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Savanna sits on Santa's lap and tries to remember her wish list for Christmas, Sunday, Nov. 27 at the Mesilla Valley Mall. Santa Claus will be on hand from noon to 8 p.m. every day until Christmas Eve. He does take a break at 3:30 p.m. to feed his reindeer. For more photos, see page 12.

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# Doña Ana County 'Your Partner in Progress'



## Krahling tags Ellins as chief deputy clerk

Doña Ana County Clerk-Elect Scott A. Krahling has announced that current County Clerk Lynn Ellins will stay on the team after Jan. 1.

"We'll be switching job titles the day I take office," Krahling said. "There is quite simply no one else more qualified to be my chief deputy than my friend and colleague, Lynn Ellins. I can think of no reason to break up this team, and I'm grateful beyond measure that he's willing to stay on board."

Ellins is a former Chief Deputy Secretary of State in Colorado who retired to New Mexico and was subsequently elected county clerk for Doña Ana County in 2008. He served two terms.

"People like Lynn and respect his integrity, intelligence and institutional knowledge," Krahling said. "Together, we oversaw the biggest and most successful election in Doña Ana County's history. The 2016 General Elections saw vastly increased voter turnout locally, with more than 70,000 people voting early and on Election Day. I attribute that turnout, in part, to the voter outreach work that we pioneered together with the Doña Ana County Election Advisory Board."

Ellins' first task as chief deputy clerk, Krahling said, is to gear the staff up for the Feb. 7 school board elections, which includes a Jan. 10 registration deadline and early voting that will begin Jan. 13 at the Doña Ana County Government Center.

Krahling and other Doña Ana County elected officials whose terms begin Jan. 1 will be sworn in at a Dec. 29 ceremony in the Commission Chambers of the Doña Ana County Government Center, with Chief Third Judicial District Judge Fernando R. Macias administering the oaths of office.

## Tax payments due by Dec. 10

Doña Ana County Treasurer-Elect Eric Rodriguez said his office has mailed 2016's first-half property tax bills, and he reminds property owners that they have until Dec. 10 to pay their first-half property taxes before state-mandated interest and penalties begin to accumulate.

Citing convenience as a priority, Rodriguez said payments can be made in a number of ways, such as:

- By mailing payment to the Treasurer's Office using the self-addressed envelope provided with the tax notice.
- In person at the Treasurer's Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, at 845 Motel Blvd., in Las Cruces.

- By using the indoor drop box, located near the Treasurer's Office teller windows.

- Online with a credit or debit card, or via electronic checks at [www.donaanacounty.org/tax/](http://www.donaanacounty.org/tax/) or by phone at (877) 458-2425. There is a nominal fee for this service.

For property owners whose taxes are paid by an escrow holder, the tax bill will be sent directly to the escrow holder.

Property owners who have not paid their taxes in full and did not receive reminders should immediately contact the Treasurer's Office at (575) 647-7433. Mobile home owners who did not receive a tax bill should contact the

Treasurer's office, since mobile homes are taxed separately from the land on which they are placed.

"We make every effort to notify every property owner of their tax obligations," Rodriguez said. "We have already sent out in excess of 68,000 first-half reminders. If for some reason you haven't paid your property taxes, please don't miss the Dec. 10 deadline."

Rodriguez said the only way for property owners to avoid penalties and interest is by making arrangements to pay property taxes on time. Once penalty and interest are incurred, there is no provision in the state's tax code to remove the charges from an account.



### ORIENTATION

Incoming Doña Ana County Commissioners John Vasquez (District 5), Ramon Gonzalez (District 2) and Isabella Solis (District 4) attended a recent orientation session at the invitation of Doña Ana County Manager Julia T. Brown. All county department heads gave overviews of their realms of responsibility, with plenty of time for the commissioners-elect to ask questions. The orientation ran 90 minutes over schedule because of the depth of the presentations and the ensuing dialogue. All three commissioners-elect said the session was useful and educational.

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Monday, Nov. 28, was declared Dr. Steven Sanchez Celebration Day at Central Elementary School. Sharing the proclamation with Sanchez, left, are, left to right, Central Elementary Principal Eloisa Solis, Central Elementary Student Council President Marisol Perry and Central Elementary JOLI Club (junior Optimists) President Alma Bradburd.

## Central Elementary honors Sanchez

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Central Elementary School declared Monday, Nov. 28, as Dr. Steven Sanchez Celebration Day in honor of Las Cruces Public Schools' outgoing interim superintendent.

Sanchez, who was joined by the entire staff and student body of Central Elementary, 150 N. Alameda Blvd., has been interim LCPS superintendent since June. The new permanent superintendent, Dr. Gregory Ewing, will take over in early December. Sanchez will return to his home in Belen and will resume teaching duties at the Family School in Los Lunas, New Mexico in January.

Sanchez had previously retired from LCPS in 2015, after serving eight years with the school district as deputy superintendent.

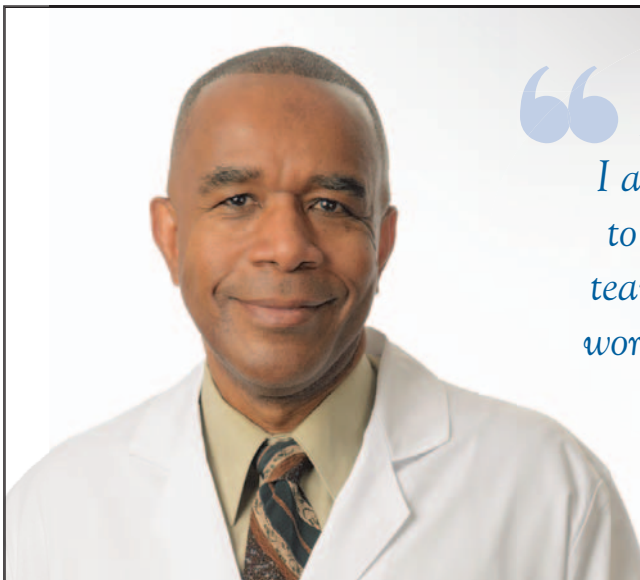
The Nov. 28 celebration

at Central Elementary included tributes from students and staff as well as two student-performed songs – in both English and Spanish. Sanchez also received a crystal apple, a tree-of-life painting, a 1,000-piece jigsaw puzzle, a cake and a number of banners thanking him for his service to LCPS and to Central Elementary.

“It’s a special school because this is a community,” Sanchez told Central Elementary students. “Everybody cares about each other at Central Elementary,” he said.

“I always think about his approach to leading,” Central Elementary Principal Eloisa Solis said about Sanchez. “His passion for teaching and learning ... is amazing,” she said.

Central Elementary physical education teacher Tommy Esparza said he considered Sanchez a mentor and “a big influence in my life.”



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# When budget cutting must be done

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So far, our nation has not had any states quit but there is still time before Trump takes office. California is one state with citizens wanting to secede. They can't because they have spent themselves into the poor house and only federal money can keep them going.

California has overspent its budget \$127 billion. In round numbers that's \$3,500 per every person, dog, cat and



**MICHAEL SWICKARD**

*In My Opinion*

hamster in the state. So, California is not going anywhere other than the poor house.

New Mexico is over spending this year's budget by about \$500 million. That's about \$250 for every person, dog, cat and coyote.

Our representatives in

Santa Fe need to stop spending everything in the coffers they can find and a little more each year. Restraint is needed.

There is good news (hooray)

and bad news (shuckins) as to the New Mexico budget. First the good news. It isn't hopeless like what is happening in California. It can be fixed and New Mexico can live within its means with effective management from the representatives in Santa Fe.

The bad news is that the solution will hurt. Some people will lose their jobs through no fault of their own. This cannot be helped. What has put New Mexico in dire straits was the election of Bill Richardson in 2002. Previously Gov. Gary Johnson had New Mexico as one of just five states with a rosy financial picture.

But Richardson came to New Mexico and the governorship with one goal: to become the president of the United States.

Richardson worked to be

declared the "Education Governor." He won that moniker which came with a propensity to hire lots of people into the public schools. This was supposed to make New Mexico No. 1 in education nationally. Sadly, spending lots of New Mexico tax dollars didn't make Richardson president nor did it lift New Mexico education.

With the downturn of oil and gas revenue the state of New Mexico has less money available and must do something. Most of the quick cures have already been done, so this time it must be drastic. There are just two ways to get this money.

The first is to raise the gross receipts taxes substantially. In many places the gross receipts tax is greater than 7 percent.

Taking it to 10 percent or more

would cripple the economy.

The only place left to really make a cut is education. To balance the budget New Mexico needs to cut about 10 percent from education. This is despite the education mantra that it doesn't have enough money even now and need lots and lots more money.

Most of the education budget is spent on people. There is one rule. NEVER fire or change the pay for teachers. The cuts must be with administration and everything else such as the legions of consultants in schools.

Finally, quit spending everything the state has and a little more than the state has each year. Don't turn our state into a California.

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# Trying to fix New Mexico

## Should state legislators be paid?

**F**or several weeks here at the Las Cruces Bulletin, our writers and reporters have been working on our annual Southwest New Mexico Legislative Guide.

**RICHARD COLTHARP**

From the Publisher

As I've been helping write and edit some of the information, one thing has become clear.

New Mexico is in a tough spot financially.

That's not news, of course.

If you've been paying attention at all the past few years, you already know that.

Frighteningly, though, no clear and present solution is emerging. There doesn't even appear to be a long-term solution.

There are a few creative ideas that might provide some building blocks toward getting out of the hole eventually, but certainly no catapults to shoot us back to prosperity instantaneously.

For our state, prosperity is a relative term, but we have had years when we actually had opportunities to spend money productively, rather than worrying about how much has to be cut.

We've also spent a lot of money unproductively, but that's another story.

The big problem is so much of our state revenue is tied to the oil and gas industry. When those prices are high, New Mexico is rocking and rolling. When they dip, as they have for several years now, New Mexico is rocking and reeling.

In one of our interviews with a new legislator, he asks rhetorically, how did we get to this point? How could we have tied such a large proportion of our state budget to an industry so prone to drastic fluctuations?

It's a question many of us have wondered since the crunch hit. Hindsight can be frustrating.

Even though our state politics frequently bewilder, I've been mostly impressed with our New Mexico legislators as individuals, especially as I've gotten to know some of them better.

I'm starting to join others, though, in wondering if we've hamstrung our legislators.

You may have heard New Mexico is the only state that does not pay its legislators a salary.

Technically, that is true. And while they get \$159 per diem for expenses during the session. Every other state pays its legislators a salary. Almost all pay per diem expenses in addition

to the salary.

Bear in mind, though, they are not all like California, whose legislators make more than \$90,000 a year, plus more than \$140 per diem for each day in session.

Nearer to New Mexico's zero salary are Alabama's \$10 per day and New Hampshire's \$100 per day and \$109 per diem during the session. Alabama's deceptive, though; its legislators get \$4,308 per month and \$50 per diem during its three-month regular session and special sessions.

Even legislators in Mississippi, our frequent rival in negative categories, get \$10,000 per year and \$123 per diem during their three-month session.

Fifteen states pay legislators more than \$35,000 per year. Others have some attractive per diems. Florida legislators get \$29,697 per year and \$129 per diem for only two months of work.

California legislators work nine months for their \$90,000. Seven state legislatures meet throughout the year, making Illinois' \$67,836 and Michigan's \$71,685 salaries more understandable.

New Mexico's model sounds nice in theory: Real people with real jobs and – we hope – real understanding of their constituencies convene efficiently for 30

or 60 days to solve the problems of the state. Note I said "in theory."

It's difficult to make it work in practice. Many New Mexico legislators are business owners who have to work lawmaking duties into already difficult and busy schedules. Many are retired on fixed incomes. Some are regular working folks. No matter how you look at it, it's not easy. And the campaigning is even harder.

One argument for paying legislators is you allow them to focus on the important duty in front of them without the distractions of another job. One argument against it is, no state can pay enough to be competitive with the private sector, meaning not many of your best and brightest will want to deal with all the hassles and run for office.

Paying a legislature is not something realistic for New Mexico at this time, but might be something to consider in the future. Perhaps extending the session length is something that makes sense sooner.

Regardless, we have to realize as a state we've got to make changes. We owe it to ourselves to consider every single possibility that could benefit us in both the short and long terms.

Consider every single possibility.

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# My 10 most unforgettable lifetime experiences

1. Lying flat on my back in the lobby of the Hyatt Regency in Phoenix at 2 a.m. I passed the carafe of Chablis to my reclining colleague who looked at me and said, "Pardner, I don't think you're executive material!"

2. Mud wrestling with Hurricane Charlotte in San Juan Capistrano. It was there I lost \$110 on a frog named Montezuma in the big frog-off.

3. The tobacco-spitting contest in Pasco where I placed third. As Tom Hall would say, "I used to couldn't spit over my



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chin; now I can spit all over it!"

4. One o'clock in the morning; Saturday night, when I locked the key in Red's Cadillac outside the Schroeder Dance Hall. I had to call a locksmith from Victoria. It was a long ride home.

5. Dancing with Mike at the Hotel Nevada in Ely. I still have a scar on my arm from

waltzin' into a rock wall when he changed leads.

6. The trip from Sioux Falls to Platte with Diane, Konni and JoAnne. They tanked up on cervesa before the trip and had to make a pit stop in somebody's cornfield along the way. I stood guard and they scattered into the cornrows like quail.

7. Snorkeling in San Carlos Bay with one-armed guide named Onofre. We speared three lobster, two carp, one scorpion fish, a Tecate can and one swim fin.

8. Falling asleep on the red-eye Big Sky Express from Miles City to Billings. Everybody disembarked including the pilots and they pushed the plane off the runway. Fortunately one of the mechanics left his lunch in the cockpit and found me.

9. Trying to ski between the legs of an unsuspecting bunny at Angel Fire and getting my nose hooked in her ski clothing. I looked like a B-52 refueling in mid-air.

10. Spending the night in Bennett, Idaho, getting my haircut in Wellington, Kan.,

getting caught in blizzards in Antonito, N.M., and Fairmont, Minn., singin' with Teense in Saratoga, team roping on Dude, canoeing the Sac in Missouri, Amtracking the 6 a.m. Pioneer Flyer out of Hastings; easting ravioli in a Chinese restaurant in Regina, cabrito in Stockdale and barbeque in Pendleton; seein' Mt. Rushmore, the Mississippi, Mt. St. Helen's and Ft. Morgan in the spring.

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# Council approves funding for downtown development

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

At its Monday, Nov. 21, regular meeting, the Las Cruces City Council unanimously approved the purchase of up to \$3 million in Tax Increment Development District (TIDD) bonds for additional public infrastructure improvements in downtown Las Cruces.

The council also unanimously approved an agreement with Mesilla Valley Habitat for Humanity (MVHH) for the acquisition of land and the construction of affordable housing units in Las Cruces.

Additionally, the council approved an application for financial assistance and project approval from the New Mexico Finance Authority for the purchase of public safety vehicles and heavy equipment. The

\$3.165 million purchase will include an aerial fire truck, nine police cruisers, a tractor, a backhoe and two street sweepers.

The TIDD bonds were approved by the TIDD board, which is composed of the members of the city council and a member of the Doña Ana County Commission acting ex-officio, at the TIDD's Nov. 14 meeting.

Current TIDD projects include redevelopment of the Amador Hotel and surrounding properties and the conversion of Church and Water streets from one-way to two-way traffic.

Construction of the Amador Hotel project was expected to begin in late November or early December and should be finished in late 2017. The Church and Water street conversions

are expected to begin next February, and should be finished by July 2018.

TIDD was created by the city in 2009 "to generate revenue within the downtown area and to use those revenues within that area for public improvement projects," according to city documents. It is funded through existing gross receipts tax revenues, with additional funding from the New Mexico Legislature.

## Habitat for Humanity funding approved

The council approved a community development block grant (CDBG) of \$125,000 and a Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) grant of \$205,000 between the city and MVHH for the acquisition of vacant land in the city's Aurora subdivision and the con-

struction of six single-family affordable housing units in Las Cruces. The agreement continues the city's partnership with MVHH, which has constructed 106 homes in Las Cruces in the past 29 years.

"Without the City of Las Cruces support and funding, through its Community Development Neighborhood Services Department, our service would be greatly reduced," MVHH Executive Director Maria Vasquez said. "The need in our community outweighs our ability to build. Support from the city, like many other critical partners, allows us to continue our mission of making affordable housing accessible to those in need," she said.

Construction on the new homes is planned for next October, Vasquez said.

"We have a huge need for af-

fordable housing in the city," Councillor Gill Sorg said.

A recent New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority report said there is a 4,500 housing-unit deficit in La Cruces, Mesilla Valley Community of Hope (MVCH) Executive Director Nicole Martinez said in September. Of that total, "3,000 are needed just to accommodate the homeless population," she said, noting that the figures don't include people "on the edge of being homeless."

Sorg urged city staff to find "new ways to fund affordable housing. We need to put more effort into funding affordable housing," he said.

For more information, contact Vasquez at 575-525-0475 or mariafh@qwestoffice.net. Visit [www.lascruceshabitat.org](http://www.lascruceshabitat.org).

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## BLM offers permits for Christmas trees

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The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) offices in Las Cruces, Albuquerque, Socorro, Taos, Farmington and Santa Fe are now selling Christmas tree permits. The permits will be sold until Dec. 23 and cost \$5. For a list of BLM office locations and contact information, please visit <https://www.blm.gov/contact/new-mexico>.

The Las Cruces office is located at 1800 Marquess St. and the phone number is 575-525-4300.

Maps can be obtained when purchasing the permit at a BLM office, and will show tree hunters where lands open to tree cutting are located. Tree permits are for sale on many parcels of public lands in the state. When transporting a tree taken from BLM public land, the permit must be attached to the tree.

For more information about Christmas tree permits, contact acting BLM Forester Marcus White Bull at 505-564-7675, or a BLM office.



# Area actors prepare to meet Hollywood casting directors

## BULLETIN REPORT

The Las Cruces International Film Festival plans to host an acting workshop titled Hollywood Casting Directors Seminar.

The seminar will feature Hollywood casting directors during the festival on March 11-12, 2017. The intent of the seminar is to provide area actors – ages 6 and up – a chance to hear what it takes to break into the business and what casting directors are looking for in an audition. There will be a separate work session where participants will have the chance to perform scenes for the casting directors and get real world critique and advice from these industry professionals.

It is with this in mind that the LCIFF presented by NMSU is hosting an eight-week intensive acting workshop from Jan. 9 to March 5, coordinated by Los Angeles talent manager and producer

## If you go

An informational meeting to answer questions and sign up for both the casting seminar and the acting workshop will be held in the following cities:

**SANTA TERESA:** 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 6, at Santa Teresa High School

**LAS CRUCES:** 7 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 7, at CMI Theatre in Milton Hall at New Mexico State University

Priscilla Morales. Originally from Las Cruces, Morales has spent the last 16 years working in Los Angeles with developmental talent both in front of and behind the camera. The classes will be taught by carefully selected coaches with real-world experience. The eight-week session will offer students hands on training and preparation once a week for the eight weeks leading up to the festival casting seminar. The cost of the workshop is \$200.



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# Park on the Rio Grande named for legendary ghost

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

It's not often that a cultural legend gets a park named after it.

La Llorona — “the crying woman” — is an exception.

According to a centuries-old Hispanic legend, La Llorona was a woman who drowned her children in the river because of the rage she felt against her philandering husband. She was found dead on the riverbank the next day, and has been searching and crying out for her lost children ever since.

The park is located at 3447-3459 W. Picacho Ave., at the Rio Grande overpass west of town.

The park was dedicated on Oct. 14, 1995 and was built with funds from the City of Las Cruces and the New Mexico Transportation Department, in coordination with the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC).

“The park was built by DOT when they rebuilt the bridge” that spans the Rio Grande at the park site, said City of Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department GIS Technician Elyn Clarke.

The mural under the bridge was painted by noted Las Cruces artist Tony Pennock.

The park is open from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily and includes a playground for young children, re-



strooms, benches and tables, barbecue grills, a fire pit, drinking fountains, a trail map, a Rio Grande scenic historic marker and incredible vistas in all directions.

