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Xavier Medoza and Lindsay Thomen dance to the music of Lincoln's Lie Aug. 5 during the second annual Summerfest celebration at Picacho Peak Brewing Co. For another peek, see page 22.





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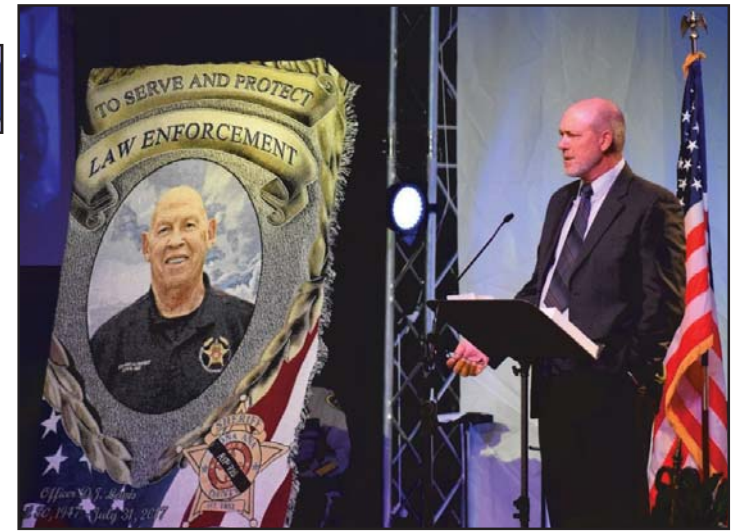


**DONALD 'D.J.' LEWIS**  
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Sgt. Lewis, 70, was laid to rest Monday, Aug. 7. He was eulogized by many, including former Undersheriff Eddie Lerma, former DASO Capt. Robert Jones and DASO Chaplain Conant Carr. He was buried with full police honors at Hillcrest Memorial Cemetery. He is survived by a son, three grandchildren and his brothers and sisters of law enforcement. He will be missed.



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**Ken Eisner**, Sr. Manager, Worldwide Education Programs and Global Lead-AWS Educate, Amazon Web Services

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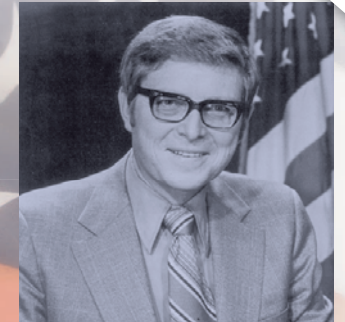
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**Celina Bussey**, Cabinet Secretary, New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions

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**Seth Harris**, former Acting U.S. Secretary of Labor; former Deputy U.S. Secretary of Labor

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Fort Bliss Garrison Executive Officer, Col. Paul Stewart talks human numbers during the Military Update Luncheon.

# Local bases keep going strong

## Las Cruces Chamber hosts Military Update Luncheon

By **ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Debbi Moore's father, a veteran, taught her to be respectful of the military, which is why the Las Cruces Greater Chamber of Commerce director was happy to kick off the Military Update Luncheon Aug. 2 at the New Mexico State University Fulton Center.

"We thank you for your protection of us and your full support of our community," Moore told representatives of White Sands Missile Range (WSMR), Holloman Air Force Base (HAFB) and Fort Bliss who were in attendance for the Wednesday event.

Randy Grunom, acting executive director at WSMR, said that there have been some "fiscal challenges" in recent years and the

range is trying to catch up following a hiring freeze.

"We are in a hiring process with colleges and universities," he said. "Brigadier General Eric L. Sanchez is spearheading modernization on the range with new radars, telemetry, optics and networking. We have to be ready for tomorrow, ready for a complex future."

Grunom said new construction has been approved and will begin in 2019 on the communication hub at WSMR, "the heartbeat where all of our data and services go through."

Garrison Executive Officer Col. Paul Stewart spoke about the operations at Fort Bliss.

"Right now the Army has two mobilization platforms that push out the soldiers into combat zones," Stewart said. "There is one at Fort Hood and Fort Bliss takes care of

over 50 percent of the soldiers that are pushing out ... including some Reserve, Air Force and some Marines."

Fort Bliss encompasses more than 1.12 million acres across Texas and southern New Mexico, he said. Among Bliss, Holloman and WSMR, the area comprises the largest controlled airspace in the United States.

In 2005, Fort Bliss had 9,333 soldiers, Stewart said.

"From that time, with movement of the 1st Armored Division, mostly from Europe and Germany, our numbers kind of changed just a little bit," he said. "Right now, we are looking at total military population (at Fort Bliss) of about 32,000 soldiers."

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**ABOVE:** As F-16s come to Alamogordo the community prepares, as explained by Mike Espiritu, executive director of the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce.

**LEFT:** Holloman Air Force Base Vice Commander Col. Brian Patterson closed out the Las Cruces Military Update Luncheon.

## BASES

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Support services adds another 11,000 personnel, bringing the total base population to roughly about 44,000, he added. “Then, when you look at family members and retirees, that puts the number in the area about 164,000.”

Stewart also said that at any given time, roughly 2,000 soldiers are training for, or moving to, deployment.

Veteran and executive director of the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce, Mike Espiritu, said Holloman is bringing in more F-16s to the base and the community has energized itself to welcome the newcomers. Mega-construction company Aecom URS is hiring 638 people in Otero

County to expand the HAFB facilities preparing for the incoming personnel.

Espiritu also said the base is working with the community to create a program at Alamogordo High School and also one at New Mexico State University-Alamogordo, for aircraft technicians.

HAFB vice Commander Col. Brian Patterson

added that there will be 45 F-16s coming from Utah to Holloman, which will double the squadron stationed there.

“We are putting very sophisticated aircraft in combat right now,” Patterson said.

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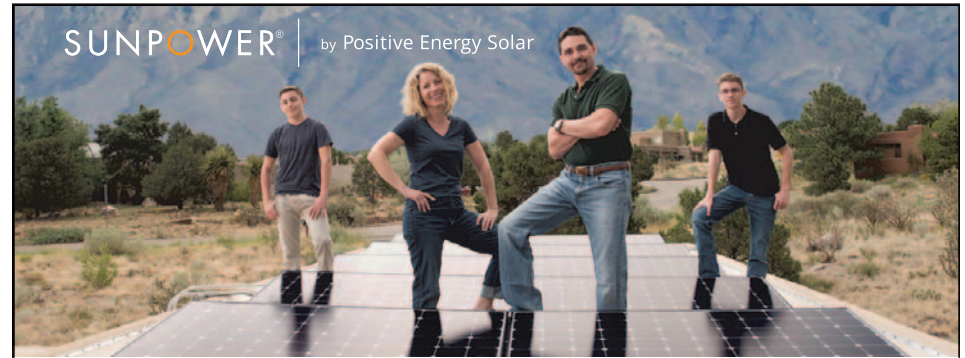
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According to a recent study from North Carolina State University, homeowners who invest in a 5 kilowatt solar system will, on average, earn a better return than they would investing in stocks.

Still, going solar is a big decision and a serious investment. **Here are three financial questions to consider before installing your system:**

#### **1. What's the right time to go solar from a financial standpoint?**

While a rooftop solar system might have cost as much as a luxury car a decade ago, the same system will cost as much as an economy car—less than \$18,000 on average—today. Installation costs are down to less than half what they were in 2008. Given rising prices for utility electric, solar's return on investment is better than ever. A typical system installed today will pay for itself through electricity savings in anywhere from a couple of years to 10 years—with five years being the average. And, because the 30% tax credit starts scaling down in 2019, there are advantages to installing panels sooner rather than later. This is the time to go solar.

#### **2. Should I purchase or lease?**

Most independent experts agree: purchasing solar is the best way to go. With a wide range of solar energy loans available—including many with little or no money down—nearly any homeowner or business owner can reap the full financial benefits of a solar system, including tax credits and gains to property values, by investing in the purchase of a system. Yet, one fact is apparent: Whether you lease, take out a loan, or purchase in cash, solar almost always generates significant savings compared to buying electric from the utility.

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# Life is good in Las Cruces

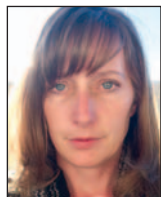
**F**or years, Las Cruces has carried two annual publications, full of rich information about what the city offers. One, published by the Convention and Visitors Bureau (now known as Visit Las Cruces), focused on providing information for visitors. Life is Good in Las Cruces, published by the Las Cruces Bulletin, focused on information for newcomers, as well as stories about Las Cruces that may be new even to someone who's lived here a while.

Much of that information overlaps, so this year, we've combined the best of both to make one comprehensive visitors and community guide.

For people who have read Life is Good in the past, you'll notice we transitioned to a larger magazine format. Inside, you'll find practical information like a guide to city hall, contact information for your elected officials, how to get around town or where to call to get electricity and cable hooked up in your home.

With the guide, you can quickly get a pulse on Las Cruces – what's new, what's old, what's loved, a little history, a little present and a little future.

It provides all sorts of listings, from city parks and pools,



**TRACY ROY**

and museums and outdoor recreation to major health care facilities, veterans' organizations and art organizations.

It's a great tool for visitors to plan outings and maximize local flair while they're here.

One feature you may have enjoyed in the Las Cruces Visitors Guide is an attractive city map, placed at the center of the magazine. Other maps include Visit Las Cruces trails: Wine & Ale Trail or the Walk of Flame Green Chile Trail. These features are handy for visitors, new residents of Las Cruces or locals looking for a fresh adventure.

These are exciting times for Las Cruces. The Downtown area is expanding and changing quickly. Plaza de Las Cruces is complete. The

Rio Grande Theater is under new management. There are several projects in the works by the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership. A new farm-to-table restaurant is set to open where Main Street Bistro used to be. The Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces continues twice a week, plus one evening a month for half the year.

In the health care realm, new facilities are under construction, including the state's first freestanding emergency room and an expanded cancer center.

Las Cruces offers a robust public-school system, a community college, a university, technical colleges and a new medical school.

The local film community is picking up steam. Las Cruces now has a full-time film liaison and deputy film liaison, and is working toward securing an area for a sound stage in hopes of bringing in a stream of new film projects to the area. In 2017, Las Cruces was named one of eight hot spots for shooting film by Hollywood Reporter.

You'll be able to pick up a copy of the guide all year long, but now is as good a time as

any, with fiesta season just around the corner. Chile season is in full swing, gearing us up for celebrating during the second half of the year. The mere smell of chile roasting outside local grocery stores stirs excitement for fall.

And Las Cruces don't mess around when it comes to fiestas. We have one for everything – chile, film, salsa, pecans, arts, music, food trucks, and of course, wine and beer. We have a Renaissance ArtsFaire you must see to believe. Artisans travel from all over the state and beyond to showcase their wares, and I don't know of any other place that has a smoke-breathing dragon in a pond.

The 2017-2018 guide can be picked up at the Bulletin office, 1740-A Calle de Mercado (next to Paisano Café), or at Visit Las Cruces, 211 N. Main St. It will also be stocked in stands around town, such as area hotels, museums, restaurants and other hot spots.

Enjoy, and then plan your day.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Organs will be protected

To the editor:

The Organ Mountains are a symbol of southern New Mexico, so I wasn't surprised about the uproar surrounding Interior Secretary Zinke's recent visit. Obviously no one in New Mexico is in favor of taking the monument designation away. Contrary to what the media would have us believe, not even Rep. Pearce has called for it to be rescinded.

Everyone wants the Organs to be protected, but just how big is too big? The monument is 500,000 acres. It blocks some lands from being accessed by outdoorsmen and affects jobs. What's wrong with discussing its size? No doubt the Organs will remain protected, but ranchers and farmers deserve to be heard. The monument's current size simply is not working for them and adversely impacts their livelihood and families.

Farmers and ranchers were the first environmentalists. Those of us who aren't farmers or ranchers simply can't comprehend how they've been impacted. They are community leaders and taxpayers, too! Their voices matter just as much – and the fruits of their labor feed many.

I look forward to Secretary Zinke's report. I'm sure the Organ Mountains will remain protected, but can't we all just get along?

*Lisa F. Parrott  
Las Cruces*

### Monument violates Antiquities Act

To the editor:

I am a Doña Ana County resident with a beautiful view of the Organ Mountain Peaks. I'm also an outdoorsman and have hiked those mountains. I do believe in protecting our national treasures, but seeing the National Conservation Land Map as well as the

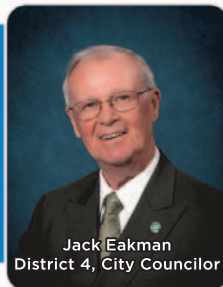
BLM Map of the Desert Peaks Monument, I am appalled by the vast areas of land (496,330 acres) that now accommodate the very few and tiny points of interest.

The Antiquities Act of 1906 reads; "...limits to be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to

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### Eakman to Hold District 4 Resident Meeting



Jack Eakman  
District 4, City Councilor

City Councilor Jack Eakman, District 4, will host a meeting for residents and business owners to discuss local street and road construction projects currently underway or about to begin in District 4.

Eakman invites attendees to bring questions and comments regarding the topic.

**The meeting begins at 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21, at the Trails West Senior Community, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla, in the Commons Building.**

Directions to Trails West: Driving into Mesilla on Avenida de Mesilla, go past the Comfort Inn, then turn right on Happy Trails Drive into the Trails West community. At the gate, inform the gate keeper that you are there for Councilor Eakman's meeting.

For more information about the meeting, call 541-2192 or email at [jrickman@las-cruces.org](mailto:jrickman@las-cruces.org)



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be protected." Looking at both official maps, this is a gross violation of The Antiquities Act.

The Las Cruces City Council and the Doña Ana County Commission wouldn't even consider a review of the subject. Why? The only one in favor of a review was County Commissioner Ben Rawson. That meeting was flooded by conservationists, many of whom weren't even residents of Las Cruces or Doña Ana County. They were given a free lunch and gas card to induce them to attend the meeting and speak up. It was a farce. I'll remember the commissioners at their next election.

*Dave Gallus  
Las Cruces*

### Footprint is too large

To the editor:

When examining the Organ Mountains Monument footprint it is important to examine the actual objects listed. The Antiquities Act itself was created to protect objects of historic or scientific interest.

So what are the actual objects listed in the Organ Mountains Monument Proclamation?

The first object mentioned is rock art and Native American artifacts. Those that exist and are identified should be preserved permanently in museums as the law mandates, or should be returned to their respective tribes to ensure their protection. However, you simply cannot list thousands of acres of land as national monument for "scattered" artifacts. This is against the law as the objects must be specifically identified.

The next objects listed are ancient dwellings including La Cueva. Needless to say, this cave should remain protected. El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro National Historic Trail is the next object listed, but that is already protected under the National Trails System Act. The next two items are "Geronimo's Cave" and "Out-law Rock." These are both myths and therefore cannot be protected under the Antiquities Act.

The monument should be adjusted to protect actual objects. Politics aside, the Interior secretary needs to change the footprint to comply with the law.

*David L. Cheek  
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# Contradicting ourselves many times over

*"Do I contradict myself? Very well, then I contradict myself..."*  
— Walt Whitman

**W**e are living in times of contradiction and most people ignore these contradictions. Example: a major push is on to deal with head injuries in sports while television programs feature the biggest hits.

Years ago, I went to Dallas to visit friends. They decided I should see the famous Book Depository from where Lee Harvey Oswald shot President



**MICHAEL SWICKARD**

In My Opinion

John Kennedy in November 1963. There is a tourist attraction where once an assassin perched.

The level of security surprised me. Armed guards were everywhere. The money-taker sat behind bullet-proof glass. We were herded through metal detectors while protectors watched.

Maybe I got there at the

wrong time but it looked like a crowd of Mom and Pop tourists to me. Then we took the elevator, which only went to the sixth floor. Much of the exhibit was the story of the assassination of President Kennedy from the assassin's point of view.

It answered questions of how Oswald brought the gun up to the window where he fired. The older tourists were somber. I suspect the younger visitors didn't have the personal emotional attachment to that time.

I wasn't the only person who was peeved at the people who

stood in the southeast corner and looked from the assassin's perspective down to the street below mentally sighting the rifle. It was when they said loudly, "BANG," that I began to think the exhibit was ill-conceived.

On our way back to my host's house we stopped by the Irving Mall. I don't know exactly what happened, but apparently just minutes before we arrived a gang fight broke out next to the food court.

Some unlucky guy was just sitting down to a piece of pizza

with his wife and two small children when he was killed by a stray shot. We walked in just after the smoke cleared. The security guards stood in groups looking like a bunch of chickens in a barnyard right after the farmer has culled out a couple for Sunday lunch.

There were some people who lamented that there were not more armed security guards when the shooting occurred. With more people shooting, the perpetrator might have been

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# Sen. Stewart indeed New Mexico's most effective legislator

Senator Mimi Stewart of Albuquerque recently was named New Mexico's single most effective legislator — indeed, one of the most effective lawmakers in any state — by FiscalNote.

The national, non-partisan organization knows what it is talking about, representing many of the most successful Fortune 500 corporations. Most recipients of the award were Republicans. It was given on how successful a legislator is at sponsoring and steering legislation through each crucial step of the legislative process, all the way through enactment.

This complex process requires strong bipartisan skills, and often goes completely unnoticed by the general public.

I can attest, however, that in all my years in the Roundhouse, no legislator has ever deserved this honor more, nor worked harder to receive it, than Mimi Stewart.

Sen. Stewart is the au-



**MARY KAY PAPEN**  
Senator,  
President Pro Tem

thor of so much important legislation to improve the lives of New Mexicans, it is difficult to know where to begin. A champion for children and our public school classrooms, the environment, good government and women's rights; all are part of her record of accomplishment in the House and the Senate.

Her years of experience as an educator have been invaluable to legislative deliberations on state education policy and budget priorities. Now as vice chair of the Senate Education Committee, she fights to get teachers the additional skills and resources they need to teach children who need additional help. It is important work in a state

*“She has been successful because of her constructive and collaborative approach to government. A team player in the Senate, she has worked hard to pass bipartisan legislation for the good of New Mexico.”*

## MARY KAY PAPEN

### President Pro Tem of New Mexico Senate

with so much childhood poverty.

The FiscalNote award reflects the passion Sen. Stewart holds for a large range of political issues. She sponsored the original legislation that created the K-3-Plus summer learning program for thousands of children from low-income families. It provides kindergarten-through-third-grade students 25 extra instructional days. Recognized nationally, Stewart's K-3-Plus narrows the achievement gap between at-risk students and other students, improves cognitive skills and produces higher test scores for all

participants. Its enactment was a bipartisan milestone.

Legislation she authored in 2003 created our state's three-tiered licensure model that implements a professional salary schedule for public school teachers. It helps New Mexico attract and retain dedicated, qualified teachers, and has become a nationally recognized model. Without it, it is hard to see how our teachers would have received any salary increases in the last several lean budgets.

Year after year, and in the face of stiff executive headwinds, she has

been a tireless advocate for extending the state's consumer solar tax credit. That law alone has made it possible and affordable for many thousands of middle-class New Mexican families to install solar panels on their homes. It also created big savings on their electricity bills, delivered a non-polluting source of energy, helped to lower air and water pollution overall in New Mexico, and improved the public health. Sen. Stewart was able to build overwhelming support for solar energy from both parties, even though she is an unapologetic Democrat.

Mimi Stewart is a special kind of legislator who has successfully enacted key laws to meet many of our state's pressing challenges, including a statewide water conservation plan and gray-water system regulations. Over the years she authored summer youth gang intervention legislation, domestic violence interventions, prohibitions on insurance com-

panies that discriminate against victims of domestic abuse, emergency contraception for rape victims, and stronger homeowner rights — all of which became law. And the list goes on. She has been a bridge builder for positive change in New Mexico.

Some of our state's most important legislation during the last almost 25 years came about thanks to Mimi Stewart, whether on education, renewable energy or health care. She has been successful because of her constructive and collaborative approach to government. A team player in the Senate, she has worked hard to pass bipartisan legislation for the good of New Mexico. This is the real Mimi Stewart. She sets the standard for effective lawmaking. We applaud her well-earned national recognition.

*Sen. Mary Kay Papen (D-38-Doña Ana) is the President Pro Tem of the New Mexico Senate.*

## SWICKARD

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caught. But the armed guards were all back at the Dallas Book Depository.

Since I paid my way into the Book Depository Memorial on the sixth floor I have the right to say that it should be razed as it was done with the Cleveland apartment building when a man used it in the course of a

cannibalistic crime spree.

We Americans are contradictory. We celebrate a fallen president from where the assassin sat. The assassin should not be the attraction. And even better, it would be nice if they

were able to change the local shooting gallery back into a shopping mall.

And for heaven's sake, don't get me started on the lunacy of celebrating the outlaw Billy the Kid while completely

forgetting New Mexico's own Sheriff Pat Garrett.

*Swickard's novel, "Hideaway Hills," is available at Amazon.com. He may be reached at michael.swickard@gmail.com*

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# School bells ring again across Las Cruces

## BULLETIN REPORT

More than 24,000 students in the Las Cruces Public Schools will head back to the classroom in the coming days for the 2017-18 school year, with the first day of classes for most students on Monday, Aug. 14.

Kindergarten and preschool students will begin Aug. 15 and Aug. 16, respectively, while Arrowhead Park Early College High School and Arrowhead Park Medical Academy will begin their fall classes on Wednesday, Aug. 16, officials said.

While teachers and many other district staff returned to work on Tuesday, Aug. 9, the dates for student registration, schedule pickups, student and parent orientation and starting dates are as follows:

### Elementary Schools:

- Thursday, Aug. 10: Registration for kindergarten through 5th grades is 9-11 a.m.; bus routes and times, meal applications, supply lists, and visits with teachers are available; No bus service is available;
- Monday, Aug. 14: Classes begin for 1st-through-5th grades, while kindergarten students will have a transition day;
- Tuesday, Aug. 15: Kindergarten classes begin,



while preschool students will have their transition day;

- Wednesday, Aug. 16: Preschool classes begin.

### Middle Schools:

- Parents should check with their individual schools for registration and schedule information.
- Mesilla Valley Leadership Academy holds a New Student Induction Day, Thursday, Aug. 10, from 1 to 3

p.m. at 400 West Bell Ave. All student schedules will be distributed on the first day of school.

- Thursday, Aug. 10: orientation for 6th graders and their parents beginning at 6 p.m. at their child's school.
- Monday, Aug. 14: Classes begin for 6th through 8th grades.

### Arrowhead Park Early College High School and Arrowhead Park Medical Academy:

Located on the New Mexico State University campus, the two schools follow a schedule based on the NMSU academic year and the calendar is different from the LCPS calendar.

- Through Tuesday, Aug. 15: Summer break.
- Wednesday, Aug. 16: Fall semester classes begin at 9 a.m.

### All Other LCPS High Schools:

- Monday, Aug. 14: Classes begin for 9th-through-12th grade students at **Centennial, Las Cruces, Mayfield and Oñate** high schools.
- **Rio Grande Preparatory Institute:** Class schedules will be distributed on the first day of classes, Monday, Aug. 14.

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# Transportation changes en route for the new school year

## BULLETIN REPORT

Since school bus stops and routes may have changed from the previous school year, parents and students are encouraged to review students' bus information through ParentVUE, StudentVUE or the LCPS Transportation website, said LCPS Director of Public Safety Todd Gregory.

"Our busing system uses location data from each registered rider to suggest the most efficient routes. Once the system makes bus stop suggestions, our department reviews all the stops for factors such as safety and accessibility," Gregory said.

"Since we have quite a few students that register for busing, but don't actually ride the bus on a consistent basis, it generally take a few days to establish the bus stop locations which will be used throughout the school year."

For the eighth consecutive year, LCPS has contracted Student Transportation Specialists of New Mexico (STS-NM) to provide transportation services



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**STS-NM school buses will cover an estimated 1.5 million miles during the school year.**

for the district. All bus drivers are employed by STS-NM.

STS-NM also provides ancillary student bus transportation services for the district, including field trips and athletic trips. STS-NM is paid for these services on a per-trip basis, based upon its ancillary contract with the school district.

Although approximately 9,300 students are registered for transpor-

tation services through LCPS, last year approximately 7,500 students actually used the service to get transported to and from school each day. Any changes to bus routes and stops are updated overnight and posted to ParentVUE, StudentVUE and the LCPS transportation website by the following morning.

Each morning, LCPS also provides STS-NM with rosters for bus riders on each bus route, starting on the first day of school. The rosters allow the bus drivers to create seating charts as an added safety measure for kindergarten students since, according to district protocol, kindergarten students who ride the bus can only be released to an authorized adult or older sibling.

The rosters also help eliminate confusion for

substitute drivers, ensuring that each student is picked up and dropped off in the correct location, and help avoid overcrowding, since they provide more accurate estimates about the number of students who actually use each route, Gregory said.

Students are eligible to receive transportation through LCPS if they meet the following criteria: they are an elementary school student whose registered address is one mile or more, one-way, from their assigned school; a middle school student whose registered address is one-and-one-half miles or more, one way, from their assigned school; a high school student whose registered address is two-miles-or-more, one way, from their assigned school.

Transportation may also be provided for students who reside within

the statutory walking distance from their attendance center, according to state laws. To register for transportation services, students can contact their school to get signed up or may contact the LCPS Transportation Department with any questions.

For rules and regulations regarding LCPS transportation services, parents can now download and review the LCPS Transportation Handbook, available online at <http://lcps.k12.nm.us/departments/operations/transportation/forms-documents/>

For more information, visit: [www.lcps.k12.nm.us/departments/operations/transportation](http://www.lcps.k12.nm.us/departments/operations/transportation) or contact the LCPS Transportation Department at 575-527-5998. STS-NM can also be contacted at 575-523-5686 for additional information

about bus service or for questions about hiring bus drivers.

### During the 2017-18 school year:

- An estimated 7,500 students will be transported to and from LCPS schools each school day;
- Buses will travel an estimated 1.5 million miles taking students to and from school;
- LCPS will utilize 124 bus routes, the same number of routes as last year. There will be 81 regular routes and 43 special needs routes, of which 27 are lift buses.
- LCPS will utilize an estimated 124 drivers, 13 substitute drivers, 43 bus attendants and three bus attendant substitutes to help transport students.
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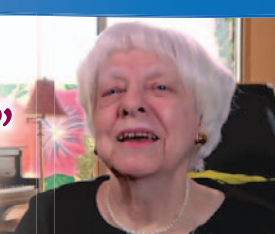
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# Lunch prices to increase

## BULLETIN REPORT

School lunch prices at many LCPS schools will be increased for the 2017-18 school year, while full-price breakfast charges of \$1 will stay the same, said Nancy Cathey, LCPS executive director of operations and nutrition services.

The new prices will be in effect on the first day of school.

Several LCPS schools that participate in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Community Eligibility Program (CEP) will not be affected by the price increase, since those schools serve free breakfast and lunch to all students, every day, Cathey added.

• **Regular prices for students:** Elementary lunch – price increasing from \$1.80 to \$1.85; Middle school lunch – price increasing from \$2.10 to \$2.25; High school lunch – price increasing from \$2.25 to \$2.30. Cathey said the price of lunches served to parents and other school visitors will remain at \$3.

• **Reduced-price meals, based on eligibility:** Breakfast for all students \$.30 (no change); Lunch for all students: \$.40 (no change).

• **Free breakfast and lunch,** based on eligibility: No changes.

Cathey said the price increases for regular-priced meals are part of LCPS' compliance with United States Department of Agriculture regulations that compel school districts to charge students as much for a lunch as the district receives from USDA for a student who receives free meals.

"The USDA has mandated this price increase so that the amount paid for regular-price meals is closer to their actual cost," Cathey said. "We want families to know that the free or reduced-price meals are staying the same as last year."

There are 26 Las Cruces schools participating in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's CEP program. The 26 schools that will offer free meals as part of the CEP program are: Alam-

eda, Booker T. Washington, Central, César E. Chávez, Columbia, Conlee, Doña Ana, East Picacho, Hermosa Heights, Hillrise, Jornada, Loma Heights, MacArthur, Mesilla, Mesilla Park, Monte Vista, Sunrise, Tombaugh, University Hills and Valley View elementaries; and Lynn Middle, Picacho Middle, Rio Grande Preparatory Institute, Vista Middle, Mesa Middle and Mesilla Valley Alternative Middle School.

"Based on the number of low-income families, this program helps thousands of children who can get a healthy breakfast and lunch at no cost," Cathey said. "Parents do not need to fill out an application to be eligible for the meals."

At Fairacres Elementary and Sonoma Elementary, all students will be served free breakfast in each student's classroom, but lunches must be purchased for families who are not eligible for free or reduced-price meals, Cathey said. In addition, snacks will be provided free to students who participate in eligible after-school programs at all LCPS schools.

To apply for free or reduced-priced school meals, parents must pick up an application from the school cafeteria cashier or the front office secretary. The completed application should be returned to the school cafeteria and not to a child's teacher. Cathey said parents will receive a letter notifying them of eligibility for free or reduced-price meals within 10 days after receiving the completed application. The application information is kept completely confidential, she said.

