenzuela. At the time of his death, Michael was a Medical Technician and a member of the Las Cruces First Assembly of God. He was a devout Dallas Cowboy fan who loved his annual trip to watch the Cowboys play, he enjoyed hunting, fishing and the outdoors. His passion in life was spending time with family and friends; watching his children play sports as well as coaching his son William's soccer team.

Those left to mourn his passing include his

fiancée, Richelle De La O of the family home; two sons, William Frank and Dallas Damien Lucero; two daughters, Jenna Ramos and Ashlynn Lucero; his father, Arturo Vega; his stepfather who raised him, Rudy Lucero; two brothers, Arthur Lucero (Carmen F.), Matthew Valenzuela; two sisters, Nancy Herrera (Matthew), Mary Lou Rodriguez (Michael) all of Las Cruces. Other survivors include his extended family, Rebecca (Ernest Salas), Isaac, Jennifer, Yvette (Randy Delgado), Ernestine, Ernest Sr., Ernie Jr. (Beverly) and Anthony (Julie) De La O as well as numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother, Genevieve Lucero: his best friend and brother, William Lucero; his brother, Rudy "Chava" Lucero, and his father-in-law, Frank De La O.

The Funeral Service took place on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at Las Cruces First Assembly of God, 5605 Bataan Memorial West were Pastors Bob Ortega and Jay Wisner officiated. Cremation will follow and Inurnment of Cremains will take place at a later date.

Serving as casket bearers will be Brian Cooper, Richard Hanway, Michael Rodriguez, Ernest De La O Sr., Isaac De La O and Art Badillo. Honorary bearers will be Jessica Camunez, Matthew Herrera, Mario Vega, Jeffrey Borunda, Ernie De La O Jr., Sammy "Kiddo" Saenz, Jerome Hanway, David Tellez, Mando Esparza and Arturo Monjarez.

Entrusted to Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222 "Your exclusive providers for "Veterans and Family Memorial Care." For online condolences logon to www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com



George Nuñez Perez

GEORGE NUÑEZ PEREZ, age 75, of Las Cruces passed away Thursday, February 16, 2017 at his home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels.



Cathilia Maria Flores

CATHILIA MARIA FLORES, age 45, of Las Cruces died Sunday, February 26, 2017 at La Posada – Mesilla Valley Hospice. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Lenora Alderette

LENORA ALDER-ETTE, age 71, of Las Cruces died Thursday, February 23, 2017 at her home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Tomas C. Cano

TOMAS C. CANO, age 104, of Vado died Sunday, February 26, 2017 at his home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Ynez U. Marquez

YNEZ U. MARQUEZ, age 88, of Las Cruces died Saturday, February 25, 2017 at La Posada-Mesilla Valley Hospice. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Antonio Madrid Acuña

Antonio Madrid Acuña, 93, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on February 22, 2017. Services are pending with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



Nora M. De La O

Nora M. De La O, 75, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on February 23, 2017. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.







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Guerrero, left, and Lucero, right, each received awards of \$1,000.

Two NMSU students receive \$1,000 awards

BULLETIN REPORT

Soroptimist International of Las Cruces presented the 2017 Live Your Dream: Educational and Training Awards to New Mexico State University students Agni Guerrero and Marina Lucero on Feb. 22. Both received awards of \$1,000. Guerrero is a senior studying electrical engineering;

Lucero is a junior studying chemical engineering. The Live Your Dream Award provides women who serve as the primary wage earners for their families with the financial resources to offset costs of attaining higher education or additional skills and training. The award can be used for tuition, books, childcare, carfare or any other education-related expense.

Las Cruces Utilities warns residents of scam

BULLETIN REPORT

The Las Cruces Utilities (LCU), providing gas, water. wastewater and solid waste service to the Las Cruces area, is advising that an unknown person, or persons, is calling customers requesting payment for utility

Those making the calls are not associated with LCU. LCU does not call residential customers regarding delinguent balances or disconnections, but may call commercial accounts prior to disconnections.

The caller instructs customers to make a payment at a Walgreens location immediately to avoid interruption of utilities services and that they would then be reimbursed within 24-48 hours. The caller also provides a check number for the bogus reimbursement.

BUSINESS

Rebuilding the process of

BUILDING IN LAS CRUCES

Commercial projects pose extra challenges

Editor's note: This is the third in a series of three articles on how building projects get approved in Las Cruces and the relationship between building services and economic development.

By ALTA LeCOMPTE

Las Cruces Bulletin

At a certain point, the ease and speed of putting up a new commercial building becomes an economic development issue.

Businesses can't afford delays in the permitting process or glitches during inspection.

Advocating for the interests of businesses that want to grow is the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance led by President and CEO Davin Lopez.

"In our conversations with the city — because we don't have many existing (commercial and industrial) facilities — our message in terms of creating economic development opportunities is the importance of speed to market," Lopez said.

Expedited permitting would help, he said, especially for companies that want to build in city-owned West Mesa Industrial Park.

"Permitting for fast-track building has been discussed, and we want to do it very, very soon," Councillor Gill Sorg, chair of the city's economic development committee, said in January.

A new look for economic development

The city is moving several currently scattered functions into the economic development department — under a director reporting directly to the city manager.

Sorg said reorganization, approved by City Council in January, should ensure smoother processes.

While the changes are underway, acting Economic Development Director Philip San Filippo was scheduled to meet Feb. 22 with members of the Las Cruces Homebuilders Association to address their permitting concerns and issues with Accela, the city's new permitting and building inspection software.

Pulling real estate services into the Economic Development Department could mean new opportunities for developing or redeveloping city-owned properties, including those in older commercial and industrial neighborhoods.

The Building Services Division, however, remains in the Community Development Department — so connectivity between Building Services and Economic Development is key.

Donald Bustos, economic development specialist/business is the man in the middle.

"I spend part of my time in economic development and part working with the permitting techs in building services," Bustos said.

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Javier Cabrera of NetSolar LLC at his model home in the Metro Verde subdivision.

PHOTO BY ALTA LeCOMPTE



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Family plans to grow Nissan, Kia dealerships

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Las Cruces Bulletin

Back in 1970, the Shamaley family bought a Chevrolet dealership in Anthony, New Mexico. Buddy and LJ Shamaley learned the business from the ground up.

"We had no idea what any business was about," said Buddy Shamaley, a partner in the family's recently acquired Nissan of Las Cruces and Kia of Las Cruces dealerships. "I like to think we learned by experience, not just mistakes."

Now, with a lifetime of experience in the business, Buddy and LJ are celebrating the grand opening of their new dealerships with a Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting Feb. 24.

They're already planning to double sales and space at the two dealerships.

Doubling their bet

Buddy Shamaley said upgrades and expansion of current facilities will begin at once, while they search for 5.5 acres on which to grow.

He said they've received approval from Nissan and the city to install dark lighting. In two weeks, when the lighting project is finished, they plan to build an addition at Nissan with five new service bays "with all the latest technology."

Cohorn Construction of Las Cruces will be their contractor.

"Everything we do, we do with local vendors," Buddy Shamaley said. "We're part of the community. We help people and people help us."

Within 18 months, they intend to build a new Kia store and expand the Nissan facility. Plans also call for building a body shop for minor repairs.

Shamaley said Kia's new facility will

occupy about 3 acres. The current facility is on 1.2 acres at 955 S. Valley Drive.

Tale of two cities

Buddy Shamaley said after selling the Chevrolet dealership in Anthony in 1980, they bought Freeway Ford in El Paso and renamed the business Shamaley Ford, which they sold in 2012. They stayed out of the business for five years due to a noncompete clause, he said.

Their Las Cruces customers told them they needed to buy a business in Las Cruces "because we're a very service-focused business, and people really need to buy a vehicle where they can have it serviced properly," he said.

When they heard the Las Cruces Nissan and Kia dealerships were available, they checked them out and decided to buy.

"We think Las Cruces is very progressive city. We knew some Las Cruces

people who would come to El Paso to buy Fords, GMCs and Buicks," he said. "We love the people. There's a relationship between us and our clients."

He said some of the staff followed them from their previous business and others were retained from the Las Cruces Nissan and Kia dealerships.

Shamaley said some master technicians are certified to work on specific models.

"You don't get a regular technician to work on a diesel," he said.

The Nissan dealership employs a total of 65, he said, 20 of them technicians. Kia has a staff of 25, including 12 technicians.

Cliff Shamaley is general manager of Nissan of Las Cruces; Cole Lowenfield is the GM at KIAis general manager of Kia of Las Cruces.

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Free trade agreements aren't about free trade

ne thing economists agree on is that free trade is good.

We have theoretical reasons for thinking this; after all, if a deal doesn't benefit both sides, why would the parties agree to a trade. And we have empirical evidence that trade promotes growth — just compare North and South Korea.

Meanwhile, as you may have noticed, Donald Trump does not like trade agreements. He has announced that his administration will pull out of the Trans-Pacific Partnership, renegotiate NAFTA, impose border taxes, among other trade initiatives. And, in this dislike of free trade, he has the support of his core voter: working class, white males.

So, what is going on here? How is it that an economist can be so certain free trade is good, yet much of the public. plus Fearless Leader Trump, so disagree.

If we look back to a 100 years ago, there is no doubt that we are materially



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far better off today. The reason for this is two-fold. First is tremendous technical advances. Certainly, this accounts for

much of the in-

come increase.

Second is a rapid expansion in international trade. By allowing individuals to specialize in their comparative advantage, international trade creates huge value added.

The problem is in how the gains from trade are distributed. The richest 20 percent, consisting mainly of highly trained technical workers, senior management and CEOs.

have received almost all the gain from trade. Meanwhile, the working class has lost out to foreign labor.

Besides, so-called "free trade" agreements aren't really free trade agreements. Rather, they are agreements about trade regulation. NAFTA runs 1,000 pages or so. Who knows how many pages is TPP, as one page hyperlinks to other pages. Much of it consists of mind numbing tariff schedules.

A truly free trade agreement would require a single sentence: "Products imported from country X shall be treated the same under the law as a similar product produced domestically."

Yeah, yeah, I hear you. What about defending the borders? We can't just let ships in from Mexico or Saudi Arabia or Belgium into the country with custom inspections. OK, so add this clause: "... same as a

similar product produced domestically except as necessary to prevent illegal activities like drug trafficking, smuggling and terrorism."

Wait a minute, you say, what about child labor and the right to unionize. OK, let's add text to cover this issues. What about the environment? Let's add yet more pages. Next comes the special interests. Protect my industry; no, my industry; no, my industry. These special interests are not just U.S. based, but also are from our trading partners.

You get the picture. Before you know it, it's not a free trade agreement but a hodge-podge sack of rules specifying how and when trade can occur.

This is not to say that free trade agreements are of no use. They, in fact, often do lead to increased trade. U.S.-Mexico trade boomed after NAFTA, for example, increasing 600 per-

cent. Trade with Colombia increased by 20 percent since 2012 when a free trade agreement with that country was signed. Other free trade agreements have had a similar effect.

The TPP especially is more about politics than economics. Former President Barack Obama often argued that thwarting China's political ambitions was at least as import a reason for TPP as anything else. After all, seven of the 11 parties already had a free trade agreement with the United States.

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Acton Academy fourth grader and entrepreneur Levi Petersen runs online business Launch'd by Levi.

PHOTO BY MIKE COOK



Acton Academy student has own business

Acton Academy fourthgrader Levi Peterson is only 9 years old, but he's already making plans to buy his first house.

Levi started making and selling his specialty – a double leather arrow bracelet – last August, along with, necklaces, custom-made slingshots and ammo balls and other items last August. He already had a waiting list when he started his own Facebook page: Launch'd by Levi, which features his own brand.

Items on Facebook sell for for \$8 to \$12. You can even make purchases from Levi with a credit card; Levi has the appropriate device on his cell phone. At Acton Academy, Levi developed a business plan and even hired some fellow students to help him. He borrowed a little money from his parents to get started, and has already sold a lot of merchandise, especially the arrow bracelets, he said.

Levi already has as bank account of his own, and is planning to get a space at the Las Cruces Farmers and Crafts Market to sell his wares.

He's saving to buy a house and wants to become a real estate agent with a lot of rentals.

"I want to start as soon as I can and keep on getting more houses," Levi said.

HTC, Rawson explore development options

By ALTA LeCOMPTE

For the Bulletin

An RFP (request for proposals) will go out in March for the first phase of construction of the southern road to Spaceport America, Doña Ana County Commissioner Ben Rawson told a Las Cruces audience Feb. 22.

The commissioner took part in an idea exchange with members and guests of the High Tech Consortium of Southern New Mexico on economic development and how county government can support it.

Both Rawson and members of the audience took notes as they exchanged information and ideas.

Rawson cited Spaceport America as one of five growth opportunities. Others included data/communication centers, engineering projects, medical device manufacturing and the agricultural/environmental sector.

While Rawson touted the area's assets, he acknowledged that water insecurity poses a threat to economic development that must be addressed now.

Commenting on prospects for completion of the southern road, Rawson said Phase 1 will be undertaken in summer 2017. The work will include elevating and improving the dirt road and adding culverts and crossings.

During the second phase, NMDOT millings will be applied to the surface. Rawson said he is hopeful a year from now the road will be paved.

"Secretary (of Transportation Tom) Church has given vocal support to be able to move the road from a county to a state road. That will be critical," Rawson said.

The road has been the subject of disagreement between Sierra and Doña Ana counties. Doña Ana County is maintaining the road although only 10 percent of it is in the county, he said

The county also is well-positioned to create jobs in communication and data security, Rawson said.

"Las Cruces is in the middle of the backbone of east-west fiber optics in the U.S." Rawson said. "Other centers have to deal with hurricanes and tornados. We don't have to deal with that."

He added, however, data centers use a lot of water for cooling.

Another area of potential growth is engi-

neering, Rawson said, noting Las Cruces is home to "a great engineering school," but most of its graduates are going to Albuquerque, where there's "a huge boom in engineering firms and jobs."

As roads, dams and bridges reach the end of their lives, there will likely be decades of growth in the engineering sector, Rawson said.

Rawson said agriculture is another technologically advanced sector. Because of the climate here mimics other climates, Doña Ana County is a good location for agricultural testing, Rawson said, citing the algae testing done by Sapphire Energy.

The groundwater cleanup and reinvention of a former egg farm in Berino, using technology developed in conjunction with NMSU is an example of how the area can use its agricultural and technological assets to advantage, he said.

"We're not playing catch up in agriculture like we are in some other areas," Rawson said. "We're on the leading edge."

Responding to audience comments about the future availability of water, Rawson said: "We are in an interesting and insecure position right now."

He said water is abundant in the south county, where industry and commerce are booming.

He said although New Mexico is waiting for the U.S. Supreme Court to rule on its Rio Grande basin dispute with Texas, steps must be taken now to secure access to water.

"In the UDC (Uniform Development Code) there are only four or five references to water, and it's probably one of the largest problems we have in the county," Rawson said. "We should be working on it."

Rawson said one group, the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority (CRRUA), is addressing the issue by working to acquire senior water rights.

One member of the audience said he had talked with businesses that decided not to locate in Doña Ana County because they are feeling insecure about water availability.

Another said they have heard the biggest factor for businesses not coming here is the quality of the school system.

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His liaison position was created in 2015 by former City Manager Robert Garza as one of a series of initiatives addressing businesses' concerns about how commercial construction projects are handled by the city.

Local business owners and managers of nonprofit organizations told The Bulletin they have run into frustrating and sometimes costly delays when more than one city department is involved with their project.

Lorenzo Alba, executive director of Community of Hope, said he had to apply for additional federal funds for a parking lot project because costs rose during the two years he's been working on design issues with a city landscape architect and others. "Some departments are stuck between a rock and a hard place," he said.

He suggested a property should be surveyed and a plan approved before Community Development Block Grants are applied for.

A business owner said when he submits a set of plans for review and pre-construction approval, he would like city officials to tell him everything that's wrong so he can correct everything at once. Instead, he said, some departments "come back two or three times" after a plan has been reviewed and approved.

He attributed some of the difficulty to the new software.

"One department put in corrections, but the system was down so it just didn't take," he said.

Playing by the rules

"I think the city has a negative repu-

tation, is unfairly blamed for things," Bustos said.

He said he works with Building Services and other city departments to make sure all involved in a large commercial project are working together in a seamless process.

"I think we're going in the right direction, communicating more with contractors and business owners who are pulling permits," Bustos said. "There can't be a quick fix for something that's been going on for so long."

Some projects are enormously complicated, like the construction of a CVS store at the corner of Main Street and U.S. 70 downtown. The project involved reconstructing the intersection. CVS had to deal with seven separate organizations, including the city and county, New Mexico Department of Transportation and the federal Bureau of Land Management, Bustos said.

Big projects, big headaches

Imesh Vaidya, CEO of the Albuquerque-based Premier Hotels, said he's done commercial construction projects in Albuquerque, Hobbs, Clovis and Denver as well as Las Cruces.

In 2013, before Bustos came on board, Premier Hospitality started to build a Hampton Inn on Hickory Loop in Las Cruces.

Delays during the inspection process, some of which Vaidya takes responsibility for, postponed the planned opening of the hotel.

Vaidya said most of the hold ups he encountered relate to fire inspections.

Vaidya said the Hampton Inn project lost a month because of an elevator inspection. He said new requirements — a light in the pit and a ladder fixed to the wall — were added during the Hampton Inn inspection, which further contributed to the delay.

"We love Las Cruces. It should be a thriving city. But I don't see myself building in Las Cruces any time soon. The risk and rewards are not in equilibrium in Las Cruces now."

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BUSINESS BRIEF

NMSU hosts Employment Extravaganza

Employers will be on hand at New Mexico State University's 13th Employment Extravaganza from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 8 at NMSU Corbett Center. They will be looking for interns, temporary workers and professional

employment and freshmen through alumni are encouraged to participate. Interview schedules should be arranged in advance by contacting Career Services at 575-646-1631 or hirenmsu@nmsu.edu.

SAVE THE DATE

Free tax prep: 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 8:30-11:30 a.m. Fridays; 5:30-8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday (starting Feb. 23), hosted by AARP and Community Action Agency for seniors, 3880 Foothills Drive. Through April 17 on a first-come, first-served basis. Info: 575-527-8799.

Business workshop: How to start a business

• 2-4 p.m. Thursdays, March 2

• 9-11 a.m. Thursday, March 16

• 9-11 a.m., Thursday, April 13

• 2-4 p.m., Thursday, April 27 Small Business Development Center, Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave. Free workshop on starting a business. Info/ register: www.nmsbdc.org/ lascruces or 575-527-7676.

Employment Extrava-

ganza: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday March 8, Corbett Center Student Union. For employers seeking interns, cooperative education students, temporary summer help or professional staff. Interview schedules

are arranged in advance by contacting Career Services at 575-646-1631 or HireNMSU@nmsu.edu.

MVEDA forum: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesday, March 14, Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance (MVEDA) Business in the Borderplex Forum. Tim Nitti, president and CEO of the New Mexico Economic Development Partnership, will speak. Advance registration \$25; payment at the door \$30. Reservations required. Deadline Thursday, March 9. Register at mveda.com/blog.





COURTESY PHOTOS

This Brangus cow located at the Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland Research Center is part of a research project led by Derek Bailey, professor in the NMSU Department of Animal and Range Sciences.

NMSU Range Science professor receives Fulbright

Derek Bailey heading for Australia

By KRISTIE GARCIA

For the Bulletin

Ranchers in the western United States and in Australia face a major challenge: animal welfare on a substantial amount of rangeland.

On vast rangeland, livestock is difficult and expensive to manage. But Derek Bailey, professor in the New Mexico State University Department of Animal and Range Sciences, is working to find ways to help such ranchers better manage their livestock and improve

animal welfare.

His efforts include collaborating with researchers in Australia, where the rangeland is similar to that in New Mexico and other western states. Bailey will further his research at Central Queensland University in Rockhampton with the help of the prestigious Fulbright Senior Scholarship he was recently awarded.

"On rangelands in New Mexico, in the western United States and in most of Australia, ranchers have extensive pastures on which they can't see the livestock all the time," Bailey said. "The cows have to free roam out in the range, so you can't watch them; it's not like a dairy where you see the cows every day. Because of that, you can't always tell if the animals get sick or have trouble with parturition."

His Fulbright to Australia from early February to late June will allow him to work with Mark Trotter, associate professor of precision agriculture at Central

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Derek Bailey, professor in the NMSU Department of Animal and Range Sciences, was awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholarship to conduct collaborative research in Australia. The research will focus on precision livestock management and will investigate the potential for real-time tracking to identify disease and other cattle and sheep welfare concerns.

36th annual Home & Garden Show is this weekend

BULLETIN REPORT

From hammers to lumber to gorgeous gardens, resources to "bring it home" can be found at

the 36th annual Las Cruces Home Builders Association Home & Garden Show.

The two-day event is slated for 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 4 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 5 at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

There will be between 80 and 100 vendors — all related to home improvement.

The theme of the show is "Bringin' it Home."

The Home & Garden Show is an idea resource for everyone from renters looking for a little personalization opportunity to new homeowners with big dreams. Show attendees can get connected with vendors who can provide information and help get projects off the ground.

From services like pest control, car-

At a glance

WHAT: 36th annual LCHBA Home & Garden Show

WHEN: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, March 4; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, March 5

WHERE: Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave., Las Cruces, NM 88012

COST: \$5; children 12 and younger are free

CONTACT: 575-526-6126: events@lchba.com

pentry and roof care to items like solar panels, blinds, spas and paint brushes, it all can be found under one roof at this event.