The 38-mile-long La Llorona River Park Trail, which begins at the park, was created in 1996.

Last September, the

Las Cruces City Council unanimously approved a regulation supporting the designation of 4.5 miles of the La Llorona Trail as part of the planned state-wide New Mexico Rio Grande Trail (RGT).

The official designation ceremony took place Oct. 20 at the park, with Gov.

Susana Martinez in attendance, along with New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department Acting Secretary Tony Delfin; State Parks Division Director Christy Tafoya, who is chair of the RGT Commission; State Rep. Jeff Steinborn, D-Doña Ana; Las Cruces City Councilor Jack Eakman; Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith; and City of Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Department Director Sonya Delgado.

A map of La Llorona

trail and other Las Cruces trails can be found at [www.las-cruces.org/~media/1cpublicwebdev2/site%20documents/article%20documents/parknrec/parks/trails/trail%20map-w\\_imagery.ashx?la=en](http://www.las-cruces.org/~media/1cpublicwebdev2/site%20documents/article%20documents/parknrec/parks/trails/trail%20map-w_imagery.ashx?la=en).

For more information, contact the city Parks and Recreation Department at 575-541-2550. Visit [www.las-cruces.org/departments/parks-and-recreation](http://www.las-cruces.org/departments/parks-and-recreation) and find them on Facebook at City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation.

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## St. Nick lends an ear

Boys and girls turned out at the Mesilla Valley Mall, Sunday, Nov. 27 to visit with Santa Claus. Anyone who wishes to tell Kris Kringle their Christmas wishes and even have a photo taken can meet with the big guy from noon to 8 p.m. every day until Christmas Eve. He does take a break at 3:30 p.m.



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Paris lets Santa know her holiday wishes.



ABOVE: Ezra discusses the important subject of gifts with Santa.

LEFT: A young child consents to having his picture taken with the adult with a beard and bright red suit.

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## NMSU highlighted on list of Top 100 Colleges and Universities for Hispanics

By **TIFFANY ACOSTA**

For the Bulletin

According to the Top 100 Colleges and Universities for Hispanics list in the August 2016 edition of The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education magazine, New Mexico State University has been recognized as one of the best institutions for Hispanics in the country.

Using data from the Department of Education (2014), NMSU ranked in the top 30 in both first major bachelor's degrees granted (26th) and first major master's degrees granted (21st). NMSU awarded 1,302 bachelor's degrees (48 percent) to Hispanics, and 305

Hispanic students (38 percent) were awarded master's degrees.

Additionally, NMSU ranked 32nd in undergraduate enrollment for four-year schools with 7,738 Hispanic students (49 percent).

The Top 100 Colleges and Universities for Hispanics article also included lists of the top 10 bachelor's degrees awarded by academic programs. NMSU was ranked ninth in bachelor's degrees in education with 108 of 200 or 54 percent awarded to Hispanics.

To view the Top 100 edition of Hispanic Outlook visit <https://www.hispanicoutlook.com/top-100/>.

## IN THE NEWS

**Cindy Davies, center, received the Cooperative Extension Service Distinguished County Agent Award.**



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### NMSU Family and consumer science agent wins Distinguished County Agent Award

Cindy Davies has worn many hats during her career, but the one she feels is her calling in life is that of family and consumer science agent with New Mexico State University.

Davies' 11-year career with the Cooperative Extension Service has covered

the gamut from urban 4-H agent to home economist, now called a family and consumer science agent, and finally as program director of the Bernalillo County Extension office.

This year, Davies received the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences Distinguished County Agent Award recognizing the work she has done for the university's outreach mission.



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# NMSU alumni provide essential services to children in need

By **ADRIANA M. CHÁVEZ**

For the Bulletin

Eleven years ago, three graduates of the New Mexico State University College of Education's Department of Special Education and Communication Disorders saw a need in the local community for services for children with developmental disabilities.

Through the years, the

Aprendamos Intervention Team – founded by Abel Covarrubias, Bryan Tierney and Danny Palma – has developed into a group that has not only had a statewide impact, but is starting to develop a national impact to share their best practices in serving infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities. Covarrubias was recently selected to participate in the Zero

to Three Fellowship Program sponsored by the Zero to Three National Center for Infants, Toddlers and Families. The program is a prestigious fellowship that engages, enriches and inspires leaders who are dedicated to advancing the health, development and well-being of infants and toddlers.

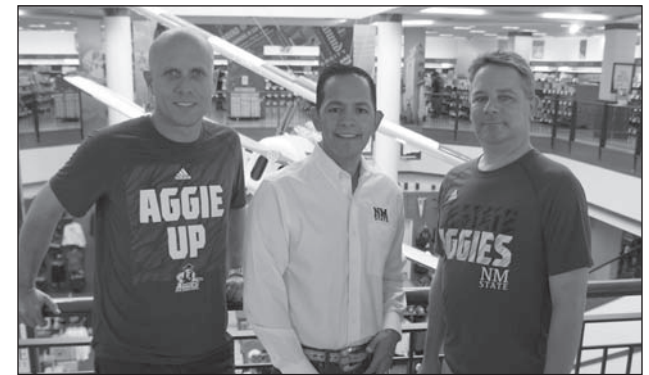
Aprendamos is one of three New Mexico Infant Toddler Programs in Doña Ana County that provide a number of therapy and support services for infants and toddlers up to age 3. Currently, Aprendamos serves about 900 families in Doña Ana County, and has about 130 staff members. The success of Aprendamos led to the creation of Direct Therapy Services, a separate company. Palma is director of Direct Therapy Services, and Tierney is a partner for both Aprendamos and Direct Therapy Services, which provides services for developmentally disabled adults.

Covarrubias, Tierney and Palma, along with former NMSU faculty member Connie Stout and College of Education professor emeritus Stephen Farmer, founded the annual Tri-Unity Conference to provide education and

professional development opportunities to professionals in the region. The group also created the Tri-Unity Endowment, which is funded by the proceeds from the annual conference. In the last few years, the Tri-Unity Conference committee has generated about \$35,000 in contributions to the Tri-Unity Endowment, which is used to benefit the Special Education and Communication Disorders Department at NMSU.

"We saw it as beneficial to both the university and the community. It helps increase the quality of training for medical professionals and provides training opportunities for students," Palma said of Tri-Unity Conference. "It's a win-win for everybody."

As part of NMSU's second-annual celebration of GivingTuesday this week, the trio, with their spouses, established the new Aprendamos Intervention Team Endowed Scholarship in the Communication Disorders Graduate Program, and Covarrubias and his wife also established the Abel and Monica Covarrubias Endowed Scholarship in Early Childhood Education.



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**Danny Palma, left, Abel Covarrubias, and Bryan Tierney, right, shown here at Barnes & Noble at New Mexico State University, are the founders of the Aprendamos Intervention Team, which helps fill a need in the community for services for children with developmental disabilities. They also established the Tri-Unity Endowment, which is used to benefit the Special Education and Communication Disorders Department at NMSU.**

Covarrubias said his education at NMSU has enabled him to serve his community through projects such as the Tri-Unity Conference, Hearts for Autism Camp and New Amigos, and his continued collaboration with the College of Education and the Department of Social Work in the College of Health and Social Services.

"I feel NMSU provides an environment and space for students to allow them to establish amazing relationships with their fellow students and professors," Covarrubias said. "It is an institution that truly believes in empowering

its students and provides them with the necessary tools to become excellent employees and make a difference in their communities. I am an example of this."

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# Ann Palormo: Volunteer, bread baker, Cubs fan, arts patron, gift giver

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Ann Palormo, perhaps best remembered for her 25 years working with KRWG-FM, died on Nov. 4.

In addition to her work with public radio, which started in 1972 with WKMS-FM at Murray State University in Kentucky, Palormo's work in media also included photo editing for Encyclopedia Britannica, including the first volume of Annals of America, writing for Panorama, NMSU's alumni magazine and freelancing for the Las Cruces Bulletin.

"Seeing her the day before my son was born last year, she took a motherly look at me and said, 'You look about done. I'm going to go home and light a candle for you two,'" said Cassie McClure, president of the Las Cruces Press Women. "And the next day I had my boy, whose photos she would continue to comment on online. It's her energy and genuine goodwill that touched my spirit, and I know that the seeds of altruism and joy that she planted in Las Cruces will continue to bloom for generations to come."

Born in Hamburg, New York, in 1939, Palormo attended MacMurray College in DeKalb, Illinois, where she majored in English. After graduating she moved to Chicago, where she met and married Daniel Palormo, a professional photographer. They remained married until his death in 2006.

Palormo and her husband moved to Las Cruces in 1989, so she could



**The late Ann Palormo was a long-time supporter and volunteer of many Las Cruces charities. She died on Nov. 4.**

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begin work with KRWG.

"Ann was University Advancement's first gift planning director," said Robert D. Peterson, current gift planning director. "I considered her a true friend and mentor."

Peterson said Palormo was responsible for forming great relationships

between the university and the community.

"Ann was a vibrant part of so many stories of Aggie philanthropy, and that's why those friendships lasted a lifetime," Peterson said. "I miss her smile, and wit, yet her spirit continues to inspire."

Outside of media work, Palormo volunteered at El Caldito Soup Kitchen, the annual Empty Bowls event and at the Renaissance Faire, where she delivered home-baked breads and other goods to the artists and volunteers.

Palormo was also instrumental in coordinat-

ing the annual Girls Can! event, which encourages sixth-grade girls to pursue careers outside of what they may think is the norm, such as nursing and teaching. Girls Can! teaches young girls that they can also be lawyers, dentists, physicians, engineers, veterinarians, judges, geologists, or whatever else they may want to be.

"Ann was a pillar of our community, a woman of distinction, an inspiration to me and the members of the American Association of University Women organization (AAUW, which sponsors Girls Can!), a water aerobics buddy and a believer in all," said Susan M. DeMar, president of NMSU Women's Club.

"Her goodness will live in

our hearts forever."

In 2016, Palormo was recognized as a Woman of Distinction by the Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest.

Palormo was also a devout Chicago Cubs fan and no doubt took great joy in seeing the team win its first World Series championship in 108 years.

A celebration of Ann's life will be held from 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 10, at the Center for Performing Arts, 1000 E. University Ave. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to El Caldito Soup Kitchen, Girl Scouts of America, AAUW Las Cruces, Las Cruces Press Women and KRWG.

*Cassie McClure contributed to this report.*

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# NMSU history professor spending sabbatical touring national parks

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

“My archive is the National Park Service,” New Mexico State University history professor Jon Hunner, Ph.D., said.

While many college professors spend their sabbaticals shuffling papers, Hunner has logged more than 20,000 miles on his semester-long leave, visiting national parks across the state and around the country.

Hunner’s first week of travel, in May, took him to Kansas. He then spent two weeks visiting California and the Northwest, and then made a two-month trip to the East Coast and the South.

After Thanksgiving, Hunner is looking forward to visiting 18 national parks and monuments in New Mexico.

“Chaco Canyon is incredible,” he said. “Bandelier is one of my favorites.”

Hunner takes a small travel trailer to sleep in and keep his blog updated, do research and write up the notes for his next book, already titled “Driven by History” (that’s also the name of Hunner’s blog), which will include photos—he’s



**HUNNER**

said he got the idea about four years ago of telling the “history of the country from places where history happened,” Hunner said. “I always needed to do a road trip and visit these places,” Hunner said.

To date, Hunner said he has visited about 100 of the nation’s 416 historic national parks, along with a few state parks along the way. At every stop, he visits National Park Service (NPS) exhibits, watches movies if they’re available, visits the site itself (he brings along a bicycle to cover battlefields) and talks to “guides, people from the community – anybody who’d stay long enough for me to ask a question,” Hunner said.

On Aug. 25, the 100th anniversary of the NPS, Hunner was at the Statue of Liberty National Monument in New York Harbor, where he joined a Girl Scout troop and other visitors in singing “This Land Is Your Land.” Hunner

taken about 20,000 so far—and narratives of his travels across the country.

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At the Flight 93 National Memorial in Stoystown, Pennsylvania, Hunner chatted with an NPS volunteer who lives a half-mile from the site where Flight 93 crashed on Sept. 11, 2001. The volunteer told Hunner she cried for three days after the crash, and only began to heal when she collected and curated “what people had left at the crash site.”

She volunteers one day a week at the memorial, Hunner said, and in caring for the victims of Flight 93, she has come to feel as though she is caring for the victims themselves.

On 9/11 this year, Hunner was at the National September 11 Memorial and Museum in New York City.

At the Rosie the Riveter Memorial in Richmond, California, Hunner met two volunteers in their 90s who had been riveters themselves – women who worked in factories, shipyards and elsewhere helping the war effort stateside during World War II.

At Lookout Mountain, a Civil War battlefield that is part of Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park near Chattanooga, Tennessee, Hunner met a brother and sister: Justin, 10, and Carolyn, 8, who are junior rangers and had already visited more national parks than he had. The pair travel with their grandparents and collect badges for their NPS vests from across the United States.

At Fort Sumter National Monument in Charleston

Harbor, South Carolina, where the American Civil War started in April 1861, Hunner remembers the bellowing of alligators, perhaps warning each other of the coming hurricane.

At the Battleship Texas State Historic Site in Houston, Hunner stood aboard the U.S.S. Texas, on which his grandfather served during World War I. Hunner donated his grandfather’s war diary to a museum in Kansas and gave a copy to the battleship site, for which he received a private tour. “It was really incredible to be there,” he said.

Even though Hunner had been there many times before, during his most recent visit to Grand Canyon National Park in northwest Arizona, “when I got up to the edge, my breath was taken away,” he said.

Hunner said he doesn’t have a favorite national park, but particularly remembers the giant redwood trees – “sequoias as big as this room” – at Kings Canyon National Park in central California.

Hunner said he has been surprised many times at “how emotional I became and other people around me,” at different historic sites, including national parks that preserve Civil War battle sites and struggles for civil rights.

Many battlefields, he said, are now “lovely places – serene, quiet; you can hear the birds sing. Then you have to imagine the horror that happened.”

Civil rights memorials Hunner has visited include Stonewall National Monument in New York

## Hunner to speak at Academy for Learning in Retirement in December

New Mexico State University history professor Jon Hunner, Ph.D., is the coordinator and will be one of the speakers during Doña Ana Community College’s Academy for Learning in Retirement program at Good Samaritan Village in December.

The topic will be the 100th anniversary year of the U.S. National Park Service (NPS).

The speakers and their programs will be:

- The Origins of the National Park Idea and the National Park Service, Dr. Peter Kopp, assistant professor and director of public history, NMSU Department of History;
- The National Park Service at 100: It’s About More Than Parks, Dr.

Dwight T. Pitcaithley, former NPS chief historian;

- Animal Life in the Yosemite: Inspiring Young People to Work in National Parks, Dr. Carol Campbell, associate professor and biogeographer, NMSU Department of Geography;

- Traveling the Parks in the Centenary Year, Dr. Jon Hunner

The program will be presented from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Dec. 6, 8, 13 and 15 in the Good Samaritan auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle.

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City; Women’s Rights National Historic Park and the Women’s Hall of Fame in Seneca Falls, New York; the Frederick Douglass National Historic Site in Washington, D.C.; the Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site in Tuskegee, Alabama; as well as Indian massacre sites like Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in southwest Colorado; and Japanese internment camps like Manzanar National Historic Site in central California.

Many sites commemorate “civil rights atrocities where we didn’t live up to our founding principles of freedom and equality,” Hunner said. But, he added, “I think it says something about our

country that we can commemorate those places where our promise failed.”

Native American parks, Hunner said, trace the history of North America 15,000 years into the past, even showing how the first humans crossed into the continent, as preserved at Bering Land Bridge National Preserve in west central Alaska.

National parks “commemorate a lot of parts of our national history,” Hunner said.

Hunner will return to his NMSU classroom in January, where he has taught since 1995.

For more information, contact Hunner at 575-646-2490 and [jhunner@nmsu.edu](mailto:jhunner@nmsu.edu). Read about his national park visits at [drivenbyhistory.blogspot.com](http://drivenbyhistory.blogspot.com).

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# Alamogordo keeper of space history turns 40

By **MICHAEL SHINABERY**

New Mexico Museum  
of Space History

The New Mexico Museum of Space History, keeper of artifacts integral to the history of the Tularosa Basin's participation in the Space Race, celebrated its 40th anniversary in October.

During an event, "Cowboys and Astronauts," held Nov. 12, the museum recognized its 40th year and also inducted Gene Roddenberry, creator of Star Trek into the International Space Hall of Fame. Astronaut, moon walker and former New Mexico senator Harrison Schmitt provided the key-note presentation.

Forty years earlier, at opening ceremonies, the founders billed the facility as the "Birthplace of American Space Flight." "No other state can claim to be the birthplace of both nuclear energy and space flight," states "Past, Present and Future," a presentation the International Space Hall of Fame made to the National Space Club in July 1976. "Nuclear energy and rocket propulsion together release mankind from the shackles of gravity that have bound him to planet Earth for eons."

Businessman Dwight Ohlinger, a former Alamogordo mayor, dreamed of creating the ISHF. When he talked of it on July 24, 1973, a cadre of supporters immediately came on board. They included "the Fastest Man on Earth," Dr. John Stapp, and Dr. Ernst Steinhoff, one of the first German V-2 scientists to



PHOTO BY MICHAEL SHINABERY/NMMSH

**The New Mexico Museum of Space History as seen from the Stapp Rocket Park next to the facility.**

come to New Mexico after World War II.

Only two days passed before Gov. Bruce King, on July 26, issued a proclamation of support. The city passed a similar resolution on July 27. On July 31, U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici entered the idea into the Congressional Record.

On Feb. 26, 1976 G. Harry Stine (interim director during planning and construction) wrote Ohlinger, outlining priorities to be accomplished before the ISHF was completed. That list included updating brochures, writing magazine articles and coordinating publicity with NASA, continuing to acquire artifacts, and beginning "soon on various aspects of ISHF museum planning."

Stine also discussed building a planetarium. He wrote, "I have described to Dr. Stapp a concept for a 'space planetarium' with which he desires to approach Rockwell International

for funding." Stine's "concept" became the Clyde W. Tombaugh IMAX Dome Theater and Planetarium.

Stine declined the job of permanent director in a letter dated Aug. 20, 1976. That letter is in the museum's archives, as are Stine's pencil drawings of a proposed logo. Stine, considered the father of model rocketry, published more than 30 fiction and non-fiction books.

A little more than three years after Ohlinger dreamed of the idea, the Hall of Fame opened Oct. 5, 1976 during the United States' Bicentennial year. It was no coincidence that the date was Robert Goddard's 94th birthday, as well as the 50th anniversary of Goddard's first liquid-fueled rocket flight. Oct. 4 had been the 19th anniversary of the Soviet Union's Sputnik I flight, meaning the day the ISHF opened was the start of the 20th year of the Space Age. Oct. 5 was also the anniversary "plus two

days of the first successful launching of a (V-2) rocket from Peenemunde, Germany" according to "Past, Present and Future."

The ISHF has undergone name changes, first to the Space Center, and now NMMSH, but what has not changed is the educational mission. Millions of visitors from around the world, many of them students, have learned stories not recounted in many history books. Early in his administration, former Gov. Bill Richardson named the museum the official Repository for Spaceport America artifacts. In the museum's Stapp Rocket Park, visitors see the rocket sled Dr. Stapp rode to 632 mph in zero to five seconds, stopping dead in the next 1.4 seconds. From that Stapp learned how force affected a pilot ejecting from a jet traveling at 1,000 mph. Seatbelts also came from his studies at Holloman Air Force Base.

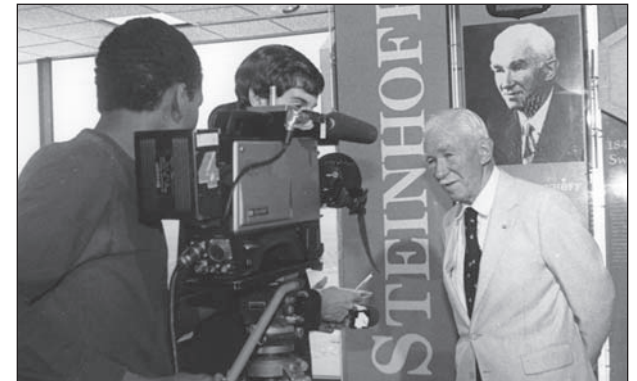


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**Dr. Ernst Steinhoff, one of the first German V-2 scientists to come to New Mexico after World War II is interviewed as one of the first supporters of the International Space Hall of Fame at its inception in 1973.**

Inside the museum – known as the "Golden Cube" nearby from the initial planning – is one of three Soviet Sputnik 1s known to be left in the world. Adjacent is the United States' response to Sputnik: a mockup of Explorer 1.