Parents may request that their family's eligibility for free or reduced-price meals be reviewed by school officials at any time during the school year. If a parent does not agree with the decision made by the school about his or her application for free or reduced-price meals, the parent may wish to discuss the matter with Cathey. She can be reached at 575-527-5996 or ncathey@lcps.net.



# New principals come from variety of backgrounds

## BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Greg Ewing has announced 12 new school principal assignments and nine new assistant principal assignments for the 2017-18 school year.

"We have a new cadre of exceptional instructional leaders," Ewing said. "This infusion of enthusiasm, talent and educational experience will make a huge impact on our district."

The new principals come from a variety of backgrounds. Ewing said some are current principals who have moved to a different school, some were assistant principals who have moved up, and some are new to Las Cruces.

## The new principals and their schools are as follows:

- Booker T. Washington Elementary, Monica Marquez;
- Central Elementary, Michael Chairres;
- Columbia Elementary, Michelle Valdez;
- Conlee Elementary, Sonia Campo;
- Fairacres Elementary, Gail Estrada;
- Highland Elementary, Joan Howard;
- Hillrise Elementary, Karen Hite;
- Jornada Elementary, Vangie Barela;
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# CrossRoads teaches in a controlled environment

## BULLETIN REPORT

The LCPS CrossRoads program, an alternative learning program for middle and high school students who have been suspended from their assigned schools for 10 days or longer, has begun registration in the campus cafeteria, 821 E. Lohman Ave.

“Through the LCPS CrossRoads program, students can maintain their education but in a strictly controlled environment,” said program administrator Joe Mestres.

Unlike a regularly assigned school, the program has its own dress code and a strict set of rules and regulations. Students are not allowed to drive to the school, and a parent or guardian must check their child in every day at the front office. In addition, all students must wear uniforms. Mestres said the high

school students wear khaki pants or shorts with a black polo shirt while middle school students must wear black pants or shorts with a heather gray polo shirt.

The CrossRoads program currently has six teachers and two social workers. The campus is comprised of two buildings: one main building, with three high school classrooms, a conference room and a large cafeteria, where all meals are served; and a separate building with three middle school classrooms, Mestres said.

“The campus has two separate buildings so we are able to better separate the middle school students from the high school students,” Mestres said.

Technology is available to all students.

For more information, contact Mestres at 575-527-9320 or [jmestres@lcp.net](mailto:jmestres@lcp.net).



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Representatives from Magic 104.9 deliver a box of school supplies to LCPS officials at Booker T. Washington Elementary School Wednesday, Aug. 2. The school supplies were collected as part of Magic 104.9 (KMVR-FM)'s seventh annual "Stuff the Bus" school supply drive.

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## 'Stuff the Bus' drive supplies students with necessities

### BULLETIN REPORT

To help ease the financial burden of back-to-school shopping for families throughout LCPS, Magic 104.9 (KMVR-FM) is hosting its seventh annual "Stuff the Bus" school supply drive. The drive will collect school supplies through Monday, Aug. 14, at locations throughout Las Cruces, said Brigitte Zigelhofer, LCPS community outreach liaison.

"We started this drive to make sure every kid in Doña Ana County has the supplies they need for a successful school year," said Magic 104.9 Program Director Ricky Tarin.

Over the past eight years, the drive has collected nearly \$65,000 in school supplies using school-bus-themed boxes, placed throughout the community, to collect school supplies such as backpacks, notebooks, pens, pencils, paper, combination locks, calculators and USB drives. Once collected, the school supplies are distributed to kindergarten-through-high school-students through the LCPS Proj-

ect Link Homeless Education program.

"For the parents, it isn't just about the cost of the school supplies. It's about being able to provide the supplies their children need to be successful all year," said Zigelhofer. "The drive helps take away some of the stress of the back-to-school season for parents and allows students to focus on their education."

Currently there are four donation sites: Walmart Supercenter, 3331 Rinconada Blvd.; NutriShop of Las Cruces, 3835 E Lohman Ave #4; Bravo Mic Communications, 101 Perkins Drive; and the Las Cruces Public Schools Administration Building, 505 Main Street, Suite 249.

"We're honored that Magic 104.9 and Bravo Mic Communications have both continued to invest their time and talents to support children throughout the District," Zigelhofer said. "Their partnership has impacted the lives of countless students over the years."

For more information, contact KMVR-FM at 575-527-1111 or visit [www.mymagic1049.com](http://www.mymagic1049.com).



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# Hospitals donate school supplies

## BULLETIN REPORT

Memorial Medical Center and MountainView Regional Medical Center have donated hundreds of backpacks filled with school supplies – at separate donation events – to support economically disadvantaged students throughout Las Cruces Public Schools.

This is the 12th consecutive year Memorial has made a back-to-school donation to LCPS and the first year for MountainView.

The donations were made in early August.

“The Memorial Medical Center donation was the inspiration that led us to seek out even more donations this year,” said LCPS Community Outreach Liaison Brigitte Zigelhofer. “Their donation has helped countless families in this community and we truly appreciate their continued support. Since the demand for school supplies continues to grow every year, we’re grate-

ful that MountainView graciously offered their support.”

Both donations are distributed through the LCPS Project Link Homeless Education program to an estimated 700-800 first-through-12th-grade students at schools throughout the district. Each backpack is filled with age-appropriate school supplies and labeled according to grade level, said LCPS Lead Social Worker Yoli Silva.

This year Memorial Medical Center donated 382 backpacks filled with school supplies. As part of the annual tradition, the hospital purchases the backpacks and the employees purchase the school supplies to fill the backpacks, according to Elaine Rosas-Luna, Memorial’s engineering office coordinator, who oversees the backpack project.

In the past 11 years, Memorial Medical Center has donated more than 3,500 backpacks, collectively valued at more than \$70,000.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Employees from Las Cruces Public Schools and Memorial Medical Center spent a recent morning loading 382 backpacks filled with school supplies, which MMC has donated to Las Cruces Public Schools.



A Memorial Medical Center employee helps sort the more than 300 backpacks filled with school supplies MMC donated to Las Cruces Public Schools, Aug. 2 at Memorial Medical Center.



Memorial Medical Center employees form a line to help load 382 backpacks filled with school supplies onto a truck at MMC. The backpacks were donated by MMC to Las Cruces Public Schools at Memorial Medical Center.

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## Scholarship winners

Two Centennial High School 2017 graduates are the recipients of generous scholarships from local clubs. Angel Salcido received the P.E.O. (Philanthropic Education Organization) Delilah Williams State Scholarship in the amount of \$2,600. Angel was sponsored by local P.E.O. Chapter BV, a philanthropic organization that celebrates the advancement of women. Angel plans to attend NMSU. Olivia Weinbaum received the Rotary Club of Las Cruces' John and Virginia Davidson Scholarship of \$3,000. Olivia plans to attend California Polytechnic Institute.

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# Immunization clinics help pupils keep up-to-date

## BULLETIN REPORT

As part of the “Got Shots? Protect Tots!” statewide immunization campaign, the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH), the New Mexico Immunization Coalition, the New Mexico Primary Care Association, healthcare providers from across the state and LCPS are once again partnering to host immunization clinics in August for children 18 years old and younger.

LCPS follows New Mexico law for immunization requirements exactly, so all students are required to be up-to-date on all immunizations in order to attend school, said Director of Health Services Sandy Peugh.

“Immunizing the population is the single most important measure available to prevent the spread of numerous dis-

eases, many of which are life-threatening,” Peugh said.

A change to the 2017-18 NMDOH school immunization requirements now requires that all kindergarten-through-10th-grade students have two doses of the varicella, also known as chickenpox, vaccine. Previously, the requirement only applied to kindergarten through 9th-grade students.

Since the requirement will eventually extend to students at all grade levels, the NMDOH also recommends two doses of the varicella vaccine for any students entering 11th and 12th grades. According to the NMDOH, in the event of a varicella outbreak, two doses may be required for all students, and students with only one dose may be excluded from school.



The NMDOH's Las Cruces Public Health Office will host immunization clinics at Allen Theatres Cineport 10 in Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd., from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on

Monday, Aug. 14, and Tuesday, Aug. 15.

“Allen Theatres is a great partner in this immunization program,” Peugh said. “They provide the space for the clin-

ics, they have more than adequate parking and they are located on the city bus line.”

The immunization clinics are open to the public and immunizations will be administered at no cost to children 18 years old and younger. In order to receive immunizations, a parent or guardian will need to bring a copy of the child's shot record and Medicaid or private health insurance card, if they have one.

For a listing of participating clinics visit [www.immunizenm.org](http://www.immunizenm.org).

For more information, contact Sandy Peugh at 575-527-5884 or [speugh@lcps.net](mailto:speugh@lcps.net); or call the NMDOH's Las Cruces Public Health Office at 575-528-5001. For information about immunization requirements or immunization clinics, visit [www.immunizenm.org](http://www.immunizenm.org).

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## Backpack giveaway

The Rodrunners Car Club brought their classic cars to the Las Cruces Public School Administration office on South Main Tuesday, Aug. 8, to donate 135 backpacks for needy school children.

Helping with backpack supplies were members of the Breakfast Optimists Club and Memorial Medical Center Auxiliary.

Founded 25 years ago, the Rodrunners are a nonprofit with a mission to raise funds for schools and youth programs in the Las Cruces area. One of their signature fundraisers is the annual "Wheels of Dreams" car show.

For more information, visit [www.lascrucesrodrunners.org](http://www.lascrucesrodrunners.org).



Individuals from Las Cruces Rodrunners gather to give away backpacks to Las Cruces Public Schools' Project Link that helps needy students. Members of the Breakfast Optimists Club and Memorial Medical Center assisted in bringing supplies such as toiletries..

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The Rodrunners brought a few classic cars for the occasion.



Brigitte Zigelhofer, Community Outreach liaison for LCPS, places a backpack to be transported.

# LCPS Head Start enrollment underway

## BULLETIN REPORT

Free early learning, health and family well-being support services are available for more than 400 preschool students and their families who qualify for the LCPS Head Start program for the 2017-18 school year.

Registration for the program began at 12 ele-

mentary schools offering the program Aug. 10, said Dr. Maria Artiaga, LCPS Head Start director. All Head Start students must be accepted into the program prior to registering for classes.

"Registration is only for families who have been approved by the Head Start program," Artiaga said. "To get pre-

approved, parents need to come to the Head Start office as soon as possible since preschool classes begin on August 17."

Head Start is an optional early childhood program funded by the federal government that provides services to children and families who fall within federal poverty guidelines. It is for three- and four-year-olds who must be of age by Aug. 31, Artiaga said.

The Head Start program is available at the following 12 LCPS elementary schools: Booker T. Washington, César E. Chávez, Columbia, Conlee, Doña Ana, Hermosa Heights, Loma Heights, MacArthur, Mesilla Park, Tombaugh, University Hills and Valley View.

"The Head Start program promotes school readiness by enhancing each student's social, emotional, language, cognitive, and physical development," Artiaga said. "The program also works collaboratively with families to offer additional support services and resources."

To apply, parents or guardians need to bring their child's original birth certificate, their 2016 tax return and any other income received by the family (such as child support, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), financial aid, etc.) at the time the application is submitted to the Head Start Office, located at Booker T. Washington Elementary, 755 E. Chestnut Ave.

Artiaga said the program typically reserves 10 percent of its program enrollment for children with disabilities. Parents of disabled children are required to submit an application and go through the same process as all other parents.

Head Start is funded for 413 students who are able to participate in either a part-day or a full-day session, she said. Instruction is provided Tuesday through Friday; full-day sessions are designated for 4-year-old children. Part-day sessions last 3.5 hours and full-day sessions last for 7 hours. The sessions operate on a nine-month basis and follow the school district's calendar.

Artiaga said all 413 students receive ser-

vices in center-based programs which include: educational instruction, health and nutrition services, disability services, counseling, parent engagement services and activities. Medical and dental examinations are essential for all children who participate in the Head Start program.

Social services are also provided to Head Start children and their families as identified through program referrals. School breakfast, lunch and snack services are also provided, she added.

For more information, contact Artiaga at 575-527-6020 or [martiaga@lcps.net](mailto:martiaga@lcps.net) or visit [www.lcps.k12.nm.us/departments/instruction/federal-programs/head-start](http://www.lcps.k12.nm.us/departments/instruction/federal-programs/head-start).





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## Sons of the American Revolution



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**Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), Gadsden Chapter genealogist Robert Northrup wears his Revolutionary War uniform for a visit to students in Christopher Stillion's fourth-grade class at Sonoma Elementary School. Northrup talked to the students about the Jan. 17, 1781 Battle of Cowpens in Cherokee County, South Carolina, in which American soldiers defeated the British army and American colonists loyal to the British crown. Northrup also listened as students read their essays on the American Revolution, and answered their questions. SAR was chartered by an act of Congress in 1906 to honor those who fought in the Revolution and "to foster true patriotism," according to [www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org).**

**Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), Gadsden Chapter genealogist Robert Northrup speaks to students in Christopher Stillion's fourth-grade class at Sonoma Elementary School about the American Revolution and the January 1781 Battle of Cowpens, South Carolina. SAR is the largest male lineage organization in the United States, according to [www.sar.org](http://www.sar.org), and consists of 50 societies with more than 500 local chapters, several international societies and more than 34,000 members.**



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• A life where you can plan family time with your kids or grandkids, without worrying that your shoulder pain will strike! ...Basically, a life without the curse of chronic or severe shoulder pain! Finally, Dennis Prickett, a physical therapist from Las Cruces who has already helped 100's of people over the last two decades with his recovery advice – has recently released a new 10 page "Shoulder Pain Consumer Awareness" report that reveals the best kept secret in Las Cruces ... How to actually get to the bottom of shoulder pain without talking to your insurance, a chiropractor, or needing a referral from your doctor. Shoulder Pain "Truths" Finally Exposed! This report exposes how weekly (and costly) visits to a chiropractor are NOT always needed, how pain medications and muscle relaxers might be cheaper (for your insurance!) and easy for a doctor to prescribe, but may not necessarily be right for you in the long run... have you seen the list of crippling side effects these days?

This **100% FREE** report, entitled: "7 Natural Ways To Stop Annoying, Daily, Irritating Shoulder Pain... From Disturbing Sleep, And Getting In The Way Of Everyday Life" (Value \$28!), reveals the leading remedy for shoulder pain that is often overlooked by many medical providers and also shows how you can get to the bottom of shoulder pain quickly and naturally, for FREE!

More: The report also exposes what most doctors fail to recommend to people aged 40+ when treating shoulder pain, and reveals for the first time to the residents of Las Cruces, new advancements that will ease shoulder pain more quickly than ever as well as improve posture, all at the same time. Here's What You'll Learn Inside This New Report:

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- The vital warning signs that it's not just "another headache" or "a bit of shoulder stiffness."
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- 1, 2 or 3? Just how many pillows should you sleep with? And what about your mattress... It's covered on page 5.
- The most successful treatment for chronic shoulder (and even nerve) pain, that doesn't involve any drugs, seeing a chiropractor or talking to a doctor.
- The simple exercise you can do in your kitchen, starting tonight, that'll make a significant difference to shoulder pain before you wake up tomorrow.
- How you can find out what's REALLY causing your shoulder pain, in under thirty minutes, with no cost incurred.
- And, even what to do right now... if you suffer from any motion limiting shoulder pain. If you're currently seeing a doctor, thinking about it, or just don't want to face the hassle of talking to your insurance, but still want to get some real help, then you need this free report which reveals everything you need to know about how to actually get to the bottom of your shoulder pain!

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# Three authors take different routes to the page

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

*Editor's note: This is the first of a multi-part series profiling the authors participating in the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library's 2017 "Celebrate Authors" event in September.*

The nearly two dozen writers who will participate in "Celebrate Authors" next month at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library have reached across the country and around the galaxy for their subject matter, but the authors themselves all live in and around Las Cruces.

They will come together during the event to share works of fiction, nonfiction, science fiction, poetry, how-to and mystery, along with memoirs, short stories and other literary genres.

"Celebrate Authors" will be held 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, in the Roadrunner Room on the second floor of the library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.

The event is free and open to the public. Attendees can talk to the authors during the event, buy their books and get their autographs.

For more information about the "Celebrate Authors" series, contact Sue Fletcher, a member of the Author Committee of the Friends of the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, at 575-521-8507 or sjfletch1940@yahoo.com.

This week, three of the authors answered some questions for the Bulletin.



## Laura Hebenstreit

**Title of work:** "Beyond the Usual Coloring Book – Help Your Child Create, Express, & Adapt"

**Genre:** Nonfiction parent/caregiver guide with coloring pages

**Profession:** Retired occupational therapist (public schools)

**Age:** Over 60

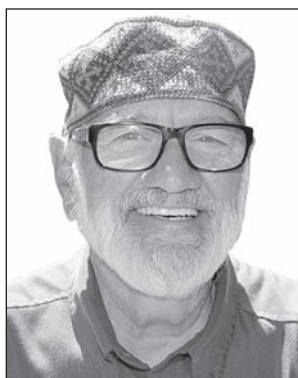
**Hometown:** Albuquerque, New Mexico

**How long have you lived in Las Cruces?** Since the mid-1980s.

**How many books have you written?** One

**Your message to potential writers:** "Only you can tell us the message in your head; do it before we lose the chance to hear it."

**Your favorite writer/book:** No real favorite



## Father Gabriel Rochelle

**Title of work:** "A Staff to the Pilgrim: Meditations on the Way with Nine Celtic Saints"

**Genre:** Nonfiction

**Profession:** Pastor of St. Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission and teacher in the Honors College at New Mexico State University and St. Sophia Theological Seminary, South Bound Brook, New Jersey

**Age:** 78

**Hometown:** Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**How long have you lived in Las Cruces?** 10 years

**How many books have you written?** Nine books, several essays in other published books; Rochelle is also a regular Las Cruces Bulletin and Desert Exposure columnist.

**Message to potential writers:** "You have to believe in what you are doing, and you must know in advance that a lot of what you write will never be published. There will always be shelf or closet books you write that never make it into print."

**Favorite book or writer:** "Impossible to say (favorite author) because I read across so many genres. One of the most powerful books I ever read is 'In Parenthesis' by David Jones."



## David Lee Summers

**Title of work:** "The Astronomer's Crypt"

**Genre:** Science fiction, fantasy and horror

**Profession:** Professional writer, editor and astronomer

**Age:** 50

**Hometown:** Barstow, California

**How long have you lived in Las Cruces?** 22 years

**How many books have you written?** 10

**Message to potential writers:**

"Be passionate about what you write and respect your work and yourself enough to take the time to edit the work to make it the best it possibly can be. Writing and revising a book is hard work, but your passion and your love of the project will carry you through."

**Favorite book or writer:** Ray Bradbury. "He made words sing and made the ordinary magical. My favorite Bradbury novel is 'Something Wicked This Way Comes,' which, on the surface, is a novel about a scary carnival, but digging deeper is a story about the journey to adulthood and coming to terms with one's parents."

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Enrico Pontelli, dean of NMSU's College of Arts and Sciences, (second from the right) was among eight alumni to receive an award for outstanding achievement from the University of Udine at a ceremony in Italy. From left: Paola Giavedoni, Gaetano Nucifora, Maria Maddalena Lorubbio, Fabio Bressan, Petra Uliana, Leonardo Gregoratti, Pontelli and Daniele Livon.

# NMSU dean receives award from alma mater

By **MINERVA BAUMANN**  
For the Bulletin

Enrico Pontelli, dean of New Mexico State University's College of Arts and Sciences, recently traveled to Italy to receive an award for outstanding achievement from the University of Udine, the dean's alma mater.

Pontelli was among eight alumni selected to receive the Silver Griffin Award, which recognizes graduates who have at least 10 years of career success in their field and serve as role models for current and future students.

"With so many deserving candidates, I was honored to be among

those selected for this award," said Pontelli. "I am proud of the education I received at Udine, which eventually led to my nearly 20-year career serving the students of NMSU."

Pontelli received his degree in information science from the University of Udine in 1991, a master's degree in computer science jointly between the University of Houston and Udine and a doctorate from NMSU.

Pontelli was named dean of NMSU's College of Arts and Sciences in May after serving as interim dean in 2016. Pontelli was the head of the Department of Computer Science for five years. He

has published more than 250 peer-reviewed papers in international journals and secured over \$14 million in funding for his research.

"Not everyone has access to a college education, but awards like these demonstrate to current students the

value a degree can have as a building block to a successful future," Pontelli said. "I am grateful to my family and those faculty who supported me when I was a student and I believe the best way to thank them is to pay it forward each and every day here at NMSU."

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**ABOVE:** From left, Silver City's Little Toad Creek Brewery employees Tyrek Harper and Dave Crosley serve Abra Clark and Tiffany Diaz.

**RIGHT:** Lincoln's Lie performs.

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Head bartender at Picacho Peak Brewery Edward Amador and General Manager Mike Layton take a moment behind the bar for a photo.



From left, Andy Hayslett, Vince Tellez and Juan Sixx Medrano enjoy a few Picacho Peak Brewery pints.

## Summerfest 2017

Picacho Peak Brewing Co., 3900 W. Picacho Blvd., hosted its second annual Summerfest Aug. 5, a day-long event featuring non-stop live music and several regional beers, wines and spirits.



From left, Dina Thomason and Lisa Pena.



Tiana Mammoser plays cornhole.



From left, Jarrett Kaczmariski and Ariel Francios.



Drummer for Lincoln's Lie, Adrian Chairres.

# National Night Out

The Las Cruces police and fire departments hosted the Aug. 1 National Night Out in downtown Las Cruces. National Night Out is a free community event that gives residents an evening to meet their neighbors and area first responders. It is kid-friendly with giveaways and one-on-one interaction with first responders from throughout southern New Mexico.

During the event, the Las Cruces Police Department held a free Ident-A-Child in which parents or caregivers receive a photo ID card to be used in the event a child becomes lost or missing.



**RIGHT:** As Mayor Ken Miyagishima looks on, Las Cruces Police Officer Adrian DeLaGarza helps a small boy try out a police motorcycle during the local National Night Out observance in downtown Las Cruces. In the background is Officer David Gonzales.



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Thousands of adults, children and pets strolled downtown Las Cruces during National Night Out on Aug. 1. During the event, the city hosted more than 50 agencies and services downtown, including the police and fire departments and others promoting safety and health awareness, drug prevention and neighborhood watch programs, according to the city website.



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Melanie Serna playing the character of Alexandra Col, and Emma Taylor playing Clementine Miller rehearse their parts before the beginning of the workshop.



Hannah Klima playing the role of Sarah Bentley.



Scott Green playing Eugene Van Patten talks to characters as audience members watch.

## Time travel

Youngsters aged 9 to 15 “traveled” back to the 1800s Aug. 5 at Dripping Springs Natural Area. Sponsored by Friends of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks and the Bureau of Land Management, the event was a living-history opportunity to experience life during the time of Pat Garrett, Pancho Villa, Eugene Van Patten and other notables, replete with costumes.



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ABOVE: Characters of the Living History workshop headed by Scott Green.

RIGHT: Volunteer and Educational Outreach Director Eileen Davis directs.



# Event recycling may become the norm

By **SUZANNE MICHAELS**  
For the Bulletin

When temperatures start cooling, many festivals heat up in and around Las Cruces. Labor Day marks the beginning of numerous outdoor events – Hatch Chile Festival, Diez Y Seis de Septiembre Fiesta in Las Cruces, Las Cruces Harvest Wine Festival, to name a few – but now is the time festivals are being planned.

This year, if you are planning an event, plan to recycle.

“Recycling doesn’t happen by accident,” says Tarkeysha Burton, recycling coordinator for the South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA). “Recycling happens when organizers plan to recycle.”

The first step: provide recycling containers alongside trash containers and figuring out how to manage the recyclables collected during the event.

“The SCSWA works with communities all across Doña Ana County from Sunland Park to Hatch and can assist with event recycling by providing recycling supplies and containers,” Burton says. “We already work with local churches, the City of Las Cruces, and fundraising events for non-profit organizations to provide recycling containers.”

The SCSWA does not charge for clearstream containers (frames and bags), but renters must complete an agreement to return the frames and self-



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**This is the time for event planners and coordinators to remember to provide recycling options for attendees.**

haul recyclables to the recycling Center. For larger events, Burton will work with event planners to provide a recycling dumpster onsite at the event.

Organizers who want to take advantage of the

SCSWA offering must contact the agency at least two weeks in advance of the event.

More information and the rental form are available online at [www.SCSWA.net](http://www.SCSWA.net) or call Tar-

keysha Burton at 575-528-3800.

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Bonnie Poloner, treasurer for the Friends of the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, hands out bookmarks and stickers to Liliana Martinez, 6, at Barnes & Noble Aug. 6 for the opportunity to win a Super Hero gift basket.

## Booked for the summer

Barnes & Noble in the Mesilla Valley Mall hosted a book fair the first weekend in August that donated a portion of each store purchase to the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library.

Vice president Sue Fletcher and Treasurer Bonnie Poloner of Friends of the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library hand out reading materials Aug. 6.



Barnes & Noble Booksellers is one of the anchors at the Mesilla Valley Mall.

# Fund run

Local cross-country teams hit the trail Aug. 5 at Sagecrest Park on North Roadrunner Parkway to raise money for their programs. Sponsored by Las Cruces Running Club, the one- and two-mile runs concluded the Summer Youth Running Program and featured Las Cruces' newest paved walking/running path. Runners, program participants, parents, sponsors and volunteers received a free breakfast to help fuel up.

**RIGHT:** Montano signs up her son for the mile run.

**BELOW:** Colter Coombs, 14, took first place in the mile run.

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BY STEVE



Runners start the mile race.



From left, Lezley Alba signs up her three children for the mile run with the help of volunteer Nicole Cardenas.



Monica Reynolds and Mike Lilley, president of the Las Cruces Running Club.



Volunteers from left: Alexandra Graham, Selema Graham, Paul Montoya, Teo Carrasco, Nicolas Ramirez and Veronica Montoya.

## COMING UP

**Republican Women of Mesilla Valley:** Monthly meeting 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Sunset Grill at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course, 1274 Golf Club Road. Guests are welcome.

**National Model Railroad Association-Roadrunner Division:** Monthly meeting, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Free, open to the public. Info: Jean Melvin, 575 526-6238.

**Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation:** Annual banquet, 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, University and Union. The banquet is supported by local businesses and will have the usual (and some new) games, prizes,

drawings, silent auction, live auction and a dinner. Tickets are available through Charles Tharp, 575-644-0080.

Info: Las Cruces Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Facebook page.

**Food Truck Fiesta:** 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16, Plaza de Las Cruces. Enjoy fare from 10 food trucks, plus live music. Food Truck Fiesta continues 6-9 p.m., Aug. 23 at University Church of Christ; Sept. 6 at Allen Theatre's Telshor 12 (buy one get one free movie offer with food purchase); Sept 20 at Plaza de Las Cruces. Info: [www.facebook.com/food-truckfiestalc](http://www.facebook.com/food-truckfiestalc).

**Social justice film series:** 7 p.m., Aug. 17, "The Abolitionists," Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. Men, women, black and white Northerners and Southerners, poor and wealthy—these passionate anti-slavery activists fought body and soul in the most important civil rights crusade in American history, a furious struggle that forever changed the nation. Free, but donations accepted.

**Modular railroad exhibit:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, and Saturday, Aug. 19. The Doña Ana Modular Railroad will be on display and running trains at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Free, open to the public. Info: 575-649-9503.

**Ride for Women Vets:** 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, starts and ends at Barnett's Harley Davidson, off I-10 at Avenida de Mesilla exit. Four scavenger hunt rides available. Ticket includes a hamburger or hot dog meal and is \$15 per rider or \$25 for 2-up. All proceeds benefit the Women's Veterans Memorial being built at Veterans Memorial Park on Roadrun-

ner Parkway. Grand prize: \$1,600 gift certificate to Ashley Furniture. Smaller prizes available. Info: [www.barnetttharley.com](http://www.barnetttharley.com)

**Humane Society annual meeting:** 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive. The Humane Society of Southern NM will hold its annual members and friends meeting. City Manager Stuart Ed and City Animal Control Supervisor Gino Jimenez will lead a panel topic "Trends & Future of Animal" followed by a Q&A segment. Music and refreshments will be provided. Free and open to the public. Info: 575-640-6867.

**FFA fundraiser:** 4:30-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 25, and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, Horse N Hound Feed N Supply, 991 W. Amador Ave. The FFA chapter at Las Cruces High School will hold a green-chile-sale fundraiser. Hot or mild green chile will be available for \$25 plain and \$30 roasted. You must pre-order the chile you wish to purchase. To place your order, call Julia Gardner at 575-649-8592 or Kathleen Gardener at 575-640-3998.

**Community Appreciation Day:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Aug. 26, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Museum offers free admission on this day each year to thank the community for its support and to showcase its outstanding exhibits and programs. Demonstrations and the Parade of Breeds cattle program will be held. Highlight this year is the 100th



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## VFW donates to Honor Flight

Members of VFW Post 6917 have adopted a Las Cruces WWII Army veteran, making it possible for him to participate in this year's Mission 10 flight to Washington, D.C. From left, VFW Post Commander Raul Sanchez, Auxiliary President Beth Miller and Post Quartermaster Mary Tutza present the check to Honor Flight of Southern New Mexico (HFSNM) board members (l to r) Kathy Olson, Valerie Cano and Arnold Diaz. HFSNM is part of the national Honor Flight network that escorts WWII, Korean and Vietnam War veterans at no cost to them to Washington, D.C., to be honored at their memorials.