There will be a variety of demonstrations and speakers. Admission is \$5; it's free for ages 10 and under. For information on LCHBA, visit www.lascruce-shomebuildersassociation.com or call 575-526-6126.



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Queensland University, and others to identify methods to track cattle and sheep on rangeland. Specifically, Bailey will be learning in more detail about a type of GPS tracking used to identify animal behaviors and to determine whether an animal needs assistance.

"One of the cool things about going to Australia is that they're very close to having real-time or near real-time tracking of livestock," Bailey said. "We're trying to use technology to see if we can identify behaviors that would be indicative of welfare issues. We're hoping to be able to see that, with their movement data from GPS tracking and perhaps other sensors."

The GPS device would be affixed to a collar that would send a signal to a nearby

tower, potentially up to 10 miles away from the animal. That data would be collected and transferred to the ranch headquarters. Ideally, the information would be sent via the internet to a smartphone application.

Bailey's and Trotter's research efforts are complementary. Bailey has plenty of rangeland cattle grazing behavior experience as the director of NMSU's 61,000-acre Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland Research Center located north of Las Cruces. In Australia, Trotter is knowledgeable in precision livestock agriculture, which is using technology to monitor cattle and sheep.

There's another part to Bailey's visit. He'll ask Australian researchers to help analyze spatial data he's collected on the movement and behavior of cattle on rangeland. He hopes to find a way to help improve

grazing distribution of livestock. Right now, too many animals forage near water. As a result, much of the forage areas on higher land or on hills goes untouched.

"We're trying to use genetic selection to improve grazing distribution to get cattle to graze up steeper hillsides to go further from water," Bailey said. "Our ongoing research has been very encouraging so far, we just need to validate it. Our approach is to use genetic markers to predict where cattle will graze."

For example, DNA from a blood sample may show that a certain animal would be more likely to climb hills or travel farther.

"When we go to Australia, it gives me a chance to help work with others to be able to analyze and make more sense of this huge amount of tracking data that we're collecting," he said.

Bailey said he believes the combination of the real-time animal welfare tracking technology and the genetics of grazing distribution helped him receive the Fulbright scholarship.

"I think we're really onto some cutting-edge research," he said. "It's a combination of high-tech solutions for reallife ranch problems both in Australia and here."

Although this won't be his first time traveling to Australia to collaborate with colleagues, this is the first time he's been awarded a Fulbright. The mission of the Australian-American Fulbright Commission is to promote education and cultural exchange between Australia and the United States in order to enhance mutual understanding and strengthen relations between the two countries.

During his stay, Bailey will travel throughout the country

representing the United States and will talk to other Fulbright scholars. He'll attend a dinner with the Australian Parliament, where a poster for his research will be on display. He may even get to meet Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull.

"I'll be able to talk about the research, about New Mexico State and about the State of New Mexico," he said. "It's all really science-driven, and we're trying to do many things to help out ranchers in New Mexico and in the West.

"This will also allow me to expand my chances for securing funding here in the U.S. Welfare issues are an even bigger deal now, and as tight as budgets are, broadening my ability to address proposal requests is a good thing."

Kristie Garcia is an associate communications specialist with NMSU Communications. She may be reached at 575-646-4211.

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Annual Meeting Legal Notice

The annual meeting of the members of the Southern Rio Grande Diversified **Crop Farmers Association** will be held at Chile River Farms Headquarters, 4220 N. Highway 187, Salem, 87941 on Friday March 17th, 2017 at 10:30 A.M. SRGDCFA will also hold elections at the annual meeting, the following board members seats are up for election: Shayne Franzoy, Willie Joe Koenig, John Deruyter, Edmund Ogaz, Louis Biad, Joe Corona, Keith Deputy, Dan Darbyshire, Omar Terrones.

Date: 03/03, 2017

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

No. 17-0038

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BETTY L. WILSON DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TAUNIA C. PADILLA has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Rm. 1-201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED: February 15, 2017.

TAUNIA C. PADILLA 960 Laurel Street Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001

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

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 03/17, 2017

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

No. 17-0041

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HARLEN EUGENE BRADLEY, SR., a/k/a HARLEN EUGENE BRADLEY, a/k/a HARLEN E. BRADLEY, DECEASED

NOTICE IS HEREBY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

GIVEN that PETER IAMES BRADLEY has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Rm. 1-201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED: February 21, 2017.

PETER JAMES BRADLEY 5627 Lassiter Rd. Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001

Prepared by:

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

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 03/17, 2017

PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
STATE OF
NEW MEXICO

No. 17-0032

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOSE A. SAONA, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MICHAEL MISOUEZ BOMBACH has been appointed personal representative of this estate All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Rm. 1-201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED: February 3, 2017.

MICHAEL MISQUEZ BOMBACH 13828 54th Street SE Snohomish, Washington 98290 Prepared by: ALAN D. GLUTH New Mexico Bar #14980 Gluth Law, LLC 2455 East Missouri,

Suite A Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001 Telephone: (575) 556-8449 Facsimile: (575) 556-8446

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

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

No. 17-0020

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF W. A. FREDERICK, a/k/a BILLY BERT FREDERICK, a/k/a WILLIAM ALBERT FREDERICK, a/k/a WILLIAM FREDERICK, a/k/a BERT FREDERICK, DECEASED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

FREDERICK, JR., a/k/a WILLIAM ALBERT FREDERICK has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Rm. 1-201, Las Cruces, New

DATED: February 3, 2017.

Mexico 88007.

WILLIAM FREDERICK, JR. a/k/a WILLIAM ALBERT FREDERICK 1612 Winton Circle Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007

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

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

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

Amanda Sanchez 6788 E. Ortega Rd. Las Cruces, NM 88012

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 289 at Stull Storage Units #2, will be SOLD AT AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$460.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of:
Dresser, Barber Chair, rims, scooter, misc.

Date of Auction: March 21, 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: 03/03, 03/10, 2017

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

Dyan Marquez 105 North Links Dr., Apt 2019 Avondale, AZ 85323-3043

Notice is hereby given that all the contents of your storage unit(s) 714 at Stull Storage Units #2, will be SOLD AT AUCTION to satisfy our lien in the amount of \$380.00, which includes legal costs and fees.

The contents of the unit consists of:
Boxes, bike, misc.

Date of Auction: March 21, 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: 03/03, 03/10, 2017

NOTICE is hereby given

that on January 12, 2017, Charles Tharp, on behalf of Doña Ana Land Company, INC, 6000 N. Valley Dr, Las Cruces, NM 88007 filed application numbered LRG-11107-POD6, OSE File No. LRG-11107 and LRG-11107-A, 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 supplemental well LRG-11107-POD6 to a depth of 250 feet with 12-inch casing located at approximately X 1,456,665 Y= 507,818 ft. NMSP, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by the applicant to supplement existing wells LRG-11107 et al, located as on file with the OSE, for the continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for the future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of NM, combined with surface water from the EBID for the irrigation of 454.35 acres of land and groundwater only

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the approval of the applica-

tion must be based on: (1)

Impairment; if impairment,

you must specifically identi-

fy your water rights; and/or

(2) Public Welfare/Conser-

vation of Water; if public

welfare or conservation of

water within the state of

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irrigation of 18.07 acres of land owned by the applicant located within part of the following projected Sections: SW1/4, SE1/4 of Section 09; NW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 15; NE1/4, NE1/4, SE1/4 of Section 16; NE1/4 of Section 21; NW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 22, all within Township 22S, Range 01E, NMPM as described by the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey Subfile No's.: LRN-28-004-0003- A (A-D), LRN-28-004-0061, LRN-28-004-0062, and LRN-28-004-0063. Proposed supplemental well LRG-11107-POD6 will be located north of Las Cruces. NM approximately 1,363 ft. north northeast of the intersection of N. Valley Dr and the Picacho Lateral. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill and use supplemental well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24.

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 Doña Ana County, State of the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, Elephant Butte Irrigation you must specifically identi-District, for the irrigation of fy your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of described in Subfile No. LRS 28-002-0091 Right A New Mexico, you must show how you will be of the Lower Rio Grande substantially and specifically Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested affected. The written protest emergency authorization to must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, drill & use replacement well LRG-489-POD2 under 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication placement well of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a south of Mesilla, NM and 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 property address of 6000 S. 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the Existing well LRG-487 will Engineer. State 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed. tion or other entity having the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10,

NOTICE is hereby given that on January 3, 2017 Admiral Beverage Corporation, 3980 Prince St., SE, Albuquerque, NM 87105, filed application numbered LRG-489-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-489, 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 & using replacement well LRG-489-POD2 to be located within the

New Mexico, combined with

surface water from the

62.73 acres of land, owned

by the applicant, located

within the NW1/4 SW1/4 of

said Section 9 (NMPM), as

1978, Section 72-12-22. The site of re-

LRG-489-POD2 is located

may be found approximately

1,572 feet south west of the

intersection of White Opal

Rd. and South Main St. and

further described at the

Main St., Las Cruces, NM.

Any person, firm or corpora-

standing to file objections or

protests shall do so in

writing (objection must be

legible, signed, and include

the writer's complete name.

address). The objection to

phone number and mailing

be properly plugged.

NMSA,

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, SE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 09, Township 24S, Range 2E 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 (NMPM) and more specifiwithin ten (10) days after the cally located at or near date of the last publication where Latitude & Longitude of this Notice. Facsimiles intersect at 32°14'10.04"N (faxes) will be accepted as a and 106°44'40.35"W (WGS84), on land owned by valid protest as long as the the applicant, & discontinue hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked the use of well LRG-487. within 24-hours of the located on land owned by facsimile. Mailing postmark the applicant located within the NW1/4 of Section 9 will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can Township 24S, Range 2E (NMPM) & more specificalbe faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, ly described where Latitude 575-524-6160. If no valid & Longitude intersect at 32°14'10.2" N and protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will 106°44'40.402"W (WGS84), evaluate the application in for the continued diversion accordance with the proviof an amount of shallow sions of Chapter 72 NMSA groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, Third Judicial District Court,

Notice is hereby given that the following property shall be sold at public auction or otherwise disposed of in satisfaction of lien in accordance with the New Mexico Self-Storage Lien Act.

To be held at: Aggie Storage 960 Sand Castle Ave Las Cruces NM 88012 575-644-1167

Paula Cutter

2029 Sagecrest Ave Las Cruces NM 88011 Unit #410 -Dresser, Medical Equipment, Computer, Patio Bistro, Boxes, Book Shelves, and Rugs. \$1,070.00

Date of the Auction: Friday, March 17, 2017 Times: Registration 8:30 - 9:00am Auction 9:00am

Place: Aggie Storage 960 Sand Castle Ave Las Cruces NM 88012 Manager: Art Sanchez 575-644-1167

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 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 April 3,

(1) Council Bill No. 17-021; Ordinance No. 2807: An Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Chapter 2 (Administration), Article III (Officers and Employees), Division 3 (Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy) of the Las Cruces Municipal Code, 1997, as Amended (LCMC)

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

Linda Lewis, CMC City Clerk

Date: 03/03, 2017

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that the following property shall be sold at public auction or otherwise disposed of in satisfaction of lien in accordance with the New Mexico Self Storage Lien Act.

To be held at: DISCOUNT SELF STORAGE 2499 EL CAMINO REAL LAS CRUCES, NM 88007 575 382-0000

ON SATURDAY, MARCH 18th, 2017 BEGINNING AT 10 a.m. SIGN IN AT 9:30 a.m.

THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF STORAGE UNITS: 103, 206, 238, 257, 343 348, 382, 654, 670, 675, 676, 682, 703, 713, 737, 780, 788, 794 Tenant addresses are "last known."

Unit 103 RUDY CASTILLO P.O. Box 846 Hatch NM 87937 Unit items consist of: Couch, kids' bicycles, car seat, kids' items

Unit 206 ISSAC GEBMAN P.O. Box 16642. Las Cruces NM 88001 Unit items consist of:

Office chair, misc. household items

Unit 238 JENNIFER DOLAN 511 S Walnut Carlsbad NM 88220 Unit items consist of: Dresser, living room table, head board, TV stand, misc. household items

Unit 343

misc, items

Unit 257 MANUEL LOZANO 502 Labrado Way Suison City CA 94585 Unit items consist of: Propane tank, clothing, misc

RUDY ZAPATA 1520 W Hadley Ave Trl 27 Las Cruces NM 88005 Unit items consist of: 4 tire rims, speakers, car jack, frames with pictures,

Unit 348 CRYSTAL ARAIZA 2013 S Triviz Dr #316 Las Cruces NM 88001 Unit items consist of: Couches, 2 tv's, electric heater, misc. items

Unit 382 ELISA ROMERO 825 Trojan Lp #D

Las Cruces NM 88007 Unit items consist of: Dresser & mirror, mattresses, dining table & chairs, chest & drawers, misc. items

Unit 654 JESSIE ESCALERA P.O. Box 914 Dona Ana NM 88032 Unit items consist of: Microwave, children's' toys, shop vac, assorted household items

Unit 670 MARGARET LUJAN 3635 Haines Rd Las Cruces NM 88007 Unit items consist of: Baby bed with Mattresses. car seat, misc. plastic bins

Unit 675 GARY PERRY 3201 Kearsage Dr Unit B Lake Hayasu City AZ 86406 Unit items consist of: Misc household items

Unit 676 ALISON BROOKSHIRE 4980 Thunder Way Las Cruces NM 88012 Unit items consist of: Misc. household items

Unit 682 RICHARD HERNANDEZ 1054 Aguilera Ct Las Cruces NM 88007 Unit items consist of: Bins, boxes, bike, household

Unit 703 PATRICK GONZALES 1029 La Fonda #8 Las Cruces NM 88001 Unit items consist of: Ladder, speaker, suit cases, misc. boxes

Unit 713 DESIREE JUAREZ 4093 Mojava Dr Las Cruces NM 88005 Unit items consist of: Dresser with drawers, desk storage bins, boxes misc.

MARIA SCHIEFFER

127 Florida St Las Mesa NM 88044 Unit items consist of: Dining room set, ty's, washer, dryer, sofa set, wood

cabinet, bed, misc, items

Unit 780 PABLO CHAVEZ 1132 Madero Ave

Las Cruces NM 88005 Unit items consist of: Christmas decorations kids toys, misc. clothing

Unit 788 RONALD JACKSON 7576 Vista De Oeste Pl Las Cruces NM 88012 Unit items consist of: Mountain bike, tent, bed frame, fish tank, misc. items

Unit 794 MICHAEL SCHAVIER 920 E Mulberry Ave Las Cruces NM 88001 Unit items consist of: Pool table with cue sticks & cue balls

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 2017

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE VIL-LAGE OF HATCH, NEW MEXICO, AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE, UNIFORM TRAFFIC OR-DINANCE ARTICLE VII SECTION 12-7-9.10 PEN-ALTIES

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hatch wishes to amend Article VII Section 12-7-9.10 Penalties (Exhibit This proposed ordinance is on file in its entirety in the Municipal Clerk's Office of the Village of Hatch located at 133 N. Franklin St., Hatch, New Mexico, and may be reviewed during normal office hours.

Andy Nunez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patrick S., Banegas, Municipal Clerk

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 2017

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

No. D-307-PB-2017-00013 Judge Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BUNFORD S. PELTON, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that CLIFFORD PELTON has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of BUNFORD S. PELTON, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever bar-

Example 2 City of Las Cruces

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

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/ Pre-Proposal Meeting	Due Date / Time
Downtown 2-Way Conversion Revitalization	16-17-072	**MANDATORY** March 14, 2017 / 2:00pm 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM	April 4, 2017 / 2:00pm 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM

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

Unless otherwise noted above, copies of solicitation documents may be inspected or obtained at City Hall, 700 N. Main St, Room 3134, Las Cruces, NM. Additional information/clarification regarding solicitations may be obtained by contacting the City Purchasing Section at (575) 541-2525 or by email to bidclerk@las-cruces.org Dates 2/24/2017

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red. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative in care of the Attorney for the Personal Representative, Joshua Dwyer of SCOTTHULSE PC, 201 North Church Street, Suite 201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, Phone: (575)522-0765, Fax: (575)522-0006, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, located at 201 West Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 14th day of February, 2017.

By:/s/Joshua Dwyer Joshua Dwyer Attorney for Personal Representative

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03,

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

NO. D-307-CV-2017-494 Mary W. Rosner

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Bernice Montova FOR CHANGE OF NAME

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bernice Montoya, 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 3rd Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Bernice Montova to Bernice Cardon Montoya, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Mary W. Rosner, District Judge, on the 24 day of March 2017, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., at the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Ave., Las Cruces, New Mexico.

(Seal)

Respectfully Submitted, /s/Bernice Montoya PO Box 1214 Doña Ana, NM 88032 575-649-8053

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 2017

NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. PB 2017-22 Judge Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF REBA NAOMA McCORMICK, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JIM CONLEY McCORMICK, JR. has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned counsel for Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.

/s/M Reeves Evins Melissa J. Reeves-Evins 200 W. Las Cruces Ave., Ste. A Las Cruces, NM 88005 575-522-5009 522-5031 FAX Attorney for Personal Repre-

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 03/17,

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

NO. CV-2017-233

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Guadalupe Jasmine Tello Martinez FOR CHANGE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Guadalupe Jasmine Tello Martinez, a resident of the City of Anthony, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen vears, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico,

wherein she seeks to change her name from Guadalupe Jasmine Tello Martinez to Guadalupe Jasmine Tello, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Mary W. Rosner, District Judge, on the 9 day of March 2017, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. at the 3rd Judicial District Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

(Seal)

Respectfully Submitted, /s/Guadalupe Jasmine Tello Martinez Guadalupe Jasmine Tello Martinez 2391 Visnaga St. Anthony, NM 88021 334 Conejo St. Anthony, NM 88021 (915) 305-4596

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2016-02030

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

THE ESTATE OF MONI-CA M. CHAVEZ, aka Monica Chavez, Deceased; DANIEL CHAVEZ, INDI-VIDUALLY AND AS THE PERSONAL REPRESEN-TATIVE OF THE ES-TATE OF MONICA M. CHAVEZ, aka Monica Chavez, Deceased, Defend-

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 8, 2017, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 1920 E. Madrid Avenue, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 5 IN BLOCK 16 OF LOMA HEIGHTS, PLAT NO. 4, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA, NEW MEXI- Electronically filed

CO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNA-TED ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RE-CORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA, NEW MEXI-CO ON MARCH 17, 1961, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 8 AT PAGES 69, PLAT RECORDS.

THE FOREGOING SALE

will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 26, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$101,436.09 and the same bears interest at 6.000% per annum from October 20. 2016, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

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

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

Dates: 02/10, 02/17, 02/24,

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2016-00636

HSBC BANK USA, NA-TIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR GSAA HOMEEQUITY TRUST 2005-7, Plaintiff,

THE ESTATE OF DORO-THY E. DE LOSH, Deceased; PAT MUTZA-BAUGH. INDIVIDUAL-LY AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF DORO-THY E. DE LOSH, Deceased: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF DORO. THY E. DE LOSH, Deceased, Defendants,

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 22. 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 1814 East Mulberry Avenue, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 11, Block 7, UNIT NO. 4 LOMA HEIGHTS SOUTH, 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 August 14, 1967, in Book 10 Pages 14-15 of Plat Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on February 14, 2017, being

an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$84,756.54 and the same bears interest at 7.375% per annum from August 9, 2016, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

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

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

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 03/17, 2017

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

Probate No. PB-2017-0049 Judge Diana A. Bustamante

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EVERTS W. MOULTON, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the estate of Everts W. Moulton, deceased. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either (1) to the undersigned personal representative in care of his attorney, Law Office of Kyle H. Moberly, P.C., either by delivering or mailing it to his office, which is located at 2460 S. Locust, Suite E. Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or (2) filed with the Doña Ana County Probate Court.

DATED: March 3, 2017

/s/ Donald A. Beasley DONALD A. BEASLEY, Personal Representative of the Estate of Everts W. Moulton, deceased

LAW OFFICE OF KYLE H. MOBERLY, P.C.

By:/s/ Kyle H. Moberly

Kyle H. Moberly Attorney for Personal Representative 2460 S. Locust Street, Suite E Las Cruces, NM 88001 (575) 541-1278

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 03/17,

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2016-01111

BOKF, N.A., Plaintiff,

CONSTANCE F. BIERN-ER AKA CONSTANCE BIERNER, IF LIVING, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF CONSTANCE F. BIERNER AKA CON-STANCE BIERNER, IF DECEASED, AND OTERO FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

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 985 La Vida Nueva Court, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, and more particularly described

LOT 15, PUEBLITOS DE LAS CRUCES, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNED ON PLAT NO. 3421, THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUN-TY OF DECEMBER 11, 2000, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 19, PAGES 557-558, PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at 11:45 a.m. on March 24, 2017, outside the front entrance of the Third Judicial District 201 W. Picacho, #A, Las Cruces New Mexico 88005 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 Judgment granted BOKF, N.A.

BOKF, N.A. was awarded in

rem Judgment on February 10, 2017, in the principal sum of \$51,413.50, plus interest due on the Note through January 15, 2017, in the amount of \$2,026.68, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 3.375% per annum (\$4.75 per diem) until paid, plus late fees in the amount of \$96.10, plus escrow advances for property taxes in the amount of \$1,612.46, plus hazard insurance premium in the amount of \$1,528.00, plus FHA/HUD premiums in the amount of \$48.10, plus property preser-\$190.45, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through January 16, 2017, in the amount of \$1,437.99, and costs through January 16, 2017, in the amount of \$943.37, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 3.375% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

The sale is subject to rights and easements of record, to unpaid property taxes and assessments, and to the one

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(1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendant(s) as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani Faisal Sukhyani C/O Leverick & Musselman, LLC 5120 San Francisco NE Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 03/17, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2016-02342

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

RAMONA CHAVARRIA and TERESA C. EVARO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 29, 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 2145 Coleen Court, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 21 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 5A OF LOMA HEIGHTS PLAT NO. 3, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID LOMA HEIGHTS PLAT NO. 3, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON FEBRUARY 19. 1960 IN PLAT

BOOK 8, FOLIO 52.