Other artifacts include trinitite from the world's first atomic bomb test on July 16, 1945 at WSMR, along with mementoes from Joe Kittinger's jump from 102,800 feet during Project Manhigh. Ed Dittmer, an Alamogordo resident, is featured in displays training chimps HAM (an acronym for Holloman Aero Medical) and Enos. Dittmer par-

ticipated in Manhigh, too. He and Kittinger were the first Americans to perform the first parabolic flights over White Sands that create 20-30 seconds of weightlessness for astronaut training. Today the maneuver is done in what is called the "Vomit Comet."

And, HAM is buried on the grounds.

A paper titled "Suggested Overall Theme," written before the ISHF opening, sums up the facility's purpose, stating, "There are still empty niches in the (ISHF). There will always be empty niches here, awaiting those who would forge the frontier of space."

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## IN THE NEWS

### 'Transforming NMSU into a 21st Century University' forum to be held Dec. 5

The New Mexico State University (NMSU) Employee Council is sponsoring an open forum about the how to transform NMSU into a 21st Century University. NMSU administration will provide an update regarding the activities of the "Transform NMSU into a 21st Century University" project teams and take questions from NMSU Employees.

The open forum will be

held from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 5, at the Corbett Center Auditorium.

The event also will be broadcast live and recorded. Visit <http://empcouncil.nmsu.edu/transforming-forum> to view the live broadcast.

### NMSU's Arrowhead Center seeks applications to assist growth-oriented entrepreneurs

Arrowhead Center at New Mexico State University is now accepting applications for its U.S.

Economic Development Administration University Center for Regional Commercialization, which provides a mix of business assistance services designed to help foster economic development within New Mexico's commercialization ecosystem.

Venture research, impact studies and entrepreneurial training are available through University Center to startups, expanding businesses and governmental organizations in New Mexico. Zetdi Sloan, director of University Center, said

the center offers targeted, market intelligence and financial intelligence services to aid entrepreneurs in making faster and more well-informed decisions.

"Starting or expanding a business is all about making informed strategies and taking calculated steps toward generating revenue and obtaining funding," Sloan said. "To do this, you need to be informed about the facts and figures of the market and feel the pulse of your customers. However, without reliable data, you won't be able to accomplish any of these goals."

University Center addresses strategic development and growth challenges such as penetrating new markets, securing funding and refining business models.

For more information,

and to apply, visit <http://arrowheadcenter.nmsu.edu/university-center/>

### Spring 2017 After School Program Registration

The City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department is now accepting returning participants' payment for the 2017 spring session of the After School Program at the Parks & Recreation Administrative office, 1501 East Hadley Ave.

For current participants only, payments will be taken until Tuesday, Dec. 20. Any slots not paid for by Tuesday, Dec. 20, will be opened to the public on Wednesday, Dec. 21 and remain open until the site is filled.

The school sites (50 participants per site) for children kindergarten through fifth-grade are

Alameda Elementary, Cesar Chavez/Sunrise Elementary, Fairacres Elementary, Hermosa Heights Elementary, Highland Elementary, Mesilla Park Elementary, Monte Vista Elementary and Valley View Elementary.

The cost per semester is \$360, or four payments of \$90. All session program hours are Monday through Friday, 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. and follow the LCPS school calendar. A 10% discount will be offered for full payment of the spring semester before January 9, 2017!

If monthly payments are not made by the specified deadlines, participation in the program will be halted and the participants spot forfeited.

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For more information regarding the After School Program please call, 575/541-2610.

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## Las Cruces utilities offers free furnace relights

By **SUZANNE MICHAELS**  
For the Bulletin

Last year was the first time Abraham Mendoza used the free gas relight service available from his natural gas provider, Las Cruces Utilities (LCU). It worked so well, he did not hesitate to call again this year.

“Oh yes, I know to vacuum around the furnace before the technician arrives; and I already have the swamp cooler shut down and covered for the winter,” said Mendoza. “But I’m not comfortable relighting the gas furnace, so I call Utilities to do that. They also bring a special detector to be sure I don’t have any gas leaks around the furnace and they check all the vents for carbon monoxide. It doesn’t cost me anything.”

As the weather cools, and you prepare to relight your gas furnace...remember LCU provides this service without charge to customers. Every year, LCU provides free relights for approximately 300 customers.

“The gas relight service is a courtesy we extend to all our customers through our Field Services Section,” said Business Services Administrator Jose F. Provencio. “Anyone who is not confident about lighting a furnace or hot water heater should call for the free service, which also serves as a safety checkup for your home.”

To make an appointment call customer service at 575-541-2111. Usually an appointment will be scheduled within five business days. Please remember, when the LCU

technician shows up to relight your appliances, an adult at least 18 must be present during the appointment.

Utilities personnel are only authorized to safely relight your appliances; no maintenance work will be performed. “We do not change filters or service appliances, we just focus on igniting them safely,” explains Sergio Flores, field services technician.

LCU also reminds customers this is the time for them to winterize their evaporative air conditioners. This includes covering the evaporative cooler and inserting the damper, so cold air from outside does not blow into the home.

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## COMING UP

### Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park hosts holiday scavenger hunt

The Mesilla Bosque State Park, in conjunction with the Friends of the Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park, hosts a scavenger hunt to celebrate the holiday season as well as the eighth anniversary of the park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3 at 5000 Calle Del Norte. Santa will visit and starting at 10 a.m. there will be a scavenger hunt in the Native Garden for children. The event is free with the normal \$5 per car entrance fee for the park. Info: 575-636-3735

### Cherry Creek hosts Santa photos, food drive

Meet Santa and get a free photo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, at the Cherry Creek Mortgage office. 840 N. Telshor Blvd, Suite E. Photos with Santa are free with a non-perishable food or cash donation. All proceeds will benefit Roadrunner Food Bank. Info: 575-

386-5870 or visit [www.ccmclending.com/las-cruces](http://www.ccmclending.com/las-cruces).

### Oñate High School holiday bazaar is this weekend

Oñate High School hosts a holiday bazaar from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4, in the OHS cafeteria, 5700 Mesa Grande Drive, east of Las Cruces via U.S. Highway 70. The cost to attend is \$3 or a non-perishable food item. Proceeds benefit the OHS Career Technical Education Department. Info: 575-312-1250.

### Christmas party for Down Syndrome Families

Down Syndrome Families of Las Cruces is hosting a Christmas party from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3 at Bethel Bible Church, 3890 Stern Drive. Info: [hhclc@yahoo.com](mailto:hhclc@yahoo.com).

### Potluck with Merrie Lee Soules

The December meeting of the Federation of Democratic Women

of Doña Ana County will be a potluck dinner from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 5 at the home of Merrie Lee Soules, 6760 Bright View Road in Picacho Hills. If interested and not currently a member, call Marianne Lappin at 575-644-0444.

### Academy for Learning in Retirement sets December program

Doña Ana Community College's Academy for Learning in Retirement program at Good Samaritan Village has the topic of the 100th anniversary of the U.S. National Park Service (NPS) from 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Dec. 6, 8, 13 and 15 in the Good Samaritan auditorium, 3011 Buena Vida Circle.

Speakers include Peter Kopp, Dwight T. Pitcaithley, Carol Campbell and Jon Hunner. The cost is \$4 per day for members and \$5 per day for non-members.

For more information, visit <https://dacc.nmsu.edu/alr/>.

### Breakfast with Santa benefits La Piñon

La Piñon Sexual As-

sault Recovery Services and KidTalk's annual Breakfast with Santa is Saturday, Dec. 10 at the Aztec Masonic Lodge, 180 E. Boutz Road. With a \$5 donation you will receive a pancake breakfast and a picture with Santa.

Food, fun and music. Make sure the little ones bring their Christmas lists, so Santa can take them back with him to the North Pole.

If you are unable to make it to breakfast, but would like to donate, call 575-526-3437 or visit [www.lapinon.org](http://www.lapinon.org).

### Educational retirees meet Dec. 13

The Las Cruces Association of Educational Retirees will meet from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 at the NMSU Golf Club restaurant ballroom, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive. The speaker will be Barbara Hall on the Educational Foundation of LCPS.

The holiday meeting includes entertainment by the Young at Heart chorus, a \$5 gift exchange and the installation of officers for 2017.

Members are reminded to bring new

socks and mens' shoes for Gospel Rescue Mission. Cost of the luncheon is \$12.50 per person.

For reservations or more information, contact Navora Richardson at 575-523-6004 or Linda Morgan at 575-522-0203.

### Las Cruces Shrine meets second Monday

The Las Cruces Shrine meets the second Monday of each month at 1150 W.

Brown. All Shriners are invited to attend. Info: 575-526-8396.

### Doña Ana County Republican Party office hours

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

### Story time, discounted shopping

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

### Toastmaster Club meets every Wednesday

Las Cruces Toastmasters Club meetings are held: at NMSU, from 7 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday; at Good Samaritan, Community Center, Kiva Room, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Info: 575-640-8951 or email [las-crucestoastmasters@gmail.com](mailto:las-crucestoastmasters@gmail.com), or visit the Toastmasters International website at [www.toastmasters.org](http://www.toastmasters.org).

### Ukulele kids club meets second, fourth Saturday

The Las Cruces Ukes Kids Club meets from 10:30-11:15 a.m. the second and fourth Saturday of the month at El Calvario United Methodist Church, 300 N. Campo Street, just east of the downtown post office.

The club is free to elementary-school-age children who want to learn to play the ukulele and loaner ukuleles are available for those who don't have their own. No experience is necessary. Info: [www.lascrucesukes.blogspot.com](http://www.lascrucesukes.blogspot.com), [www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes](http://www.facebook.com/lascrucesukes), or by calling 575-405-7133.

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**Vital Records Office hours**

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**'Blast from the Past' discussions**

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

**Soroptimist International meets 2nd, 4th Wednesday**

Soroptimist International of Las

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

**Business Builders meet Wednesdays**

Elite Business Builders BNI Group meets from 8:30 to 10 a.m., Wednesdays at Sonoma Ranch Grill, 1274 Golf Club Road. Open networking, questions and answers, coffee and water with food available to order.

Bring business cards. Info: Cheryl 575-524-1201 or 520-730-4456.

**Brown Bag lecture at Las Cruces Railroad Museum**

The Las Cruces Railroad Museum hosts a free lunch time lecture at noon on the second Tuesday of the month at 351 N. Mesilla St. Admission to the Railroad Museum is free.

Info: <http://las-cruces.org/museums> or call 575-647-4480.

**MS Support/Education group meets first Thursday**

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

Info: 575-373-5130 or [las-cruces-msself-help@gmail.com](mailto:las-cruces-msself-help@gmail.com).

**Immunizations available at Department of Health**

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

**Las Cruces Civitan Club meets**

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

**Quilt Guild meets third Monday**

Las Colcheras Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at the American Legion Post 10 Hall, 1185 Madrid Ave. Guests are welcome. Meetings consist of brief business announcements, a program, show and tell and door prizes. Starting in November, the guild meets at 1:30 p.m. for six months of daytime meetings. Info: Linnea Egbert at 575-521-0521, [linneanjce@aol.com](mailto:linneanjce@aol.com) or visit [www.lcqq.org](http://www.lcqq.org).

**Gene's Gesters Toastmaster Club meets on Tuesdays**

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

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# NMSU students get creative to secure research funding

By **KRISTIE GARCIA**

For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University students are ambitious. They're also creative. And when they're passionate about their research, they'll take the path less traveled to secure funding.

Many research projects are funded through organizations, such as the National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, United States Department of Agriculture and the Fulbright Scholar Program. But sometimes students need to leverage their research funding.

Following are a couple of examples of NMSU students and their quests to discovery:



**New Mexico State University biology graduate student Grace Smith Vidaurre helps pollinate a small batch of wild orchids in Chile in 2009, where she worked as an intern for the National Botanic Garden of Viña del Mar. (Courtesy photos)**

The parrots she is researching are also known as monk parakeets, which Smith Vidaurre said have been exported to many countries all over the world for the global pet trade.

"I'm studying monk parakeets to better understand how some species can thrive in human-altered habitats," she said. "In Uruguay, I'll be working with wild parakeet populations to find out how nest-building behavior, morphology and genomes may change in response to human land-use."

Smith Vidaurre's current genomic research is sup-

## Grace Smith Vidaurre, biology graduate student

ported in part from a pilot award from the National Center for Genome Resources as part of a larger Institutional Development Award from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences of the National Institutes of Health, as well as by private donations from Michael and Susan Achey.

She is seeking additional funding for transportation once she's in Uruguay, for trap construction materials, for birdseed and for iButtons, which log temperature and humidity data.

She and a collaborator – Kevin Burgio, a doctoral student at the University of Connecticut – recently launched a crowdfunding campaign. Titled "Beyond conservation concern: monk parakeets hold clues about human influences on evolutionary processes," her campaign may be found on Experiment.com, a platform that connects scientists with public funding sources. Her campaign deadline is Dec. 2.

Smith Vidaurre's adviser is Tim Wright, associate professor of animal behavior and evolution in the NMSU Department of Biology.



**New Mexico State University biology doctoral student Brian Ramos-Guivas is researching factors that may be affecting the reproduction of the Puerto Rican Amazon parrot species.**

ported in part from a pilot award from the National Center for Genome Resources as part of a larger Institutional Development Award from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences of the National Institutes of Health, as well as by private donations from Michael and Susan Achey.

In addition to his grant from the World Parrot Trust,

## Brian Ramos-Guivas, biology doctoral student

Also part of Wright's lab, Ramos-Guivas has turned to public funding to support his research with the critically endangered Puerto Rican Amazon parrot. He is working on finding factors that may be affecting the reproduction of the parrot species.

"Mostly external factors have been studied to understand why these parrots have such low reproductive success, but

no study to date has analyzed how behaviors inside the nest may affect the production of new chicks," Ramos-Guivas said.

Ramos-Guivas started a crowdfunding campaign with GoFundMe, an organization that provides the opportunity for individuals, groups and organizations to raise funds for numerous purposes.

Funds raised will be used to purchase recording equipment to analyze the behaviors inside the nest, including infrared cameras, cables and a digital video recorder.

Last year he turned to Instrumentl, an organization that matches scientists with ideal grants for their research. Instrumentl successfully matched him with Vista Outdoor Operations.

"Vista Outdoor provided me with Bushnell equipment I need for my research," Ramos-Guivas said. "I received a camera, binoculars, a backpack and a tent to use when I'm in the field."

He will return to Puerto Rico in December to collect more data during the breeding season.



**Sativa Cruz graduated with University Honors with a bachelor's degree in environmental science and a minor in sustainable development in May 2016. While at NMSU, Cruz received a grant from the New Mexico Water Resources Research Institute to set up an irrigation system for cocoa tree farmers in Colombia.**

While at NMSU, Cruz received a grant from the New Mexico Water Resources Research Institute to set up an irrigation system at an agricultural engineering school for cocoa tree student farmers in Colombia.

Aggies Go Global and the Honors College contributed to her funding as well. She and other students, researchers and faculty associated with the project also received free access to aWhere, Inc.'s online Weather Analysis Module and Colombian weather dataset.

Cruz turned to GoFundMe to raise money to help her with field supplies and to maintain her living expenses at home while she was away in Colombia.

"While much of my funding came from grants and from NMSU programs, the GoFundMe campaign really brought my family together to help me," Cruz said. "More than 90 percent of the donations came from family. It provided them with an opportunity to see what I did in school, to be part of my research experience and to congratulate me for graduating."

She now attends graduate school at Oregon State University.

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# NMSU doctoral student receives NCAA research grant

By **ADRIANA M. CHAVEZ**  
For the Bulletin

Jessica Jackson, a doctoral student in New Mexico State University's College of Education, has received a research grant from the NCAA Research Committee to study experiences of racism and responses to race-related events.

Jackson's research proposal was one of seven selected by the NCAA to receive funding during the 2016 cycle of the NCAA Graduate Student Research Grant Program. The program is aimed at stimulating research on college sports by providing financial support to graduate students in social and behavioral science fields.



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"I am both honored and grateful for this opportunity," said Jackson, a doctoral candidate in counseling psychology. "I am excited to continue the work on my dissertation and hopefully make a meaningful contribution to the field of psychology."

Jackson's research will focus on utilizing scales measuring experiences of racism, stress responses to race-related events and psychological distress, and aims to understand a potential unique source of stress for NCAA black male student-athletes. The

mixed-methods study will investigate the influence of race-related stress on psychological distress and chronicle participants' experiences of race-related stress.

"It is intended that results of this study will provide preliminary evidence of the prevalence of race-related stress among collegiate athletes and effects of this form of stress on psychosocial well-being," Jackson said. "Clinical implications based on the results will be useful for mental health professionals working with black male student-athletes."

Anna Lopez, assistant professor in the NMSU Counseling and Educational Psychology

department, has worked closely with Jackson over the past two years. Lopez said the grant will be instrumental in helping Jackson complete her dissertation, and is thankful the importance and quality of Jackson's work is being recognized.

"Jessica is an intelligent, motivated, driven and responsible student, always looking for ways of challenging and improving both her clinical and research skills," Lopez said.

"During these past two years, I have witnessed her commitment to the counseling psychology profession. In particular, I have seen the commitment she has to continuing to engage in social justice work. In the

midst of juggling many other responsibilities, Jessica has prioritized her dissertation work and has identified and pursued a number of opportunities that have enhanced her dissertation work."

Lopez said Jackson's aspiration toward the research award is consistent with the initiative Jessica has shown in her doctoral program.

"She is always looking for ways to go above and beyond what is expected or required," Lopez said.

NCAA officials said the work of Jackson and the six other graduate students selected to receive funding will help inform NCAA member schools and the public on key topics by introducing

new studies to the field. Awards for these grants are set at a maximum of \$7,500 for one-year projects. Recipients are expected to culminate their project in an article suitable for publication in a scholarly journal or in a completed thesis or dissertation. They will be invited to present their findings to the NCAA Research Committee in fall 2017.

For more information about the grant program, visit <http://www.ncaa.org/about/resources/research/ncaa-graduate-student-research-grant-program>. For more information about NMSU's Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology, visit <https://cep.nmsu.edu/>.



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## NMSU Board of Regents slated to meet Dec. 9

### BULLETIN REPORT

The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University will hold a regular meeting at 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 9, in the Regents Room in the Educational Services Building on NMSU's Las Cruces campus. The Board of Regents will recess to attend a graduation event and reconvene in the same location at 1:30 p.m. This meeting will be available through webcast at <http://panopto.nmsu.edu/bor/>.

The Board of Regents will meet in closed, execu-

tive session at 7 a.m. the same day in Conference Room 2 in the Educational Services Building to discuss limited matters concerning personnel, pending or threatened litigation, real estate and water rights, as allowed by the Open Meetings Act.

Agenda copies for these two meetings will be available at NMSU's Zuhl Library not less than 72 hours prior to the meetings and will also be posted on the university website at <http://regents.nmsu.edu/agenda>.

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# NMSU vegetable researcher helps develop more nutritious potato

By JANE MOORMAN

For the Bulletin

The potato is the number one vegetable consumed by Americans. It is an excellent source of potassium, contains 45 percent of the recommended daily amount of Vitamin C and provides all essential amino acids.

But could the nutritional value of potatoes be improved? That is what U.S. Department of Agriculture research geneticist Kathy Haynes has been asking for nearly 30 years. Her quest for the answer has led her to breeding a more nutritious potato, similar to the papa criolla types found in South America.

Haynes' quest has also led to a collaboration with New Mexico State University for field trials to see if the new lines of potatoes can be raised in New Mexico as a specialty crop.