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# Tee off for the cause

**Join us Friday, Aug. 25, for the Sixth Annual Cowboys for Cancer Research Golf Tournament Fundraiser at the NMSU Golf Course.**

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birthday of the chuck wagon. The recently restored wagon will be on display and food samples will be available while supplies last. Info: [www.nmfarm-dranchmuseum.org](http://www.nmfarm-dranchmuseum.org) or 575-541-4100.

**Wednesday Night Markets:** 5-9 p.m., Sept. 13 and Oct. 25, Plaza de Las Cruces in Downtown Las Cruces. Food trucks, arts and crafts vendors, music and dancing. Info: [www.facebook.com/LasCrucesMarket](http://www.facebook.com/LasCrucesMarket).

**LCHS Class of 1971:** Seeks classmates for reunion on Nov. 3 and 4. Contact Shirley at [lchsclassof1971@gmail.com](mailto:lchsclassof1971@gmail.com) for further details. Deadline for registration is Oct. 4.

**Kitty Kitchen Glitter:** Saturday, Oct. 7, Better Life Pet Foods, 365 Avenida de Mesilla. The first Kitty Kitchen Glitter seeks gently used items for holiday season cooking or entertaining, including: baking and cooking items, trays, small plates, elegant glassware, decorative items, table runners, ornaments, and centerpieces. Fundraiser for nonprofit animal organizations that spay/neuter, adopt, vet, rescue and address cat overpopulation in Doña Ana County. Info: Jackye, 575-323-0903 or [jackyecats@gmail.com](mailto:jackyecats@gmail.com).

**La Frontera:** Nopalito's Galería, 326 S. Mesquite St., 9 a.m.-6 p.m. every Saturday through Aug. 26. All proceeds from sales go to the women who produce the products, such as Guerrilla Prayer Flags made in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico; household items and scarves from Centro Santa Catalina in Ciudad Juárez; and clothing and household items offered by Weaving for Justice in Chiapas, Mexico. La Frontera is a nonprofit store staffed entirely by volunteers.

**Summer at the library:** Various summer events at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Summer hours are in effect, closed on Sundays until Sept. 10.

- Read to Me – Story time for ages 3-7, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays
- Teen Game Night – Games for teens at 4 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Toddler Time – Story time for ages 1-3, 10 a.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays
- Mother Goose Time – Activities for infants and their adults, 11 a.m. Wednesdays
- Adult reading program – “Building a Healthier World,” began June 7
- Rhythm Roundup – Music and motion for ages 2-5, 10:30 a.m. Fridays
- Library Lab – Activities and stories for ages 6-10, 3:30 p.m. Fridays

**The Hearing Voices Group:** Meets every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., Room 107, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. All persons who hear voices are invited.

## Drone Summit postponed



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**Drone pilot Shaun Taylor makes sure his creation is ready to fly as he set it on the starting lineup for the Spaceport America drone races in 2016. The 2017 Spaceport America Drone Summit scheduled for the fall has been postponed until 2018. Spaceport Business Development Director Rosa Bañuelos said there is a lot happening in the timeframe at the facility, including customer-scheduled vertical launches. “We have a lot of work going on,” she said. “We thought it would be better to move the event.” Bañuelos said they are planning their next open house, to take place before the end of the year.**

Info: Call or text Al Galves, 575-571-3105 or email him at [agalves2003@comcast.net](mailto:agalves2003@comcast.net).

**Las Cruces Civitan Club:** Meets at noon the second Tuesday and 6 p.m. fourth Tuesday, Los Compas Restaurant, 1120 Commerce Drive. Info: 575-649-0165.

**Model Railroad Club:** 10 a.m.-1 p.m. third Saturday, Southern New Mexico Fair Grounds, White Quonset Hut. Info: Mike Fifer, 575-526-8834

**Brown Bag lecture:** Noon, second Tuesday, Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Free lunchtime lecture. Info: [las-cruces.org/museums](http://las-cruces.org/museums), call 575-647-4480.

**Las Colcheras Quilt Guild:** 6:30 p.m., the third Monday of each month, at the American Legion Post 10 Hall, 1185 Madrid Ave. Guests are always welcome at Las Colcheras meetings, which consist of brief business announcements, a program of interest to quilters, show and tell and door prizes. The guild offers quilt lessons, community service opportunities, sew-ins, an active outreach program and a

biennial quilt show. Info: [lascolcherasq@aol.com](mailto:lascolcherasq@aol.com) or 575-521-0521.

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

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

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

**Ukulele kids club:** 10:30-11:15 a.m. second and fourth Saturday of every month, El Calvario United Methodist Church, 300 N. Campo St., just east of the downtown post office. Cost: free to elementary-school-age children who want to learn to play; loaner ukuleles available. No experience is necessary. Info: [www.lascrucesukes.blogspot.com](http://www.lascrucesukes.blogspot.com), [www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes](http://www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes), or 575-405-7133.

**Soroptimist International:** Noon on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village, 3010 Buena Vida Circle. Soroptimist International of Las Cruces is a women's advocacy group. Info: [silascruces@soroptimist.net](mailto:silascruces@soroptimist.net).

**Elite Business Builders:** 8:30-10 a.m. Wednesdays, Sonoma Ranch Grill, 1274 Golf Club Road. Open networking, questions and answers, coffee and water with food available to order. Bring business cards. Info: Cheryl 575-524-1201 or 520-730-4456.

**Las Cruces Civitan Club meets:** Noon on the second Tuesday of each month; 6 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month, Los Compas Restaurant, 1120 Commerce Drive. Info: 575-649-0165.

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## IN THE NEWS

### VFW seeks teaching nominees

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 6917 is seeking nominations for the Smart/Maher

VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Award, through Oct. 31.

Each year, the national award recognizes one elementary school teacher (K through 5th grade), one junior high teacher (6th through 8th grade) and one high school teacher (9th through 12th grade) who promote civic responsibility, flag etiquette and patriotism, and strive to help students develop a better understanding of democratic values and beliefs, according to the VFW website.

All kindergarten through 12th-grade teachers can be nominated for the award by fellow teachers, students, supervisors or other interested individuals. Nominated teachers will first compete at the local VFW Post level, with the winners advancing to the district level. District winners will then compete at the state level competition with state first-place winners advancing to the National Competition.

The VFW enacted the Teacher of the Year award contest in 1999 as a way to identify and recognize America's best educators who instill a sense of national pride in students by teaching citizenship regularly and promoting America's history and traditions effectively, according to a VFW news release.

For more information, visit [www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/teacher-of-the-year](http://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/teacher-of-the-year) or contact the VFW Post 6917 Citizenship Education Chairman at 575-382-9703 or email to [sraul7175@gmail.com](mailto:sraul7175@gmail.com).

### Citizen's police academy reschedules

The fall class of the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department Citizen's Police Academy has been postponed. The new deadline to apply is Wednesday, Sept. 6, and the new start date is Sept. 9.

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

To date, more than 200 Doña Ana County residents have graduated from the program, re-launched in 2011 after a brief hiatus.

Applicants must be 18 years of age or older, a resident of Doña Ana County, and have a valid driver's license or photo ID. Because of the sensitive nature of police work, a brief background check will be performed. Academy participants must not have prior felony convictions and no misdemeanor arrests within the last three years.

The academy takes class members through various divisions of the department in an effort to strengthen community partnerships through education and awareness. Academy participants are volunteers who wish to learn more about the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department; it is not the cadet academy for those who wish to become certified law-enforcement officers with DASO.

## Lift-off



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**For those passionate about the commercial approach to space access, the International Symposium for Personal and Commercial Spaceflight (ISPCS, with William Gerstenmaie of NASA speaking at ISPCS in 2016) will gather representatives of the commercial space industry, government officials and academics to discuss personal and commercial spaceflight at the ISPCS convention Oct. 11-12 at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum. Early registration is \$999 until Aug. 19, standard registration is \$1,199 until Oct. 6. Onsite registration is \$1,299. Military and student registration information is available at: [ispcs.com/register](http://ispcs.com/register). For more information, contact the New Mexico Space Grant Consortium, 575-646-6414 or [nmsgc@nmsu.edu](mailto:nmsgc@nmsu.edu).**

Classes are interactive and give participants hands-on knowledge of how sheriff's deputies are trained to handle real-life situations including the use of deadly force and K-9 calls. There will be presentations by the Special Response Team, bomb squad and Animal Control. Several field trips will include tours of the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority and the Doña Ana County Detention Center.

The fall 2017 Citizen's Academy is free of charge and runs through Oct. 28. Applications can be downloaded online at [www.goDASO.org](http://www.goDASO.org), and are also available at the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

### Councilor Eakman to host meeting

City Councilor Jack Eakman, District 4, will host a meeting for residents and business owners to discuss local street and road construction projects currently underway or about to begin in District 4.

The meeting begins at 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21, at the Trails West Senior Community, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla, in the Commons building.

Eakman invites attendees to bring questions and comments regarding the topic.

Trails West is on Avenida de Mesilla west of I-10. At the gate, inform the gate keeper that you are there for Councilor Eakman's meeting.

For more information, call 541-2192 or email [jrickman@las-cruces.org](mailto:jrickman@las-cruces.org).

### Applicants sought for audit committee

Doña Ana County is seeking qualified applicants to serve on the county's Internal Audit Advisory Committee, to be comprised of five county residents who come from the following applicant pools: 1) Those with management experience, are certified public accountants, certified internal auditors or business educators; and 2) current city, state or educational institution employees with backgrounds in accounting, finance and/or auditing.

The Internal Audit Advisory Committee will work closely with Doña Ana County Internal Auditor Ernest Harvin to develop a comprehensive plan for improving efficiency and accountability, and recommending workable solutions. The implementation of such solutions can be subsequently overseen by the county manager and Doña Ana County Commissioners.

The committee will meet regularly to receive input from and give directions to the county's internal auditor about pursuing areas of interest and to hear reports of ongoing audit functions. Members will have wide access to county records and documented internal-control systems across all departments for review.

Application materials such as letters of interest, resumes and reference letters will be accepted through Sept. 8. Send to: Peggy Strahan, County Manager's Office, Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88007.

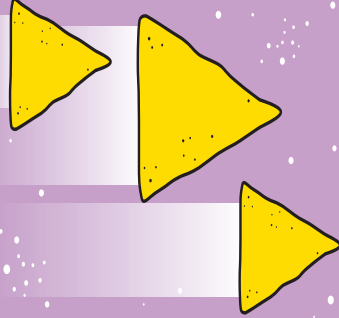
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ANSWER: A rocket chip.

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### Pluto: Is it a planet or not?

Billions of miles from Earth is tiny Pluto. We learned more about it when a NASA spacecraft passed by it for the very first time.


Dear Kid Scoop Readers -  
Once Pluto was considered the ninth in our solar system.

In 2006, it was \_\_\_\_\_ that Pluto was too \_\_\_\_\_ to be a regular planet, so now it is called a "dwarf planet." It \_\_\_\_\_ the sun just like the other planets. But tiny Pluto is only half as \_\_\_\_\_ as the United States and it's \_\_\_\_\_ much smaller than our \_\_\_\_\_.

- Woodward

Replace the missing words.  
**ORBITS**  
**WIDE**  
**MOON**  
**PLANET**  
**SMALL**  
**DECIDED**

THIS WEEK'S DESTINATION

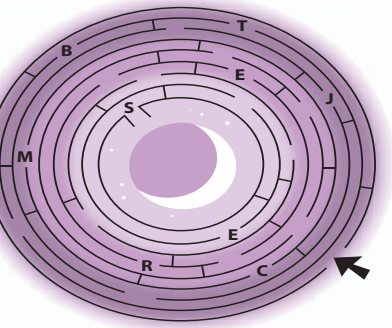


SUN VENUS MARS SATURN NEPTUNE  
MERCURY EARTH JUPITER URANUS PLUTO

Pluto was discovered February 18, 1930 by scientists at the Lowell Observatory in Arizona.  
Photo courtesy NASA

### Dwarf Planets

To date, there are five objects orbiting the sun that are called dwarf planets. Pluto is one of them. Write down the letters on the correct path through this maze to discover the name of another of the dwarf planets.



Circle every other letter to find the names of the other three dwarf planets.

**E** **K** **R** **D** **I** **J** **S**  
**H** **T** **A** **N** **U** **B** **M** **Y** **E** **T** **A** **M**  
**M** **D** **A** **T** **K** **R** **E** **N** **M** **T** **A** **S** **K** **U** **E** **Y** **E** **M**

### Visit Pluto. Lose Weight.

If you visited Pluto, you would weigh much less there than you do on Earth. Do the math to find out how much less each person weighs on Pluto.

Albert weighs 75 pounds on Earth. He weighs (3+2) \_\_\_\_\_ pounds on Pluto.

Mrs. Aster weighs 120 pounds on Earth. She weighs (12-4) \_\_\_\_\_ pounds on Pluto.

Cosmo the cat weighs 15 pounds on Earth. He weighs (100-99) \_\_\_\_\_ pound on Pluto.

Mr. Wilson weighs 200 pounds on Earth. He weighs just (7+7) \_\_\_\_\_ pounds on Pluto.

An 80 lb. bag of cement on Earth weighs only (10-4) \_\_\_\_\_ pounds on Pluto.

An elephant weighs 6,000 pounds on Earth. It weighs (210+210) \_\_\_\_\_ pounds on Pluto.

- Use this chart to answer these questions.
- Pluto orbits the sun at a very high rate of speed.  
 True  False
  - The diameter of Pluto is about the same as the distance between New York City and Houston, Texas.  
 True  False

	PLUTO	EARTH
DISTANCE FROM THE SUN	3.6 BILLION MILES	93 MILLION MILES
TIME TO ORBIT THE SUN	248 EARTH YEARS	365 DAYS
ORBIT SPEED	10.7 MILES PER HOUR	70,000 MILES PER HOUR
LENGTH OF DAY	6.5 EARTH DAYS	JUST A BIT OVER 24 HOURS
DIAMETER	1,473 MILES	7,926 MILES
NUMBER OF MOONS	5	1

SOURCE: planetfacts.org

**Extra! Extra!**  
**Pluto Adjectives**  
Look through the newspaper to find five adjectives that describe Pluto.  
Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.


### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### How Pluto Got Its Name

When Pluto was discovered in 1930, it was called simply, Planet X. Because Pluto orbits in the dark, outer reaches of space, the name of the Roman god of the underworld seemed like a good fit to this clever namer.

Use the code to find out the name of the 11-year-old English girl who suggested the name Pluto.

■ = A   ■ = B   ■ = C   ■ = E   ■ = I   ■ = N  
■ = R   ■ = S   ■ = T   ■ = U   ■ = V   ■ = Y



### Double Double Word Search

UNDERWORLD   Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

MAKEMAKE  
BIRTHDAY  
REGULAR  
PLANET  
PLUTO  
DWARF  
ORBIT  
CERES  
NINTH  
DARK  
TRIP  
ERIS  
LOSE  
MATH

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

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

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Measure It!

There are so many things to measure in a newspaper. Measure with a ruler and find out:

- The size of a person standing in a photo
- The length of the longest headline
- The length of the longest word you find

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

### Write On!

#### Write Words Wonderfully

Write a sentence in which all of the words, or nearly all the words start with the same letter. Example:  
*Red rockets rarely reach radar range.*

### Kid Scoop Together

#### Proof It

Are you a careful reader? Read the article below and see if you can circle all eight errors. Then, rewrite the article correctly on a sheet of paper.

#### The Kuiper Belt

There is a belt in the outer reaches of our solar system. But it isn't a belt you can wear.

It's called the **Kuiper** (KY-ber) Belt and it is like a large space road filled with millions of object that are orbiting together.

Millions of small, icee object like asteroids, comics and even dwarf planets like Pluto are in the Kuiper Belt. Even though Pluto is a little, dwarf planet in the Kuiper Belt, it is the largest object.

No spacecraft has ever visited the Kuiper belt. The exciting news is that one is on its way know. This is NASA's New Horizons mission which has flown by Pluto and is now on its way to the Kuiper Belt. Hopefully we will find out many new fax about this huge region which is so very fur away.

### Kid Scoop-doku

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word DWARF in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

R				A
	D			R
		R		D
D	W	A	R	F
A	R			W

# City approves November election, budget amendment

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

There was not a single “no” vote on Monday afternoon, Aug. 7, as the Las Cruces City Council approved a city election in November and three other resolutions dealing with the city budget and the extension of utility services.

The election resolution sets the next city election on Tuesday, Nov. 7. It will be for city council districts 3, 5 and 6 and for municipal judge position II. All four positions are for four-year terms.

The estimated cost of the election is \$100,000, according to city documents.

All qualified voters in the city can vote in the municipal judge II race. Since councilors are elected by district, only the qualified voters in districts, 3, 5 and 6 can vote in those districts. Voters can vote at any VCC on election day. For information on the election, visit <http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/city-clerks-office/municipal-elections>.

The council also voted to authorize a six-month exten-

sion to its 2007 grant agreement with the Third Judicial district attorney’s office under which the city funds two positions to prosecute misdemeanor cases involving violations of municipal code that are charged under state law in magistrate court, according to city documents.

The city has opted to “reallocate resources to municipal court prosecutions,” according to city documents, but the council extended the agreement with the DA’s office through Dec. 31, 2017 to “allow time for the district attorney to make necessary adjustments.”

City Manager Stuart Ed said the extension will be revenue-neutral, and may generate a small profit from the fines paid by offenders.

Mayor Ken Miyagishima said District Attorney Mark D’Antonio is in full support of the council’s action.

The council also approved the continuation of gas, water, wastewater and solid-waste collection services outside of the city limits, as it is authorized to do under state statute. State law places no limitation on the extension of city water and

wastewater services beyond city limits. It limits the provision of gas services to within five miles of the city limits and in other designated areas. The city and county created the South Central Solid Waste Authority (SCSWA) in 1994, which allows the city to operate solid waste collection within SCSWA boundaries.

The council approved a resolution amending the city’s FY 2018 budget to allow for the expenditure of \$11.7 million in state-shared gross receipts tax improvement bonds for five city projects: median landscaping, Regional Aquatic Center competitive pool construction, Amador Hotel, Roadrunner Parkway and the parking lot at Veterans Memorial Park.

The council approved the issuance and sale of the bonds in May, but the bond proceeds were not available when the council adopted the FY 2018 budget that same month, so council approval was necessary for city staff to amend the budget to include them.

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

## KEY ELECTION DATES

**MONDAY, SEPT. 25:** Candidates file for city offices on the Nov. 7 ballot.

**TUESDAY, OCT. 10:** The last day to register to vote in the city election.

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 11:** Absentee voting begins. It ends Saturday, Nov. 4.

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 18:** Early voting begins and ends Saturday, Nov. 4. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Oct. 21, 28 and Nov. 4.

**TUESDAY, NOV. 7:** Election day. Polls will be open at 15 voting convenience centers (VCC) throughout the city from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## VOTING CONVENIENCE CENTERS

- Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.
- Frank O’Brien Papen Center, 340 W. Bell Ave.
- Good Samaritan, 3011 Buena Vida Circle
- Lynn Middle School, 950 S. Walnut St.
- Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave.
- Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.
- Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd.
- Henry R. Benavidez Community Center, 1045 McClure Road
- Highland Elementary School, 4201 Emerald St.
- Jornada Elementary School, 3400 Elks Drive
- Desert Hills Elementary School, 280 N. Roadrunner Parkway
- Sage Café, 6121 Reynolds Drive
- Doña Ana Community College East Mesa Branch, 2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd.
- Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico, 4441 E. Lohman Ave.
- City clerk’s office

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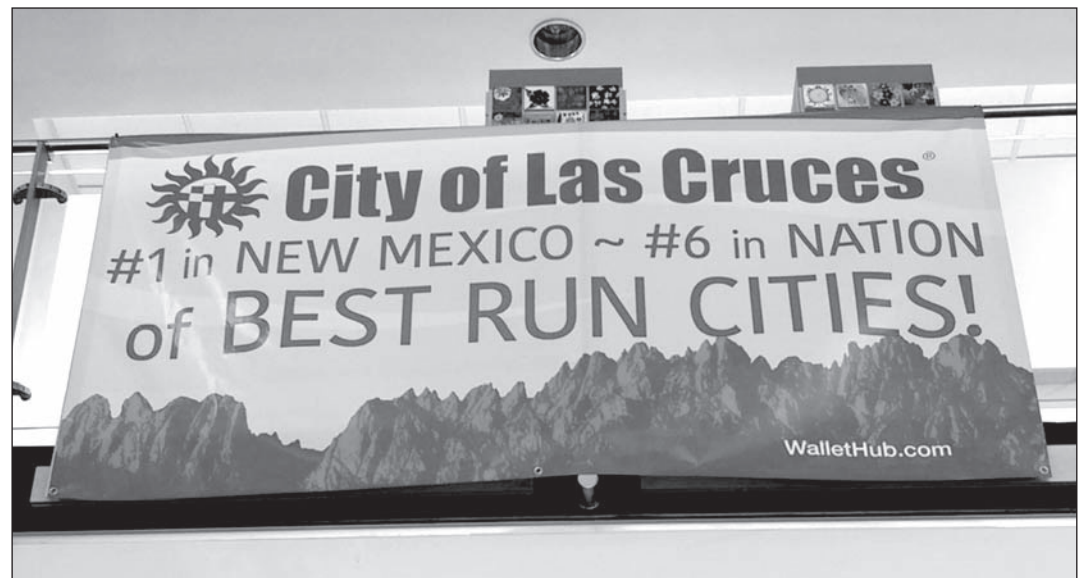
A new banner has been hung at Las Cruces City Hall, 700 N. Main St., recognizing Las Cruces’ recent selection as the best-run city in New Mexico and the sixth-best-run in the nation, according to WalletHub, a personal finance website.

From [www.las-cruces.org](http://www.las-cruces.org):

“WalletHub reports it measured the effectiveness of local leadership by how well city officials manage and spend public funds by comparing the quality of services residents receive against the city’s total budget.

“WalletHub compared the operating efficiency of 150 of the largest American cities to determine the best managed. The company constructed a “Quality of Services” score comprising 33 key performance indicators grouped into six service categories; financial stability, education, health, safety, economy, and infrastructure & pollution that were measured against the city’s per-capita budget.

“This impressive ranking is testament to the leadership of the mayor and city council and every associate who makes up the City of Las Cruces. We truly are an organization that lives up to our slogan, ‘People Helping People.’” said City Manager Stuart C. Ed.







Left to right are Ray Rivera, a Las Cruces Purple Heart recipient, and Raul Sanchez, Post #6917 Commander Paul Sanchez, U.S. Army (ret.) Sgt. Simon H. Mendoza, Mayor Ken Miyagishima and Las Cruces Veterans Memorial Wall committee chair and former Las Cruces city councillor Dolores Archuleta.

BULLETIN PHOTOS BY MIKE COOK

## Honoring our veterans

World War II veteran Sgt. Simon H. Mendoza was honored with the presentation of a medal by Mayor Ken Miyagishima for his military service at the Monday, Aug. 7 Las Cruces City Council meeting. Mendoza, 94, is a native of Anthony, New Mexico. He was drafted on Feb. 19, 1943 and served with the 6th Infantry Division, which had the most continuous days of combat (215) of any U.S. Army unit in the Pacific theater during WWII. Mendoza received the Bronze Star for bravery from Gen. Douglas MacArthur on Jan. 29, 1945. Mendoza weighed approximately 140 pounds when he entered the Army. His weight was approximately 116 pounds when his service ended on Dec. 9, 1945. Mendoza's military service was recognized in an ongoing city program that honors local WWII veterans.



Outside city council chambers after his recognition, U.S. Army (ret.) Sgt. Simon H. Mendoza is congratulated by Mayor Ken Miyagishima, right, as friends and family look on. At far left is Ray Rivera, a Las Cruces Purple Heart recipient, and Post #6917 Commander Raul Sanchez. Mendoza is a life member of that post.



U.S. Army (ret.) Sgt. Simon H. Mendoza is seated with members of his family, as Mayor Ken Miyagishima looks on. Speaking is Las Cruces Veterans Memorial Wall committee chair and former Las Cruces City Councilor Dolores Archuleta.

## OBITUARIES

### LUPE S. BUSTOS

LUPE S. BUSTOS, age 83, of Las Cruces passed from this life on Tuesday, August 1, 2017.

Baca's Funeral Chapel, 300 E. Boutz Road. Inurnment of Remains will be held at a later date.



### MR. LOUIS FRIETZE

MR. LOUIS FRIETZE, died peacefully Monday, July 31, 2017. Entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels 300 E. Boutz Road, Las Cruces, 527-2222.



### ELDON LEON CHERRY

ELDON LEON CHERRY passed away peacefully Monday, July 17, 2017. Entrusted to the care of Baca's funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 300 E. Boutz Road, 527-2222.



### FRANCISCO "PANCHO" MARTINEZ

FRANCISCO "PANCHO" MARTINEZ, age 80, of Tortugas passed from this life on Monday, July 31, 2017.

Entrusted to Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



### JOCELYN TRUJILLO-PIERCE

JOCELYN TRUJILLO-PIERCE, age 14, passed away on July 29, 2017 in Las Cruces. Service arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 300 E. Boutz Road, 527-2222.



### MICHAEL JERAMY MAESE

MICHAEL JERAMY MAESE, age 29, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, August 1, 2017. Entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory. 527-2222



### DELIA HERNANDEZ MEZA

DELIA HERNANDEZ MEZA, age 49, of Las Cruces died Saturday, August 5, 2017 at Mountain View Regional Medical Center. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



### JAMES L. HAYS

JAMES L. HAYS (SSG U.S. Army Ret.) passed away peacefully on Sunday, July 30, 2017. Service arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.



## FROM THE NMSU ARCHIVES



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John W. "Jack" Newberry stands with a group of children in the old village of Picacho, west of the Rio Grande, about four miles from Las Cruces, around 1917. Picacho, named after the distinctly-shaped nearby peak, was settled around 1855 by Evangelisto Chaves, according to most sources. The village became the site of a stage stop for the Butterfield Overland Mail in 1858 and it continued to be a prominent community in the Mesilla Valley until the coming of the railroad to Las Cruces in 1881. Jack Newberry settled in Picacho to farm in 1917, after the completion of the Elephant Butte Dam helped tame the waters of the Rio Grande. He became an important agriculturalist in the Mesilla Valley, raising alfalfa, cotton, beans, corn, apples, peaches, sweet potatoes and other crops. One of his most significant contributions was in the development of the early pecan industry in the valley. Photograph from the Jack Newberry collection in the NMSU Library Archives and Special Collections. Image number 04180002.

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BULLETIN PHOTOS BY MARTY RACINE

Rob Hinton hosts "Chicken Pot Pie," a talk show on various topics, 5-7 p.m. Thursdays.

# New community radio station asks Cruces '¿que tal?'

By AVRA ELLIOTT AND MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

If during your morning commute you hear an old neighbor discussing the Las Cruces art scene followed by a set of jazz, you might be tuned in to



BIXBY

KTAL 101.5 FM, Las Cruces's first community-run radio station boasting music and talk shows as diverse as the community it serves. It went on air July 26.

"With declines in local talk-radio, there are fewer and fewer means for community members to communicate with each other, entertain each other or discuss and debate issues," said Peter Goodman, a board member and program host for the newly formed station. "We hope KTAL will do a lot to fill that void."

Kevin Bixby, executive director



of the Southwest Environmental Center, got word in 2014 that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) was accepting applications for low-power FM radio stations.

"I've always been a fan of public radio, so I said sure," he said.