THE FOREGOING SALE

will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on February 21, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$101,427.10 and the same bears interest at 4.2500% per annum from January 18. 2017 to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER

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

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

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

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 03/17, 03/24, 2015

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

No. D-307-PB-2016-00119 Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALFREDO P. VIGIL, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

Dated: November 30, 2016

/s/Enedina H. Vigil Enedina H. Vigil, Personal Representative of the Alfredo P. Vigil, Deceased

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

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

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 2017

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

No. D-307-PB-2017-00012 Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STEVEN T. LEASK, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

Dated: February 4, 2017

/s/Connie R. Lambert Connie R. Lambert, Personal Representative of the Estate of Steven T. Leask. Deceased

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

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

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. D-307-CV-2015-01855

CONERSTONE HOME LENDING, LLC, Plaintiff,

v.

DAWN OLANDER FKA DAWN A. MARTIN, AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DAWN OLANDER FKA DAWN A. MARTIN, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on March 14, 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 168, ENTRADA DE SIERRA SUBDIVISION PHASE 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 August 10, 2007, in Book 22 Page(s) 291-293 of Plat Records.

The address of the real

property is 7466 Sierra Luz

Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on November 21, 2016 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$159,543.49 plus interest from October 1, 2016 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.125% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended or 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

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 proper-

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

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

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

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

D-307-CV-2016-01902 Judge Mary Rosner

FIRSTLIGHT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff,

v.

DANOIS R. MONTOYA, JR., Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on March 30, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. at the Doña Ana County District Court at 201 W. Picacho Ave. Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, the undersigned Special Master will sell and convey to the

highest bidder for cash all of the right, title, and interest of the above-named Defendant to the following described real property. The property to be sold is located at 3920 Ramrod Forge, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and is

more particularly described

as follows:

Lot 5, Block 3, SETTLERS'
RIDGE, UNIT ONE, AT
RANCHO DEL REY, in the
City of Las Cruces, Doña
Ana County, New Mexico,
as shown and designated on
the plate thereof, filed in the
office of the County Clerk of
said County on November
22, 1991, in Book 17
Page(s) 108-110 of Plat
Records.

The sale will be made

pursuant to a Default Judgment entered on February 13. 2017, in the above entitled and numbered cause which is a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by Plaintiff. Plaintiff was granted judgment in the amount of \$158,345.13 plus interest at the rate of 2.875% per annum, from February 13. 2017 to the date of sale: the costs of sale including the Special Master's fee and the publication cost; and additional amounts, if any, which Plaintiff will be required to pay prior to termination of this action for property taxes, insurance premiums, and any other costs of upkeep of the real property of any sort. Plaintiff has the right to bid at the saleand to submit its bid verbally or in writing. Plaintiff may apply all or any part of 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 thereon 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 disclaims any responsibility for the valuation of the real property and improvements thereon by the County Assessor: for any environmental contamination, if any; and for any zoning violations, if any.

Notice is further given that the purchaser at the sale should take title to the above described real property subject to a thirty (30) day right of redemption.

/S/ Stephen Tucker Swaim 2/17/2017 Stephen Tucker Swaim Special Master Pickett Law Firm, LLC PO Box 1239 Las Cruces NM 88004 1239 Phone: (575) 526-3338

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 03/17, 2017

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-00504

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH RURAL HOUSING SERVICE Plaintiff,

VS.

NANCY ARREOLA, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

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 881 Birdie Drive, Anthony, New Mexico 88021, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 11, BLOCK 5, DOS LAGOS HOMES SUBDI-VISION, PHASE 2, IN 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 NOVEMBER 20, 2007, IN BOOK 22 PAGES 375-376 OF PLAT RE-CORDS.

The sale is to begin at 11:45 a.m. on March 10, 2017, outside the front entrance to the Third Judicial District, Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, 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 Judgment granted to the United States of

ments and taxes that may be

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America, acting through the Rural Housing Service.

United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service was awarded a Judgment on December 5, 2016, in the principal sum of \$80,967.73, plus interest due on the Note through November 1, 2016, in the amount of \$15,251.87. and accruing thereafter at the rate of 5.375% per annum (\$11.92 per diem), plus escrow advances in the amount of \$5,937.06, plus late charges in the amount of \$148.69, plus property caretaking expenses in the amount of \$472.62, plus an appraisal fee in the amount of \$472.62, plus in rem interest subsidy recapture on the Note in the amount of \$7,796.88, plus attorney's fees in the amount of \$1,500.00 and costs in the amount of \$481.05, with interest on the above-listed amounts, attorney's fees and costs at the rate of 5.375% per annum from date of the entry of the Judgment until

The sale is subject to rights and easements of record, to unpaid property taxes and assessments, and to the one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendants as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani Faisal Sukhyani, Special Master c/o Leverick & Musselman 5120 San Francisco Road NE Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109 Telephone: (505)858-3303

Dates: 02/10, 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.: D-307-CV-2016-00110

NATIONSTAR MORT-GAGE LLC, Plaintiff,

JAMES HILL; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES HILL; CHARTER BANK; 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 5261 Cochise Trail, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 11 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 3 OF MESA LA IOLLA SUBDI-VISION UNIT 2 PHASE 1, DOÑA ANA COUNTY. NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID MESA LA JOLLA SUBDIVISION UNIT 2 PHASE 1, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DO-ÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 18, 1989 IN PLAT BOOK 16, FOLIO 136-140,

The sale is to begin at 10:45am on April 6, 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 January 19, 2017, in the total amount of \$134,715.47, with interest at the rate of 4.000% per annum from May 6, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Nationstar Mortgage LLC, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for and the purchaser at the

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

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

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

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

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

Case No. D-307-CV-2015-02264

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

ISAAC HOLGUIN, ANNETTE M. HOLGUIN; STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT AND UNKNOWN TENANT (REAL NAME UNKNOWN), 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 of the count

ty, New Mexico, commonly known as 861 Birdie Drive, Anthony, NM 88021-8485, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 16, IN BLOCK NUMBERED 5 OF DOS LAGOS HOME SUB-DIVISION, PHASE 2, DO-ÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIG-NATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID DOS LAGOS HOMES SUBDIVISION, PHASE 2 FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNT Y, NEW MEXICO ON NOVEMBER 20, 2007 IN PLAT BOOK 22, FOLIO

The sale is to begin at 10:45am on April 6, 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 January 19 2017, in the total amount of \$123,697.74, with interest at the rate of 5.1250% per annum from September 30, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real

property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

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

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

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.: D-307-CV-2016-02208

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT C. LOPEZ AKA ROBERT CHARTON LOPEZ; MIKA LOPEZ; Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXI-CO to Defendants, ROB-ERT C. LOPEZ AKA ROBERT CHARTON LO-PEZ; MIKA LOPEZ:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. 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 5731 Pecan Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88011. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 15 IN BLOCK NUMBERED D OF DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA

COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON 07/26/2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 714-717.

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

By:/s/ Carrie Cook Karen Weaver Carrie Cook 6501 Eagle Rock NE, Suite A-3 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113 Telephone No.: (505) 219-4900 ccook @mccarthyholthus.com Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No.: D-307-CV-2015-02539

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,

vs.

IGNACIO BADILLO, DIONICIA BADILLO; 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 321 Keathley Dr, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SIT-UATE WITHIN THE COR-PORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS PART OF LOT 3, NORTH ALA-MEDA ACRES, PLAT FILED JUNE 7, 1938, IN BOOK 5, PAGE 48, OF THE DOÑA ANA COUN-TY RECORDS, AND BE-ING MORE PARTICU-LARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

IRON ROD SET ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF KEATHLEY DRIVE FOR THE NORTHWEST COR-NER OF THIS TRACT: WHENCE THE ORIGINAL NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 3, NORTH ALA-MEDA ACRES, BEARS N. 18° 04'00"W., 40.07 FEET; THENCE, FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF KEATHLEY DRIVE, N. 68° 37'00"E., A DISTANCE OF 75.00 FEET TO 1/2 IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER THIS TRACT: THENCE. LEAVING KEATHLEY DRIVE, S. 18° 04'00"E., A DISTANCE OF 129.93 FEET TO A NAIL FOUND ON THE NORTH-ERLY LINE OF AN AL-LEY FOR THE SOUTH-EAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE, ALONG THE NORTHER-LY LINE OF SAID AL-LEY, S. 68° 37'00"W., A DISTANCE OF 75.00 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT: THENCE, LEAVING SAID ALLEY, N.18° 04'00"W., A DISTANCE OF 129.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ENCLOS-ING 0.223 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO ALL EASE-MENTS AND RESERVA-TIONS OF RECORD.

am on April 6, 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 January 19, 2017, in the total amount of \$160,164.79, with interest at the rate of 5.50% per annum from October 7, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

The sale is to begin at 10:45

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 assess-

due. Wells Fargo Bank, NA, 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, environ-

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.

mental contamination on the

property, if any, and zoning

violations concerning the

property, if any.

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

By: Robert A. Doyle, Special Master c/o Legal Process Network P.O. Box 51526 Albuquerque, NM 87181 505-417-4113 1 NM-15-688102-JUD IDSPub #0122224

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

No. CV-2017-0359 Judge Marci Beyer

CARMELO SAN MAMES and LUZ MARINA SAN MAMES Plaintiffs.

/S.

CITY OF LAS CRUCES, a municipal corporation; JONATHAN D. SCHUM-ER, d/b/a MAIN STREET MOTORS, LLC, a New Mexico limited liability company; and any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

VS

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THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises

I, CLAUDE BOWMAN, Court Administrator of the Third Judicial District Court in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, do hereby cause to be issued this Notice of Pendency of Suit, for the purpose of service of process on any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs

adverse to Plaintiffs

The names of the Plaintiffs, Defendants, and the Court in which said cause is pending and the civil cause number are set out hereinabove.

The Defendants against whom service by publication is sought to be obtained are any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs.

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

The property which is affected and concerned by this pending action is located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

See Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

The name of the Plaintiffs' attorney is as follows: Dana M. Kyle of The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.A., 318 W. Organ Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, (575) 525-0020.

Defendants any and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs, against whom constructive service is sought to be obtained, are hereby notified that unless they file a responsive pleading or motion with this

Court within twenty (20) days after the date of the third and last publication of this notice, judgment or other appropriate relief will be rendered in such suit against them by default.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this 13 day of FEBRUARY, 2017.

(Seal)

CLAUDE BOWMAN Court Administrator

By /s/ Elsa Gomez Deputy

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

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

No. CV-2016-02042 Judge: Rosner

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

vs.

MAGDALENA T. CAL-DERON, BRIANA ENRI-QUEZ, LOAN MAX TI-TLE LOANS, AND 1993 CHEVY CAPRICE, RED; VIN: 1G1BN53E1PR106714; NEW MEXICO LICENSE

NEW MEXICO LICEN PLATE NO. LZJ993, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondent Briana Enriquez:

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1993 CHEVY CAPRICE, RED; VIN: 1G1BN53E1PR106714; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. LZJ993.

- 2. You are the named Respondent for whom this service by publication is sought.
- 3. A default judgment may be entered if a response is not filed by you or your attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

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

LEGAL POTICES

WITNESS the Honorable Rosner, Mary, 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 November, 2016.

(Seal)

COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By: L K Brown
DEPUTY - Lindsey K
Brown

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 2017

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

Case No.: D-307-CV-2016-02643 Judge: Arrieta

CALEB PEREZ, Plaintiff.

v.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, AND UN-KNOWN DEFENDANTS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE SUB-JECT REAL PROPERTY, Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO: UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO MAY CLAIM A LIEN, INTEREST OR TITLE ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF, Caleb Perez.

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

This action is brought to quiet title on the following property owned by Caleb Perez:

Lot 9, Block B, ARROW-HEAD ESTATES 9, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 17, 2005, in Book 21 Page(s) 163-164 of Plat Records.

The street address of the

property is 1233 Osage Ct, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

If you or your attorney do not respond to this Notice of Pendency of Action, a default judgment may be taken against you.

(Seal)

CLAUDE BOWMAN 2/16/2017 CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: /s/ Wendy Cousler Deputy - W. Cousler

Respectfully submitted,

WATSON SMITH, L.L.C.

/s/Matthew G. Watson Matthew G. Watson Attorney for Plaintiff 1100 South Main Street Ste 21 Las Cruces, NM 88005 Tel. (575) 528-0500 Fax (575) 526-9094

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10, 2017

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

No. CV-2016-02464 Judge: Martin

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

VS.

LARAY L. ATLAS, LOAN MAX TITLE LOANS 2000 DODGE NEON, RED; VIN: 1B3ES46C2YD604132; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. NHC147, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: RESPONDENT LARAY L. ATLAS:

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2000 DODGE NEON, RED; VIN: 1B3ES46C2YD604132; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. NHC147.

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 Assistant City Attorney PO Box 20000 Las Cruces, NM 88004 575-541-2128 Attorney for Petitioner

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 Doãn Ana County, this 13th day of February, 2017.

(Seal)

CLAUDE BOWMAN COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

/s/Joe M. Martinez Deputy - Joe M Martinez

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

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

No. CV-2016-02695 Judge: Rosner

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

vs.

FRANCES NEWTON, LOAN MAX TITLE LOANS 2006 DODGE DAKOTA, WHITE; VIN: 1D7HE22N46S588707; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. NSL557, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: RESPONDENT FRANCES NEWTON:

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2006 DODGE DAKOTA, WHITE; VIN: 1D7HE22N46S588707; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. NSL557. 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 Assistant City Attorney PO Box 20000 Las Cruces, NM 88004 575-541-2128 Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable Rosner, Mary, 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 10 day of February, 2017.

(Seal)

COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER By: /s/LK Brown DEPUTY -Lindsey K Brown

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

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

No. CV-2017-367 Judge James T. Martin

RALPH G. STEINHOFF and ANN T. STEINHOFF, Plaintiffs,

CITY OF LAS CRUCES,

vs.

a municipal corporation; JONATHAN D. SCHUM-ER and MELISSA C. SCHUMER, husband and wife; and JONATHAN D. SCHUMER, d/b/a MAIN STREET MOTORS, LLC, a New Mexico limited liability company; C. W. FLY, a/k/a CAREY WAYNE FLY, as TRUST-EE OF THE JOHN C. FLY AND DOROTHY B. FLY REVOCABLE LIV-ING TRUST dated May 14, 1997; BRIAN HAL-LOCK and DENINE HALLOCK, husband and wife; and any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises

adverse to Plaintiffs, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs

I, CLAUDE BOWMAN, Court Administrator of the Third Judicial District Court in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, do hereby cause to be issued this Notice of Pendency of Suit, for the purpose of service of process on any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs.

The names of the Plaintiffs, Defendants, and the Court in which said cause is pending and the civil cause number are set out hereinabove.

The Defendants against whom service by publication is sought to be obtained are any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs.

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

The property which is affected and concerned by this pending action is located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

DESCRIPTION OF A 0.075 ACRE TRACT

A tract of land situate in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 7, T.23S., R.2E., N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys, being East of Lot 11, Alameda Terrace and also being part of U.S.R.S. Tracts 9B-63A, 9B-64A2, 9B-64B, and 9B-65A and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a 'A" iron rod found on the North line of Harvard Drive; being identical to the Southeast corner of the above mentioned Lot

Thence from the point of beginning and leaving the North line of Harvard Drive, N.43° 29'54"W., 28.15 feet to a painted "x" set for a corner of this tract:

Thence N.77°09'40"E., 18.69 feet to a painted "x" set for a corner of this tract;

Thence N.42°26'21"W., 107.46 feet to a ½" iron rod found for a corner of this tract:

Thence S.82°22'00"W., 22.29 feet to a painted "x" set for a corner of this tract;

Thence N.43°59'54"W., 5.22 feet to a ¹/₂" iron rod found for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence N.82°42'37"E., 14.15 feet to a ½" iron rod set:

Thence N.80°51'52"E., 14.31 feet to a ¹/₂" iron rod set for the Northeast corner of this tract:

Thence S.47°46'37"E., 3.48 feet to a $^{1}/_{2}$ " iron rod set;

Thence S.47°46'37"E., 146.60 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set:

Thence S.47°33'54"E., 13.16 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set;

Thence S.31°30'04"E., 15.30 feet to a 1/2" iron rod set for the Southeast corner of this treet.

Thence S.78°50'00"W., 38.03 feet to a ½" iron rod set for the Southwest corner of this tract:

Thence N.43°29'54"W., 29.51 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.075 acres of land, more or less. Subject to any easements and restrictions of record.

A plat was prepared under Job # 16-0377. Field Notes by Moy Surveying, Inc. License No. 18078. All corners set are 1/2" iron rods with 1" plastic caps stamped 18078. All iron rods or monuments found, tagged, stamped 18078.

The name of the Plaintiffs' attorney is as follows: Dana M. Kyle of The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle. P.A., 318

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Cruces, NM 88007

W. Organ Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, (575) 525-0020.

Defendants any and all unknown heirs, devisees, spouses and claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs, against whom constructive service is sought to be obtained, are hereby notified that unless they file a responsive pleading or motion with this Court within twenty (20) days after the date of the third and last publication of this notice, judgment or other appropriate relief will be rendered in such suit against them by default.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this 23 day of FEBRUARY, 2017.

(Seal)

CLAUDE BOWMAN Court Administrator

By /s/Elsa Gomez Elsa Gomez

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 03/17,

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

No. 16-0235

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE LAFE GOTTSCHLING, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HERBERT P. GOTTSCHLING JR AKA: HERB GOTTSCH-LING, HERB P. GOTTSCHLING, has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at 4916 CHAGAR CT, LAS CRUCES, NM 88007 or filed with the Probate Court of DOÑA ANA. County. New Mexico located at the following address: 845 N Motel Blvd, RM 1-201 Las DATED: Feb. 7 2017

/s/Herbert P. Gottschling Jr. HERBERT P. GOTTSCHLING JR.

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03, 2017

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

Case No.: D-307-CV-2016-00833

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

SANDRA LEE: SISBAR-RO BUICK GMC, INC.; STATE OF NEW MEXI-CO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPART-MENT; DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY -INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; AND OCCU-PANTS OF THE PROP-ERTY. Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION STATE OF NEW MEXI-

CO to Defendant, Sandra Lee, You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), A Corporation Organized And Existing Under The Laws Of The United States Of America has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 4156 Las Piedras Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88001. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

A 2.500 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATE SOUTH OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS PART OF LOT 12, BLOCK 7 OF THE ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND AND TRUST COMPANY SUBDIVISION B PLAT FILED JUNE 2, 1911 IN PLAT RECORD 4 PAGE 24. DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS AND BEING

MORE PARTICULARLY THE STATE OF DESCRIBED AS FOL-LOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST COR-NER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD, WHENCE THE NORTHEAST COR-NER OF LOT 12, BLOCK 7, OF THE AFOREMEN-TIONED SUBDIVISION BEARS S 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 00 SECONDS W, 330.00 FEET; THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING S 00 DE-GREES 03 MINUTES 49 SECONDS W, 329.85 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD: THENCE N 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 43 SECONDS W, 329.73 FEET TO AN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD: THENCE N 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 27 SEC-ONDS E, 329.82 FEET TO AN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED. MARKED BY A FOUND IRON ROD; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 00 SECONDS E, 330.05 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF A FOR-TY FOOT ROAD EASE-MENT TO THE TO THE PLACE AND POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAIN-ING 2.500 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, AND SUBJECT TO EASE-MENTS OF RECORD AND SUCH AS MAY EXIST ON THE GROUND, Including a 1983 CAVCO Manufactured

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.

Home, VIN: UNKNOWN.

McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP

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

Dates: 02/17, 02/24, 03/03,

NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL

D-307-CV-2015-01474

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

THOMAS C. TEST AND MARY LYNN TEST, IF LIVING; IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MARY LYNN TEST. DECEASED: OCCU-PANTS OF THE PROP-ERTY: Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2740 Ben Boldt Place, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 8, BLOCK 1 OF LOS CONTENTOS, PHASE 1 (A TOWNHOUSE SUBDIVI-SION), LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, STATE OF NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN ON PLAT THEREOF RECORDED ON FEBRUARY 25, 1997 IN PLAT BOOK 18, AT PAGE 639-640 AS PLAT NO. 2927, RECORDS OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY.

The sale is to begin at 10:45 am on March 23, 2017, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on January 18, 2017, in the total amount of \$160 781 37 with interest at the rate of 6.0000% per annum from July 25, 2016

through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER

GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), A Corporation Organized And Existing Under The Laws Of The United States Of America, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

PROSPECTIVE PUR-CHASERS AT SALE ARE ADVISED TO MAKE THEIR OWN EXAMINA-TION OF THE TITLE AND THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND TO CONSULT THEIR OWN ATTOR-NEY BEFORE BIDDING.

By: Robert A. Doyle, Special Master c/o Legal Process Network P.O. Box 51526 Albuquerque, NM 87181 505-417-4113 1 NM-15-668926-JUD IDSPub #0122223

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

Case No .: D-307-CV-2015-02028

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIA-TION ("FANNIE MAE").

A CORPORATION OR-GANIZED AND EXIST-ING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff.

