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# The Rio also rises

Colorado snowmelt and recent statewide rains have swollen the Rio Grande entering the Valley to a level most of us would consider beautiful – and just in time for the summer growing and recreation season. We're still in a long-term drought, but farmers, residents and tourists are blessed this year. See page 19 for more photos and a few statistics.

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## Clerk's Office to close all day Wed., June 14

Doña Ana County Clerk Scott A. Krahlings has announced that the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office and the Bureau of Elections will be closed all day Wednesday, June 14, to allow staff to participate in offsite training related to professional development and strategic planning.



**KRAHLING**

The offices will reopen at 8 a.m. Thursday, June 15.

Krahlings said title companies, Realtors and other frequent visitors to the Clerk's Office are being notified of the closure in advance to minimize inconvenience.

"Staff will finalize our priorities for the upcoming fiscal year. Our goal is to implement an organized plan for success to better serve the residents of Doña Ana County," Krahlings said. "This plan holds us accountable to the public, and it will define how the Clerk's Office is utilizing county resources to the best of our ability. I will be presenting the plan soon at an upcoming meeting of the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners."

## DASO program helps find lost loved ones

A Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department initiative continues to reconnect residents with their loved ones who suffer from cognitive issues – Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or some forms of autism – that can cause them to wander.

Project Lifesaver, a wristband location device, has been offered to residents in Doña Ana County through the sheriff's department since 2002. The state-of-the-art personal radio transmitters assist first-responders in locating anyone wearing the devices when they become lost.

Statistics show more than half of those afflicted with Alzheimer's disease wander and become lost, and about 72 percent of those are repeat wanderers. If they are not located within the

first 24 hours, the risk of a bad outcome – including death – is magnified.

Each waterproof wristband emits a specific radio wave assigned to the patient. When a patient is reported missing to the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority, the sheriff's department will respond and a staff member trained to use the mobile locator will arrive at the patient's last known location to follow the mobile locator's tracking beacon until the patient is found. The mobile locator tracks the wristband within a 5-mile radius, and can also be used from an aircraft.

To register a loved one who is at risk, contact Project Lifesaver Coordinator Stephen Dail at (575) 525-1911.

## Jardin's Lemonade stand benefits law enforcement

A group of kids from Jardin de los Niños in Las Cruces will be hosting a lemonade stand on June 22 to back the blue and raise money for the Southern New Mexico Fallen Peace Officers Memorial.

From 9 to 10 a.m. several local first-responders will set up a Safety Fair on the grounds of Jardin at 999 W. Amador for the kids to let them see their units, interact with deputies, police officers and firefighters, and ask questions. In addition to the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, representatives from Las Cruces Police, Las Cruces Fire, Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services and agents with the U.S. Border Patrol will also participate.

The Back the Blue Lemonade Stand is sponsored by Whataburger. Chef John



**Children from Jardin de Los Niños sell lemonade and baked goods each year to benefit a good cause.**

**PHOTO: Jardin Facebook Page**

Hartley of New Mexico State University's School of Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management will supervise the food service portion of the fundraiser.

Historically, children from the Pre-K and After School programs at Jardin have hosted the lemonade stand fundraisers to

help pay for their summer programs. Audrey Hartley, Executive Director of Jardin de los Niños, said the project grew bigger, as the kids decided to give back to the community. Subsequent lemonade stands have benefitted La Casa and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

"Initially, it was a way for the kids to learn how to handle money, make change, and operate a cash register," said Hartley. "Eventually, it evolved. When we asked them what charity or group they would like to help this year, it was a resounding show of support for our first-responders."

The Southern New Mexico Fallen Peace Officers Memorial is a multi-agency effort held each May during National Police Week as a way to honor the families of the fallen and pay tribute to local law enforcement officers who lost their lives in the line of duty.

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Froto, the senior member of the eight-bird aviary at La Posta de Mesilla restaurant.

## Oldest La Posta resident back on his perch

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The oldest member of the La Posta de Mesilla restaurant aviary is back on his perch.

Froto, a yellow-head parrot who has been a fixture in the aviary for more than two decades, fell off his perch about four months ago and “couldn’t right himself,” La Posta owner Tom Hutchinson said. Froto was also disoriented and

had lost his motor skills.

Dr. Deborah Cook at the East Lohman Veterinarian Clinic told Hutchinson and his wife, Jerean, that the parrot likely suffered a stroke. His claws were contacted, Hutchinson said, he stopped talking and he wouldn’t move out of one spot.

The Hutchinsons kept Froto separated from the other birds and fed him with an eyedropper for

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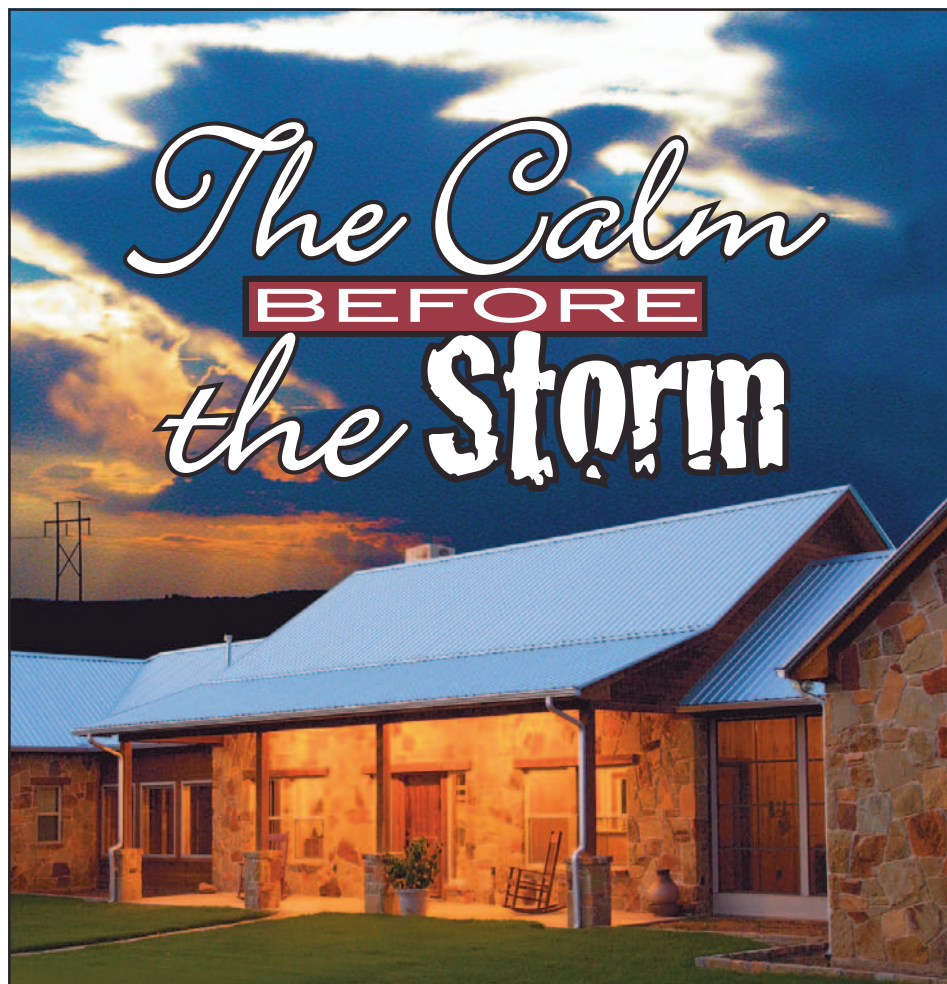
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several days to give him a fighting chance to recover his health. "He improved a little" within two or three days, Hutchinson said. During the next eight weeks, Froto "just gradually started coming around."

He was returned to the aviary and placed in the same cage with a young parrot named Jack. Everything Froto needed,

including his food and water, was kept low in the cage so he wouldn't have to climb, Hutchinson said. Two weeks later, "Froto was talking and climbing, he's the same Froto he was before the incident," Hutchinson said.

"We're just delighted to have him back in the cage and whistling at people and talking to people."

Parrots can live in the wild more than 50 years, sometimes up to 100 years. As companion birds, they

generally have a shorter life expectancy in captivity due to "environmental fractures." Froto is in his 20s, at least; he was present when the Hutchinsons bought the restaurant 21 years ago.

Parrots, of which there are hundreds of species, are also among the most charismatic and intelligent birds, along with crows, jays, magpies and ravens. Hunting and loss of habitat in their native tropical and semitropical zones, however, have reduced their population over the years.

Hutchinson said Cook visits the seven parrots and one cockatoo once a quarter to trim their nails and beaks, weigh them and check on their general health.

"They're family," he said. "They're part of who we are."

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# Welding technology professor awarded

## BULLETIN REPORT

David Twitty, a DACC professor in the welding technology department, has been named the national winner of the Dalton E. Hamilton Certified Welding Inspector (CWI) award.

The American Welding Society (AWS) sponsors the award for inspectors who enhance public awareness and opinion of both the welding society and the CWI program and for those who have made an “outstanding contribution to the science of welding inspection.” Twitty, a DACC instructor for 23 years, was nominated by his peers.

“I am stunned and humbled to know that I was selected from more than 40,000 AWS CWIs in the world,” Twitty said.

“To be so honored nationally speaks volumes of David’s professionalism, and dedication to the science of welding,” said Saundra Castillo, dean of the Advanced Technology Division. “David is a great example of our nationally

accredited instructors at the community college as they have more certifications as well as teaching and welding experience than any other program in the Southwest.”

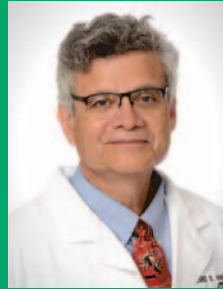
The welding faculty has earned more than 190 welding certifications using five different welding processes. Faculty instructors have more than 150 years of combined experience in the aerospace, pressure vessel, nuclear component, and general fabrication industries.

Twitty graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Welding Engineering Technology from Arizona State University in 1992. He was a test technician, test driver and test engineer while attending the university and has experience in oilfield equipment manufacturing, fabrication of pressure vessels and nuclear components.

Twitty will receive his award at an AWS luncheon in Chicago in November during the yearly national AWS Fabtech show.



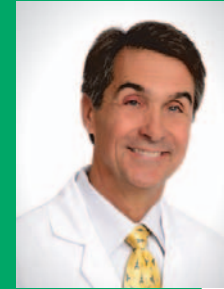
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# Fore for four

## Golf tourney benefits four local football teams

Last fall, Stacy Alley thought tee time meant hot water and bags of Earl Grey.

"I didn't know anything about golf," said Alley, president of the Las Cruces High School



**RICHARD COLTHARP**  
From the Publisher

football booster club.

Since then, she and her counterparts at Mayfield High School (Alicia Swinson), Oñate High School (Jeremy Gonzales) and Centennial High School (Veronica Vasquez) have taken crash courses and earned bachelor's and master's degrees in golf tournament planning.

The tournament is the Inaugural City of the Crosses 12th Man Golf Tournament, and takes place June 30 and July 1 at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course.

Funds raised will be split equally among the four schools' booster clubs for football expenses. Expenses include weightlifting equipment, cleats, workout gear, travel, meals, coaches' headsets and dozens of other detail items that arise

when 60 young men work as a team toward a single goal.

In Las Cruces, that single goal is a lofty one: the blue trophy for the state football championship.

In Las Cruces, the goal is also realistic. Las Cruces and Mayfield have won many state titles over the years. Oñate nabbed one in 2002, and Centennial, the new kid on the block, narrowly missed one in 2015. Only twice since 1995 has there been a season without a Las Cruces team in a state championship game.

The trifecta came in 2002, when three local teams played for the state title. LCHS beat Mayfield in the 5A championship, and Oñate beat Goddard for the 4A title.

That can't happen anymore, as both Oñate and Centennial have joined Mayfield and LCHS in the state's highest class, which is now 6A.

The four will beat each other up a bit in the regular season, but the hope is they can be successful enough in their other games to set up re-matches in the playoffs. We all know Cruces-Mayfield is one of the biggest rivalries in the country. There is now serious competition among all four.

Competition has become collaboration, however, with the 12th Man Tournament.

"It's really been quite amazing for all four programs to come together like this," Alley said. "It's the truest sense of community. We're definitely sharing the load and it takes a lot of collaboration and communication. We've gotten to know each other very well, and gained a lot of respect for each other and our programs."

The coaches have also gotten involved. Heading up the football teams are Coach Mark Lopez (LCHS), Coach Mike Bradley (MHS), Coach Scott Veliz (OHS) and Coach Aaron Ocampo (CHS).

At times, all four have been in the meetings at once.

What was it like the first time these competitive leaders convened in the same room?

"It was intense," Alley said. "But then the wheels started turning, everyone came together, and it's been a lot of fun to watch it evolve."

Many Las Cruces have come together.

"So many people in the business community have rallied around us," Alley said of the new tournament, a logical fol-

lowup to the It's Burger Time High School Golf Tournament which concluded in 2016 after 23 years.

"We have big shoes to fill," Alley said. "Burger Time needs to be commended. It was a tremendous accomplishment.

"Our tournament is also seeing great participation, and the businesses really need to be applauded. For example, Sisbarro Buick is sponsoring a hole-in-one, where you'll have a chance to win a new car."

As of this writing, there were open spots for four-person scramble teams. Morning and afternoon flights will be Friday, June 30, and Saturday, July 1. To play, or to help out financially or in other ways, call Alley at 448-1177, or visit the City of the Crosses 12th Man Golf Tournament Facebook page.

Alley will continue working with the golf committee, but will step down as LCHS booster club president late this year, as her son Zayne, a senior defensive end, walks off the field for the last time as a Bulldawg. Then she can bask in a mother's pride and take a breather. For a while, anyway.

Her 6th-grade son, Kash, plays football too.

### We want your letters

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# Harming students with summer vacation

If we know allowing academic skills to go unused causes those skills to atrophy, why have three-month summer vacations in public schools? And, why is there the notion that after high school graduation people don't need to use their academic skills to retain them?

The reason some high school graduates cannot read, write coherently or do math to an adequate level is not because they haven't been taught these skills. Rather, it is that the students have allowed their academic skills to degenerate by not using those skills.

The students are victims of the gap between being able to use a skill and the subsequent loss of the skill. If a skill such



**MICHAEL SWICKARD**

In My Opinion

as writing or math is not used in a certain amount of time it will be lost. Some lose their skills slowly, but everyone will lose their skills if enough time passes without the skills being used.

Summer vacations are harmful to students since most do not continue to use their academic skills; in fact, most do not open a book the entire vacation. When the students come back to

school, the first two months are getting back to where the students were before the summer vacation. What a waste of academic time.

The benefits of three months off are: janitors can leisurely wax floors, teachers get summer jobs or return to college and parents can send the kids to relatives. Students work on their tans, play video games late at night and sleep until noon.

The three months off looks like everyone gets what they want. In the short term that is true, but the tragedy is that in the long term, students are short changed their proper education by these summer vacations.

At high school graduation, students are told in glowing

terms that they have achieved a great wisdom. They are finished developing their skills and no longer have to use these skills regularly. Many high school graduates believe those graduation speeches.

The truth is they will achieve wisdom when their kids graduate from high school and not before. Their high school skills have a shelf life, like bread has a shelf life. They must use the skills regularly to retain those skills. If, at age 25, the former students lack skills, most often these skills were lost from lack of use rather than never having been developed.

Students must use their academic skills during their days in school and during the rest of their life. Summer

vacations are one of the biggest threats to their ability to progress in school. It isn't the vacation, per se, that harms the student, it is any time that months pass without the person using their academic skills.

When that happens some people ask, "Why didn't those darn schools teach them anything?" The answer doesn't matter. Whether they had those academic skills and then lost them for lack of use or never had those skills, it's all the same in the end.

They do not have those skills.

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

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# Knee Pain - "Which Of These 7 Costly Mistakes Will You Make When Trying To End Your Knee Pain Successfully?"

- Report By Las Cruces Physical Therapist, Dennis Prickett



**LAS CRUCES (NM)** - **THIS REPORT** is for the person who is suffering from the torment of daily, annoying, chronic knee pain. The type of "ache" and "sharp pain" where you get so nauseated that you feel your only option is to stop

what you're doing completely, reach for the pain medication and wonder how long you'll be told to rest this time!

**The thing is**, all of those pain medications are not good for your stomach - and the long periods of rest you've been told about, is not likely to do you much good either.

**Over the last 27 years** I've been working on a daily basis to help people aged 45+ find relief from chronic knee pain - and what I can tell you is that the cocktail mix of more rest and more painkillers will do absolutely nothing to get to the root cause of chronic knee pain...

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And I can't promise that what has worked for most of my patients and clients over the past 13 years, will work for you too.

However reading my free report is definitely better than spending another day "resting", "accepting it", thinking "it's my age" or worse yet, masking it with pain medications.

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**More:** The report reveals for the first time to the residents of Las Cruces simple, yet often overlooked routines that help make knee pain go away fast... as well as improving posture, all at the same time - I'd say they're perfect if you're a lady aged 45+ and worried about looking "awkward" or losing your confident, healthy posture at the hands of chronic knee pain.

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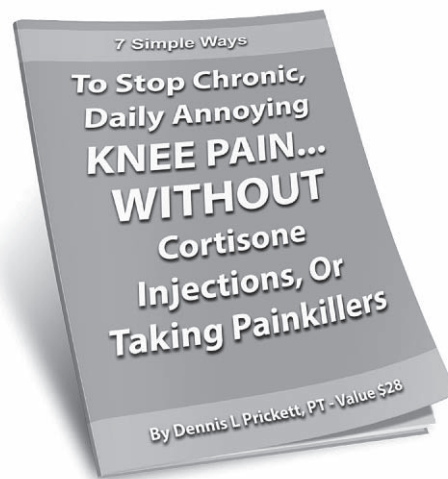
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# Mental health system still broken

One of the great disappointments that remain since the 2017 legislative session ended is Gov. Susana Martinez's veto of bipartisan legislation to protect Medicaid health providers who stand falsely accused of fraud by the state.

Known as the Medicaid due process bill, Senate Bill 217 was killed with a pocket veto. That's a fancy way of saying the governor never needed to offer an explanation why she chose to veto it - and she didn't. The results may be with us long after the session is forgotten.

Medicaid due process was common sense legislation. It simply would have guaranteed that in the future any health



**MARY KAY PAPEN**  
State Senator

care provider to Medicaid patients who stand accused of wrongdoing will receive the opportunity to review the allegations made against them, and the chance to respond in an administrative hearing or in district court.

Recent history proves that New Mexico needs those protections: They did not exist in 2013 when 15 nonprofits and other behavioral health

firms were accused and mostly put out of business by the governor's administration. All were later cleared of any wrongdoing by the attorney general.

Four years later we still witness the tragic consequences affecting countless at-risk children and adults in serious need of mental health treatment but who are not receiving care. In many communities, these crucial health services for residents are withering away. Nearly all of the Arizona behavioral providers the governor brought to New Mexico in the aftermath now have left. It is a terrible situation, and her veto has compounded it.

As citizens, we all have the right to due process if we are accused of wrongdoing. My legislation sought to ensure transparency and independent analysis in those situations when it is needed. What has happened to behavioral health in New Mexico must never occur again.

More than 30 percent of our residents today are eligible for Medicaid. Yet many healthcare professionals - primary care, general practitioners, nursing homes, dentists, and behavioral health - are reluctant to provide or expand services based on the state's behavioral health experience in the absence of ordinary due process protections. It raises the question of whether residents will have access to healthcare. And there already are large gaps

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Race Unity Day promotes harmony

To the editor:

As a veteran, I remember fondly the many people of different races with whom I served our country. Those Americans came from all backgrounds and circumstances. Their friendship helped me overcome the faulty training of "us and them" with the unifying reality of "oneness" that binds us all as humans. We are all of the one human race.

I want to invite people of every race, culture, religion, and nationality to celebrate Race Unity Day with a potluck picnic at Veterans Memorial Park on Saturday, June 10 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The picnic is sponsored by the Baha'i's of Las Cruces.

A brief program will be followed by music, recreational activities for adults and children as well as fellowship. The picnic is open to the public. No donations are accepted. Just bring your own lunch and a bit extra to share.

Race Unity Day was established by the Baha'is of the United States in 1957. It is observed nationwide on the second weekend in June and promotes racial harmony and the understanding of the essential unity of humankind.

For more information about the Las Cruces Race Unity Day Celebration, call 556-9650 or email [localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com](mailto:localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com).

*Darrell Rodgers  
Las Cruces*

### Animal rights being discarded

To the editor (and government agencies):

I am writing pursuant to having recently heard a most distressing story about a dog that died in the custody of an animal control employee. I was told that the dog was picked up and left in a hot van, which led to its death. The dog was chipped and the shelter had the unfortunate task of informing the owner.

The level of irresponsibility on the part of the animal control employee is exceedingly unacceptable, to say the least. My first question is: What disciplinary action has been taken against this employee? Also, to what standards are animal control employees held? Are there any actual performance standards in place and enforced?

I am writing as an animal advocate and taxpayer. Unfortunately, I find it necessary to remind government employees and others what their roles are. They are agents of the will of the people and get paid to perform specific functions. If they are unwilling or incapable of performing these functions in an acceptable manner, get rid of them.

I have been told that some of these individuals simply "don't care." With all due respect, the opinions or predispositions of these individuals are of no concern. They are charged with acting on the behalf of the taxpayers who put them in their positions. This

applies to personnel at all levels of government.

A shelter volunteer mentioned to me that she did not know why animal control personnel do not report to the shelter. Instead, they first report to the Sheriff's Department (at the county level) and now to Community Development. This made no sense to her and it makes no sense to me. I know that government entities like to hold onto all the funding they can, and perhaps this is part of the problem. But, again, government entities are there to carry out the will of the people, not create empires. How can this hierarchy be changed? What needs to happen? Who are the decision makers in this matter?

I've been in Las Cruces for 13 years. I've waited long enough for change. Change is needed now. I look forward to your responses and to positive future actions.

*Pat Mitchell  
Las Cruces*

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in access and coverage across our state. Many providers are understandably afraid to speak out about the situation for fear of being punished in some way by the State.

Also, even though the accused behavioral health providers were cleared by the attorney general, the governor's administration has never returned millions of dollars owed to them for services they performed.

How many people with mental health disorders are going without treatment for their conditions today because of the disruption of services caused by the 2013 take-over? We don't really

know, but you can bet it's a lot. Many of them are turning up in our jails. That is morally wrong.

Five years into the state's mental health care crisis, there is no interest from the governor's office to resolve it. New Mexicans deserve to know why the state's entire network of treatment for individuals struggling with mental illness was upended without any reasonable basis. We also need to know why the governor vetoed due process protections that would have ensured it could not happen in the future. Most importantly, we still face the challenge of getting the state's behavioral health system back on its feet, delivering treatment to vulnerable children and adults.

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# NMSU presents food safety workshop

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The New Mexico State University Organic Transition Team will host a farm tour and forum about the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA). The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13, at 8575 S. Main St. in Mesilla Park.

The event is designed

for "small-, medium- and large-scale producers, processors and consumers affected by FSMA," said David G. Kraenzel, Ph.D., of the Cooperative Extension Service (CES) research faculty for agribusiness development.

FSMA was signed into law by President Obama in 2011, and is "the most sweeping reform of our food safety laws in more than 70 years," according to [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov).

[gov/food/guidanceregulation/fsma](http://www.fda.gov/food/guidanceregulation/fsma). Compliance dates continue through July 2020.

The cost of the tour and forum is \$15 per person, which includes a boxed lunch.

The agenda:  
• 9:15 a.m.: Abbey Carver, owner of Bra-



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zito Farms, will give an introduction to her operation;  
• 10 a.m.: Bernalillo County CES Ag

Agent John Garlisch will give an overview about preparing small and medium producers for further required FSMA actions or training;

• 10:45 a.m.: NMSU Food and Consumer Scientist Nancy Flores will discuss FSMA from the food and consumer science perspective,

and will focus on the Produce Safety Act and food processing;

• Industry consultant Dale Nelson will give an overview about all levels of production, with an emphasis on large scale, introducing experienced food safety programming options and relative costs;

• Tour of Brazito Farms, starting with field, chicken coop and value-added facilities (wash station, commercial kitchen and refrigerated storage);

• 12:30 p.m.: Lunch and conversations with Doña Ana County CES

Ag Agent for Agronomy and Horticulture Jeff Anderson, NMSU Horticulturist Ivette Guzman and NMSU Organic Gardens Manager Mike Petersen.