At present, the station has one part-time employee, and is operated by a nonprofit called Las Cruces Community Radio

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## KTAL WEEKLY LINEUP

### MONDAY

6 a.m.: Democracy Now  
7 a.m.: Here and There with David Marash (KSFR)  
8 a.m.: Community spotlight with Phillip Van Veen  
9 a.m.: Let's Talk Doña Ana with Shannon Reynolds  
10 a.m.: The Parents Journal (podcast)  
11 a.m.: Travel with Rick Steves  
Noon: Conversation Earth  
12:30 p.m.: Are we there yet?  
1 p.m.: Linea abierta  
2 p.m.: The Latin Alternative (music)  
3 p.m.: Global Village (music)  
4 p.m.: Democracy Now  
5 p.m.: On the Media  
6 p.m.: Radio Ecoshock  
7 p.m.: B-List with Bruce Ernst

### TUESDAY

6 a.m.: Democracy Now  
7 a.m.: Here and There with David Marash (KSFR)  
8 a.m.: Café con Leche with Nan Rubin  
9 a.m.: Nonprofit hour with Bill Connor (week 1 & 3), Here's to your health with Connie Potter (week 2 & 4)  
10 a.m.: Earth Matters with Kevin Bixby  
11 a.m.: Latino USA  
Noon: Food Sleuth  
12:30 p.m.: Living Planet  
1 p.m.: Linea abierta  
2 p.m.: Blues Before Sunrise  
4 p.m.: Democracy Now  
5 p.m.: Reveal  
6 p.m.: Economic update with Rick Wolfe  
7 p.m.: Village Green Preservation Society with Ken Forestal  
9 p.m.: Incoherent Ramblings with Jerome Davis (eclectic mix of talk and music)

### WEDNESDAY

6 a.m.: Democracy Now  
7 a.m.: Here and There with David Marash  
8 a.m.: Speak Up Las Cruces with Peter Goodman  
10 a.m.: A Way With Words  
11 a.m.: Ideas Books  
Noon: From the Vault – Pacifica Archives  
1 p.m.: Linea abierta  
2 p.m.: The Appetizer (music)  
4 p.m.: Democracy Now  
5 p.m.: Alternative Radio  
6 p.m.: Backstory – American History  
7 p.m.: Shades of the Blues with Linda Hall  
9 p.m.: Metal Meltdown with Rogelio Bishop

### THURSDAY

6 a.m. Democracy Now  
7 a.m.: Here and There with David Marash  
8 a.m.: Just Community with Kari Bachmann  
9 a.m.: Political Therapy with Steve Fischmann  
10 a.m.: Explorations in Science with Michio Kaku  
11 a.m.: Big Picture Science  
Noon: This Way Out

12:30 p.m.: Making Contact  
1 p.m.: Linea abierta  
2 p.m.: Strange Currency (music)  
4 p.m.: Democracy Now  
5 p.m.: Chicken Pot Pie with Rob Hinton  
7 p.m.: Cosmic Troubadours with Rob McCorkle & Marty Racine  
9 p.m.: Stereo Plan with Peter Sloan (experimental music)

### FRIDAY

6 a.m.: Democracy Now  
7 a.m.: Here and There with David Marash  
8 a.m.: The Susan Fitzgerald Show  
9 a.m.: Animal Affairs with Tricia Quillen  
10 a.m.: Inflection Point with Lauren Schiller  
11 a.m.: On the Money  
Noon: Counterspin  
12:30 p.m.: Focus on art with Catherine Brenner (week 1 & 3); All About Books with Lynn Moorer (week 2 & 4)  
1 p.m. Linea abierta  
2 p.m.: Of All Places, Las Cruces with Richard Kadzis  
4 p.m.: Democracy Now  
5 p.m.: Monsoon Down with Radio with Tim and Suzanne Staley (music, music criticism and poetry)  
9 p.m.: Prog Nation with Julie Lowe (progressive rock)

### SATURDAY

6 a.m.: Jazz with Richard Kadzis  
8 a.m.: Café con Leche with Nan Rubin (repeat)  
9 a.m.: On the Money (repeat)  
10 a.m.: The Susan Fitzgerald Show (repeat)  
11 a.m.: Delicious Revolution  
Noon: Michelle Valverde/LAB youth show (weeks 1 & 3)  
2 p.m.: Sahdes of the Blues with Linda Hall (repeat)  
4 p.m.: The Latin Alternative (repeat)  
5 p.m.: Hey Baby Que Paso with Denise Chavez  
6 p.m.: Pocho Power Hour  
7 p.m.: Incoherent Ramblings with Jerome Davis (talk and music)  
9 p.m.: No Exit with Mark Middaugh (beat film noir themed vignettes and music)

### SUNDAY

6 a.m.: Inflection Point with Lauren Schiller (repeat)  
7 a.m.: Reflections with Kevin McCarthy  
8 a.m.: Interfaith Voices  
9 a.m.: The Sunday Show with Peter Goodman  
10 a.m.: What's Between Your Ears with Sandhi Scott  
11 a.m.: Travel with Rick Steves (repeat)  
Noon: Cotton Picking Minute with Jon Huerta  
1 p.m.: Monsoon Down the Radio with Tim & Suzanne Staley  
3 p.m.: Blues Hour with Barry Robak  
4 p.m.: Lost in the Tracks with Dean Mattson  
6 p.m.: Music they don't want you to hear with Ron Cooke  
8 p.m.: ZBS Radio Hour  
9 p.m.: Jazz with Richard Kadzis (repeat)

## RADIO

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(LCCR). Bixby serves as vice president of the board. The president is Nan Rubin, who recently moved to Las Cruces and has a long history in public broadcasting on a national and international level. Rubin's help was invaluable in getting the station online, Bixby said.

Choosing station call letters was the subject of much discussion at several open houses held concerning the station before it opened, Bixby said. KTAL was chosen for its similarity to the Spanish colloquial phrase, "que tal," meaning "how are you," "what's up" or "how's it going."

The call letters already belonged to a radio station in east Texas, Bixby said, but the FCC allows a low-power station to use the same call letters as a full-power station if it has that station's permission, distinguishes itself as an LP station and doesn't use the call letters in its URL.

The station is categorized as a nonprofit and is primarily run by volunteers. Its focus, according to Goodman, is to present local programming including political discussions, conversations about health, animals, education, the arts, and music chosen by local hosts.

"It was tough to balance our intense desire for local pro-



Rob Hinton, left, interacts with David Lynch of the Las Cruces Chapter of AARP on the Thursday program "Chicken Pot Pie," Aug. 3.

gramming with a taste for the professionalism," Goodman said.

Getting a station on air is complex. On top of developing programs, the new station volunteers faced assembling a studio, training and setting rules for on-air volunteers, and, not least of their difficulties, communicating with the transmitter. Goodman said the volunteers have pulled together their collective experiences in radio to face every challenge.

KTAL's signal is generated from a transmitter on KGRT's radio tower near the Rio Grande, Bixby said. LCCR rents space about 100 feet up on the tower. Because the KTAL studio is low in the valley on Wyatt Drive, the signal does "a one-hop," Bixby said, off the tower on the Wells Fargo Bank building downtown.

"Low power" is a legal classification for licensing purposes; some listeners report they can

pick up the station by vehicle in El Paso.

Board member and programmer Linda Hall brought her previous experience as a programmer in Miami to KTAL. Hall now hosts "Shades of the Blues," Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. on KTAL. Hall said she submitted a program proposal to KTAL when she heard about the station forming last year.

"As the station got closer to its on-air date, my volunteer involvement grew, and eventually I became a board member," Hall said.

Goodman said his personal goal for the station is to facilitate members of the community amusing, instructing, educating and communicating with other members of the community in as fair and competent a manner as possible.

The station is on the air 24 hours a day. Local programming runs from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m., with some holes in the schedule still being filled. Music or repeats of programs air after 11 p.m.

Bixby said KTAL is funded through grants from the Mc-

Cune Foundation and others and generous individual donors. Now that the station is operating, it can begin fundraising in earnest, he said, and will be asking local businesses and individuals to underwrite local programs.

KTAL is still on the lookout for programs and programmers. Those interested may visit the website, [www.lccommunityradio.org](http://www.lccommunityradio.org), or call 575-644-1335 for information on how to get involved. Find them on Facebook under Las Cruces Community Radio.

*Editor's note: Bulletin Managing Editor Marty Racine and Lynn Moorer, who covers the Doña Ana County Commission for the Bulletin, have programs on KTAL: Racine on "Cosmic Troubadours," 7-9 p.m. Thursdays; Moorer on "All about Books," 12:30-1 p.m. every second and fourth Friday.*

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An exterior sign has been erected over the studio on Wyatt Drive.



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In a recent report from the National Science Foundation's National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, New Mexico State University topped the list for federal funding for science and engineering activities for minority-serving institutions. NMSU received \$48.8 million in federal science and engineering obligations during the 2015 fiscal year.

## NMSU ranks No. 1 nationally in science, engineering obligations

By **TIFFANY ACOSTA**

For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University ranks first in the country for federal obligations for science and engineering activities for minority-serving institutions according to a report from the National Science Foundation's National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics.

A high-Hispanic enrollment institution, NMSU led the nation in receiving \$48.8 million in federal science and engineering obligations during the 2015 fiscal year. The majority of the funds, 84 percent, were in the research and development cat-

egory, and 62 percent of the science and engineering total came from the Department of Defense (\$11.6 million), NSF (\$9.6 million) and NASA (\$9 million).

Other institutions listed with NMSU in the top 20 include UTEP, University of Texas at San Antonio, Florida A&M and Florida International.

"This is just another indication of NMSU's excellence in science and engineering," said NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers. "It's appropriate that this recognition comes to a Hispanic-Serving Institution already known for excellence in the STEM fields."

Chelsea Garno, a biology

graduate student, is conducting NSF-funded research to describe how a cell divides from one to two cells because shortly after the phenomenon was discovered and described in the 1970s, there were no further studies into the contractile ring, until recently.

"The contractile ring is a transient actomyosin structure that forms in the middle of a cell that is highly regulated temporally and spatially. I am working with several proteins, namely Anillin, Septin, Myosin and Actin, to determine the roles of each of these proteins during the first cell division after fertilization in sea urchin

eggs," said Garno, who plans to attend medical school after earning her master's degree.

Garno encourages students to find research opportunities.

"My advice to any students who are aspiring to do research, regardless of the field, is to reach out to your professors about any research opportunities they are aware of in their field. If they do not have a research lab on campus, they may know someone who does and can get you connected to a research lab that interests you," Garno said.

Initially introduced to NMSU by a friend who is a graduate, Clara Ross said she choose

NMSU for graduate school to study cellular biology, which incorporated her interest in both molecular biology and biochemistry.

"I found NMSU to have knowledgeable and diverse faculty members as well as a wide spread of research interests," she said. "I have had great experiences working with the undergraduate students, graduate students and faculty. They are open and helpful allowing me to be productive and learn every day."

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# Goldberg to lead NMSU Agricultural Experiment Station

By **KRISTIE GARCIA**

For the Bulletin

When Natalie Goldberg joined New Mexico State University as an assistant professor and Extension plant pathologist in 1993, she wasn't thinking about becoming an associate dean in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES) someday.

She was focused on plants. Whether it's identifying a plant pest or determining the best pest management strategy, she loves working with plants.

After all, she earned both her doctorate and Master of Science in plant pathology from the University of Arizona after receiving a bachelor of science in ornamental horticulture from Cal Poly Pomona.

After working her way up to associate professor and professor at NMSU, she was asked to serve as the interim department head of Extension Plant Sciences in 2007. Soon after, she was asked to drop the "interim" part of her title, and that appointment lasted 10 years.

On July 1, Goldberg became the first woman to take the helm of the NMSU Agricultural Experiment Station (AES).

"Dr. Goldberg has extensive experience in managing a very successful Extension department that is characterized by outreach and applied research," said College of ACES Dean Rolando Flores. "Her approach reflects the integration we need to have, as a land-grant university, between Extension and research activities."

The AES is not a physical location but an agricultural research system of NMSU scientists.

The first 23 acres of land for AES was purchased in 1906. Today, the AES system accounts for 94,884 acres of land across New Mexico, in 12 centers,



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**Natalie Goldberg, interim associate dean of New Mexico State University's College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences and director of the Agricultural Experiment Station.**

from the Fabian Garcia Research Center in Las Cruces to the Agricultural Science Center at Farmington, and from the John T. Harrington Forestry Research Center at Mora to the Chihuahuan Desert Rangeland Research Center north of Las Cruces.

Since 1907, AES has been under the direction of about 16 different male associate deans.

Just a few weeks into her new leadership role, there is no question about Goldberg's top two priorities. She will analyze the budget and take part in a thorough review of all science centers.

"The budget is one of my primary responsibilities, so I need to make sure that we stay within our allocated amount of funding," Goldberg said. "We're in a time when we've had some cuts, and there's not a lot of

reserve funding. I need to figure out how to balance building the reserve funding, but continue maintaining and hiring faculty. My theory going into the next legislative session is that we are not likely to see increased funding. If we continue to receive cuts in our funding, we're going to need to make some tough financial decisions."

As far as reviewing all science centers, Goldberg will have assistance. Prior to her appointment, Dean Flores had established an advisory committee of 17 members to assess each center and to analyze the AES system as a whole. The committee is comprised of six members from the agricultural industry, Goldberg, Associate Director of AES Steve Loring and four faculty members, one department head, two science center farm managers and two

science center superintendents.

Goldberg said the committee has gathered plenty of background data on the centers.

"We need to look at how the centers are funded, where that money came from and how that money is being used," she said. "Many of the centers were built on legislative support from their local constituency. For example, growers in the Artesia area were able to secure funding for faculty at that center."

"We'll work with this committee to conduct a very detailed review of each of the ag science centers. What are they providing that's unique to the system and that's important to their area? How are they impacting the agriculture in the immediate area that they serve? What are they doing globally? What are their immediate and longer-term infrastructure needs?"

This overall review is very important, and it's one of my first tasks."

The committee had its first in-person meeting July 19.

In her new role, Goldberg wants to focus on the connections among science centers, between science centers and the College of ACES, and between AES and the Cooperative Extension Service.

"It's not that the centers are operating independently, but I'd like to see even more connectivity," she said. "There are certainly collaborations out there."

Goldberg also acknowledged that she is much more familiar with the plant science aspect and needs to learn much more about the animal science side.

She plans to explore partnership development between the science centers and the private sector in their communities. She has seen mutually beneficial partnerships formed between other universities and companies in the agricultural industry and said similar potential opportunities may exist for NMSU.

Although overseeing AES will be demanding, Goldberg is no stranger to challenges.

She took the NMSU Plant Diagnostic Clinic from a small desk in a tiny office with a couple of petri dishes and a salvaged microscope in 1993 to a fully accredited clinic by the National Plant Diagnostic Network last year. The only other labs with this designation are at Cornell University, the University of Florida and the Nevada Department of Agriculture.

For more information about the NMSU Agricultural Experiment Station, visit [aces.nmsu.edu/aes](http://aces.nmsu.edu/aes).

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

No. D-307-CV-2017-00650

**WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL NEW MEXICO, INC., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ALFONSO O. SERNA; DENISE C. SERNA; BENEFICIAL FINANCIAL I INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BENEFICIAL NEW MEXICO, INC. D/B/A BENEFICIAL MORTGAGE CO.; BAHS BANK OF AMERICA FSB; and TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **August 16, 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 11835 Warrior Ln., Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

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on July 13, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$147,732.01 and the same bears interest at 4.89% per annum from May 30, 2017, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

No. D-307-PB-2017-00071  
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALBERT DURAN, SR.,**

# LEGAL NOTICES

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## Deceased.

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Dated: July 24, 2017

/s/Albert Duran Jr.  
Albert Duran, Jr., Personal Representative of the Estate of Albert Duran, Sr., Deceased

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2015-00934

**BOKF, N.A. Plaintiff,**

vs.

**CHRISTINE B. GOLDEN AND JOHN DOE GOLDEN, WIFE AND HUSBAND; NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; TARGET NATIONAL 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 4633 Mesita St, Las Cruces, NM 88011, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 33 IN BLOCK NUMBERED D OF PARKHILL ESTATES, UNIT #1, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID PARKHILL ESTATES, UNIT #1, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MAY 17, 2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 623-624.

The sale is to begin at **10:45am on September 7, 2017**, 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 May 22, 2017, in the total amount of \$158,785.51, with interest at the rate of 4.00% per annum from December 22, 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. BOKF, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any,

and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-02231

**MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**FRANCES RUTH PACHECO FKA FRANCES RUTH FLEMING; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF FRANCES RUTH PACHECO FKA FRANCES RUTH FLEMING; SPRINGCASTLE CREDIT FUNDING TRUST, THROUGH ITS TRUSTEE WILMINGTON TRUST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

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**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 7225 Parrigin Way, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 3, KISSISH-

PARRIGIN SUBDIVISION DIVISION NO. 6, IN THE COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 2314, THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON APRIL 22, 1992, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 17, PAGE 167, PLAT RECORDS, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

The sale is to begin at **10:45am on September 21, 2017**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on June 12, 2017, in the total amount of \$52,457.88, with interest at the rate of 6.8700% per annum from January 1, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION, 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,

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

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

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-01946

**MIDFIRST BANK, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JAMES A. GALLEGOS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JAMES A. GALLEGOS; 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 3748 Ascencion Circle, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 18, BLOCK A, HIGH DESERT SUBDIVISION PHASES 1A AND 1B, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON OCTOBER 14, 2005, IN BOOK 21 PAGE(S) 373-375 OF PLAT RECORDS. If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

The sale is to begin at **10:45am on October 5, 2017**, 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 July 25, 2017, in the total amount of \$165,081.23, with interest at the rate of 4.125% per annum from May 31, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. MIDFIRST BANK, 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,

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

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

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2016-01113

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

vs.

**UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF NORMA JEAN ONTIVEROS, 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 109 West Ethel Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 26 OF COLLINS PARK, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID COLLINS PARK, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON FEBRUARY 10, 1953 IN PLAT BOOK 7, FOLIO 35.

The sale is to begin at **10:45 am on September 7, 2017**, Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the foreclosure Judgment granted on June 28, 2017, in the total amount of \$113,697.70, with interest at the rate of 2.000% per annum from April 1, 2017 through the date of the sale. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this

Court approving the sale.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, D/B/A Christiana Trust, Not Individually But As Trustee For Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust, 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,

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

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

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

No. 17-0137

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM E. JAMES, JR., DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**



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**GIVEN** that **CHARLES DALE JAMES** 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: July 6, 2017.

**CHARLES DALE JAMES**  
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Prepared by:  
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**IN THE  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO**

No. 17-0136

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
JOHN C. CLAWSON,  
a/k/a JOHN CHARLES  
CLAWSON DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **BILL BEGAY a/k/a BILL COLIN CODY BEGAY-ALCON CLAWSON** 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: June 13, 2017.

**BILL BEGAY a/k/a  
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**NOTICE** is hereby given that on July 10, 2017, Martha and Pedro Flores, 37 Cielo Dorado, Anthony, NM 88021, filed application numbered LRG-16610-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-16610-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling replacement well LRG-16610-POD2 with a 4-inn casing to a depth of 260 feet, on land owned by the applicants, located within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 17, Township 27 South, Range 3 East (NMPM) and more specifically located near the intersection of X=1,514,255.43 ft. Y=347,862.81 ft., NMSP, Central NAD83, for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum for domestic one-household purposes as described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-018-7007 Right B of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. Existing well LRG-16610-POD1 (also known as LRS18-0017) shall be plugged. The applicant requested emergency authorization to drill and use replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. The proposed replacement well LRG-16610-POD2 is located south of Las Cruces, NM along Highway 28 and located at 905 Kriegel Road, La Union, NM.

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

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

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**NOTICE** is hereby given that on July 12, 2017, Kit Carson Enterprises, LLC (Contact: Rena Carson); PO Box 101, Rincon, NM 87940, filed application numbered LRG-3948-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-3948-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-3948-POD2 to a depth of 100 feet with a 20-inch casing, in a location within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 8, Township 19S, Range 3W (NMPM) and more specifically at or near the intersection of X:1357068.67 ft. & Y: 609852.1 ft. (NMSP Central NAD83), on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-3948, located on land owned by the applicant located within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said Section 8 and more specifically at the intersection of X:1357089 ft. & Y:609131 ft., for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the

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Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 18.63 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said Section 8, as described in Subfile Order No. LRR 28-006-0087 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. The site of proposed well LRG-3948-POD2 will be located northwest of Hatch, NM and may be found approximately 690 feet south of the intersection of W Canal St. and N. Castaneda Rd., Hatch, NM. Existing well LRG-3948 will be properly plugged.

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

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**NOTICE** is hereby given that on July 12, 2017, Kit Carson Enterprises, LLC (Contact: Rena Carson), PO Box 101, Rincon, NM 87940, filed application numbered LRG-5280-POD2, OSE File Nos. LRG-5280-1 & LRG-5280-2, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-5280-POD2 to a depth of 100 feet with a 20-inch casing, in a location within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 8, Township 19S, Range 3W (NMPM) and more specifically at or near the intersection of X:1356538.8 ft. & Y:608118.9 ft. (NMSP Central NAD83), on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-5280, located on land owned by the applicant within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said Section 8, and more specifically at the intersection of X:1356462 ft. & Y:608093 ft., for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 8.50 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said Section 8, and for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico for the irrigation of 2.03 acres of land, as described in Subfile Order No. LRR 28-006-0092 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. The site of proposed well LRG-5280-POD2 will be located northwest of Hatch, NM and may be found approximately 980 feet southwest of the intersection of Highway 187 & Castaneda Rd., Hatch, NM. Existing well LRG-5280 will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be

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

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**NOTICE** is hereby given that on July 25, 2017, Nelson F. and Carolyn A. Clayshulte, PO Box 430, Mesilla, NM 88046, filed application numbered LRG-6410-POD4 with the State Engineer for Permit to Drill an Additional Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling well LRG-6410-POD4 to a depth of 420 feet for 16-inch casing to be located within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 30, Township 25 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 6' 15.38"N, 106° 40' 19.36"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, to supplement existing well LRG-6410 located within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 30, Township 25 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 6' 16.37"N, 106° 40' 30.27"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, and well LRG-6410-S, located within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>

NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 30, Township 25 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, and more specifically described where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 6' 28.44"N, 106° 40' 30.94"W (WGS84), on land owned by the applicants, for the continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 98.29 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, and the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of Section 30, Township 25 South, Range 3 East, NMPM, as described by Subfile No. LRS-28-010-0096 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for new well LRG-6410-POD4 is located southeast of La Mesa, NM and may be found approximately 0.2 mile west of the intersection of Dawson Road and Montes Road.

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

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

Dates: 08/11, 08/18, 08/25, 2017

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on July 19, 2017, Isabel Fajardo, 4028 San Ysidro #15, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application under OSE File No.: 16653-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Point of Diversion within the Lower Rio Grande Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling proposed well LRG-16653-POD2 to a depth of 200 feet with a 4-inch casing, in a location within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 5, Township 24S, Range 2E (NMPM) and more specifically located at or near where X = 1,484,947.8 ft. & Y = 455,821.2 ft. (NMSF, Central NAD83) on land owned by the applicant, and discontinue the use of existing well LRG-16653-POD1 (LRS02-0149), located on land owned by the applicant located within the SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said projected Section 5 and more specifically described where X = 1,484,940 ft. & Y = 455,815 ft. (NMSP, Central NAD83), for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic one-household use as described in Subfile No.: LRS-28-002-7068 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. The site of proposed well LRG-16653-POD2 will be located southwest of Tortugas, NM and may be found approximately 719 feet south of the intersection of Holy Cross Rd and S. Main St. at the property address of 231 Boggy Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88007. Existing well LRG-16653-POD1. (LRS02-0149) will be properly plugged.

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

Dates: 08/04, 08/11, 08/18, 2017

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on June 30, 2017, Paul Finch on behalf of Judith Ann Finch, 1029 N. Armijo, Las Cruces, NM 88005 filed application numbered LRG-11533-POD3, OSE File No. LRG-11533 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 discontinuing the use of well LRG-11533 located within part of the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 12, Township 23 South, Range 01 East, NMPM, on land owned by Judith A. Finch and drilling replacement well LRG-11533-POD3 to a depth of 150 feet with 4-inch casing to be located at approximately X = 1,474,841.9 Y = 479,797.3 ft. NMSP, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by Judith A. Finch for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum for domestic one-household purposes. Proposed replacement well LRG-11533-POD3 will be located at the physical address of 1029 N. Armijo, Las Cruces, NM. Existing well LRG-11533-POD3 will be properly plugged. The applicant has requested

emergency authorization to drill and use replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22.

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

Dates: 08/04, 08/11, 08/18, 2017

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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

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**Richard E. Medina**  
3815 S. Main #E  
Mesilla Park, NM 88047  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Couch, TV, tires, trash

**Unit G06**  
**Tony Ortiz**  
1406 S. Espina #4  
Las Cruces NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Hutch desk, sofas, stereo, misc. items

**Unit H25**  
**Christopher R. Halverson**  
1601 N. Saba St. #242  
Chandler, AZ 85225  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Electric heater, copier, table, misc items

**Unit N14**  
**Tiffany Morales**  
6523 Puffin St  
Las Cruces, NM 88012  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Flat screen TV, recliner, wooden bed, lots of boxes.

**Unit P12**  
**Johnny L. Etie**  
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Las Cruces NM 88001  
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Dates: 08/04, 08/11, 2017

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

No. CV 2017-2121  
Judge Beyer

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF KRISTINA J. CERVANTES VANDERLUGT AS PARENT AND NEXT FRIEND OF ELIZABETH MARIE VANDERLUGT FOR CHANGE OF**

NAME

## NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **KRISTINA J. CERVANTES-VANDERLUGT**, as parent and next friend of **ELIZABETH MARIE VANDERLUGT**, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her daughter's name from **ELIZABETH MARIE VANDERLUGT** to **ELIZABETH MARIE CERVANTES-VANDERLUGT** and this Petition will be heard before the Honorable **MARCI BEYER** on the **14th day of September, 2017, at the hour of 9:30 a.m.** at the Third Judicial District Court, Courtroom 4, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Respectfully submitted,  
MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.

/s/Melissa J. Reeves-Evins  
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins  
NM State Bar No. 7629  
200 W. Las Cruces Ave.,  
Ste. A

Las Cruces, NM 88005  
575.522.5009  
575.522.5031 Fax  
Attorney for Petitioner

Dates: 08/11, 08/18, 2017



STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

PB-2017-0079  
Judge Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DON L. THOMPSON, Deceased.**

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four 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 the Bates Law Firm, PO Box 305, Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Suite A, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

DATED: July 20, 2017.

/s/Bobby G. Barnes  
Bobby G. Barnes  
Personal Representative of the Estate of Don L. Thompson, Deceased

PREPARED AND SUBMITTED BY:

BATES LAW FIRM  
PO Box 305

Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305  
(575) 524-8585  
(575) 524-1895 (Fax)

/s/ Lloyd O. Bates  
Lloyd O. Bates Jr.  
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 07/28, 08/04, 08/11, 2017

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2017-01511

**CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ANDREW S. DURAN;  
STEPHEN A. DURAN;  
and KATHLEEN L.  
DURAN, Defendants.**

## NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **August 23, 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 2850 Meriwether Street, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 64 of Legends West North Phase 1, Las

Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Legends West North Phase 1, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on December 27, 2006 in Plat Book 22, Folio 83-91.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on July 18, 2017, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$141,514.16 and the same bears interest at 6.560% per annum from August 16, 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

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or personal property, affixure 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: 07/28, 08/04, 08/11,  
08/18, 2017

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

DM-2017-505  
Judge Perea

**ANNA CECELIA BARTZ  
and BLANCA ALICIA  
FLORES** Petitioners

v.

**JULIE ANNA FLORES**  
Respondent

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE KINSHIP GUARDI-  
ANSHIP OF CECELIA  
BLANCA FLORES, born  
February 12, 2004.**

**NOTICE OF SUIT**

**TO JULIE ANNA  
FLORES:** You are hereby notified that the above-named Petitioners have filed in the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County a verified Petition for Order Appointing Kinship Guardian.

You must file an Answer or responsive pleading within 30 days of the date of the last publication of this Notice or judgment by default will be entered against you and the relief requested in the Petition will be granted.

GRACE B. DURAN  
Attorney for Petitioners  
230 S. Alameda Blvd.  
Bldg 2  
Las Cruces, N.M. 88005  
(575)541-0329

Witness the Honorable Conrad F. Perea, 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 19 day of July, 2017.

(Seal)

**CLAUDE BOWMAN  
CLERK OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT**

By: Paloma Nava  
Deputy

Dates: 07/28, 08/04, 08/11,  
2017

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

No. D-307-CV-2016-02503  
JUDGE ARRIETA

**MESILLA VALLEY  
HABITAT FOR  
HUMANITY, Plaintiff,**

v.

**ESTATE OF TINA PEREZ (A/K/A TINA LUCERO); THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, DEVISEES, OR LEGATEES OF TINA PEREZ; ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTERESTS ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF; JIMMY RAY PEREZ, JANELLE PEREZ AND ALL UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS,**  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **August 28, 2017, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance to the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell and convey all of the right, title and interest of Defendants the Estate of Tina Perez (a/k/a Tina Lucero), the Unknown Heirs, Personal Representatives, Devisees, or Legatees of Tina Perez; All Unknown Claimants of Interests Adverse to Plaintiff; Jimmy Ray Perez, Janelle Perez, and All Unknown Occupants in and to the below described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 4958 Kenmore Road, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88012 and is situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico and is

more particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 5 in Block numbered F of Rincon Mesa Subdivision Phase 1, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Rincon Mesa Subdivision Phase 1, filed in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on March 20, 2007 in Plat Book 22, Folio 157-158.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on July 14, 2017, being an action to foreclose a real estate mortgage and assignment of interest under which Plaintiff was adjudged to have a first and prior lien against the above-described real estate securing payment of its Judgment in the principal sum of \$79,245.35, plus attorney's fees of \$8,516.00, taxes in the sum of \$873.68, insurance premiums in the amount of \$509.23, costs of \$631.66 and gross receipts tax of \$712.78, plus the costs of this action including the Special Master's fee and fee for publication of this notice. This sale is being made to satisfy the Judgment, and will be made to the highest, best and most qualified bidder for cash, provided:

a. That the buyer is one whose household qualifies as a low-income family as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and will use the Property as its principal residence; or

b. That the buyer is a non-profit entity providing housing assistance to low-income families as defined by the same agency.