BERTHA L. GARCIA AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BERTHA L. GARCIA; BANK OF AM ERICA, N.A.; ARSARIO P. GARCIA AND PRIS-CILLA L. GARCIA, HUS-BAND AND WIFE; OC-CUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the above-entitled that 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 1255 W Ethel Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 29, BLOCK C, CHU-LA VISTA, 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 DE-CEMBER 10, 1953, IN BOOK 7 PAGES 48 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at 10:45

AM on April 6, 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 January 19, 2017, in the total amount of \$79,958.41, with interest at the rate of 7.00000% per annum from October 20, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), A Corporation Organized And Existing Under The Laws Of The United States Of America, 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

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property, if any, environ-

mental contamination on the

property, if any, and zoning

violations concerning the

property, if any.

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-15-674387-JUD IDSPub #0122390

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

No.: D-307-CV-2016-01892

LSF9 MASTER PARTICI-PATION TRUST, Plaintiff.

FLORA PADILLA; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF FLORA PADILLA: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DE-VISEES AND LEGATEES OF ENRIQUE PADILLA, DECEASED; WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL BANK; COSMOS FINAN-CIAL, LLC: GE MONEY

BANK; RAZOR CAPI-TAL, LLC, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXI-CO to Defendants, Flora Padilla and The Unknown Heirs and Devisees and Legatees of Enrique Padilla Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff LSF9 Master Participation Trust has filed a civil action against you in the aboveentitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 2201 Calle De Suenos, Las Cruces, NM 88001. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT 3, BLOCK 3, DALE BELLAMAH MANOR PLAT NO.1, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIG-NATED ON PLAT NO. 448 THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON JULY 27, 1956, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 7, PAGE 74, PLAT RE-CORDS.

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

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

Dates: 02/24, 03/03, 03/10,

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

Case No .: D-307-CV-2016-01946

MIDFIRST BANK. Plaintiff.

LEGAL NOTICES

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

vs

JAMES A. GALLEGOS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES A. GALLEGOS; Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendants, James A. Gallegos and the Unknown Spouse of James A. Gallegos:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff, Midfirst Bank 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 3748 Ascencion Circle, Las Cruces, NM 88012. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT 18, BLOCK A, HIGH DESERT SUBDIVISION PHASES 1A AND 1B, 1N THE CITY OF LAS CRU-CES, DOÑA ANA COUN-TY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNA-TED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUN-TY ON OCTOBER 14, 2005, IN BOOK 21 PAGE(S) 373-375 OF PLAT RECORDS.

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

McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP
By: /s/Catherine Sanchez
Karen Weaver
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Albuquerque,
New Mexico 87113
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csanchez
@mccarthyholthus.com
Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 03/17, 2017

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

Case No. D-307-CV-2016-00514 THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT BANK OF THE WEST, Plaintiff,

vs

JAXON L. ARCHULETA, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF V. DALE ANTREASIAN, DECEASED; 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 408 Mantooth Loop, Rincon, NM 87940. and more particularly described as follows: A 0.18 Acre Tract Situate In Section 8. Township 19 South, Range 2 West, Nmpm Of The Usglo Surveys, In The Town Of Rincon, Doña Ana County, New Mexico And Being More Particularly Described As Follows, To Wit:

Beginning At The Northeast Corner Of The Tract Herein Described, Marked By A Set Iron Rod, Whence A Railroad Site Marked 1080 At Station 1479+56 For The Atchison, Topeka And Santa Fe Railroad, Marked By A Found Nail, Bears S. 81 Deg 25'09" W., 231.24 Feet;

Thence From The Point Of Beginning S. 35 Deg 14' 05" E., 120.00 Feet To The Southeast Corner Of The Tract Herein Described, Marked By A Set Iron Rod; Thence S. 51 Deg 05' 16" W., 67.00 Feet To The Southwest Corner Of The Tract Herein Described, Marked By A Set Iron Rod;

Thence N. 35 Deg 14' 05" W., 120.00 Feet To The Northwest Corner Of The Tract Herein Described, Marked By A Set Iron Rod;

Thence N. 51 Deg 05' 16" E., 67.00 Feet To The Place And Point Of Beginning Containing 0.18 Acres Of Land, More Or Less.

The sale is to begin at 10:45am on March 23, 2017, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña

Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Default Judgment in Rem granted on January 9, 2017, in the total amount of \$41,607.33, with interest at the rate of 6.8750% per annum from April 29, 2016 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

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

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

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

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2/10/2017 2/17/2017 2/24/2017 3/3/2017 THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA STATE OF NEW MEXICO

NO. PB-16-56 Judge ARRIETA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF REMIGIO S. VARELA, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at 715 E. Amador, Suite B, Las Cruces, NM 88001, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 West Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005

DATED: December 1, 2016

/s/H. Salazar Henrietta Salazar 213 Bronco Way Las Cruces, NM 88005

/s/Larry Ramirez Larry Ramirez 715 E. Lohman, Suite B (575) 644-3201

Dates: 03/03, 03/10, 2017



FIRST NOTICE of ELECTION (Positions 3 & 4)

Notice of Supervisor Election for the Dona Ana Soil and Water Conservation District (73-20-49 NMSA 1978).

To all registered voters situated within the Dona Ana Soil and Water Conservation District, Dona Ana County, State of New Mexico.

Notice is hereby given that on the 1st Tuesday of May, 2017 (May 2, 2017), between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM, polls will be open to elect two supervisors of the Dona Ana Soil and Water Conservation District, in accordance with the New Mexico Soil and Water Conservation District Act.

Polling locations will be:

- Betty McKnight Community Center, 190 S. County Line, Chaparral, NM 88081
- Anthony Municipal Complex, 820 Highway 478, Anthony, NM 88021
- Vado/Del Cerro Community Center, 180 La Fe Ave., Mesquite, NM 88048
- Dona Ana County Building 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007
- Sage Café Community Center 6121 Reynolds Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88012
- Good Samaritan Las Cruces Village Social Center 3011 Buena Vida Circle, Las Cruces, NM 88011

The positions to be filled are position # 3 currently being filled by Joe Delk, and position # 4 currently being filled by Michael Gill. Position 3 may only be filled by a resident owner of land within Zone 3. Position 4 may only be filled by resident owners of land within Zone 4. The map showing the zone boundaries is available at http://www.daswcd.org/home.

Declarations of Candidacy may be obtained beginning March 6, 2017 until March 14, 2017 at Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District office, 760 Stern Drive, Suite 118, Las Cruces, NM 88005; weekdays between the hours of 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM. Declarations of Candidacy must be filed at the above address on March 14, 2017 between the hours of 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM. Write in candidates must file Declarations of Candidacy on March 21, 2017 at the above address between the hours of 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM.

Eligible voters within the district shall obtain and cast their ballots at the polling places on the day of the election, with eligible residents of Zone 3 voting for Position 3 candidate, and eligible residents of Zone 4 voting for Position 4 candidate; OR

Eligible voters who will be absent on the day of the election may request an absentee ballot application by mail, by phone, and in person. Absentee ballot applications will only be available between April 2, 2017 and April 12, 2017 between the hours of 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM at the:

Dona Ana County Bureau of Elections, Dona Ana County Building, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007. To request an absentee ballot application by phone call 575-647-7428.

Completed absentee ballot applications must be received by 5:00pm April 12, 2017.

Absentee ballot packets will be sent out no later than April 17, 2017.

Completed absentee ballots must be received at the address above not later than 7:00 PM, May 2, 2017.

Voters are asked to bring proof of residency to the polling location. This can be a voter registration card, utility bill, or other documentation of district residency.

If you have any questions regarding this election please call Jennifer Kleitz at 575-386-7884.

LAS CRUCES BULLETIN FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2017 | 4



PHOTO COURTESY OF MEGAN MCQUEEN

Left to right: NMSU musical theatre students performing in the 2017 "Broadway Today" are Asiah Thomas-Mandlman, Nicholas Holguin, Bethany Hayes, Heather Hosford, Cheyenne Kimmick and Palma Tavenner.

'Broadway Today' features songs from 22 shows

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

as Cruces actor/singer/director Megan Mc-Queen will present and perform in her third annual "Broadway Today" production, which will feature many New Mexico State University theater and voice students and community actors. It opens at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 10 at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

"This concert gets more fun every year because as more people are familiar with the concept of the show by attending or participating in past years, more people are enthusiastically approaching being involved again — either as sponsors, attendees or participants on and off stage," McQueen said. "And the last few years so many incredible new musicals and exciting revivals keep happening. Who could ask

for anything more?"

Songs from 22 Broadway shows will be included in the show, including songs from "American Psycho," "Bright Star," "Cats," "Falsettos," "Fiddler on the Roof," "Hamilton," "Jersey Boys," "Les Miserables," "Matilda," "Motown," "Natasha and Pierre and the Great Comet of 1812," "School of Rock," "She Loves Me," "Something Rotten," "Sunday in the Park with George," "The Color Purple," "The King and I," "Tuck Everlasting" and "Waitress."

There are more than 50 performers in this show, including current and former NMSU students and community members.

McQueen will sing "Everybody Loves Louis" from "Sunday in the Park with George." Danny Lopez, who performed Tevye in a UTEP Dinner Theatre production of "Fiddler on the Roof," will perform "If I

Were a Rich Man."

Tickets are \$20 for the first floor and \$15 for both balconies. Tickets will be for sale at the Center for the Arts box office one hour before each performance, as well as during specific office hours. Visit www.nmsu.theatre.com for a complete list of dates and times, or call 575-646-5952 for more information.

Accompanists for the show will be David Cunniff, Mark Klett and Diane Schutz on piano, Roanna St. Clair and Alma d'arte Charter High School culinary students will provide appetizers.

For more information about the show and its performers, visit www.nmsutheatre.com/broadwayto-day.php.

Mike Cook can be reached at goodguymwc@q.com.

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'Truth Dare ...' is new and outstanding theater at NMSU

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

If you go see "Truth Dare ..." at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts – and you should – sit a few rows back from the stage so you can get the full effect of the incredible set that is part of this extraordinary show.

The play continues for four additional performances on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 3, 4 and 5.

Scenic designer Jim Billings proved his genius once again as he worked with playwright Tori Keenan-Zelt and director Larissa Lury to create a set that is, like the play, interesting and unique on many levels.

The play opens as Hannah (Torrie Hughes), Maeve (Daniela Castorena), Ursa (Melis Derya White) and Linney (Violet Griffin) search for the legendary and terrifying Green Man in a dark culvert. It is the summer before the girls begin high school and many other mysteries and challenges await them as they gather in a basement, an upstairs bedroom, the woods and



LAS CRUCES BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

The play "Truth Dare ..." features the work of props designer and co-stage manager Brianna Miranda; Assistant Director Mario Ragazzone; actors Daniela Castorena, Violet Griffin, Torrie Hughes, Melis Derya White; costume designer Maggie Simpson; sound designer Matt Reynolds: and director Larissa Lury.

again at the culvert.

On the play's second night, the girls have graduated from high school and are waiting for their lives to begin. They must deal with their own secrets and the tragedy that has occurred.

Because this is the very first full-blown production of "Truth Dare ..." Hughes, Castorena, White and Griffin – all four are NMSU Theatre Arts Department majors – had the unique opportunity to work with the playwright, who visited for a week of rehearsals from her home in New York City, and with an outstanding director, to create these characters.

They explored the ups and downs of Hannah, Maeve, Ursa and Linney's brightest hopes and darkest fears as they rose and descended across Billings' remarkable set.

The term "ensemble cast" is a bit shopworn, but it is well applied here. Each of these beautiful young women brought a unique depth and heart to her character in ways that will challenge those who play the parts in future productions. But they also joined together to create some-

thing more, something greater than you will find in the pages of the script. Bravo to all four and to Lury. You have much to be proud of with this production.

This is a short play without an intermission, but it is packed full of the games that children and adults love to play, along with religion, sexuality, fear, hope, death and triumph. Go see it.

"Truth Dare ..." will be performed at the Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave., at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, March 3 and 4. There will also be matinee performances at 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, March 4 and 5.

Tickets are \$17 for adults ages 18 to 64, \$14 for seniors ages 65 and older and NMSU faculty and staff with i.d., \$10 children and students ages three to 17 and NMSU students with current school i.d., and \$5 for high school students with current school i.d.

For tickets, call 575-646-1420 or visit www.ticketmaster.com/NMSU-Center-for-the-Arts-tickets-Las-Cruces/venue/99210#focus_event_table. You can also get tickets at the door one hour before each performance.

Visit www.nmsutheatre.com/boxof-fice.php for more information.

Mike Cook may be reached at goodguymwc@q.com.



Advertising of the Southwest," 2016.

Proposals will be accepted March 1 through April 7, 2017.



Beverley Pirtle. From "NM Watercolor Society SC Spring Show," 2016.



Branigan Cultural CenterOpen Call for Submissions for 2018 Exhibits



Matilde Holtzwarth. From "Hillsboro Faces," 2016.

Branigan Cultural Center seeks proposals for exhibits with themes of cultural and historical significance relating to the Southwest to be presented in 2018. We invite submissions from artists (solo and group), from formal and informal scholars, and cultural heritage organizations.

Proposals must be submitted using the form at www.surveymonkey.com/r/LCMS2017. Applications must include a brief narrative, artist(s) statement, and images of proposed work. Exhibits will run for a 6 to 12 week period. For more information, please visit las-cruces.org/museums or call 541-2154.

Branigan Cultural Center 501 North Main Street Las Cruces, NM 88001 575-541-2154 www.las-cruces.org/museums

LC Symphony presents 'Classics Four'

The Las Cruces Symphony Orchestra (LCSO), directed by Lonnie Klein, presents "Classics Four" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 4 and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 5.

Tickets are \$35, \$40 and \$45, depending on where you sit in the Atkinson Recital Hall, 1075 N. Horseshoe on the New Mexico State University campus, where the symphony performs.

The program will feature Vicente Campos on the trumpet. Campos as a master of musical aesthetics and creativity from the University of Valencia, Spain, where he is pursuing his PhD Campos is coordinator of the music festival of Montserrat.

Featured compositions during the performances include "Danzon No. 2" by Arturo Marquez, "Concerto for Trumpet"

by Alexander Arutiunian, "Concerto for Two Trumpets" by Tomaso Albinoni and Tchaikovsky's "Suite No. 3."

You can meet Klein during LCSO's "Meet the Maestro," which will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 2 at Paisano Café, 1740 Calle de Mercado in Mesilla. Tickets to the lunch are \$20. During the lunch, you can meet Klein, guest artist Vicente Campos and preview the upcoming performance and receive an advance copy of the performance's program notes.

LCSO's "Classics Five" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 2 in the Atkinson Recital Hall. It will feature Dmitri Ratser on the piano, and will include performances

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'The Conference of the Birds' opens March 17

BULLETIN REPORT

"The Conference of the Birds," a play by Peter Brook and Jean-Claude Carriere based on the poem by 12th-century Sufi poet Farid ud-Din Attar, will open Friday, March 17, at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St.

The play is directed by Karen Caroe. The cast includes Tiffany Tyson, Heather Hosford, Veronica Bissell, Sarah Glidewell, Ellie Hernandez, Micah Glidewell, Mark Kitanga, Owen Glidewell, Mark Hammersmith and Joselouis Solorano.

"The Conference of the Birds" is a "mysterious theatrical journey away from traditional narrative and performance styles that American audiences have come to expect," said Black Box Theatre owner Ceil Herman. "It is an exuberant experiment in ensemble storytelling." Performances will be 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, March 17 and 18, 24 and 25 and 31 and April 1; at 2:30 p.m. Sundays,

SYMPHONY

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of "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Mussorgsky/ Rosenblatt, Liszt's "Les Preludes," Rimsky-Korsaskoff's "Russian Easter Overture" and Mahler's First Symphony.

The Classics Five "Meet the Maestro" lunch will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 30 at Paisano Café.

For information, call 575-646-3709 or visit www. lascrucessymphony.com.

March 26 and April 2, and at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 30.

Tickets are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and seniors over age 65 and \$10 for all seats for the Thursday, March 30, performance.

For reservations and more information, call 575-523-1223. Visit www. no-strings.org.

COURTESY PHOTO

Actors rehearse a scene from "The Conference of the Birds," which opens Friday, March 17. at Black Box The-





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UPCOMING EVENTS

FRI MARCH 3 • 7:00P.M. ArtRamble with Jim Rodgers, Photographer **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**

FRI MARCH 3 • 5:00 - 7:00P.M. Library Lab (Activities/Stories for ages 6-10) **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**

SAT MARCH 4 • 7:00 P.M. We are One Dance and Drum

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

TUE MARCH 7 • 10:30 A.M.

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

Read to Me (Storytime for ages 3 and up)

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

TUE MARCH 7 • 2:00 P.M. Intro to Computers: The Basics

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

TUE+THU MARCH 7+9 4:00 P.M. Teen Game Night

WED+THU MARCH 8+9 10:00 A.M.

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

Toddler Time (Storytime for ages 1-3)

WED MARCH 8 • 11:00 A.M.

BRANIGAN LIBRARY

Mother Goose Time (Activities for Infants)

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

WED MARCH 8 • 6:30 P.M. Every 2nd Wednesday - Free Programming by Comedian Mario Sauceda

WED MARCH 8 • 2:00 P.M. Doña Ana County Genealogical Society **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

FRI MARCH 10 • 7:00 P.M. A Children's Theatre presents Dr. Dolittle

SAT MARCH 11 • 10:30 A.M. A Children's Theatre presents Dr. Dolittle **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**

SAT MARCH 11 • 2:30 P.M.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

LCIFF presents Comedy Workshop with Johnny Galecki

SAT MARCH 11 • 6:00 P.M.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

Las Cruces International Film Festival Awards Ceremony

SAT MARCH 18 • 8:00 P.M.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

National Institute of Flamenco presents !Yiastros en Vivo!

SUN MARCH 19 • 3:00 P.M.

RIO GRANDE THEATRE

The Las Cruces Civic Concert Association presents Kubecca

ONGOING EVENTS:

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

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'No Sex Please' is an old-fashioned farce

Bv MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Director Norman Lewis summed up why people should attend Las Cruces Community Theatre's (LCCT) production of "No Sex Please, We're British" in two words: "It's funny."

The show opens at 8 p.m. Friday, March 3 at LCCT, 313 N. Main St.

The play, which Lewis described as a "traditional, old-fashioned farce," continues for three weekends and closes Sunday, March 19.

"I think we can use some funny plays in town," Lewis said. "The times we're living in are serious enough."

The play, by Anthony Marriott and Alistair

Foot, contains adult themes. It ran for more than 6,700 performances on the London stage and also had a run on Broadwav. Lewis and his husband, Ron Nash, owned Forestburgh Playhouse in New York. Lewis operated the theatre for 23 years before the couple sold it and moved permanently to Las Cruces in 2014.

In the play, a young bride innocently sends a mail order for Scandinavian glassware. What she gets is Scandinavian pornography. As she and her husband, an assistant bank manager, deal with the flood of unwanted porn, they encounter the husband's mother, his boss, a visiting bank inspector, a police superintendent and a befuddled

The cast of nine includes four actors with significant acting credits in New York and Chicago,

"I am thrilled with the quality of my actors," Lewis said.

The cast includes Centennial High School theatre teacher Darin Robert Cabot, Susie Ouderkirk. McKensi Karnes, Jeff Dolecek, Carl Mitchell, Robert Sheehan, David Arias, Aben Miller and Blake Stover.

Vanessa Dabovich is the stage manager; Autumn Gieb is the costume designer; Chris Lininger is the lighting designer; Eric Krauel is the properties manager.

The set includes five doors for lots of chasing and door-slamming, Lewis said.

Performances are at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, March 3-4, 10-11 and 17-18 and at 2 p.m. on Sundays, March 5, 12 and 19.

Opening night, Friday,



PHOTO BY VANESSA DABOVICH

From the cast of Las Cruces Community Theatre's "No Sex Please, We're British," are, left to right, Carl Mitchell, Darin Robert Cabot, McKenzi Karnes, Jeff Dolecek and Susie Ouderkirk.

March 3, is gala night. Attendees can join the cast and crew for wine and cake after the perfor-

Student "rush" tickets

will be sold to students with valid student ID for \$5, 15 minutes before curtain time if seats are available.

For information and

reservations, call 575-523-1200. Visit www.lcctnm. org.

Mike Cook can be reached at goodguymwc@q.com.

Fountain Theatre

2469 Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla 575.524.8287 www.mesillavalleyfilm.org

March 3-9 Jackie

"Natalie Portman is simply brilliant, getting to the essence of Jackie [Kennedy] without resorting to a mere impersonation." St. Louis Post-Dispatch. (Oscar nominee Best Actress, Costume Design & Original Score)

March 10-16

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Buffalo roast benefits archaeological research

BULLETIN REPORT

Human Systems Research's annual buffalo roast will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 11 at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

The event begins with a silent auction and cash bar. A buffet-style dinner begins at 6 p.m. The buffalo meat comes from Colorado and will be prepared by Las Cruces chef Juan Morales of Santa Fe Grill, said Human Systems Research (HSR) Executive Director Deborah Dennis.

VanAnn Moore will perform in "The Amazing Women of the West" at 7 p.m. Moore will be performing the roles of three women from New Mexico's territorial period: Dona Tules (Gertrudes Barcelo) who owned gambling

houses in Santa Fe and was known as the best monte dealer west of the Mississippi; Susan Shelby Magoffin, who was the first Anglo woman to venture down the Santa Fe Trail; and Lydia Spencer Lane, the wife of an U.S. Army officer stationed at Fort Fillmore.