"When Dr. Haynes contacted us, I was very excited," said Stephanie Walker, NMSU Extension vegetable specialist and researcher. "Potatoes are the most widely consumed vegetable, but are low in the antioxidant compounds that are found in the papa criolla types. This research is taking a vegetable that is already loved by people and then making it even more nutritious."

White-fleshed potatoes typically grown in the United States are low in carotenoids that act as antioxidants for healthy eyes. The most well-known carotenoid is beta-carotene found in carrots.

The carotenoids in the South American papa cri-



**Stephanie Walker, New Mexico State University Extension vegetable specialist and researcher, displays one of the papa criolla type potato plants during harvest of a trial plot in Los Lunas on June 30. NMSU and the University of Florida are collaborating with a U.S. Department of Agriculture breeding project that is developing the nutritious South American potato to be raised in the United States.**

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ready familiar with papa criolla type potatoes.

Walker planted several hundred breeding lines in Las Cruces and Los Lunas in 2015 and 2016, and helped whittle that number down to 150 in 2016. From the harvest data, about 40 breeding lines are scheduled for continued evaluation in 2017.

"We also plan to plant about 6-10 breeding lines next spring in spacing trials to begin developing production recommendations for growers.

Walker says they have already learned that Las Cruces may be too warm for growing the potatoes.

"The plants were highly stressed from the heat in late spring and the tubers did not develop for many of the lines," Walker said. "However, the lines that did produce a good yield of tubers in

Las Cruces may be the basis for breeding lines more tolerant of the conditions in southern New Mexico."

Walker has great interest and passion for pursuing new and unusual vegetables for New Mexico growers and consumers.

"This kind of crop could really be popular with growers' market consumers who are looking for new and exciting vegetables," Walker said.

Haynes said the papa criolla types could be popular with two consumer groups.

"The Hispanic population is increasing in the United States and they are very familiar with this potato from their homeland," Haynes said. "It also will appeal to other consumers who associate color with good nutrition."

olla potatoes, which make the potato yellow-fleshed, are lutein and zeaxanthin, which help prevent age-related macular degeneration. At least one study has suggested that zeaxanthin also improves mental acuity in elderly people.

"Yukon Gold, a yellow flesh potato that consumers are familiar with, has these carotenoids," Haynes said. "Comparatively, the papa criolla types have 10-20 times more lutein and zeaxan-

thin than Yukon Gold."

The best food sources of lutein and zeaxanthin currently in U.S. markets are the dark leafy greens collards, kale and spinach.

Haynes has used traditional breeding to develop the papa criollas into a potential commercial potato. Starting with germplasm from Peru, she developed more than 500 breeding lines of the potato during a multiple-year process.

"At first the plants

were only producing pea-size tubers," she said. "But through our breeding process we now have tubers about the size of a golf ball or larger."

In 2014, after selecting 500 breeding lines with possible commercial traits in her Maine breeding plots, Haynes sought collaboration with NMSU and the University of Florida to conduct field trials in areas with sizable Hispanic populations, hoping to generate interest among people al-

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# NMSU receives grants to improve New Mexico's education

By **ADRIANA M. CHAVEZ**  
For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University has received two grants from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation that will help improve educational outcomes for children in New Mexico. NMSU's College of Education will receive a \$252,000 planning grant to begin the process of transforming the college. Currently, the college consists of five academic departments. The funds will be used, in part, to gather experts from around the region and the country to make recommendations.

College of Education Dean Don Pope-Davis is exploring the possibility of transforming the col-

lege into three schools, including a school focused on science, technology, engineering and math education. The Kellogg Foundation grant will fund a detailed and comprehensive study of the College of Education to determine how it needs to change and restructure in order to become a 21st century organization, re-conceive how teachers are trained, and improve educational outcomes for school children, especially in southern New Mexico. Both internal and external evaluation panels or committees will also look at the college, and all of this will culminate in a summit.

"This is an important decision for us and a

historical moment in the life of our college," Pope-Davis said. "We are going forward with the mindset of, 'How can we become more distinctive in what we do?'"

Pope-Davis said he and others on the transformation team plan to make the college's restructuring a "transparent, collaborative process."

The Kellogg Foundation has also committed another \$302,000 over two years to create a Data Analysis Unit to provide data collection and analysis for improving educational outcomes in southern New Mexico. Initially, the Data Analysis Unit will focus on Doña Ana County and will work closely with

*"While the immediate goal is to improve the educational opportunities and achievement of children in southern New Mexico, this will ultimately ensure that more residents are college-ready upon high school graduation."*

**JUDITH BOSLAND**

**NMSU assistant vice president**

Doña Ana County's Success! Partnership, which includes NMSU's College of Education and Ngage New Mexico. The unit will be housed in the Office of Institutional Analysis, under NMSU Assistant Vice President Judith Bosland, and will operate in

conjunction with the Success! Partnership.

"The Kellogg investment in the Data Analysis Unit further strengthens the Success! Partnership and the ability for our community to have a greater impact on our children's lives," said Frank R. Lopez, executive director of Ngage New Mexico.

Lopez said Ngage New Mexico serves as a backbone organization for the Success! Partnership, with is a "prenatal to career" education initiative in Doña Ana County.

"The development of a Data Analysis Unit has the potential of enhancing NMSU's research capacity and simultaneously provide excellent research for the community-based Success! Partnership," Lopez said.

The Data Analysis Unit will engage in data collection and analysis, both quantitatively and qualitatively. Educational programs, public schools, the College of Education, other areas on campus and Doña Ana County will benefit.

"This is an exciting opportunity for NMSU's

evaluation and analysis professionals, in collaboration with the Success! Partnership, to provide data to guide the creation and improvement of educational programs throughout Doña Ana County," Bosland said. "While the immediate goal is to improve the educational opportunities and achievement of children in southern New Mexico, this will ultimately ensure that more residents are college-ready upon high school graduation."

The Kellogg Foundation, founded in 1930 as an independent, private foundation by breakfast cereal pioneer Will Keith Kellogg, is among the largest philanthropic foundations in the United States. Guided by the belief that all children should have an equal opportunity to thrive, the Kellogg Foundation works with communities to create better conditions for vulnerable children so they can realize their full potential in school, work and life.

The Kellogg Foundation is based in Battle Creek, Michigan, and works throughout the United States and internationally, as well as with sovereign tribes. Special emphasis is paid to priority places where there are high concentrations of poverty and where children face significant barriers to success. The Kellogg Foundation priority places in the U.S. are in Michigan, Mississippi, New Mexico and New Orleans; and internationally, are in Mexico and Haiti. For more information, visit [www.wkkf.org](http://www.wkkf.org).



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**Alfredo Garcia**

ALFREDO GARCIA, age 86, of Las Cruces died Friday, November 11, 2016 at Mountain View Regional Medical Center. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.

**Amador Cano Apodaca**

AMADOR CANO APODACA, age 80, of Las Cruces passed away Friday, November 25, 2016. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

**Ariel Elaine Avalos**

ARIEL ELAINE AVALOS, age 18, lifelong resident of Las Cruces passed away Monday, November 21, 2016. Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces 527-2222. For online condolences logo to [www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com](http://www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com)

**Carlos Johnson**

CARLOS JOHNSON, age 75, lifelong resident of Las Cruces passed away Thursday, November 16, 2016. Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 527-2222. For online condolences logon to [www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com](http://www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com)

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**Donald S. Arnott, Jr.**

DONALD S. ARNOTT, JR. age 77, of Deming passed away Saturday, November 26, 2016 at La-Posada Mesilla Valley Hospice. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

**Elizabeth Hunter**

ELIZABETH HUNTER, age 87, of Las Cruces passed away Saturday, November 26, 2016. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 527-2222.

**Erlinda Diaz Roberts**

ERLINDA DIAZ ROBERTS went to be with the Lord on October 30, 2016. A memorial service for her will be held Thursday, December 1st at 11a.m. at San Jose Baptist Church, 6140 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32217.

**Flora Averett**

FLORA AVERETT, 75, passed away on November 27, 2016. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.

**Gilberto Saenz, Jr.**

GILBERTO SAENZ, JR, age 27, lifelong resident of Las Cruces passed away Friday, November 18, 2016. Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 527-2222. For online condolences logon to [www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com](http://www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com)

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**Robert M. Valadez, Sr.**

ROBERT M. VALADEZ, SR., age 79, entered eternal life on Thursday November 17, 2016.

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**Refugia G. Carbajal**

REFUGIA G. CARBAJAL, age 82, of Las Cruces and formerly of Placitas entered eternal life on Sunday, November 27, 2016 at Casa de Oro Care Center. She was born July 4, 1934 in Hatch to Manuel and Nasaria Gonzales Garcia. Mrs. Carbajal was a homemaker and a member of the Catholic Church.

Those left to mourn her passing include six sons, Rudy Carbajal (Martha), Ray Carbajal (Ruthie), Armando Carbajal (Jennie) all of Las Cruces, Luis Carbajal (Manuela), Lonnie Joe Carbajal (Lisa) all of Hatch, and Ernesto Carbajal (Becky) of T or C; three daughters, Sylvia Genovese (Michael) of Bakersfield, CA, Margie Carbajal of Hatch, and Lisa Lucero (Gerald) of Las Cruces; a brother, Lorenzo Garcia of Temple, Texas; three sisters, Lita Floes and Estella Reyes (Peter) all of San Jose, CA, Lucy Sanchez (Manny) of T

or C. Other survivors include thirty-two grandchildren; thirty-eight great grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Adolfo Carbajal in 1991; a son, Ruben Garcia and a sister, Ramona Levine.

Visitation for Mrs. Carbajal will begin at 6 PM Friday, December 2, 2016 in Our Lord of Mercy Catholic Church, 120 Hartman Street in Hatch where the Prayer Vigil is scheduled for 7 PM.

The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 AM Sat-

urday, December 3, 2016 in the same church. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in Garden of Memories Cemetery where she will be laid to rest.

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## Friends taking a hike



**ABOVE:** Yaimara Lopez, left, and her children Alia Rose, Niko, Aidan, Angel and Amelia Luz make their way along the trail. Alice Carruth, right, along with son Nathaniel and daughter Lili-ana, made it all the way to the Soledad Canyon waterfall.



**RIGHT:** A family from Santa Rosa, N.M., visiting Las Cruces for the Thanksgiving holiday takes a group picture.



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More than 60 hikers from Las Cruces skipped the lines at the stores and opted for a morning of hiking and outdoor recreation in Soledad Canyon, part of the Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument on Black Friday, Nov. 25. The event was organized by the Friends of the Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument, the New Mexico Wildlife Federation and Latino Outdoors as part of the nationwide Opt Outside campaign.



Centennial High School students Danielle Benitez and Elizabeth Rodriguez take a break before continuing to hike up to the Soledad Canyon waterfall.



Trey Thompson, 5; Estela Thompson; and Aesa Thompson, 12, enjoy the view.

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### Ronald Robert Borunda Jr.

It is with deep sorrow and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father, son, brother and uncle, RONALD "RONNIE" ROBERT BORUNDA JR., age 39, of Albuquerque and formerly of Las Cruces on Sunday, November 27, 2016 at his home. He was born October 16, 1977 in Las Cruces to Ronald Robert and Otilia Muñoz

Borunda. "Ronnie" as he was fondly known to his family and friends was the owner and operator of R and R Refrigeration, LLC and was a member of the Catholic Church.

Those left to mourn his passing include his loving wife, Felicia Gutierrez Borunda of the family home; three sons, Ronald R. III and Xavier Borunda both of Lubbock, TX, and Michael Ray Borunda of Albuquerque; three daughters, Jovanni and Ruby Borunda both also of Lubbock, TX, and Serenity Borunda of Albuquerque; his parents, Ronald and Otilia Borunda of Las Cruces; three sisters, Raquel Cuaron, Anna Orozco (Fernando), and Amy Borunda (René Carrasco) all of Las Cruces. Other survivors include numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death

by his paternal grandparents, Ruben "Pecas" and Emma Borunda; his maternal grandfather, Sebastian Muñoz.

Visitation for Ronnie will begin at 1 PM Monday, December 5, 2016 at Baca's Funeral Chapel, 300 E. Boutz Road where the Prayer Vigil is scheduled for 2 PM. The Funeral Service will follow immediately thereafter. Cremation will take place and Inurnment of Remains will be held at a later date.

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# Mexican heritage inspires Christmas at La Posta

By ALTA LeCOMPTE  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Guests walking through the front door of La Posta de Mesilla this season are instantly enveloped by the spirit of Christmas.

At the hostess station, a nativity created by local artists Kathy Groves and Beverly Chavez-Floyd holds the place of honor.

All around are colorful, traditional Mexican ornaments and trees ablaze with lights and ornaments in primary colors.

“Culturally, it’s very Mexican, very bright to match the restaurant,” said owner Jerean Hutchinson, whose aunt started the landmark restaurant in 1939. “Some of it is whimsical, which appeals to children.

“I love the Mexican decorations — I also love the nativity. I think it’s very important for us to acknowledge that.”

Hutchinson said the celebration is rooted in her Hispanic Catholicism.

## Elegance in the lava room

Down the main corridor to the left is the lava room, a room unlike all the others in the maze that makes up the landmark restaurant.

A tree trimmed all in white — feathers, flowers, a bird cage — reaches toward the skylights.

Suspended from the obsidian fireplace is a Santa figure, dressed all in white.

The startlingly different look is new this year.

A vision for the lava room’s new look took shape months ago in Hutchinson’s imagination.

“It’s Victorian elegance with a Mexican flavor,” said Hutchinson who has watched over the annual holiday decorating splurge ever since she and her husband Tom acquired La Posta some 20 years ago.

She said many of the elements in the room were collected over the years. Some are repurposed wedding decorations. The Santa, Hutchinson said, is on loan from her home.

## A collection of gems

La Posta is a series of vintage Mesilla adobe



A nativity created by local artists Kathy Groves and Beverly Chavez-Floyd.

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Traditional trees flank a kiva fireplace.

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## Mesilla welcomes Small Business Saturday shoppers



Mitchell Russell of Matteo shows rings and bracelets to Christy Yamini of Denver.



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Janice Leone, owner of Solamente de Mesilla gourmet food shop, visits with Parney Gallone and Deana Elliott. "I've been so busy today — it's been wonderful," Leone said. "It's great to see local people supporting local businesses."



Wearing sombreros, Hong Kong tourists Carmen Ho and Calvin Lee pose with Olivia Ortega at La Posta de Mesilla.



Shoppers from the Mesilla Valley, El Paso and as far away as Alaska shop and stroll along Mesilla Plaza on Small Business Saturday, Nov. 26.



Marcie Bittner of Phoenix hunts for a special book at Bowlin's Mesilla Book Center, which displayed Shop Small stickers outside its entrance. Bittner said she told her husband she needed to get out and shop in support of Small Business Saturday. Emilia Casillas of Bowlin's said: "It's been a really nice turnout of local shoppers, and that's what Small Business Saturday is all about."





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Holiday decorations outside the front door at La Posta restaurant in Mesilla,



Lavish monochromatic Victorian decor highlights the natural features of the Lava Room.

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casitas that have been connected over the years to form the current restaurant.

Every room is decked for the holidays.

“Every room is designed to be different,” Hutchinson said. “No matter where you sit, you can experience the magic of Christmas.”

She said her designing divas and elves sit down with her each year to discuss what to change.

Each year a design firm does a major project — this year it was the lava room — and staff divas and elves do the rest.

“We move everything,” Hutchinson said, adding for the first time this year the entire nativity is in the lobby. “Sometimes the three kings are wandering throughout.”

With a specially trained team, decorating takes about two weeks of eight-hour days.

Their touches are seen



Part of the nativity scene.

everywhere — even in the courtyard where the centerpiece is a tree built from chile crates.

A designing diva dispatched to count the trees reported there are 42 this year.

Hutchinson said she once counted 50.

While the restaurant is a treat for the eyes, Hutchinson said another aspect of the season at La Posta is the food — posole, pumpkin empanadas, red and green enchiladas — and a seasonal spiced margarita.

### Christmas is for families

Although La Posta is closed Christmas Day, many families observe their holiday Christmas Eve at the restaurant, Hutchinson said.

“For the last 20 years families have had their Christmas Eve dinner here. Now there’s children and grandchildren and even great grandchildren.”

Hutchinson, one of seven children, said her mother and father began the tradition of gathering at home for a Christmas open house.

Her family continues the tradition at home, and also has created a tradition for La Posta.

“Christmas is our favorite time of year,” she said. “The biggest thing for us is this is our gift to the community — that all may have peace and prosperity, health and prosperity.”

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Yamaha 321 flute - used ..... \$250  
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SUNDAY 10AM - 2PM

## Legal Notice

"NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to Section 73-13-4 NMSA, the Board of Directors of Elephant Butte Irrigation District (District) will consider a Resolution to transfer water rights appurtenant to lands within the District which are not suitable for irrigation or capable of being properly irrigated to other lands within the District, if in the Board's judgement the land may be profitably irrigated and advantageously irrigated. The request is made by LIONEL C FRIETZE who requests that the Board suspend a total of 0.22 acres of water rights from lands located in Section 36, Twp. 23S, Range 1E NMPM, and being a part of USRS Map

11A-213 and transfer them to lands owned by LIONEL C FRIETZE located in Section 36, Twp. 23S, Range 1E, NMPM, being a part of USRS Map 11A-210A2, 210B1 LT 3. The place of the hearing is the offices of the District located at 530 S. Melendres, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and the date of the hearing is December 12, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. Protest or protests from any person or persons interested may be heard at the hearing. At the end of the hearing, the Board of Directors shall take formal action upon the Resolution. Any protestant or protestant's may appeal the decision of the Board directly to District Court within 10 days of the adoption or rejection of the Resolution."

Date: 12/02, 2016

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

No. 16-0269

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES R. GALYON a/k/a JAMES RAY GALYON DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that VICKI LEA GALYON 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: November 7, 2016.

VICKI LEA GALYON  
P.O. Box 1316  
Santa Teresa,  
New Mexico 88008

Prepared by:  
ALAN D. GLUTH  
New Mexico Bar #14980

Gluth Law, LLC  
2455 East Missouri,  
Suite A  
Las Cruces,  
New Mexico 88001  
Telephone: (575) 556-8449  
Facsimile: (575) 556-8446

Dates: 11/18, 11/25, 12/02, 2016

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on September 2, 2016, Mary Ann Pavia, 5624 Buckley Drive, El Paso, TX 79912, filed application numbered LRG-16151-POD2, OSE File LRG-16151-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Dona Ana County by discontinuing the use of domestic well LRG-16151-POD1, located within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 17, Township 27 South, Range 03 East, and more specifically described where X = 1,514,501 (Easting) and Y = 348,876 (Northing) NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, and utilizing unpermitted existing domestic well LRG-16151-POD2, located within the NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of projected Section 17, Township 27 South, Range 03 East, and more specifically described where X = 1,514,492.290 (Easting) and Y = 348,875.0626 (Northing) NAD 1983 State Plane New Mexico Central FIPS 3002 Feet, on land owned by the applicant, for the continued diversion of 3.0 acre-feet per annum for domestic one household purposes, as described by Subfile No.: LRS-28-018-1064 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The site for well LRG-16151-POD2 is located east of La Union, NM, and may be found at approximately 2,510 feet northeast of the intersection of Gabaldon Road and Mercantil Avenue. Well LRG-16151-POD 1 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

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

No. 16-0264

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RODGER THOMAS LOVRENICH DECEASED**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that RODGER DEREK LOVRENICH 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: November 2, 2016.