Plaintiff may bid its judgment or any part thereof. The time and date of sale may be postponed by the Special Master if he deems it advisable.

**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.

**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.

The attorney for the Plaintiff is Benjamin J. Young of Holt Mynatt Martinez P.C., Post Office Box 2699, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004-2699.

**KYLE MOBERLY**  
Special Master

Dates: 07/21, 07/28, 08/04,  
08/11, 2017

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

No. D-307-CV-2017-02044

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

vs.

**CLARA FAITH LESTER;  
DORIS ELLEN LESTER, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF DORIS ELLEN LESTER, Deceased; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF DORIS ELLEN LESTER, Deceased,**  
Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

Defendant(s) Doris Ellen Lester, if living, if deceased, The Estate of Doris Ellen Lester, Deceased and The Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Legatees of Doris Ellen Lester, Deceased is/are hereby notified that Plaintiff has filed a civil suit against Defendant(s) in the above-entitled cause of action, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 2110 Enzie Drive, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT 9 IN BLOCK U OF STULL COLLEGE HEIGHTS BLOCK W AND PART OF BLOCKS T, U, & V, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY

CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MAY 14, 1962 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 8 AT PAGE 80, PLAT RECORDS.

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

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

Attorneys for the Plaintiff:

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

July 26, 2017

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

WITNESS the Honorable JAMES T. MARTIN, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 26 day of July, 2017.

(SEAL)

**CLAUDE BOWMAN  
CLERK OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT**

Joe M. Martinez  
Deputy - Joe M Martinez

Dates: 08/04, 08/11, 08/18,  
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**STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
IN THE  
PROBATE COURT  
DOÑA ANA COUNTY**

No. 17-0157

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF LINDA  
ANNE RICKARD,  
DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY**

**GIVEN** that **JUDY ANNE DAILEY** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, New, Mexico 88007.

DATED: July 5, 2017.

**JUDY ANNE DAILEY**  
582 Shore Drive  
Largo, Florida 33771

Prepared by:  
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New Mexico Bar #14980  
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New Mexico 88001  
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Dates: 07/28, 08/04, 08/11,  
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**THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COURT  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO**

No. D-307-PB-2017-00080

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
HENRY DIETER  
WEINSCHEL, deceased**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice if this Notice is given by publication as provided in Subsection A of Section 45-3-801 NMSA 1978, or within sixty (60) days after the mailing or delivery of this Notice for creditors who are given actual notice as provided by Subsection B of Section 45-3-801 NMSA 1978, whichever is later, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be present-

ted either to the undersigned personal representative at 320 Osuna Rd NE, Unit G-4, Albuquerque, NM 87107, or filed with the Doña Ana County District Court.

DATED: July 17, 2017

**ZIA TRUST, INC.**, Personal Representative of the Estate of Henry Dieter Weinschel, deceased

By:/s/ Teresa DeMenge  
Teresa DeMenge,  
Vice President &  
Senior Trust Officer  
6301 Indian School Rd NE

Suite # 800  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(505) 881-3338

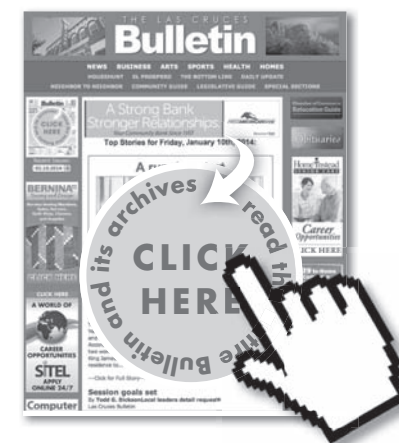
**KENNETH C. LEACH &  
ASSOCIATES, P.C.**

By /s/ Kenneth C. Leach  
Kenneth C. Leach  
Attorney for Zia Trust, Inc.,  
Personal Representative of  
the Estate of Henry Dieter  
Weinschel, deceased  
320 Osuna Rd NE, Ste. G4  
Albuquerque NM 87107  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 18-015**

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNCILLORS FOR DISTRICTS 3, 5, AND 6; AND A MUNICIPAL JUDGE II ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017.**

The City Council is informed that:

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of Article VII, Section 7.01(A) of the City of Las Cruces Charter, a regular City election shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November in each odd-numbered year; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Las Cruces is divided into six (6) Council Districts. Council Districts 3, 5, and 6 will elect Councillors at the next regular City election. Only residents and qualified voters of a district may vote for a Councillor from that particular district. All candidates must be residents and qualified voters of the district in which they run. Councillors will be elected for a four (4) year term; and

**WHEREAS**, a Municipal Judge II will also be elected at the next regular City election. All residents and qualified voters of the City of Las Cruces may vote for a Municipal Judge II. All candidates must be members of the New Mexico State Bar Association and residents and qualified voters of the City of Las Cruces. The Municipal Judge II will be elected for a four (4) year term; and

**WHEREAS**, under the provisions of Section 3-8-10, NMSA 1978, precincts may be consolidated for the regular municipal election in the interest of economy. Under the provisions of Section 3-8-11, NMSA 1978, the City Council shall designate the polling places for each consolidated precinct.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, Be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Las Cruces:

(I)

THAT a regular municipal election of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Voting hours will be from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The following offices shall be elected:

- One Councillor from District 3 for a four (4) year term;
- One Councillor from District 5 for a four (4) year term;
- One Councillor from District 6 for a four (4) year term;
- One Municipal Judge II for a four (4) year term.

(II)

THAT candidates for election to Councillor shall be nominated by petition. A person may be nominated for election as Councillor by a petition signed by not less than twenty-five (25) qualified voters residing within the district which the candidate seeks to represent.

(III)

THAT the Nominating Petition and Declaration of Candidacy forms shall be obtained from the Office of the City Clerk. Nominating Petitions, a Declaration of Candidacy, Designation of Campaign Treasurer and a certified copy of Voter Registration shall be filed as one instrument by each candidate for Councillor on Monday, September 25, 2017 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. only.

(IV)

THAT candidates for election for Municipal Judge II shall not be nominated by petition. A Declaration of Candidacy, Designation of Campaign Treasurer, evidence of membership with the New Mexico State Bar and a certified copy of Voter Registration shall be filed as one instrument by each candidate for Municipal Judge II on Monday, September 25, 2017, between the hours of 8:00

a.m. and 5:00 p.m. only.

(V)

THAT the registration books for registering to vote at the regular municipal election shall be closed by the County Clerk at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

(VI)

**THAT ANY QUALIFIED VOTER MAY VOTE IN ANY ONE OF THE VOTING CONVENIENCE CENTERS IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES FOR THE REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Thomas Branigan Library - 200 E. Picacho Ave.
  2. Frank O'Brien Papen Center - 304 W. Bell Avenue
  3. Good Samaritan - 3011 Buena Vida Circle
  4. Lynn Middle School - 950 S. Walnut
  5. Meerscheidt Recreation Center - 1600 E. Hadley Ave.
  6. Munson Senior Center - 975 S. Mesquite St.
  7. Dona Ana County Government Center - 845 N. Motel Blvd.
  8. Henry Benavidez Center - 1045 McClure St.
  9. Highland Elementary - 4201 Emerald Street
  10. Jornada Elementary - 3400 Elks
  11. Desert Hills Elementary - 280 Roadrunner Pkwy
  12. Sage Café - 6121 Reynolds Drive
  13. Dona Ana Community College East Mesa Branch - 2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd
  14. Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico - 4441 E. Lohman Ave.
- ABSENTEE - City Clerk's Office - 700 N. Main St.

(VII)

THAT absentee voting on paper ballots begins on October 11, 2017, and absentee voting on machines using ImageCast Evolution tabulators begins on October 18, 2017 and all absentee voting ends on Saturday, November 4, 2017. Absentee voting Monday through Friday will be between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Saturday absentee voting will be October 21, October 28 and November 4, 2017 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the office of the City Clerk, 700 N. Main Street.

THAT City staff is hereby authorized to do all deeds necessary in the accomplishment of the herein above. **DONE AND APPROVED** this 7th day of August, 2017.

APPROVED:

s/Ken Miyagishima \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Linda Lewis \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

(SEAL)

VOTE:

Moved by:	Sorg	Mayor Miyagishima:	Aye
		Councillor Gandara:	Aye
		Councillor Smith:	Aye
		Councillor Pedroza:	Aye
Seconded by:	Eakman	Councillor Eakman:	Aye
		Councillor Sorg:	Aye
		Councillor Levatino:	Aye

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

s/Jennifer Vega-Brown  
City Attorney

**RESOLUCIÓN NÚMERO 18-015**

**UNA RESOLUCIÓN PARA INVITAR A LA ELECCIÓN DE CONCEJALES PARA LOS DISTritos 3, 5, Y 6; Y UN JUEZ MUNICIPAL II EL MARTES 7 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2017.**

El Concejo Municipal está informado que:

**CONSIDERANDO QUE**, de acuerdo con las provisiones del Artículo VII, Sección 7.01 (A) de los Estatutos Municipales de la Ciudad de Las Cruces, una elección regular de la Ciudad se debe llevar a cabo el primer martes después del primer lunes del mes de noviembre de cada año terminando en número impar; y

**CONSIDERANDO QUE**, la Ciudad de Las Cruces está dividida en seis (6) Distritos de Concejo. Los Distritos de Concejo 3, 5 y 6 elegirán Concejales en la próxima elección regular de la Ciudad. Sólo los residentes con derecho de votar en un distrito tendrán derecho de votar por un concejal de un distrito en particular. Todos los candidatos deberán ser residentes de y con derecho a votar dentro del distrito por el que están corriendo. Los Concejales serán elegidos por un término de cuatro (4) años; y

**CONSIDERANDO QUE**, un Juez Municipal II será elegido en la próxima elección regular de la Ciudad. Todos los residentes con derecho de votar en la Ciudad de Las Cruces pueden votar por un Juez Municipal II. Todos los candidatos deberán ser miembros de la Asociación de Tribunales del Estado de Nuevo México, ser residentes de y con derecho de votar en la Ciudad de Las Cruces. El Juez Municipal II será elegido por un término de cuatro (4) años; y

**CONSIDERANDO QUE**, bajo las provisiones de la Sección 3-8-10, NMSA 1978, los distritos electorales pueden ser consolidados para elecciones municipales en interés de la economía. Bajo las provisiones de la Sección 3-8-11, NMSA 1978, el Concejo Municipal deberá designar los lugares de votación o colegio electorales para cada distrito electoral consolidado.

**AHORA Y POR LO TANTO**, el Consejo de Administración de la Ciudad de Las Cruces, resuelve lo siguiente:

(I)

QUE la elección regular del Municipio de la Ciudad de Las Cruces, Nuevo México, se llevara a cabo el martes 7 de noviembre de 2017. El horario para votar será de las 7:00 a.m. a las 7:00 p.m. Los siguientes puestos serán elegidos:

- Un Concejal de Distrito 3 por un término de cuatro (4) años;
- Un Concejal de Distrito 5 por un término de cuatro (4) años;
- Un Concejal de Distrito 6 por un término de cuatro (4) años;
- y
- Un Juez Municipal II por un término de cuatro (4) años.

(II)

QUE los candidatos para la elección de Concejal pueden ser nominados para ser elegido como Concejal por petición firmada de por no menos de veinticinco (25) personas con derecho a votar y residiendo dentro del distrito que el candidato busca representar.

(III)

QUE las formas de Petición y de Declaración de Candidatura deberán ser obtenidas en la oficina de la Secretaría Municipal. Las Peticiones Nominativas, la Declaración de Candidatura, Designación del Tesorero de la Campaña y una copia certificada de la registro de votante deben ser presentados como un sólo instrumento por cada candidato de Concejal el lunes 25 de septiembre de 2017, solamente de las 8:00 a.m. hasta las 5:00 p.m.

(IV)

QUE los candidatos para el puesto de Juez Municipal II no sean nominados por petición. Una Declaración de Candidatura, Designación del Tesorero de la Campaña, una copia de membresía de la Asociación de Tribunales del Estado de Nuevo México y una copia certificada de la

registro de votante deben ser presentados como un solo instrumento por cada candidato para Juez Municipal II el lunes 25 de septiembre de 2017 solamente de las 8:00 a.m. hasta las 5:00 p.m.

(V)

QUE los libros de registro de empadronamiento con el fin de votar en la elección regular municipal sean cerrados por el secretario del condado a las 5:00 p.m., el martes 10 de octubre de 2017.

(VI)

**QUE CUALQUIER VOTANTE CON DERECHO DE VOTAR PUEDE VOTAR EN CUALQUIER DE UNO DE LOS CENTROS CONVENIENTES DE VOTACIÓN EN LA CIUDAD DE LAS CRUCES PARA LA ELECCIÓN REGULAR MUNICIPAL. LOS CENTROS SON LOS SIGUIENTES:**

1. Branigan Library - 200 E. Picacho Ave.
2. Frank O'Brien Papen Center - 304 W. Bell Avenue
3. Good Samaritan - 3011 Buena Vida Circle
4. Lynn Middle School - 950 S. Walnut
5. Meerscheidt Recreation Center - 1600 E. Hadley Ave.
6. Munson Senior Center - 975 S. Mesquite St.
7. Doña Ana County Government Center - 845 N. Motel Blvd.
8. Henry Benavidez Center - 1045 McClure St.
9. Highland Elementary - 4201 Emerald Street
10. Jornada Elementary - 3400 Elks
11. Desert Hills Elementary - 280 Roadrunner Pkwy.
12. Sage Café - 6121 Reynolds Drive
13. Doña Ana Community College East Mesa Branch - 2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd.
14. Rehabilitation Hospital of Southern New Mexico - 4441 E. Lohman Ave.

**AUSENTE - Oficina de la City Clerk - 700 N. Main St.**

(VII)

QUE el voto ausente de papel sea obtenible comenzando el 11 de octubre 2017, y la votación ausente en máquinas los tabuladores ImageCast Evolution comienza el 18 de octubre 2017 y toda votación ausente termina el sábado 4 de noviembre 2017. La votación ausente del lunes al viernes sera entre las horas de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. La votación ausente de sábado sera el 21 de octubre, el 28 de octubre y el 4 de noviembre 2017 entre las horas de las 10:00 a.m. a 6:00 p.m., en la oficina de la City Clerk, 700 N. Main Street.

(VIII)

QUE el personal de la Ciudad sea autorizado por este medio para hacer todos los actos necesarios para lograr en esto arriba.

HECHO Y APROBADA este día 7 de agosto de 2017.

APPROVADO:

s/Ken Miyagishima  
Alcalde

ATESTIGUO:  
s/Linda Lewis  
Secretaría Municipal

VOTO:

Alcalde Miyagishima:	Aye
Concejal Gandara:	Aye
Concejal Smith:	Aye

(SELLO)

Concejal Pedroza:	Aye
Concejal Eakman:	Aye

Proposición hecha por: Sorg	Concejal Sorg:	Aye
	Concejal Levatino:	Aye

Apoiada por: Eakman  
Forma Aprobada:

s/Jennifer Vega-Brown  
Abogado Municipal

## Seven minutes in 48 hours

### NSMU, DACC join worldwide filmmaking competition

#### BULLETIN REPORT

A team from New Mexico State University and Doña Ana Community College recently participated in the international film competition, The 48 Hour Film Project ([www.48HourFilm.com](http://www.48HourFilm.com)), which challenges filmmakers to make a short film, between four and seven minutes, within 48 hours.

According to the rules, no writing or shooting can take place before the competition begins on a Friday night (July 28). Films must be turned in on Sunday night.

The local team competed in the Albuquerque competition. All films were screened in early August, and winners in categories such as best film, best editing and best soundtrack will be screened in Albuquerque, with results posted on the website [www.48HourFilm.com/albuquerque](http://www.48HourFilm.com/albuquerque).

The winner will represent Albuquerque against about 80 other cities at the annual Filmopalooza, scheduled for Paris, France, in March 2018 for the right to be named Best 48HFP Film of 2017.

The NMSU/DACC film is titled Bravo Romeo

Oscar,” with the tagline, “Doing the right thing, no matter the cost.”

“We asked for volunteers from both NMSU and DACC to participate as the creative team that wrote and created the film,” said Drew Mayer-Oakes, director of Film Las Cruces and Las Cruces’ film liaison.

“Jon Foley was the mastermind, aka producer, and rounded up a fabulous group of young filmmakers. The idea was to give student filmmakers the chance to work on a professional set. Jon and I, along with other film professionals, mentored the students throughout the process, and we ended up with a great short film.

“We drew our genre out of a hat. We drew ‘War/anti-war’ and themed our film accordingly. After the team threw around ideas, the writing team set out to write the five-page script, and by around 10:30 p.m. on Friday night, a completed script was ready.

“We arrived at the old Doña Ana County Courthouse and jail at 8 a.m. on Saturday to begin a 14-hour shoot, ending with a thunderstorm that actually made it into the film.”



PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

From left: actor Julia Gallegos, actor Jordan Jordan, director of photography Sam Palm, actor and producer Jon Foley, and actor and stunt coordinator Scott Bringe.



Actress Julia Gallegos rehearses the role of Natalie in the war film “Bravo Romeo Oscar,” filmed at the old Doña Ana Courthouse July 29.



Dominic Brown, Heaven Gallegos and Trey King take a break on set.



Sound technician and script writer Alana Murphy.

# Black Box Theatre set to open the light booth

## BULLETIN REPORT

Black Box Theatre invites theatre-goers backstage for a unique view of a play when everything that could go wrong on stage does go wrong.

“Headsets: A View from the Light Booth” opens Friday, Aug. 18, and continues through Sunday, Sept. 3 at Black Box, 430 N. Main St.

“It’s a true pleasure to direct the fourth play by William Missouri Downs as our 2017-18 season opener,” said the play’s director (and theatre owner) Ceil Herman.

The play takes places on the final night of the Chicago Ensemble Reper-

tory Group Theatre Project’s production of “Hamlet.” The entire cast has food poisoning, Yorick’s skull is missing and the police arrive to deal with a car that must be moved – all happening under the watchful eye of the Chicago Tribune’s theatre critic, whose very life is in danger from the moment he arrives at the theatre.

The cast includes Joshua Taulbee as Hammet, the play’s highly stressed stage manager, technical director and producer; Monte H. Wright is Claude, Hammet’s stepfather and light board operator; Elli Hernandez is the assistant stage manager;

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PHOTO BY PETER HERMAN, BLACK BOX THEATRE

Monte H. Wright, left, plays the light board operator, and David Reyes is aspiring actor Garry Cooper in Black Box Theatre’s production of “Headsets: A View from the Light Booth,” which opens Friday, Aug. 18 and continues through Sunday, Sept. 3.

## Getting fired by Grammy-winning singer was playwright’s motivation

Getting fired by a Grammy-winning singer led William Missouri Downs to write “Headsets: A View from the Light Booth.”

“Years ago, when I was a student at UCLA, I got a job as a spotlight runner for several Peggy Lee concerts,” Downs said. “Peggy Lee was a wonderful big band singer, but after listening to ‘Is That All There Is’ night after night, week after week, my mind was numb. The chatter over the headsets was the only thing keeping me awake. One night I lost concentration and leaned on the spotlight, sending the beam dancing around the stage in the middle of one of Miss Lee’s quiet numbers. After the show, Miss Lee fired me. That’s when I started thinking there was a play in this. I mean, for all the drama on stage there’s often a quiet chaos going on backstage. So I wrote ‘Headsets’ as the backstage story of ‘Hamlet.’ And it all happened because of Peggy Lee.”

“Headsets” is the fourth Downs play produced at Black Box Theatre in Las Cruces.

“The Black Box has always done wonderful productions of my plays,” Downs said. “I’m amazed at how much talent there is in Las Cruces.”

Downs was in the audience for Black Box performances of his plays “Mad Gravity” and “Seagulls in a Cherry Tree.”

“I don’t get to see the majority of my plays,” he said. “A lot of theatres don’t want the playwright

around (some playwrights have a reputation for being rather cantankerous), but Ceil and Peter (Herman, owners of the Black Box) have always kindly invited me.”

“The playwright is the only member of the theatre ensemble who is always present in spirit, but seldom in person,” Downs said. “This year, I’ve had plays produced in Spain, South Korea, India and Switzerland, but was only able to attend the one in South Korea. Sometimes I’ll be secluded in my study and suddenly realize that thousands of miles away people are laughing at one of my comedies. It’s an odd feeling of simultaneous warmth and disconnection.”

Downs lives in a log house in the mountains of northern Colorado. “For over a decade, I was trapped within the clamor of Manhattan and then Hollywood – perhaps that’s why I now pursue silence. People today don’t seem to be cognizant of how much noise they make. If I could live in outer space I would. I adore solitude.”

Downs described “Headsets” as “a backstage farce designed to be a fun, perhaps even silly, evening of theatre. I also write what I call philosophical comedies, where I try to say something about life. For many years, I was a writer in Hollywood. Every sitcom I wrote, I was required to eliminate any real message or meaning. I think that’s what drove me to the theater. I wanted to say something, not just entertain.

“Whether you’re in New York or Las Cruces, the-

atre is immediate and local,” Downs said. “And the size of the theatre has little to do with quality. I once attended an amateur production of one of my plays at an isolated community college, and the next night the same play was performed at a large professional repertory in a big city. The amateur production was wonderful, the professional so dreadful that I got chest pains and had to leave.”

An actor and director in addition to being a playwright, Downs said he is “constantly asking myself if my plays are stage-able. In my quiet mountain cabin, I act out all the roles (my dog thinks I’m nuts) and I visualize the staging of every scene. I’ve also been lucky enough to direct a dozen productions of my own plays, so I really get to know first-hand what works and what doesn’t.”

There have been about 150 productions of Downs’ plays around the world, according to [www.williammissouridowns.com](http://www.williammissouridowns.com). He has won numerous national writing awards and has twice been a finalist at the Eugene O’Neill Theater Center’s National Playwrights Conference. He wrote for the television shows “My Two Dads,” “Amen” and “Fresh Prince of Bel Air,” and won UCLA’s Jack Nicholson Award for screenwriting. Downs also has co-authored four books. He has directed 30 plays and acted in about 30 others. He has MFA in acting from the University of Illinois and MFA in screenwriting from UCLA. Downs was trained in playwrighting at the Circle Rep in New York.

– Mike Cook



DOWNNS

## BLACK BOX

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David Reyes is Garry Cooper, a spear carrier in the play who aspires to greater roles; Gorton Smith is a policeman; and Black Box Theatre co-owner, resident designer and technical director Peter Herman is Dick, the show's sound board operator, who watches episodes of "The Love Boat" between sound cues.

"We love plays that are smart comedies," Ceil Herman said, "and all of Downs' plays that we have produced, including 'Headsets,' have that in common. We have also enjoyed meeting Bill during his visits to Las Cruces to see both 'Mad Gravity' and 'Seagulls in a Cherry Tree.' His sense of humor in person is as funny as the characters in his plays!"

Performances of "Headsets"

are 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 18-19 and 25-26, and Sept. 1-2; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Aug. 27 and Sept. 3; and at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 31.

Tickets are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and senior citizens over age 65. All sets for the Thursday performance are \$10.

For reservations and more information, call Black Box Theatre at 575-523-1223.

# RGT has an offer you can't refuse

## BULLETIN REPORT

Following the success of "Singing in the Rain," the Rio Grande Theatre (RGT) will present "The Godfather" as the next in its classic movie series.

The Oscar-winning 1972 film will be shown on wide screen at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12 at the theatre, 211 N. Main St. downtown.

A pre-show event will begin outside the theatre at 5:30 p.m., as local restaurateur Vince Vaccaro will be selling pizza, pasta and cannoli. Theatre doors open at 6:30 p.m.

RGT's classic film series continues one

Saturday each month, with movies beginning at 7 p.m. "Meet Me in St. Louis" will be presented Sept. 9, "Cool Hand Luke" Oct. 7, "Gone with the Wind" Nov. 11 and "A Christmas Story" Dec. 2.

Tickets for the classic film series are \$8 each or \$79 for a season pass, which includes 12 films.

RGT's children's matinee continues at noon one Saturday each month. "The Rescuers" will be shown Aug. 22, followed by "Cinderella" Sept. 9, "Ratatouille" Oct. 7, "Cars" Nov. 11 and "Alice in Wonderland" Jan. 13.

Children's matinee tickets are \$1 each.

Special performances at the theatre in August will include Karla Perez in "Selena - The Ultimate Tribute," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26; a performance by New Mexico Contemporary Ensemble, 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27; and "Behind Enemy

Lines" with World War II French spy Marthe Cohn, 6:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28.

The theatre is now serving snacks, beer, wine and spirits.

For more information, call 575-541-2444. Visit [www.riograndetheatre.org](http://www.riograndetheatre.org).

Marlon Brando starred in the epic film, "The Godfather."

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>THU AUGUST 10 • 7:30 PM</b> Pop Jazz	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>SAT AUGUST 12 • NOON</b> The Rescuers Movie - Children's Matinee	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>SAT AUGUST 12 • 7:00 PM</b> The Godfather Movie	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>FRI+SAT AUGUST 11+12 • ALL DAY</b> Branigan Library Closed for Maintenance, Cleaning and Staff Training	<b>BRANIGAN LIBRARY</b>
<b>TUES AUGUST 15 • 10:30 P.M.</b> Read to Me (Story time for ages 3-7)	<b>BRANIGAN LIBRARY</b>
<b>TUES+THU AUGUST 15+17 • 4:00 P.M.</b> Teen Game Night	<b>BRANIGAN LIBRARY</b>
<b>TUE AUGUST 15 • 6:30 P.M.</b> Branigan Book Club Two Across by Jeff Bartsch	<b>BRANIGAN LIBRARY</b>
<b>WED AUGUST 16 • 10:00 A.M.</b> Toddler Time (Storytime for ages 1-3)	<b>BRANIGAN LIBRARY</b>
<b>WED AUGUST 16 • 11:00 A.M.</b> Mother Goose Time (Activities for Infants)	<b>BRANIGAN LIBRARY</b>
<b>WED AUGUST 16 • 2:00 P.M.</b> Design and Create Terrariums	<b>BRANIGAN LIBRARY</b>
<b>THU AUGUST 17 • 7:30 PM</b> Little Table Contraband	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>THU AUGUST 24 • 7:30 PM</b> Cordova	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>SAT AUGUST 26 • 7:30 PM</b> A Tribute to Selena - Live performance	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>SUN AUGUST 27 • 3:00 PM</b> Contemporary Ensemble	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>MON AUGUST 28 • 6:30 PM</b> Behind Enemy Lines: The True Story of a Jewish Spy in Nazi Germany, A Historic Evening with Marthe Cohn	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>
<b>THU AUGUST 31 • 7:30 PM</b> Mariachi Alma de Jalisco	<b>RIO GRANDE THEATRE</b>

## 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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## EVENTS CALENDAR

**Summer concert:** New Desert Harmony Singers will hold a summer concert at 7 p.m., Aug. 12 at Atkinson Recital Hall on the New Mexico State University campus. The theme is "Let the Sunshine In." The concert will feature songs that celebrate life, love, friendship and happiness from seven of the last eight decades in multiple genres. Tickets are \$10, available at Hubbard's Music-N-More, White's Music Box, St. Paul's Methodist Church, a NDHS member or at the door. Info: 575-373-1816, ndhsingers@gmail.com.

**Movies in the Park:** Films twice a month through September, at dusk on Saturdays, Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. Free. Info: 575-541-2550.

**August**

12 – "Sing"

26 – "The Lego Batman Movie"

**September**

9 – "The BFG"

23 – "Finding Dory"

**Music in the Park:** Live music, 7 p.m. Sundays at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. Free. Info: 575-541-2550.

**August**

13 – Tom Morris, country; The Egyptian Lovers, rockabilly

20 – Nataija, variety; Animated Jukebox, R&amp;B

27 – Nosotros, Latin; Never Ending Flame, rock

**Big Band Dance Club:** Dance to CD music with high quality sound

that includes ballroom, Latino, swing, country and salsa, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17, at the Alma de Arte School, 410 Court St. Free dance lessons beginning at 6:45 p.m. taught by a member of the NMSU DanceSport Team. Admission \$8 adults and \$5 for students. Beginners, singles and couples welcome. Dance partner not necessary. Info: 575-496-2761.

**Contra Dance:** The Southern New Mexico Music and Dance is sponsoring a contra dance at the Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago, Mesilla, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Aug. 18. Little Table Contraband will be playing and Lonnie Ludeman will be calling. No partner is needed. Beginners and newcomers are welcome and should come for instruction at 7:30 pm. Cost \$6, youth \$4, family \$15. Info: www.snmmds.org or 575-522-1691.

**Big Band Dance Club:** The Allen Kuncel Dance Band, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday Aug. 24, Alma de Artes School, 410 Court St. Free dance lesson beginning at 6:45 p.m. taught by a member of the NMSU DanceSport Team. Admission \$8 members, \$10 non-members and \$5 students. Beginners, singles and couples welcome. Dance partner not necessary. Info: 575-496-2761.