Tickets are \$40 per person and are only available in advance; they will not be sold at the door. Purchase them at the Human Systems Research (HSR) office at 535 S. Melendres St. or by calling 575-524-9456. Cash and checks will be accepted.

All proceeds from the dinner will benefit HSR's archaeological research projects, particularly the Canada Alamosa Project in southern Socorro County. For information, visit http://exhibition.canadaalamosaproject. org.

Stan Blitz talks about his book, history of music at Farm & Ranch

Learn the truth behind 'American Bandstand'

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces promoter Stan Blitz will give a free lecture and answer questions about his book, "American Bandstand: The Untold Story," and about the history of music in New Mexico at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 9, at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Blitz said he did 14 years of research and read 27 books before he completed his manuscript about "American Bandstand," the music performance show that premiered on radio in Philadelphia in 1949. The television show premiered in 1952.

Blitz was born and raised in

Philadelphia, "where it all happened," he said. Blitz was among students who went to WFIL-TV in Philadelphia five days a week where the show aired live. Blitz was too young to join in the dancing, but he remembers the music and performers.

American Bandstand founder and first host Bob Horn was a true pioneer, Blitz said. Horn, he said, even wrote the show's theme song "Bandstand Boogie."

American Bandstand also premiered Bill Haley and the Comets' "Rock Around the Clock" in 1954, Blitz said.

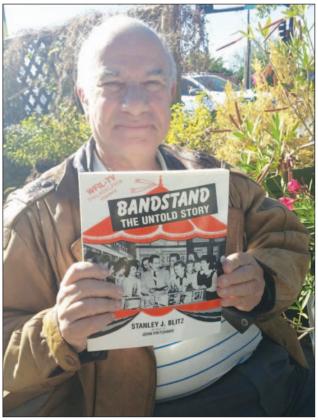
Dick Clark became the host of American Bandstand in 1956.

The truth about American Bandstand has never been told properly, Blitz said. "I'm telling the facts. I like the truth," Blitz said of his book and lecture.

During his presentation, Blitz will also talk about the history of music in New Mexico, including Buddy Holly and the Crickets recording at Norman Petty Studios in Clovis and the Fireballs, whose 1963 recording of "Sugar Shack" sold more than a million records, spent five weeks at the top of the music charts and was the last No. 1 hit by an American group before the British Invasion led by the Beatles.

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

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Stan Blitz is behind the scenes at American Bandstand.

Las Cruces hosts AACT Fest 2017 March 3-5

BULLETIN REPORT

Actors, directors and crew from six theater groups from around New Mexico will be competing with one-act productions during the American Association of Community Theatre (AACT) Fest 2017 March 3-5 at Alma d'Arte school, 402 Court Ave. The winning play will travel to Lafayette, Louisiana in April to compete regionally. In addition to the competition, participants will take part in any of five theater-related workshops during the weekend.

The theater groups that will compete include Ruidoso High School ("A Cold Day in Hell"), Community Players of Hobbs ("The Glass Managerie"), Nat Gold Players of Las Vegas ("Grim Paperwork"), Artesia High School ("10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse"), Los Alamos Little Theatre ("The Other Place"), and Lincoln County Community Theatre ("Redhot Patriot"), said Theatre New Mexico (TNM) Board President Larry Fisher.

Theater workshops include "Stage Management" by John Sullivan; "Performance Improv" by

Tim Jebson; "Directing" by Ron Cameron-Lewis; "Film in New Mexico" by Ross Marks and "All Five Things I Know About Anything" by Mark Medoff.

Fees for the AACT Fest 2017 are \$75 full fare; workshops \$5 each or all for \$25; performances \$10 each or all for \$60; awards brunch \$20 per person. Info: 817-732-3177.





Medical students learn life lessons on set of 'Horse Soldiers'

By JESSICA SALOPEK

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

When a classmate at the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine in Las Cruces sent Humza Ahmed, Haris Ahmed, and Harris Ahmed a casting call for movie extras, they took it as more of a joke than anything. Thinking nothing would come of it, they sent an email to the casting director and were almost immediately offered roles that would require them to be on set for four months. That offer didn't fit into the demanding schedule of first year medical students, but they managed to negotiate their participation down to two weekends filming in Socorro and Laguna Pueblo.

The movie, "Horse Soldiers," stars Chris Hemsworth and is based on the 2010 book of the same name. It recounts the true story of U.S. Special Forces operatives fighting the Taliban in post-9/11 Afghanistan. The Ahmeds were originally asked to portray Taliban soldiers, roles they

refused based on their religious beliefs. Brothers Haris and Humza, and Harris (who met the other two at BCOM and is no relation) are of Pakistani heritage and were all born into the revivalist Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

"Because of our religious beliefs, members of our community have been persecuted by the Taliban in the Middle East. We did not feel comfortable portraying people who have killed members of our community," Humza said.

Instead, the Ahmeds took on roles as Afghani villagers and members of the Northern Alliance who worked with American soldiers to combat the Taliban. The three agreed to participate to take advantage of a oncein-a-lifetime opportunity to see what really goes on behind the scenes of a major Hollywood production. Ultimately, however, they said they gained insight into their futures as physicians and got a firsthand introduction to the healthcare issues New Mexico is facing.



"When the director, producers, and actors realized we were medical students, they started saying 'the doctors are here,' and people would start asking us questions about their own medical conditions. Right away, they were sharing very personal information with us." Harris said. "It was eye-opening to realize that, even in a setting completely divorced from healthcare, we are still held to a certain standard."

On set, the students said they conversed about the core values of a physician, the current issues surrounding the over prescription of medications, and trust issues between patients and physicians. Harris adds that profound themes of faith and cultural awareness in medicine arose.

"We're not qualified to give medical advice at this point, but we were surprised that we could answer some of their questions based on the material we've already covered this year, like the difference between an expectorant and a decongestant. It was a good reminder about focusing on our studies and mastering the material because you never know when you'll be asked about it." Humza added.

The Ahmeds were introduced on set to several Native American tribal members who were also cast as Afghani villagers. One of BCOM's primary missions is to address the health needs of Native

Haris, Humza, and Harris Ahmed between takes on the set of "Horse Soldiers."

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Americans in the Southwest.

"We just recently moved to New Mexico, so we haven't had much opportunity to actually interact with the Native American populations yet," Haris said. "In speaking with them, we found that Native Americans do feel underserved in terms of healthcare and that they've had issues connecting with physicians and building that necessary bond. It was very interesting to hear their concerns firsthand and literally talk with them about how we can help. It certainly reinforced why we decided to come to BCOM."

While the trio won't be giving up medical school for a career in Hollywood, they have agreed to participate in a documentary series titled "The Long Road Home" which will be filming this summer. "Just being in medical school has already given us so many memories and stories to tell, but adding on opportunities like these really enhances our experience of living in New Mexico," Humza said.

Jessica Salopek is a staff writer at Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine. She may be reached at 575-649-3272.



18th Annual Cowboy Days

WHEN: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, March 4

WHERE: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road

ADMISSION: \$5 ages 5 and older

ONGOING ACTIVITIES: Arts and crafts vendors, food vendors, CASI Chili Cook-Off and beer saloon (chili public tasting from 2-3 p.m., \$5), Museum children's games and craft activities, Fort Selden children's activities, plant sale, gold panning, miniature train rides (\$3), mechanical bull rides (\$3), living history characters, Back Country Horsemen, U.S. Customs & Border Protection horses, horseshoe games, the music of Kenny Arroyos, and demonstrations, including chuck wagon cooking, blacksmithing, wool spinning, weaving and wood carving.

9-10:30 A.M.: Pony rides near the Horse & Cattle Barn

10-11 A.M.: Voz Vaqueros singing group in the courtyard

10 A.M.-4 P.M.: Stagecoach rides in front of the Bruce King Building

11-11:30 A.M.: Author Stephen Zimmer in the theater

11 A.M.-NOON: Borderland Pistoleros Mounted Shooting in the roping arena

11:15 A.M.-NOON: Ramblin' Rangers musical group in the courtyard

12-12:40 P.M.: Old West Thunder gunfight reenactments in the Heritage Garden

12-1 P.M.: Parade of Breeds in the round pen

12-3 P.M.: Pony rides near the Horse & Cattle Barn. (\$5)

12:15-1 P.M.: Washtub Jerry performs in the courtyard

1-1:30 P.M.: Author Melody Groves in the theater

1:15-2 P.M.: Eddy Harrison performs in the courtyard

2-2:40 P.M.: Pangur Ban's Irish Story and Song in the

2-3 P.M.: Public tasting for the CASI Chili Cook-Off. (\$5)

2-3 P.M.: Parade of Breeds in the round pen

2:15-3 P.M.: Ramblin' Rangers musical group in the courtyard

2:45-3:15 P.M.: Author Ralph Estes in the theater

3-5 P.M.: Borderland Pistoleros Mounted Shooting in the roping arena

3:15-4 P.M.: Washtub Jerry performs in the courtyard

3:30 P.M.: Awards announced for chili cook-off and salsa and bean contests.

3:30-4:10 P.M.: 19th century fashion show in the theater

4:15-5 P.M.: Eddy Harrison performs in the courtyard

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 5

ADMISSION: \$5 for everyone 5 and older

ONGOING ACTIVITIES: Arts and crafts vendors, food vendors, CASI Chili Cook-Off and beer saloon (chili public tasting from 12-1 p.m. - \$5), Museum children's games and craft activities, Fort Selden children's activities, plant sale, gold panning, miniature train rides (\$3), mechanical bull rides (\$3), living history characters, Back Country Horsemen, U.S. Customs & Border Protection horses, horseshoe games, the music of Kenny Arroyos, and demonstrations, including cooking, blacksmithing, wool spinning, weaving and wood carving.

10 A.M. TO 10:30 A.M.: Author Melody Groves in the theater.

10 A.M. TO 10:45 A.M.: Ramblin' Rangers musical group in the courtyard.

10 A.M. TO 11 A.M.: Pony rides near the Horse & Cattle Barn (\$5).

10 A.M.TO 4 P.M.: Pat Howard's working dogs (demonstrations periodically).

10:45 A.M. TO 11:15 A.M.: Author Ralph Estes in the

11 A.M. TO 11:45 A.M.: Washtub Jerry performs in the courtyard.

11 A.M. TO 12 P.M.: Borderland Pistoleros Mounted Shooting in the roping arena.

11 A.M. TO 4 P.M.: Stagecoach rides in front of the Bruce King Building.

12 P.M. TO 12:30 P.M.: Author Stephen Zimmer in the

12 P.M. TO 12:40 P.M.: Old West Thunder gunfight reenactment in the Heritage Garden.

12 P.M. TO 12:45 P.M.: Eddy Harrison performs in the

courtyard.

12 P.M. TO 1 P.M.: Public tasting for the CASI Chili Cook-Off.

12 PM. TO 1 P.M.: Parade of Breeds in the round pen.

12 P.M. TO 3 P.M.: Pony rides near the Horse & Cattle

1 P.M. TO 1:45 P.M.: Ramblin' Rangers musical group in the courtyard.

1:30 P.M. TO 2:10 P.M.: Pangur Ban's Irish Story and Song in the theater.

2 P.M. TO 3 P.M.: Parade of Breeds in the round pen.

2 P.M. TO 3 P.M.: Voz Vaqueros singing group in the courtyard.

3 P.M. TO 4 P.M.: Borderland Pistoleros Mounted Shooting in the roping arena.

3:15 P.M. TO 4 P.M.: 19th Century Fashion Show in the

3:15 P.M. TO 4 P.M.: Washtub Jerry performs in the courtyard.

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Artist of the year



ArtForms Artists Association of New Mexico proudly presented their Artist of the Year Award to S. Derrickson Moore, right, during For the Love of Art Month 2017. Art-Forms President, Marty Galster, gave the award to Moore who has provided many contributions to the arts locally and nationally. Additionally, Judges Irene Oliver-Lewis and Pat and Cindy Breedlove chose the For the Love of Art 2017 Member Show winners: 1st Place to Joe Hidalgo for his painting "After the Storm;" 2nd place to Teri Van Huss for "Sunset on the Gila River;" 3rd place to Linda **Choate for "Drving River Bed**;" and Honorable Mention winners were Les Fairchild, segmented wood turnings, and Mel Stone, photography. The art can be seen at Mas Art Frame & Art Supplies, Mesquite Art Gallery and the **Rio Grande Theatre through** the month of February.

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Shakespeare endures with actors, audiences after 400 years

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

William Shakespeare has been dead for more than 400 years, but his plays live on in theatres, classrooms and universities across the country and around the world.

Words and phrases that he created — everything from "To be or not to be" and "To thine own self be true" to "salad days" and "the first thing let's do, let's kill all the lawyers" — are widely quoted (and misquoted), and find their way into our everyday language.

"Hamlet,' 'Lear' and 'The Tempest' are probably my first references when I'm searching the encyclopedic morass of my head for support of some idea, an analogy, a



PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Assistant Professor Larissa Lury discusses iambic pentameter with students in her Shakespeare class.

metaphor," Tony-winning playwright Mark Medoff said.

As a young actor, Tony Award winner Sir Ian McKellen commented on Shakespeare's ability to understand the complexities of life.

"I think it's an undying affection and belief that Shakespeare more than any other writer who ever lived understood the complexities of human life, the variety of human beings and the subtleties that go to make up our existence," Tony winner Sir Ian McKellen said as a young actor.

New Mexico State University theatre art student Calvin Chervinko said Shakespeare was an expert with the quill.

"It is fascinating to see how much emotion and meaning he can pack into a monologue," he said.

Chervinko, 19, took an acting Shakespeare class when he studied in England last year, and he is taking Assistant Theatre Professor Larissa Lury's Shakespeare class at NMSU this semester.

"A couple of decades ago, I taught a 'Speaking Shakespeare' class, which reconfirmed for me and made clear to my students that this guy from four centuries ago knew the human psyche as well as anyone before, since, alive today, yet to be born. And he was awfully good with iambic pentameter," said Medoff, who directed a production of "MacBeth" at NMSU that was "set on a basketball court with a pianist improvising each performance."

Shakespeare, who died April 23, 1616, was a brilliant writer who "tapped into old stories. He was a pirate," Lury said, who used ancient myths much like George Lucas in "Star Wars" — to capture the "ongoing essential challenges of being human."

Shakespeare's plays "address unchanging values and create a world 500 years old yet new as today," said retired NMSU language professor and Shakespearean actor Dr. Richard Rundell. "We recognize his characters and situations in our own lives."

Shakespeare also had "a really wonderful ear," Lury said. He grew up in a working-class family in London and "heard people from different parts of the world" speak. "He was a really good listener."

Shakespeare also knew how to get audiences then and now to use their imaginations to create the environment of the play, Lury said. And he used language to transport people from one location to another, she said.

"In a way, the language is music," said Lury, who directed Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night" at NMSU in 2015, has acted in Shakespeare's plays and taught them to high school students. Trained

Shakespearean actors take vocal-training classes to help them understand "how to use the sound, how to use the punctuation and the meter" of Shakespeare, she said.

Chervinko and other students in Lury's class are studying the complexities of Shakespeare's language — how his use of opposites, contrast and meter blend with an actor's voice, his or her inflections and pauses — to create brilliant monologues and dialogue.

Shakespeare wrote in verse a great deal because it was easier for his actors to memorize in a time when not all of them were literate, she said. And they didn't spend a lot of time rehearsing, so rhymes were easier to remember.

The language had to be expressive because people in his time "used their ears for things we now use our eyes for," Lury said.

Lury said Shakespeare was also writing at the right moment because Britain was colonizing much of the world in the 16th century. That gave his plays wide distribution across the globe and helped insure that his works would endure, she said.

Performing Shakespeare today is "always about making it feel alive and current for the people who are in the room," Lury said. "It really relies on the actors understanding their situations, getting inside those words. It's transporting."

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EVENTS CALENDAR



'Spamalot': 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 3 and 4, Las Cruces Performing Arts Center at Oñate High School, 5700 Mesa Grande Drive. The Mayfield High School Theatre Department and orchestra will join forces to present Monty Python's "Spamalot." Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and are available from cast members or at the door. Info: 527-9415.

Project in Motion: Spring class schedule for Project in Motion, 430 N. Compress. Punch cards available at \$70 for eight classes; \$35 for four classes. Single class drop-in \$15.

- 5-6 p.m. Mondaysintermediate kids
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- 7-8 p.m. Mondaysintermediate adult and teen.
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays-beginning kids; 6:30-8 p.m.-Ring Jam Info: 575-208-4413 or www.projectinmotion.com.



The Las Cruces Railroad Mu**seum** will celebrate some of the important contributions women have made to the development of the railroad. "Harvey Girls Clothing," runs March 1 through April 1. "Railway Women Today," features written interviews with contemporary Amtrak uopemplovees and runs March 18 through April 1. "WWII Pioneers," the final mini exhibit, will run March 25 through April 8. Admission to the Railroad Museum is free. The museum is located at 351 N. Mesilla St. and is open 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

The Las Cruces Arts Fair, sponsored by the Doña Ana Arts Council, will be March 17 – 19 at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Tickets are \$8 and are available at the door or online at www.daarts.org. Children 12 and under are admitted free. Hours are 6 – 9 p.m. Friday, March 17, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday, March 18; and 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Sunday, March 19.

The Las Cruces Museum of Art is hosting the six-week Spring Studio Programs art classes March 22 through April 29. Register at the Museum of Nature and Science, 411 North Main St. Students must register in person 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Registrations are due one week before classes start. The Museum of Art is at 491 N. Main St. For additional information, visit museums.las-cruces.org or call 541-2137.

Poetry slam: 6:30-7 p.m. Friday, March 3, at Art Obscura, 3206 Harrelson St. Hosted by the English Graduate Student Organization at New Mexico State University, this free community poetry slam aims to showcase local writers and build connections between the university and the community. Randomly selected audience members will serve as judges. Donations welcome. Info: www.facebook.com/events/412256575776543

Howling Coyote Open Mic:

Monthly event continues at 7 p.m. Friday, March 3, following the First Friday Downtown Arts Ramble, at 575 N. Main St. Doors open at 6 p.m. for anyone wanting to join the jam session or meet fellow musicians. At 6:30, numbers are drawn for performance order for any acoustic musician, songwriter, poet, storyteller or comedian with family-friendly material wanting 5-10 minutes on stage. Skip Connelley provides professional sound and lighting. Free, open to the public. Info: Melody Burns, 525-9333

Exhibition: Mas Art Frame & Art Supplies, 126 S. Main, presents an exhibition by the artists of Las Cruces Art Association, reception during the monthly Ramble, 5-7 p.m. Friday, March 3. Info: 526-9113, or www.masarllc.com

Auditions: Auditions for "You Can't Take It With You," will be at 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, March 5 and 6, Las Cruces Community Theatre, 331 N. Main St. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script and impromptu scenes suggested by the play's director, Larry Chandler. Roles available for 12 men and seven women, all ages 20 and above. Info: 575-523-4463 or larrychandler@zianet.com.

Buffalo Roast: 5 p.m. Saturday, March 11, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. "Amazing Women of the Wild West," a Chautauqua by VanAnn Moore presenting Doña Tules (Gertrudes Barcelo), Susan Shelby Magoffin and Lydia Spencer Lane. Cash bar and silent auction. Cost: \$40 per person. Info: ddennis@humansystemsresearch.org.

Creativity workshop: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, March 11, April 8

and May 13, Creativity & Imagination Workshop – Dissolving the Blocks, Center for Spiritual Living in the Heart of Las Cruces, 575 N. Main St. Cost: \$40 (includes supplies.) Reservations requested. Take one class or all – no catching up to do. Led by Ruth A. Drayer, artist, author and numerologist. Info: www.ruthdrayer.com.

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Recorders in concert: Rio Grande Recorder Chapter of the American Recorder Society presents a concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12, Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village Activity Center Auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Free, open to the public. Info: Joyce Henry or Marcia Fountain, info@rgrecorders.org.

Contra Dance: 7:30-10:30 p.m., Friday, March 17, Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago. The Southern New Mexico Music and Dance features The Big Ditch Crickets and Lonnie Ludeman will be calling. The dance will have a St. Patrick's Day flavor. No partner needed. Beginners and newcomers. Instruction available at 7:30 p.m. Cost \$6; youth \$4, family \$15. Info: www.snmmds.org or 522-1691.

Brewhaha Kegs and Comedy

Tour: March 31 and April 1, Picacho Peak Brewing Co., 3900 W. Picacho Ave. Stand-up comics from El Paso, Las Cruces and Albuquerque perform. Info: visit their Facebook page at The Brewhaha Kegs and Comedy Tour.

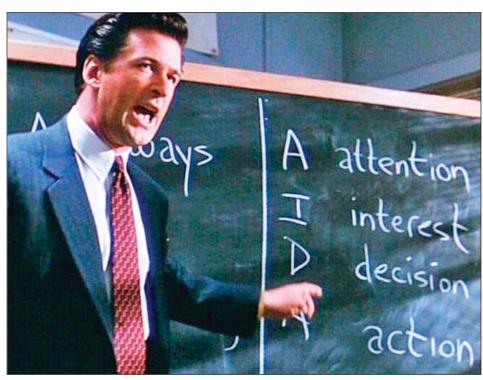
Brown Bag lecture: Noon on the second Tuesday of the month at Las Cruces' Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Free lunch time lecture. Info: http://las-cruces.org/museums or call 647-4480.

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Netflix pick of the month: 'Glengarry Glen Ross'



Alec Baldwin plays Blake in the 1992 film 'Glengarry Glen Ross' currently streaming on Netflix.

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urrently streaming on Netflix, there is a terrific film called "Glengarry Glen Ross."