RODGER DEREK LOVRENICH  
5635 Victor Street



# LEGAL NOTICES

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Dallas, Texas 75214

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Dates: 11/18, 11/25, 12/02,  
2016

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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

To be held at:  
**HOLIDAY SELF  
STORAGE**  
2190 Holiday Ave.  
Las Cruces, NM, 88005  
575-525-9056

On Saturday,  
December 10, 2016  
BEGINNING AT 10 A.M.  
Registration Begins  
@ 9:30am

\$25.00 cleaning deposit per each unit purchased  
THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF STORAGE UNITS 56,6871,A09,C04,C18,C 35,C59,D14,E58,G24,G 27,H32,J13,K08,L27L28,N 08,P02  
Tenant addresses are 'last known'

**Unit # 56**  
**Salina Morales**  
2100 Isaacks #22  
Las Cruces, NM 88007  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Several items, house hold misc. items

**Unit # 6871**  
**Manuel Manriquez**  
2100 Isaacks Lane #18  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Misc. items

**Unit # A09**  
**Amber Gomez**  
2200 Holiday Ave. #226  
Las Cruces NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Sofa, love seat, kids bike, futon, misc. items

**Unit # C04**  
**Sherman Gaytan**  
810 Quesenberry St  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Food warmer, plastic bins, misc. items

**Unit # C18**  
**Shannon Silva**

PO Box 1752  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Washer, bed, TV, misc items

**Unit #C35**  
**Brandy Vasquez**  
2200 Holiday Ave. #188  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Go cart, dresser, misc items

**Unit #C59**  
**Jilleen Godlewski**  
330 Montana  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Vacuum cleaner, TV, 2 electric heaters, misc items

**Unit #D14**  
**Jeffrey Loosemoore**  
341 N. Armijo St  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Two Organs, wheelchair, couches, misc. items

**Unit #E58**  
**Violeta Sosa**  
1095 Van Patten  
Mesilla Park, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Bedroom set, couches, water dispenser, misc. items

**Unit #G24**  
**Marcella Malm**  
809 E. May  
Las Cruces, NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Camping gear, large aquarium, sinks, shelves, misc items

**Unit #G27**  
**Nancy Giovanini**  
820 Luna St  
Las Cruces, NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Tile saw, paintings, hot wheels, misc items

**Unit #H32**  
**Natalie Delajandro**  
2306 S. Espina D7  
Las Cruces, NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Vacuum cleaner, desk, printer, misc. boxes, and misc items

**Unit #J13**  
**Genevieve Sanders**  
131 W. Willoughby Ave  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Wooden table, chest of drawers, large rod iron frame

**Unit #K08**  
**Lucille Garcia**  
1420 Almendra #10  
Las Cruces, NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Bicycles, bed frames, ice chest, bakers rack, misc items

**Unit #L27L28**  
**Steven Montoya**

2200 Corley Dr. #11-H  
Las Cruces, NM 88001  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Luggage, plastic bins, boxes

**Unit #N08**  
**David Flores**  
620 Hadley  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Organ, armoire, coffee table, TV, misc items

**Unit #P02**  
**Sulie Young**  
910 Calle Del Encanto  
Las Cruces, NM 88005  
UNIT CONSISTING OF:  
Antique sofa, table, chairs, wood chest, cabinet, misc boxes, plastic bins, books

**CASH SALES ONLY**  
Due Immediately Upon Completion of Sale  
A \$25 cleaning deposit will be required per unit purchased  
And you must bring your own broom and lock.

Dates: 12/02, 12/09, 2016

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

NO. CV 2016-2504

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE PETITION OF  
Joan Bustamante  
FOR CHANGE OF  
NAME**

**NOTICE OF PETITION  
TO CHANGE NAME**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Joan Bustamante a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the 3rd Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from **Joan Bustamante** to **Debra Joan Bustamante**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta, District Judge, on the 10th day of January 2017, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/Joan Bustamante  
Joan Bustamante  
630 Shadow Valley Dr.  
Las Cruces, NM 88007

Dates: 12/02, 12/09, 2016

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

NO. D-307-DM-2016-00856  
Judge Kugler

**IN THE MATTER OF  
KINSHIP GUARDIAN-  
SHIP OF JOSHUA DAN-  
IEL BENGE, minor child**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

**TO: Michelle Berrun and  
Robert Benge, Respond-  
ents**

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that a Petition has been filed concerning you in the above named court and county. In the Petition, Petitioners Susana T. Berrun and Reyes H. Berrun seek kinship guardianship of Joshua Daniel Benge; a minor child.

**YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED** that this matter will be heard in the District Court in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, no sooner than twenty (20) days after the last publication date of this Notice. Unless you appear at the hearing on the Petition in the above Court, a judgment may be entered against you.

The name, address, and telephone number of the Attorney for the Petitioner is Julie Kestor, PO Box 16543, Las Cruces, NM 88004/tel. (575) 650-6347

Dates: 11/25, 12/02, 2016

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

Cause No. 16-0275  
Judge Diana Bustamante,  
PhD

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
THELMA LOUISE  
WHITELEY**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims

will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at 1206 Shalem Colony Trail, Las Cruces, NM 88007, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

Dated this 28 day of November, 2016.

/s/Ron Whiteley  
Roy Whiteley,  
Personal Representative

Dates: 12/02, 12/09, 12/16,  
2016

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

NO. CV-2016-2307

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE PETITION OF  
Marisela Gomez  
FOR CHANGE OF  
NAME OF  
Jorge Jr. Hernandez**

**NOTICE OF PETITION  
TO CHANGE NAME (OF  
PERSON UNDER 14  
YEARS OF AGE)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Marisela Gomez, has filed a Petition to Change the Name of her child, from **Jorge Jr. Hernandez** to **Jorge Jaime Gomez**. This petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge, on the **12th day of December, 2016, at the hour of 2:10 p.m.** at the

Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Avenue Las Cruces, New Mexico.

(Seal)

Respectfully submitted,  
  
/s/Marisela Gomez  
Marisela Gomez  
845 Berino Rd.  
Berino, NM 88021  
PO Box 1889  
Anthony, NM 88021  
(915) 412-2748

Dates: 11/25, 12/02, 2016

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

NO. D-307-CV-2015-02185

**HSBC BANK USA, NA-  
TIONAL ASSOCIATION  
AS TRUSTEE FOR  
WELLS FARGO HOME  
EQUITY ASSET-  
BACKED SECURITIES  
2006-3 TRUST, HOME  
EQUITY ASSET-  
BACKED CERTIFI-  
CATES, SERIES 2006-3,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ADRIAN L. PADILLA  
and REBECCA A. PADIL-  
LA, Defendants.**

**FIRST AMENDED  
NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that on December  
14, 2016, at the hour of  
10:00 a.m., the undersigned**

Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 3336 Green Ridge Court, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 5, LENOX PLACE SUBDIVISION REPLAT NO 1, in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said county as Plat No. 4056 on 12/02/2004 in Book 21 Page(s) 46-47 of Plat Records.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 19, 2016, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$267,046.86 and the same bears interest at 3.000% per annum from December 4, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of

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

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

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

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

Dates: 11/18, 11/25, 12/02,  
12/09, 2016



**City of Las Cruces**  
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INVITATION  
BID/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)/REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ)

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/ Pre-Proposal Meeting	Due Date / Time
Multifunction Copiers / Managed Print Services	16-17-033		December 28, 2016 4:00 PM 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM
Pump and Water Well Repair & Maintenance	16-17-058	12/8/16 @ 3:00 PM 700 N Main, Rm 3138 Las Cruces, NM	December 27, 2016 4:00 PM 700 N Main, Rm 3138 Las Cruces, NM

Please use this link to access all City of Las Cruces solicitations: <https://www.newmexicobidsystem.com/Registration.asp?ID=1757> Sealed bids/proposals will be received by the City of Las Cruces Purchasing Section, at 700 N. Main, 3rd Floor, Room 3134. Unless otherwise noted above, copies of solicitation documents may be inspected or obtained at City Hall, 700 N. Main St, Room 3134, Las Cruces, NM. Additional information/clarification regarding solicitations may be obtained by contacting the City Purchasing Section at (575) 541-2525 or by email to [bidclerk@las-cruces.org](mailto:bidclerk@las-cruces.org)  
Dates 12/2/16

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-00747

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

vs.

**ERIC MARTINEZ AYA-  
LA; LORENA H. BARRA-  
ZA; SUNPORT FINAN-  
CIAL, LLC; and LAS  
CRUCES MEDICAL  
CENTER LLC d/b/a  
MOUNTAIN VIEW RE-  
GIONAL MEDICAL  
CENTER, Defendants.**

### NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN** that on **January 4,  
2017, at the hour of 10:00  
a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 5536 Patagonia Drive, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 8 in Block numbered B of DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said DESERT BREEZE SUBDIVISION, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on July 26, 2006 in Plat Book 21, Folio 714-717.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on November 18, 2016, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$149,077.66 and the same bears interest at 4.750% per annum from March 4, 2016, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to

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

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

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

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

Dates: 12/02, 12/09, 12/16,  
12/23, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2016-00209

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

vs.

**MICHAEL E. MORRILL  
and ELIZABETH R.  
PARROTT, Defendants.**

### NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN** that on **December  
14, 2016, at the hour of  
10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and

interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 4715 Zeno Place, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 15 in Block K of Del Rey Estates Phase 1, Las Cruces, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Del Rey Estates Phase 1, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on October 25, 2007 in Plat Book 22, Folio 363-365.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on November 8, 2016, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$165,454.63 and the same bears interest at 3.750% per annum from September 21, 2016, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

**NOTICE IS FURTHER  
GIVEN** that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to

the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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

Dates: 11/18, 11/25, 12/02,  
12/09, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-02350

**BOKF, N.A., A NATION-  
AL BANKING ASSOCIA-  
TION DBA BANK OF  
OKLAHOMA AS SUC-  
CESSOR IN INTEREST  
BY MERGER TO BANK  
OF OKLAHOMA, N.A,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**VICKY L. CALLOWAY,  
Defendant.**

**AMENDED NOTICE  
OF SALE ON  
FORECLOSURE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 9125 Clovis Road, Mesilla Park, New Mexico 88047, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 27, BLOCK A, BRAZITO ACRES SUBDIVISION, PHASE 2, IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON MAY 12, 2005, IN BOOK 21 PAGES 204-205 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on December 16, 2016**, outside the front entrance of the Third Judicial District, 201 W. Picacho, #A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the

United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, NA.

BOKF, NA was awarded in rem Judgment on March 14, 2016, in the principal sum of \$104,888.67, plus interest due on the Note through March 1, 2016, in the amount of \$5,681.50, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 6.5% per annum (\$18.68 per diem) until paid, plus late fees in the amount of \$193.87, plus escrow advances in the amount of \$1,167.49, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through February 29, 2016, in the amount of \$1,500.00, and costs through February 29, 2016, in the amount of \$653.73, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 6.5% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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

**PROSPECTIVE PUR-  
CHASERS AT THE SALE  
ARE ADVISED TO  
MAKE THEIR OWN EX-  
AMINATION OF TITLE  
AND THE CONDITION  
OF THE PROPERTY  
AND TO CONSULT  
THEIR OWN ATTOR-  
NEY BEFORE BIDDING.**

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

Dates: 11/11, 11/18, 11/25,  
12/02, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2016-01111

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

vs.

**CONSTANCE F. BIERN-  
ER AKA CONSTANCE  
BIERNER, IF LIVING,  
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS  
OF CONSTANCE F.  
BIERNER AKA CON-  
STANCE BIERNER, IF**

**DECEASED, AND  
OTERO FEDERAL  
CREDIT UNION, Defend-  
ants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF SUIT**

**TO: CONSTANCE F.  
BIERNER AKA CON-  
STANCE BIERNER, IF  
LIVING, AND THE UN-  
KNOWN HEIRS OF  
CONSTANCE F. BIERN-  
ER AKA CONSTANCE  
BIERNER, IF DE-  
CEASED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN** that the above-named Plaintiff filed a Complaint for Foreclosure in the above Court on May 18, 2016 and Amended Complaint on October 10, 2016, against the above-named Defendants. The general object of the Complaint is to foreclose a lien of Plaintiff against certain real property located in Torrance County, New Mexico, commonly known as 985 La Vida Nueva Court, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

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

and to foreclose the interests of the above named Defendants and any other parties bound by the notice of lis pendens in the Property, all as more specifically stated in the Complaint filed in this cause of action.

**FURTHER**, the above-named Defendants Constance F. Bierner, if living, and The Unknown Heirs of Constance F. Bierner, deceased, are hereby notified that they have until thirty (30) days from date of completion of publication of this Notice in which to file an answer or other pleading responsive to the Complaint and should said Defendants choose not to file an answer or other responsive pleading to the Complaint on or before thirty (30) days from date of completion of publication of this Notice, judg-

ment or other appropriate relief may be rendered against the above-named Defendants.

Richard M. Leverick of the law firm of Leverick and Musselman, L.L.C., whose address and phone number is 5120 San Francisco Rd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109, (505) 858-3303, is the attorney for the Plaintiff.

WITNESS the Honorable Mary W. Rosner, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the Seal of the District Court of said County, on November 17, 2016.

CLAUDE BOWMAN

CLERK OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT

(SEAL)

By: /s/ Victor A. Eres  
Deputy

Dates: 11/25, 12/02, 12/09,  
2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-02350

**BOKF, N.A., A NATION-  
AL BANKING ASSOCIA-  
TION DBA BANK OF  
OKLAHOMA AS SUC-  
CESSOR IN INTEREST  
BY MERGER TO BANK  
OF OKLAHOMA, N.A,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**VICKY L. CALLOWAY,  
Defendant.**

**AMENDED NOTICE  
OF SALE ON  
FORECLOSURE**

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**LOT 27, BLOCK A, BRA-  
ZITO ACRES SUBDI-  
VISION, PHASE 2, IN DO-  
ÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW  
MEXICO, AS SHOWN**

**AND DESIGNATED ON  
THE PLAT THEREOF,  
FILED IN THE OFFICE  
OF THE COUNTY  
CLERK OF SAID COUN-  
TY ON MAY 12, 2005, IN  
BOOK 21 PAGES 204-205  
OF PLAT RECORDS.**

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on December 16, 2016**, outside the front entrance of the Third Judicial District, 201 W. Picacho, #A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, NA.

BOKF, NA was awarded in rem Judgment on March 14, 2016, in the principal sum of \$104,888.67, plus interest due on the Note through March 1, 2016, in the amount of \$5,681.50, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 6.5% per annum (\$18.68 per diem) until paid, plus late fees in the amount of \$193.87, plus escrow advances in the amount of \$1,167.49, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through February 29, 2016, in the amount of \$1,500.00, and costs through February 29, 2016, in the amount of \$653.73, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 6.5% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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NEY BEFORE BIDDING.**

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

Dates: 11/11, 11/18,  
11/25, 12/02, 2016



# LEGAL NOTICES

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

No. CV-2016-02017  
Judge: Martin

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

vs.

LISA E. BUSTAMANTE, LAS CRUCES USA TITLE LOAN 2007 NISSAN XTERRA, BLUE; VIN: 5N1AN08U97C505830; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. MND767, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: Respondent Lisa E. Bustamante:

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2007 NISSAN XTERRA, BLUE; VIN: 5N1AN08U97C505830; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. MND767.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,  
CITY OF LAS CRUCES

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

WITNESS the Honorable , District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this day of , 2016.

COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By:  
DEPUTY

Dates: 11/25, 12/02, 12/09, 2016

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
DOÑA ANA  
THIRD JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2014-01288

BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION DBA BANK OF OKLAHOMA AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BANK OF OKLAHOMA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

IGNACIA AGUILAR, CESAR AGUILAR, NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY, STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT, AND MOUNTAINVIEW REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 5963 Mesa Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, BEING PART OF THE SE1/4SW1/4 OF SECTION 14, T.22S., R.2E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O.

SURVEYS AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF SANTA CRUZ AVENUE AND THE

WEST LINE OF MESA DRIVE FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED: WHENCE THE SOUTH 1/4

CORNER OF SECTION 14, T.22S., R.2E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS

BEARS THE FOLLOWING TWO

COURSES AND DISTANCES: S.89°10'20"E., 30.20 FEET; THEN CE S.00°14'00"W., 1074.02 FEET;

THENCE FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SANTA CRUZ AVENUE, N.89°10'20"W.,

113.80 FEET TO A CHAINLINK FENCE POST FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE N.00°14'00"E., 84.00 FEET TO A CHAINLINK FENCE POST FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.89°10'20"E., 113.80 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE FOUND ON THE WEST LINE OF MESA DRIVE FOR THE

NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG THE WEST LINE OF MESA DRIVE, S.00°14'00"W., 84.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING,

CONTAINING 0.219 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO ANY EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD.

INFORMATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS DESCRIPTION DERIVES FROM DEED FILED DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS.

A PLAT WAS PREPARED UNDER JOB #07-0033. FIELD NOTES BY MOY SURVEYING, INC., LICENSE NO. 5939.

The sale is to begin at **11:50 a.m. on December 16, 2016**, outside the front entrance of the Third Judicial District, 201 W. Picacho, #A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, N.A.

BOKF, N.A. was awarded Judgment on October 19, 2016, in the principal sum of

\$70,110.08, plus interest due on the Note through September 1, 2016, in the amount of \$12,454.88, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 5.610% per annum (\$10.78 per diem) until paid, plus late fees in the amount of \$280.14, plus escrow advances for property taxes and hazard insurance in the amount of \$4,729.69, plus FHA/HUD premiums in the amount of \$1,095.69, plus property preservation in the amount of \$460.70, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through October 1, 2016, in the amount of \$2,204.00, and costs through October 1, 2016, in the amount of \$794.00, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 5.610% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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

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

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

Dates: 11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/02, 2016

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF  
VALENCIA  
THIRTEENTH  
JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT

No. D-1314-CV-2015-01134

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

vs.

JACQUELINE M. CRAWFORD, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE ON FORECLOSURE

The sale is subject to rights

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Valencia County, New Mexico, commonly known as 1121 Cottonwood Ct SE, Los Lunas, New Mexico 87031, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED THREE (3) IN BLOCK LETTERED "E" OF CARSON PARK UNIT 4, A SUBDIVISION IN LOS LUNAS, VALENCIA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF VALENCIA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MAY 21, 1992 IN CABINET H, FOLIO 65.

The sale is to begin at **9:10 a.m. on December 8, 2016**, outside the front entrance of the Thirteenth Judicial District, 1835 HWY 314 SW, Los Lunas, New Mexico 87031, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted USDA.

USDA was awarded in rem Judgment on NOTE1, in the principal sum of \$60,688.57, plus interest due on the Note through July 1, 2016, in the amount of \$11,729.20, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 6.25% per annum (\$12.33 per diem) until paid, and in rem judgment on the NOTE2 in the principal sum of \$2,088.94, plus outstanding interest due on NOTE2 from July 1, 2016 in the amount of \$382.44, plus late fees in the amount of \$252.71, plus escrow advances for property taxes and hazard insurance in the amount of \$5,893.85, plus property preservation in the amount of \$5,406.09, plus in rem subsidy recapture in the amount of \$33,544.16, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through July 1, 2016, in the amount of \$1,500.00, and costs through July 1, 2016, in the amount of \$600.49, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 6.25% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

The sale is subject to rights

and easements of record, to unpaid property taxes and assessments, and to the one (1) month right of redemption in favor of the Defendant as specified in the Judgment filed herein.

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

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

Dates: 11/11, 11/18, 11/25, 12/02, 2016

STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
IN THE  
PROBATE COURT  
DOÑA ANA  
COUNTY

No. 16-0270

IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
MAYNARD L. BEAMES-  
DERFER DECEASED

NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT CAREY D. BEAMESDERFER** has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative at 413 Desert Garden Drive, Santa Teresa, NM 88008, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd., Room 1-200, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED: November 15, 2016

Prepared by:  
SAM SNODDY  
New Mexico Bar #3978  
Attorney at Law  
1518 Montana,  
El Paso, Texas 79902  
Facsimile: (915) 533-7421

Dates: 11/18, 11/25, 12/02, 2016

SUPERIOR COURT OF  
CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF  
SACRAMENTO,  
SITTING  
AS THE  
JUVENILE COURT

In the Matter of:  
Baby Girl Kempthorne  
Minor born: 06/28/16  
Case No.: 237386

PUBLISHED CITATION  
WELFARE AND INSTI-  
TUTIONS CODE SEC-  
TIONS 294 & 366.26

THE PEOPLE OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
TO: ALMA NOEL KEMP-  
THORNE OR ANYONE  
CLAIMING TO BE THE  
MOTHER OF THE  
ABOVE-NAMED, BABY  
GIRL KEMPTHORNE, FE-  
MALE CHILD BORN ON,  
06/28/16, TO ALMANOEL  
KEMPTHORNE

PUBLISHED NOTICE OF  
HEARING AND NOTICE  
TO PARENT OF RIGHTS  
AND PROCEDURES  
PURSUANT TO  
WELFARE AND  
INSTITUTIONS CODE  
SECTIONS 294 and  
366.26

1. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT on 01/17/17, at 8:30 a.m. in Department 131 of the Sacramento County Juvenile Court, Superior Court of California, located at 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826, a hearing will take place pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 366.26, to either terminate your parental rights or to establish a guardianship for your child or to place your child in long-term foster care.