Kraenzel said other forum participants will include CES Southwest District Director Tom Dean and CES Principal Investigator Paul Gutierrez.

For more information, contact Kraenzel at 575-646-4731 or [kraenzel@nmsu.edu](mailto:kraenzel@nmsu.edu).

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## Las Cruces named among top cities for K-12 teachers

### BULLETIN REPORT

Citing factors such as strong educational values, the availability of full-time teaching positions, favorable teacher salaries and the low cost of living, consumer research website GoodCall.com ranked Las Cruces 22nd out of 689 U.S. cities identified as prime areas for teachers to live and work in the 3rd annual "Best Cities for K-12 Teachers" report.

"Las Cruces is home to a vibrant, supportive and collaborative educational community, and our teachers' passion for education continues to be the intangible factor that brings so many distinguished educators to our district," said Las Cruces Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Greg Ewing. "This report confirms what many of our talented educators already knew — Las Cruces is a great place for teachers to live, work and grow."

Las Cruces had the highest comparative teaching salaries based on a salary

comparison percentage, calculated using U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics data, which represented the median salary for K-12 teachers as it compared to the local median salary. At Las Cruces Public Schools, the starting annual salaries for teachers are \$34,000 for a level 1 certified teacher, \$42,000 for a level 2 certified teacher and \$52,000 for a level 3 certified teacher.

"Analysts ranked cities based on nine metrics that identify places that are affordable and pay teachers well, safe, have jobs available, have a populace that values education, and are nice places to live with abundant amenities," according to the report. Each of the nine metrics were assigned a weighted percentage based on their perceived importance, in relation to three themes: Job availability and pay, how the area values education and livability.

To view the full report, visit: [www.goodcall.com/data-center/2017-best-cities-k-12-teachers/](http://www.goodcall.com/data-center/2017-best-cities-k-12-teachers/)

# Las Cruces native is foreign service intern in Chile

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces native Gabe Gallegos will spend his summer as a public affairs intern in the U.S. embassy in Santiago, Chile.

Gallegos, 21, was one of 22 students nationwide selected for the program. A 2014 graduate of Las Cruces High School, he just completed his junior year as a political science and strategic communications major at the University of New Mexico.

When he left Las Cruces for Santiago earlier this month, it was Gallegos' first trip outside the United States, he said. Gallegos requested assignment to a South American country because he wanted "to work on his language

skills."

In Chile, Gallegos will work "on a broad range of things" in public affairs, including communicating "American culture and values" to the Chilean public, journalists and public organizations, and "showing a kind face from the United States."

The U.S. has a "very important relationship" with Chile, Gallegos said, adding that the country is "one of the safest and most technologically advanced in South America." Chile is "a pretty new democracy," he said. It elected a new president and chamber of deputies and senate in December 1989.

Full-time foreign service officers generally work two- to four-year terms and live "a difficult life," Gallegos said.



Gabe Gallegos, second from left in the back row, with then-Sec. of State John Kerry, seated center, and other participants in last summer's interns in the U.S. State Department.

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"But it's very important work. I'll get a taste of that."

Gallegos said he also is looking forward to experiencing Chile's indigenous culture and getting to know the people, along with the Chilean staff at the U.S. embassy.

During his stay in Santiago, Gallegos will live in embassy apartments that are within walking distance of his office. He will return to the U.S. on Aug. 10, after 12 weeks.

When he graduates from UNM next year, Gallegos said he would like to work for a public relations firm. His "ultimate dream is to be in New Mexico helping out a public organization and political officials to get the message out," Gallegos said. "I think my place is here."

Last summer, Gallegos worked as a media relations intern for the U.S. State Department in Washington, D.C., interacting directly with then-Secretary of State John Kerry. It was "a very interesting time to be at the department last summer," he said, during the closing days of the 2016

presidential election, which made it harder to

get reporters to cover the State Department.



Native Las Cruces Gabe Gallegos, who will spend this summer as a public affairs intern at the U.S. embassy in Santiago, Chile.

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# County employee responds to stranded polo horses

## BULLETIN REPORT

The 2017 World Polo Semi-Finals took place in April, and one of the players has Doña Ana County Facilities and Parks Director Armando Cordero to thank for calming his nerves in time for the competition.



At around midnight on March 31, Cordero's cell phone rang (calls to his office phone are routinely forwarded) and he answered, which is not uncommon. On the line was Darci Van Meter of Poway, California, who was in a bit of a panic.

Van Meter said her grandson's pony and her son's 11 polo horses were in transit from California to Texas, but the horse trailer broke down on Interstate 10 near the Doña Ana County Fairgrounds, and she needed help fast. Jared Van Meter, 30, had called her, so she scoured the Doña Ana County website and started calling.

Cordero quickly made arrangements for the horses to be immediately

transported to the fairgrounds while Jose Gonzalez, the driver hauling the horses, could plan to have the trailer repaired.



Jared Van Meter is pictured third from left.

Mark Halverson of Blue-Line Rental took Cordero's midnight call and immediately took his horse trailer on the road. His trailer is only big enough for three horses, so he had to

make four trips. The horses were housed overnight, and by late afternoon of the following day, Jon Satriana of T&T Trailers delivered the repaired 12-horse trailer to Gonzalez, who was able to get safely back on the road to Texas.

In a note mailed last week, Darci Van Meter

was effusive in her thanks. Included with the note was a photo of her son's polo team and a shirt from the Australian competition, which Team USA won. The finals will be played in October in Australia.

"Hi, Armando," she wrote. "Sorry this has taken so long to get to you. I was waiting for these

shirts to arrive. I wanted to thank you for helping find help with our stranded trailer. My son Jared was in Australia playing with Team USA and his horses were on their way to Texas. We could not have gotten the help we needed without you! I am still sorry for waking you up."

Cordero said he gets frequent requests from people hauling horses who want to overnight at the fairgrounds, and he's happy to help.

"I'd prefer they called during business hours, but sometimes the circumstances make that impossible," he said with a laugh.

Doña Ana County Manager Chuck McMahan learned of the Van Meter thank-you note in an email dated May 22.

"Armando," he wrote back. "Great job! I've worked with you for a long time and I've always known that you're committed to this county. This is another example of your dedication to and support for this community. Thank you, Chuck."

Cordero plans to retire on Sept. 1 of this year. He has been with Doña Ana County since July 31, 2000, and he has been the manager of the Facilities and Parks Department since Nov. 15, 2004.

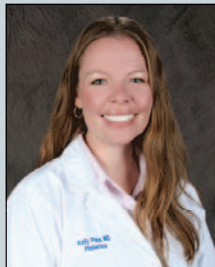
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## Future farmers convene



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**New Mexico FFA state Vice President Rebekah McCarty addresses the crowd June 1 in the NMSU Corbett Center ballrooms for the 89th New Mexico FFA State Convention.**

# City council approves consultant for transportation plan

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

A Denver-based consulting company with a Las Cruces partner will serve as a consultant in developing an active transportation plan for the city.

The Las Cruces City Council voted unanimously June 5 to approve a one-year, \$182,000 contract with Toole Design Group (TDS) of Denver, whose partners include Molzen-Corbin and Associates of Las Cruces. TDS will develop a public engagement plan (including a website and public workshops), network planning, policy recommendations, standards and guidelines and an implementation plan for development of the city's first city-wide transportation plan "specifically designed for active modes of

transportation," according to city documents. Active modes of transportation include walking, cycling and people using wheelchairs, said city Senior Planner Srijana Basnyat.

Councilor Gill Sorg did not attend the meeting.

Basnyat said one of TDS's functions will be to "identify barriers to active transportation in the city (and) work with the public to generate what the public wants to see in terms of active transportation. We need to go on a fact-finding mission and that's what the consultants are going to do."

The first item of discussion with TDS will be the selection of a local steering committee to be comprised of city staff as well as representatives of the local bicycling community and other stakeholder groups, Basnyat said. "Our goal will be to

have a diverse and effective steering committee."

"This is a very important contract," Las Cruces cyclist George Pearson said during public input at the council meeting. "We are very excited that this will be happening." Pearson said the transportation plan could afford additional off-road bicycle opportunities through the middle of the city.

"I'm very excited about the possibility of this plan," said Las Cruces Public Schools Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator Ashleigh Curry. A member of the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Curry said the plan will bring a lot of different groups together and "give us some real direction to make the community a better place. I'm really excited about it."

• The council also

unanimously approved a zone change for a 2.7-plus acre site at 990 Quesenberry St. so that a plumbing and mechanical contractor and commercial soccer field can continue to operate on the site. As part of the zone-change approval, the property owner will provide chip-seal to an access road from Picacho Avenue to the site, which

will have a 15-mile-per-hour speed limit; and will pave a parking area and apply dust-control measures.

• By a vote of 4-2, the council upheld a unanimous ruling by the city Planning and Zoning Commission denying a "20-foot variance to the front yard setback ... to construct a new carport addition" at 1308 Delano

Drive. Councilors Greg Smith, Ceil Levatino, Jack Eakman and Kasandra Gandara voted to uphold the P&Z ruling. Mayor Ken Miyagishima and Councilor Olga Pedroza voted to overturn the ruling and grant the variance.

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# New scholarship helps Aggie seniors complete degree

By **CASSIE McCLURE**  
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

There are many reasons why a student's college journey might stretch beyond the traditional four years. A new calling may inspire them to change their major, or they may have to juggle their studies with a full-time job. Sometimes caring for an ailing relative leads a student to delay their graduation target beyond the limits of their financial aid, Legislative Lottery Scholarship or college savings.

Whatever the reason, students at New Mexico State University who are a semester or two away from graduation now have an additional source of support to help them bridge that financial gap and cross the finish line to receive their degree.

The Aggie Finish Line Degree Completion Scholarship will support one or more undergraduate students with an award that covers the tuition gap when other financial support has run out. Students must be in good academic standing at NMSU and must be



**Helen Faubion shows off her diploma at New Mexico State University commencement in May, when she earned her bachelor's in public health. Faubion received a degree completion scholarship that helped her push through her final semesters.**

within one or two semesters of completing a bachelor's degree.

"We have many students who are near degree completion, but who have exhausted their financial aid," said Bernadette Montoya, vice president for student affairs and enrollment management. "We are

truly grateful to the donors and members of the business community who provide additional scholarship funds so we can help these students reach their academic goals."

The scholarship is funded by a \$125,000 gift from alumnus Rance Miles, who earned his agriculture business

management degree at NMSU in 1981. Miles has pledged up to an additional \$25,000 to match contributions to the Aggie Finish Line Degree Completion Scholarship.

"Once I learned of the number of Aggies that had to leave school so close to graduation, I was compelled to support the Finish Line Scholarship in every way possible," Miles said. "I hope others will realize the impact of this scholarship and lend their support also

Miles' scholarship gift comes in the midst of the NMSU system's \$125 million Ignite Aggie Discovery campaign, which extends through 2019. The fundraising effort, which launched its public phase in April, is the largest cash campaign in the university's history, with a goal of adding \$50 million in scholarship endowments to support student success.

Though the Aggie Finish Line Degree Completion Scholarship is new, other scholarships also help students over the final hurdle, such as the RAYVETS scholarship

for veteran students and the Martin Degree Completion Scholarship. Many students who are able to receive these awards have found themselves out of other options.

"I don't know how I could have completed my last semester if it weren't for my completion scholarship," said Helen Faubion, who graduated in May with her bachelor's in public health.

"When my financial aid advisor sent me the news that I was being nominated, I was so thrilled," said Faubion. "However, when I learned that I was a recipient, I was elated! Words cannot express the burden that was lifted from my mind."

Across the NMSU system, Montoya said approximately 82 percent of students are eligible for some form of financial aid. Most of NMSU's institutional and state-funded scholarships, including the Legislative Lottery Scholarship, are limited to eight semesters. If a student needs a ninth semester, she said, they are often in need of some form of financial assistance to get them through.

"We would like for them to be focused on their studies, and not have to take on an added job or delay their coursework to save money," Montoya said. "A degree completion scholarship can make a positive difference, helping to keep students on track for degree completion and entering the workforce."

April Tate, partner and chief financial officer of American Document Services in Las Cruces, said she knows that supporting local students is in her company's best interest. American Document Services, which she co-owns with her father, Rick Jackson, has also pledged \$5,000 in increments of \$1,000 per year for the next five years to support the new Aggie Finish Line Degree Completion Scholarship.

"The students are the future of our town and our community," Tate said. "These students could one day be working at our business, or even starting new businesses of their own, and then they'll be able to give back to their community, as well.


"Even though it can be hard for businesses to find that extra money," she said, "we found it important to not only cheer on our Aggies, but give back to the students."

She said she hopes American Document Services can inspire and challenge other Las Cruces businesses to invest in students at NMSU. "We wanted to get out there and lead the charge," she said.

For more information on how you can invest in the Aggie Finish Line Degree Completion Scholarship and to learn more about the Ignite Aggie Discovery campaign, visit [ignite.nmsu.edu](http://ignite.nmsu.edu) or call 575-646-1613.

*Cassie McClure is a Senior Development Officer at New Mexico State University.*

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# Las Cruces Utilities touts natural gas careers

By SHELBY KAPP and SUZANNE MICHAELS

Most people don't know what they want to do until they are in their 20s, but having a knowledge of jobs and their purpose in the community can sure help.

In mid-May, Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) encouraged 6th and 7th graders at Lynn Middle School to consider a career in gas engineering.

By the end of the day 225 students had passed through the outdoor classroom to hear about real life issues distributing natural gas to more than 40,000 home and business connections in and around Las Cruces.

Stephan Klingelmeier, gas cathodic protection technician, explained how LCU protects the all-important underground steel pipes that carry gas, "The first line of defense to protecting against corrosion is a special paint, then bright yellow x-tru coating, and then tape." Then comes the chemistry. Klingelmeier said, "We use cathodic



protection and sacrificial anodes to ensure the stability of the steel pipes."

When you hear the word "corrosion," think "rust." Pete Duran, LCU technical gas supervisor, explains it like this, "Man comes along, manipulates iron ore into steel by heating it, hammering it and molding it into steel pipes. But that material wants to go back into its natural iron ore state... by corroding." When pipes are scraped or damaged with excavating equipment, and there is bare or exposed steel in the ground, that leads to rust and eventually leaks.

Cathodic protection is an electrochemical reac-

tion that keeps the steel pipes from corroding and the gas flowing safely.

"It's important to figure out problems and help fix them," said one 7th grader aspiring to study engineering at NMSU. His math teacher, Martha Aguilar, noted, "These career days spark interest in kids for different career paths."

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ABOVE: LCU staff shares the electrochemical science with students who are considering careers in gas engineering. Protecting the pipes that transport natural gas is critical to LCU.

LEFT: During Career Day, LCU's Stephan Klingelmeier shows Lynn Middle School students the science involved in protecting underground steel pipes from corrosion.

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## Sending the right signals

# City pilots new traffic-control system

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The City of Las Cruces is piloting a multi-million-dollar program that it hopes will improve the flow of vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic at nearly all of the approximately 120 traffic lights operated by the city.

The city's new Traffic Management Center (TMC) "really does change things quite a bit for us," City Street and Traffic Operations Administrator Willie Roman said.

The new Adaptive Traffic Signal Control (ATSC) system the city is piloting in selected areas allows staff to program signals to adapt to different traffic conditions and to synchronize traffic lights. The computer screens attached to the multi-directional, closed-circuit television cameras at each intersection occupy an entire wall at the TMC, located within the city complex on Hadley Avenue. There are only two other high-definition systems like it in the state.

Roman said his staff wants to improve traffic flow throughout the city, but it's "a complicated process" that is both expensive and time consuming.

The ATSC provides a real-time image from every angle of every intersection it's connected to, city Traffic Operations Engineer Soogyu Lee said. That allows his staff to change a signal's timing at the TMC based on traffic flow, pedestrians and bicyclists, weather conditions and accidents, he said. If necessary, a traffic light can also be set to flash continuously. He also



**City Traffic Operations Engineer Soogyu Lee monitors (and can adjust) traffic flow on the media wall at the city's Traffic Management Center on Hadley Avenue.**

BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

can monitor traffic signals for malfunctions, and can even tell if someone is trying to open or vandalize a signal box.

Lee said drivers are already seeing "significant improvement" in the flow of traffic along the Lohman Avenue corridor from Nacho to Walnut streets, where the new system has operated for about two months. That stretch of Lohman is one of the busiest in the city and receives a high number of complaints from residents. The system has improved traffic flow and reduced the time drivers spend at red lights from five to 25 percent.

Other ATSC-controlled signals are located on north Valley Drive and in the East Mesa, Roman said.

To expand the system to include all city traffic signals will take at least five years, depending on funding received from the city and through state and federal grants, Lee said. Las Cruces is at a particular disadvantage in competing for federal grants, he said, because most go to larger cities.

"We keep trying. We keep expanding fiber optics" as funding is available, he said. The system now includes four projects and 20 traffic signals, and implementation

will continue in phases, Lee said. Planning is underway to extend it to the University Avenue corridor, he said, to be followed by U.S. Highway 70 and north Main Street area.

Upgrades can cost from \$200,000 to \$350,000 per intersection, he said.

The city can't address traffic issues at every intersection because, in some cases, there isn't enough distance between traffic signals, Lee said. The signals on Spruce Street at Triviz Drive and Telshor Boulevard are a good example. There are similar issues at other locations, he said. It's "almost impossible" to make the system "100 percent ef-

ficient even with the most advanced technology," Lee said. "We will definitely make it better."

The ASTC system isn't just about vehicle movement, Lee said. It balances the flow of motorized vehicles with pedestrians and bicyclists. The city looks for "a happy medium" so "all three have equal opportunity," he said.

As ASTC is expanded, three TMC staff (there are two vacancies) continue to deal with traffic issues at intersections across the city. Complaints and requests come mostly from residents, but also from city and NMDOT staff, city councilors on behalf of residents, and Las Cruces police officers, Lee said.

The most complaints the department receives is for speeding in residential areas, he said. Each complaint or suggestion – whether received by phone, email or in person – is logged in and a work order generated, he said, and is tracked by staff until it's closed, which might take a day, a week or even a month. "Every request is different," Lee said. Issues involving a threat to public safety get top priority.

Before making an engineering change at an intersection, staff likely will work with the Las Cruces Police Department and neighborhood group. Remedies might include installing speed bumps and/or stop signs.

If you have a traffic complaint or request, call 575-541-2595 or visit [www.las-cruces.org/en/contact](http://www.las-cruces.org/en/contact).

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

# Rising Rio a joy to farmers, boaters

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

Snowpack in Colorado has given New Mexico farmers a gift. The Rio Grande is delivering 200,000 acre-feet of water more than last year to the farmers of the Valley according to James Narvaez, irrigation systems director for the Elephant Butte Irrigation District.

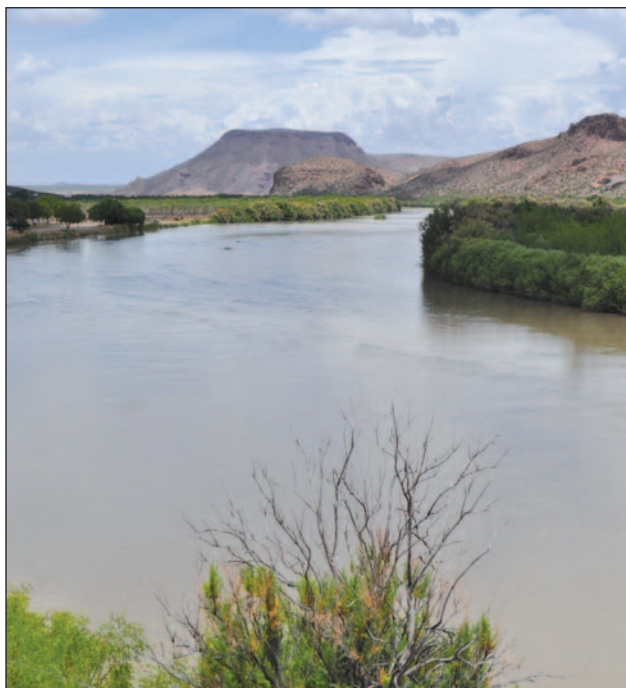
He said he expects the river to keep rising for another week or two. Summer monsoons may bring even more flow, but there is no way of predicting. "It's a good surprise," he said of the increased flow. "We've been barely getting by since 2003."

But even with increased flow, the state is nowhere near normal. Farmers

in the district are currently being allocated 18 inches of water per acre-foot; normal was once 36 inches. Last year, they received 13 inches. Narvaez said he expects the growing season irrigation to last through mid-September, depending on the monsoon.

The water level at Elephant Butte Reservoir is up by 16 feet compared to this time last year and is 34 feet higher than it was six months ago. Father's Day, June 18, should be perfect for water sports and a sandcastle building contest.

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BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

The Rio Grande, shown near Rincon, continues to rise, pushing water through to Elephant Butte Irrigation District farmers as well as farms in the El Paso area.



ABOVE: Elephant Butte Lake rises to cover trees that have been creeping in on the shores only to be engulfed as Colorado snow melt sends more water down the river.



LEFT: Father's Day is celebrated June 16-18 with a boat show, a fishing tournament and a sandcastle building contest at Elephant Butte this year.

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### Bike ride set to depart

Bicyclists will gather at 7:05 a.m. Monday, June 12, at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum for the monthly Share the Road Visibility Ride. Departure time is 7:15 a.m., from the museum, 351 N. Mesilla St.

The Share the Road Visibility Ride helps build awareness that bicyclists and motorists can share the road safely and that commuting to work on a bicycle is a viable transportation choice.

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The ride is a real-life, real-time demonstration of how bicyclists can ride with traffic safely and to help raise awareness among motorists of the presence of bicyclists and how bicyclists behave while riding in traffic. The ride is led by the League of American Bicyclists Certified Instructors.

The ride ends at Starbucks, corner of University and Espina, at about 7:40 a.m. Bicyclists should wear helmets and follow the rules of the road. For more information, visit [velocruces.org](http://velocruces.org).

### Missile test to close road

A missile test scheduled for June 14 will require the closure of three state highways, from approximately 8-9 a.m.

The test, conducted by White Sands Missile Range, will require the closure of Highway 54 between the McGregor Range exit and Orogrande; Highway 70 between San Augustine Pass and Alamogordo; and Highway 380 from San Antonio to Carrizozo. The roads will be blocked by White Sands Missile Range security personnel, and the closure will include the railways along Highway 54.

Road closures are scheduled based on the testing plan, and are subject to change without notice.

### Live auction scheduled

The next City of Las Cruces live auction has been scheduled for Saturday, June 17. Items in this auction include surplus city vehicles, equipment, furnishings and supplies. In time, the items become worn out, obsolete, unusable or surplus. They were purchased with taxpayer dollars and will be sold via online auction or live auction to comply with state statutes.

The auction takes place at 9 a.m. at 1501 E. Hadley Ave., Building E. Registration begins at 7 a.m. This is a cash-only auction.

#### Flood commission meets

The Doña Ana County Flood Commission will host its second public meeting in Mesquite to discuss a new master drainage study and get input from area residents.

The meeting will be held Wednesday, June 14 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Mesquite Fire Station located on Firehouse Road. Representatives from Smith Engineering, the company contracted to perform the study, will attend along with staff from the Doña Ana County Flood Commission.

For more information, contact Carl Lukesh, 575-525-5566, or John Gwynne, 575-525-5554.

### Lemonade stand backs the blue

A group of youngsters from Jardin de los Niños in Las Cruces will host a lemonade stand on Thursday, June 22, to raise money for the Southern New Mexico Fallen Peace Officers Memorial.