Released in 1992, this film tells the story of a half-dozen real-estate salesmen who, as foretold by the constant rain outside their Chicago office and the grim lighting

throughout the film, are all down on their luck. Their sales are so

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bad, their corporate office sends a "motivational speaker," one would think, to boost their spirits, but instead he further shatters their confidence. This man, Blake (Alec Baldwin), sets the salesmen in competition with one another to sell the most real estate. The grand prize? A new car and the business' newest sale cards—the Glengarry leads.

These leads are viewed as magical, enabling any salesmen to sell any piece of land to anyone.

Part "Death of a

Salesman," part "The Old Man and the Sea," the plot has each of the salesmen concoct a way to steal the Glengarry leads. thereby breaking their bad strings of luck.

The film is morbid, chock-full of dark humor, and may take a few viewings to grasp its subtle mastery of storytelling.

The salesmen, portraved by Al Pacino, Jack Lemmon, Ed Harris and Alan Arkin, are all loud, vulgar and verbally abusive to the office manager, portrayed by Kevin Spacey, a.k.a., the office whipping boy. They say horrible, sometimes hilarious things to him to vent their frustrations with their poor sales and though it sounds bad, watch the film and tell me then if you don't think he deserves it, particularly the tonguelashing he receives from Pacino and Lemmon at the end.

When people see Pacino's name in a movie, odds are they automatically think he's going to steal the spotlight with his acting prowess (at least in older movies, his films since about 2000 are as shameful to cinema as Leah Remini is to Scientology). But in fact, it's Lemmon, the grizzled veteran who started his career in 1949, has been nominated for eight Oscars (winning two), and best remembered for his roles in 1960's "The Apartment," 1968's "The Odd Couple," and 1993's "Grumpy Old Men."

Lemmon is the film's Santiago and Pacino, whom Lemmon's character mentored from the start and turned him into the office's best seller, is his Manolin, who, though he's having a bad run, never gives up the belief that the fire to sell, what made Lemmon's character Shelly Levine "the Machine," is still within him.

If you can deal with the film's morbidity, vulgarity and frenetic dialogue, written by playwright-turnedscreenwriter David Mamet in his staccato, roundabout Mametspeak, the film is as re-watchable as "Mrs. Doubtfire" and twice as good.



'Jackie' is a simple film that deserves attention

By JEFF BERG

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

It's two weeks of works by Chilean director Pablo Larrain at the Fountain Theatre. After this week's run of "Jackie," the next feature is the interesting although occasionally hard to follow work, "Neruda."

"Jackie" is Larrain's first Englishlanguage feature, which covers a subject which has not really been covered before. It is a biopic, shot somewhat documentary style, about the days immediately following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, featuring Jacqueline Kennedy.

Played remarkably well by Natalie Portman, the film is the story of an interview by a journalist, unnamed, working for Life Magazine and played by Billy Crudup, whose return to the screen is a great thing to see. He is also in "20th Century Women" which opens at the Fountain the week after "Neruda." Crudup is one of those actors whose work is great, but hasn't been appreciated. He co-starred in one of the best movies ever made in New Mexico, "The Hi Lo Country" in 1998 and has been in a lot of television work over the vears as well.

It is a very simple film, strictly following the events on the day of the murder of JFK and the few days that followed, when Jackie was needing to make all sorts of decisions. At once, Portman is grieving, angry, harsh and heavily smoking (she reminds Crudup at one point that "she doesn't smoke"), while on the other hand she offers a few gentle reminiscences about JFK as well.

Larrain quietly but firmly covers the subject — sometimes using the myth-making that comes with such a tragedy, while mingling it with a lot of hard honesty. There is also a brief, but effective flashback to the actual killing and that of Lee Harvey Oswald as well.

This is amazingly mingled with a television interview that Jackie had done when first occupying the White House, where she took viewers on a



COURTESY PHOTO

Director Pablo Larrain's "Jackie" chronicles the path of First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy in the days following President John Kennedy's 1963 assassination. Starring Natalie Portman as Jackie, the film plays at the Fountain Theatre 7:30 p.m. March 3-9, with a 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 4, matinee and a 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 5, matinee.

GRADE: A

"Jackie" will have a week-long run at Mesilla's Fountain Theatre beginning March 3.

tour of the mansion; complete with a pasted on smile and high heel shoes. It is almost embarrassing to watch this portion of the film, since it feels so tacky and fake. There are also

intermingled scenes of other White House social activities, where Jackie doesn't seem as graceful or happy.

Portman is in almost every scene, even during the assassination, as the camera hovers on her POV, rather than the one that we usually see. The actor that plays JFK also bears an uncanny resemblance to the real man, which adds quite a bit to the authenticity of the picture.

We also bear witness to funeral plans and debates, often heated, with RFK, who apparently was instrumental in most of these issues and decisions, including those involving the children. One of the saddest scenes is when Jackie, RFK,

and a small entourage visit Arlington Cemetery, where Jackie tries to decide where JFK should be laid to rest. A bitter debate about the funeral procession also ensues, one which switches sides several times.

"Jackie" is not, by any means, a light film. It's motive and content are strong, often dark, and of course considering the circumstances, often bleak. But it is a fine piece of work, one that deserves your attention.

Jeff Berg has been reviewing movies for the Bulletin since 2002. He lives in Santa Fe and can be reached at 505-466-1634.

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19 Excludes 21 Dribble

22 Sign off on

23 1940 thriller drama; 1942 romantic drama

25 Four-stringer

26 Hop- -- -thumb

27 Horse morsel 28 Enjoy dinner

29 Really digging

31 Homer, e.g.

32 1982 horror; 1939 west-

38 One with adoring fans

40 Moray, e.g.

41 Filmdom's Mrs. Victor Laszlo

42 Expends

43 1996 neo-noir crime drama: 1990 crime drama

49 Titled man

51 Wedding day destinations

52 Fiendish look

53 D-Day city in France

55 Takes too much, briefly

58 Pie-mode link

60 1979 comedy-drama;

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113 La.-to-Mich. dir.

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115 -- -pitch

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106 -- Gay (WWII B-29) 107 Way to sign a contract

108 Tchr.'s gp.

109 Reggae artist Peter

110 -- water (up the creek) 116 Theater box

117 Single bills 119 See 74-Down

121 Musket tip? 122 Black goo

123 Biochem strand

124 "Either you do it -- will"

PUZZLES

WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

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

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SCRAMBLERS



"Oh, we have plenty of food and fresh water. hey're fighting over a

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete

Lounge ZEAL	
Cluster UNBLED	
Edge FINGER	
Mosey BLAME	
	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: D equals S

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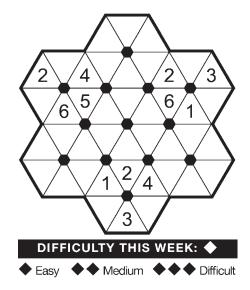
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SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

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



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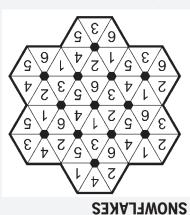
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CALL TO ARTISTS

Quick Draw: 6 p.m. Friday, March 17, Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. A friendly, fast-paced two-hour competition and live auction will be held on opening night of the Las Cruces Arts Fair to benefit the winning artist and the Doña Ana Arts Council. The fair continues Saturday, March 18 through Sunday, March 19. Info: www.DAArts.org or 575-523-6403.

Name the café: A new cafe will open this semester in Zuhl Library, and it needs a name. The winner will receive a \$100 Visa gift card. Enter at https://goo.gl/forms/q3YObWTJo3eNkY942. Info: John Rivers, Sodexo marketing coordinator at NMSU, 575-646-1749.

Singers needed: 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, March 4; 9:30 a.m.
Sunday, March 5, Women's Club
of Las Cruces, 340 N. Raymond
St. (on Pioneer Park). Shape Note
Singers are looking for a four-part
acapella (no accompaniment);
no experience is required. Often
the songs have a Christian theme,
but the event itself is secular
and all are welcome. A voluntary
donation will be accepted but
is not required. Lunch provided.
Info: David Hand, 575-520-1010;
dlhand@aol.com.

Artist in residence: The Friends of Organ Mountains Desert Peaks and Bureau of Land Management encourage artists to apply for the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument Artist in Residence Program to take place May 1-31, 2017. Entries for the 2017 Spring Residency must be received via email on or before Feb. 28. Info: organmountainsdesertpeaks.org/artist-in-residence/or contact Ben Gabriel, 575-323-1423 or email info@organmtnfriends.org.

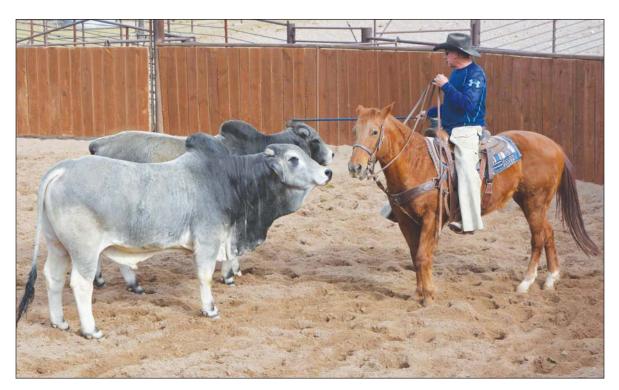
Rokoko Art Gallery: Rokoko Art Gallery invites all "fools, freaks and fanatics" to submit for an art opening Saturday, April 1 titled "April Foolishness." Anything goes. \$15 entry fee. Entries due Saturday, March 25, 1785 Avenida de Mercado, Info: 575-522-5553.

Branigan Cultural Center: Seeks

proposals for exhibits with themes of cultural and historical significance relating to the Southwest to be presented in 2018. Submissions will be accepted from artists (solo and group), formal and informal scholars, and cultural heritage organizations. To apply, complete the form at www.surveymonkey. com/r/LCMS2017. Proposals must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, April 7. Applications must include a brief (1-4 paragraph(s)) narrative, should include artist(s) statement or group's mission, five to 10 jpg images of proposed work (or those of similar style and quality), and linear and/or square footage needs. Exhibits will run for a 6 to 12-week period. Incomplete or late proposals will not be accepted. Info: las-cruces.org/museums, 575-541-2154. The Branigan Cultural Center is located at 501 N. Main St.

Student PSAs: Las Cruces and Doña Ana County area middle and high school students urged to participate in the 2017 CLC-TV Student Video Public Service Announcement (PSA) Contest. The annual contest draws on local students to produce a 30-second PSA for the opportunity to win a prize (a GoPro HERO camera.) This year's theme is "Breaking Stereotypes." Students are asked to submit their video entries, following specific guidelines, by Friday, April 7 to qualify. Full contest rules/guidelines are provided at CLCTV.com. Info: Adrian Guzman at 575-541-2026.

Ceramics exhibition: The Las Cruces Museum of Art and the Potters' Guild of Las Cruces seek submissions for From the Ground Up XXVIII Regional Juried Ceramics Exhibition 2017. Submissions are open to ceramic artists living and working in states in the Rocky Mountain Time Zone region of the US: NM. TX. AZ. UT. CO. WY. ID and MT. The exhibition runs Aug. 4-Oct. 21, 2017. Awards include cash prizes. This year's juror is Steven Hill. The deadline for submissions is April 21. Full prospectus and submission form available at www.pottersguildlc.com and www.las-cruces.org/museums. Info: Exhibitions curator Joy Miller at imiller@las-cruces.org.



EVENTS

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Cowboy Days: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., March 4; 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, March 5, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Take part in the old Wild West days, featuring children's activities, a chili cook-off, a beer saloon, plant sale, train and bull rides, demos, living history and more. \$5. Under 5 years old, free. Info: 575-522-4100 or www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.

Garth Brooks shows: 7 p.m. Friday, April 7; 3 p.m. Saturday, April 8; 7 p.m. Saturday, April 8; 3 p.m. Sunday, April 9; 7 p.m. Sunday, April 9, NMSU Pan American Center, 1810 E. University Ave. The 2016 CMA Entertainer of the Year, Garth Brooks and Trisha Yearwood perform the only New Mexico appearances for the tour. The country legend marks his first Las Cruces visit in 21 years. Cost: \$74.98. including fees. Tickets only available at www.ticketmaster. com/garthbrooks, via Ticketmaster Express at 1-866-448-7849 or 1-800-745-3000. No sales will be available at the Pan Am Center Ticket Office or any other Ticketmaster outlets. No venue presales are available for this event.

Art classes: For high school stu-

dents, at My Place Jewell Studio, 132 B Wyatt Drive. Payments of \$45 are due every four weeks. Students may begin any time. Home-school art classes offered for students between ages of 7 and 12, noon-12:50 p.m. every Wednesday. Price is \$25 for four classes. Instructor Wayne Carl Huber, MFA, is licensed in art education in New Mexico and has 50 years of teaching art nationally. Info: 575-647-5684 or www.waynecarlhuber. com.

- 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesdays: Beginning Drawing and Painting.
- 1-3:30 p.m. Thursdays: Intermediate and Advanced Drawing and Painting.

Las Cruces Ukes: 5:15-6:15 p.m. Thursdays beginner group; 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays performance group at Good Samaritan Society — Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Cost: no charge and loaner ukuleles available. Info: www.lascrucesukes.blogspot.com or 575-405-7133.

Classical guitar lessons: Hunter Beck received his master's degree in classical guitar from Arizona State University. He specializes in classical but is available to teach theory, history and technique for all styles of guitar. Info: 575-522-5181.

Mas Art classes: Pencil and Pastels

class taught by Wayne Carl Huber, open to adults and high-school students. Subject matter will comprise of still life and landscape. Basic assignments for beginning drawing will also be included. Classes held at Mas Art Frame and Art Supplies, 126 S. Main St. Enrollment limited. Info: Wayne Carl Huber, 575-647-5684 or wch1966@msn.com.

Art classes: For adults and teens 17 and older, Raven Art Studio, 300 N. Main St. All classes are \$25 per session. Info: Rick

Rotante, 909-233-0425.

- 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 6-9 p.m. Mondays: Drawing in charcoal
- 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 6-9 p.m. Tuesdays: Oil painting
- 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 6-9 p.m. Thursdays: Pastel painting
- 6-9 p.m. Fridays: Special 10-week introduction to oil painting class. Call for dates and materials list. \$185.
- 4-7 p.m. Sunday: model workshop (minimum four artists)

Quilt Guild: Meetings held at 1:30 p.m. third Monday of the month, American Legion Post 10 Hall, 1185 Madrid Ave. Las Colcheras Quilt Guild meetings consist of brief business announcements, a program, show and tell and door prizes. Info: Linnea Egbert at 575-521-0521, linneanjce@aol.com or visit www.lcqg. org.

GALLERIES & OPENINGS





March artists: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Sunday, Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre. Two artists are featured for the month of March: Bonnie MacQuarrie and Lori Shalett. Info: 522-2933 or www.mesillavallevfinearts.com.

Railroad exhibit: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturdays through April 1 at the Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Watercolor exhibit "For the Love of Railroad Architecture." Seventeen artists have created watercolor paintings depicting their railroad-inspired visions. Info: http://las-cruces.org/museums or call 647-4480.

Las Cruces Artist Kathleen Deasy will be exhibiting painting from her Planetary Series March 1-31 at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 Main St. Opening reception will be

Friday, March 3, during the Art Ramble.

Doug DuBois: On view through April 15, University Art Gallery, New Mexico State University, 1390 E. University Ave. Info: 646-2545; uag.nmsu.edu or artglry@nmsu.edu.

The Tombaugh Gallery presents "Animal Animas" March 5 to April 21. An opening reception will be 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Sunday March 5. The Tombaugh Gallery is located inside the Unitarian Universalist Church at 2000 S. Solano Ave., and is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. For details, call llene Steele at 575-449-4180.

The Las Cruces Art Association featured artist for March is Kathleen Rogers. Rogers works in both photography and pastels. Her art will be highlighted 5-7 p.m. Friday, March 3, during the Downtown Art Ramble at the Community Enterprise Center, 125 N. Main St.



The Las Cruces Art Association presents "Small Images – Big Impact" March 3-31. The exhibit opens 5-7 p.m. Friday, March 3, during the Downtown Art Ramble at Mas Art, 126 S. Main St. The exhibit will include members work in a variety of two- and three-dimensional media. Artists were challenged to create striking art work in a small format. Info: Jack LeSage, 532-1046.







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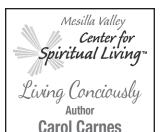
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RELIGION LISTINGS

Community conver**sations:** 7:30-8:45 p.m. Tuesday, March 7 and Wednesday, March 8 at Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave. "American Values, Religious Voices" is a campaign in which scholars of religion from around the country will send a letter a day to newly elected and appointed national leaders to highlight the role of values in guiding citizens and leaders. See the letters at www.valuesandvoices.com. Info: Rabbi Karol at rabbi@tbelc. org or call 575-524-3380 to RSVP.

Numerology class:

12:30-2:30 p.m. Sundays for five weeks starting March 5, Center for Spiritual Living in the Heart of Las Cruces, 575 N. Main St. Led by Ruth A. Drayer, artist, author, life coach, numerologist. Class is 2



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Near-death experience

group: 1:30-3:30 p.m. Monday, March 20, Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. International Association for Near-Death Studies (IANDS) is a safe and supportive environment to understand, integrate and share experiences of touching into the beyond. Group meets the third Monday of every month. Next meeting April 17. Info: 928-897-0933.

Events at Unity:

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- 11-11:30 a.m. Thursdays, meditation to get re-centered, refocused and connect with your inner divine self.
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sundays, Worship Celebration, 125 Wyatt Drive.

Info: www.unityoflascruces.org or 575-523-5592.

Campus Mass: 12:10 p.m. Tuesdays, 2615 S. Solano Drive. Newman Catholic students and St. Albert the Great Newman Center weekly Mass. Info: Mona Chip at mona@stalbertnewmancenter.org.

Divorce support group:

1-2:30 p.m. Sundays through April 30, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. A support group for those working through or facing divorce. Childcare available on request. Info: 575-522-7119.

SEE **RELIGIOUS**, PAGE 60

Despite different names, all religions share similar values

n Feb. 7, a group of local community members joined me at Temple Beth-El to discuss selected letters (sent to our new national leadership each day) as part of the American Values/Religious Voices campaign (www.valuesandvoices.com) that I featured in my article last month.

To begin the program, I told about being the chair of an elementary school site council in Topeka, Kansas that dealt with school environment as directed by state standards in the early 1990s. Our charge was **RABBI** to ensure that the school was doing a good job of building community and maintaining morale at a high level among faculty, staff, parents and students. As the father of a first-grade student at that school, I was happy to serve in that position. I worked closely with the school principal, who was very active in her church. I always felt that there were values from our service to our respective religious congregations that translated into positive community



KAROL

Seeking Harmony

building.

I asked the participants present on Feb. 7 to suggest values the principal and I might have shared. They listed the principles of consideration, equality, love, kindness, justice, hospitality, honesty, family, respect, acceptance, learning, and teaching. These are tenets that lie at the foundation of

most any productive and purposeful community.

Our February conversation about several of the "American Values/Religious Voices" letters yielded a list of values that bore many similarities to the one that emerged from my beginning story.

The writers of the letters at www.

valuesandvoices.com teach religion at universities and seminaries in the United States. Most of the letters (more than 30 now) include a quote from sacred teachings or stories. As we read the letters as a group, we listed their central principles, which, at that session, included justice, mercy, humility, self-control, support of the vulnerable, compromise, diversity, a focus on the common good, creating common ground, seeing the whole as greater than its parts, responsibility, religious freedom, respect for all people, forgiveness, charity and building bridges.

The "building bridges" reference came from a post by Jean-Pierre Ruiz, associate professor of theology and religious studies at St. John's University in New York City. Ruiz noted the Rev. Robert Jeffress, who delivered a sermon in conjunction with this year's presidential inauguration, quoted a passage from the book of Nehemiah that referred to the rebuilding of Jerusalem and its walls. Nehemiah encouraged the people: "Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem!" (Nehemiah 2:17). To this, the people of Jerusalem responded, "Let us start building!" Then "they committed themselves to the common good" (Nehemiah 2:18) and together rebuilt their city.

Ruiz noted that, for the people of Jerusalem, building a wall was not about division, but about creating a physical and communal infrastructure. It was about building bridges towards one another as well as adding gates to the city walls (likely 10 gates) where visitors would be welcome to enter.

The values that we share offer us a moral infrastructure that can enable us to act in concert with each other for the common good. I, for one, hope that can be our goal as fellow citizens in our community and nation.

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

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Practical Mysticism: 5:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays for 10 weeks, Center for Spiritual Living in the heart of Las Cruces, 575 N. Main St. Facilitated by Rev. Bonnie, the purpose of this course is to evoke the inner mystic that indwells you. Info: 575-523-4847.

Men's prayer meeting: 7 a.m. Saturdays, 1605 S. Valley Drive. Saturday morning prayer meeting led by Manny Howie. Info: 575-523-1113.

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

Worship service: Seventh Day Adventist, 240 Three Crosses Ave.

- 9:30 a.m. Sundays, service
- 11 a.m. Sundays Sabbath School
- 6 p.m. Wednesdays, Bible study Info: 575-526-5623.

Science of Mind talk: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays, Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Join to discuss the articles of Science of Mind Magazine with like-minded people. Bring a lunch. Info: 575-523-4847.

MMC Mass: Holy Mass held noon Wednesdays in the chapel of Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. Info: 575-636-3274.

Men's Fellowship: Christian Men's Fellowship, noon Tuesdays, IHOP, 2900

Del Rey Blvd. Open discussion. All men welcome. Info: 575-621-2350.