2. You are further notified that the Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services, Petitioner, will recommend the following action: termination of parental rights permanently and a court order that the above-named minor be placed for adoption.

3. You have the right to personally appear in court and be heard in this matter.

4. On the above date the Court will determine the best permanent plan for your child. Evidence will be presented. After hearing the evidence presented by the parties, the Court will make one of the following orders:

a. Terminate your parental rights permanently and order that the child be placed for adoption;  
b. Without permanently terminating your parental rights, identify adoption as the permanent placement goal and order that efforts be

made to locate an appropriate adoptive family for your child for a period not to exceed 60 days;

c. Without permanently terminating your parental rights appoint a legal guardian for your child and issue letters of guardianship; or,

d. Order that your child be placed in long-term foster care, subject to the regular review of the Juvenile Court.

5. You may have the right to have an attorney represent you at the hearing. If you cannot afford an attorney, the Court will appoint an attorney for you, unless you knowingly and willingly waive your right to representation by an attorney. You have the right to present evidence at the hearing.

6. You have the right to request a trial on the issue of what permanent plan is best for your child. You have the right to present evidence.

You have the right to use the Court's power to compel the attendance of witnesses to testify on your behalf. You have the right to confront and cross-examine any adverse witnesses. You have the right to confront and cross-examine the preparers of any reports submitted to the Court by the Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services, Petitioner. You have the right to assert the privilege against self-incrimination.

7. Any order of the Court permanently terminating your parental rights shall be final and you shall have no legal rights to the care, control or custody of the child.

8. Ten (10) days prior to the hearing, the Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services, Petitioner will prepare an assessment report containing its recommendation in this matter. You have the right to read the report and obtain a copy of the report. You should immediately contact the social worker assigned to your child dependency case or your attorney if you have any questions or if you would like to read and obtain a copy of the report.

9. If you fail to appear at the hearing, the Court will proceed in your absence to adopt one of the above-mentioned permanent plans. Such proceedings may include the termination of your parental rights so that your child may be placed for adoption.

If you have any questions regarding this procedure, please contact the specified



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below or an attorney.  
DATE: November 15, 2016  
**SHERRI Z. HELLER,**  
**Ph.D**  
**Director**  
PENELOPE PETERS,  
Paralegal  
Department of Health and  
Human Services  
Paralegal Services (916)  
875-8422  
11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9/16  
**CNS-2947831#**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF  
CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF  
SACRAMENTO,  
SITTING AS THE  
JUVENILE COURT**  
**In the Matter of:**  
**baby girl kemphorne**  
**Minor born: 06/28/16**  
**Case No.: 237386**  
**PUBLISHED CITATION  
WELFARE AND  
INSTITUTIONS CODE  
SECTIONS 294 & 366.26**

THE PEOPLE OF THE  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
TO: TAJOE RAMON NE-  
VAREZ, SR. OR ANYONE  
CLAIMING TO BE THE  
FATHER OF THE  
ABOVE-NAMED, BABY  
GIRL KEMPTHORNE, FE-  
MALE CHILD BORN ON,  
06/28/16, TO ALMA NOEL  
KEMPTHORNE, THE  
MOTHER

**PUBLISHED NOTICE OF  
HEARING AND NOTICE  
TO PARENT OF RIGHTS  
AND PROCEDURES  
PURSUANT TO  
WELFARE AND  
INSTITUTIONS CODE  
SECTIONS 294 and 366.26**

1. YOU ARE HEREBY  
NOTIFIED THAT on  
01/17/17, at 8:30 a.m. in  
Department 131 of the  
Sacramento County Juvenile  
Court, Superior Court of  
California, located at 3341  
Power Inn Road, Sacramen-  
to, CA 95826, a hearing will  
take place pursuant to Wel-  
fare and Institutions Code,  
Section 366.26, to either  
terminate your parental  
rights or to establish a  
guardianship for your child  
or to place your child in  
long-term foster care.

2. You are further notified  
that the Sacramento County  
Department of Health and  
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and a court order that the  
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evidence presented by the  
parties, the Court will make  
one of the following orders:

a. Terminate your parental  
rights permanently and order  
that the child be placed for  
adoption;

b. Without permanently ter-  
minating your parental  
rights, identify adoption as  
the permanent placement  
goal and order that efforts be  
made to locate an appropri-  
ate adoptive family for your  
child for a period not to  
exceed 60 days;

c. Without permanently ter-  
minating your parental rights  
appoint a legal guardian for  
your child and issue letters  
of guardianship; or,

d. Order that your child be  
placed in long-term foster  
care, subject to the regular  
review of the Juvenile Court.

5. You may have the right to  
have an attorney represent  
you at the hearing. If you  
cannot afford an attorney,  
the Court will appoint an  
attorney for you, unless you  
knowingly and willingly  
waive your right to represen-  
tation by an attorney. You  
have the right to present  
evidence at the hearing.

6. You have the right to  
request a trial on the issue of  
what permanent plan is best  
for your child. You have the  
right to present evidence.  
You have the right to use the  
Court's power to compel the  
attendance of witnesses to  
testify on your behalf. You  
have the right to confront  
and cross-examine any ad-  
verse witnesses. You have  
the right to confront and  
cross-examine the preparers  
of any reports submitted to  
the Court by the Sacramento  
County Department of  
Health and Human Services,  
Petitioner. You have the  
right to assert the privilege  
against self-incrimination.

7. Any order of the Court  
permanently terminating  
your parental rights shall be  
final and you shall have no  
legal rights to the care,  
control or custody of the  
child.

8. Ten (10) days prior to the  
hearing, the Sacramento  
County Department of  
Health and Human Services,  
Petitioner will prepare an  
assessment report containing  
its recommendation in this  
matter. You have the right  
to read the report and obtain  
a copy of the report. You  
should immediately contact  
the social worker assigned to  
your child dependency case  
or your attorney if you have  
any questions or if you  
would like to read and  
obtain a copy of the report.

9. If you fail to appear at the

hearing, the Court will  
proceed in your absence to  
adopt one of the above-  
mentioned permanent plans.  
Such proceedings may in-  
clude the termination of your  
parental rights so that your  
child may be placed for  
adoption.

If you have any questions  
regarding this procedure,  
please contact the specified  
below or an attorney.

DATE: November 15, 2016  
**SHERRI Z. HELLER,**  
**Ph.D**  
**Director**  
PENELOPE PETERS,  
Paralegal  
Department of Health and  
Human Services  
Paralegal Services (916)  
875-8422  
11/18, 11/25, 12/2, 12/9/16  
**CNS-2947799#**

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

No.: D-307-CV-2016-01823

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

**ORVILLE E. PRIEST-  
LEY JR.; UNKNOWN  
SPOUSE OF ORVILLE E.  
PRIESTLEY JR.; JOSEPH  
SHORE PRIEST-  
LEY, DECEASED; UN-  
KNOWN HEIRS, DEVI-  
SEES AND LEGATEES  
OF JOSEPH SHORE  
PRIESTLEY, DE-  
CEASED; UNITED  
STATES OF AMERICA  
BY AND THROUGH THE  
SECRETARY OF HOUS-  
ING AND URBAN DE-  
VELOPMENT; Defend-  
ants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-  
CO to Defendants, UN-  
KNOWN HEIRS, DEVI-  
SEES AND LEGATEES  
OF JOSEPH SHORE  
PRIESTLEY, DE-  
CEASED:**

You are hereby notified that  
the above-named Plaintiff  
WELLS FARGO BANK,  
N.A. has filed a civil action  
against you in the above-  
entitled Court and cause, the  
general object thereof being  
to foreclose a mortgage on  
real property located at 426  
N. Miranda, Las Cruces,  
NM 88005. The real prop-  
erty which is the subject  
matter of this action is  
legally described as follows:

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LAS CRUCES, DOÑA  
ANA COUNTY, NEW  
MEXICO, BEING THE  
SOUTH 67 FEET OF LOT  
13-18, BLOCK 9, NEW  
MEXICO TOWN COMPA-  
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BOOK 2, PAGE 9, DOÑA  
ANA COUNTY RECORDS  
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FOOT WIDE ALLEY AND  
THE EAST LINE OF MIR-  
ANDA STREET, BEING  
IDENTICAL TO THE  
SOUTHWEST CORNER  
OF LOT 18, BLOCK 9,  
NEW MEXICO TOWN  
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NORTHEAST CORNER  
OF THIS TRACT;  
THENCE ALONG THE  
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VACATED 16 FOOT  
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FROM WARRANTY  
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#5939.

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

**McCARTHY &  
HOLTHUS, LLP**

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Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dates: 12/02, 12/09, 12/16,  
2016

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

No.: D-307-CV-2015-02642

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

**E. LELA MCCOMMONS,  
IF LIVING; IF DE-  
CEASED, THE UN-  
KNOWN HEIRS OF E.  
LELA MCCOMMONS,  
DECEASED; UNKNOWN  
SPOUSE OF E. LELA  
MCCOMMONS; CHER-  
YL E. SMART; LESLIE  
A. GAST; NEW MEXICO  
MORTGAGE FINANCE  
AUTHORITY; HOUSING  
AUTHORITY OF THE  
CITY OF LAS CRUCES;  
OCCUPANTS OF THE  
PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
to Defendant, E. Lela  
Mccommons, If Living; If  
Deceased, The Unknown  
Heirs of E. Lela Mccom-  
mons, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that  
the above-named Plaintiff,  
BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.  
has filed a civil action  
against you in the above-  
entitled Court and cause, the  
general object thereof being  
to foreclose a mortgage on  
real property located at 2977  
Tulip Circle, Las Cruces,  
NM 88007. The real prop-  
erty which is the subject  
matter of this action is

legally described as follows:

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LAS CRUCES, DOÑA  
ANA COUNTY, NEW  
MEXICO, AS SHOWN  
AND DESIGNATED ON  
THE PLAT THEREOF,  
FILED IN THE OFFICE OF  
THE COUNTY CLERK OF  
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You are also hereby notified  
that the above-named De-  
fendant, HOUSING AU-  
THORITY OF THE CITY  
OF LAS CRUCES, has filed  
a cross-complaint against  
you in the above-entitled  
Court and cause.

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or motion in response to the  
Complaint and cross-claim  
in said cause on or before  
thirty (30) days after the last  
publication date, judgment  
by default will be entered  
against you.

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Attorney for Housing  
Authority of the City of  
Las Cruces

Dates: 11/18, 11/25, 12/02,  
2016

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2015-00950

**WELLS FARGO BANK,  
NA, Plaintiff,**  
vs.

**LACHLAN S. DEEMER,  
JENNIFER DEEMER;  
FINANCIAL SERVICES,  
INC.; OCCUPANTS OF  
THE PROPERTY;**

**Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF  
FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**  
that the above-entitled  
Court, having appointed me  
or my designee as Special  
Master in this matter with  
the power to sell, has  
ordered me to sell the real  
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ty, New Mexico, commonly  
known as 659 Sunny Sands  
Road, Chaparral, NM 88081,  
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bed as follows:

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THE COUNTY OF DOÑA  
ANA, STATE OF NEW  
MEXICO, AS SHOWN  
AND DESIGNATED ON  
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THE COUNTY CLERK OF  
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The sale is to begin at **12:15  
PM on January 12, 2017**,  
on the front steps of the  
Third Judicial District  
Courthouse, City of Las  
Cruces, County of Doña  
Ana, State of New Mexico,  
at which time I will sell to  
the highest and best bidder  
for cash, in lawful currency  
of the United States of  
America, the Property to pay  
expenses of sale, and to  
satisfy the foreclosure Judg-  
ment granted on October 28,  
2016, in the total amount of  
\$137,019.36, with interest at  
the rate of 6.750% per  
annum from December 8,  
2015 through the date of the  
sale. The sale is subject to  
the entry of an Order by this  
Court approving the sale.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER  
GIVEN** that the real prop-  
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and the purchaser at the sale  
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property by the County  
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tion of title to a mobile or  
manufactured home on the  
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property, if any, and zoning  
violations concerning the  
property, if any.

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

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ADVISED TO MAKE  
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# 'Something for everybody'



Rio Grande Theatre  
rings in the holidays with  
classic entertainment



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# Rio Grande Theatre abounds in holiday entertainment

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

“There’s something for everybody,” Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) Executive Director Kathleen Albers said about the lineup of live entertainment for the holiday season at Rio Grande Theatre (RGT), 211 N. Main St. in Downtown Las Cruces.

DAAC manages RGT under a contract with the City of Las Cruces.

December shows include a performance by country music singer/songwriter and Las Cruces native Josh Grider, a Mariachi Christmas featuring three Las Cruces mariachi groups, the Santa Fe Opera, El Paso Brass, Mesilla Valley Chorale, Las Cruces Uk

and a Las Cruces Academy of Music and Dance recital.

“Everybody wants to do something at the holidays – maybe start a tradition,” said DAAC Board of Directors Vice President Barbara Reasoner. “I can think of no better tradition than coming to the iconic theater on Main Street.”

December events at RGT will include:

- Friday, Dec. 2, 5 to 7 p.m.: Photographic exhibit with artist Emmitt Booher. The exhibit will include Booher’s works that were completed during his artist-in-residency at the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. His works will remain on display in RGT’s El Paso Electric Gallery throughout De-



ember.

- Friday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m.: Santa Fe Opera with “Arias and Carols.” Artists from the Santa Fe Opera will perform in this free concert.
- Saturday, Dec. 3, 7

p.m.: “¡Feliz Navidad! A Mariachi Christmas.” Ballet Folklorico Tierra del Encanto, under the direction of Jose Tena, will be the featured group, joined by Mariachi Aguilas and Mariachi Flores

Mexicanas, an all-female mariachi group from El Paso. Vocalists Karlos Saucedo and Rebekah Regalado will also perform, along with Ballet Folklorico Diamantes and Mariachi Alanecer from Sunrise Elementary School and Matachines Guadalupanos dancers. Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$7 for children ages 16 and under. A family ticket package is \$40 for two adults and two children.

- Thursday, Dec. 8, 7 p.m.: “El Paso Brass Holiday Benefit Concert.” The group is comprised of members of the El Paso Symphony Orchestra and other Southwest artists. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door for adults and \$7.50 in advance and \$10 at the door for students and children age six to 18. Tickets are available at KRWG in Milton Hall on the New Mexico State University campus and the Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road, as well as online at [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com) and by calling KRWG

at 575-646-2222.

- Friday, Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m.: Gone Girls Present “Merry Christmas Darlings.” Performers Christa Fredrickson, Valerie Mirelez and Jamie Smith “are classically trained singers who have been working together in various opera and musical theater endeavors since 2012,” according to a DAAC news release. They will be accompanied by Seth Zamora on piano, Adriel Hernandez on bass guitar and Isaac Rivera on drums. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children ages six to 18. Children under age six are admitted free.

- Sunday, Dec. 11, 3 p.m.: Mesilla Valley Chorale presents “Holiday Fanfare.” Under the direction of Nancy Ritchey, the chorale is comprised of more than 40 experienced choral performers. Tickets are \$10. Call 575-647-2560 for tickets and more information.

- Wednesday, Dec. 14, 6:30 p.m.: Las Cruces Uk

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## RIO GRANDE

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in the Holidays. The group of local ukulele players performs as part of RGT's Every 2nd Wednesday program. The performance is free. For more on Las Cruces Ukes, visit [lascrucesukes.blogspot.com](http://lascrucesukes.blogspot.com) and find them on Facebook at Las Cruces Ukes.

• Saturday, Dec. 17, 7:30 p.m.: "Home for the Holidays: A Josh Grider Family Christmas Show." Grider – "a local home-grown boy who's done really well," Albers said – returns to his home town to perform a benefit concert, with 25 percent of ticket-sale proceeds going to Tutti Bambini, a local children's clothing store that benefits Jardin de Los Niños homeless childcare and La Casa, Inc. domestic violence shelter, both in Las Cruces. Grider will be joined by his wife, Kristi, and their sons for the performance. It will include "sacred, secular, new songs and old," Grider said. Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$7 for children ages 16 and under. A family ticket package is \$40 for two adults and two children.

• Sunday, Dec. 18, 3 p.m.: Academy of Music and Dance student recital. The students of Leslie Kowalski's academy will perform.

Unless otherwise indicated, tickets are available at [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com), at DAAC's office on the second floor of RGT during regular business hours, which are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and at the theatre door one hour before the show begins.

For more information, call 575-523-6403 and visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

## Grider's concert benefits nonprofits

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Josh Grider is bringing his wife and their children to perform with him during a special holiday concert that begins at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 17 at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St.

Twenty-five percent of ticket-sale revenue will go to Tutti Bambini, 300 El Molino Blvd. in Las Cruces, a children's clothing store that benefits Jardin de Los Niños

homeless childcare and La Casa, Inc. domestic violence shelter.

"We chose Tutti Bambini because we as a family loved the idea of supporting an organization that not only helps families get clothes on their backs through the re-sale shop but financially supports programs for kids at risk," Grider said. "Becoming a father has opened my eyes to the realities that a lot of kids face and to be able to help out around the holidays was a perfect fit."

Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$7 for children ages 16 and under. A family ticket package is \$40 for two adults and two children.

Tickets are available at [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com), at DAAC's office on the second floor of RGT during regular business hours, which are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and at the theatre door one hour before the show begins. For more information, call 575-523-6403 and visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

**Tomorrow Night! ¡Feliz Navidad!**

**A Mariachi Christmas**  
December 3, 2016 • 7pm

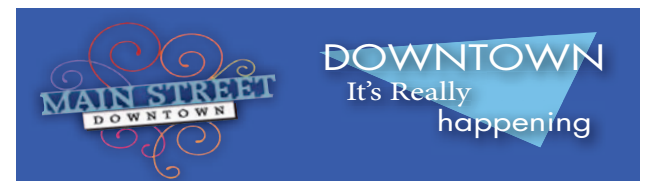
**Santa Fe Opera:  
Carols and Arias**  
December 2, 2016 • 7:30pm

**Mesilla Valley Chorale:  
Holiday Fanfare**  
December 11, 2016 • 3pm

**Home for the Holidays:  
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December 17, 2016 • 7pm

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**TUE DECEMBER 6 • 10:30 A.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Read to Me (Storytime for ages 3 and up)

**TUE + THU DECEMBER 6 + 8 • 4:00 P.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Teen Game Night

**WED DECEMBER 7 • 11:00 A.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Mother Goose Time (Activities for Infants)

**WED + THU DECEMBER 7 + 8 • 10:00 A.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Toddler Time (Storytime for ages 1-3)

**FRI DECEMBER 2 • 7:30 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
The Santa Fe Opera presents Arias & Carols

**SAT DECEMBER 3 • 7:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
The Rio Grande Theatre presents Feliz Navidad

**THU DECEMBER 8 • 7:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
KRWG presents El Paso Brass Holiday Show

**FRI DECEMBER 9 • 7:30 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
Gone Girls "Merry Christmas Darlings"

**SUN DECEMBER 11 • 3:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
Mesilla Valley Chorale presents Holiday Fanfare

**WED DECEMBER 14 • 6:30 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
Every 2nd Wednesday presents the Las Cruces Ukes

**SAT DECEMBER 17 • 7:30 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
Home for the Holidays, A Josh Grider Family Christmas Show

## ONGOING EVENTS:

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

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## 'A Christmas Carol' has final weekend



The New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department's production of "A Christmas Carol" has its final weekend of performances on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2 through 4, at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

Performances are Friday, Dec. 2 and Saturday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 4 at 2 p.m.

The NMSU production is an adaptation of the novella that Charles Dickens wrote in 1843, with book and lyrics by former NMSU Theatre Arts Department Head Tom Smith and original music by Roger Butterley.