**Las Colcheras Quilt Guild:** 6:30 p.m. third Monday of each month, American Legion Post 10 Hall, 1185 Madrid Ave. Meetings consist of brief business announcements, a program, show-and-tell and door prizes. The guild offers quilt lessons, community service opportunities, sew-ins, an active outreach program and a

biennial quilt show. Info: Linnea Egbert at 575-521-0521, linnean-jce@aol.com or visit www.lcqq.org.

**Art classes:** Noon-12:50 p.m. Wednesdays, for high school students, My Place Jewell Studio, 132 B Wyatt Drive. Students may begin any time. Home-school art classes offered for students aged 7-12. Info: 575-647-5684 or www.waynecarlhuber.com.

**Las Cruces Ukles:** 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. Free. Info: las-crucesukes.blogspot.com, 575-405-7133.

**Guitar lessons:** Hunter Beck specializes in classical but teaches theory, history and technique for all styles of guitar. Info: 575-522-5181.

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

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- 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.

## DOWNTOWN EVENTS

- Farmers and crafts market: 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Wednesdays and Saturdays, Plaza de Las Cruces
- The Big Latch On: 8:30 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Aug. 12, Plaza de Las Cruces

## RIO GRANDE THEATRE EVENTS

211 N. Main St. Info: www.riograndetheatre.com, 575-541-2290.

**Movies at the Rio Grande:** Noon, Aug. 12, children's matinee "The Rescuers," (1977), doors open at 11 a.m.; 7 p.m. Aug. 12, "The Godfather" (1972), doors open at 5:30 p.m., children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. \$1 at the door, cash only. Concessions and catering, including beer, wine and spirits, will be available for purchase.

**Thursday Night Jam:** Support local musicians every Thursday night at the theater. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and show time is 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$5, cash only, at the door. Concessions served, including beer and wine.

Aug. 17: Little Table Contraband, old-time string band

Aug. 24: Cordova, fusion of different styles

Aug. 31: Mariachi Alma de Jalisco, mariachi

**A Tribute to Selena:** 7:30 p.m., Aug. 26, doors open at 6:30 p.m. Karla Perez performs as Selena Quintanilla. This 90-minute show consists of all Selena's hits in both Spanish and English accompanied



Little Table Contraband

by a six-piece band. \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door.

**Ensemble concert:** 3 p.m., Aug. 27. The New Mexico Contemporary Ensemble brings the music of the past century's most prolific and creative composers to the audiences of New Mexico. The Ensemble hopes to challenge and expand their audiences' conception of classical music. \$5 students/seniors, \$10 general, children under 12 free. Tickets: nmcontemporaryensemble.weebly.com Info: 563-379-9020, contemporarynm@gmail.com

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**Behind Enemy Lines:** 6:30 p.m., Aug. 28. "Behind Enemy Lines: The True Story of a Jewish Spy in Nazi Germany" with Marthe Cohn. Presented by the Alevy Chabad Jewish Center de Las Cruces. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door, VIP \$36. Info/RSVP: JEWISHLIC.com, 575-524-1330 Purchase tickets: chabadlrc.org. clhosting.org/templates/articlecco\_cdo/aid/3716806/lang/en



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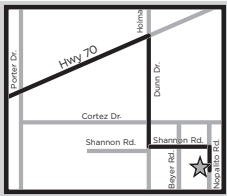
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# New NMSU theatre teacher brings wealth of experience

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Nichole Hamilton brings a deep background as an actor, director, storyteller, writer, improvisation artist and standup comic to her new position as assistant professor in the New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department.

"We are very excited to have Nichole Hamilton joining us as a new assistant professor of theater," said Theatre Arts Department Head Wil Kilroy. "She is an accomplished equity actor who has worked all over the country and she has additional experience with stage managing and directing as well as film and television work.

"She will be a wonderful complement to our current faculty and will certainly provide excellent education and training for our students. Nichole is also very interested in community outreach and has several ideas for projects in Las Cruces."

Hamilton arrived in Las Cruces from Gainesville, Florida, in July shortly after completing a performance in "Sex with Strangers" at Wellfleet Harbor Actors Theatre, Cape Cod Massachusetts. And, just before the start of fall classes at NMSU, Hamilton was off to the Minnesota Fringe Festival in Minneapolis for a solo performance she created.

Hamilton earned a BA in theatre from the University of Montevallo in Birmingham, Alabama, before joining a children's theatre company in San Francisco, where she also freelanced as an actor and director.

Based in the Bay Area, Hamilton had "eight years of not having a day off," she said. "I'd rather be working because I enjoy what I do."

Hamilton then traveled back to the University of Florida in Gainesville, where she earned an MFA in



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Nichole Hamilton appears in "Becky's New Car" by Steven Dietz. The play was directed by David Shelton at the Hippodrome Theatre in Gainesville, Florida, in February and March 2017.

acting. That led her to pursue theatre opportunities in the East and South during the past six years.

Her stage acting credits include "The Elephant Man," "The Turn of the Screw," "Dracula," "The Miracle Worker," "One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest," "Twelfth Night" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Hamilton is a master of numerous dialects and has experience as a singer, dancer and juggler, as well as training in stage combat.

Her favorite playwrights include Samuel Beckett, Edward Albee, Sara Ruhl, Will Eno and Charles Mee.

Living and performing in every part of the United States helped Hamilton discover her authentic self as an actor and performer, she said. It also has given her impressive credentials in the academic world.

"It makes me valuable," she said.

Wanting to pursue her love of teaching, Hamilton began looking for a university professorship.

When an offer came from NMSU to teach classes in voice and acting for stage and film, she accepted.

"I've spent time in the desert," she said. "There's something here my heart and soul taps into even more than the intellect."

Hamilton will direct her first play at NMSU when she takes on "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play," slated for a three-week run at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts beginning with a preview performance on Nov. 17 and continuing through Dec. 3.

Hamilton is a member of Actor's Equity, a company member and advisory committee member at the Hippodrome Theatre in Gainesville, and a teacher candidate with the National Michael Chekhov Association.

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# 'Lost in Paris' elevates silliness to an art form

By **JEFF BERG**  
For the Bulletin

Dominique and Gordon Abel are based in Brussels, Belgium, and have collaborated on three previous films, the best being "L'iceberg." The second-best would be "The Fairy," and "Rumba" would be a close third.

They are slapstick-type burlesque performers, and their films are made up of much silliness, most of it visual and often without words. Chaplin-like, or if you are French, they emulate Jacques Tati.

## GRADE: A

Lost in Mesilla? Look for the movie theatre a block south of the plaza, where you can see this fun flick, in French and English, during its week run starting Aug. 11.

Their newest work, "Lost in Paris," is as equally delightful as "The Fairy" or "Rumba," but nothing could top "L'iceberg," which played at the Fountain several years ago.

The film is feather-light and follows three eccentric disaster-prone characters around Paris.

It starts with Fiona, a librarian, leaving a snowy, windy village in Canada to find her Aunt Martha, who left the town years ago to follow her dreams in Paris. Martha is 88 now and a tad short of memory (as we see when she deposits her letter to Fiona in the trash rather than the mail box) and she wants Fiona to help her escape the clutches of a retirement home.

Fiona agrees to do



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Physical comedy is at the essence of "Lost in Paris."

so, arriving in Paris dressed in bright green and with a Canadian flag stuck on her backpack and immediately getting into physical comedy misadventures, including being stuck in the metro ticket gate, falling into the Seine River while a friendly local attempts to take her picture with her cellphone, and losing all her belongings, albeit temporarily.

Gravity sucks for Fiona, as her backpack is lost at sea, so to speak, and the kind person who was taking her picture (a non-stop jogger) tries in vain to return the phone, finally tossing it away. Make sure to watch his facial expression as he pursues Fiona as she ends up being rescued from the river, sort of.

As fate would have it, Dom, who lives in a pop-up tent along the

river, finds her passport, backpack and money and immediately takes advantage of his good fortune, going to celebrate on a dinner boat, where he normally picks stuff out of their trash to eat.

In one of the funniest scenes, Dom is placed by the kitchen door and by the speaker that the DJ is about to use and as the music booms, all the café patrons move along to it, rather unwillingly.

He soon approaches Fiona who has received a dinner coupon from the Canadian embassy and it doesn't take long for her to notice that Dom is wearing one of her sweaters. As she slowly figures out that Dom has all her goods, she also finds herself somewhat attracted to him, rather unwillingly, however.

In the meantime,

Martha has escaped her pursuer, with the help of several long passionate and very funny kisses bestowed upon a neighbor, and it is soon enough that Dom and Fiona are teamed up to find the escaped Martha, including a visit to a funeral home, which is probably the second-funniest scene in the film, which concludes on the Eiffel Tower.

The film is rich in quirks, pratfalls, and mistaken IDs, which adds to the fun and pure silliness of this whole comic adventure.

I love these performers and if you've not seen one of their earlier works, this is a great place to start.

Jeff Berg has been reviewing movies for the Bulletin since 2002. He lives in Santa Fe and may be reached at ned-ludd76@hotmail.com.

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Dotty Otley/Mrs. Clackett (Heather Hosford) squares off with Garry Lejeune/Roger Tramplemain (Eric Brekke) backstage during their performance of "Nothing On," the play within the play of "Noises Off."

## The play within the play

"Noises Off" opens Friday, Aug. 11, at Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St., for three consecutive weekends. It is directed by Brandon Brown and stars Bob Diven, Stephanie Vasquez Fonseca, Nora Brown, Nana Nguyen, David Edwards, Mike Dick and Mike Cook. Show times are 8 p.m. Friday and

Saturday, Aug. 11-12, 18-19 and 25-26; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 13, 20 and 27. Tickets are \$15 adults, \$12 senior citizens, students and military, \$11 each for groups of 10 or more and \$10 for children under age 12. For reservations and more information, call 575-523-1200 and visit [lcctnm.org](http://lcctnm.org).

Left to right are Lloyd Dallas (Mike Cook), Dotty Otley/Mrs. Clackett (Heather Hosford), Frederick Fellowes/Phillip Brent (Bob Diven) and, seated, Brooke Ashton/Vicki (Nana Nguyen) as they perform "Nothing On," the play within the play of "Noises Off."



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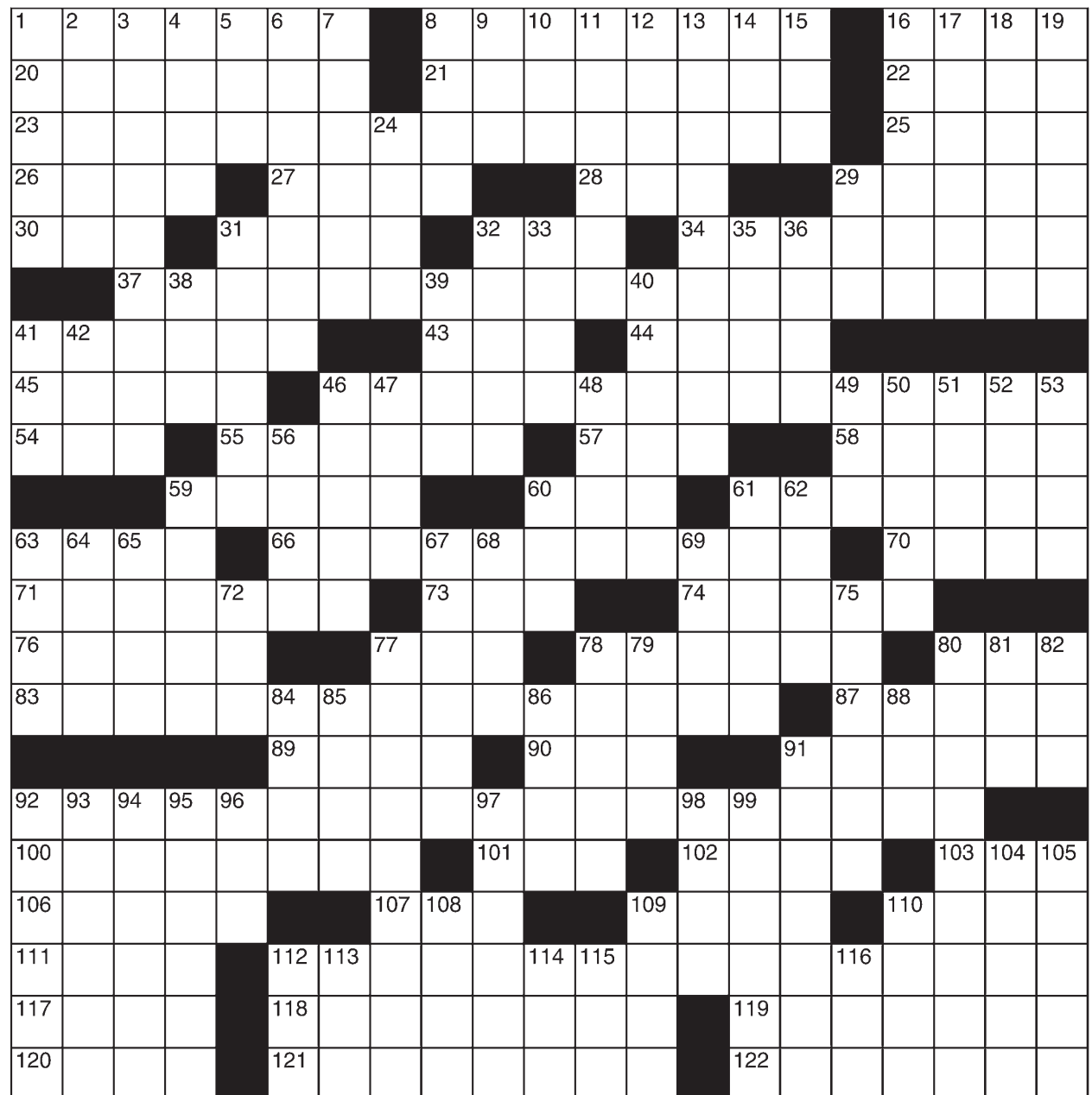
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1 As a substitute  
 8 Part of VCR  
 16 Snow clearer  
 20 Saint who converted Scotland to Christianity  
 21 Informal "Leave it to me"  
 22 Roll-call call  
 23 Public speech about unity?  
 25 Dictator Idi  
 26 D.C. baseball team  
 27 Dog pests  
 28 On the -- (in hiding)  
 29 Gun-carrying  
 30 -- -devil  
 31 Roster  
 32 Canto or esprit lead-in  
 34 Big online dating site  
 37 Japanese dancing girls being helpers?  
 41 Shunned sort  
 43 Hagen of the stage  
 44 Former U.N. head Annan  
 45 Citizen of Muscat  
 46 Don't leave the Hoosier State?  
 54 Method  
 55 Walk atop  
 57 "Wow!" in a text message  
 58 Get via logic  
 59 Reeves of Hollywood  
 60 Dandy guy  
 61 Substitute  
 63 Prefix meaning "both"  
 66 Infant next to a famous British poet?  
 70 Holders of holy tablets  
 71 Observant  
 73 French "yes"  
 74 Atlanta university  
 76 Carne -- (Mexican dish)  
 77 Method: Abbr.  
 78 Feta, e.g.  
 80 English article  
 83 Route for some travelers headed for Ohio from Ontario?  
 87 Housing at 74-Across, e.g.  
 89 London vehicle  
 90 Hawaii's Mauna --  
 91 Style of many ski chalets  
 92 Police officer in a certain military posture?

100 Having several parts  
 101 They may be parked at KOA sites  
 102 Dark film genre  
 103 Seattle-to-Phoenix dir.  
 106 Weed B Gon brand  
 107 Stable diet?  
 109 Followers of Attila  
 110 Like two peas in --  
 111 Miles of film  
 112 What DNA paternity tests provide?  
 117 Shah's home  
 118 Assumed control of  
 119 Polar light phenomena  
 120 To be, to Tacitus  
 121 Fireplace log supporters  
 122 Adolescents, informally

## DOWN

1 Holy relics  
 2 Singer Jones  
 3 Roofing color  
 4 Mild rebukes  
 5 Former U.K. record co.  
 6 Nullify  
 7 Pastry type  
 8 French film  
 9 In time past  
 10 Prince, e.g.  
 11 Artist Frank  
 12 2015 erupter  
 13 TV show opener, often  
 14 "-- a pity"  
 15 19th letter  
 16 Big -- (drug companies)  
 17 Actor Jack  
 18 Get aligned  
 19 Rival of Burger King  
 24 Bi- times four  
 29 Goya's field  
 31 Act as a link  
 32 Not -- eye (show no reaction)  
 33 Actor Morales  
 35 Player of 45s  
 36 "It's --!" ("That's just wrong!")  
 38 A, in Berlin  
 39 Japanese sport  
 40 Like bikinis  
 41 "Smack!"



42 Org. for drs.  
 46 Of kidneys  
 47 Digital book file extension  
 48 Tyro PC user  
 49 Drop down  
 50 Mosaic piece  
 51 Miles off  
 52 Tie locale  
 53 Eros' father  
 56 Perfume from Dana  
 59 Fella  
 60 Sticky-note initialism  
 61 Juliet's flame  
 62 Baseball's Slaughter

63 At the drop of --  
 64 "You've Made -- Very Happy"  
 65 Pooh, e.g.  
 67 Cellist with 18 Grammys  
 68 Total failure  
 69 Marsh stalk  
 72 Real admirer  
 75 West Coast evergreen  
 77 Hawaii achieved it in 1959  
 78 Congeals  
 79 Sun provision  
 80 Take place  
 81 "I wonder ..."

82 Suffix of nationalities  
 84 Certain Vette roof  
 85 Uttered  
 86 Kingly Norse name  
 88 Pedro's gold  
 91 In dispute  
 92 Cheap flick  
 93 Sirens, say  
 94 Radicals  
 95 Gas in fuel  
 96 AFL- --  
 97 Strive to get  
 98 Adequate, in dialect  
 99 Skim, maybe

104 Sub finder  
 105 Rims  
 108 Golfer Isao  
 109 -- d'oeuvre  
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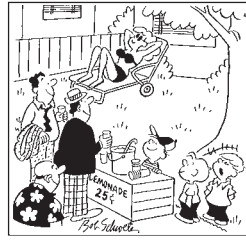
# PUZZLES

## WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

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

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## SCRAMBLERS



"Take away his \_\_\_\_\_ and what's he got? Just another lemonade stand!"

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Slip PALES   

Lift AIRES   

Circuit SOCURE   

Sober SUTEARE   

**TODAY'S WORD**

## CRYPTOQUIP

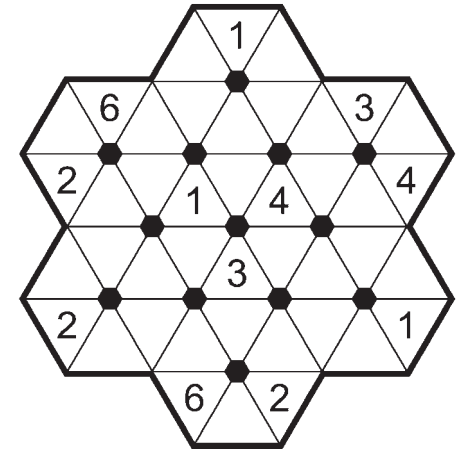
This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: B equals Q

CL T MFORFD'E VKTI HFZ  
 VKYVDCVAOVM GVLR HFZ XCRN  
 ITAH BZVERCFAE, XTE CR T  
 BZCWWCOTG YNHECOTG?

## SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

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



**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆

◆ Easy    ◆◆ Medium    ◆◆◆ Difficult

# PUZZLE ANSWERS

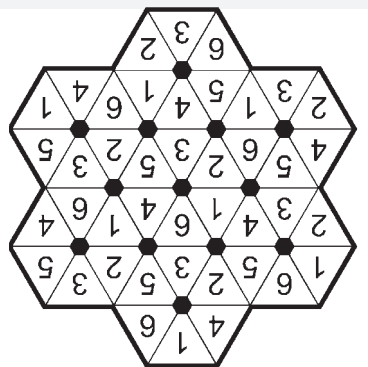
If a doctor's exam you experienced left you with many questions, was it a quizzical physical?

### CRYPTOQUIP

#### SISTER

Today's Word  
 1. Lapse; 2. Raise;  
 3. Course; 4. Austere

### SCRAMBLERS



### SNOWFLAKES

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### WEEKLY SUDOKU

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### SUPER CROSSWORD

## CALL TO ARTISTS

# Theater hosts kids audition workshop

## BULLETIN REPORT

Children interested in acting can take advantage of a free audition workshop presented by Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT) at 313 N. Main St. The workshop is from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 12.

There is no charge to attend and pre-registration is not required.

“A lot of people are interested in taking part in a theater production, but don’t know where to start,” said Susie Ouderkirk, an LCCT board member, actor and director. “This workshop will begin with the basics of who, what, when, where, why and how.”

The workshop is open to children of all ages, Ouderkirk said, but “parents will need to decide if their child has the attention span and interest level” to participate.

The idea of getting up on stage in front of other people can be stressful,



Young actors made up a majority of the cast of LCCT's December 2016 production of "The Wizard of Oz."

COURTESY PHOTOS

Ouderkirk said. “But if actors know what is expected of them and how to perform a strong, con-

fident audition, they’ll be much more successful.”

Workshop activities include brief introduc-

tions as to what takes place at an audition, what is expected of actors, and what they should be pre-

pared to do. Demonstrations will show successful auditions and common mistakes.

Topics such as audition song choices, conquering nerves and understanding important theater terminology will be discussed. Workshop presenters will answer questions, and participants who want to get on stage and work through a song will have a chance to do so.

“We’ll have some of LCCT’s best young actors demonstrating the poise, body language, stage presence and attitude that will help get you cast,” Ouderkirk said. “Just as important, we’ll have demonstrations of what not to do, which should be funny as well as helpful.

“The idea is to take the mystery and stress out of the audition process, and help people get comfortable,” Ouderkirk said. Parents are encouraged to join their children.

For information visit [www.lcctnm.org](http://www.lcctnm.org) or email [smouderkirk@gmail.com](mailto:smouderkirk@gmail.com)

## NMSU theater auditions Aug. 19 for three shows

## BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department will hold auditions beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19, for three shows that will be performed in the Mark and Stephanie Medoff Theatre at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave., during fall 2017.

Callbacks will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 20.

Auditions are open to NMSU students and community members. Ages for the parts being cast are from late teens and early college-age to late 40s and early 50s.

Sign up for an audition time at [www.nmsutheatre.com/audition/56/2017\\_fall\\_auditions\\_eqmgwl/](http://www.nmsutheatre.com/audition/56/2017_fall_auditions_eqmgwl/).

Auditions will be held for these productions: “Equivocation,” which will be directed by NMSU Theatre Arts Production Stage Manager Michael Wise and run Sept. 21 through Oct. 1; “Mariachi Girl,” directed by Doña Ana Community College Assistant Professor Layle Chambers, with performances on Oct. 19, 20 and 21; and “It’s a Wonderful Life; A Live Radio

Play,” directed by NMSU Theatre Arts’ newest staff member, Assistant Professor Nicole Hamilton, with performances Nov. 16 through Dec. 3.

All auditioners are asked to prepare a single, one-to-two-minute contemporary monologue, which can be either comic or dramatic, and 16 bars (about 30 seconds) of a song – there is mariachi singing in

“Mariachi Girl.”

NMSU theatre arts majors are asked to prepare a second “classical”/Shakespeare monologue for their auditions. There is a significant amount of Shakespeare in “Equivocation.”

For more information, contact Wise at 575-646-5418 or [mwise@nmsu.edu](mailto:mwise@nmsu.edu). Visit [www.nmsutheatre.com/auditions.php](http://www.nmsutheatre.com/auditions.php).

## CALL TO ARTISTS



PHOTOS BY ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

Borderlands Ballet Company members rehearse for their final show of the 2016-2017 season, "Café Noir."

## Borderlands Ballet Company set to hold auditions Aug. 19

### BULLETIN REPORT

The Borderlands Ballet Company is a Las Cruces nonprofit dance company serving the borderland region with performances and educational outreach. The company's mission is to establish a professional quality ballet troupe that will share the beauty of dance with the broadest possible audience within the borderland community (and beyond).

Auditions will be held in the main dance studio of the Las Cruces School of Dance & Music located at 1390 N. Main. Auditions begin at 4 p.m., Aug. 19, and aspiring company members are encouraged to arrive at least a half hour early. Complete information, including requirements and online preregistration, can be found at the BBC website: [www.borderlands-ballet.com](http://www.borderlands-ballet.com).

Artistic director Monique Foster said Borderlands Ballet aspires to

develop into an influential resident ballet company that allows regional talent to transition into a serious dance career without simply picking up and leaving the area.

"Without a range of opportunities," Foster said, "we end up losing some of our most talented individuals to other communities rather than the other way around."

The company develops its repertoire with a number of smaller productions throughout the year, community outreach and culminating in its first stage production in the spring.

Being available for charitable outreach in the community is another reason why a local ballet company provides more than what outside dance companies occasionally bring to the area. It also allows the company to do significant educational outreach to local schools.

For information visit [www.borderlands-ballet.com](http://www.borderlands-ballet.com).

# Community theater recruiting 'Annie'

### BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces Community Theatre (LCCT) will hold auditions for its production of the musical "Annie" at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday and Monday, Aug. 20 and 21.

The cast will include 15 to 20 adult males and females ages 16 to 70 to play leads and perform in the chorus, said Janet Beatty-Payne, who will direct and choreograph the show. She said the cast also will include nine girls ages 7 to 14 to play Annie and orphan children.

Betty-Payne said no roles in the production have been pre-cast.

Everyone auditioning for a part in the show – except for the role of Annie – should "prepare a Broadway-style song," Beatty-Payne said. Girls ages 8 to 14 who want to be considered for the role of Annie should prepare to sing either "Tomorrow" or "Hard Knock Life" for their auditions, she said.

An accompanist will be provided during auditions. Those auditioning are asked to bring sheet music for the songs they will be performing.

A short dance routine will be taught as part of the audition, Beatty-Payne said, so auditioners are asked to wear "appropriate clothing and bring tap shoes if you have them.

Rehearsals will be 6:30 to 9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday evenings begin-



ning Tuesday, Oct. 17, Beatty-Payne said.

The show will include a live dog performing as Sandy.

There will be 10 per-

formances of the show, beginning Friday, Dec. 1 and continuing through Sunday, Dec. 17.

Meagan Higgins will be the show's musical director.

The music for "Annie" was written by Charles Strouse, lyrics by Martin Charnin and book by Thomas Meehan. It premiered on Broadway in 1977 and ran for almost six years, winning Tony awards for best musical, original score and book.

For more information about the auditions, Beatty-Payne at [janetbeatypayne@yahoo.com](mailto:janetbeatypayne@yahoo.com).

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The view of Sonoma Ranch Golf Course from the course-side Sunset Grill.

# Review: 'Fluff' makes these omelets special

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

"Fluffy" is not a word I'm given to use a lot in normal conversation.

I tend only to use that work when talking about how I like my omelet prepared.

So, "fluffy" rings with the highest praise for the

meat-lovers (bacon, ham and sausage) omelet I had at Sunset Grill last week. It was outstanding!

I know omelets are pretty easy to prepare

(hey, even I can make one). But to me, if a restaurant does the simple things really well, their more artistic fares must be truly outstanding.

I had hash browns – also delicious – on the side. And, because I'm gluten free, I was delighted the menu included corn tortilla as a substitute for toast.

Combined with the spectacular view of Sonoma Ranch Golf Course from my window-side table and the very reasonable price (the fabulously fluffy, cheese- and meat-filled omelet was only \$11), this was a grand dining experience.

Other breakfast items offered at Sunset Grill include French toast and Belgian waffles, a variety of omelets, huevos rancheros, breakfast burritos, quesadillas and michadas.

And lucky for me, though I got to Sunset Grill after 11:30 a.m., it was serving breakfast until noon.

The lunch and dinner



A bacon, ham and sausage omelet at Sunset Grill.

menu includes a variety of chef's specialty sandwiches including burgers, tuna melts, Rubens, grilled cheese delight and turkey BLTs. All sandwiches come with French fries, sweet potato fries, coleslaw or a salad.

The menu also includes wraps, salads, appetizers, a variety of a la carte dishes (fish & chips, pasta diablo and truffle mac and cheese), and Southwestern favorites such as Baja tacos and enchiladas. There's

also a full bar.

Sunset Grill is open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week. It's located at 1274 Golf Club Road in the Sonoma Ranch Golf Course clubhouse. But you don't have to be a golfer (one of many skills I do not possess) to enjoy their great food.

For more information, call 575-521-1826 and find them on Facebook.

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# Getting abstract at Rokoko Gallery

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

At Rokoko Gallery, “Abstraction Action” buzzes and moves on the walls in splashes of line and color. Abstract pieces in a variety of mediums comprise the show.

Larry Costales’s photographs bring out the color and light in familiar objects, which lose their familiarity when he works with them. Cary Greer uses encaustics, wax on wood, to create the Little Chackra series, and Xaverio takes mineral and earth pigments to create a large round Petrales that would honor any large home space, especially Santa Fe adobe type design.

Gallery overseer Steve Duffy describes the show as a collection of nonobjective and non-representational works. Certainly the gallery is full of energy and emotion with this show.