Mountain View Baptist: 10 a.m. Sundays service with Bible study. 11 a.m. Sundays, worship service at 705 N. Main St. Nursery available. Info: 575-680-6247.

Cowboys for Christ: 7:30 p.m. second Tuesday of every month, call for meeting place. Non-denominational outreach organization meets for those involved in livestock and agriculture. Info: 575-571-6367 or cfc.lcnm@yahoo.com.

GriefShare: 4-6 p.m. Sundays at First Baptist Church, Room 229, 106 S. Miranda Ave. GriefShare weekly seminar and support group designed to help rebuild life after losing a loved one. Cost: \$10 for participant workbook. Info: Penny Baca 575-635-9696.

Mission Lutheran events:

- 9 a.m. Sundays, Study God's Word for fellowship, coffee and snacks
- 9:15 a.m., Sunday School and adult Bible study
 - 10:30 a.m. divine worship
- 10 a.m. Saturdays "Discover the Faith" class for newcomers
- 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays, class for people who are new to the faith or who would like a refresher course on what being a Lutheran is all about

Mission Lutheran Church, 2752 N. Roadrunner Pkwy. Info: 575-522-0465.

Communion Service: 10:15 a.m. Sundays, side chapel of First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. St. John's Catholic Church of Antioch communion service. Info: 575-621-0255 or www. stjohnscatholicchurchofantioch.org.

Men's prayer breakfast: 7-9 a.m. Tues-

days, 106 S. Miranda St. Men's prayer breakfast in the fellowship hall. Info: 575-524-3691.

p.m. Sundays, Dream Center, Sixth and Wilson Streets. New Agape Christian Church offers a scriptural, theo-

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tian Church offers a scriptural, theological, historical and scientific look at the Prophets. Children's church provided. Info: Pastor Herb 575-650-3915.

Discover the Faith classes: 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays, 2752 Roadrunner Parkway. A class for people who are new to the faith or who would like a refresher course on what being a Lutheran is all about. Info: 575-522-0465.

Prayer groups: 9 a.m. Saturdays, 20-30-minute centering prayer. 4 to 5 p.m., Women Gather for Prayer, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Info: 575-522-7119.

Fusion Youth Fellowship: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at 2941 Morningstar Drive. Youth small group for music, family events and workshops. Info: 575-521-3770.

Trinity Lutheran events: 9 a.m. Sundays, worship with Holy Communion. 10:30 a.m. Sundays, Sunday school for children and youth, 2900 Elks Drive. Info: 575-523-4232 or www.trinitylutheranlc.org.

Church Bingo: 7 p.m. (doors open at 5:30 p.m.) Mondays and Tuesdays, Holy Cross School, 1327 N. Miranda St. All games can be played for \$5. 7 p.m. Thursdays, Bingo at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Tortugas. Info: 575-646-5860.

Genesis Bible Study: 6:30 p.m. first

three Thursdays of the month, Revival Fire Bookstore, 2645 Missouri Ave., Suite 5. Book of Genesis Bible Study. Info: Bev at 575-642-1003.

Near-death experience talk: 1:30 p.m. third Monday of the month, Unitarian Universalist Church great room, 2000 S. Solano Drive. International Association for Near-Death Studies hosts a peer-to-peer group for understanding near-death experience. Info: 928-897-0933.

Agape Christian: 4:30 p.m. Sundays, Sunday Bible School for all ages. 5:45 p.m. Secret Church and Children's Church, 1400 6th St. Communion served to all believers. Info: Herb Pinney 575-650-3915.

Course in Miracles: 10-11:30 a.m. Saturdays at Tesoro Integrative Health Center, 1605 S. Main St. Complete self-study spiritual thought system with Edward Alvarez. A \$5 donation is suggested. Info: 575-541-5660.

Center for Spiritual Living:

- 10:30–11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Tao Healing & Touch Yoga, \$5 class fee
- 5:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays, Practical Mysticism class
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday service
- 1:30-3 p.m. first Friday of the month, Shamanic drumming and meditation
- 9-10 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 4-5 p.m. Wednesdays, 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Yoga
 - 2-3 p.m. Tuesdays, Spirit Dance
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays, Sacred Living Circle
- 7-8 p.m. Thursdays, Single Parents Support Group
- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturdays, A Course in Miracles discussion.

All activities held at the Center, 575 N. Main St. Info: 575-523-4847.

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We need your events and activities! Religion Listings invites all of our contributors to email events and activities two weeks prior to the week of the event to one of the following email addresses: editor@lascrucesbulletin.com. You also may drop off press releases at the Bulletin offices at 1740 A. Calle de Mercado, Las Cruces. Please include the day, date, time, physical location, contact information and a brief description of your event or activity. Thank you!



SW LIVING

NMSU floral students design their way to the future

By KRISTIE GARCIA

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

You never know when you're going to need a centerpiece, houseplant, succulent or specialty floral arrangement. When you do, you may not need to look any further than the New Mexico State University Floriculture Program.

Students in the floriculture program and on the intercollegiate floral team are constantly working on floral projects as part of their learning process and to enhance their creativity. The students prepare projects for competitions, events, silent auctions and weekly sales.

Part of the NMSU Department of Plant and Environmental Sciences in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, the floriculture program falls

under the horticulture degree program. Sabine Green, NMSU Floriculture Program Coordinator, said there are many advantages for the students in the program.

"Students benefit from being in the floriculture program in that they get a different faction of plant science as part of their degree," Green said. "And

when they go into the NMSU Floral Team and they compete, they're eligible for things

LEARN MORE

For more information about

the floral team or program,

3662 or swhitley@nmsu.edu.

You may also stay up to date

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contact Green at 575-646-

such as scholarships to design schools, scholarships to go to graduate school, and there's a huge amount of networking that happens when we go to competitions. Many of the students already have contacts for potential jobs once they graduate."

Green said any student at NMSU may become a member of the floral team.

"It's really open to anyone who's part of the NMSU community," Green said. "But we do encourage that they actually take Horticulture 240 and 241."

Horticulture 240 is the floral quality evaluation and design course, and Horticulture 241 is the floral field practicum.

Donna Farmer is majoring in individualized studies with an emphasis on horticulture. She said she'll be more pre-

pared for a career after being in the program and on the team.

"I have a dream to have a 10-acre commercial flower farm with a bed and breakfast in the middle," Farmer said. "Being part of this program and part of the team has taught me all the tools I feel I will need to be a successful grower and provider of flo-

ral products." Farmer said the program and team have provided her with more than just hands-on



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New Mexico State University Floriculture Program student Belle Morrow and program coordinator and certified floral designer Sabine Green sort through various flowers.

experience.

"This experience has also taught me fellowship, survival skills, friendship and mentorship," she said.

Because Green received full induction into the American **Institute of Floral Designers** as a Certified Floral Designer, the intercollegiate floral team is now able to compete nationally in the AIFD collegiate competition. Only collegiate teams with a certified coach may participate in the national competition.

Floral team members and

students in the horticulture floral design course have flower arrangements available for purchase on campus weekly during the academic vear. The flower sale is held in the lobby of Gerald Thomas Hall from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Wednesday of the semester. Customers may bring their own vase and purchase by the stem, or they may choose from a variety of pre-made arrangements. The cost ranges from \$5 to \$40, depending on each customer's needs. Proceeds benefit the floral team and

help with competition travel expenses and flowers used for mock contests and floral design practice.

For more information about the floral team or program. contact Green at 575-646-3662 or swhitley@nmsu.edu. You may also stay up to date by visiting the floral team's Facebook page at www.facebook. com/NmsuFloralTeam.

Kristie Garcia is an associate communications specialist with NMSU Communications. She may be reached at 575-646-4211.

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LUSH AND LEAN

Storm water runoff could be boon instead of nuisance

By SUZANNE MICHAELS

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Most people look at storm water as a problem that must be pulled away from developed property as quickly as possible. Van Clothier sees an opportunity to harvest water with minimal engineering. With the application of simple, basic principles, he says the water can be used for many beneficial irrigation projects in our community.

Clothier is a specialist in water harvesting, stream restoration and erosion who says there is a better, less-expensive, less-risky way to manage storm water. He is the founder of Stream Dynamics, Inc., and co-author of "Let The Water Do The Work: Induced Meandering, an Evolving Method for Restoring Incised Channels." (Worth watching: video at http://streamdynamics.us/blog-entry/water-haversting-controls-sediment-and-prevents-flooding)

Clothier will be in Las Cruces to share his ideas at the Thursday, March 9 Lush and Lean presentation, a free workshop sponsored by Las Cruces Utilities.

When it rains hard in our region, torrents of water race downhill through arroyos, off rooftops and streets, driveways and sidewalks into storm drains and cement culverts to engineered ponding areas behind tall earthen dams.

Clothier estimates a 1-inch rainstorm in a residential neighborhood produces up to 16,000 gallons of storm water runoff per acre. That water could be treated as a resource instead of a nuisance.

"We are water protectors," Clothier said. "We can find graceful resolutions to difficult water flow and erosion problems."

Stream Dynamics, Inc., is a Silver City-based company with U.S. clients throughout New Mexico and Arizona, as well as clients in Sonora and Chihuahua, Mexico.

"By applying water harvesting principles, we can slow and collect storm water in multiple small projects — causing it to soak gently into the ground in many places," Clothier said.

The water can be stored as soil mois-



COURTESY PHOTO

Water harvesting, stream restoration and erosion specialist Van Clothier will speak at the Thursday, March 9 Lush and Lean presentation hosted by Las Cruces Utilities.

ture to support greenspace along our streets, shading our urban environment, instead funneling the water to a ponding area, and then irrigating our trees with expensive drinking quality water from irrigation systems.

All Lush and Lean workshops are free and open to the public and will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Roadrunner Room at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. See the complete list of speakers and Lush and Lean dates at www.lascruces.org/WaterConservation or www. facebook.com/cityoflascruces (you don't need a Facebook account to view this page).

You can reach Las Cruces Utilities 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 575-528-3500. Las Cruces Utilities provides gas, water, wastewater and solid waste services to approximately 100,000 Las Cruces residents and businesses.

SWEC Back by Noon outings are in full swing Saturday mornings

BULLETIN REPORT

The Southwest Environmental Center is again hosting a spring slate of "Back by Noon" Saturday morning guided natural history outings.

Nature lovers from across the region are invited to participate in birding along the Rio Grande, visit two nearby caves, discover Native American sites, walk among bloom-

ing wildflowers, learn about the ecological impact of the border fence and identify reptiles of the Chihuahuan Desert.

The hikes are designed to showcase some of the unique natural features of the Las Cruces/El Paso area.

Informative, family friendly and not too strenuous, most of the trips will have you back to your car before noon.

Featuring a mix of the new and familiar, the Spring 2017 lineup includes the following trips:

• March 4: Discover the Anthony Gap Cave, Franklin Mountains

• March 11: Trek to Achenbach Canyon Cave, Organ Mountains

• March 18: Exploring Pena Blanca

• March 25: Geological treasures of Providence Cone, Portillo Mountains

• **April 1:** Wildflowers of Aguirre Springs

• April 8: Up close with the border wall, Sunland Park

• **April 15:** La Mancha BioBlitz

• April 29: Migratory Birds of the Rio Grande Valley

• May 6: Reptiles of the Chihuahuan Desert

All trips are open to the public. Some outings require additional parking fees. Advanced reservations are required. Participants may register three weeks in advance of each outing. Space is limited, and half of the available slots for each trip are reserved for members of the Southwest Environmental Center.

Be sure to bring sturdy shoes, water, sunscreen and a hat. Detailed descriptions of the outings, including starting times, can be found at our website, www.wildmesquite.org. For more information and to register, call 522-5552.

The Southwest Environmental Center is a Las Cruces membershipbased organization that protects and restores native wildlife and habitats in the Southwest.



MELANIE SMITH

Sign up for spring gardening classes

BULLETIN REPORT

Jackye Meinecke, former owner of Enchanted Gardens, will conduct gardening classes 2-3 p.m. the following Saturdays in the Community Room of Mountain View Market Co-op, 1300 El Paseo Road, Las Cruces. The cost for each class is \$10 cash per person; \$8 for co-op members. Reservations preferred; email gardens@zianet.com or call 323-0903 to sign up.

March 4: "Old-fashioned Garden Recipes Using Common Household Products" — Use products found in cupboards and pantries for bigger blossoms, insect control and fungicide control. Organic gardening recipes that have stood the test of time.

March 11: "Create a Hummingbird Habitat" — Attracting these jeweled birds requires more than hanging a syrup feeder. Turn your garden into a paradise for hummingbirds.

March 25: "Bees and Butterflies for Bounty and Beauty" — The best gardening practices create an environment beneficial to bees and butterflies. Discover the joys and benefits of perennial flowers to invite these insects into your garden.

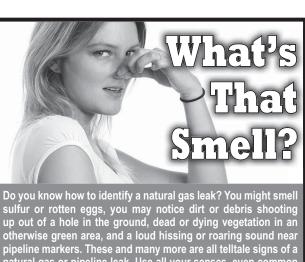
April 1: "Growing Flowers and Vegetables in Pots" — Plan for

summer color and produce in pots. From soil to planting, pick up the skills for container gardening.

April 15: "Succulents for Landscapes & Pots" — Select hardy varieties of succulents that survive in the landscape. Also discover more tender succulents for decorative pots.

April 29: "Native and Xeriscape Gardening" — From water collection to native plants, discover the beauty of Southwest gardening.

May 6: "Creating Desert Box Turtle Habitat" — Adapting a garden to host tortoises (desert box turtles) can be fun, educational and beneficial.



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Community beverage tastings highlight NMSU series

By PETER FOREMAN

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

New Mexico State University's School of Hotel,
Restaurant and Tourism
Management will be hosting
a series of community tastings in the Bobby Lee Lawrence Academy of Wine,
940 College Drive, Room
140, on campus.

"All alcoholic beverages start with an agricultural product. Particularly for wines, often the grower is also the maker of the product. Wines, spirits, and beers are essential to the hospitality and beverage industry," said Jean Hertzman, director of the School of HRTM. "It is no longer enough to know just the basics of the differences between red and white wines

or types of liquor. The School of HRTM wants to expand our students' and the NMSU and Las Cruces communities' knowledge of these trends and specific types of wines."

The event also gives the School of HRTM the opportunity to showcase their Bobby Lee Lawrence Academy of Wine. Built in 2012, the Academy's mission is to train students and inspire surrounding communities to learn more about wine and beverages.

Reservations are required through Stella Lucero at stcordov@nmsu.edu or 646-7324. Each event, excluding the March 16 International Dinner, is \$15 per person. For the International Dinner, the School of HRTM requests you make your reservation in person at Gerald Thomas Hall, Room 138.

Beverage series

THURSDAY, MARCH 16: "The Trinchero Family Estates International Dinner," features a five-course wine-pairing dinner. Barry Wiss, vice-president of trade relations for Trinchero Family Estates, hosts the event. A reception starts at 6 p.m. and dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. at \$62.50 per person.

TUESDAY, MARCH 28: "Beverage Brand Management," focuses on how suppliers and retailers establish programs and how events and competitions help leverage brands, presented by Tim Haughinberry, the president and CEO of Back Bar USA in Las Vegas, Nevada, and founder of the Montecristo Rum brand. The event features Chateau St. Michelle wines and awardwinning wine cocktails.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4: "Mixology Marvels," focuses on the creative use of different spirits with a discussion of cocktail trends and marketing featuring a mixology demonstration and tastings. The event is presented by Patrick Abalos, alumni of the School of HRTM and the bar & lounge manager and resident at The Westin Hotel in The Woodlands, Texas.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18: "The Craft Brewing Industry," focuses on how to enter and succeed in the business along with a tasting of craft beers. The event is presented by Michael Wray, professor of beverages at Metro State University in Denver.

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Bit is available at the Mesilla Val-

Little Bit is available at the Mesilla Valley Animal Services Center.

Off-site adoption events

- Las Cruces Farmers and Crafts Market, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- PetCo, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Home & Garden Show, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., March 4-5, Las Cruces Convention Center

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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.

WELL BEING

1st freestanding ER department to break ground in Las Cruces

BULLETIN REPORT

MountainView Regional Medical Center broke ground on New Mexico's first freestanding emergency department on Wednesday, March 1 at 2811 N. Main St.

"Demand for emergency services in Las Cruces continues to increase, and MountainView Emergency Center at Main will provide an additional access point for care to people living on the northeast side of Las Cruces," said Denten Park, chief executive officer at Mountain-View Regional Medical Center in a press release. "We're pleased to be able to continue to grow to serve our community."

MountainView Emergency

Center at Main will be equipped to treat patients with illnesses and injuries that require a higher level of care than urgent care facilities offer. The freestanding emergency department will have 10 private patient rooms with radiology and lab services on site. It will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Many emergent conditions can be effectively managed at freestanding emergency departments without the need for transfer to a traditional hospital setting.

"Our physician team is excited to be a part of New Mexico's first freestanding emergency department," said Michael Borunda, MD, medical director for the



COURTESY IMAGE

Rendering of the proposed emergency department building being built at 2811 N. Main St.

emergency department at MountainView, in the release. "We're committed to providing excellent care at both locations."

MountainView Regional Medical Center is investing more than \$10 million in the new facility. Nearly 30 new local jobs will be created to serve patients at the new center, including registered nurses, lab, imaging, admitting

and environmental services staff.

This is the most recent investment MountainView Regional Medical Center has made to improve emergency services in Doña Ana county. In July 2016, the hospital completed a \$5-million expansion and renovation of its main campus emergency department, expanding from 10 beds to 22 beds.

MountainView Regional Medical Center, a 168-bed hospital in Las Cruces, offers a wide variety of services to the community including inpatient and outpatient care, diagnostic imaging, and emergency, medical and surgical care. For more information on the services offered, visit www. MountainViewRegional.com.

State Senate unanimously confirms new NMDOH secretary

BULLETIN REPORT

On Feb. 22, the New Mexico State Senate voted unanimously to confirm Lynn Gallagher as Cabinet Secretary of the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH). Gallagher was appointed as secretary designate by Gov. Susana Martinez following the death of Secretary Retta Ward in March 2016.

Prior to her appointment, Gallagher served as deputy secretary of NMDOH since 2013 and as general counsel for the Aging and Long-Term Services Department.

"Lynn is a dedicated public servant

who demonstrates strong leadership and dedication to improving the health of New Mexicans," Martinez said, in a statement released by NMDOH. "Lynn is



GALLAGHER

passionate about making New Mexico a better and healthier place, and I am confident in her abilities to lead our largest state agency."

Among the many public health priorities, Gallagher wants to ad-

dress substance misuse, teen births, diabetes and obesity and continue the department's goal of improving health outcomes in New Mexico.

Teen births ages 15 to 17 have declined and are now at their lowest point in many decades. Through tobacco cessation programs, cigarette smoking among adolescents has declined to nearly one in 10, the lowest rate ever measured in the state. And New Mexico's childhood obesity rate continues to trend downward, as many other U.S. states have experienced increases.

Under Gallagher, the department will focus on health issues that have the greatest impact on New Mexico's population health status, expanding community engagement and working on a sustainability plan that will help the agency be more efficient and effective as the future of public health services evolve.

Gallagher, a native of Truth or Consequence, has lived and worked in New York and Florida providing state and federal compliance and contract management. She returned to New Mexico in 2009 where she entered private law practice before entering state government.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts in political science from the State University of New York at Stony Brook and a Juris Doctor from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

NMDOH endorses legislation to share emergency services in NM

BULLETIN REPORT

On Feb. 22, the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) endorsed Senate Bill 315, which, if passed, will make sharing emergency medical services (EMS) easier in New Mexico and other states.

Sponsored by Sen. Sander Rue (R-Bernalillo), the bill was introduced in the New Mexico Legislature earlier this month. It would allow New Mexico to join the Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate CompAct (REPLICA) to create common licensing standards and qualifications for EMS personnel and allow them to practice across state lines in other member states under certain, authorized circumstances.

The REPLICA compact would cover

"Having identical standards and regulations will allow EMS providers to practice across state lines within New Mexico and other member states."

Department of Health Secretary Lynn Gallagher

emergency first responders, emergency medical Ttchnicians (EMTs) and paramedics. EMS caregivers that frequently move from state-to-state, such as wildland fire responders, federal homeland security, and federal law enforcement agencies, would also benefit from multistate EMS license recognition.

"Having identical standards and regulations will allow EMS providers to practice across state lines within New Mexico and other member states," said Department of Health Secretary Lynn Gallagher. "It will mean more emergency services on the ground in our state in the times we will need them most."

The REPLICA compact requires a minimum of 10 states to sign on. Seven states have already passed REPLICA legislation including Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and Virginia, with seven other states, including New Mexico, currently having bills pending in their respective legislatures.

SB315 currently has been referred to the Senate Public Affairs Committee. It has already been endorsed by the New Mexico's EMS Advisory Committee which includes members of the NM Nursing Association, Air Ambulance Advisory Committee, NM Fire Chief's Association, NM Ambulance Association, the NM EMT Association, and more.

Developed under the direction of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, REPLICA member states would be able to more easily share and exchange information related to EMS personnel including criminal history checks, investigations, and adverse actions, and more comprehensive information about licensure history.

For more information on the bill, visit the legislation on the New Mexico Legislature website.

Additional information on the REP-LICA EMS Compact, can be found at National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians resource page.

GUEST COLUMN

There's no walk of life that doesn't touch engineering innovations

BY LAKSHMI N. REDDI, PH.D., P.E.