Tickets for all re-

maining performances are \$18 for adults (ages 18 to 64), \$15 for seniors (ages 65 and older) and NMSU faculty/staff with ID, \$11 for students (ages three to 17) and NMSU students with current ID, and \$5 for high school students with current ID.

For reservations, call 575-646-1420. Visit [www.nmsutheatre.com/201617\\_a\\_christmas\\_carol.php](http://www.nmsutheatre.com/201617_a_christmas_carol.php).



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## Band offers free holiday concert

### BULLETIN REPORT

Music fans can enjoy some great holiday tunes and other beautiful and patriotic music during New Horizons Band of Las Cruces' free holiday concert, which begins at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10 in the music building (Atkinson Recital Hall), 1075 N. Horseshoe, on the New Mexico State University campus.

The program will include a performance of "The Star Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key, arranged by Michael Sweeney; "Air (for Band)" and "Balladair," both by Frank Erickson; "Suite from Bohemia" by Vaclav Nelhybel, including "Procession to the Castle," "Folk Tale," "Tournament" and "Round Dance"; "An English Christmas" by Clare Grundman; "Burma Patrol" by Karl King, arranged by James Swearingen; "Sleigh Ride," by Leroy Anderson; and "Bell Carol a La Big

Band" by Rob Romeyn.

This is the band's final concert of 2016. Its first concert in 2017 will be Sunday, Feb. 12, followed by a spring concert on Saturday, May 20. There is no charge to attend any of the band's performances.

New Horizons Band is directed by John R. Schutz, who spent more than 40 years with Las Cruces Public Schools as a middle- and high school band director and as coordinator of fine arts before his retirement in 2014. The band's associate director is Judy Bethmann, a retired LCPS music teacher.

New Horizons Band was started nationally by Roy Ernst, PhD. at the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester in Rochester, NY in 1991. There are more than 130 New Horizons Bands across the nation. Former NMSU Music Department Director William Clark started the Las Cruces New Horizons Band in

1995. It is a nonprofit comprised entirely of volunteers.

New members are welcome and no musical experience is required.

The band rehearses from 6:30 to 8 p.m. each Tuesday evening in the NMSU music building band room.

New Horizons Band is sponsored by the NMSU Music Department and White's Music Box of Las Cruces. It is comprised of more than 50 musicians, mostly of retirement age, but with a few younger players who are home schooled or attend LCPS' Arrowhead Park Early College High School, which does not offer music as an elective option.

For more information, contact Nora Yaryan at 575-649-1465 or [ndyaryan68@gmail.com](mailto:ndyaryan68@gmail.com). Visit [www.la-tierra.net/nhband/](http://www.la-tierra.net/nhband/) and <http://newhorizonsmusic.org/new-horizons-groups/new-mexico-new-horizons/>.



# Decision a no-brainer: Go see 'New' musical

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

An arteriovenous malformation (AMV) happens when blood vessels get tangled up in the brain. It can result in brain damage or death. In the one case that we know of, it has also resulted in a very entertaining musical that continues for two more weekends at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. in downtown Las Cruces.

American composer and lyricist William Finn suffered the AMV in his brain stem in 1992. The resulting surgery left him feeling like he had "a new brain," Finn said.

Six years later, he had a new musical by the same name. Producer Ceil Herman and director Nora Q. Thomas brought it to the Las Cruces stage.

"A New Brain" is unusual because the whole show is sung – there are almost no spoken words in the entire production. That's a big challenge for performers, but this cast was up to it, in solos, duets and group numbers.

David Arias, a newcomer to Las Cruces theater, was a very solid Gordon Michael Schwinn, the character representing Finn. Doing most of your singing from a hospital bed, as Arias did, could not be easy, but he was more than equal to the task. I look forward to seeing Arias in future productions at Black Box and elsewhere in Las Cruces.

Carol Ayon, who has been in a couple of recent Black Box musicals, was terrific as Schwinn's agent and best friend, Rhoda. I especially enjoyed her "Whenever I Dream" duet with Arias.

Ayon was part of strong supporting cast that included New Mexico State University theater arts major Xodia Choate in dual roles as a very perky and charming waitress and then nurse Nancy D, joined other cast members on a number of songs and took center stage on "MRI." Vanessa Dabovich gave a strong performance as the homeless woman, Lisa, who rocked in her solo performance of "Change." It's Vanessa's fifth show at Black Box.

I always enjoy the work that Joshua Taulbee does, and he was particularly sweet as Roger Delli-Bovi, Schwinn's long-time boyfriend. His performance

of "Sailing," was, for me, one of the highlights of the evening.

Likewise Rafael Medina, who is always powerful and magnetic on stage. In "A New Brain," his Dr. Jafar Berensteiner was equal parts odd-ball surgeon and muscular eye and ear candy on duets and multi-part harmonies like "Trouble in His Brain" and "Craniotomy."

Like Arias, Jacqueline de'Butler and Antonio Ringo are also new to the Las Cruces stage. As Schwinn's mother, Mimi, and Richard, the night nurse, respectively, they were delightful – de'Butler especially in "Throw It Out" and Ringo in "Eating Myself Up Alive."

David Reyes, who has been in a lot of plays and musicals in Las Cruces, was a perfect Mr. Bungee, the cartoon frog Schwinn was trying to write a song for when he suffered the AMV. Joseluis Solorzano,



whom I had the pleasure of working with in "The Explorers Club" earlier this year at the Black Box, rounded out the cast as the minister, adding both musically and theatrically to songs like "Heart and Music" and "Yes."

My favorite song in the show was the last one – "I Feel So Much Spring" – as Schwinn brought the whole production full circle.

Bravo to you all.

The band performing live during the show is comprised of Diane Thomas (also the production's musical director) on piano, Naomi Nakano Rupp on keyboard and Tomas Medina on drums. Peter Herman is the show's light designer. The stage manager is McKensi

Karnes. Jeff Thomas is the sound engineer. Bekah Riley is the soundboard operator.

"A New Brain" opened at Lincoln Center Theater in New York City in 1998, winning the Outer Critics Circle Award for outstanding Off-Broadway musical. Authors Finn and James Lapine won Tony awards for best book of a musical and best original score for another of their musicals, "Falsetto."

Remaining performances of "A New Brain" are Fridays and Saturdays, 2, 3, 9 and 10 at 8 p.m.; Sundays, Dec. 4 and 11 at 2:30 p.m. and Thursday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 regular admission and \$12 for students and seniors over age 65. Tickets for the Thursday night show only are \$10.

For reservations, call 575-523-1223. Visit [www.no-strings.org](http://www.no-strings.org).



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## EVENTS CALENDAR

**NM Vintage Wines offers music**

NM Vintage Wines at 2461 Calle de Principal in Mesilla has a full slate of entertainment set for December:

Friday, Dec. 2, from 8-10 p.m., Megan Davenport, Country, blues and pop originals and covers, from Bonnie Raitt to Beatles, Outlaw to Otis Redding.

Saturday, Dec. 3, from 8-10 p.m. Soulshine. Rock, pop, classic rock, folk, soul, country, southern rock - all acoustic performance.

Sunday, Dec. 4, from 3-5 p.m. Ben Woods, singer/songwriter/guitar player.

**Call to artists**

The Las Colinas Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is taking submissions from artists of all faiths

and backgrounds for its upcoming art festival event. Artwork submitted should reflect the theme of the show, "Our Heavenly Father's Mercy," or should be Christ-centered in some way.

Submit a clear photograph of your artwork to Kimball Hakes at kimball76@hotmail.com by Friday, Dec. 9 in order to be considered. All approved artwork should be ready to hang or display at the festival by 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, at the LDS Church at 3210 Venus St.

For more information, call or text Rick Thurston at 575-636-9619 or email Kimball Hakes at kimball76@hotmail.com.

**Oñate High School holiday bazaar is Dec. 3 and 4**

Oñate High School will host a holiday bazaar

from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4, in the OHS cafeteria, 5700 Mesa Grande Drive.

The cost to attend the bazaar is \$3 or a non-perishable food item that will be donated to the needy in Las Cruces. Proceeds will benefit the OHS Career Technical Education Department, said OHS engineering teacher Larry Jackson.

The bazaar will include arts and crafts vendors, food prepared by the OHS Culinary Arts Department and a variety of OHS merchandise featuring the school's logo and mascot.

For more information, call 575-312-1250.

**Free opera at Rio Grande Dec. 2**

Santa Fe Opera cheer is headed to towns

throughout New Mexico beginning for the Opera's annual winter tour. Former apprentices Alyssa Martin and Jack Swanson will be joined by pianist James Lesniak, performing operatic selections and carols. (To watch a video from last year's Santa Fe concert, visit the Opera's YouTube page.)

At 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 the free performance takes place at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. and lasts one hour.

Seating is on a first-come-first-served basis. Doors open a half hour before each performance.

**Photography Boot Camp Workshop**

The Doña Ana Photography Club of Las Cruces offers the Photography Boot Camp Workshops to the community. The

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courses are 9 a.m. to noon, at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Space is limited.

Saturday, Dec. 10 – Image Critique and Question and Answer

Register at www.daphotobootcampclass1.eventbrite.com. Info: Rob Peinert at education@daphotoclub.org.

**Art classes offered**

The following art classes will take place at My Place Jewell Studio, 132 B Wyatt Drive:

Beginning Drawing and Painting: Tuesdays 1-3:30 p.m.

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1-3:30 p.m.


High School Students are welcome in either class.

Payments of \$45 are due every four weeks. Students may begin anytime.

In addition, home school art classes offered for students between ages of 7 and 12, who may enroll in classes repeated every Wednesday from noon to 12:50 p.m. Price is \$25 for four classes.

Instructor is Wayne Carl Huber, MFA, is licensed in art education in New Mexico and has 50 years of teaching art nationally.

Info: 575-647-5684 or www.waynecarlhuber.com.



**Fountain Theatre**  
2469 Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla  
575.524.8287 www.mesillavalleyfilm.org

December 2-8  
**Denial**  
"A compelling, true courtroom drama touches on the lingering pain of the Holocaust." Hollywood Reporter. Starring Rachel Weisz, Timothy Spall & Tom Wilkinson. \*\*\*There is no 7:30 screening on Sunday, Dec. 4.

December 9-15  
**A Man Called Ove**  
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The band Soulshine mixes rock, pop, classic rock, folk, country and other styles on stage. Soulshine is scheduled to perform at 8 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 3 at NM Vintage Wines at 2461 Calle de Principal in Mesilla.



## GALLERIES

### Three new exhibits open

Three new exhibits have opened at the Branigan Cultural Center at 501 N. Main St.

The new exhibits are: "An Enduring Tradition: 20th Century Navajo Weaving"; "Howard Clinton Tibbitts: Historic Advertising Photography of the Southwest"; "In Service to Country: Military Equipment 1860 to Present".

All will be on display through Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017. Admission is free to the Branigan Cultural Center.

Info: 575-541-2154.

### Shopping at Nopalito's Galeria

Fabric crafts in brilliant shades of red, yellow, green and blue and warm tones of pumpkin

and purple hang in every tiny room of Nopalito's Galeria at 326 S. Mesquite St.

The gallery has been transformed into La Frontera, a fair trade shop where the work of women artisans from northern Mexico is on display and on sale.

The shop will be open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. until Christmas.

Like other businesses in the Mesquite Street Historical Preservation District, the fair trade shop will take part in Small Business Saturday Nov. 26, welcoming visitors with refreshments and music.

For those who enjoy the exhilaration of last-minute gift shopping, La Frontera will be open until 3 p.m. Christmas Eve.

Many of the artisans

whose work is on display are not able to leave their homes in Mexico to market the

### Gallery features Tugel, Hendrickson

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery located at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre, will feature local artists Arlene J. Tugel and Sylvia Hendrickson.

Tugel likes the pure, glowing color that can be achieved with watercolor, her preferred medium.

Hendrickson works with gourds and her technique includes carving and wood burning, using dyes, inks, paints, beads, feathers and leather with a variety of other natural products. She also conducts classes on the subject.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-

Sunday. For information, call 575-522-2933 or visit the web site at [www.mesillavalley-finearts.com](http://www.mesillavalley-finearts.com).

### Blue Gate to show Estelle's works

Donnie Estelle's art works are on display at the Blue Gate gallery. A self-taught artist Estelle's working surfaces usually have textures, often weathered wood.

Also featured at Blue Gate will be paintings by Flo Hosa Dougherty. Both exhibits will continue through December by appointment, 575-523-2950 or [bluegateflodoc@aol.com](mailto:bluegateflodoc@aol.com).

### Woodcut exhibit

Artist Nancy Frost Begin has an exhibit at Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road. Her exhibit features woodcuts, architectural images, and the "Avian Fashion Show," where she has

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taken favorite persons in history, art, science, music and made wood cuts with birds.

Info: 575-541-0658.

### University Art Gallery NEA award exhibit to blend art and science

Natural science and contemporary art will be on display when the University Art Gallery at New Mexico State University presents "GEO-MAGIC: Art, Science and the Zuhl Collection" through Wednesday, Dec. 21.

"GEO-MAGIC" pairs objects from NMSU's Zuhl Collection of more than 1,800 specimens of petrified wood, fossils and minerals with works

by ten internationally renowned artists. A student exhibition at the Zuhl Museum, titled "NEOMAGIC," runs concurrently.

### Linda Lundeen Gallery hosts Desrochers

Jeri Desrochers is joining the other artists at the Linda Lundeen Gallery at the Lundeen Inn of the Arts. Desrochers is known for her electric style and using vibrant shades and colorful splashes portraying the chili fields of the Mesilla Valley. The gallery is located at Lundeen Inn of the Arts, 618 S. Alameda Blvd. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Info: 575-526-3326.

## New DACC ceramics lab holds open house

### BULLETIN REPORT

Doña Ana Community College (DACC) will hold an open house to showcase a new ceramics studio from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 at the Workforce Center, 2345 East Nevada St.

"The new laboratory provides the equipment necessary to complete all phases of ceramic production from preparing clay, forming and decorating ceramic wares and glaze firing finished art works," said Professor Glenn Schwaiger.

"Previously we were teaching classes at the Las Cruces Museum of

Art. We appreciate the museum letting us work there but classes were limited by space and growth potential, so to have this new lab will help our students immensely."

The lab features three electric kilns, a raku kiln and a natural-gas shuttle kiln.

The three different types of kilns enable students to explore firing techniques and atmospheres.

The studio also has nine electric and two electric/kick potters wheels which are used to form clay into symmetrical shapes such as cups,

bowls and vases.

The studio features a slab roller, clay extruder, student storage and new work tables.

A well-equipped glaze room for formulating and preparing ceramic slips and glazes helps students finish their work.

Rounding out the lab equipment are a clay mixer and pug mill.

DACC ceramics classes include ART 275 and ART 276, complementary courses that introduce the techniques of hand-building, wheel throwing and glazing.

High-fire and low-fire glazes are used. The

classes will be offered days, evenings and on Saturdays during the spring 2017 semester.

Schwaiger, recently returned from Jingdezhen, China, where he observed and was inspired by artists whose lineage in porcelain production dates back to the Song Dynasty (960-1269).

Schwaiger believes that his three-month study of Chinese art history, culture and ceramics will enhance his ability to teach students about ceramic arts.

"We invite the community to come and see our new studio," Schwaiger said.



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**AT THE MOVIES** Your guide to the latest films

**Coming to DVD on Dec. 6**

**The Secret Life of Pets**

**Rated:** PG  
**Genre:** Animation, comedy  
**Directors:** Chris Renaud, Yarrow Cheney

**Jason Bourne**

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Genre:** Action, thriller  
**Director:** Paul Greengrass

**Don't Think Twice**

**Rated:** R  
**Genre:** Comedy, drama  
**Director:** Mike Birbiglia

**The Hollars**

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Genre:** Comedy, drama  
**Director:** John Krasinski

**Top grossing Nov. 25-27**

- 1. Moana**  
(Week No. 1) \$56,631,401
- 2. Fantastic Beasts**  
(Week No. 2) \$45,084,763
- 3. Dr. Strange**  
(Week No. 4) \$13,737,945
- 4. Allied**  
(Week No. 1) \$12,701,743
- 5. Arrival**  
(Week No. 3) \$11,454,422
- 6. Trolls**  
(Week 4) \$10,642,141
- 7. Bad Santa 2**  
(Week No. 1) \$6,176,680
- 8. Almost Christmas**  
(Week No. 3) \$5,694,620
- 9. Hacksaw Ridge**  
(Week 4) \$5,519,615
- 10. The Edge of Seventeen**  
(Week No. 2) \$2,965,421

**Now playing** From rottentomatoes.com. Reel based on a 5-point scale.

**Almost Christmas**

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A dysfunctional family gathers together for their first Christmas since their mom died.  
**Starring:** Kimberly Elise, Omar Epps, Danny Glover

**Trolls**

**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** After the Bergens invade Troll Village, Poppy, the happiest Troll ever born, and the curmudgeonly Branch set off on a journey to rescue her friends.  
**Starring:** Anna Kendrick, Justin Timberlake, Zoey Deschanel

**Fantastic Beasts**

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** The adventures of writer Newt Scamander in New York's secret community of witches and wizards seventy years before Harry Potter reads his book.  
**Starring:** Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston, Alison Sudol

**Allied**

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** In 1942, an intelligence officer in North Africa encounters a female French Resistance fighter on a deadly mission. When they reunite in London, their relationship is tested by the pressures of war.  
**Starring:** Brad Pitt, Vincent Ebrahim

**Incarnate**

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A scientist with the ability to enter the subconscious minds of the possessed must save a young boy from the grips of a demon with powers never seen before, while facing the horrors of his past.  
**Starring:** Carice van Houten, Aaron Eckhart, David Mazouz

**Moana**

**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** A young woman uses her navigational talents to set sail for a fabled island. Joining her on the adventure is her hero, the legendary demi-god Maui.  
**Starring:** Auli'i Cravalho, Dwayne Johnson, Rachel House

**Hacksaw Ridge**

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** WWII American Army Medic Desmond T. Doss becomes the first man in American history to win the Medal of Honor without firing a shot.  
**Starring:** Andrew Garfield, Sam Worthington, Luke Bracey

**Doctor Strange**

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A former neurosurgeon embarks on a journey of healing only to be drawn into the world of the mystic arts.  
**Starring:** Benedict Cumberbatch, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Rachel McAdams

**Shut In**

**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A widowed child psychologist who lives in an isolated existence is caught in a deadly winter storm, and must find a way to rescue a young boy before he disappears forever.  
**Starring:** Naomi Watts, Charlie Heaton, Jacob Tremblay

**Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk**

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** 19-year-old Billy Lynn is brought home for a victory tour after a harrowing Iraq battle. Through flashbacks the film shows what really happened to his squad - contrasting the realities of war with America's perceptions.  
**Starring:** Joe Alwyn, Garrett Hedlund

**The Edge of Seventeen**

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** High-school life gets even more unbearable for Nadine when her best friend, Krista, starts dating her older brother.  
**Starring:** Hailee Steinfeld, Haley Lu Richardson, Blake Jenner

**Bad Santa 2**

**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** Fueled by cheap whiskey, greed and hatred, Willie teams up once again with his angry little sidekick, Marcus, to knock off a Chicago charity on Christmas Eve.  
**Starring:** Billy Bob Thornton, Kathy Bates, Tony Cox

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Timothy Spall, Rachel Weisz and Tom Wilkinson star in the movie "Denial," based on a true story about a Holocaust denier who sues an author.

COURTESY PHOTO

# No 'Denial,' film is worth seeing

By **JEFF BERG**

For the Bulletin

My father, now deceased, was an ultra-conservative bigot who thrived on hate, rumor and folly. When I was in high school, he attended American Nazi Party meetings, albeit only for a short time, and was a one-time supporter of same, which later became the National Socialist White People's Party, which was headed by George Lincoln Rockwell, who was assassinated in 1967.

Near the end of his life, my dad would mail me diatribes and pamphlets about how evil Jews were, how people of color were to be put in their place and so on. I ignored him and his

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## GRADE: A-

The Fountain Theatre at 2469 Calle De Guadalupe, Mesilla, will show the film "Denial" for a week to play 7:30 p.m. daily, with a 1:30 p.m., Saturday matinee and a 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee, starting Friday, Dec. 2.