Xaverio is from Granada, Spain, and works out of his Taos studio. His stark, straight-forward earth tone piece punc-



**Xaverio**

tuates the show by offering a moment of calm. It presents a huge wooden circle of browns and lines to sink into. The materials he uses have a richness and flavor uncommonly seen.

Working in resins, Tiffany Figueroa presents gloss and movement in her pieces, her colors flowing in such a way that as you stand and look, it seems the artwork changes. The more you look, the more the waves of rich hue shift and warp. Caught in strong shapes, the resin blends to please and confuse the eye simultaneously.

“Beacon,” “Four Steps” and “Maze” by Cassandra Lockwood bring the physical scale onto smaller canvases while enhancing the buzz of the show. Repetitive but varied forms cross Lockwood’s canvases, creating puzzles to keep the eye busy.

An acrylic and fabric piece by Daroy Holms presents a flowing scene of fiery colors and deep shifts. It speaks to the human need to name things and make sense of the visual, to label and identify. This piece seems to move by itself.

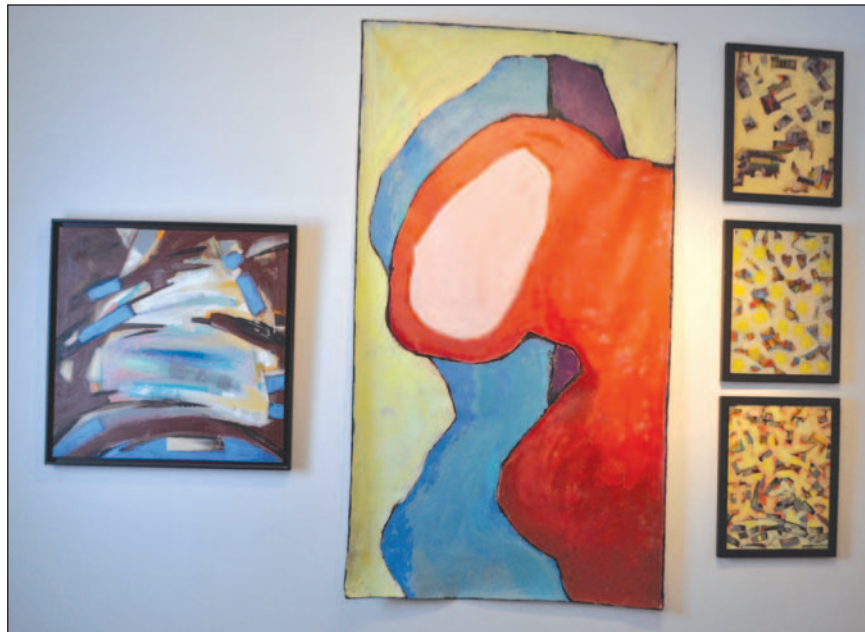
A.me Alamag’s canvas is the largest piece in the exhibit. Its bold, simple colors and shapes at first shed the viewer’s attention somewhere else, then



**ABOVE: Dennis Yesner**

**LEFT: A sample of the works displayed at Rokoko’s abstraction exhibit.**

BULLETIN PHOTOS  
BY ELVA K.ÖSTERREICH



draw it back again for a second, third and fourth look. This artist knows how to play with the senses of her audience.

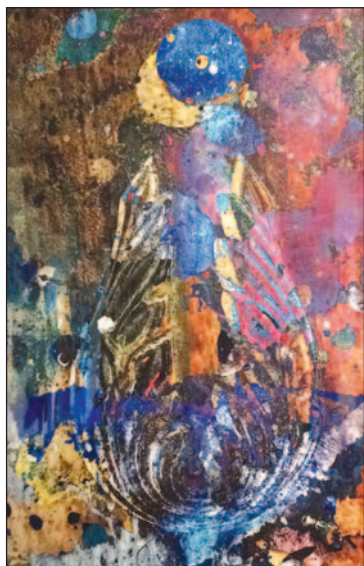
Rokoko Art Gallery has brought together these and other artists to compile an abstract show for the ages. Plan to spend time, let loose of pre-

existing concepts and sink into this artwork. There is much to think about.

Additional “Abstraction Action” artists include Cary Greer, Don Romero (deceased), Luis Navarro and Dennis Yesner. The show runs through early September. Rokoko is

located at 1785 Avenida de Mercado in Mesilla and is open noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Other days are by appointment. Call 505-690-6915.

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**Tiffany Figueroa**

# Empower your team at escape room

By ALTA LECOMPTE

Las Cruces Bulletin

At the outset, Griff Allen of Lost Cruces Escape Room sounds like a typical business owner sharing a simple mission statement.

“We are in the experience business,” Allen said during a recent interview. “We want people to go out the door wanting to come back and wanting to come back with their friends.”

An escape room is a live adventure game where people collaborate to solve their way out of a room. It is entertainment, but Allen also courts corporate clients with the goal of helping them build high-performance teams.

“We apply rubrics to analyze team dynamics,” he said. “We can build strategies for individuals and work groups.”

The experience Allen and his team have created presents challenges designed to “stimulate the creative process and get over the fear of trying something new – and not feeling silly.”

“It’s important to Las Cruces and New Mexico for all of us in the region where we’re in a situation beyond our control and have to do more with less,” he said. “The people who will thrive are those who can move faster and smarter and be more effective.”

The escape room creates an environment focused exclusively on problem solving, Allen says, forcing “people to establish situational leadership and high-quality interaction dynamics.”

## Behind the locked room

In a pre-event conference outside the escape room, team members study the dynamics



Griff Allen brings a background in engineering, business and theater to the creation of Lost Cruces Escape Room on Telshor Boulevard.

of high-functioning teams. The puzzle that unfolds is a complex mystery that challenges players to locate a missing heiress.

The game, Ariana’s Wedding, is set in her anxious father’s reading room, where she was last seen.

Players are plunged into a fictional world in which they become imaginary figures solving a problem bigger than themselves, Allen said.

A video monitor mounted over the door displays a countdown timer and clues.

At the end of each 60-minute game, there’s a de-briefing and a celebration.

## Varied background

Allen earned a degree in mechanical engineering and then embarked on multiple careers: working for an integrated steel mill and a fluid power company in Cleveland; serving as engineering director for a non-ferrous metals company that supplied the medical and aviation industries; motor sports analyst for ESPN.



The setting for the game Ariana’s Wedding, in which players attempt to follow clues and find the missing woman

His takeaway from engineering and motor sports was that teams that consistently win “have a culture and habits that demonstrate much higher communication and collaboration.”

After ESPN, Allen transitioned into TV, theater and film acting. Then, as director of organizational effectiveness at Parkland Hospital in Dallas, he helped guide the process of moving to a new facility. He completed the Parkland project in 2015.

## Las Cruces-bound

He moved to Las Cruces “because you don’t have snow,” Allen said.

His first idea for a business was a karting center – high-performance go-karts on an indoor track. He determined, however, that Las Cruces was not a viable market due to the cost and pro-

jected utilization rate.

An escape room was Plan B.

Allen’s sweeping background played into the concept he fleshed out with experts in organizational development, instructional design, game design, theater, film and business.

“The back end of the business rests on a deep understanding of engineering, theater, media, film and business,” Allen said.

His team includes four academics with doctoral degrees who work remotely, a local historian and local theater professionals who “create the magic.”

“The people who are actually on set are pulled out of our local set design talent. They are the ones who convince the players they’re actually in a millionaire’s mansion,” he said.

Allen plans a second escape room this year that challenges

players to prepare a seemingly normal 20-something woman to be a super hero.

A third game, Manhattan Mission, will have experienced players move at a blistering pace to save the world by stopping the development of a “peace keeping device” before it falls into the wrong hands.

Players in the fourth escape room, Fountains of Truth, will solve the disappearance and apparent murder of Col. Albert Fountain and his son.

In addition to expansion, Allen said he will hire 12 part-time game masters, lobby managers and operations managers.

“Our goal is to become a destination employer for people who want to challenge themselves to be their best, build value for the community

# Cash transactions less common than three years ago

## Cashless society has implications for privacy, border

**M**oney – what it is, how it's used, who has it – is among the most important touchstones of any culture or society.

Currently, the United States, along with other Western countries, is in a process of transformation to a cashless society.



**CHRIS ERICKSON**  
State of the Economy

In the same way that we would look upon someone trying to pay for groceries with a gold doubloon, our children may look 20 years from now at someone trying to use a dollar bill. The cashless is nigh.

This was made clear in a recent study in which the Federal Reserve asked 1,500 consumers to track how they paid for items. The study found that 32 percent of transactions used cash, dramatically less than a similar study in 2012, down 8 percentage-points. All other transaction types – debit, electronic (online), check and other – were up slightly. If the trend continues, debit transactions will be more common than cash by 2018.

Other countries have already moved toward a cashless society. The least-cashed economy is Sweden, where the government provides a basic debit card to any citizen who needs one.

Whether a cashless society is desirable or not is a tough issue. The change will have profound implications. The major advantage of cash, of course, is anonymity. Authorities can

track other types of transactions. Even Bitcoin can be traced, despite marketing hype to the contrary.

This is good if the person being tracked is a criminal or a terrorist; it is not so good if the person is the political opponent of a government official.

When we move away from cash, we move toward a society in which the government can track each transaction and suss out what we are doing and where we are. It's Big Brother's dream. And we are doing this voluntarily.

We are trading privacy for convenience. Baby boomers such as myself were raised to value privacy. Millennials, conditioned by years of sharing on Facebook and Instagram, don't have the same desire for privacy as previous generations.

Here in Las Cruces, there is further reason to question the cashless society. Borders have always been a place of shady dealing. Smuggling, contraband, drug running – these are all activities associated with the border. And these all tend to be cash-and-carry businesses. The cashless society will change all this. For most of us, that will be for the better.

Still, if we become a truly cashless society, in the same way that we are a doubloon-less society, so that the option to use cash in a transaction isn't a viable option, the control we cede to the state may not worth the convenience.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Darden joins Western Heritage Bank

Brandy Darden has been named senior vice president for Western Heritage Bank, Las Cruces.

"We are excited about Brandy joining our Las Cruces team. Brandy is an engaged member of the business community and her experience in commercial lending is an ideal match for us as we grow the bank," said Greg Cory, president and CEO of Western Heritage Bank.

Darden was vice president/market manager of Century Bank in Las Cruces, 2014-17. She served as vice president/commercial lender at Century Bank, 2011-14. From 2003 to 2011, Darden was vice president/commercial lender at State National Bank (now known as BBVA Compass) in Las Cruces.

Prior to working in New Mexico, she was employed by Colonial Bank in Reno, Nevada, as assistant vice president/commercial lender.

Darden serves or has served the following organizations: The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce;

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Heritage Foundation; the Las Cruces Public School Foundation; Memorial Medical Center; and the Hillbillies 4-H Club.

Western Heritage Bank currently operates locations in Las Cruces and Deming and plans to open a location in El Paso in 2017.

### NM jobless rate inches lower

New Mexico's unemployment rate declined to 6.4 percent in June 2017, good enough to outperform Alaska, which had a 6.8 percent jobless rate.

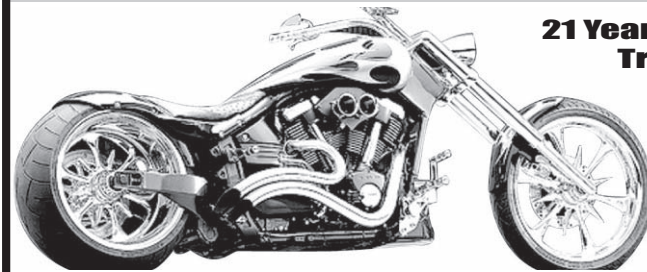
Colorado and North Dakota charted the lowest unemployment, 2.3 percent in both states, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor statistics.

In the Las Cruces metropolitan area, the jobless rate was 7.4 percent, down from 8.1 percent in June 2016.

Year over year, the jobs picture improved in two sectors in Las Cruces – manufacturing employment, which grew by 8.7 percent, and leisure and hospitality by 3.7 percent. Professional and business services employment slipped 2.9 percent and the mining, construction and logging sector slipped 2.7 percent.

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# Lopez: Develop a culture of risk-taking

By **ALTA LeCOMPTE**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Southern New Mexico's future economic growth may be riding on the rails from Los Angeles and Long Beach, CEO Davin Lopez of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance said Aug. 1 at a MVEDA member appreciation meeting.

He said the trend in hauling cargo from West Coast ports is toward on-dock loading to trains, which eliminates truck congestion at the ports.

But the congestion has moved inland.

"The (California) inland empire has now become the new congestion the Los Angeles basin used to be," he said. "We're having a conversation with companies in those areas: Why ship an hour away when you can ship to Santa Teresa and take advantage of the lower cost of doing business in Doña Ana County?"

"The conversation we're having is about how rail links the country – and how we're at the center of that."

To take advantage of opportunities such as those created by the Union Pacific Intermodal Port at Santa Teresa, Lopez said, southern New Mexico must develop "a culture of risk taking."

"I would ask for greater investment in economic development across the board and a culture of risk taking," he said. "The economic impact and new tax base created by getting people employed is far greater than the money invested."

New Mexico, compared to other states does not have a culture of economic development, he said.

New Mexico competes for new industry with better-funded states, such as Arizona and Colorado, and especially Texas, Lopez said.

"The challenge is, not only is Texas aggressive, it takes risks to get economic development going," he said. "Frankly, our culture is not to that point yet."

"The economic development marketing budget for the entire state is only \$1 million, compared to \$2 million for a little town in Texas."

## The love equation

Lopez said MVEDA has always followed an asset-based, targeted marketing strategy that focuses on what makes

the region unique and would make companies want to come here.

Quality of life and quality of service are selling points.

"You can come into our state and meet with the mayor tomorrow, the governor next week," Lopez said. "It's the love equation that sets us apart."

Among the industries it courts are UAVs, manufacturing and logistics, telemedicine and back office.

Although the UAV industry has not been on the state's radar, southern New Mexico has the assets to attract UAV companies.

"We're not competitive for Boeing or Cessna," he said, "but we have a niche competing for UAV, which is the fastest-growing sector of the aerospace industry."

The telemedicine field is one that merges with several of the area's assets, Lopez said.

In a comprehensive strategy to attract target industries, MVEDA has expanded its online and social media outreach. At the same time it has returned to using some tried-and-true marketing strategies such as attending trade shows and following up with direct mail.

"In the past two years, we've put more into marketing," Lopez said. "We may not win every day, but if we provide accurate information, they'll come back and take a look. That's been proven year after year."

During fiscal year 2017 ending June 30, MVEDA represented Doña Ana County at 12 trade shows, Lopez said.

"We attended the outdoor retail show last week in Salt Lake," he said. "We spent most of our time planting a seed for projects that are two or three years down the road."

Lopez said during FY17 MVEDA identified 44 qualified prospects – companies planning to do projects in the next 12 to 18 months that say they want to know more about Doña Ana County.

"In the past year we have done a good job of building back our pipeline," he said.

Commenting on the importance of developing the pipeline, Lopez said it takes an average of 368 days to close a project, not counting the time put into relationship building before the project starts.

"It's not instant gratification," he said. "It's more like commercial real estate than it is like residential."

## Results

A graph showing MVEDA's results during FY2017 are almost an inversion of results in the past few years, Lopez said. Projects in the pipeline are up, as are qualifying projects and so is overall investment. In FY16 on the other hand, the number of projects completed and jobs created was higher.

Unlike previous years, aerospace, back office and logistics declined, while manufacturing and value-added agriculture increased.

Commenting on the growth of value-added agriculture, he noted the county's great agriculture tradition and resources.

"We started concentrating on marketing value-added agriculture two and a half years ago, and we're really beginning to see the results."

Lopez said MVEDA leads an effort to get agriculture to qualify for JTIP (Job Training Incentive Program) funding, convincing state officials the change was needed.

## Challenges and opportunities

Lopez said decision-making along the border has slowed down as a result of uncertainty about the future of the North American Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Another challenge to economic development in southern New Mexico is a shortage of facilities for commercial and industrial companies to move into.

"We are missing opportunities as a result of not having those facilities," Lopez said, adding 82 percent of all projects require an existing facility.

He said perhaps a public-private partnership is needed to address the shortage.

"We are having a very strong conversation with the city," he said.

"I'm bullish about the year coming up. There are solutions we need to get to."

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## SAVE THE DATE

**Tuesday, Aug. 15**

**1 p.m. "Considering Social Security?"** seminar, 3050 Roadrunner Parkway, Suite B. Presenters Toby Rue, associate vice president and financial adviser, Morgan Stanley, and Ray Vigil, public affairs specialist, Social Security Administration. Seating is limited. RSVP to Rue, 575-521-2377 or [toby.rue@ms.com](mailto:toby.rue@ms.com).

**Thursday, Aug. 17**

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**Thursday, Aug. 24**

**2-4 p.m. Steps to Starting Your Business workshop**, Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center, 2345 E. Nevada Ave., Room 101 E. Free. Register at [www.nmsbdc.org](http://www.nmsbdc.org)

**Friday, Sept. 1**

**11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The Do's and Don'ts of Grant Writing for Small Non-profits**, Lunch and Learn First Fridays, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., Roadrunner Room. Free. Info: WESST, [www.wesst.org/las-cruces](http://www.wesst.org/las-cruces); 575-541-1583; [agarcia@wesst.org](mailto:agarcia@wesst.org).

## ESCAPE ROOM

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and have fun at work."

He will measure his own success by whether Lost Cruces is relevant, Allen said.

"I'm not out to be popular, I want to be relevant – relevant to families ... to travelers, to health-care professionals to academics, to mobility-challenged veterans and retirees.

"A lot of people look at Las Cruces and New Mexico and say, 'Poor me, everything is dismal,'" he said. "I see opportunity. This is a great environment for someone with my passion and skill set."

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## Chile time

Music filled the air Aug. 3, accompanying the motions of green chile pickers in a field west of Las Cruces. The familiar scent of roasting has begun at local groceries. Special events will include the roasting of organic chiles during the Mountain View Market's second annual block party 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 12.

In the parking lot of Horse N Hound Feed N Supply, Mayfield High School FFA volunteers will roast and sell green chiles donated by area farmers Friday afternoon, Aug. 18, and all day Saturday until supplies run out.

The following weekend, Las Cruces High School FFA will hold its chile roasting fundraiser Friday afternoon, Aug. 25, and Saturday Aug. 26, at Horse N Hound.



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## WORSHIP CALENDAR

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**Holy Cross anniversary:** Holy Cross School 90th anniversary/Saint Mary's High School 10th anniversary includes Homecoming reception, morning mass and Anniversary Fiesta, Sept. 14-16. Former students, send name, graduation year or years attended, email, phone and address to lccsalumni@gmail.com. Info: Las Cruces Catholic Schools, 1331 Miranda, Las Cruces, NM 88005; 575-526-2517.

**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, 575-642-1003.

**Agape Christian:** 4:30 p.m. 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.

**A Course in Miracles:** 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Tesoro Integrative Health Center, 1605 S. Main St. Complete self-study spiritual thought system with Edward Alvarez. \$5 suggested donation. Info: 575-541-5660.

**Center for Spiritual Living:** 575 N. Main St. Info: Dr. David M. Boje, 575-936-9578, 575-523-4847 or david@da-vidboje.com.

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- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Sacred Living Circle
- 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, practical mysticism class
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- 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Tao healing and touch yoga, \$5
- 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, spirit dance
- 7-8 p.m. Thursday, Single Parents Support Group
- 1:30-3 p.m. first Friday and 5-7 p.m. third Friday of the month, shamanic drumming and meditation
- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, A Course in Miracles discussion.

**Sunday School:** Year-round, with a special summer curriculum happening now; 9-10 a.m. every Sunday at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Boutz Road. For children ages 4 through 5th grade; includes "Parable Quest," as children hear the parable stories of Jesus and participate in games, crafts, snacks and songs. Info: 575-526-5559 or vbs@fpc.lc.

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## WORSHIP

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Thursday of each month, First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Support group for interested grandparents serving as community advocates, mentors. Voice concerns and share words of wisdom without judgment. Info: Lola Lestrack, 575-382-5678 or Shirley Daniels 575-915-8284, email tpphipps@zianet.com.

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**Cowboys for Christ:** Non-denominational outreach organization seeks volunteers to coordinate Christian fellowship to assist those in need. Info and requests: benzo@live.com.

**Wellspring Religious Science Center:** 9:30 a.m. Sunday followed by service at 11

a.m. The "Early Birds" discussion group.

**Codependents Anonymous:** Meetings are 7-8 p.m. on Mondays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave., room 107. CoDA is a 12-step program that focuses on learning to nurture ourselves. We let go of unhealthy rescuing behavior and focus on spiritual and emotional health. Info: www.coda.org or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

**Campus Mass:** 12:10 p.m. Tuesday, Newman Center, 2615 S. Solano Drive. Catholic students and St. Albert the Great weekly mass. Info: Mona Chip, mona@stalbertnewmancenter.org.

**Men's prayer meeting:** 7 a.m. Saturday, 1605 S. Valley Drive, led by Manny Howie. Info: 575-523-1113.

**Worship service:** 10 a.m. Sunday, Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 2540 El Paseo Road, followed by a light meal before Bible classes for all ages. Info: www.crossofchristlc.net or call 915-740-7714 or 575-649-5458.

**Worship service:** Seventh Day Adventist, 240 Three Crosses Ave. Sunday – 9:30 a.m. service, 11 a.m. Sabbath School. Wednesday – 6 p.m., Bible study. Info: 575-526-5623.

**Science of Mind talk:** 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, 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:** Noon Wednesday, Memorial Medical Center chapel, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. Holy mass. Info: 575-636-3274.

**Men's Fellowship:** Noon, Tuesday, IHOP, 2900 Del Rey Blvd. Christian Men's Fellowship. Open discussion. All men welcome. Info: 575-621-2350.

**GriefShare:** 4-6 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church, Room 229, 106 S. Miranda Ave. Weekly seminar and support group designed to help rebuild life after losing a loved one. \$10 for participant workbook.

Info: Penny Baca, 575-635-9696.

**Communion Service:** 10:15 a.m. Sunday, 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. Tuesday, 106 S. Miranda St., in the fellowship hall. Info: 575-524-3691.

**Non-denominational service:** 5:45 p.m. Sunday, Dream Center, Sixth and Wilson Streets. New Agape Christian Church offers a scriptural, theological, historical and scientific look at the Prophets. Children's church provided. Info: Pastor Herb, 575-650-3915.

**Prayer groups:** 9 a.m. Saturday, 20-30-minute centering prayer. 4-5 p.m., women's prayer, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Fusion Youth Fellowship: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday at 2941 Morningstar Drive. Info: 575-521-3770.

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# Butterfly Flutterby winging its way to park

## BULLETIN REPORT

Join the Asombro Institute for Science Education (AISE) from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 19, for the 15th annual Butterfly Flutterby at the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park. The event will include 14 stations – all about butterflies.

All ages are welcome to come visit with Las Cruces master gardeners, ask experts butterfly-related questions, view butterfly specimens, travel through a butterfly lifecycle maze, make a butterfly necklace, participate in face painting and a butterfly sponge toss, and more.

Admission is \$3 and parking is free.

The park is located northeast of Las Cruces. From Interstate-25 in Las Cruces, head east on U.S.

Highway 70. Take the Mesa Grande Road exit (at Oñate High School). Make a U-turn under the highway to head west, and stay in the right lane. Turn right (north) on Jornada Road. Follow Jornada Road for 6.4 miles and turn left at the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park sign. Follow the entrance road to the parking area and trailhead.

Asombro is a nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing scientific literacy by fostering an understanding of the Chihuahuan Desert. It provides hands-on science education programs for more than 13,000 students throughout southern New Mexico and west Texas each year.

For information, call 575-524-3334 or visit [www.asombro.org](http://www.asombro.org).



Attendees enjoy the Asombro Institute for Science Education's 2016 Butterfly Flutterby. The 2017 event is Saturday, Aug. 19 at Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park.

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## It's OK to be corny this season

When corn on the cob is in season, I take advantage. My first taste is usually straight from the cob. I drizzle it with melted real butter and then generously sprinkle it with cayenne pepper. Paired with a fist-sized grilled one-half pounder smothered in chunky guac, it makes for a sassy side. Yet other corn-licious recipes pique my taste buds. I feature at least three or four dishes on my weekly menu. Some are made for dipping or as a topper, others as a main entrée or a side. Corn is plentiful this summer and with our new crop of green chile, endless recipes await!

### Spicy Hot Corn Dip (Yield: 6-8 appetizer servings)

2 tablespoons butter  
½ cup chopped yellow onion  
¾ cup chopped red bell pepper (about ½ of a large pepper, seeded)  
¼ cup chopped jalapeño (about 2 jalapeños, stemmed and seeded)  
2 teaspoons freshly minced garlic  
4 ounces cream cheese, softened  
4 cups fresh yellow corn kernels (about 4-5 ears)  
1 teaspoon chili powder  
½ teaspoon cayenne pepper  
½ teaspoon kosher salt  
½ teaspoon pepper  
1½ cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese, divided  
1 tablespoon fresh chopped cilantro  
Blue corn chips or other favorite tortilla chips  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.



**SUNNY CONLEY**  
Chile Knights

remove corn kernels from cob: Peel and discard silk and husk. Note: To easily remove silk, use a bristle scrub brush or a damp paper towel. Place cob flat side down and cut off kernels with a sharp knife using a sawing motion.

Add corn, chili powder, cayenne pepper, salt, pepper, and ½ of the shredded cheddar cheese. Stir well to combine.  
If using a cast iron skillet, top the mixture with the remaining cheese. If not, transfer mixture to a casserole dish and top with remaining cheese.  
Bake (uncovered) for 13-15 minutes, or until hot and bubbly. Top with fresh chopped cilantro and serve with tortilla chips.

### Corn Salsa

(Yield: about 2 cups)

2 corn on the cob, husks, and silk removed  
½ cup green pepper, stemmed, seeded and chopped  
½ cup red bell pepper, stemmed, seeded and chopped  
½ cup red onion, chopped  
2 medium tomatoes, chopped  
¼ cup ripe olives, sliced  
2 tablespoons pickled jalapeño peppers, drained and chopped  
1 teaspoon pickled jalapeño pepper juice  
2 tablespoons red wine vinegar  
½ teaspoon garlic salt  
½ teaspoon pepper

Parboil corn on the cob for 1 minute. Cool. Using a sharp knife, remove kernels from cob. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl. Cover and chill for several hours. Great for dipping or as a topping for fish chicken.

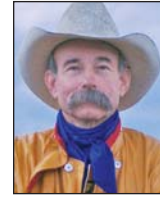
### Chili Lime Sweet Corn Salad (Serves 4-6)

6 ears of corn husked and silk removed  
2 tablespoons melted butter  
2 tablespoons freshly squeezed lime juice  
½ teaspoon chili powder  
1 tablespoon chopped cilantro  
½ cup crumbled queso fresco or feta cheese  
¼ teaspoon salt (or to taste)  
In a large pot, bring water to

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## Parakeets and dogs

Most of us who deal with animals on a regular basis are familiar with the books of that well-loved veterinarian and author of "All Creatures, Great and Small," James Herriot. He seems to embody everybody's image of the kindly, competent country practitioner. Occasionally wrong, but always well intentioned.



**BAXTER BLACK**  
On the Edge  
of Common Sense

Vets are often called on to minister to the needs of the owner as well as the patient. Dr. Herriot told one story that is a variation of a tale not unheard of by many veterinarians, regarding a blind woman's parakeet. The parakeet sat in his cage and sang. He was the old lady's sole companion.

Dr. Herriot was called to her house one day with the complaint that Perry wasn't eating. Doc withdrew Perry from his cage and reassured Missus that his beak was overgrown. He could fix it in a jiffy. Missus was so relieved. She loved Perry's singing so much. Doc carefully snipped the beak and when he went to replace the bird in his cage, he made the startling discovery that Perry was dead as a crowbar!

The rest of the chapter involved Dr. Herriot's mad search to find a live replacement for Perry with the genuine intention of preventing the blind lady from suffering distress.

It doesn't just happen to vets! A pet

shipping container arrived at the big city airport. As it was wending its way through the bowels of the baggage facility, one of the employees peeked into Skipper's cage. She immediately removed the dog crate and called her supervisor. After some gentle nudging with a short stick they agreed that Skipper was stiff as a two by four and was, in fact, Dead!

A crowd of baggage handlers gathered. They were terribly concerned. They were discussing who to blame when one of the men said his neighbor was feeding a stray that was the spitting image of Skipper! He was sent to get the dog at any cost while the supervisor went out front and stalled the passenger.

Within an hour they had switched collars, stuffed the stray in the carrier and Skipper in a sack.

"That's not my dog," said the disgruntled passenger.

"Well, sure it is, ma'am," asserted the supervisor.

"Nope. That's not Skipper."

"He came in this carrier checked from Des Moines. It says so right on the tag here!"

"Not him!"

"Look! He's waggin' his tail! He's wearin' his collar! It's got to be your dog!"

"Sure isn't," she said, "My dog's dead!"