New Mexico State University College of Engineering Dean

Engineering is a people-serving profession. At the center of what en-

gineers do is a constant pursuit to enhance our quality of life. As we celebrate National Engineers' Week, it's good to reflect on how profoundly engineers have impacted our way of living and how dependent we are on their progress.



REDDI

Keeping aside the perceptions of serious-minded math geeks and nerds, engineers have contributed more to public health than physicians and medical scientists have. Little known to the public is the story of a young French engineer, Henry Darcy, who is credited with the knowledge of water filtration. His experiments on flow of water through sand beds in a hospital, and the use of his techniques to purify water were largely the reason why

longevity increased dramatically in the town of Dijon, France. The cause-and-effect law relating water pressures and flow rates, known as Darcy's law, is the basis for much of what we now do in groundwater hydrology. His contribution to public health is as significant as the celebrated inventions of penicillin and antibiotics (unfortunately, several regions on the planet continue to suffer from water-borne diseases due to inadequate water treatment systems).

Can we imagine doing anything from the time we wake up until we retire at night that doesn't involve engineering? Consider these engineering contributions to our daily lives: transportation to and from work, instant communications, energy in all its forms, and a comfortably built environment. Can we imagine economic development without the engineering workforce? There's no walk of life that doesn't touch engineering innovations. Modern engineering is racing forward to solve the sustainability issues, cybersecurity and alternative energy sources. The chip that computer engineers devised

from silicon minerals has changed the way we live.

Engineers are not content with these developments. A whole new way of looking at things around us is opening up. Humans are the last species to rent the planet; other biological organisms have had far greater time to evolve than humans. It is humbling to realize how far our science and technology need to go to mimic the wonders of nature. Consider the following:

- 1. Our brains, which are largely made of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen, have unparalleled memory capacities. Are there elements alternative to silicon that would make superior computer chips?
- 2. Human/animal skin has the intricate vasculature that allows it to maintain the core blood temperatures at exactly the same level in spite of the ambient temperatures? How can we mimic these systems to build energy-efficient dwellings?
- 3. Termites build their towers so the interior temperatures remain constant at almost exactly 86 degrees. How did

they manage to do this without the aid of mechanical air conditioning?

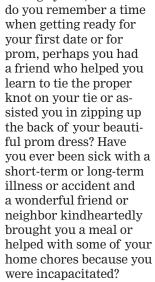
At a recent energy forum attended by some of the leading architects from around the globe, one of the sessions began with an image of a tree. The speaker challenged the audience to build a human-made environment that converts carbon dioxide to oxygen, use effective and energy-efficient water circulation and provide the desired thermoregulatory effects, etc. – all things that trees do naturally.

This century will undoubtedly see engineering marvels that will dwarf the innovations of the 20th century. The health of communities, economic and otherwise, is very much tied to the presence of engineering workforce. At New Mexico State University, the culture has been to provide top-quality and student-centered engineering education to generate creative and entrepreneurial engineers who could meet challenges of the future. We intend to preserve this culture, produce more job creators for New Mexico than job seekers, and make our university proud.

Assisted living centers should not be met with negative stigma

o you remember being in kindergarten and making a deal with your best

friend that if they would help you in remembering how to tie your shoelaces, you would help them in making sure they wrote their alphabet letters in the correct direction? Into teenage years,



If you've said yes to any of these questions then technically you've been a recipient of assistance with your living to help you be healthy, happy, safe and independent in your home and surroundings.

I bring this to your attention as all too many times when friends or family members concerned about their loved one's well-being suggest assisted living as a safe alternative, the idea is quickly met with a negative response. In our minds, we conjure up all kinds of myths about as-

sisted living and assisted living facilities while not realizing the truth.

So, keeping in mind the previous

three questions
I posed, I'd like
everyone to take
a moment to
rethink what assisted living is
and how it can
be a solution for
the one choosing
this option and
peace of mind for

that person's friends and family.

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Good Samaritans

While all assisted living facilities are a little different, the main premise is the same. An assisted living facility is merely a place for adults to call home who need a little assistance with their daily living needs and care to help them live safely, with dignity, and as independently as possible. Each assisted living facility is not a cookie cutter model of each other. Each facility offers different services and amenities. We, who live in Las Cruces, are very fortunate as we have several beautiful facilities from which to choose. There are facilities which offer only assisted living and facilities which offer a full continuum of care. For instance, the assisted living facility at Good Samaritan – Las Cruces Village is a separate building on their 16-acre campus, which has 24 individual assisted living apartments. In addition to the assisted living facility there are two threestory buildings of 155

apartments for seniors living independently and a healthcare center which offers post-acute care rehabilitation, long-term care and memory care.

Hopefully you now have a more positive picture of assisted living and have thrown away the misconceptions you may have had at one time. In the future, should you decide that assisted living is the right choice for you. please face this decision with a sense of optimism. You should now know that the goal of assisted living is to offer vou the help vou may need while still allowing you your independence and dignity in a safe and loving environment.

Penney McClarin is the director of resource development and marketing at Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village. She's lived in Las Cruces for 11 years.

Volunteers needed for celebrity waiter event held on March 11

BULLETIN REPORT

CARE (Cancer Aid Resource & Education, Inc.), along with Team Zane is on the search for local celebrity wait-

ers for the upcoming Celebrity
Waiter event to be held 6-11 p.m.
Saturday,
March 11 at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

Celebrity
Waiter is in
its eighth
year and
helps raise
funds for
various
nonprofit organizations
each year.

This year's theme is "Revenge of the Nerds." Celebrity waiters can be anyone in the community who is interested in helping local cancer patients through CARE.

Waiters will each be given one table of 10 to host for the eve-

ning. They will be responsible for selling tickets to their table (\$60 each), helping obtain donations from their table guests and must have a fun and great attitude

to make this a memorable night.

Proceeds from the event will go right back into the community to help children and families who are in active cancer treatment. CARE's Care and Support Program helps cancer patients with non-medical needs/basic living need such as gas cards to get to treatment. food/nutritional supplements,

utilities, rent, mortgage payment, lodging and meals if needing to travel for treatment.

For information, contact Jeffrey Silva with Team Zane at 505-263-5918 or Yoli Diaz, CARE president/executive director at 575-649-0598.





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HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

Junior Jazzercise: A two-day mini-camp will be held 12:30-3:30 p.m. March 21 and 23 Las Cruces Jazzercise Fitness Center, 3217 El Camino Real, for boys and girls ages 4-12. Games, dance, parties, crafts. Attendees will put on end-of-day performances for friends and family. \$40 for both days or \$25 for one day if you register March 17. Price goes up to \$50/\$30 on March 18. Siblings receive a 50 percent off discount. Space is limited. Info: 941-705-0800 or email lascrucesjuniorjazzercise@yahoo.com

Project in Motion spring classes:

- 5-6 p.m. Mondays-intermediate kids
- 6-7 p.m. Mondays-beginning adults and teens
- \bullet 7-8 p.m. Mondays- intermediate adult and teen
- \bullet 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays-beginning kids
 - 6:30-8 p.m.-Ring Jam

Project in Motion is located at 430 N. Compress Ave. Punch cards available at \$70 for eight classes; \$35 for four classes. Single class drop-in \$15. Info: 575-208-4413 or www.projectinmotion.com.

Stomach cancer talk: 6 p.m. Friday, March 10, Gerald Thomas Hall Room 194 (Auditorium) on the NMSU campus. Nina Salama, a microbiologist from the Human Biology Division at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Seattle, Washington will present "Helicobacter pylori and stomach cancer: How does a bacteria cause cancer?" Helicobacter pylori infection is the major risk factor for stomach cancer, the third leading cancer killer worldwide. Info: Lene Loest at hloest@nmsu.edu or 575-646-5104.

Diabetes Classes: 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, March 7 and Wednesday, March 8 and Thursday, March 9, Families and Youth, Inc., 1320 S. Solano (corner of Solano Drive and Idaho Avenue). Class size will be limited to 12 and support persons are invited and encouraged to be present with each attendee. Classes will be taught in English and Spanish by diabetes educator, T. J. Jasso, RN, BS. Info: Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach 575- 522-0289 or snmdo@snmdo.org.

Aggie Cupboard: Open 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, Regents Row, Room B114. NMSU and DACC students, staff and faculty, in addition to Burrell College students, can use the Aggie Cupboard food pantry as a grocery supplement. Bring your NMSU or Burrell College ID for a free bag of nonperishable food. Info: aggiecupboard@nmsu.edu or on Facebook at AggieCupboard @NMSU.

Cancer support group at UUMC: 6:30-8 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer Care is a support group for those dealing with cancer, (patients, survivors, caregivers, family and friends). Info: Betty Harris at 575-524-3994 or the church office at 575-522-8220.

Alzheimer's and dementia support group: 11:30 a.m. Thursdays, Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. Arbors of Del Rey Assisted Living Community support meeting offers information and interventions. Info: 575-382-5200.

Parkinson's Support: 10 a.m. third Tuesday of each month at the Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. Parkinson's Support Group of Southern New Mexico (PDSGSNM). Info: Sarah Stegall at 575-496-2550, Jon Roberts at 702-217-0450 or visit pdsgsnm.org.

Breastfeeding support: 10-11:30 a.m. every Friday, Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room. Mama's Milk Club Breastfeeding Support Group. Refreshments provided. Cost: free. Info: 575-521-5393.

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SPORTS

Aggie men play final home game March 4

BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State University men's basketball team has secured the No. 2 seed in the Western Athletic Conference Tournament and will play the No. 7 seed on Thursday, March 9. Tip-off is at 5:30 p.m. in Las Vegas' Orleans Arena.

The seed was clinched earlier in the WAC schedule when the Aggies fashioned a 20-game winning streak, before losing three conference games.

Saturday, Feb. 25, NMSU started a new winning streak, defeating Seattle 86-53.

In the victory, NMSU (24-5, 10-3 WAC) played the way Aggie fans were accustomed to seeing them during the 20-game streak. The offense only turned the ball over seven times, matching its lowest mark this season, while forcing the Redhawks to commit 14 turnovers, nine in the second half.

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Aggie women earns third straight WAC title

BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State University women's basketball team earned its third straight Western Athletic Conference title and coach Mark



Trakh crossed the 100-victory mark with the Aggies with a pair of road wins last week.

NMSU defeated the Seattle University Redhawks 64-61 Feb. 25, two nights after beating Utah Valley 66-53 for

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BULLETIN PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER BELARDE

Coach Paul Weir and the New Mexico State University men's basketball team head into their Saturday, March 4, game with a 24-5 record. It will be the Aggies' last home game, Senior Night and the regular season finale. Tip-off will be 7 p.m. Saturday at the Pan American Center. Post-season play begins March 9 in Las Vegas, Nevada, at the Western Athletic Conference Tournament. If NMSU wins the tournament, they'll earn an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

Amateurs hit the ring for Las Cruces boxing event

BULLETIN REPORT

The Sammy Burke Slug Fest, a local amateur boxing event, takes place at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 4 at the Las Cruces Police Athletic League (PAL) gym, 700 N. Solano Ave. Tickets are \$10 for adults

and \$8 for youth. Children

under 5 are admitted free.
Attendees will have a chance

to meet professional boxers Austin Trout of Las Cruces and Jennifer Han of El Paso. The Las Cruces PAL chapter was established in 1972 by Ben "Chico" Segura. The chapter grew and continued to expand under the leadership

of Sammy Burke and many coaches.

PAL Boxing is an after

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WOMEN AGGIES

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Trakh's 100th Aggie victory.

Against Seattle, the Redhawks led early in the third quarter, 37-33. The Aggies countered with a 13-2 run to take a 46-39 lead, the largest of the game at that point. In the final minute the Aggies only held a 60-59 lead. Then, after the Redhawks missed two free throws, Aggie Gia Pack grabbed the rebound and hit both of her shots from the charity stripe with under 30 seconds left in the game. Seattle U tried to tie the game, but time was on the Aggies' side as the team held on for a 64-61 win.

The Aggies saw four players score in double digits. This was led by Zaire Williams who had a season-high 19 points, followed by Moriah Mack with 16, Tamera William had 12 and Gia Pack added 10.

The win for the team saw four Aggies score in double digits. The offensive production was led by Zaire Williams who finished with 17 points, followed by Moriah Mack with 14, while Brooke Salas and Brianna Freeman each added 11.

Against Utah Valley, four Aggies scored in double digits, led by Zaire Williams with 17 points, followed by Moriah Mack with 14, while Brooke Salas and Brianna Freeman each added 11.

The Seattle victory marked 14 straight for NMSU as they move to 21-6 overall and 13-0 in Western Athletic Conference play.

Next up for the team will be their regular season finale at 6 p.m. MT March 4 as the team heads to Edinburg, Texas, to take on the UT-Rio Grande Valley Vaqueros.

Aggie baseball hosts Yale, face Lobos in El Paso

BULLETIN REPORT

A crazy week for Aggie baseball could get crazier as New Mexico State University heads into a slate of series against high-profile teams, including a game in El Paso against the rival University of New Mexico Lobos.

A Feb. 24-26 series that saw NMSU outscore Mount St. Mary's 73-10 in a 4-0 sweep at home, helped Aggie outfielder Austin earn the Western Athletic Conference Hitter of the Week award. The wild weekend saw Aggie victories of 25-4 and 29-1.

Botello was 15-of-23 at the plate, hitting for a WAC-best .652 average, finishing the week with three doubles, two home runs, nine runs scored, 12 RBI and a stolen base. The sweep gave the Aggies a 6-3 record on the season.

After a Feb. 28 road game at Arizona State University, NMSU will host Yale for a weekend stand March 3-5 at Presley Askew Field.

Then, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, the Aggies will play the Lobos in El Paso at Southwest University Park, home of the minor league El Paso Chihuahuas.

MEN AGGIES

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The Aggie offense fired on all cylinders in the first half as it headed into the locker room on top 42-23 while shooting 16-of-32 from the floor. Eli Chuha, who finished with a game-high

17 points, went 4-for-4 in the first before finishing the night 7-of-7. The 6-7 forward also tallied his 13th double-double of the year with 11 rebounds to go with his 17 points.

NMSU's defensive pressure didn't let down in the second half as it turned nine Seattle turnovers into 15 points.

The Aggie offense also outplayed Seattle in the paint, outscoring the Redhawks 20-4 in the second stanza alone before finishing with a 36-12 edge. Tanveer Bhullar also contributed for the Aggies in the paint, going 5-for-6 for a seasonhigh 11 points and five boards in 14 minutes of action.

Despite Seattle holding Ian Baker to zero points for the first time since his freshman year, he found a way to help his team by dishing out nine assists with a pair of steals.

During halftime, NMSU inducted four former Aggies into the US Bank/NM State Hall of Fame. Two of the four were former basketball players, James Moore and Billy Joe Price. Moore was on hand for the ceremony while Price's wife (Deanne), daughter (Allison) and brother (Dorie) were in attendance to accept his plaque on his behalf after the All-

American lost his battle to cancer in 1989.

On Feb. 23, the Aggies saw their 23-game home winning streak snapped in an 84-72 loss to Utah Valley. The loss also broke a 39-game home winning-streak in conference play that spanned back to 2012 when the crimson-and-white lost to Nevada, 68-60.

Nevertheless, Aggie senior guard Ian Baker led all scorers against Utah Valley with 21 points, while Matt Taylor added 11 points. Braxton Huggins and Jemerrio Jones each had 10. Eli Chuha reached double-figures on the glass for the 14th time this season with 10 rebounds.

The Aggies' next game will be Saturday, March 4, as they host UT Rio Grande Valley for the final game of the regular season. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m. in the Pan American Center on senior night.

SPONSORED BY: THE LAS CRUCES Bulletin Jayden Perez is a 17-year-old junior at Oñate High School. She is on the Lady Knights volleyball and basketball teams, captain and guard on the



Lady Knights volleyball and basketball teams, captain and guard on the latter. Perez averages 21.3 points, 5.6 rebounds, 1.9 steals and 2.8 assists per game. She was also named first team all-district. She is a great and positive leader and role model for the team, is an outstanding student, with a 4.02 GPA and National Honor Society member. Perez enjoys spending time with family and attending church. She thanks her parents, coaches, teammates and the Oñate staff and administration for their support.



Benjamin Goodman is a 16-year-old junior at Oñate High School. He is team captain on the Knights wrestling team and in the 138-pound category. Goodman has a 13-11 record this year and qualified as an alternate for the 2017 wrestling state tournament. He is a hard worker on the mat and in the classroom, with a 2.5 GPA. Goodman has volunteered as a coach for a local youth league football team and wants to major in fire science in college and be a firefighter. He thanks his parents for their support and encouragement, as well as his coaches for pushing him to be his best.

ONATE HIGH SCHOOL

BOXING EVENT

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school program dedicated to the education and physical fitness of Las Cruces youths. As an after school program it provides tutoring, educational resources, training equipment and instructor lead training in scholastic areas and in the sport of boxing.

The PAL boxing program is available to any school aged youth, but its focus is on at-risk individuals with a scholarship program centralized around making certain that the program is made available even to

those under the poverty line.

The workshops provided by the boxing academy include fundamentals in physical fitness, fundamentals of boxing, sportsmanship, community awareness, tutoring services, history of boxing and advanced boxing concepts.

Local high school teams prep for state tourney

BULLETIN REPORT

Seven Las Cruces basketball teams made it to the New Mexico high school basketball championships, which begin with opening round games this weekend.

In the boys 6A bracket, Oñate High School is the top seed, and will host No. 16 Sandia 6 p.m. Saturday, March 4, at OHS. Las Cruces High School, the tournament's No. 2 seed, hosts Clovis 6 p.m. Saturday, March 4. The quarterfinals and semifinals for the boys 6A playoffs will be March 8-9 at WisePies Arena in Albuquerque. The championship final will be March 11 at WisePies.

In the girls 6A bracket, Las Cruces High is seeded fourth, and hosts 13-seeded Albuquerque Highland 6 p.m. Friday, March 3, in the LCHS gym. Eleventh-seeded Mayfield travels to Albuquerque Eldorado for a 7 p.m. Friday, March, 3 game. Centennial, seeded 12th, has a road game against Albuquerque

La Cueva at 6 p.m. Friday, March 3. Oñate, the 14 seed, travels to West Mesa for a 7 p.m. Friday, March 3 game at Rio Grande High School. The quarterfinals and semifinals for the girls playoffs will be at Santa Ana Star Center in Rio Rancho. The girls final is March 11, at WisePies Arena.

Your questions about course management, bad shots

Q. My question is about what they call "course management." I've heard that term a lot over the years but never had it explained adequately. So, I'm wondering exactly what do the golf analysts and teachers mean by course management?

- John G., Las Cruces

GOLF DOCTOR: Thank you for that great question. Course management actually refers to the strategy, tactics, position and thoughtfulness with which you golf your ball around the course. Most mid-to-high handicap recreational golfers, during a round of 18 holes manage to have two or three trainwrecks, meaning really high scores, along the way. They find themselves with unplayable lies, balls outof-bounds, in the water, playing from awkward positions and other difficulties.

In reality, the average amateur golfer has more promise for lowering his or her score by learning good course management than any other single element of the game. And in my view good course management is mainly about playing for position. You

need to plan and play shots that get you in the best position for your next shot,



CHARLIE BLANCHARD Golf Doctor

playing shots that wind up in trouble or otherwise creating a much harder

while

avoiding

shot than you know how to play. Getting in trouble for position causes "blow-up" holes. In addition to figuring the vardage and the direction and the variables like wind and slope, we are challenged with thinking about and estimating our nest shot in order to make it more doable. We need to be acutely aware of scoredestroying redoubling and proceed away from it. That also means understanding where to land your ball on the greens, while grasping where the greenside difficulty lies and where not to hit it.

I know it sounds complicated, but starting to play in that manner will eventually become habit and nearly automatic. Remember, effective ball position play means managing yourself wisely with clearheaded decisions. Golf, as in business, is about the decisions you make under pressure.

Q. In every round I play I hit so many bad shots that I sometimes think about quitting the game. After a while it's embarrassing. I'm looking for suggestions.

- Manny H., Las Cruces

GOLF DOCTOR: You're obviously frustrated, but you're out there with your buddies because you like the game of golf. Don't give up! Even the pros hit bad shots; the TV cameras just don't show them very

Please bear with methis is golf 101. First you have to learn how to swing the golf club correctly; and then do it repetitively and correctly. Then you need to practice that swing a lot (I mean a lot) to make it work consistently on the golf course. Failure in those two areas doubtlessly is responsible for your consistently bad shots.

Get the book "No More Bad Shots" by Hank Haney and assimilate every word. Haney starts out his book with this: "Every golfer who has

ever lived hits more bad shots - or at least imperfect shots - than he or she hits good ones."

Ben Hogan, who believed that was a true statement, stated more than once that winning golf meant being able to keep the misses under control. One of the earliest and most classic golf books ever, written in Hogan's day, was by golf professionals Jim Dante and Leo Diegel and titled "The Nine Bad Shots of Golf (and what to do about them)."

The book belonged to my late grandfather, who was a pretty fair fivehandicapper and a student of the game. Gramp was obsessive about golf so the book is filled with underlines, margin jottings, page marks and numerous "notes to self." He was determined to avoid the bad shots, and usually did.

The list of the top nine worst shots from my past writings are as follows: the bladed 5 iron from the fairway; the topped first tee drive; the greenside lob wedge "flub;" the "Tin Cup" five wood; the bunker attempt that goes six inches; the fatted wedge into the pond; the 8 iron

shank; pull, hook, yank into cactus.

They are all preventable with lessons and practice. But the ninth bad shot is avoiding instruction. So keep a record of your awful shots to find a pattern and tell your pro during your next lesson.

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