The memorial is a multi-agency effort to honor the families of the fallen and pay tribute to local law enforcement officers who lost their lives in the line of duty.

From 9 to 10 a.m. first-responders will set up a Safety Fair on the grounds of Jardin at 999 W. Amador for kids to see the units, interact with deputies, police officers and firefighters, and ask questions. Representatives from the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, Las Cruces Police Department, Las Cruces Fire Department, Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services and agents with the U.S. Border Patrol will participate.

The Back the Blue Lemonade Stand, sponsored by Whataburger, will offer lemonade and baked goods for a \$1 donation from 10 a.m. to noon.

Historically, children from the Pre-K and After School programs at Jardin have hosted the lemonade stand fundraisers to help pay for their summer programs. Stands have benefitted La Casa and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

"Initially, it was a way for the kids to learn how to handle money, make change, and operate a cash register," said Audrey Hartley, executive director of Jardin de los Niños. "Eventually, it evolved into a lesson for the kids that it is better to give than to receive. When we asked them what charity or group they would like to help this year, it was a resounding show of support for our first-responders."

### Police checkpoints planned

Las Cruces Police will conduct at least two sobriety checkpoints and two saturation patrols within city limits in June.

The checkpoints and patrols are intended to reduce and eliminate the number of motorists who drive while intoxicated.

Officers will also be on the lookout for other traffic safety violations such as drivers using cell phones and those who fail to properly use seatbelts or child safety seats.

Las Cruces Police encourage those who plan on consuming alcoholic beverages to use a designated driver – someone who will not be drinking alcoholic beverages – for their transportation needs.

### Police reports now online

Residents of Las Cruces can now file additional types of police reports online instead of having to call Central Dispatch or speak with an officer.

The Las Cruces Police Department online reporting system can now accept reports for graffiti, abandoned vehicles, littering or illegal dumping, lost property, theft with no known suspects or evidence, harassment or annoying phone calls, and loud animals. City residents were already able to file relatively minor property crime reports of incidents that had no suspects or crime scene evidence.

The reports must be of incidents that occurred within Las Cruces city limits. Crimes that occur outside city limits should be reported to law enforcement in their respective jurisdiction.

If the incident in question is an emergency, or if there is a known suspect or potential crime

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scene evidence that can be collected, the reporting party should call 911 or 575-526-0795, the non-emergency phone number to Central Dispatch.

The system allows users to receive a temporary case number and print a copy of the unofficial report. Information submitted is reviewed by a Las Cruces Police officer for approval. Once approved, the information is entered into LCPD records and an official report is generated. The reporting party will receive an email confirming the report and instructions on how to print a free copy of the report. The officer can also recommend further investigation into the matter.

The online reporting system can be found on the Las Cruces Police Department's website, [www.CLCPD.com](http://www.CLCPD.com), under the "File a Report Online" tab.

### Training academy taking applications

Nine days remain to submit applications for the Las Cruces Police Department's 47th training academy. Applications, which must be filed electronically through the City's Human Resources website, are due no later than Sunday, June 11.

LCPD's academy is tentatively set to begin Nov. 27, 2017.

The starting salary for cadets, those who are accepted into the academy, is \$15.50 per hour. Upon graduation from the 20-week academy, officer trainees earn \$17.83 per hour and are eligible for a \$3,000 retention bonus. Officer trainees who successfully complete their one-year probationary status earn a salary of \$20.99 per hour, or approximately \$43,600 annually.

Applicants are required to be U.S. citizens, at least 19 years old when the academy begins, and have at least a high school diploma and no felony convictions. Additional material

## Business Roundtable



Las Cruces City Manager Stuart Ed, left, greets Lt. Gov. John Sanchez on Friday, June 2, at the Lt. Governor's Business Roundtable meeting.

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required for the application – including a physical fitness exam waiver and a personal history statement – are available on the Las Cruces Police Department's website at [www.CLCPD.com](http://www.CLCPD.com) under the "Recruiting and Training Academy" link.

### Project helps dementia patients

A Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department initiative continues to reconnect residents with their loved ones who suffer from cognitive issues – Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or some forms of autism – that can cause them to wander.

Project Lifesaver, a wristband location device, has been offered to residents in Doña Ana County through the sheriff's department since 2002. The state-of-the-art personal radio transmitters assist first-

responders in locating anyone wearing the devices when they become lost.

Statistics show more than half of those afflicted with Alzheimer's disease wander and become lost. If they are not located within the first 24 hours, the risk of a bad outcome – including death – is magnified.

Each waterproof wristband emits a specific radio wave assigned to the patient. When a patient is reported missing to the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority, the sheriff's department staff member trained to use the mobile locator will arrive at the patient's last known location to follow the mobile locator's tracking beacon until the patient is found. The locator tracks the wristband within a five-mile radius and can also be used from an aircraft.

To register a loved one at risk of becoming lost, contact Project Lifesaver Coordinator Stephen Dail at 575-525-1911.

### Pearce meets with Mexican government

Rep. Steve Pearce met June 5 with colleagues from the United States House of Representatives and representatives of the Mexican Legislature and government as part of the U.S.–Mexico Inter-Parliamentary Group (IPG). The IPG focuses on trade relations, border security enhancements, immigration, and other issues pertaining to the relationship between the U.S. and Mexico.

"It's great to be here with my colleagues leading discussions to preserve and strengthen the strong bilateral relationship our nation has with Mexico," Pearce said. "Representing roughly 180 miles of the bor-

der with Mexico, I understand the importance of our partnership, especially as it affects the local economy and safety of communities here in New Mexico. I look forward to meeting with my Mexican counterparts to look for actions that can be taken to strengthen economic opportunity for New Mexico."

House Speaker Paul Ryan appointed Rep. Pearce to serve on the U.S.–Mexico IPG in the 115th Congress. The group was established in 1961 to encourage a comprehensive discussion between the United States and Mexico on issues that affect border trade, security, and international crime.

### City applies for air quality permit

The City of Las Cruces, Utilities Department, announced its application to the New Mexico Environment Department for an air quality permit to modify the Jacob A. Hands Wastewater Treatment Facility, 2851 W. Amador Ave.

If you have comments about the construction or operation of this facility, and you want your comments to be part of the permit review process, submit them in writing to:

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Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816  
505-476-4300, or 1-800-224-7009.

With your comments, refer to the company name and facility name, or send a copy of this notice along with your comments. This information is necessary since the department may have not yet received the permit application. Please include a legible return mailing address. Once the department has completed its preliminary review of the application and its air quality impacts, the department's notice will be published in the legal section of the local newspaper.



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# Bowling for dollars

J. Paul Taylor Academy students and their art teacher Stephanie Preciado fashioned hand-made soup bowls and Las Cruces restaurants Chala's, An-dele's, Salud!, and Le Rendezvous filled them with soup to support El Caldito Soup Kitchen.

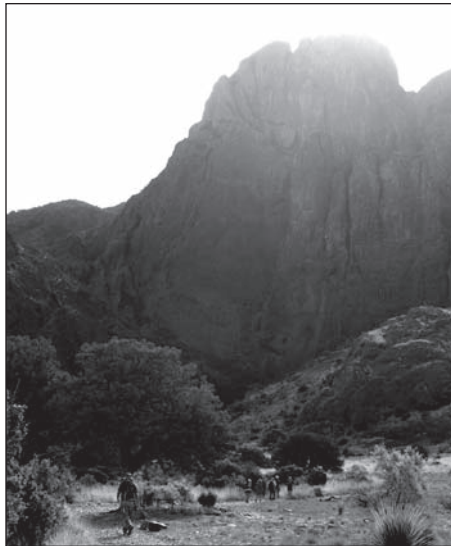
"It's so important to create opportunities for students to feel connected to their local community in meaningful ways," Preciado said. "Creating and sharing art in collaboration allows students to feel

they can make a difference."

Families, students and the restaurants raised \$1,000 for El Caldito. The effort culminated with the students touring the El Caldito facility on May 26, where they presented a check along with their personally decorated sandwich bags for sack lunches.

"Empty Bowls" is an international project to fight hunger, personalized by artists and art organizations on a community level.

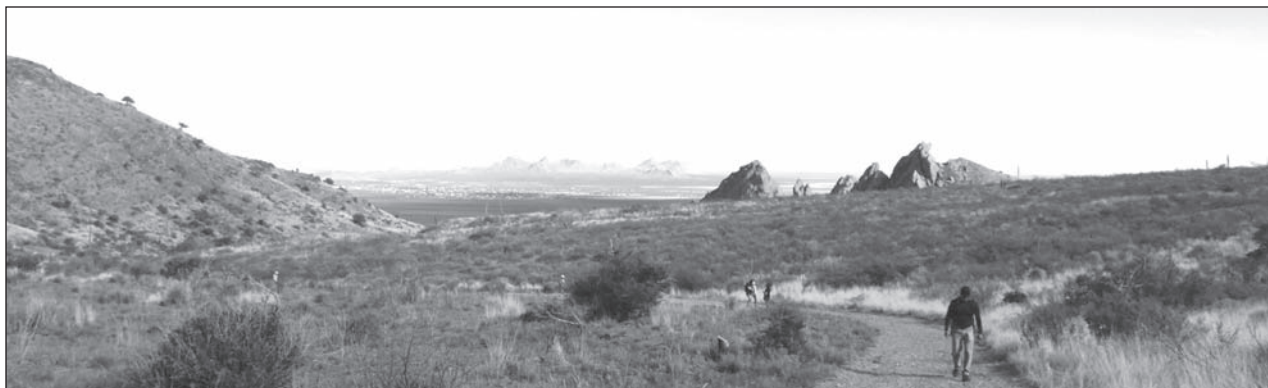




## National Trails Day

The Friends of Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks and the Southern New Mexico Trail Alliance hosted a variety of free, volunteer-led outings Saturday, June 3, in honor of National Trails Day. Hikers hit the trail at Dripping Springs Natural Area, followed by ice cream in Ice Canyon, behind the visitor's center. Other events included a horseback ride, a mountain bike ride and a trail run. National Trails Day is a nationally coordinated event with the goal of connecting more people to trails – whether on foot, horseback or bicycles.

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**RIGHT:** Boyd's Sanatorium, built in 1910 by Dr. Nathan Boyd to house and care for tuberculosis patients, was later used as a resort and as housing for a cattle ranching operation. In 1988, the area was acquired by the Bureau of Land Management. It is one of several historical buildings and structures available for viewing along the Dripping Springs Natural Area hike.



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Erika Contreras takes a photo of Meridian Manuelito in front of a 1951 Bel Air Deluxe.

# Dressed to the nines

Residents dressed out for the annual Zoot Suit Pachanga held June 2 and 3 in Klein Park. The Pachanga celebrated historic Las Cruces culture including car clubs, boxing and fashion.

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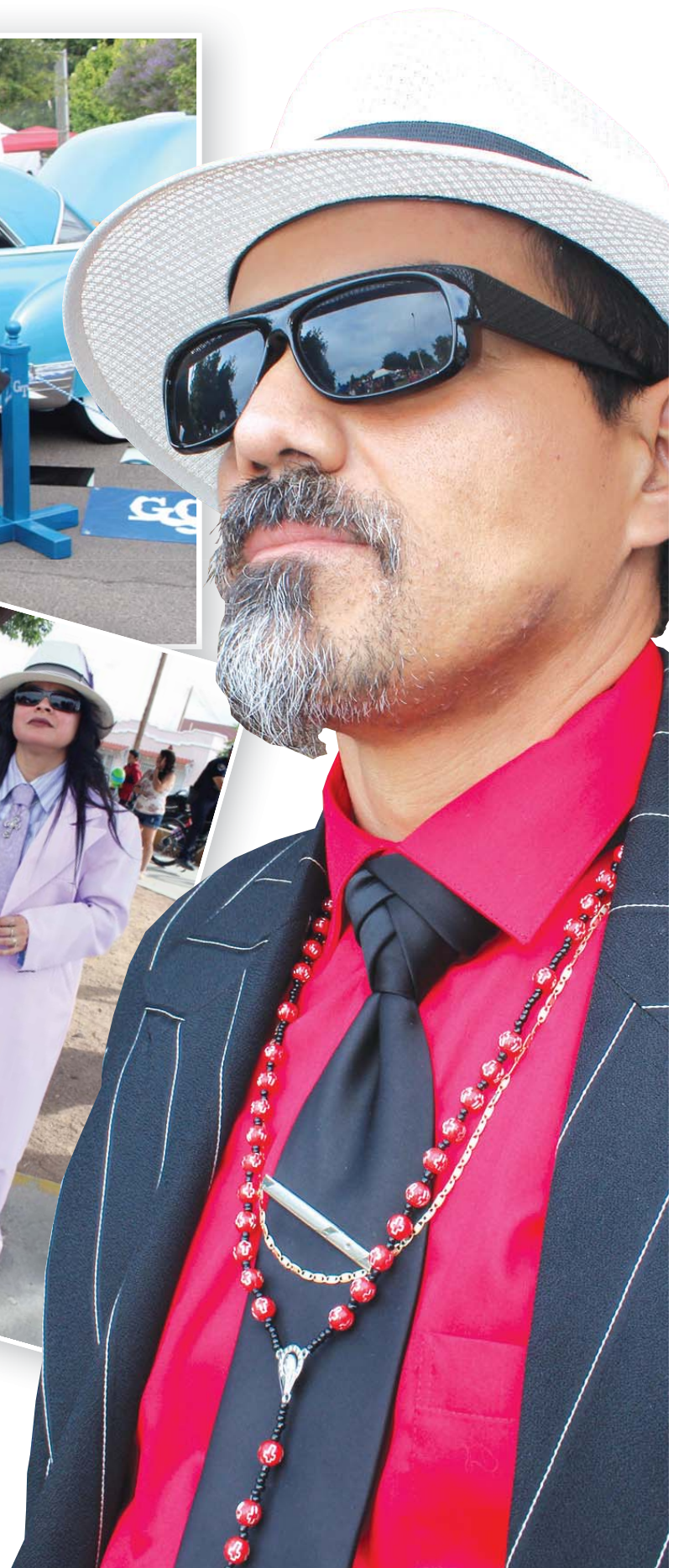


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LEFT: Genie Perez and Bobbie Ramirez



ABOVE:  
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ANSWER: When it's full!

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### Meet Mercury

Woodward is cruising by Mercury this week. Mercury is the closest planet to the sun in our solar system. Replace the missing words in his interstellar text message.

**AIR FULL BURN**  
**SURFACE MOON CRASHED**

Dear Kid Scoop Readers -

Mercury is very much like our \_\_\_\_\_. It is dry, airless and \_\_\_\_\_ of craters.

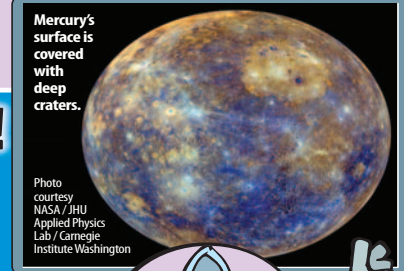
Because there is nearly no \_\_\_\_\_, or atmosphere, around Mercury, flying space rocks called meteorites and asteroids have \_\_\_\_\_ into the planet's \_\_\_\_\_ leaving behind deep craters. Earth's atmosphere slows down meteorites and asteroids that hurtle towards us, and nearly all \_\_\_\_\_ up before they hit the ground.

Your spacey friend, Woodward

## KABOOM!

Mercury has an enormous crater called the Caloris basin. It was formed by a really big flying space rock. The impact was so strong that it formed \_\_\_\_\_ on the other side of the planet!

WRHTNIKMLBVLDS



Circle every third letter for the answer.

Use the comparison chart at right to answer these questions.

- About how many Earth days does a day on Mercury last?  
 24  59  99
- About how many times in one Earth year will Mercury orbit the sun?  
 4  6  10

	MERCURY	EARTH
DISTANCE FROM THE SUN	36 MILLION MILES	93 MILLION MILES
TIME TO ORBIT THE SUN	88 DAYS	365 DAYS
ORBIT SPEED	107,372 MILES PER HOUR	70,000 MILES PER HOUR
LENGTH OF DAY	1,416 HOURS	24 HOURS
DIAMETER	3,100 MILES	7,926 MILES
NUMBER OF MOONS	0	1

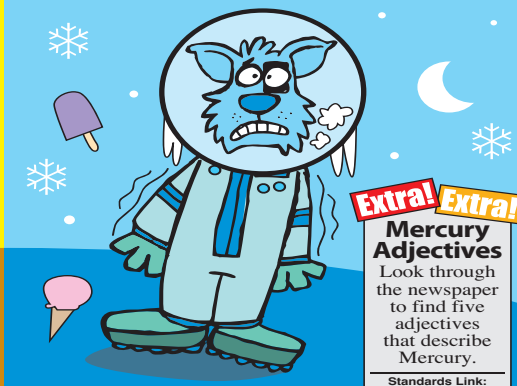


### Hot vs. Cold

Mercury has no atmosphere to protect it from the sun's heat, or to capture and hold in the heat on the dark side.

Mercury's sunny side can heat up to 750°F (399°C). The dark side is much, much colder with a temperature that can go down to -328°F (-200°C).

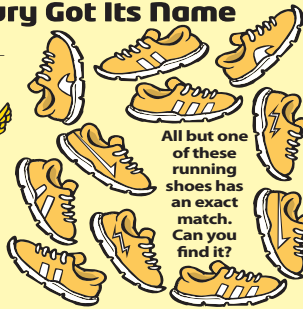
Find the differences between the hot side and the cold side in this silly picture.



### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### How Mercury Got Its Name

Mercury zips around the sun every 88 days – faster than any other planet. It gets its name from the quickest of the ancient gods – Mercury, the messenger of the gods. Mercury was depicted as wearing sandals with wings on them, the secret to his great speed.



Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know about the sun, planets and stars.

### Double Double Word Search

ATMOSPHERE  
MESSENGER  
ASTEROIDS  
FRICTION  
MERCURY  
CRATERS  
HURTLE  
ORBIT  
SPACE  
ROCKS  
EARTH  
DARK  
BURN  
GODS  
AIR

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

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A S T E R O I D S R  
E R E H P S O M T A  
C M S G O E E D E T  
A R O K L R A C U E  
P D R T C R B R I R  
S A R U K O I I T S  
B U R N L A R P T H  
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing, Recognized identical words, Skim and scan reading, Recall spelling patterns.

### FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

#### Numbers Game

Find and circle as many numbers as you can find on one newspaper page. What is the largest number you can find? Add up your numbers. Find the average of your numbers.

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

### Write On!

#### When I Grow Up

What do you want to be when you grow up? Write a paragraph about the job you would like to have one day and why you would be good at it.

### Kid Scoop Together:

#### Fraction Funnies

To find out the answer to the riddle, find the letters asked for in each step and write them in order.

If a meteorite hits a planet, what do you call the ones that miss?

Circle the last 3/4 of this word:

**METER**

Circle the last 3/4 of this word:

**VIDEO**

Circle the first 3/4 of this word:

**WREATH**

Circle the middle 3/4 of this word:

**TONS**

Circle the last 3/4 of this word:

**SONGS**

### What a Character!

#### Curiosity is ...

This page was fun! I wonder what books the library might have about Mercury?

... wondering about and exploring our world and beyond.

### Kid Scoop-doku

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

Y	E	A	R
A			Y

# Rocket engineers shoot to Spaceport event

By ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

Las Cruces Bulletin

In 2011 Matt Corrado-Ellengold, Dustin Koehler and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University assembled a rocket from a back room at their university, called it “Pathfinder II,” and entered the Intercollegiate Rocket Engineering Competition (IREC). They won that year, then again in 2012 with “Pathfinder III.” They were hooked.

Today Corrado-Ellengold and Koehler head up the Experimental Sounding Rocket Association (ESRA) and are responsible for bringing more than 100 teams from across the world to New Mexico’s Spaceport America June 19-24 for this year’s IREC.

“This is the only design/build competition for students interested in rocketry,” Corrado-Ellengold said. “We give these students the opportunity for hands-on rocketry experience. It’s incredibly rewarding.”

Previous IRECs, including last year’s, took place in the basement of the Green River History Museum, he said. There were 70 participants registered at the beginning of the year (the number usually drops closer to the event). With the move to Spaceport America registration shot up to 120 due to excitement about the location, Corrado-Ellengold said.

“It looks like 80 to 90 will be showing up,” he said. “There will be 100 industry reps. It’s just plain cool. I love see-



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**The 2016 board of the Experimental Sounding Rocket Association visits Spaceport America for the first time in August 2016 as they begin to plan the 2017 Intercollegiate Rocket Engineering Competition, now known as the Spaceport America Cup.**

ing the things they (the teams) come up with.”

The industry representatives will be on hand to talk to students about the future, like an informal job fair. Participating teams, their rockets and the industry reps will be at the Las Cruces Convention Center June 20 to talk engineering all day. The public is welcome 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to visit and listen to the presentations.

Participating in the conference are companies Blue Origin, Virgin Galactic, SpaceX, United Launch Alliance, Misumi, Ratheyon, Orbital ATK, Aerojet Rocketdyne, Ball Aerospace, Wagoner Industries, Planetary Systems, Jacobs Technology, Fisher Space Pen and Fiore Industries.

After the opening conference, the rocketeers will head to Spaceport America’s vertical launch area to prepare for three days of launching approximately 100 solid, liquid and hybrid rockets to target altitudes of 10,000 and 30,000 feet. United Launch Alliance will also be launching the world’s largest sport rocket, 53 feet tall carrying 16 payloads from K-12 classrooms. Spectators are welcome; there will be viewing areas set up and teams will be able to display their rockets after recovery.

The Space Dynamics Laboratory, a business unit in the Utah State University Research Foundation with headquarters in Logan, Utah,

is offering \$1,000 in cash prizes to participating teams that produce meaningful payloads.

Corrado-Ellengold, an aerospace engineer himself, graduated from Embry-Riddle University. When he was 9 or 10 he saw a TV documentary on the future of air traffic which mentioned the college.

“There’s a college for nothing but aerospace?” he thought at the time. “I want to go there.”

Spectators are welcome for Spaceport America Cup launch days: June 22-24 at the vertical launch area, open to the public at 7:30 a.m. each day. Admission is \$10 for one day and \$20 for a three-day pass. Visit [spaceportamericacup.com](http://spaceportamericacup.com) for a full schedule



**Matthew Corrado-Ellengold and Pathfinder II prepare for IREC in 2011.**

and to sign up.

Spaceport America recommends vehicles travel to the site via Truth or Consequences — on NM 51, turn South at Engle on A013 and then East on A039 to the entrance. It’s about a 50-minute drive from T

or C. Adult spectators will be required to present government issued photo-ID. Call 575-267-8500 for information.

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# City, partners homing in on affordable housing

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Providing adequate affordable housing in Las Cruces is an ongoing challenge for the city and a number of local, regional and federal partners.

City staff are working with Mesilla Valley Community of Hope (MVCH), Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity (MVHH), Mesilla Valley Public Housing Authority, Tierra del Sol Housing Corp., Families and Youth, Inc., La Casa Inc. and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to address the need for more affordable housing in the community.

Community Development Director David Weir said the city's affordable housing plan's goals are to "increase the affordability of rental housing, preserve existing affordable housing, expand home ownership options, create inventive partnerships and reduce homelessness."

Weir said the city administers HUD grant programs totaling about \$1 million annually to create additional housing for the city's low- to moderate-income population and to maintain and rehabilitate existing properties, including weatherization. It partners with HUD and MVCH to provide rental assistance to the homeless and disabled, and works with MVHH on the construction of new, affordably priced homes each year.

Through HUD community development block grants and local funds, the city has provided housing services to nearly 45,500 people during the past five years, Weir said. Because HUD funds have been dropping, he said, the city is having to "do more with less money."

The city also has allocated \$500,000 from its general fund for affordable-housing projects, he said.

"Working with people who are unable to pay more than 30 percent of their income toward rent reminds me daily of the need for more affordable housing in Las Cruces," MVCH Executive Director Nicole Martinez said. MVCH is working with city staff to address that need.