*Baxter Black is a cowboy poet, former large animal veterinarian and entertainer of the agricultural masses. Learn more at [www.baxterblack.com](http://www.baxterblack.com).*

Melt butter in a 10-inch skillet, preferably cast iron, over medium high heat. Add onion, bell pepper and jalapeño and sauté for 2 minutes, or until vegetables have slightly softened. Add garlic and cook until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Add cream cheese and stir constantly until melted. To



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# A Fiesta of Food Trucks

Las Cruces food trucks have gotten together to offer customers fun and selection. The trucks can be found during Food Truck Fiestas in various places in the city several times a month through September. The fiestas take place from 6 to 9 p.m. and always feature live music.

On Aug. 16, the fiesta will be at Plaza de Las Cruces on Main Street; Aug. 23 at the University Church of Christ parking lot; Sept. 6 at Allen Theatre's Telshor 12 where diners get a coupon for a buy one, get one free movie offer; and on Sept. 20 the fiesta moves back to the Plaza de Las Cruces on Main Street.



Tammy Payan and Joe Payan man the Wannabe Farms food truck during the Aug. 2 Food Truck Fiesta.



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Sisters Amaya and Nina Valdespino dig into their funnel cake as they sit down to enjoy their fiesta fare at the Telshor 12 parking lot.



Tammy Payan and Joe Payan man the Wannabe Farms food truck during the Aug. 2 Food Truck Fiesta.



The Perfect on Paper band play for Wednesday's Food Truck Fiesta.

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## CONLEY

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a boil. Boil the corn for 3 minutes, then remove and allow to cool slightly so that they can be handled.

Cut kernels off the cob into a large bowl. Set aside.

In a small bowl, whisk together butter, lime juice, chili powder, and chopped cilantro. Pour the chili lime mixture over the corn and mix to coat.

Add the crumbled queso fresco and stir. Season with salt to

taste. Serve at room temperature. Refrigerate leftovers.

### Mexican Chopped Salad with Greek Yogurt Cilantro Lime Ranch Dressing (Yield: About 6 servings)

1 head romaine lettuce, chopped  
2 ears corn (raw), kernels cut from cob  
1 large sweet orange pepper, stemmed, seeded and diced  
4 Roma tomatoes, diced  
1 cucumber, peeled and diced  
½ medium red onion, chopped

2 avocados (ripe but still slightly firm), diced  
1 can black beans drained and rinsed  
Garnish: Tortilla strips

#### Dressing

1 cup Plain Greek Yogurt  
2 tablespoons mayonnaise  
6 tablespoons milk (more or less as desired)  
½ cup packed cilantro, very finely chopped  
1 clove garlic, minced  
½ teaspoon onion powder  
¼ teaspoon cumin  
1 teaspoon cayenne pepper

Salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste  
2 tablespoons fresh lime juice

Add all dressing ingredients to a mixing bowl then whisk until combined, add more milk/lime juice if desired for a thinner consistency. Store in an airtight container in refrigerator until ready to use.

**To serve:** Toss all salad ingredients together in a bowl. Plate salad; then top with tortilla strips and Cilantro Lime Ranch Dressing. (Adapted from cookingclassy.com.)

## Bone Boosters founder helps osteoporosis sufferers

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Longtime Las Cruces resident Marge Peterson knows the devastating effects of osteoporosis.

She suffers from it, and so did her sister, who died because of an osteoporosis-related fall 13 years ago.

That prompted Peterson to start a local osteoporosis support group, which she dubbed Bone Boosters.

From a dozen charter members in 2005, the group has grown to several hundred, including 20 to 40 who regularly attend monthly meetings at MountainView Regional Medical Center's Senior Circle.

Peterson said Bone Boosters joined the National Osteoporosis Foundation (NOF) four years ago.

Because she has been so effective as the Las Cruces coordinator, Peterson was selected as an NOF leadership council member and ambassador. She now also speaks on behalf of the NOF, attends bone-health conferences and helps start new osteoporosis groups throughout the region.

Osteoporosis (literally "porous bones") is a bone disease that occurs when the body loses too much bone, makes too little bone, or both, according to NOF. As a result, bones become weak and may break from a fall or, in serious cases, from sneez-



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARGE PETERSON

**Marge Peterson is not only the founder and coordinator of Bone Boosters of Las Cruces, she also is a member of the National Osteoporosis Foundation (NOF) leadership council and is an NOF ambassador.**

ing or minor bumps.

"About 54 million Americans have osteoporosis and low bone mass, placing them at increased risk for osteoporosis,"

according to NOF. "One in two women and up to one in four men age 50 and older will break a bone due to osteoporosis, (which) is responsible for

two million broken bones and \$19 billion in related costs every year."

Peterson said it usually takes about 15 years of bone loss for an indi-

### Bone Boosters meets monthly

- Meets at 11:30 a.m. the first Thursday of every month at MountainView Regional Medical Center's Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., behind Walgreens.
- There's a new theme each season, and a different topic at each meeting.
- Sept. 7: "How Depression Feeds Osteoporosis," with therapist Judy Allen, who will also talk about Prolia, an injected treatment.
- Other areas of focus: Diet, exercise, secondary treatments
- Friday, Oct. 20 is World Osteoporosis Day
- Learn more: [boneboosters.maximoservices.info](http://boneboosters.maximoservices.info), 575-522-5106, RSVP at 575-522-0503

vidual to develop osteoporosis. She said certain drugs, including steroids, can lead to secondary osteoporosis, which can also be related to certain medical conditions.

NOF recommends that everyone take a bone density test every other year, beginning at age 65 for women and 70 for men, and at a younger age for anyone with significant risk factors. The test can diagnose osteoporosis before a broken bone occurs, according to NOF.

Bone Boosters borrows its club motto from Winnie the Pooh: "You're braver than you believe and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."

"That leads into self-compassion," Peterson said. "Attitude is so important. You're a partner in your own health."

Bone Boosters' club mascot is a local woman in her 90s who broke a hip after competing in a recent Senior Olympics,

Peterson said. That didn't stop her from using a walker to accept her medal.

Peterson said Bone Boosters receives a lot of support from businesses and individuals, including Del Valle Physical Therapy, Albertsons and MountainView Regional Medical Center.

Peterson said she also gets help from her husband, Tim, a retired New Mexico State University professor; son, Tim, who serves as Bone Boosters' webmaster; and daughter Kimberly Erickson, a doctor, who serves as Bone Boosters' unofficial consulting physician.

"My family is really amazing," Peterson said.

For information, contact Marge Peterson at 575-522-5106 or [margepete@hotmail.com](mailto:margepete@hotmail.com). Visit [boneboosters.maximoservices.info](http://boneboosters.maximoservices.info) and [www.nof.org](http://www.nof.org).

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

# Summer book program delights children and volunteers alike

Summer Book Buddies, providing 30-minute story times for children ages 5-8, are bringing just-for-fun reading to children all over Las Cruces and delivering books to school sites.

When Jan Reed showed up with books at Jornada Elementary K-3+ for the first time, she was repeatedly asked, “Can I really keep it?” The children were astounded to get another book the following week, “Do we get to keep this one, too?” Reed is a volunteer promoting literacy and battling “Summer Slide,” the loss of reading skills that occurs when children don’t read for pleasure during the summer.

“The kids really enjoy the read-aloud time,” said Linda Buttram, Conlee Elementary. “They have been very excited and receptive. ‘Yea! It’s the story lady!’ The teachers are very grateful for the program and its impact. The books have been a big hit ... (The children) were thrilled to find out that the books were for keeping.”

“On my third visit, I talked to the classes about having books at home, utilizing the library, and sharing books with friends,” Buttram continued. “I asked the question ‘Who has some books at home?’ The answer that touched me was the little boy who asked in a small voice ‘Are you going to give us another book today?’ When I



**RORIE MEASURE**

The Reading Solution

assured him that I was, he beamed and said, ‘So now I will have three books!’ These books really do make a difference to the children of Las Cruces. They are important and treasured. Many thanks to the generous folks who

made this program possible.”

There are so many generous folks to which I dedicate this column, although I only have room to acknowledge a few.

I found out in March that Las Cruces Public Schools had written Children’s Reading Alliance into plans for their K3+ summer program. I wondered how we would manage to raise enough money to provide 9,000 books in just a few months.

When I started writing the Reading Solution in January 2013, I began the very first column with the assertion that we are a community of doers; that we take good ideas and run with them; and that our community action is wholeheartedly directed toward our children and their success in school. I believed it then. I have even better reason to believe it now.

Within four months, 75 individuals and businesses opened their hearts and wallets to cover

the cost of new books and dozens of volunteers willingly put sweat equity into getting the job done.

Special thanks go to Claire Frohs and everyone at the Las Cruces Bulletin, Ammu and Rama Devasthali, Claud Gobble and Wells Fargo Advisors, El Paso Electric, and LCPS Foundation for generosity and the CRA Fund Development committee: Clay Doyle, Michael Allen, Maria Flores, Karena Oberman, Sue McDaniel, and Maria Zuniga for leadership.

Community Action Agency provided space. CAA staffers Pat Dimmie, Gloria Otero, Janet Estrada, Norma May, Christine Lester, Tonya Tout processed thousands of books and Adela Trujillo’s classroom became our staging area.

Rhonda Karol and Las Cruces Public Schools LCPS K3+ Coordinator Cari Aguilera, along with all the principals, secretaries and custodians cover logistics.

Summer Book Buddies Team Leaders Rhonda Karol, Terry Miller and Maria Zuniga keep the whole thing running while Jim Billings and Marcus Crawford haul books back and forth to 18 different schools four times each.

The real stars of this show are an amazing corps of literacy volunteers who provide Storytime each week. Thank you, Jan Reed, Susan McDaniel, Marcus Crawford, Alison Bills, Linda Buttram, Loni Todoroki, Ruth

Rubin, Maribel Lucero, Claudia Billings, Bonnie Schranz, Brenda Van Dyke, Nikka Ziemer and Nancy Anderson.

Here are a few of readers’ observations:

- Susan McDaniel, Mac Arthur: “One girl in 2nd grade told me she did not share or read her book to anyone. She keeps it in her book bag for privacy. Having her own book was a big deal!”

- Bonnie Schranz, Sonoma: “I was steering children in a bilingual class to either English language or Spanish language books - their choice. A very small girl’s face clouded up when she confessed to me (in perfect English) that she didn’t speak English or Spanish. She didn’t know the difference or even that there was one. I loved that.”

- Loni Todoroki shared two vignettes, “Before I came, a boy told his teacher that he could not do the 10-minute-a-night reading homework because there were no books at his house. Now he can!” Later, “A little girl asked in English if it was OK to choose a Spanish book so that her grandma could read it to her.”

- Cheryl Howard, “I’ve heard technology had replaced the younger generation’s love of books, but it’s not true. They were just as excited about their books as any video game. They like to gather on the floor around me after they pick their book and read it out loud.”

- Marcus Crawford’s best attempt at an Australian accent while reading “Diary of a Wombat” got a little boy wondering how Marcus knew what a wombat would sound like. “I was caught a bit off guard, so I told him that I had met a wombat once at the airport,” he said.

Join the fun. Wrangle up a child or two and entertain them with your own performance art. Do the voices. Be silly. The illustrations give clues for a character’s voice. Be choosy. Pick age-appropriate stories complex enough to withstand repeated readings. Don’t limit yourself to your child’s current vocabulary. Encourage your listener to figure out the meaning of unfamiliar words. Allow time for interruptions, questions and conversations. Discussions encourage language development and critical thinking.

Most of all, relax! When I talk to children about how it feels to read to someone or be read to them tell me it makes them feel calm, happy, relaxed and cozy. And, you know what, it makes me feel that way, too.

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# Low-cost vaccination clinic to be held at Feed Store



## BULLETIN FEATURE

ACTion Programs for Animals of Las Cruces (APA) will hold a low-cost dog and cat vaccination and microchip clinic from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at the Feed Store, 5165 Doña Ana Road.

Each of the following services will be offered for \$15: rabies

vaccine (one-year or three-year vaccine), DAPP dog combo and FVRCP cat combo.

Microchips are \$10.

Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted.

APA was founded in 2009 and began with a focus on helping keep animals from entering the local animal shelter through programs like APA's pet-food

bank. In May 2012, APA started Doña Ana Pets Alive! a direct rescue and re-homing program to help the community reach a no-kill status. The program concentrates on rescuing animals abandoned at the shelter, with a focus on the ones most at-risk, which are large/unruly dogs, heartworm-positive dogs, pit-bull mixes, long-term dogs, shy/timid

small dogs, cats and hundreds of kittens.

APA is located at 800 W. Picacho Ave. and is open from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

For information, call 575-644-0505 or email [mail@apalascruces.org](mailto:mail@apalascruces.org). Visit [www.actionprogramsforanimals.org](http://www.actionprogramsforanimals.org) and [www.facebook.com/APALasCruces](http://www.facebook.com/APALasCruces).

## ANIMAL SERVICES CENTER OF THE MESILLA VALLEY PET OF THE WEEK

### Alabama

This little pitbull mix beauty is named Alabama. She is at her happiest when she is outside getting some exercise. She is almost 3 years old, but still has the energy of a lil' pup. This girl would love to be with an owner who runs! Come meet this gal today at ASCMV!



### Off-Site Adoption Events

- Farmers & Crafts Market: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Saturday, downtown (dog adoptions: far north end of the market on the Downtown Mall; cat adoptions: Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St.)
- PetCo: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday, 3050 E. Lohman Ave., Bldg. D.

### Additional Services Offered

- Microchip: \$20, available daily, no appointment necessary.
- Pet licenses: City and county licenses available daily (City and county: altered \$7; unaltered \$50).
- Low-cost spay/neuter program: dogs are \$35, cats are \$25; by appointment only.

**Donation Requests** – ASCMV is in need of dog crates, blankets and towels. Collars and leashes are also always needed. Donations can be dropped off during normal hours of operation or left at the door.

**Volunteers** – If you love animals and would like to make a difference, contact the volunteer coordinator or stop by to learn about volunteer opportunities.

**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.

## HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

**Junior Jazzercise:** 12:30-3:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 11, at Las Cruces Jazzercise Fitness Center, 3217 El Camino Real Road. Children ages 4-12 will get fit while having fun with Junior Jazzercise's Summer Bash summer camp, which offers a high-energy workout with an emphasis on physical fitness. The cost is \$90 (siblings are \$50). Save \$10 by referring a friend. Students can register up through camp start date. Info: Amy Rich-

ards, 941-705-0800 or [las-crucesjuniorjazzercise@yahoo.com](mailto:las-crucesjuniorjazzercise@yahoo.com).

**Dyslexia programs:** Dyslexia Institute of Southern New Mexico summer reading and math programs continue through Aug. 11, with flexible scheduling available. Certified master teachers provide individual or small-group therapy at two locations. Individual therapy is \$35 per lesson, small-group therapy (two

to three students) is \$25 per lesson. Partial scholarships are available, based on need. DISNM is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping bright students who have unexpected difficulty with reading and/or math. Info: Call/text 575-649-2992 before 11 a.m.; visit [www.disnm.org](http://www.disnm.org).

**Immunizations:** The New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Public Health Office is hosting free back-to-school immunization clinics for

children up to 18 years of age, at Cineport 10, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Aug. 14-15. Info: 575-528-5006.

**Ambercare Hospice Volunteer Program:** Ambercare seeks individuals interested in volunteers to offer comfort and support to patients and their families. Hospice volunteers read, take walks, listen or provide companionship. Training provided. Info: 575-556-8409, ext. 12418, or [jlopez@ambercare.com](mailto:jlopez@ambercare.com).

# Delayed retirement could help you secure your future

By **RAY VIGIL**

For the Bulletin

For more and more Americans, reaching retirement age no longer means the end of an active working life. Many people are choosing to work past the age of 65, according to the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

If you're willing and able, maintaining gainful employment later in life could go a long way toward ensuring a secure future for you and your family. Besides providing you with additional income to pay your bills, extending your employment or working for yourself could boost your lifetime Social Security benefits.

Here's how:

Waiting to claim your Social Security retirement benefits could grow them by up to 32 percent. Through

delayed retirement credits, your monthly benefit amount increases by about eight percent for each year you wait between your full retirement age and 70. Full retirement age is between 65 and 67, depending on when you were born. To learn more about delayed retirement credits, please visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/retire/delayret.html](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/retire/delayret.html).

You get credits on your earnings record for each year of additional work income. Once you start receiving retirement benefits, we'll automatically review your earnings record each year to determine if you're entitled to an adjustment. When we calculate your retirement benefit amount, we use your best 35 years of earnings. We'll increase your benefit amount if your new year of earnings is higher than one of the years we used to calculate your initial benefit amount. To see how we calculate your benefits, visit [www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/EN-05-10070.pdf](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/EN-05-10070.pdf).

An increased benefit amount for yourself could mean more support for your family, too, through Social Security spousal benefits, child benefits and survivor benefits.

We also encourage you to set up your own my Social Security account so you can verify your lifetime earnings record, check the status of an application for benefits and manage them after you're receiving them. You can create your personal my Social Security account today at [www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount).

Social Security is committed to helping you prepare for a secure today and tomorrow for you, your family, and future family. You can access all our retirement resources at [www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/retire](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/planners/retire).

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## SENIOR CALENDAR

**Smart driving classes:** Hosted by AARP Chapter 1230. Cost: AARP members: \$15, non-members: \$20.

- 1-5 p.m. Mondays, Oct. 16, Nov. 13 and Dec. 4 at Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., behind Walgreens. Info/reservations: 575-522-0502;
- 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 19, and Thursday, Sept. 28, Good Samaritan Village, 3025 Terrace Drive, Info/reservations: 575-642-2582.

**Info table:** AARP information table the first Saturday of the month at Las Cruces Farmer's and Crafts Market downtown. Info: [aarp.org](http://aarp.org), [nmaging.state.nm.us](http://nmaging.state.nm.us), on Facebook at AARP New Mexico, AARP President David Lynch at 317-385-8874 or [dLynchio@hotmail.com](mailto:dLynchio@hotmail.com). Next meeting will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20, at Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., behind Walgreens. AARP 101: Mixer for non-members, 6 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 22, at Los Compas Cafe, 1120 Commerce Drive. Learn about the history, benefits, advocacy work of AARP and why you should join at age 50.

**Medicare information:** Monthly presentations by AARP Chapter 1230 will be as follows –

- 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 14, Mesilla Senior Center in Mesilla
- 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 15, Mira Vista Villas Senior Living, 2141 N. Solano Drive in Las Cruces
- 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 21, Doña Ana Commu-

nity Center, 5745 Ledesma Drive in the Village of Doña Ana

- 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, Radium Springs Community Center, 12060 Lindbeck Road in Radium Springs
- 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, Village at Northrise, 2880 N. Roadrunner Pkwy in Las Cruces.

**Caregiver mixer:** 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 26, at Los Compas Restaurant, 1120 Commerce Drive. For caregivers to get together in a friendly, social atmosphere to share ideas and problems encountered in providing care to loved ones.

**Birth, death certificates:** 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, Vital Records Office at the Las Cruces Public Health Office, 1170 N. Solano Drive. Closed noon to 1 p.m. Info: 575-528-5046.

### SENIOR CIRCLE EVENTS

MountainView Regional Medical Center's Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., behind Walgreens, offers the following weekly exercise classes, meetings and presentations. Info: 575-522-0503, [www.seniorcircle.com](http://www.seniorcircle.com).

#### **Presentations:**

**Health Care and Antibiotics:** 12:15-1:15 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 8. Presented by CNP Laura Walker, bacteria resistance to antibiotics and possible actions to take

**Bone Builders and Bone Breakers:** 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 10. Presented by

Marianne McLaughlin, Natural Grocers certified nutrition therapist. Support lifelong bone health by knowing how to get all the nutrients your bones need.

**Energy to Self-Heal:** Noon-1 p.m., Monday, Aug. 14. Presented by Dawn Cheney, energetic healer, Reiki master and teacher. Learn how to use your own energetic systems to help heal yourself and improve your overall health.

**When Nothing Else Helps Your Pain:** Noon-2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16. Presented by Patricia Gray, associate practitioner, Society of Ortho-Bionomy International. Learn to use comfortable body positioning for release. Ortho-Bionomy addresses painful, debilitating physical conditions such as headaches, back pain and sports injuries.

#### **General interest:**

**Senior Circle Cinema:** Noon, Fridays, RSVP requested, schedule as follows

- Aug. 11, 18: "The Founder" (PG-13)
- Sept. 8, 15, 22: "Fences" (PG-13)

**Book club:** 11 a.m., second Friday of the month. Aug. 11: "Death Comes for the Archbishop," by Willa Cather, discussion led by Laura Bemis; Sept. 8: "Into the Water," by Paula Hawkins, discussion led by Anne Ayers. RSVP: 575-522-0503

**Spanish classes:** Every Tuesday and Wednesday; Spanish 1 at 9 a.m., Spanish 2 at 10 a.m., Spanish 3 at 11 a.m.

**Porcelain Artists Club:** 1-2:30 p.m. every Monday. Paint on porcelain and china. RSVP: 575-312-7834

**American West History class:** 11 a.m. every Thursday. New topic every week about southern New Mexico history.

**Knitting and Crocheting classes:** 10 a.m. every Tuesday and Thursday. For beginners, intermediate and advanced stitchers. Learn basic and complex stitches, get tips on troubleshooting and correcting mistakes.

**'Blast from the Past':** 2-3 p.m. Fridays, Take a walk down memory lane with discussions about the movies, music, television and stars of the 1950s and '60s. Info: 575-522-0503.

**Chess Club:** 1 p.m. every Tuesday. Beginners, intermediate and advanced players are welcome. Instruction available to learn how to play chess or to improve your chess-playing skills.

**Embroidery Guild of America, Las Cruces Chapter:** 1:30 p.m. every Friday. Counted cross stitch, needlepoint, embroidery and other needle crafts. Bring your needlework project and stitch along get help you when you have a question about the directions.

**Photography workshops** will resume at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13.

**French classes** will resume at noon Monday, Sept. 11.

**Gourd-painting class:** Meets 1-3 p.m. every Wednesday. Learn the next step in preparing gourds for decor and different techniques such as painting, burning, carving and embellishing. RSVP: 575-522-0503

**Scrabble gaming:** Meets 1-3 p.m. every Monday.

**Guitar jam session:** 10 a.m. every Monday.

# NMSU soccer reboots for 2017

## 'Older, wiser' Aggies aim for deep run in conference play

### BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State women's soccer club kicks off the college sports season on Friday, Aug. 18, with an intriguing home matchup



DELGADO

against Battle of 1-10 rival University of Texas-El Paso.

The match begins at 5 p.m. at the NMSU Soccer Athletic Complex.

It's the first of 10 home matches in 2017, six in non-conference action and four during Western Athletic Conference play.

The Aggies are also battling it out on the pitch with four teams for the first-time in program history, all road games against Alcorn State, Colorado State, Grambling State and SMU.

Entering his fourth year as head soccer coach at NMSU, and his seventh season as a Division I head coach, Freddy Delgado is ready for the season to begin.

"We are excited for what could be an unprecedented season," Delgado said in a press release. "We have several decisive home matches, including rivalry games against UTEP and UNM. We also host tough conference op-

ponents in CSU Bakersfield, Grand Canyon and UMKC."

Beginning play in 2009, the soccer program at New Mexico State is relatively young and playing catch-up to most of its opponents. Last season, NMSU finished 5-13-2 overall and 2-3-2 in the Western Athletic Conference. It marked the second straight season with five wins for the Aggies.

After the UTEP opener, the Aggies take to the road almost immediately, heading to Northern Illinois for a noon match on Sunday, Aug. 20. The squad has little rest time before another big rivalry encounter, at home against Battle of I-25 rival University of New Mexico, 5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24.

In September, New Mexico State returns to the road against Colorado State (Sept. 1) and Northern Colorado (Sept. 3). The Bears went 10-8-2 overall last year.

The Aggies return home for a four-match home stand featuring a pair of 10-plus wins teams beginning on Sept. 8 with Stephen F. Austin. The Lumberjacks fashioned a 13-5 overall mark in 2016. NM State wraps up the weekend with Incarnate Word on Sept. 10.

Northern Arizona (Sept. 15) and the University of Houston (Sept.

17) visit Las Cruces the following week, returning the favor after the Aggies made stops in Flagstaff and Houston last season.

New Mexico State will get a nice break before it heads to the heart of Texas for a 4 p.m. battle with SMU (Sept. 29). The Mustangs went 13-7-2 overall last season and earned a spot in the NCAA Tournament, where they faced No. 25 Oklahoma.

The Aggies then return home for another home stand, a three-match swing beginning with Arizona Christian at 2 p.m., Oct. 2, before opening WAC play later that week. The conference slate opens with CSU Bakersfield (Oct. 6) and Grand Canyon (Oct. 8) at the NM State Soccer Complex.

"The schedule was centered on our team's preparation for a competitive WAC schedule," Delgado said. "Games against opponents like UTEP, SFA and Northern Arizona will prepare us for physical, hard-nosed battles. Games against opponents like UNM, Northern Colorado, Houston and SMU will prepare us for the more tactical, strenuous matches."

The Aggies take their show on the road versus Utah Valley (Oct. 12) and Seattle U (Oct. 14) before closing out the road trip with Chicago

State (Oct. 20). NM State concludes the home portion of the regular-season with Senior Day on Oct. 22 against UMKC. The season closes with a trip to UT Rio Grande Valley (Oct. 28).

The conference tour-

namment, Nov. 1-5, takes place in Phoenix with Grand Canyon playing host. The championship match is slated for Sunday, Nov. 5, with the winner earning the WAC's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

"Overall, the team is older, wiser and more experienced," Delgado said. "The body of work from the non-conference schedule will prepare us to make a run deep into the WAC Conference Tournament."

“When I was first approached about being a Big Brother, I thought I wasn't qualified. I don't know much about kids, and I don't have any special training or skills to teach them. But when I met Fabian, I realized that going to the dog park and hanging out was enough to make a difference to him.”

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# Improvement comes from within: 18 secrets for 18 holes

It's hard to believe we're already half way through the golf season. Two majors have already been decided. If you are one of those who has gotten off to a shaky start this year it's not too late to turn things around.

Perhaps you have become stuck in some old faulty habits. Are you motivated to make some changes now to improve your golf game?

Club manufacturers have "game improvement" clubs. Forget that. The game improvement you need comes from within you and your golf swing. Here are my 18 ways to jump start a big improvement in your game.



**CHARLIE BLANCHARD**  
Golf Doctor

**1. Establish your goals for the rest of the year.** What about scoring average? Handicap? Distance? Write down exactly what you want to do in specific, measurable ways.

**2. Make a plan – your plan.** Get to work and decide exactly what you need to do to become a much better golfer. Honestly assess the state of your game – strengths and

weaknesses. Target your problem areas with a decision to transform them into strengths.

**3. Inventory your clubs.**

Check whether they are up-to-date. Are you trying to play with old clubs ill-suited to your needs and ability? Good, modern clubs won't break the bank.

**4. Think hybrids.** If you're over 45 and a mid- to high handicapper you should not carry a 2, 3 or 4 iron. Maybe not even a 5 iron. Get a couple of hybrids; they'll save strokes.

**5. Get a teacher.** No not some buddy who has been playing since he was a kid. Even if it's an occasional lesson, find a local

pro who can take care of some "faults and fixes."

**6. Set up a practice schedule.** (See my "High Yield Practice" columns from early June.) If you're tired of losing to inferior players then find the discipline to practice more!

**7. Join a gym.** Home fitness equipment is OK, but for me the gym (the real thing) is the best bet, especially for the multiplicity of machines and the motivational atmosphere.

**8. Commit yourself to working out hard at least three times a week for at least an hour at the gym.** And the older we get the more we need to maintain our strength and flexibility.

**9. Don't forget the cardio.**

Walking, running, jogging, treadmill, bicycling, stair-climber – some form of cardio work for 30 minutes a day to get your heart rate over 100 will work.

**10. Be creative with new shots.** Let's face it, the players who have more great shots in their repertoire usually score the best. Do you have a "bump-and-run" chip or a "lob shot"?

**11. Use drills with your practice.** The "circle drill" is a good example: place eight balls spaced in a circle six feet from the cup, and don't quit until you make all eight. Or chip 14 balls from the fringe at a distance of 50 feet using 14 different clubs, getting each within 4 feet.

**12. Get longer.** You're not getting any younger and golf courses aren't getting any shorter. Go out to Red Hawk if you want to see what designers are doing with length these days.

**13. Pressure-proof your putting.** Make a choice to focus on the process of your putting rather than the results. Grade your effort to trust the line and speed you pick every time.

**14. Learn the rules.** Do you carry a USGA Rules of

Golf book in your bag? You should. Go to [www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org) and order a "Decisions" book; the most fascinating interpretations ever.

**15. Start using training aids.** These include Speed Stick, Orange Whip, Momentum heavy clubs, Hackers Rx, alignment rods, chalk line, metronome, swing videos and more.

**16. Adopt a new attitude.** Are you doing far too much complaining, bellyaching, arguing, cursing and throwing tantrums? Better do an attitude check. And get some feedback.

**17. Get onboard with range finders.** The tour pros can't use GPS or laser devices in tournament play, but you sure can in your weekly game. Plus it speeds up play.

**18. Learn to hit a sand wedge.** Thumping your ball out of a sand bunker is a learned skill.

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