HUD identifies a household as cost-burdened if the family pays more than 30 percent of its income for rent or for a mortgage and utilities, according to the Affordable Housing Plan that Community Strategies Institute (CSI) of Edgewater, Colorado, produced for the City of Las Cruces in 2016. "Rents are higher than these households can afford, causing the gap," the report said.

Weir said there were 633 rental units available in Las Cruces for cost-burdened households in 2016, but a need for almost 5,000. There were 934 affordably-priced homes for cost-burdened families, and a need for 5,100 more.

"Demand for affordable rental units by very low

and low-income households is far greater than the present supply," the CSI report said. "The shortage of decent rental housing poses a cost burden for low wage households who cannot effectively compete in the housing market. New units should be constructed throughout Las Cruces, near downtown, at key redevelopment sites in established neighborhoods, and in newer areas still being developed near amenities, and should target families, persons with disabilities, and local employees."

Two city-owned properties are in the city's affordable-housing land bank: four acres near Sierra Middle School and about four-tenths of an acre near city recreation facilities on Hadley Avenue. Weir said the city also continues to look for other sites to add to the land bank through purchases, foreclosures, condemnations, abatements and property donations.

He said the "desired approach" is to work with local partners to construct affordable-housing units on the sites.

"The average rent for all units in Las Cruces in the third quarter of 2015 was \$739," the report said, "and ranged from \$569 for a one-bedroom, one-bath unit to \$1,760 for a three-bedroom, 2.5-bath unit."

U.S. Census data from 2009 to 2013 shows slightly more than 38,000 households in Las Cruces, and just over one-third of them had incomes below \$25,000 a year. Another 21 percent of households had incomes between \$25,000 and \$45,000 per year, just under the local median income of \$45,200, according to CSI. There were 22,265 persons living in poverty in Las Cruces, according to the 2013 census, CSI said.

Other findings in the CSI housing report:

- "Homeless and housing providers interviewed for this study report an increase in the number of homeless households in Las Cruces seeking services, especially families with children," CSI said.
- "There were 47,852 persons in the labor force in Las Cruces in 2013. Of these, 41,983 were employed

and 5,374 were unemployed. The unemployment rate was 11.3 percent in Las Cruces. The December 2015 unemployment rate for the entire county was 7.5 percent, according to New Mexico Workforce Solutions, higher than the statewide rate of 6.7 percent."

- "Almost 40 percent of all housing units in Las Cruces were constructed prior to 1980, and deferred maintenance and disrepair are an issue for some of the housing stock. The Home Rehabilitation program for low- and moderate-income households is offered by the City of Las Cruces and is important for ensuring that the existing housing stock is maintained. Rental units in Las Cruces have a median year built of 1983 while owner occupied units have a median year built of 1989."

- "Approximately five percent of owner occupied units and six percent of renter occupied units in Las Cruces were built before 1950. Another 30 percent of owner occupied units and 39 percent of renter occupied units were built between 1951 and 1979. Units built in or before the 1980s may be in need of rehabilitation, especially those units built over 40 or 50 years ago. Housing providers indicate that there are a significant number of older owner occupied properties that are in need of major repair and upgrades in Las Cruces, especially in the central older neighborhoods close to downtown."

- "In Las Cruces, the homeownership rate was 57.5 percent in 2013, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Most housing units in Las Cruces have three or more bedrooms. Renters are more likely to live in smaller units, while most units with three or more bedrooms are owner occupied."

For more information, visit [www.las-cruces.org/departments/community-development/housing-and-family-services/affordable-housing](http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/community-development/housing-and-family-services/affordable-housing), [www.las-cruces.org](http://www.las-cruces.org).

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## COMING UP

**Fun Fly event:** The Mesilla Valley Model Airplane Club hosts a Fun Fly event at 8 a.m. Saturday, June 10, at the club airfield, 555 S. Sonoma Ranch Blvd. Raffles and free hot dogs for lunch. Breakfast provided by Lion's Club for \$7. \$10 landing fee for pilots, who must be AMA members. Free for spectators. Info: President Jerry De-Long, 575-202-7400.

**Filipino-American Friendship Celebration:** The Filipino-American Association of Las Cruces invites the public to an evening of Filipino-American cultural experience at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 10, at Alma de Arte Charter High School, 402 W Court Ave. Filipino folk-dances, music and cuisine, karaoke,

dancing and folklore presentations. Info: Mely, 575-521-3031.

**LGBTQ march:** LGBTQ Equality March for Unity and Pride, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 11, at Plaza de Las Cruces. Open mic, dance and music at 10 a.m. Community speakers at 11 a.m. March starts at 11:30 a.m. Hosted by PFLAG Las Cruces, Transgender Resources and Communities of Las Cruces, Singing Out LGBT Chorus.

**DAAC fundraiser:** The Doña Ana Arts Council is moving. A fundraiser will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 11, at Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Two films by local filmmaker Ed Breeding will be screened, "Heart of the Arts: Las Cruces & Mesilla Valley, New Mexico" and "Holder of Wisdom." Info: 575-523-6403, www.riograndetheatre.com.

**Genealogical Society:** Doña Ana County Genealogical Society meeting will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 13, at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave., in the Roadrunner Room. Visitors welcome. The program is "Getting the Scoop on Your Ancestors in Newspapers." Info: dacgslc@gmail.com or eva.nevarezstjohn@yahoo.com.

**Farm & Ranch:** New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

Summer camps for kids:

- Happy Scribbles: June 13-15, for children 7-9.
- Express Yourself!: June 13-15, for children 10-12.
- Broncos, Ropes & Spurs: June 20-22, for children 5-8.
- Greenhouse Extravaganza: June 27-29, for children 9-12.

Pre-registration is required and the cost for the camps ranges from \$20-35. Info: 575-522-4100 or www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org

Other events:

- Catching Dreams: 10 a.m.-1 p.m., June 10. Create crafts for catching your dreams. Crafts are free, but regular museum admission is required.
- Father's Day Crafts: 10 a.m.-1 p.m., June 17. Celebrate dad and create a craft showing how much he means to you. Crafts are free, but regular museum admission is required of all family members.
- Scream for Ice Cream: 10 a.m.-1 p.m., June 24. Celebrate one of the best parts of summer: ice cream. Create a craft all about this delicious treat. Crafts are free, but regular museum admission is required for all family members.

**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.

- Movie Making Mondays – Movie making for teens (June 12, 19, 26)
- 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

**Summer Recreation Program:** Las Cruces Parks and Recreation taking applications for the Summer Recreation Program; participants are chosen through a lottery. Kindergarten through 5th grade, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Grades 6-8, 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Session I is currently in session. Session II will be July 5-Aug. 4. \$200 per child per session (does not include fee for field trips). Info/registration: 575-541-2550. Must register in person.

**Wednesday Night Markets:** 5-9 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, Main St. Plaza, between Las Cruces and Griggs Ave. Wednesday Night Markets are back. There will be food trucks, arts and crafts vendors, music, and dancing. Bring the family down and enjoy a lovely evening on the Plaza. Other events scheduled for 6-10 p.m. July 12, 6-10 p.m. Aug. 9, 5-9 p.m. Sept. 13, and 5-9 p.m. Oct. 25. Info: www.facebook.com/LasCrucesMarket.

**NMSU summer camp:** NMSU Department of Computer Science hosts Projects GUTS (Growing Up Thinking Scientifically) from 9 a.m.-noon, June 19-23, for middle school students to learn computer programming basics, make computer models in StarLogo Nova, and create simulations and interactive computer games. Info/registration: <http://nmsu.life/1b>.

**Red, White & Brew Fest:** 5-10 p.m. Friday, June 30 and noon-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 1-2 at Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. Features both New Mexico wines and local craft beers in an air-conditioned indoor setting and an outdoor patio. Info: <http://redwhiteandbrewfestival.com>.

**4th of July Celebration:** City of Las Cruces hosts a celebration July 3-4, 2017. The July 4 events will be held at Field of Dreams, 2501 Tashiro Drive. Entrance into the event area will be

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from Motel Boulevard only; Tashiro Drive will be closed and used as an exit only. Fireworks, grills, staked shade canopies and RV/Campers are not allowed in the events area. Info: 575-541-2550. Schedule includes:

- Electric 5K & Run – 7:30 p.m. July 3, Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave. Info: lascrucesrunningclub.com
- Electric Light Parade – 9 p.m. July 3, Solano Avenue. Begins at Apodaca Park, 801 E. Madrid Ave., heads south on Solano Avenue, east on Hadley Avenue, ends at Maag Softball Complex. The theme is “Celebrate Our Freedom, Our Patriots, and America.”
- Youth activities with Teen Mobile Unit – 4 p.m., July 4
- Play Me concert – 4 p.m., Neil Diamond tribute
- Air National Guard Band of the Southwest – 5:20 p.m., patriotic and contemporary music
- GAP X The Band – 6:40 p.m., R&B/soul
- Blue Oyster Cult – 8:30 p.m., classic rock
- Mayor’s Welcome, presentation of colors, fireworks show – 9:45 p.m.

**Native Plant Society:** 7 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, in the Conference Room of the Social Center at the University Terrace Good Samaritan Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. The Native Plant Society of New Mexico is a non-profit organization dedicated to conserving the native flora of New Mexico. The public is welcome to attend our meetings. Sara Fuentes Soriano, Curator of the NMSU Herbarium, will present “The weird and wonderful natural history of the Spectaclepod and other uncommon Southwestern mustards.” Info: 575-523-8413.

**Native Plant Society Field Trip:** 8 a.m., Saturday, July 15, Carr Canyon in the Sacramento Mountains. Meet at east end of K-Mart parking lot. All-day trip.

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**Kitty Kitchen Glitter:** Saturday, Oct. 7, Better Life Pet Foods, 365 Avenida de Mesilla. The first Kitty Kitchen Glitter will feature items for holiday cooking and entertaining. We are looking for new or gently used items for holiday season cooking or

entertaining, including: quality baking and cooking items, trays, small plates, elegant glassware, decorative items, linens (such as table runners), ornaments, and centerpieces. Project Save A Kitten events raise funds for local nonprofit animal organizations that spay/neuter, adopt, vet, rescue, and address the cat overpopulation problem in Doña Ana County. Donate and info: Jackye, 575-323-0903, or jackyecats@gmail.com

**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: lascolcherasqg@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, or visit www.toastmasters.org.

**Toastmasters Club:** Meets 7-8 p.m. Wednesdays, Good Samaritan Society-Las Cruces Village community center, Kiva Room, 3100 Buena Vida Circle. Info: 575-642-0032, email lascrucestoastmasters@gmail.com or visit Toastmasters International website 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, www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes, or 575-405-7133.

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**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.

**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.

**LC Young Pros:** Third Tuesday of each month, Las Cruces Young Professionals, Beck’s Coffee House, 130 N. Mesquite St. Grab some coffee with fellow young professionals for a quick presentation about business or organization. Info and RSVP: www.facebook.com/lascrucesyp.

**Ambercare Hospice Volunteer Program:** Ambercare seeks individuals who are interested in becoming a volunteer 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.

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



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New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road.

## Farm & Ranch Museum: To preserve that which is lost

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum (NMFRHM) is a “rural island in an urban sea.”

One of its biggest challenges is finding ways to connect residents and visitors with their agricultural roots.

“More and more people have no idea what a cow, a sheep or a goat is,” museum Director Mark Santiago said. They don’t know that “wheat is a grass” or that “pistachios grow on trees,” he said.

Most people “have no clue how agriculture works with the natural world to domesticate certain things,” Santiago said. “A lot of that has been lost. That’s what we try to preserve here - the history and heritage” of 4,000 years of agriculture in the state.

As NMFRHM nears its 20th anniversary – it opened in 1998 – attendance shows a “steady increase,” Santiago said, with about 82,000 visitors counted last year. It is one of only two state-sponsored museums. The museum operates on a budget of about \$2 million a year, Santiago said. Most of that money comes from state appropriations and museum admissions fees.

The 47-acre site provides a

natural desert environment to showcase the history of agriculture in New Mexico since long before it was a state, a territory or a part of the Republic of Mexico. It is home to 70 to



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100 animals at any given time, including calves, foals and baby goats and sheep.

It tells the story of New Mexico agriculture through:

- a wide range of long-term and changing exhibits covering 24,000 square feet, including Wheels and Gears, a New Mexico colonial home (circa 1815), a master saddle maker, the historic Green Bridge, Farm Life in New Mexico: Then and Now and antique equipment;
- extensive research collections and archives, including a collection of cattle, horse and sheep brand records dating back more than 115 years; oral histories; and more than 11,000 artifacts. You can visit the archives by appointment;
- a large art collection of art and regularly scheduled gallery talks about Native American agriculture and chuck wagons of the Old West. Featured artists include Peter Hurd (charcoal studies) and Robert “Shoofly” Shufelt (The Cowboy Way drawings);

- special events and living history, including Cowboy Days in March, the Blessing of the Fields in May, Ice Cream Sunday in July, Community Appreciation Day in August, a New Mexico foods event in November and Stories of Holidays Past in December;

- demonstrations and live-stock programs, including milking, fiber arts, quilting, sewing, wool carding, spinning, twining, weaving, blacksmithing, beading, heritage cooking and animal breeding;

- activities for children and families like pony rides, the Adventure Corral, scavenger hunts and the Discovery Garden and playground; along with children’s summer camps and ongoing crafts for kids;

- tours for schools and adults, along with livestock tours and specially-themed tours;

- programming for adults, like dowsing, weaving and cooking workshops and an ongoing culture series that includes living history demonstrations and presentations by renowned authors and lecturers.

Along with 26 employees, the museum has about 100 volunteers and a successful friends program. “We couldn’t do a lot of what we do without our volunteers,” Santiago said. Volunteers have “stepped up” to help the museum through the

state’s tough economic times, including the current freeze on hiring new state employees. “A lot of the visitor’s experience at the museum comes from volunteers,” he said, who serve as guides, weavers and in a host of other roles.

“I think we’re a very good museum,” Santiago said.

A native of Baltimore, Santiago grew up in Arizona and was a member of that state’s historical society for 17 years, working in a number of museums. In 2000 Santiago became director of the New Mexico Air and Space Museum in Alamogordo, then NMFRHM director 11 years ago.

Santiago said he usually takes at least one walk around the museum grounds every work day to visit the employees and the animals.

“I spoil the donkeys,” he said. The museum’s two females are “stubborn and hard-headed like me, so I bond with them.” Knowing he’s probably bringing them pretzels, they will “bray at me from a distance. They know it’s me coming.”

Santiago said he is also particularly fond of “the mama cows and babies.” All the animals at the museum have “their own personalities,” Santiago said, and “they have their favorites among people.”

And he’s come to “really have appreciation for farmers and ranchers,” he said. “The science involved in agriculture has been a real eye-opener for me.”

Agriculture today is “alive, well, vibrant and more necessary than ever in New Mexico and elsewhere,” Santiago said. But, it has become so successful that most people take it for granted, and “don’t even realize it’s here.”

The museum was outside the Las Cruces city limits when it opened in 1998. It was annexed to the city in 2012. “As the county has grown around us, it becomes a bit harder for us to maintain that rural feeling,” Santiago said. That’s one reason the museum installed a fence around its property three years ago.

Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens (60 and over), \$3 for children ages 4 to 17 and \$2 for active U.S. military and veterans. Children under 4 and museum members are admitted free of charge.

For more information, call 575-522-4100. Visit [www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org](http://www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org).

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## Food for thought

The 4th annual community event and fundraiser by Las Cruces Academy, Food for Thought, took place May 31. Eleven discussion leaders engaged 41 guests and 11 volunteers on a wide range of topics:

- Davin Lopez from MVEDA on the jobs outlook in southern New Mexico
- Tom Schmutge, remote sensing expert, on New Mexico's water future
- Dave Dubois, state climatologist, on New Mexico's climate outlook
- Denten Park, CEO of

Mountain View Hospital, on how the hospital works in the community

- Jay Hill, farmer and businessman, on initiatives in New Mexico agriculture
- Peggy Swoveland, microbiologist, on the Japanese-American experience in the Mesilla Valley
- Ken Miyagishima, mayor of Las Cruces, on city government
- Marie Siegrist, master painter and watercolorist, on a life in art
- Lora and David Legare, archaeologists, on the archaeology of the



American Southwest

- Maria Flores, LCPS board of education, on education here and now
- Sterling Durrett, speech pathologist, on the development of language in children

Attendees shared a dinner with food and beverages donated by Pastagio's, La Posta de Mesilla, the Santa Fe Grill, Rosalie Poloner, Amanda Luna and Aida Samaniego. A silent auction of 49 items generated interest and bids.



## OBITUARIES

### William Richard Beck

William Richard Beck Sr., 87, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on May 31, 2017. Services are pending with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



### Renate B. Renaud

Renate B. Renaud, 78, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on June 3, 2017. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



### Elioberto S. Salinas

Elioberto S. Salinas, 87, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on June 3, 2017. Services are pending with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



### Carl Lee Luke

CARL LEE LUKE, age 82, of Las Cruces died Sunday, May 4, 2017 at Memorial Medical Center. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



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Dates: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09,  
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**IN THE  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO**

No. 17-0128

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
ROSALIO HOLGUIN  
a/k/a ROSALIO D.  
HOLGUIN, DECEASED.**

Date: 06/09, 2017

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

No. 17-0117

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
EUGENE ALAN DEAN,  
DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN** that **MARY CAROLE DEAN WELLS, a/k/a MARY CAROL DEAN WELLS** 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: May 22, 2017.

**ARACELY ROSALES**  
1731 Deer Circle  
Anthony,  
New Mexico 88021

**JAVIER HOLGUIN**  
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Dates: 06/02, 06/09, 06/16,  
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**IN THE  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO**

No. 17-0121

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
RALPH WAYNE WARD,  
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**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

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DATED: May 12, 2017.

**PAUL DAVID COOK**  
1704 Sumner Avenue  
Las Cruces,  
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**JUDY ANN LEVERETT**  
2509 Terrace Avenue  
Midland, Texas 79705

Dated: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09,  
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**KAREN SUE CARDENAS**  
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Dates: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09,  
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**IN THE  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO**

No. 17-0115

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF MARY  
KEITH SARVER a/k/a  
MARY K. SARVER,  
DECEASED.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN** that **PAUL DAVID**

**COOK and JUDY ANN LEVERETT** have been appointed co-personal representatives 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 co-personal representatives 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.

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

No. D-307-PB-2017-00040  
**HON JAMES T. MARTIN**

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
JOHNNIE B. SCOTT,  
DECEASED.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

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

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ces, New Mexico 88005,

22 South 1 East

Dated: May 19, 2017.

/s/Carolyn Scott  
Carolyn Scott  
4664 Big Spring Street  
Las Cruces, NM 88012  
(575)541-8524

SUBMITTED:

ESTRADA LAW, P.C.

By/s/ Michele Ungvarsky,  
Esq.  
Michele Ungvarsky, Esq.  
1340 Picacho Hills Drive  
Las Cruces, NM 88007  
575.556.2462  
Attorneys for the Estate of  
Johnnie B. Scott

Dates: 06/09, 06/16, 06/23,  
2017

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on April 24, 2017, Alma & Daniel Chavez, 1065 Fontana Way, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered

LRG-14152-POD3 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 a supplemental well to a depth of 200 feet for 6-inch casing to be located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected Section 22 T22S, R1E, NMPM, at approximately X= 1,463,952 Y = 500,286 ft. (NMSp, Central NAD83), on land owned by the applicants, to supplement existing well LRG-14152-POD1 within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected Section 22 T22S, R1E, NMPM, at approximately X= 1,463,355 Y. 501,519 ft. (NMSp, Central NAD83), on land owned by Ronnie J. & Anna M. Franzoy Revocable Trust for the combined 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 4.0 acres of land, and for an additional 0.36 acres irrigated solely with groundwater, for a total irrigated acreage of 4.36 acres, owned by the applicants, located within the following, as described by Subfile Order No.: LRN-28-006-0125 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey:

Subdivision	Section
Township Range	13,
SE $\frac{1}{4}$	22

The site for proposed well LRG-14152-POD3 is located north of Las Cruces, NM and may be found 979 feet northwest of the intersection of Fontana Way and Unnamed Road. The applicant has requested emergency to drill the proposed well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-24.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to 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: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09,  
2017

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on May 19, 2017 Mary Lou Ochoa, PO Box 234 Mesilla Park, NM 88047, filed application numbered LRG-16538-POD3. OSE File No. LRG-16538-1 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-16538-POD3 to a depth of 160 feet with a 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch casing within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ /NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 13, T24S, R01E, NMPM and more specifically at or near

the intersection of X=1,473,154 ft and Y=444,778ft NMSp Central NAD 83 for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic one-household use as described in Subfile Order No. LRS-28-003-1005 of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. Well LRG-16538-POD3 will be located south of Las Cruces, NM, approximately 0.61 miles southeast of the Mesilla Dam Bridge by way of the levy road at the physical location of 4201 County Road B-006.

The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill and use well LRG-16538-POD3 under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. Old Wells LRG-16538-POD1 and LRG-16538-POD2 will be 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.

Dates: 06/02, 06/09, 06/16,  
2017

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on May 25, 2017, Jarred P. and Allison Evans, PO Box 4, Radium Springs, NM 88054 filed application numbered LRG-16259-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-16259-1 and LRG-16259-2, 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 discontinuing the use of well LRG-16259-POD1 located at X = 1,459,979 Y = 489,368 ft. NMSp, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by the applicants and drilling replacement well LRG-16259-POD2 to a depth of 200 feet with 6-inch casing located at approximately X = 1,459,960.7 Y = 489,166.9 ft. NMSp, Central Zone, NAD83, 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 NM, combined with surface water from the EBID for the irrigation of 1.82 acres of land owned by the applicant located within part of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 34, Township 22S, Range 01E and NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 03, Township 23 South, Range 01 East, NMPM, as described by. Subfile Order No.: LRN-28-007-0253 (A) and for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum for domestic one-household purposes as described by Subfile Order No.: LRN-28-007-0253 (B). Proposed replacement well LRG-16259-POD2 will be located at the physical address of 3520 Happy Pl, Las Cruces, NM. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill and use replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-23. Existing well LRG-16259-POD1 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.

Dates: 06/09, 06/16 06/23,  
2017

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on May 4, 2017, James Salopek on behalf of The Salopek Foundation, 5090 Snow Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88005 filed application numbered LRG-1243-POD5, OSE File No. LRG-1243-1, 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 discontinuing the use of well LRG-1243 located at X = 1,515,005 Y= 391,053 ft. NMSp, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by the applicant and drilling replacement well LRG-1243-POD5 to a depth of 400 feet with 16-inch casing located at approximately X = 1,515,005 Y = 391,008 ft. NMSp, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by the applicant and to be used with existing wells LRG-1243-POD2, LRG-1243-POD3, LRG-1243-POD4, LRG-9140-S, LRG-9140-POD4 and LRG-9140-POD5 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 NM, combined with surface water from the EBID for the irrigation of 211.41 acres of land owned by the applicant located within part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 05 and part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 08, all within Township 26 South, Range 03 East, NMPM, as

described by Subfile No's.: LRS-28-012-0029 (A) and LRS-28-012-0030 (A) of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. Proposed replacement well LRG-1243-POD5 will be located approximately 2,274 feet north of the intersection of West Berino Rd and the Three Saints Main Lateral in Anthony, NM. The applicant has requested emergency authorization to drill and use replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. Existing well LRG-1243 shall 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.

Dates: 05/26, 06/02, 06/09,  
2017

## NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of the Following Ordinance(s) at the Regular City Council Meeting Held on June 5, 2017:

(1) **Council Bill No. 17-026;**  
**Ordinance No. 2812:** An Ordinance Approving a

Zone Change from C-2 (Commercial Medium Intensity) to C-3 (Commercial High Intensity) on a 2.7 ± Acre Parcel Located at 990 Quesenberry Street. Submitted by Maldonado Gustavo, Property Owner (71133).

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. **Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 5th day of June, 2017.**

Linda Lewis, CMC  
City Clerk

Dates: 06/09, 2017

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

Case No. CV-2017-1327  
Judge: Arrieta

## IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF LEANDRA OGAS FOR CHANGE OF NAME OF ARIANNA REYNI ABEYTA

## NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Leandra Ogas, the biological mother of Arianna Reyni Abeyta, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ma, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ma County, New Mexico, where she seeks to change her daughter's name from **Arianna Reyni Abeyta to Arianna Reyni Ogas**, and that this petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I Arrieta, District Judge, on the **22nd day of June, 2017, at the hour of 3:30pm** at the Third Judicial District Court Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

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# Possibilities abound

## in NMSU's new theatre season

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

It will be a season of dreams and possibilities at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts.

The New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department's 2017-18 season includes William Shakespeare, Odysseus, George Bailey, mariachis and young, struggling New York City artists during a five-production run that begins in September and continues through April 2018.

The season opens with "Equivocation," which plays from Thursday, Sept. 21, through Sunday, Oct. 1. The production will be directed by NMSU Theatre Arts Production Stage Manager Michael Wise. In the play, written by Bill Cain, ponders William Shakespeare (called "Shagspeare") telling the story of a 1605 plot to assassinate King James I.

Doña Ana Community College Assistant Professor Layle Chambers will direct "Mariachi Girl," which will have a special three-performance run



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on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 19-21.

"'Mariachi Girl' will be DACC's Theatre for Young Audiences production of the season," Chambers said. "It also supports my mission to celebrate Latino/a playwrights, with the book by Roxanne Schroeder-Arce and music and lyrics by Hector Martinez Morales. It is an uplifting bilingual family drama about reaching for your dreams and is filled with vibrant original mariachi music."

"It's A Wonderful Life - The Radio Play," will be directed by Nichole Hamilton. It opens on Thursday, Nov. 16, and continues for an extended three-week run through Sunday, Dec. 3. The American television classic is retold as a 1940s radio play format in this work by Joe Landry.

"The Odyssey," will open Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018, and continue through Sunday, Feb. 25. It will be directed NMSU Theatre Arts' award-winning Assistant Professor Larissa Lury.

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## An artistic mission



COURTESY PHOTOS

A reception for the Las Cruces Art Association exhibit at Mesquite Art Gallery, 340 N. Mesquite St., will be held from 4-6 p.m. Saturday, June 10. The juried exhibit includes painting on silk, oils, charcoal and 3-D objects. "Apple Tree in Winter" is dye on silk by Judy Licht; "The Mission" is oil on canvas by Kayla Blundell. The Las Cruces Art Association was founded in 1962 to promote the visual arts in Las Cruces and Doña Ana County.

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"The adaptation of 'The Odyssey' we will be doing is by Mary Zimmerman, who is famous for her playful, contemporary and spectacular re-imaginings of classic stories,"



LURY



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KILROY

Lury said. "Zimmerman's adaptation places Athena, the goddess who's responsible for guiding Odysseus home, at the center of the story. The actress who plays Athena

also plays a reader from our time, who (with the help of the Muses) brings Odysseus back to life by carrying his story to us in the here and now. I am looking forward to developing the physicality of the play with the students.

"Together, we'll be inventing ways of bringing elements like ships, oceans, goddesses, sea monsters and cyclopes to the stage. Amidst all of the spectacle is a story so strong it has resonated with listeners and readers for centuries."

The season closes with a production of the hugely popular musical "Rent," directed by NMSU Theatre Arts Department Head Wil Kilroy, with Assistant Professor Megan McQueen as musical director. The show, writ-

ten by Jonathan Larson, opens on Thursday, April 26, and continues through Sunday, May 6.

"This is an exciting line-up," Kilroy said, "from the thought-provoking drama of 'Shakespeare' in 'Equivocation,' to the yearning of a dream by a young musician in 'Mariachi Girl,' to a journey to a 1940s radio studio and the presentation of 'It's a Wonderful Life,' to the imaginative adventure that is 'The Odyssey,' culminating in the Tony- and Pulitzer-prize-winning globally produced musical, 'Rent,' where young adults of the East Village in New York City struggle to make their dreams come true amidst a challenging world."

Shows will be performed in the Mark and Stephanie Medoff Theatre at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave., at the corner of University Avenue and Espina Street.

Preview performances are Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Regular performances are Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 p.m., with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

Season tickets can be purchased for \$50 to \$56 at [www.nmsutheatre.com/seasontickets.php](http://www.nmsutheatre.com/seasontickets.php) or by calling 575-646-4515. Tickets to individual shows are \$17 for plays and \$18 for musicals, with discounts for seniors age 65 and over, NMSU faculty and staff, NMSU students and high school students. Visit [www.nmsutheatre.com/boxoffice.php](http://www.nmsutheatre.com/boxoffice.php) for additional box office information.

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# New 'Alien' story confusing but engaging

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

The spaceship Covenant is on a seven-year journey to a planet ripe for human colonization. In addition to the crew, 2,000 colonists and 1,000 human embryos are aboard the ship in a stasis condition, sleeping their way home. The ship is piloted by Walter, a "synthetic" (android). The year is 2104.

A neutrino burst kills some colonists, and Walter wakes the crew from stasis. A nearby planet looks like a safe haven and a place to colonize – amid various personal dramas and alien infection issues. The crew meets David, the synthetic Walter is based on (both played by Michael Fassbender).

I remember seeing the original "Alien" in a theater in 1979. Certain moments were so terrifying to the teen-aged me, I was literally under the seat, barely peeking over the seat in front of me. There is nothing in "Alien: Covenant" that approximates

that terror.

That's not to say this movie doesn't work. It's just not so much about these aliens which like to infect and burst out of human beings in various disgusting ways (no lack of these) but rather more about human and synthetic nature.

To call this a horror movie is misleading. This is science fiction as it follows some interesting scientific and psychological themes. Unfortunately, those ideas become quite confusing because they

are not adequately explained. The previous film in this franchise, "Prometheus" (2012), was strong in explanations, but those were not carried into this sequel.

The events here take place 10 years after those in "Prometheus," and 18 years before the happenings in the original "Alien." The whole franchise is embedded in a long and complex story that dates to the creation of life on Earth, makes suggestions about who and what Jesus might

have been and includes the "Predator" aliens. While the individual films are quite successful in isolating parts of that universe into compelling and individual stories, "Alien: Covenant" makes so many implications and teasers to that universe that the core of this story is lost or non-existent. It is, however, an engaging and fascinating ride.

*Elva K. Österreich may be reached at [elva@lascrucesbulletin.com](mailto:elva@lascrucesbulletin.com) or 575-680-1978.*

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# Memorial celebrates life of Dick Rundell

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

It's a final chance to say goodbye to one of the city's most revered performers.

"You Again," a memorial for the late Dr. Richard J. Rundell, a long-time Las Cruces actor and retired New Mexico State University language professor, will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 10, at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. There is no charge to attend.

Rundell died May 18 after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Jeanne, and children Alecks and Tristen.

Rundell's long-time friend and colleague, Las

Cruces' Tony-winning playwright Mark Medoff, created the tribute in collaboration with others who were friends of and worked and performed with Rundell.

"When I met with the family the day after Dick passed away, they wanted it to be a real celebration, not terribly somber throughout," Medoff said. "There will be some funny stuff along with the serious. I have asked the people who are presenting to tell a story, if possible, about this man we all loved and admired. I think it will be a very interesting evening."

In addition to about a dozen speakers (limited to three minutes each), the program will include live musical performances

and Las Cruces actor David Edwards' portrayal of Rundell. Other participants will include Las Cruces artist Bob Diven (who will sing a live/re-recorded duet with Rundell of a song from Diven's musical, "Extinction"), Brandon Brown, James Gier, Oscar Perez, Megan McQueen (who is serving as musical producer, along with Diane Schutz) and former NMSU voice professor and Doña Ana Lyric Opera founder Jon Linford.

The program's title, "You Again," is a line from Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot," which was Rundell's and is Medoff's favorite play. The two greeted each other with that phrase "four- or five-thousand times" over the course of 35 years, Medoff said, as they discussed performing the play together. The two finally appeared as Vladimir and Estragon in a production of "Godot" at Rio Grande Theatre in 2015. The play was directed by Medoff's daughter, Jessica, with whom Rundell appeared in Medoff's play, "Kringle's Window" at NMSU in 1984, when Jessica was 6.

A reception will be held at the theatre following the memorial. It will include Rundell's wife and children, along with his sister and several long-time friends, Medoff said. "I want to try to make it less like an obituary and more a celebration of an extraordinary person and an extraordinary life."

To honor the memory of Richard Rundell, the family is establishing a memorial fund in his



PHOTO COURTESY MARK MEDOFF

Las Cruces actor and retired NMSU language professor Dr. Richard Rundell and Jessica Medoff, age 6, in a 1984 production of "Kringle's Window," written by Mark Medoff.

name at NMSU, Medoff said. Gifts made payable to the NMSU Foundation

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## New acquisitions open at university

### BULLETIN REPORT

The University Art Gallery (UAG) at New Mexico State University presents an exhibition of tour de force artworks - several new additions to the permanent collection acquired over the past two years.

Works by Joshua Shane Flores, Felice House, Zachery Lechtenberg, Mónica Martínez, Jason Middlebrook, Jenny Morgan, Christine Nguyen, Wendy Red Star, Jim Waid, Terri Warpinski, Kerianne Quick, and selections from the Don M. Gonzales Poster Collection are on view from June 9 through Aug. 18.

Two public receptions will be held: an opening reception, a "Celebración de verano," 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, June 9; and a closing reception, the "3rd Annual UAG Mixer," from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18. Light refreshments will be served; all are welcome to these free community events.

Each year, the UAG actively

acquires locally and globally significant artworks to incorporate into its permanent collection, which has strong holdings of 20th and 21st century photographs and prints and 19th century Mexican retablos. New Acquisitions / Nuevas Adquisiciones features gifts and acquisitions from 2015 to the present, including artworks by NMSU students who have received the Mary Lawbaugh Purchase Award during UAG's annual Juried Student Show each spring. Thus, New Acquisitions / Nuevas Adquisiciones spotlights diverse, prolific artists whose professional practices align with the UAG's educational mission.

Of particular note in this exhibition are 11 lithographic prints from the UAG's Don M. Gonzales Poster Collection. A bequest made to NMSU in 2016, the collection is comprised of 80 early- to mid-20th century propaganda and advertising posters produced

in the Americas and Europe. By appointment, the poster collection is available for study by interested persons.

As a leading contemporary art center in the Southwest, the UAG further supports its exhibiting artists by fostering long-term relationships on behalf of the university. This is evidenced in New Acquisitions / Nuevas Adquisiciones, with works on view by Felice House, *Re: Visioning the West* (2015); Terri Warpinski, *Between Here and There* (2015); Jason Middlebrook and Christine Nguyen, *GEOMAGIC: Art, Science and the Zuhl Collection* (2016); and Wendy Red Star (*Ap-sáalooke Crow*), *Wendy Red Star: Inscriptions of Identity* (forthcoming in 2018).

The gallery is located in NMSU's D.W. Williams Hall, 1390 E. University Ave. It is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Admission is free. Call 575-646-2545.



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## PUZZLES

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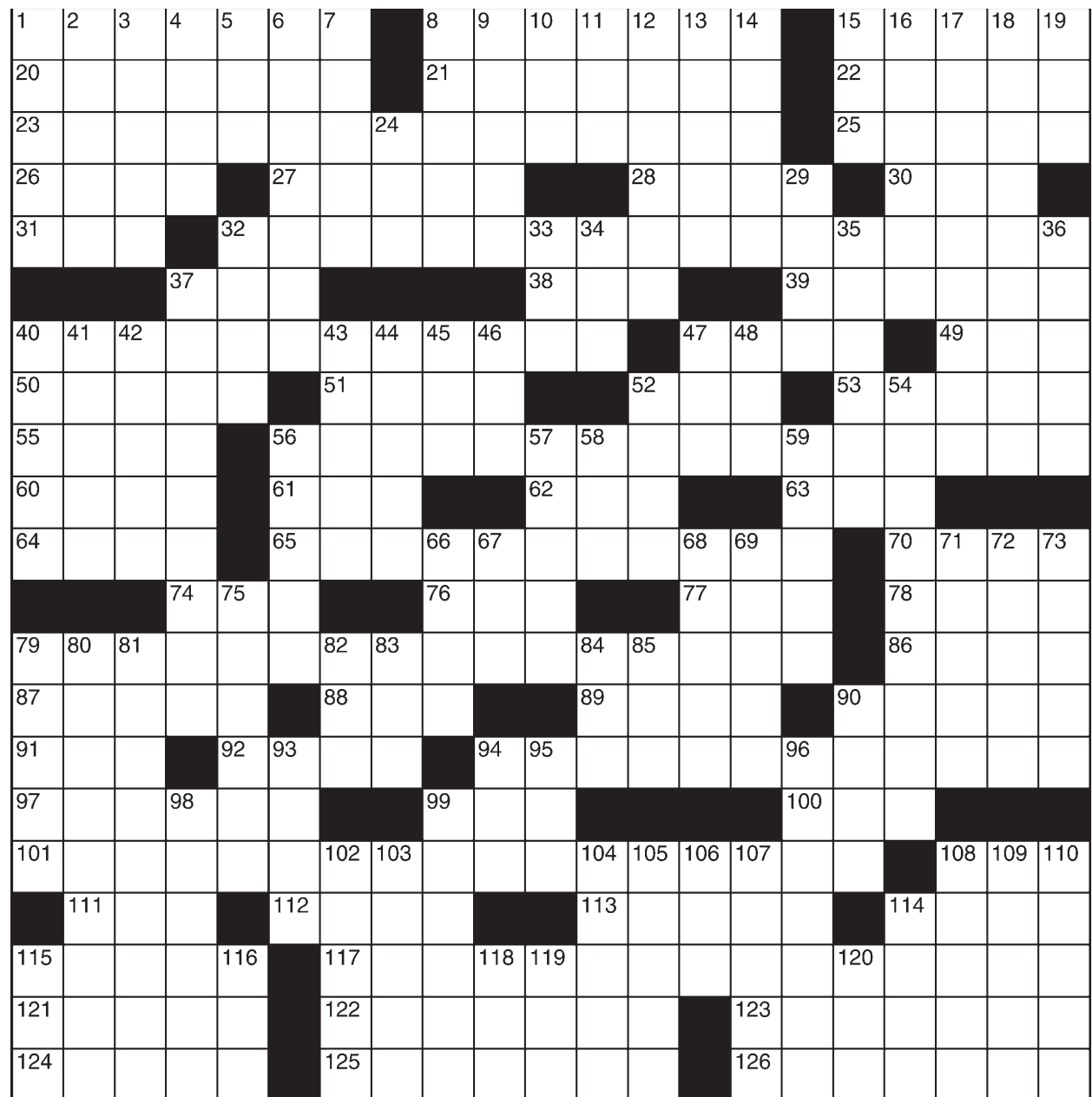
## ACROSS

1 Pennsylvania resort mountains  
 8 Puts glittery metal strips on  
 15 Hollywood's Hawke  
 20 Small cousin of the flute  
 21 Patronizes, as a store  
 22 Bit of poetry  
 23 Baseballer's paranormal power?  
 25 Brown ink  
 26 Yalies  
 27 Island group near Fiji  
 28 Gillette brand  
 30 Phone no.  
 31 Posed  
 32 Baseballer doing road-work?  
 37 Drops seen at dawn  
 38 Be litigious  
 39 Citadel of a North African city  
 40 Baseballer with film and TV roles?  
 47 Bygone ruler  
 49 Be obligated  
 50 Dog sounds  
 51 Catch on film  
 52 "Amazing!"  
 53 Narnia lion  
 55 "Green-eyed monster"  
 56 Yearly period when a baseballer is gleeful?  
 60 Strip off  
 61 Barn bag bit  
 62 Bow's shape  
 63 Soup legume  
 64 Neophyte  
 65 Baseballer working as a highway patrol cop?  
 70 No-hitter king Nolan  
 74 Serengeti grazer  
 76 Prefix for "the same"  
 77 Always, to Keats  
 78 Paltry  
 79 What a baseballer plays in a band?  
 86 Nastase near a net  
 87 See 57-Down  
 88 Trailways transport  
 89 No-frills river vessel  
 90 Sought morays  
 91 -- laude

92 Pet food brand  
 94 Two things at a baseballers' snack bar?  
 97 Kind of earring or tie  
 99 College coach Par-seghian  
 100 FBI title: Abbr.  
 101 Baseballer's hamper contents?  
 108 Bit of lifting lingerie  
 111 Up to, in ads  
 112 "Why am -- surprised?"  
 113 Huxtable family mom  
 114 Foot 115-Acrosses  
 115 Thumb, e.g.  
 117 Baseballer's time to shine?  
 121 In the bag  
 122 Was uncaged  
 123 "-- Pie" (Oscar-winning short)  
 124 Nash of verse  
 125 Ursula of "Dr. No"  
 126 Absorption processes

## DOWN

1 Pear and quince  
 2 City in Florida  
 3 "Hush!"  
 4 Table scraps  
 5 Naught  
 6 Not anybody else's  
 7 Fallen angel  
 8 Groove for a letter-shaped bolt  
 9 Start of a rumor report  
 10 Pre-Q queue  
 11 Health club  
 12 Grand home  
 13 Actress Christine  
 14 Lead-in to foam  
 15 Hectic hosp. locales  
 16 Letters after etas  
 17 Certain curve in math  
 18 From pretty far off  
 19 Pro-school org.  
 24 Typesetting widths  
 29 Crooner Paul  
 32 Middle marks  
 33 Not waste  
 34 Snarling dog  
 35 Wine server  
 36 "-- a good time for you?"  
 37 Make no sense



40 Cleaned with a broom  
 41 Brooklyn's -- Island  
 42 Nomad  
 43 Be fuming  
 44 Give -- (heed)  
 45 Follower of Mar.  
 46 "Oy --!"  
 47 Wee kid  
 48 "Hush!"  
 52 Previously  
 54 Most unctuous  
 56 Iraqi city on the Tigris  
 57 With 87-Across, soon-to-be-inducted city official

58 Round body  
 59 Dizzying designs  
 66 Smooch  
 67 Winter hrs. in D.C.  
 68 Hull hazards  
 69 -- -car (Hertz service)  
 71 Mello -- (soda brand)  
 72 Neighbor of Pisces  
 73 "I -- drink!"  
 75 Republic  
 79 Pilgrimage destination  
 80 Wailing in grief  
 81 Stiff, but not inflexible  
 82 Aptiva maker

83 Letters after mus  
 84 Mystifying Geller  
 85 Google Earth image  
 90 Skittish  
 93 Me, myself --  
 94 Utter loudly  
 95 Linden of TV  
 96 Loses width  
 98 Cops  
 99 Wait upon  
 102 Prefix with mural or net  
 103 Realm in "The Lord of the Rings"  
 104 Summits

105 "-- Gold" (1997 film)  
 106 Delhi bread  
 107 "The same"  
 108 Boxing matches  
 109 Knot anew  
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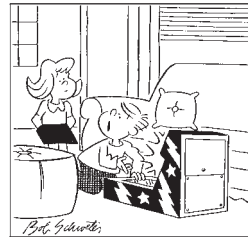
# PUZZLES

## 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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Level  
**BLASTE**   

Odd  
**ZIEBRRA**   

Spare  
**TAXER**   

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Clue: Q equals P

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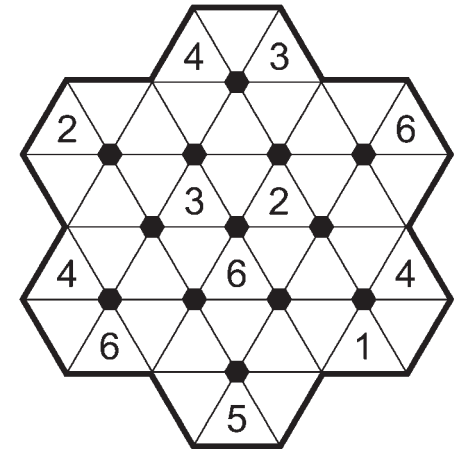
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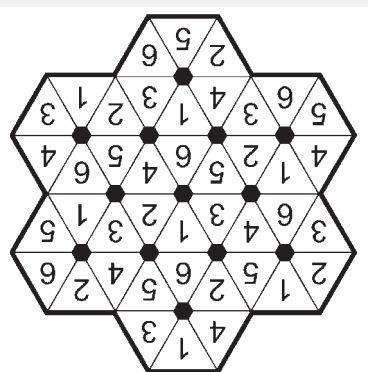
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## SNOWFLAKES

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## SUPER CROSSWORD

# BAMM festival to camp out at Cloudcroft

## BULLETIN REPORT

The 8th Annual BAMM (Bad Ass Mountain Music) Festival hosts 15 bands over two days and nights, June 16 and 17, in the mountains of Cloudcroft.

The outdoor event at Ski Cloudcroft presents an eclectic mix of artists from New Mexico to Arkansas and Nevada, performing everything from rock, reggae and funk to hip hop, indie and bluegrass.

Gates open at 4 p.m. Friday, June 16. Tent camping spots are available on a first-come, first-served basis, with limited designated parking for RVs and camp trailers. All camping is free with the purchase of a festival ticket. No pets, alcohol, glass, open flames or charcoal grills. Propane grill/gas camp stoves are permitted.

If camping is not your thing, there's plenty of lodging within the village

of Cloudcroft.

Music kicks off Friday at 6 p.m. and continues until 1 a.m. On Saturday there's a 10 a.m. yoga session, followed by all-day music into the wee hours.

In addition, there will be food trucks, local arts and crafts, and activities for the children including the Piñata Bash, 1:30 p.m. Saturday. New Mexico's Zia Facial Hair Club will host their Beard and 'Stache contest, with profits going to charity. The Odd Lab crew brings a dazzling blend of pyromania and fire dancing for Saturday night's event. There's a circus and aerial act that afternoon.

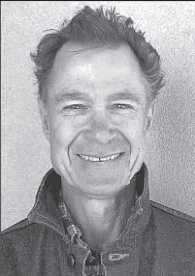
Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$30 online or \$40 at the front gate. Festival-goers may come and go as they please once they have acquired their wrist bands. Children 12 and under are free. Visit [www.bammfestival.com](http://www.bammfestival.com).



COURTESY BAMM

Scenes from the eclectic 2016 BAMM festival held in Cloudcroft

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# Las Cruces musician releases fourth Native American flute album

## BULLETIN REPORT

WindPoem Creative and Cooperative Ink announce the digital and CD release of “Ancestors - WindPoem IV - Native American Flute Meditations” by Las Cruces musician C.S. Fuqua.

“Ancestors” is the fourth album in the WindPoem series of contemplative, relaxing instrumentals that feature Tegan Fuqua on percussion and C.S. Fuqua on wooden and bamboo standard and contrabass Native American flutes. In keeping with tradition, the music incorporates nature and other ambient sounds. View the video trailer at <https://youtu.be/6v8559VGQIO>.

Ancestors and the entire WindPoem series are available from Amazon.com, iTunes, Bandcamp and retailers. Albums can be streamed through Pandora, Spotify, Deezer and other services.

Popular mythology portrays the Native American flute’s historical purpose as a courting instrument used by men. But that was just one use of the flute, and it certainly was not limited to men. Men and women played the native flute for entertainment, in fertility rites, during celebrations and mourning rituals, and simply as a distraction. WindPoem albums celebrate the flute’s rich and inclusive heritage.

Over the past 30 years, Fuqua has researched extensively on the history, mythology, music and craft of the Native American flute, authoring two books: “The



C.S. Fuqua incorporates nature into his contemplative instrumentals

Native American Flute: Myth, History, Craft”; and the illustrated manual “Native American Flute Craft.” The first WindPoem album was released in 2014.

Fuqua is available for

musical and historical presentations, offered free to Las Cruces area public schools and youth organizations. For information, contact fuqua.cs@gmail.com. Or visit [csfuqua.com](http://csfuqua.com).



COURTESY PHOTOS

The album cover design of “Ancestors”

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JUNE SCHEDULE

JUNE 4

— A Tribute to —  
*KISS/Rock & Roll*  
**KISS ARMY**  
LOUIEVILLE, KY

— Solo/Variety —  
**DANNY RULEY**

— Solo/Variety —  
**ROBERT CHAVEZ**  
LAS CRUCES, NM

JUNE 18

— Oldies —  
**OLDIES BUT  
GOODIES BAND**  
LAS CRUCES, NM

— Variety/Mariachi —  
**MARIACHI FLORES  
MEXICANAS**  
EL PASO, TX

JUNE 11

— Country & Western —  
**DESERT WIND**  
LAS CRUCES, NM

— Rock & Roll Cowboy —  
**KYLE MARTIN**  
ALBUQUERQUE, NM

JUNE 25

— Jazz/Funk/70's —  
*Country/Rock*  
**STEPPIN' UP**  
LAS CRUCES, NM

— Ranchera/Cumbias —  
**ANTHONY &  
THE NITELITERS**  
LAS CRUCES, NM

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Dates, entertainers, locations and show times are subject to change without notice.

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# 'Norman's complicated story worth waiting for

BY JEFF BERG

Las Cruces Bulletin

The first third of this film, that has the former title of "Norman: The Moderate Rise and Tragic Fall of a New York Fixer," is incredibly hard to get through.

Not because it is bad, but rather because it is dull and very, very confusing. The opening offers us not a clue about who Norman is or what he does or is up to.

But after that, it becomes very engaging and entertaining on several levels.

Richard Gere is a nobody. But he wants to be somebody. He roams New York (and Tel Aviv) trying to work angles and arrange business meetings

with his persistence and his ability to, we think, lie about most everything without too many people picking up on it.

He is one who cannot be embarrassed, no matter what the situation is, as he lurks in his camel-hair overcoat (the whole film, oddly, in a way, takes place in winter), his cap, scarf and shoulder bag, around the edges of the rich and powerful in the local Jewish community. Friends? He really has none, but he has a nephew (Michael Sheen; we think he's a nephew), a lawyer by trade who tries to help and be understanding, and a Rabbi (Steve Buscemi) who also is understanding and patient to a fault.

Norman proves the

adage that says it is not what you know, but who you know that matters.

His business card is handed out like candy at Halloween and he claims to know most everyone, always offering to introduce A to B, even though he barely knows and in some cases, doesn't know B at all. Norman is a fixer, a middleman, trying to be helpful, but not able to do so.

Although he could be perceived as a con artist, Norman is not really doing what he does for money, but rather for respect and a sense of being useful and helpful. In one scene, which can make one close to shedding a mild tear or laughing aloud, Norman crashes a wealthy man's dinner

party, offering a VIP guest who doesn't show up. When this happens, even though for a change he actually knows the VIP, he is firmly and sternly shown the door and escorted out of the haughty mansion.

However, Norman finally has success. While stalking an Israeli diplomat, Eshel, who is in New York, Norman, while following him through an exclusive men's wear store, saddles up to Eshel and buys him a pair of shoes he has been looking at.

No pun intended, but this gets a foot in the door for Norman, as Eshel, at a low point in his political career, is moved by Norman's kindness, thinking that Norman is a mensch, not realizing that he is probably homeless (as we can observe by the places he conducts "business").

A few years later, Eshel has become the prime minister of Israel and

## GRADE: B

Opens June 9 at the ever lovin' Fountain Theatre in Mesilla. Mostly in English, there is a touch of Hebrew with subtitles.

with success nearby, Norman is not sure what to do or how to do it.

He is soon involved in trying to help raise \$14 million to save his synagogue, helping the son of another man get into Harvard, and getting the Rabbi for his nephew's wedding — to a Korean woman who is not Jewish.

A bit later, the first clue we have that people actually know that Norman is not what he says (or thinks) is when his pushiness with an investigator for the Israeli government (Charlotte Gains-

bourg, who is marrying me next week) catches Norman in a whopper after riding with him on the train. She appears to have empathy for him, but it helps lead up to the biggest piece of trouble Norman could be in.

The film plays out well, if you can suffer through that first half hour and a very boring and far too long dream sequence later, both of which turn out to be crucial to the story. It is a winding, very intelligent script, which requires one to look well beyond Norman's attempts at a brush with fame and into the background of what is going on around him.

Norman is not a bad guy at all, just one who is hard figure out.

*Jeff Berg has been reviewing movies for the Bulletin since 2002. He lives in Santa Fe and may be reached at nedludd76@hotmail.com.*

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# Looking for character: Film Las Cruces plots development

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Film Las Cruces (FLC) is literally setting the stage for future film and television production in southern New Mexico.

As work continues on a local soundstage, FLC Film Liaison Drew Mayer-Oakes and Deputy Film Liaison Jon Foley are building a database of regional locations and local film and TV crews. The nonprofit signed a three-year, \$300,000 memorandum of understanding with the City of Las Cruces in 2015 to bring film and TV production to Las Cruces.

The soundstage, which will be located in the old Coca Cola bottling plant at 2100 S. Valley Drive, “is moving along very quickly,” Mayer-Oakes said. The 74,000-square-foot facility is already a “usable space,” Foley said, and is undergoing electrical and sound upgrades and being fenced. The city has allocated \$3.8 million to purchase and renovate the building.

In the meantime, Mayer-Oakes and Foley are creating location libraries for FLC’s rapidly expanding website: [www.filmlascruces.com](http://www.filmlascruces.com).

The database is “a huge benefit” to FLC as Mayer-Oakes and Foley respond to requests from producers across the country who are looking for locations to shoot television commercials, TV series and movies. It shows locations in Las Cruces and throughout Doña Ana County and the surrounding area.

Potential locations include homes, businesses and churches, streets and neighborhoods, cornfields and pecan orchards, parks and ballfields and other sites that either point up the area’s unique Southwestern appeal, or, just as importantly, Foley said, “let people know that we’re more than just a desert.”

FLC is looking for “architecture that’s interesting,” Mayer-Oakes said, and “has some character.”

He and Foley are taking photographs of possible locations, and welcome suggestions from property owners throughout southern New Mexico. If you have a site you think FLC might want to include, email your contact information to [info@filmlascruces.com](mailto:info@filmlascruces.com)



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**Film Las Cruces Film Liaison Drew Mayer-Oakes, left, and Deputy Film Liaison Jon Foley, scouting a film location in southern New Mexico.**



so Mayer-Oakes or Foley can arrange a visit to take photographs and collect information.

Once Mayer-Oakes and Foley receive an inquiry from a producer looking for a place to film, they read the project’s script and “create a custom package” specifically for that production. It includes the location photos, local climate conditions and resources avail-

able to filmmakers.

Mayer-Oakes and Foley are currently surveying the local workforce available for film and TV production, including everything from costumers, camera operators and caterers to stunt coordinators, sound mixers and set decorators. Mayer-Oakes said FLC hopes to have at least 100 people listed in the database by the end of June.

Anyone interested in being included in the online directory can fill out the crew survey form at [www.filmlascruces.com/crew](http://www.filmlascruces.com/crew).

Mayer-Oakes said the FLC crew database is a modified version of one created by a Denver-based company for hospitals and medical providers. FLC was the first to use the database for film production, which could open

up an entire new market for its creator among the hundreds of film commissions nationwide.

Mayer-Oakes said the FLC office in the WIA building at 340 N. Raymond St. across from Pioneer Park recently was “covered in giant sticky notes” as he and Foley tossed around ideas for the nonprofit’s marketing plan. They also are continuing with monthly non-film related public service workshops, Foley said, and are looking at starting a 48-hour film competition or some other annual signature film event in Las Cruces.

For more information, visit [www.filmlascruces.com](http://www.filmlascruces.com).

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

**Volunteers needed:** Visit Las Cruces (VLC) is currently seeking volunteers to assist at Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. VLC will take over management of the theatre July 1, and is looking for individuals with a passion for the arts and a love for Las Cruces, to help usher in a new era at the theatre. VLC has a lineup of entertainment from live local, regional and national performances, to a classic film series and a Saturday children's matinee program. Currently, VLC is looking for anyone interested in assisting with ticketing, ushering, concessions and general theatre assistance. Info: Liz Vega, 575-541-2444.

**Project in Motion:** Summer class schedule beginning June 12, Project in Motion, 430 N. Compress St. Punch cards available at \$70 for eight classes; \$35 for four classes. Single class drop-in \$15. Info: 575-208-4413 or www.projectinmotion.com

- 7 p.m., Mondays: Beginning Adults
- 8 p.m., Mondays: Open climb
- 6:30-7:30 p.m., Tuesdays: Beginning kids
- 7:30-8:45 p.m., Tuesdays: Ring Jam
- 7-8:45 p.m., Wednesdays until Aug. 2: Circus Jam (Roue Cyr, Hoops, Stilts, Juggling, Unicycle)
- 7-8:30 p.m., Thursdays: Open climb

**Art Tales:** 10 a.m. every second Tuesday of each month. Reading of "The Mad, Mad, Mad World of Salvador Dali" by Angela Wenzel and a surrealism activity will be the June 13 program at Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St. Free. Info: 575-541-2137.

**Book signing:** 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 13, Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Reading, discussion, book signing with Janie Chodosh, co-author of "Wild Lives," in which 20 conservationists share their stories. Free. Info: 575-522-5552.

**Book signing:** 2-4 p.m., Friday, June 16, Barnes & Noble at NMSU, 1400 E. University Ave. "Getting Naked for

Money: An Accidental Travel Writer Reveals All" is a humorous, inspirational memoir by Brooklyn-born Edie Jarolim, who now lives in Tucson. She will have her spokes-dog, Madeleine, at the signing. Info: <http://willmydoghateme.com/the-author-and-her-dog-book-tour>.

**Rio Grande Theatre:** June events, 211 N. Main St. Info: [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com), 575-523-6403, [development@daarts.org](mailto:development@daarts.org).

• Career Art Path – 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., June 12-23, Alma de Arte Charter High School, 402 W. Court Ave. Two-week immersion program in visual arts for middle school students, limited to 40 students. \$100 per student. Partial scholarships available.

• Every 2nd Wednesday concert – 6:30 p.m., June 14 at Rio Grande Theatre. Danny Ruley performs country, rock, jazz and storytelling. Additional performances will be 7 p.m. June 16 and 1 p.m. June 17.

• Opera Storytellers Camp, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. June 19-24, for 3rd to 8th graders. 30 students will work with the Santa Fe Opera on facets of opera, culminating in a performance at 11 a.m. June 24 at the theater. Sack lunches should be brought by students. \$150. Partial scholarships available.

• Missoula Children's Theatre Camp, "Aladdin" – Tryouts are 10 a.m.-noon, June 26 at Rio Grande Theatre for those entering grades 1-12. Registration immediately follows. Rehearsals will be held 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. June 27-30, culminating in a performance of "Aladdin." \$60 per student. Partial scholarships available.

**Storytellers of Las Cruces:** A local group hosts story readings 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturdays at both COAS Bookstore locations. Monthly meetings held at 6 p.m. every third Monday. Info: [bobpatgill@comcast.net](mailto:bobpatgill@comcast.net), 575-526-8377, on Facebook @storytellersoflascruces

**June: Downtown (317 N. Main St.)**  
10 – Terry Alvarez

## WE WANT YOUR SUBMISSIONS

Please send your art event announcements to [editor@lascrucesbulletin.com](mailto:editor@lascrucesbulletin.com).

17 – Judith Ames  
24 – Louise O'Donnell  
**Solano (1101. S. Solano Drive)**  
10 – Judith Ames  
17 – Loni Todoroki  
24 – Sarah Addison and Sharlene Wittern

**Movies in the Park:** Films twice a month through September, Saturdays at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. Free. Schedule subject to change without notice. Info: 575-541-2550.

**June**  
10 – "The Secret Life of Pets"  
24 – "Pete's Dragon"

**July**  
15 – "Rogue One, a Star Wars Story"  
29 – "Alice through the Looking Glass"

**August**  
12 – "Sing"  
26 – "The Lego Batman Movie"

**September**  
9 – "The BFG"  
23 – "Finding Dory"

**LC Railroad Museum:** June events, 351N. Mesilla St. Info: <http://museums.lascruces.org>, 575-647-4480.

• Coloring Club for adults – 10 a.m.-noon, June 9 and 23. Bring your own book and pencils, or materials will be provided. On June 25, Coloring Club will be 5-6:30 p.m., one for adults and one for kids.

• Summer hours extended – Until 7 p.m. on Wednesday evening  
• Family Game Day – 10 a.m.-noon, June 10. Popular, classic games like jacks and dominos, as well as wooden and jigsaw puzzles.

• Monthly meeting – National Model Railroad Association, Saturday, June 10. Learn techniques for building and enhancing model-train layouts

**Music in the Park:** Free concerts, 7 p.m. Sundays and 6:30-9 p.m. Thursdays at Young Park, 1905 E. Nevada Ave. Schedule and location subject to change without notice. Info: 575-541-2550.

**June**  
11 – Desert Wind, country/western; Kyle Martin, rock & roll cowboy  
15 – The Double Clutchers, rockabilly  
18 – Oldies but Goodies Band, oldies; Mariachi Flores Mexicanas, variety/mariachi  
22 – Cool Side Collective, jazz standards  
25 – Steppin' Up, jazz/funk/country/rock; Anthony & the Nitelites, rancho/cumbia  
29 – Play for What?!, classic rock, blues and contemporary

**July**  
9 – Squibb Cakes, Tower of Power tribute; Billy Townes, jazz  
16 – Windy City, Chicago tribute; Roger Ortega, R&B/Soul  
23 – Phat Soul, soul; Calient, variety  
30 – The Deltaz, blues & country; Steve Smith & Hard Road, bluegrass

**August**  
6 – Prime 80'Z, 80s music; Twisted Hams, classic rock  
13 – Tom Morris, country; The Egyptian Lovers, rockabilly  
20 – Natajja, variety; Animated Jukebox, R&B dance  
27 – Nosotros, Latin; Never Ending Flame, rock & roll

**NM Vintage Wines:** Live music each weekend, 2461 Calle Principal. Info: 575-523-9463.

**June**  
10 – 8-10 p.m., Christopher Smith-Escarcega, singer/guitarist  
11 – 3-5 p.m., Eryn Bent, singer/songwriter  
16 – 8-10 p.m., The DAMN Union, singers/songwriters

**The Billy Townes Quartet:** Jazz group performs for the Mesilla Valley Jazz & Blues Society's monthly concert series on the third Sunday of the month (June 18) at the First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo. Concert starts at 7 p.m. \$5 members, \$10 non-members, \$1 for students with ID.

## CALL TO ARTISTS

**PRC Productions holds open casting call**  
PRC Productions and Del La Pour Media will hold an open casting call and auditions for local actors, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, June 10.

Background and speaking roles will be cast for several feature film projects slated for summer and fall. All types, ethnicities and ages will be considered. Please wear minimal make-up and hair naturally. Bring a recent head shot and actor's resume (if available) and have a 30-second monologue prepared. Sides will be provided.

Auditions are at the offices of Borderlands Media and PRC Productions, 3655 Research Road, Genesis Building A, Room 110, in Arrowhead Park on the New Mexico State University campus. PRC Productions is a Las Cruces-based, full-service production company formed in 2010. With several award-winning short films, feature films, documentaries and commercials, PRC currently has the feature films "Truth," "Lost Padre Mine" and "Lady Belladonna's Night Shades" available on DVD and major VOD platforms.

In addition, the second season of the oral history documentary series "Pláticas" continues to gain a following during its regular broadcasts on KRWG-TV. PRC Productions has also produced and assisted in such feature films as Johnny Tabor's "Eaters," "Frankenstein vs. The Mummy" and "Day of The Mummy," and Mark Medoff's "The Heart Out-right."

For more, visit [www.PRC-Productions.com](http://www.PRC-Productions.com) and [www.BorderlandsMedia.com](http://www.BorderlandsMedia.com), or call 575-646-5214.

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## Makerspace: An artist's vision for sustainable development

By ALTA LeCOMPTE  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Lea Wise-Surguy arrives promptly at meetings, carrying a plastic file box that's organized into sections with tabs of many colors denoting the projects she's working on.

The case is her office. There she files information on her projects, each designed to incorporate the arts into conversations addressing social and economic challenges.

One of those projects is Cruces Creatives, an integrated community of artists working together in a fully equipped makerspace she plans to open soon.

The goal for Cruces Creatives, she said, is to promote the arts and foster economic development, while providing environmental benefits to the community through processes such as using locally produced, recyclable and recovered materials.

### Idea develops in Dayton

Wise-Surguy said that, for the past nine years, she has been preparing herself to create a makerspace where artists can share tools, workspace, information and community.

The original idea came to her when she was studying for a bachelor of fine arts degree at the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio.

"Many of us didn't have a place to do our art after

graduation," she said.

When she graduated, Wise-Surguy took a job with Culture Works, a Dayton nonprofit whose exclusive mission is to fundraise for the arts.

She immersed herself in the community, including the designing of a mural for a 350-foot long bridge linking two urban neighborhoods. The Up-Dayton environmental psychology project was planned to foster neighborhood pride and responsibility, she said.

### Finding her spot

In the summer of 2009, Wise-Surguy began a methodical search for a city where she could thrive and organize a makerspace.

She researched cities in the outer western states, which she believed are open to a variety of cultures.

She looked for a medium-sized city with a university educating at least 10,000 students, not on a fault line, with a manageable cost of living. She reviewed each candidate for its average age, how it votes and its major industry.

In the second half of the summer, she began an 8,000-mile road trip to check out more than 20 cities that met her criteria.

"In each city, I went straight to the downtown library, Wise-Surguy said. "I looked at the city budget for three consecutive years to see if they were in the black or red, their long-term goals as a city,

and how well they funded their public library."

As she moved about each city, she observed it in action. How nice were the people? How clean were the streets?

"Las Cruces was my top city out of all the ones I visited," she said.

In 2011 she began dating Patrick DeSimio, an administrator with a nonprofit organization supporting a sports program.

"We started talking about makerspace and the concept of shared tools from our second date," he said.

The mission made sense to him, because he had grown up doing woodworking with his grandfather.

"He took me to the shared shop at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, where they had very cool tools that would be very hard for an individual to afford," he said.

### Reaching Las Cruces

Wise-Surguy and DeSimio married and moved to Las Cruces. She earned a master of Fine Arts degree, with a focus on social sculpture, at New Mexico State University.

"It was the only graduate school I applied to," she said.

"I went to graduate school in order to pursue my plan for a makerspace."

NMSU's conceptual approach to doing art complemented the University of Dayton's more applied



BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALTA LeCOMPTE

Life and work partners Lea Wise-Surguy and Patrick DeSimio, with Xeno, who relocated with them from Dayton, Ohio, to Las Cruces.

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# Downtown construction shouldn't be a deterrent

There has been much speculation about the effect the two-way conversion of Church and Water streets will have on Downtown businesses.

Though I understand that there is fear, my goal is not that our business district survives the 18-month process, but that it thrives. With so much going on, from events on the Plaza to new businesses opening, theater performances to attend, splash pads to play in and shopping to be done, who wouldn't be willing to brave a little construction right now?

For those that may still be skeptical, keep in mind that this project has been broken down into 24 phases in order to minimize impact. That's a lot of phases. At no point will you find your access completely impeded or blocked. It may take some extra effort, but we ask that you make it a point to come down and patronize our merchants. I know that your smiling faces will mean the world to those whose livelihoods



**ARIANNA PARSONS**  
Downtown Lowdown

depend on our community members' support.

For project updates and information, please visit our website and follow Downtown Las Cruces Partnership on Facebook and Twitter. You can

also download the Heart of Las Cruces app for free on iPhone and Android.

This month, DLCP would like to welcome the newest member of our downtown family, Jason Leifeste of The New Mexican. The New Mexican will be "focusing on local produce and local cultural influences to create a unique southwestern fusion menu where you can customize tacos, nachos, burritos, salads, and numerous salsas and salsa flights. We will have vegetarian, vegan, and other various dietary options. We also will feature constantly changing re-

gional and world inspired specials."

This downtown dweller can't wait.

Of course, there are events a-plenty in the upcoming months. In addition to our incredible Farmers and Crafts Market each Saturday and Wednesday, join us for Music on the Plaza on June 15, 22 and 29, and Kid's Night Out on June 24. Again, follow us on Facebook to get the heads-up on these events and more.

DLCP is proud to announce that our design project, Chalk Park, was selected as one of 10 projects throughout the nation for the Edward Jones Placemaking on Main Challenge! If you are interested in helping us create a new, family-friendly parklet downtown, through either a monetary contribution or through volunteer work, please give us a call.

Have a great month – I hope to see you downtown!

*Arianna Parsons is the executive director of the Downtown Las Cruces Partnership and co-owner of Beck's Coffee.*

## SAVE THE DATE

**Business workshop:** "Build Authentic Relationships that Grow Your Business," **8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 14**, LCAR Event Hall, 150 E. Idaho Ave. Laurel Fischer of the STL Interactive Innovations LLC will facilitate a "Love Sales!" session and Sandy Zalecki will present "Increase Your Value." \$50, includes lunch. Info/registration: [www.laurelinteractive-innovations.com](http://www.laurelinteractive-innovations.com), 307-258-7117.

**Workshop:** "Contract Ready Series Part III: Labor Law Compliance," **10 a.m.-noon, Wednesday, June 14**, Doña Ana Community College Student Resources Building, Room

232, 2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd. Free. Registration deadline 9 a.m. June 14. Info: 505-224-5965.

**Workshop:** "Contract Ready Series Part IV: Estimating & Pricing," **1:30-4 p.m., Wednesday, June 14**, Doña Ana Community College Student Resources Building, Room 232, 2800 Sonoma Ranch Blvd. Free. Registration deadline 9 a.m. June 14. Info: 505-224-5965.

**Workshop:** "How Businesses Use Credit," **10-11 a.m., Thursday, June 15**, DACC Workforce Center 2345 E. Nevada Ave., Room 101E. Free. Registration deadline: 8 a.m. June 15. Info: 575-527-7676.

# Capital investment up, job creation lags, MVEDA says

## BULLETIN REPORT

So far this fiscal year, the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance (MVEDA) has assisted six businesses in relocating to the county, creating 258 well-paying jobs.

That's a drop from FY 2016 3Q results, which tallied eight relocations and 452 "economic-based" jobs.

However, the MVEDA report stated, the six relocations have injected \$35 million in new capital investment to the region, compared with \$10 million at this time last year.

The report attributed a slowdown in activity to uncertainty in the national business environment after a long and contentious election cycle.

"In addition, the Mesilla Valley and New Mexico Borderplex region, which is heavily tied to border

trade with Mexico, has been further impacted due to uncertainties in discussions at the national level with respect to NAFTA and the Border Adjustment Tax," the report stated.

"We feel confident that over time clarity will take shape and border-related investments will open up again."

According to MVEDA, the slowdown is also due to a lack of available commercial and industrial facilities.

The third-quarter report urged the City of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County to adopt development incentives, including fast-track permitting for commercial construction, pre-permitting for conceptual buildings, aggressive land incentives supported by Local Economic Development Act money and site-ready infrastructure.

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approach to arts education, she said. She ran the campus sculpture shop, where she learned to operate the tools — both high tech and hand tools — she plans to make available at the makerspace.

"Now I want to bring these tools into the public space,

not have them confined to university space," she said. "For the past five months I've had conversations with artists, engineers and laborers. They're all interested in having this."

### Designing a makerspace

DeSimio is Wise-Surguy's partner in the makerspace venture, a 501 (c 3) nonprofit corporation. He is writing

applications for grants with which to launch the makerspace.

"I want to be in a building," Wise-Surguy said. "The focus now is on large funding through grants."

In fall, the group will hold its first local fundraiser, a barbecue.

"It would be nice to have at least \$10,000 more tools before we open the doors," she said.

The makerspace model, once it's fully functioning, can be sustained by membership fees, Wise-Surguy said.

In addition to an eight-member board, the volunteer-run venture has 25 people interested in volunteering or teaching classes.

Wise-Surguy said the group is looking forward to bringing more volunteers on board so it can build more of its own tools.

The concept is just right for Las Cruces, she said.

"One of the things I love about Las Cruces is everybody is so spunky and creative," she said. "It may not be the wealthiest city, but the people are very creative solving their own problems."

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## Arrowhead offers program, money to accelerate business startups

By **AMANDA BRADFORD**  
For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University's Arrowhead Center has extended the application deadline to June 18 for a new accelerator program open to all types of business startups that are located anywhere in New Mexico with plans to sell products or services to customers outside the state.

Offering participants \$2,000 to accelerate their business, BizSprint is the latest in a series of Arrowhead Accelerator programs being provided by Arrowhead Center, NMSU's entrepreneurship and innovation hub, through funding from New Mexico Gas Company, an Emera Company.

A four-week accelerator program designed to launch successful businesses in the state of New Mexico, BizSprint is modeled on the Aggie I-Corps program and designed to support growth-driven companies. Teams do not need any

prior NMSU affiliation to be considered, and selected businesses can participate in the program's curriculum and its weekly workshops virtually or in-person, making BizSprint accessible for entrepreneurs all across New Mexico.

Each team has a required structure, including an entrepreneurial lead based in New Mexico, a technical lead and a business mentor, and Arrowhead Center can help connect applicants to potential team members who could fill any roles that are missing. Teams will conduct market research and those that successfully complete the curriculum will receive \$2,000 to further advance the business. Each team will also receive access to additional follow-on funding through Arrowhead Innovation Fund and mentorship through Arrowhead Innovation Network Ventures.

"Businesses that can scale and sell outside the state are critical for developing New Mexico's economy," said Kramer Winingham, director of Aggie



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**Arrowhead Center is the regional hub of entrepreneurship and innovation located at New Mexico State University's Las Cruces campus.**

I-Corps, NMSU's National Science Foundation Innovation Corps Site at Arrowhead Center. "They promote local economic growth by bringing jobs and income into the local economy, and these are the types of businesses we plan to support through BizSprint."

As an additional benefit, BizSprint teams with businesses in a science, technology, engineering or technology field may also be granted eligibility to apply for NSF's National I-Corps program,

which includes a \$50,000 award.

Applications for the summer cohort of BizSprint are available at [arrowhead-center.nmsu.edu/bizsprint](http://arrowhead-center.nmsu.edu/bizsprint). The cohort will meet Friday mornings July 14 to Aug. 4. For additional information, contact Studio G at [studiog@nmsu.edu](mailto:studiog@nmsu.edu).

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## Reservations are treated like colonies; bureaucracy slows growth

**E**conomic conditions on Indian reservations continue to improve. Per capita income increased between 2000 and 2010, while per capita income fell in the country as a whole. Nevertheless, poverty remains a pressing issue in Indian Country. The per capita income is about half the national average and poverty rates are about double.

The reasons for this lack of progress are familiar and mirror those in underdeveloped countries around the world — lack of capital investment, inadequate infrastructure, an under-educated work force. These problems are the same sort

that can be found in Mexico or Moldova or Nigeria. And in reverse, these factors also explain the high incomes found



**CHRIS ERICKSON**

State of the Economy

in countries like Canada, the Netherlands and Japan; capital investment, infrastructure and human capital is associated with economic development.

The problems of underdevelopment are not independent of each other. For example, Native American youth, seeing few available jobs, don't see a payoff to education, so drop out. Those who do go on in school have to move off the

reservation for jobs. Investors, finding an under-educated reservation population, choose not to invest, leading to a lack of jobs. A vicious cycle is created.

Economic underdevelopment on the reservation is further strained by the relationship of tribes with federal and state government. In a real sense, reservations are colonies of the federal government. Over the generations, a paternalistic relationship developed in which the Bureau of Indian Affairs seeks to protect Native Americans from themselves.

The BIA, like most bureaucracies, is extremely risk-averse. Heaven forbid that BIA make a mistake. The consequence is a labyrinth of regulations that inhibit economic

development. Different regulations apply, for example, if a business is owned by a tribal member, by the tribal government, or by an outsider. Then there are different regulations for trust lands and fee lands.

State governments are not off the hook. Indeed, a major reason for Indian Country's lack of infrastructure arises from a failure of state governments to invest in it. The states collect taxes but don't spend.

Then there are royalties from oil and gas, a major issue in New Mexico. In FY 2010, for example, 35 states received \$1.83 billion in royalties from tribal lands; tribes received only \$408 million. Again, this wouldn't be that big a deal if the states and feds spent on tribal infrastructure, but that is not what happens.


There are no magic bullets when it comes to economic development. Decisions made today have implications that may not play out for years. Fail to invest in K-12 education today, and 35 years later employers refuse to relocate because of a lack of qualified employees.

There is a bright spot. Education on the reservation, while once abysmally low, has been improving since the 1980s. It is precisely this that explains the relatively rapid growth on the Res.

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**UU roundtables:** Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive, will host three roundtable discussions, 9-10 a.m. Sundays, June 11, 18 and 25 in the church library. Info: rountable@uuchurchlc.org

• June 11: "Water Wars: The World's Shortage of Fresh Water and New Mexico's Water Issues," with U.S. Geological Survey New Mexico Water Science Center hydrographer Steven Hannes

• June 18: "Unitarian Universalist Church and Social Justice," a group discussion facilitated by Elisa Sanchez, chair of the church's social justice committee. How do we here in Las Cruces contribute to this effort? Where do we go from here?

• June 25: "Past and Present Algeria: The Tantalizing Past of the Tassili n'Ajjer, the Ruins of Rome's Breadbasket,

and Contemporary Experiences in Algeria," with Margaret Berrier, who recently returned from exploring rock art in southeastern Algeria.

**Fireside discussion:** Baha'is of Las Cruces will host a fireside discussion, "The Most Challenging Issue: A Fireside Discussion on Race, Justice, Love and Unity" at 7 p.m. Friday, June 9, 3220 Jupiter Road. Learn what the world's religious traditions have in common. Guests also are invited to share their own ideas and stories related to this topic. Entertainment by folk-blues musician Darrell Elmer Rodgers. Guests are asked not to wear any fragrance. Info: 575-556-9050 or localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com.

**Race Unity Day:** People of every race, culture, religion and nationality are invited to celebrate Race Unity Day with a potluck picnic sponsored by the Bahá'is of Las Cruces, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, June 10, at Veterans Memorial Park, 1151 N. Roadrunner Parkway. A brief program will be followed by music, recreational activities for adults and children and fellowship. Open to the public. No donations accepted. Bring your own lunch and a bit extra to share. Info: 575-556-9650 or localspiritualassembly@yahoo.com.

**Bible camp:** Bible Fellowship's Vacation Bible School, Camp Kilimanjaro, 9 a.m.-noon Monday through Friday, June 12-16 at the fellowship,

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3890 Stern Drive. The camp is for children who will enter kindergarten through first grade in the 2017-18 school year. No charge to attend. Register at <http://bethelbf.org/>. Participating "hikers" will visit these stops on their way to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro: The savannah, rainforest, moorlands, alpine desert and the summit. Each day will include games, snacks, Bible lessons and arts and crafts, according to an event flyer. Info: 575-523-9227.

**Grandma's "Soular" Power:** 2-4 p.m. the first and third Thursday of each month at First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Road. Support group for any interested grandparents in the community, 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 [tphippis@zianet.com](mailto:tphippis@zianet.com).

**Holy Family Mass:** Holy Family American National Catholic Church, an inclusive Vatican II Catholic church, 702 Parker Road, holds Mass at 5:30 p.m. Saturdays and 10:30 a.m. Sundays. Fr. Jim Lehman and FCM and Fr. Louie Amezaga lead the services.

**Cowboys for Christ:** Non-denominational outreach organization seeks volunteers to coordinate Christian fellowship between individuals and groups to assist

those in need. Info and requests: [benzo@live.com](mailto:benzo@live.com).

**Wellspring Religious Science Center:** 9:30 a.m. each Sunday followed by the service at 11 a.m. The "Early Birds" discussion group.

**Mission Lutheran Church:** 10 a.m. Saturday at Luther Hall, 2752 N. Roadrunner Parkway. Learn more about being Lutheran in "Discover the Faith" class for adults. Sunday worships begins with coffee and fellowship at 9 a.m., followed by Sunday School for all ages at 9:15 a.m. Preschool through 5th grade offered at its accredited day school. Info: 575-522-0465 or 575-532-5489.

**Campus Mass:** 12:10 p.m. Tuesdays, 2615 S. Solano Drive. Newman Catholic students and St. Albert the Great Newman Center weekly Mass. Info: Mona Chip at [mona@stalbertnewmancenter.org](mailto:mona@stalbertnewmancenter.org).

**Divorce support group:** 1-2:30 p.m. Sundays through April 30, Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. A support group for those working through or facing divorce. Childcare available on request. Info: 575-522-7119.

**Men's prayer meeting:** 7 a.m. Saturdays, 1605 S. Valley Drive. Saturday morning prayer meeting led by Manny Howie. Info: 575-523-1113.

**Worship service:** 10 a.m. every Sunday at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 2540 El Paseo Road, worship services followed by a light meal before Bible classes

for all ages. Info: [www.crossofchristlc.net](http://www.crossofchristlc.net), on the Facebook page or by calling 915-740-7714 or 575-649-5458.

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**Science of Mind talk:** 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays, Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Join to discuss the articles of Science of Mind Magazine with like-minded people. Bring a lunch. Info: 575-523-4847.

**MMC Mass:** Noon, Wednesdays in the chapel of Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. Holy mass. Info: 575-636-3274.

**Men's Fellowship:** Noon, Tuesdays, IHOP, 2900 Del Rey Blvd. Christian Men's Fellowship. Open discussion. All men welcome. Info: 575-621-2350.

**Shamanic Drumming:** 1:30-3 p.m., first Friday and 5-7 p.m. the third Friday of the month, at the Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Bring a pillow and blanket or mat to lie on; eye mask or scarf for meditating; drum or rattle to use in drumming circle; and a pen and notebook to record your intentions and journeys. Info: David M. Boje, Ph.D., 575-936-9578, 575-523-4847 or [david@davidboje.com](mailto:david@davidboje.com).

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# Trail system adds signage

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces' trail system continues to be developed. Through a partnership with the New Mexico Department of Health's (NMDOH) Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities initiative, city Parks and Recreation Department staff are erecting more wayfinding signage and providing promotional materials to help walkers, runners and especially bikers learn about and use the city's vast trail system that stretches through downtown east to Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument and west beyond the Rio Grande.

Las Cruces has "more than 65 miles of in-road bicycle lanes, shared-use lanes and bicycle routes," according to [www.las-cruces.org/live/bike-walk-hike](http://www.las-cruces.org/live/bike-walk-hike)." The city also has about 15 miles of paved and natural surface trails."

"The signage is to help folks navigate from our trails west of Interstate 25 (Triviz, Outfall and La Llorona trails) to those east of the interstate, which includes Sagecrest trail, Veterans Park trailhead, the Las Cruces Dam Trail and Desert Trails Park," city Parks and Rec director Tim Fulton said.

Parks and Rec staff have erected way-finding signs in the downtown area, defining a walking route and



The trail connecting to Veterans Park.



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY MIKE COOK

The entrance to Desert Trails Park, 3492 Sonora Springs Road

explaining the area's rich history, Fulton said. The signs are "kid friendly," which is why they're fairly close to the ground. Eleven signs have been erected downtown so far, with more coming.

On East Hadley Avenue, "we will install signage that provides walkers/joggers with a few options for routes near Meerscheidt Recreation Center," Fulton said. There is already a bike lane there, along with sidewalks.

Going east, "trail users could feasibly ride, walk or run from the city's trails/bike lanes to Dripping Springs Road, which has a bike lane," he said, "and this would take them to Tortugas Mountain, Dripping Springs Natural Area, Sierra Vista Trail and Soledad Canyon trails."

The city has received a bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community Award from the League of American Bicyclists, and Fulton said he hopes the city's vast trail system and its new Back on the Bike program for adult bicycle riders will help it move up to the silver level. Toward that end, the city has hired a certified bike instructor, Ashleigh Curry, to teach the program, he said.

City employees have been invited to participate in a six-week bike program as "ambassadors for making Las Cruces a more bicycle-friendly community," Fulton said. By late April, more than a dozen city employees had signed up for the program, along with Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith.

"The Back on the Bike program is part of the effort to help city employees find engaging activities that will keep them healthy," Smith said. "Such activities pay off personally and professionally with people feeling better, interacting more with their colleagues, missing less work time, and reducing health costs. Walking, swimming, biking... active people tend to be happy, productive, engaged people."

Curry, the program instructor and coordinator of Las Cruces Public Schools' nationally recognized Safe Routes to School program, "certainly exemplifies that, and she is an inspiration to others," Smith said.

"While I've never been a serious bicyclist, we do have a number of people in our community who are," Smith said. "They and the walkers and runners should feel and be safe if they choose to commute to work, travel to the store, or get outside to enjoy the fresh air on bike or on foot. We need to finish the hike and bike trail that will loop around Las Cruces, and we need to find more ways to link across our community, inside and outside that loop, which will give community members and our guests safe and engaging ways to walk, bike, and run from Point A to Point B."

"Back on the Bike is helping me get back in motion," Smith said, "and I suspect that has been true for others as well."

"We want people using our trails," Fulton said, for exercise (one of the goals of the Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities program), relaxation, mental health and spiritual well-being, and as a place to walk or ride a bicycle away from vehicle traffic. In addition to NMDOH, funding for city trails comes from the New Mexico Department of Children, Youth and Families.

Along the many miles of trails, walkers and bikers will encounter birds, ducks and other waterfowl and wildlife; a man-made wetland area that includes a pond, a bosque and a wet meadow; and a wide range of native plants and flowers, some of which are described by the city's way-finding signs.

For more information, visit <http://www.las-cruces.org/live/bike-walk-hike>, <http://archive.healthykid-nnm.org/> and <https://prescriptiontrails.org/>.

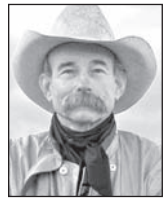
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# Cleaning up messes

Ask yourself, “Do you make messes, or clean them up?”

Missy is 53, would rather be at home with her two grandchildren, works for the city and was ordered to work late. Her back hurts as she leans on her push cart and broom. Missy watches a CNN reporter



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interview an activist who symbolically throws a protest sign at the broom's feet.

“It's a good sign of solidarity,” the activist boasts.

When you sit at home watching the continuing

protest, marching, window-smashing, burning buildings, dissing school faculties and political mud-slinging all being done in the name of a cause...do you ever think, “WHO is going to clean this mess up?”

It appears that it is NOT the ones who made the mess. They must be exhausted after shouting, marching and carrying those heavy signs. Afterwards, the celebrity speakers are probably swept away in their limos, then flown back to their gated communities in time to see themselves on CNN spouting more Hate Speech than Hitler's scriptwriter could keep up with!

I suspect some protesters and marchers are shamed by the personally degrading behavior they get associated with. They depart as quickly as they can, leaving their “enthusiastic cohorts” to break windows, set cars on fire and loot the neighborhood...leaving WHO to clean up?

There are examples of protesters who made an effort to clean up their mess. The Native Americans and “environmentalists” protesting against the North Dakota Access Pipeline tried, but the quagmire of abandoned garbage, teepees, vehicles and human waste made it impossible. The Army spent \$1.1 million to make it

safe again.

Four-hundred seventy thousand marchers in The Women's March in Washington, D.C., were encouraged to leave their signs with sticks or cardboard on the street as a “slap in the face” to their nemesis. How easy is it to bend over and pick up a flat piece of cardboard from the sidewalk? How about picking up 200,000 of them?

New York City, Chicago, Austin, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Philadelphia equate to mountainous, immense, huge, gigantic, megalithic piles of detritus left by...what's a good word to describe the protesters and marchers? Changers? Supporters? Good Intentioneers? Sincere Obstructors? Meaning Wellers? How about “Protesters Offended by Other Protesters?”

Well, what do they all have in common? Imagine a circus parade with both Elephants and Protesters Offended by Other Protesters...POOPsters. It would be fair to say neither POOPsters nor Elephants give a poop about the mess they make. Which brings us to the question, WHO cleans up the mess? The ANSWER is: the city garbage crews, the EMTs, nurses, tow-truck drivers, firemen, city police, food service workers, hospital emergency lifesavers and all those people whose store, business, office, church or home has been vandalized or demolished... that's WHO.

If you are part of this poop parade, regardless of the cause, think of the mess as your legacy. Think of them as having to change your diaper after you've done your business. Even if 25 percent of the POOPsters had the character or self-respect of Missy, WHO does clean up your mess, maybe people would take you seriously.

*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).*



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## Raft the Rio

The annual Raft the Rio Festival, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Las Cruces, sets sail the morning of June 17. Participants are encouraged to make their own rafts from recycled materials and to register at [www.kiwanis-lascruces.org](http://www.kiwanis-lascruces.org). Advance registration for up to two sailors is \$25; \$5 for each additional sailor age of 13 or over. Onsite registration is at 8 a.m. the day of the race and is \$30 for two sailors. Prizes include awards for best use of recycled materials; least likely to finish; most original raft design; and most spirited crew. The float leaves at 10 a.m. from La Llorona Park at the Picacho Bridge. Directions for offloading rafts and parking vehicles will be available from officials. For more information, call John Northcutt at 410-925-9126.



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## CORRECTION

The Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces Wednesday night market continues from 5 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, at Plaza de Las Cruces downtown. Schedule information in the June 2 Bulletin should have listed the following dates for remaining summer markets: July 12, Aug. 9, Sept. 13 and Oct. 25. For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/LasCrucesMarket](http://www.facebook.com/LasCrucesMarket).

# Senior Circle has 1950s party and sock hop

## BULLETIN REPORT

Senior Circle of Las Cruces, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. (behind Walgreens), will honor its anniversary with a Sock Hop and 1950s Party from 2 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, June 22, said MountainView Regional Medical



Center (MVRMC) Marketing Coordinator Valerie Stiles.

“We will celebrate with danc-

ing, root-beer floats and some fun, ‘50s-era activities,” Stiles said. “Members should don leather jackets, bobby socks, saddle oxfords and poodle skirts and participate in the best-dressed contest or celebrity look-alike contest. Commemorate the occasion with friends in

the photo booth or play bingo.

“We will also have an old-fashioned cake walk, a trivia contest and cornhole. Of course, you can dance to your favorite live music by local band Remember Then.”

Senior Circle is a MVRMC program for people age 50 or

over. Visit [www.mountainviewregional.com/mountainview-regional-medical-center/seniorcircle.aspx](http://www.mountainviewregional.com/mountainview-regional-medical-center/seniorcircle.aspx) for more information about the program.

For more information, contact Stiles at 575-522-0502 or [Valerie.Stiles@mountainviewregional.com](mailto:Valerie.Stiles@mountainviewregional.com).

## SENIOR CALENDAR

**Good Sam’s Club:** Meets at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 10, at Trails West Mobile Home Park, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla. Info: 970-302-8449.

**AARP events:** Join in one or more of the events held by AARP in the month of June.

- Smart driving classes: At Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., presented by Las Cruces AARP President Dave Lynch, 1-5 p.m. on Monday, June 19. Info/reservations: 575-522-0502. At Good Samaritan Village, 3025 Terrace Drive, presented by AARP volunteer Ernie Apodaca, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, June 24 and Aug. 19 and Thursdays, July 13 and Sept. 28. Info/reservations: 575-642-2582. AARP members: \$15, non-members: \$20.

- June 15: Chihuahua baseball game in El Paso. Join this trip planned by President Dave. 17 people have already signed up for the game and there are three remaining tickets, \$15 each. Be prepared to pay for your ticket at the meeting. Transportation is not provided. Bring your baseball glove to catch fly balls.

Info on AARP Chapter 1230 Las Cruces: [www.aarp.org](http://www.aarp.org), [www.nmaging.state.nm.us](http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us), on Facebook at AARP New Mexico, call AARP President David Lynch at 317-385-8874 or email him at [dlynchio@hotmail.com](mailto:dlynchio@hotmail.com). AARP dues are \$5 per year.

**AARP Chapter meeting:** the Las Cruces AARP Chapter will meet at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 21, at Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., behind Walgreens. The presentation will be by former Las Cruces City Councillor Sharon Thomas on the county transportation system. Bring a dry food good for those who have less. This will be the last meeting of the season, with meetings resuming in September. Info: Dave at 317-385-8874.

**Blast from the Past:** 2-3 p.m. Fridays, MountainView Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. Take a walk down Memory Lane with discussions about the movies, music, television and stars of the 1950s and ‘60s. Info: 575-522-0503.

# Pre-registration open for state Conference on Aging

## BULLETIN REPORT

Pre-registration is underway for the 39th annual New Mexico Conference on Aging, to be begin Monday, Aug. 15 and 16 at the Isleta Resort and Casino Conference Center in Albuquerque, according to a news release from the New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department.

Conference pre-registration will continue through Aug. 7, the news release said.

The cost is \$105 in advance or \$115 at the door, \$45/\$55 for seniors (ages 55 and older) and students. A continuing-education credit can be added for an additional \$30. Single-day registration is also available for \$60 for pre-registration or \$70 at the door, \$30/\$40 for seniors and students.

The two-day conference “supports active aging throughout the state,” according to the news release. It “pro-



vides participants an opportunity to network and share expertise and discuss strategies, challenges and best practices (through) informative educational programs, meaningful exhibits and stimulating speakers. The theme for the 2017 conference is Supporting Active Aging: Today-Tomorrow-Beyond.

On Tuesday, Aug. 15, AARP Foundation President Lisa Marsh Ryerson will present “effective solutions to help vulnerable older adults meet their basic needs,” the news release said.

On Wednesday, Aug. 16, “author, equestrian and caregiver Patricia J. Conaway will discuss her book “Listening with My Eyes.” Communicating with her horse nonverbally was the only way she could gain the horse’s trust and cooperation. She applied that technique to communicating with her mother, who suffered from Alzheimer’s and lost her ability to speak.

“The conference will also recognize individuals and organizations through its awards program, and will include a variety of entertainment reflecting New Mexico’s cultural diversity,” the news release said.

Register online at [www.nmaging.state.nm.us/2017-conference-on-aging.aspx](http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us/2017-conference-on-aging.aspx) or call 866-842-9230 (toll free) or 505-383-3901.

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# Silver City is home to public health institute

## BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico has established a public health institute in Silver City that aims to “unify the efforts of nonprofit organizations, government, public and private sectors, hospitals, schools and communities to create more equitable health outcomes for the state’s two million residents,”



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according to a news release from the Southwest Center for Health Information (CHI).

The New Mexico Public Health Institute (NMPHI) is funded by a \$100,000 grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF). The grant was awarded to the CHI “to develop the structure and leadership of the institute,” the news release said. New Mexico becomes the 33rd state to establish a PHI.

“Most of the health resources and



services are located along the Interstate-25 corridor,” said New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) Health Promotion Program Manager Jerry Montoya, a member of NMPHI. “This centralization of services leaves rural and frontier communities, which comprise 50 percent of the state, facing long journeys to access needed health services or having to do without, a situation that fuels further health inequities.”

“Specifically located in the rural southwest corner of the state, NMPHI will work to maximize positive health conditions including racial and geographic equality for the most vulnerable populations and communities,” the news release said.

“According to the U.S. Census, New Mexico has the highest ethnic population in the nation, with 48 percent of the population identifying as Hispanic or Latino,” the release continued. “New Mexico also includes six of the 100 most diverse cities in the nation, according to a recent study by Wallethub, which examined racial and ethnic diversity as part of the ‘cultural diversity’ section.”

“Our state’s diversity will be the key to our PHI’s success,” NMPHI Coordinator Alisha Herrick said. A longtime New Mexico resident, Herrick has a masters in Public Health from University of Texas Health Science Center and is a certified health education spe-

cialist, according to the news release.

In the fall of 2017, NMPHI will partner with the University of New Mexico’s College of Population Health and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Center for Health Policy to co-host an “Equity in Policy Institute,” the news release said. “The effort will focus on racial and geographic health equity and social justice issues to advance the health and well-being of children and families in New Mexico.”

CHI is a nonprofit focused on community health in underserved and underrepresented populations. For more information, visit [www.swchi.org](http://www.swchi.org) or contact Herrick at 575-597-0031 or [aherrick@swchi.org](mailto:aherrick@swchi.org). Visit [www.swchi.org](http://www.swchi.org).

WKKF, founded in 1930 in Battle Creek, Michigan, is an independent, private foundation founded by breakfast cereal pioneer Will Keith Kellogg. For more information, visit [www.wkkf.org](http://www.wkkf.org).

# Cancer aid event accepting vendors

## BULLETIN REPORT

Cancer Aid Resource and Education (CARE) of Las Cruces is accepting vendor applications for its second annual

“The Big Event...A Community that CAREs,” to be held

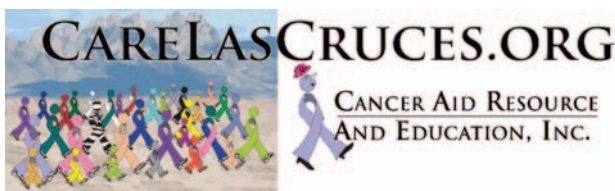
Sept. 21-24, at the Plaza de Las Cruces downtown, CARE President and Executive Director Yoli Diaz said in a May news release.

Vendor categories for

the event include arts and crafts, products and novelties, food and information booths, the news release said. Find the application form at [care-las-cruces.org](http://care-las-cruces.org), visit

CARE at 125 N. Main St., suite 114 or call Diaz at 575-649-0598.

“The event is a large-scale community celebration and cancer fundraiser where funds go right back into the community helping local cancer patients,” Diaz



said in the news release. “CARE is about and for the PEOPLE of Doña Ana County,” Diaz said. “CARE offers hands-on support for the individual and families dealing right here, right now with the reality of cancer. CARE’s Care and Support Program helps local people who have recently been diagnosed

with any type of cancer,” she said.

“CARE helps with financial assistance for non-medical needs, basic living needs; gas cards to get to treatment, utilities, groceries and nutritional supplements, rent, medical travel, lodging, meals, necessities, etc. so that patients can concentrate on treatment and recovery.”

## HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

**One-Mile Challenge:** This summer’s One Mile Challenge Series, free to youths in 8th grade and under, hosted by Las Cruces Running Club.

- Saturday, June 10, at La Llorona Park
- Saturday, June 24, at the dam behind Albertson’s on East Lohman Avenue
- Monday, July 3, at the Electric 5k and mile run at Meerscheidt Center
- Saturday, July 15, on Triviz Trail at Kohl’s on North Main Street
- Saturday, Aug. 5, at Sagecrest Park on Telshor Boulevard.

Participants collect tickets to win prizes. The Aug. 5 race will culminate in a free breakfast and awards ceremony for all participants, parents and volunteers. All races start at 9 a.m., except for the July 3 run, which starts at 7:45 p.m. before the Electric Light Parade. Registration is 7:30-8:30 a.m. for each race, except for the Electric 5k and mile run, which is 6:15-7:15 p.m.

# The perfect Father's Day gift: Dads reading to their children

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We are closing in on our goal of purchasing 9,000 books to keep kids reading this summer. Local citizens have been generous. Within every contribution is a story, because each donor's life has been impacted by the very fact that they know how to read.

The passion behind the act of giving is sometimes palpable, as it was when I got a surprise invitation to the school-bus yard to receive a sizeable check from Las Cruces Transportation Federation Local 6341, a group of people whose every workday puts them in the position of, quite literally, making the home to school connection. School bus drivers know all of our neighborhoods and provide one of the most overlooked and stressful jobs in education. They know first-hand how school achievement and home environment impacts a child's life and they expressed great joy in being able to help put books in the hands of children

this summer.

June, that glorious reprieve from routine and time to celebrate Father's Day. Here's a gift idea for both Dad and the kids, with immediate as well as long lasting value for both:



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Relax with a book. According to Rob Kemp, author of "The New Dad's Survival Guide," fathers de-stress when reading aloud. "Participants experienced relaxed muscles and decreased heart rate within six pages," University of Sussex researchers report. Additional benefits include greater skill acquisition, confidence and self-esteem, better father-child relationships and increased engagement with learning. And that's just the dad's reward.

According to researchers at the Fatherhood Institute, "The time a father spends reading with his child is one

of the most consistent links to that child achieving positive literacy scores at every grade." Improvement is not limited to language and literacy. "Children whose dads read to them regularly displayed better behavior and concentration at nursery, and performed better at maths too."

The behavior associated with dad reading sends a strong message to boys in particular. Even in families where child-care has been disrupted by divorce or separation, the influence of dads reading encourages their children to read and is a key factor in ongoing educational progress.

Over the course of a year researching the impact that parents reading had on their children, Dr. Elisabeth Duursma found that girls benefited too when read to by a male. "The impact is huge – particularly if dads start reading to kids under the age of two," Duursma said. "Reading is seen as a female activity and kids seem to be more tuned in

when their dad reads to them – it's special."

According to a study titled "Why Fathers Matter to Their Children's Literacy" by the National Literacy Trust, time-pressured dads reported reading as a major way to develop a unique and special relationship with their children.

In a Harvard study, children benefited from the kinds of questions posed by men because they tended to spark imaginative discussions which expanded vocabulary and were cognitively challenging.

Dads don't even have to be reading out loud to have an impact. Research published by the British Journal of Educational Psychology reports "Dads who are seen to be reading a lot around the home – books, newspapers, etc. – send out a positive sign to their children that it's an enjoyable thing to do."

My own informal survey at an NEA Read Across America event at Mesilla Park Recreation Center suggests that local dads confirm these findings.

Las Cruces dad, Christopher, says he reads because, "I enjoy the quiet moment with my kids. I read to my children because I know it benefits them. Reading to them helps them learn to read, develops their imaginations; it will help them get ahead in school."

Another dad, Jay, says his read-aloud bedtime routine is special, quality time for him with his children. "Reading is part of our good-night routine: First, they each choose a book so we read two books, talk about the day and kiss goodnight."

Five-year-old Penelope and three-year-old Jude deny having a preference between Mom and Dad as long as they get their story time each night.

*Rorie Measure is the president of Children's Reading Alliance, a grassroots citizen-led initiative to encourage family literacy throughout Doña Ana County. Rorie is a reader, writer, teacher, reading specialist and literacy trainer. She can be reached at rmeasure@gmail.com.*

## HAPPENINGS CONTINUED FROM 59

Parents can run with their children at no cost. Info: register@lascrucesrunningclub.com.

**Alzheimer's presentation:** Free educational presentation, "The Basics of Alzheimer's Disease," 1-2 p.m. Monday, June 19, Roadrunner Room, Thomas Bra-

nigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Offered by the Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico chapter. Open to all. Registration/info: Lindsey Bachman, 575-647-3868 or lmbachman@alz.org.

**Dyslexia programs:** Dyslexia Institute of Southern New Mexico (DISNM) summer reading and math programs continue through Aug. 11, with flexible scheduling available. Certified master teachers will 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 or text 575-649-2992 before 11 a.m. or www.disnm.org

**Highlighting healthcare excellence:** The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce presents awards in seven different categories of healthcare excellence. 5:30 p.m.-midnight, Friday, July 28, at Hotel Encanto

de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Nominations accepted. Cocktails at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m., dancing from 9 p.m.-midnight. Tickets are \$60. RSVP: bmisquez@lascruces.org.

**Junior Jazzercise:** 12:30-3:30 p.m., Aug. 7-11, 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. Junior Jazzercise offers a high-energy workout with an emphasis on physical fitness. The cost of each session is \$90 (siblings are \$50). Save \$10 by referring a friend. Students can register up through camp start date. Info: Amy Richards, 941-705-0800 or lascrucesjuniorjazzercise@yahoo.com.

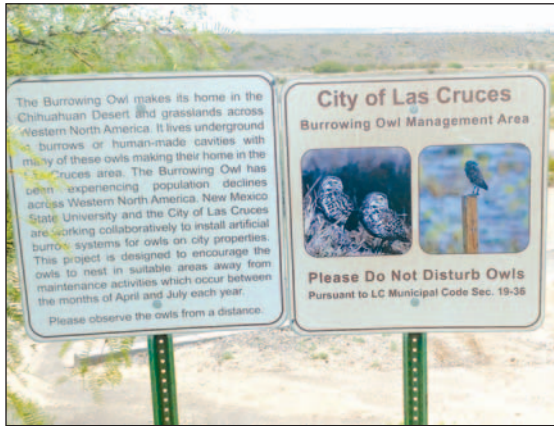
**Cancer support group at UUMC:** 6:30-8 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer Care is a support group for those dealing with cancer, (patients, survivors, caregivers, family and friends). Info: Betty Harris, 575-524-3994 or the church office, 575-522-8220.



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## Watch out for owls

**Look for owls when you visit Las Cruces Veterans Memorial Park, 1151 N. Roadrunner Parkway. The city has set up a nesting box for the owls and signage to let people know there are owls – including burrowing owls – in the area. They are natives of the Chihuahuan Desert.**

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## ACTion Programs for Animals continues adoption special

By **KRISTIE GARCIA**  
For the Bulletin

Adopt a dog or cat for just \$25 during the entire month of June as part of ACTion Programs for Animals of Las Cruces' (APA) Summer Lovin' half-off adoption special. (Exceptions to the June promotion include puppies under six months of age and P.A.W.S. prison program graduates.)

Check out APA's adoptable animals at [www.actionprogramsforanimals.org](http://www.actionprogramsforanimals.org) or visit the APA facility at 800 W. Picacho Ave. from noon to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays or by appointment.

APA will also hold two off-site adoption events in June:

- 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 11, at PetSmart, at 2200 E. Lohman Ave., next to Old Navy
- 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, at Sam's Club, 2711 N. Telshor Blvd.

Each off-site adoption event also includes a donation drive. The APA adoption center is always in need of cat and dog food, cat litter, treats, toys, cleaning supplies, laundry detergent,

dryer sheets, copy paper and other supplies.

APA was founded in 2009 and began with a focus on helping keep animals from entering the local animal shelter through programs like its pet food bank. In May 2012, the Doña Ana Pets Alive! campaign was started – the groups' direct rescue and re-homing effort to help the community reach its "no-kill" goal as soon as possible. This campaign concentrates on rescuing animals abandoned at the animal 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.

For more information and to volunteer, contact ACTion Programs for Animals at 575-644-0505 or [mail@apalascruces.org](mailto:mail@apalascruces.org). Call the adoption center at 575-571-4654. Visit the APA animal center at 800 W. Picacho Ave. from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays. Visit [www.actionprogramsforanimals.org](http://www.actionprogramsforanimals.org) and [www.facebook.com/APALasCruces](http://www.facebook.com/APALasCruces).



## CAT'S MEOW CAT OF THE WEEK

My is Angel and that is exactly what I am! Take me home and you will have a sweet angel kitty to be your best friend and forever companion. I am a two-and-one-half-year-old torti/tabby mix. My favorite activities are to purr by your side and play with my toys. Drop by and visit me and my wonderful friends at The Cat's Meow Adoption Center, 2211 N. Mesquite St. in downtown Las Cruces. We are open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday. If you are looking for a worthy cause to share your free time with, please consider the adoption center. Your helping hands and generous heart will help an orphan kitty while waiting for a new home. Call 575-640-0011 for more information.

## ANIMAL SERVICES CENTER OF THE MESILLA VALLEY PET OF THE WEEK

### Kitty

Kitty is a sweet, adorable, gorgeous yellow-eyed, purring machine. The four-year-old grey and cream domestic medium-hair beauty is looking for her forever home. Kitty enjoys sunbathing and looking out the window. She wants a family who will love her unconditionally and provide her with plenty of toys and treats. Come meet Kitty at Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley today.



### Off-Site Adoption Events

- Farmers & Crafts Market – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays
- Dog adoptions are located at the far north end of the market on the Downtown Mall.
- Cat adoptions are located at the Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St.
- Petco – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, 305 E. Lohman Ave. Bldg. D.

### Additional Services Offered

**Microchip your pet:** \$20. Available daily, no appointment necessary.

**Pet Licenses:** City and County licenses available daily.

**City:** Altered \$7; Unaltered \$50

**County:** Altered \$7; Unaltered \$50

**Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Program:** Dogs \$35, Cats \$25. By appointment only.

**DONATION REQUESTS** – ASCMV is in need of dog crates, blankets and towels. Collars and leashes are also always needed. Donations can be dropped off during normal hours of operation or left at the door.

**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.

# 'Aggies in Paradise' to kick off season

## BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State Athletic Department will kick off the 2017-18 athletic season on Friday, Aug. 25, with its annual Aggies in Paradise fundraiser. The island-themed event is slated to begin at 6 p.m. on the 50-yard line at Aggie Memorial Stadium.

Fans are encouraged to come out and have fun with fellow Aggie supporters, meet student-athletes, coaches and staff members. This year's event features a dinner and a host bar in addition to silent and live auctions.

Last year's event saw a record crowd of more than 450 Aggie supporters and raised nearly \$35,000 for the Aggie Athletic Club. The mission of the AAC is to offset the educational expenses for New Mexico State student-athletes.

Tickets are \$80 a person or \$750 for a table of 10. Tickets can be reserved now by contacting athletics event planner Nicole Gomez at 575-646-8050 or email at nicolemg@nmsu.edu.

The Aggies open their 2017 football season on Thursday, Aug. 31, at Arizona State, followed by a Sept. 9 contest at New Mexico. Their first home game is Sept. 16 vs. Troy.

## Kayli qualifies



COURTESY PHOTO

Kayli Farmer represented New Mexico State University in the javelin throw at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in Eugene Ore., June 8. The Aztec, N.M., native was named the WAC Women's Outdoor Field Athlete of the Week four times during the outdoor track & field season. She won first place in the javelin at five meets including the WAC Championship. At the NCAA West Preliminaries, Farmer broke the school record in the javelin with a throw of 48.63m (159-6). She finished ninth in the event and qualified for her first NCAA Championship.

# NMSU women's basketball names assistant coach

## BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State head women's basketball coach Brooke Atkinson announced

the addition of Ryan McAdams to her staff May 31.

"Ryan is a great addition to our staff here at New Mexico State," Atkinson said. "He

is a coaching veteran who is experienced in both men's and women's basketball. He is a tireless worker with great basketball knowledge, recruit-

ing ties and is a proven winner. We would like to welcome Ryan and his family to Las Cruces and the Aggie family." McAdams comes to NM

State after spending seven years as the head coach of Eastern Arizona. The Gila

# NMSU's Fishback named 2nd team All-American

## BULLETIN REPORT

The Collegiate Baseball Newspaper has announced its NCAA Division I All-American baseball teams, and New Mexico State catcher Mason Fishback earned a Second-Team All-American honor after leading the Aggies to a 35-22 overall record and a No. 1 seed at the WAC Tournament.

The Aggies' season ended in May with two straight losses in the tournament.

Fishback, a redshirt junior, boasted a .365 batting average to go along with a 16 doubles, eight home runs and 52 RBI in 53 starts for the Aggies.

He also had a .564 slugging and .417 on-base percentage with three stolen bags.

The NM State catcher set new program highs on May 5 at Utah Valley when he recorded five hits and five RBI in six at-bats. Fishback followed that with a four-hit performance the following day and went on to earn his first Western Athletic Conference Hitter of the Week distinction on May 8.

At the conclusion of the season, Fishback posted 24 multi-hit games and drove in multiple runs in 14 contests. He ended the year reaching base in 15 straight games, aided by a



Mason Fishback was a steady hand behind the plate for the Aggies this season. But it's his bat that drew attention.

seven-game hit streak.

The Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. native finished among the top-10 in the conference in 16 different offensive categories. The impressive numbers earned him a First-Team All-WAC nod

at the end of the 2017 season.

Mason is just the second Aggie to be named to the Collegiate Baseball post-season All-American team, joining 2002 first-team selection Gabe Veloz.

# NMSU Athletics wins third straight Commissioner's Cup

## BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State Athletic Department has captured its record-setting third-straight Western Athletic Conference Commissioner's Cup, the league announced.

NM State's 87.00 points at season's end gave the Aggies a 2.50 point cushion over UMKC, who came in second with 84.50 points.

"NM State athletics being awarded the WAC Commissioner's Cup for the third-consecutive year is a testament to the hard work of our student-athletes, coaches, staff and administration as well as all who have supported our programs with private dollars," Director of Athletics Mario Moccia said. "With a significant budget issues on-going, it is gratifying to see our teams performing at a high level across the board on a consistent basis."

Of the 19 sports that the WAC sponsors, NM State competes only in 15. Still, Aggie teams were able to take home eight regular-season or conference tournament titles on the year. Volleyball and men's tennis claim regular-season titles while men's basketball and women's golf captured tournament titles in addition to women's basketball and softball laying claim to both the regular-season and postseason titles.

The Aggies became the only team to win three-straight Commissioner's Cups, joining Boise State and Fresno State as the only teams to have won the cup three times.

# Volleyball tournament finds new venue

## BULLETIN REPORT

Big Brothers Big Sisters Mountain Region – Doña Ana County announces a new venue – and a bigger tournament – for the 8th annual Mudd for Matches Mudd Volleyball Tournament. The popular event will take place on Saturday, Aug. 26 at the Grapevine Plaza and Picacho Peak Brewery.

The tournament was held for the past three years at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, but the popularity of the event forced the planning committee to seek out a venue where the tournament could grow. Xavier and Cindy Mendoza, owners of the two venues, are supporting the work of Big

Brothers Big Sisters by sponsoring and supporting the tournament.

"It is with great honor that we support non-profit events that help to improve our community," Xavier Mendoza said. "When people come together for the greater good, it helps all."

"The enthusiastic support of Xavier, Cindy and their staff has been so appreciated," says event co-chair Mikko Noopila, of Citizen's Bank. "They were so quick to say yes, so generous in their support, and so willing to help with the preparation of the field for the tournament. We owe them a big debt of gratitude."

The tournament has grown from 44 teams in 2015 to 60 teams in 2016, and will host 80 teams in

2017. Co-ed teams of eight to 12 players are randomly drawn into a bracket of eight and will participate in pool play consisting of three sets of games between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. The top teams will advance to a playoff bracket, with a champion crowned that evening at an after-party at the Picacho Peak Brewery.

"Every year this tournament grows, which is great, not just for the financial support it brings to Big Brothers Big Sisters, but also the visibility of this valuable program, says Co-Chair Jake Redfearn of sponsor NAI 1st Valley. "I loved my years as a Big Brother and I hope that more people will consider becoming a Big after getting to know us at Mudd Volleyball."

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# Ingrain good habits with High-Yield practice, Part 2

**Y**ou have heard of the “80-20 rule”? It’s basically the overarching law of the world in which only 20 percent of things account for 80 percent of happenings.

Companies can trace 80 percent of their revenue to 20 percent of their customers. If you look at your investments, 80 percent of your monetary gains come from only 20 percent of your holdings.

If you go to the gym, 80 percent of your progress comes from 20 percent of the machines you use. Not that you should eliminate the other 80 percent of what you do, but only that you should realize where your greatest gains (and losses) are coming from.

Golf is a perfect example of the 80-20 principle, where 80 percent of your mistakes and lost strokes happen because of the 20 percent of the shots you haven’t practiced. Conversely, 80 percent of your shots come from 20 percent (three) of your golf clubs: your driver, your wedge and mostly your putter.



**CHARLIE BLANCHARD**  
Golf Doctor

You are wise to assess where most of your scoring shots are made and where most of the failures occur. For High-Yield practice, work on your trouble shots hard enough and long enough so that you turn them into strengths. By knowing

where your weaknesses really are you can pinpoint your practice time. Keep a small notebook and write down your common mistakes – what you need to work on and reminders of things to be aware of. Remember that 80 percent of your shots are approaching, on or close to the green; so what does that tell you about how you should spend your practice time?

High-Yield practice involves spending adequate time on the putting green because the put-

ter is the only club you use on every single hole. In addition to practicing alone with the idea of solidifying your putting stroke and technique, I recommend playing putting games with others or one opponent with something (a chilled beverage perhaps) at stake because it’s helpful to learn to focus, in contrast to just rolling a few balls in a row. I enjoy games and putting competition. I think putting for “real” replicates the on-course conditions you probably will face, mostly getting you prepared for the mental challenges of having to make a six-footer.

I also believe in training aids as a way to groove your putting alignment, aim and stroke. Simple examples include hitting a ball between two tees, using a string-line and a chalk-line, a putting mirror and a metronome device. And putting drills are crucial. Phil Mickelson got into putting drills years ago when his coach Dave Pelz challenged him to make 100 consecutive three-foot

putts. It took Phil several tries, but eventually he got it. That’s why Phil, and most other tour pros, rarely miss short putts. The idea is all about engraining habits, including your routine, that help scoring.

Whether it’s practicing the piano, or going to swimming workouts, or going to weekly lessons to overcome stage fright, or practicing golf, the essential purpose for practicing is to perform better when it counts the most. We practice to engrain good habits, to become proficient in techniques that should become automatic – all the while gaining confidence.

When we mention “habits” with the golf swing we’re talking about tempo, weight shift, release, balance and swing plane, to mention just a few. Moreover, disciplined practice with the short game will lead to much better touch and feel around the greens, which is essential. In terms of “feel” of a shot or a putt, practice enhances the accuracy of your visual and mental estimation

of how the ball will react according to what you plan to do. With “touch” practicing, solid techniques will grow your coordination and manipulation of the golf club so that you can execute the shot you need. Touch and feel are inseparable and only come with hours doing them.

You can’t (and shouldn’t) try to keep track of those things when you’re on the golf course with a scorecard and pencil. Most casual golfers eschew booking lessons with a swing instructor, preferring to “coach” themselves by trial and error. Error tends to get the upper hand. So, at least practice right.

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## COACH

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Monsters reached the national tournament in three of the last four seasons under McAdams.

EAC completed the 2016-17 campaign with an overall record of 20-11, including a 17-6 record in conference play which was good for third. The team advanced all the way to the region semifinal before falling to Arizona Western College.

The 2015-16 season saw the Gila Monsters (25-9 overall) win the region I championship and make the second round of the national tournament, both program firsts. They finished the season ranked No. 21 in the country.

During the 2014-15 campaign, EAC

was nationally ranked for 12 weeks and reached as high as No. 5. The squad tallied 27 overall wins and 20



**McADAMS**

conference victories, good for a share of the Arizona Community College Athletic Conference title. McAdams’ group were region I runner-ups and notched three wins over top-20 teams. In 2013-14, the Gila Monsters made the program’s first trip to the national tournament after earning region I runner-up honors and finished with a 23-9 overall record.

While at the helm for seven years, McAdams saw EAC named runner-up NJCAA Academic Team of the Year with the second-highest team GPA out of 181 schools, twice. Every two-year

player under McAdams transferred to four-year schools under his watch.

The Gila Monsters had three All-Americans, 11 all-region I, and 11 All-ACCAC players during McAdams tenure. Five players were also invited to the NJCAA All-Star Weekend in Niceville, Fla., an event for the top-40 junior college players in the country to showcase their talents on a national stage.

Before moving to the women’s side, McAdams spent eight years as a men’s assistant – including his final two at EAC (2008-10) under current men’s coach Maurice Leitzke. While on Leitzke’s staff, the Gila Monsters were named NJCAA Academic Team of the Year and advanced to the region I semifinal in 2009. During McAdams’ two years on staff, EAC sent three players to NCAA Division I and three

to NCAA Division II programs.

Before joining the Gila Monsters’ staff, McAdams spent two seasons under Leitzke at Cameron University (2006-08), an NCAA Division II in Lawton, Okla. In 2006, they defeated four top-25 teams for the first time in school history.

Prior to his stint at Cameron, McAdams spent four years on the central coast in San Luis Obispo, Calif. working in men’s basketball – one under Rusty Blair at Cuesta Community College (2002-03) followed by three as a volunteer assistant under Kevin Bromley at Cal Poly (2003-06).

McAdams is a native of Northern California. He received a Bachelor’s and Master’s degree from Cal Poly.

He and his wife Stacy have two daughters, Rylee and Ellie, and son Caden.