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rants but near the end of his days on this rock, he was leaning toward Holocaust denial.

We had little contact then and he died in 2002. I don't think anyone missed or misses him. But I always will wonder what it was that led him to start prob-

ing into being a possible denier.

In the film, "Denial" the plot is based on the true story of a Jewish author who is being sued for libel by David Irving, who in the mid 90's was a chief proponent of the lunacy of denying the Holocaust. He spoke before groups, was a self-taught historian, and a Hitler advocate. Sadly, in the film, we never see what caused him to follow this path, but we do learn a bit about his opponent, Deborah Lipstadt (Rachel Weisz) who wrote the book that moves Irving to action.

Irving (Timothy Spall) opts to sue in England, causing the liability of the case to fall on Lipstadt's shoulders, since she has to prove what she said.

Most of the film takes place in a courtroom, but that doesn't detract from the overall purview of the film. Irving, whose "proof" the Holocaust didn't take place, at times, has a fair argument, but it is always based on half-truths and science provided by fellow deniers.

Lipstadt, whose lawyers keep her in check and off the witness chair, have really done their homework, especially the work offered by barrister Richard Rampton (Tom Wilkinson) who refuses to even look at Irving until the end of the trial. Irving, who defends himself, is pretty smart, but his argument, as sound as he thinks it is, has enough holes to sink a boat.

One of the few non-courtroom scenes involves a trip to Auschwitz with a real historian who easily and calmly points out all of Irving's mistakes and inaccuracies.

The movie is quite refreshing in a different way as we observe a courtroom drama that skips a lot of melodrama for a look at what such a case might really be like. There are no surprise witnesses and Lipstadt's legal team keeps things going in their way, not in an awkward cross-pattern that would allow Lipstadt and Holocaust deniers to say their piece.

"Denial" is an interesting and absorbing picture, one that I wish I could have dragged my father to see.



## PUZZLES

## SUPER CROSSWORD

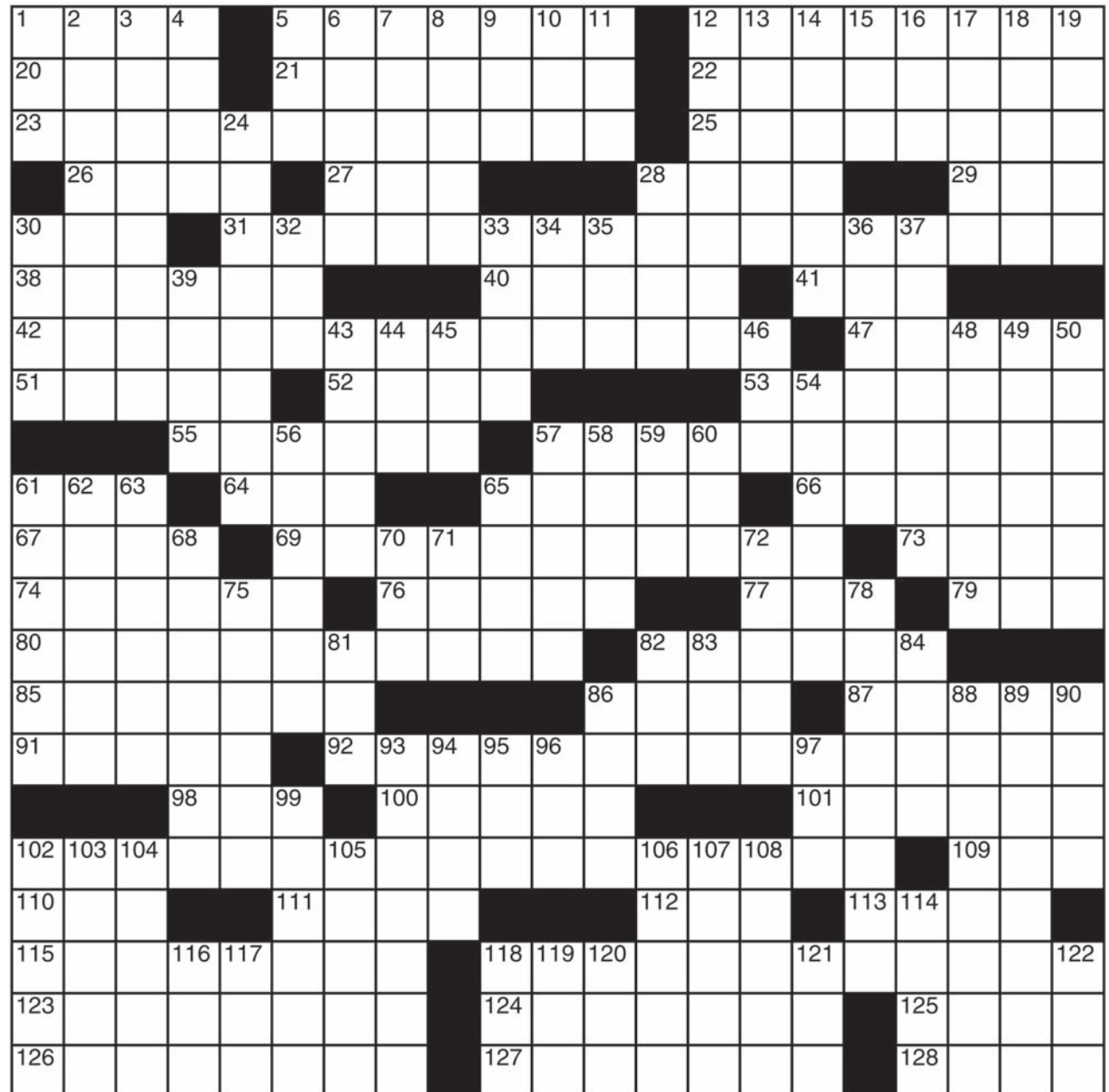
## ACROSS

1 Neighbor of Chile  
 5 Chemist's outerwear  
 12 Some captives  
 20 Copies  
 21 Magic's city  
 22 Fearmonger  
 23 Centennial State pageant winner  
 25 Start to chew  
 26 Clinic fluids  
 27 Enjoy a meal  
 28 DVR biggie  
 29 Baste, e.g.  
 30 Text giggle  
 31 Output of Tolkien  
 38 Highly skilled people  
 40 Prudential competitor  
 41 "-- found it!"  
 42 Member of a noted racecar-driving family  
 47 Surplus item  
 51 Be a cast member of  
 52 Oklahoma tribe member  
 53 Placed in the middle, to a Brit  
 55 The NBA's "King James"  
 57 120-Down character Sarducci  
 61 Uru. neighbor  
 64 Wildlife lair  
 65 Proverb  
 66 Add liberally  
 67 Most August newborns  
 69 Popular energy drink  
 73 Anderson of "WKRP in Cincinnati"  
 74 Rome's country, in French  
 76 "Fuer --" (piano piece)  
 77 Sun, e.g.  
 79 -- Moines, Iowa  
 80 Prism, cone or sphere  
 82 Beach shoe  
 85 Stands for hot dishes  
 86 Melody  
 87 "Salud!," say  
 91 Dutch genre painter Jan  
 92 Port-au-Prince's land  
 98 No. on a road sign  
 100 Navigator Islands, now  
 101 Cry upon release  
 102 1991 Denzel Washington film  
 109 Gave a meal  
 110 Hubbub

111 Chiang Mai native  
 112 Johnny --  
 113 Pool coverer  
 115 Open ocean  
 118 Parts of it appear at both the starts and ends of this puzzle's eight theme phrases  
 123 Bel Air resident, e.g.  
 124 Funicello of the screen  
 125 Cry in church  
 126 Nonclerical females  
 127 "Possibly"  
 128 Veg out, say

## DOWN

1 Cook's spray  
 2 Like serials  
 3 Pick again  
 4 KGB funder  
 5 Lav, in Bath  
 6 Specter in politics  
 7 Make swollen  
 8 Magna --  
 9 -- par with  
 10 Stick in  
 11 Moreover  
 12 Natural home  
 13 With 84-Down, lunchmeat with pimiento  
 14 Goal in Zen Buddhism  
 15 Uno plus due  
 16 French bud  
 17 Knife of TV ads  
 18 Oxalate, e.g.  
 19 Vermont ski town  
 24 Wearing a lounge robe  
 28 Color a little  
 30 Tibetan priest  
 32 Ending for enzymes  
 33 She sang "Smooth Operator"  
 34 "-- darn tootin'!"  
 35 4G -- (T-Mobile offering)  
 36 Retaliate  
 37 Like some criticism  
 39 Singer Ochs  
 43 Actor Greene  
 44 -- -Z  
 45 Luc's denial  
 46 Chilling stuff  
 48 Camera stand  
 49 Fixed up  
 50 Studmuffin  
 54 West Germany's Ludwig



56 Deprived  
 57 Not genuine  
 58 Wheel turner  
 59 Little jerk  
 60 Patients' gp.  
 61 First groups of invitees  
 62 Snappy reply  
 63 Net minder  
 65 California's -- Woods  
 68 Splinters  
 70 MBA, say  
 71 -- -ray Disc

72 Feature of the word "go"  
 75 -- -Kit (police tool)  
 78 Tub traction aids  
 81 Medit. land  
 82 "Or -- hear"  
 83 From way back: Abbr.  
 84 See 13-Down  
 86 Shut angrily  
 88 Structure of a plane without the engine  
 89 Belfry locales  
 90 Knotted

93 Quarterback Boomer  
 94 Spanish for "daddy"  
 95 Ball caller  
 96 "Sk8er --" (2002 hit)  
 97 Chick--A  
 99 Hold dear  
 102 Taj --  
 103 Singer Menzel  
 104 Drenched  
 105 1953 Alan Ladd title role  
 106 Disney mermaid  
 107 Religious branches

108 Die down  
 114 Rent- --  
 116 Chop down  
 117 -- -mo  
 118 Animal gullet  
 119 A, in France  
 120 '75 TV debut  
 121 Ang of film  
 122 Certain M.D.



# 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.

	5		9	3		4		
		7			8			1
9			5					3
4		2			3	7		
		8		2		6		4
	7		6		5			8
2				1				6
	1			9	2	3		
		3	4					9

## SCRAMBLERS



"And do you, Alfred, promise to take out the \_\_\_\_\_ without having to be told?"

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

Spring

**BUNCOE**

Model

**DUGIE**

Peep

**CANGLE**

Chance

**MODARN**

**TODAY'S WORD**

## CRYPTOQUIP

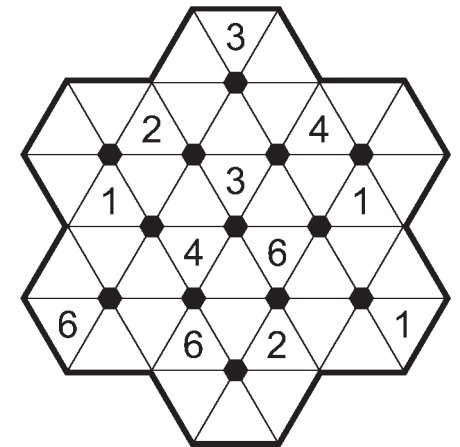
This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: E equals I

E RWXL F TPTKEND LEDV DLCKGC  
 GCVETKCN XS QESSCMCWD NEHCN.  
 CGCMPOXQP TFKKN ED F OERCM'N  
 QXHCW.

## SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

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



**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

# PUZZLE ANSWERS

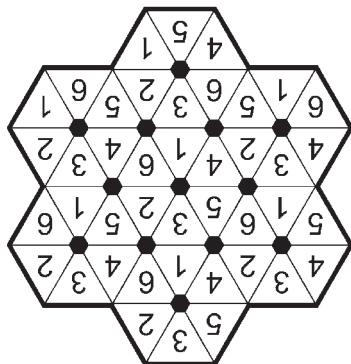
I know a cyclist with twelve vehicles of different sizes. Everybody calls it a biker's answer

### CRYPTOQUIP

### GARBAGE

Today's Word  
 1. Bounce; 2. Guide; 3. Glance; 4. Random

### SCRAMBLERS



### SNOWFLAKES

7	8	3	4	5	6	1	2	9
6	1	5	8	9	2	3	4	7
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5	3	8	7	2	9	6	1	4
4	6	2	1	8	3	7	9	5
9	2	1	5	7	4	8	3	6
3	4	7	2	6	8	9	5	1
8	5	6	9	3	1	4	7	2

### WEEKLY SUDOKU

P	E	R	U	L	A	B	C	O	A	T	H	O	S	T	A	G	E	S		
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### SUPER CROSSWORD





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## School of Dance and Music performs 'Carol'

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Las Cruces School of Dance and Music's (LCSDM) production of "A Christmas Carol" will be performed at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 16 and 17 at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased online at [www.tututix.com/client/lascrucesschool](http://www.tututix.com/client/lascrucesschool) or at the door before the performance.

"The show is an original adaptation of the classic Charles Dickens story," LCSDM Artistic Director Monique Foster said. "We perform the show as musical theatre, but with a heavier emphasis on dance."

"Like the great classical ballets 'Nutcracker' and 'Cinderella,' 'A Christmas Carol' has an element of fantasy that lends it to dance, Foster said. "Ghosts are ethereal creatures. They are perfect characters for the dancers to take on. And choreographing the different personalities is so much fun."

But, "the show isn't just about dance," she said. "We have a great cast of accomplished actors and singers. There is something for everyone."

In addition to the two feature shows, the cast will perform a condensed version of the show for elementary school



students as part of the community outreach operation of Borderlands Ballet Company, Foster said.

That performance will be from 10 to 11 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 16 at the Center for the Arts. An educational presentation will follow the performance from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$3 each. Schools interested in sending students to the school show can contact Borderlands Ballet Company at [borderlands.ballet@gmail.com](mailto:borderlands.ballet@gmail.com).

For more information, contact LCSDM at 575-525-5670. Visit [www.newmexico-danceandmusic.com](http://www.newmexico-danceandmusic.com).

## St. Paul's dessert theater is Dec. 5-7

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. in Downtown Las Cruces, hosts its 21st annual "Merry Christmas, Las Cruces" program with an added twist this year – free dessert theater.

This year's program includes performances of the one-act play "The Christmas I'll Never Forget," along with traditional Christmas favorites performed by soloists, duos and ensembles, said St. Paul's musical director,

Douglas Weeks. Cheesecake and wassail will be served.

Performances are 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 1 and 2, and at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3.

The cast list of "The Christmas I'll Never Forget" includes David Edwards (who also directed the play) and Sheryl Barham as the parents; Joel Fisk as Andre, the desk clerk; and Kamryn Neill as Franki, Nick Check as Ron and Gina DeMondo as Goldie (the three children).

"The story is a modern-day take on the 'no room

at the inn' portion of the Christmas story," Edwards said. "It reinforces the idea that we should have faith in God's plan along with a healthy dose of trusting in family."

Free tickets are available from members of the St. Paul's music ministry or through the church office. Tickets are good until five minutes before each performance, at which time any remaining seats will be available on a first come-first served basis, Weeks said.

For more information, call Weeks at 575-644-6999.



# NMSU Kinesiology, Dance department recognized

By **ADRIANA M. CHAVEZ**  
For the Bulletin

The Department of Kinesiology and Dance at New Mexico State University recently received a three-year recognition from the National Strength and Conditioning Association, marking the 17th consecutive year the department has received the recognition.

This month, NSCA officials determined the undergraduate Strength and Conditioning program, housed in the

College of Education at NMSU, met the criteria recommended as an approved NSCA Education Recognition Program. The recognition is valid for a three-year period expiring Oct. 31, 2019.

The recognition allows strength and conditioning students access to NSCA internships, assistantships and NSCA Foundation grants and



scholarships, among other benefits.

"I believe the NSCA is the leading and premier organization associated with the application of strength and conditioning," said

Joseph Berning, program director for Kinesiology, director of the Exercise Physiology Laboratory and academic program director for NMSU's Strength and Con-

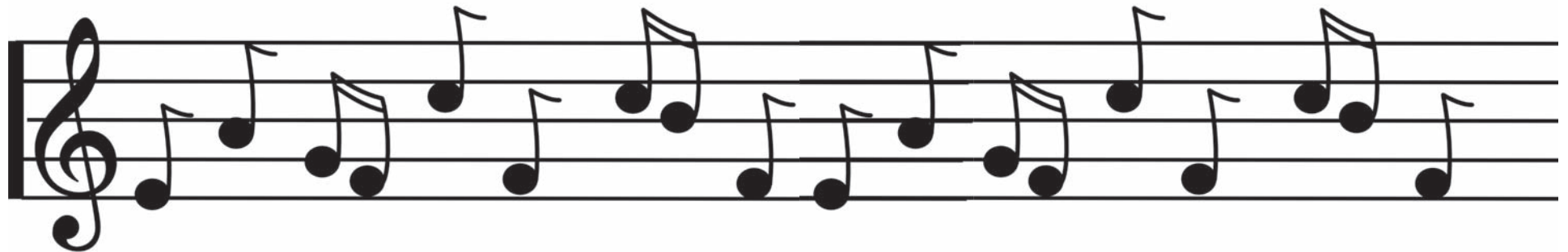
ditioning program. "In addition, I believe the NSCA leads the research world in bridging the gap between science and practice."

Berning said he has seen an increase in students wanting to pursue strength and conditioning as a profession. He's also seen more students studying strength and conditioning while pursuing careers in physical therapy, occupational therapy and other allied health professions.

"This has been an outstand-

ing change that emphasizes the significance of strength and conditioning not only for athletics, but the fact that everything we do is strength related. In other words, the medical community could benefit greatly from incorporating strength and conditioning into their daily practice and our young inspired students are working to make this happen," Berning said.

For more information about the Department of Kinesiology and Dance at NMSU, visit <https://kind.nmsu.edu/>.



## 'Merry Christmas Darlings' at Rio Grande Dec. 9

### BULLETIN REPORT

'Tis the season for tight skirts and tighter harmonies because all singing, all dancing girls Gone Girls are hauling out the holly for their Christmas spectacular at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 at the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St.

Featuring tunes in a vintage style such as "Jingle Bell Rock," "White Christmas," "The Christmas Song," "Merry Christmas Darling," "I'll Be Home for Christmas," "Mele Kalikimaka" and more, the show is titled "Merry

Christmas Darlings."

The Gone Girls, classically trained singers who have been working together in various opera and musical theater endeavors since 2012, bring to life jazz standards and girl group music from the 1940s to the 1960s, like The Andrews Sisters, The Chordettes, and The Shirelles.

Group member and director, Christa Fredrickson, who is working on her master's degree at New Mexico State University in choral conducting, explained how the group came together.

"I went to undergrad with Valerie Mirelez, so we have been singing together for six or seven years.

"Jamie Smith was in a community theater show I music directed and she is a strong musician. When I planned to do the first performance with them, it was going to be just a single show," Fredrickson said.

But it didn't turn out that way. In July of 2015, they debuted the first Gone Girls show at Boba Café and Cabaret. Thanks to the positive response from that first performance, they have

since done shows for Christmas, Valentine's Day, Fourth of July, and performed for private events around the community.

"Valerie and I grew up loving the Andrews Sisters and Bing Crosby. It's the type of music my grandmother raised me to love and appreciate," Fredrickson said.

"We wanted to bring to life these girls of the past, these girl groups that don't exist anymore. There is a need in our community that hasn't been met. People value and cherish this music that they grew

up listening to and they want to be transported so they can enjoy it again. In our performances, we celebrate women and music and what they bring to the table that is so different and unique."

"We all share the responsibility equally in three-part harmony. It's not about soloing. It's about singing tight harmonies together. And wearing cute dresses," she said.

For the Christmas show, they are accompanied by Seth Zamora, piano, Adriel Hernandez, bass guitar and

Isaac Rivera, drums.

Tickets are general admission, open seating: \$12 adults and \$6 children 16 years and younger.

The Rio Grande Theatre is located at 211 N. Main St. The theatre box office and Doña Ana Arts Council office is on the second floor of the theatre.

Box office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and one hour prior to show time. For more information or to purchase tickets online, go to [www.rio-grandetheatre.com](http://www.rio-grandetheatre.com) or call 575-523-6403.



# Child of the XX Convoy

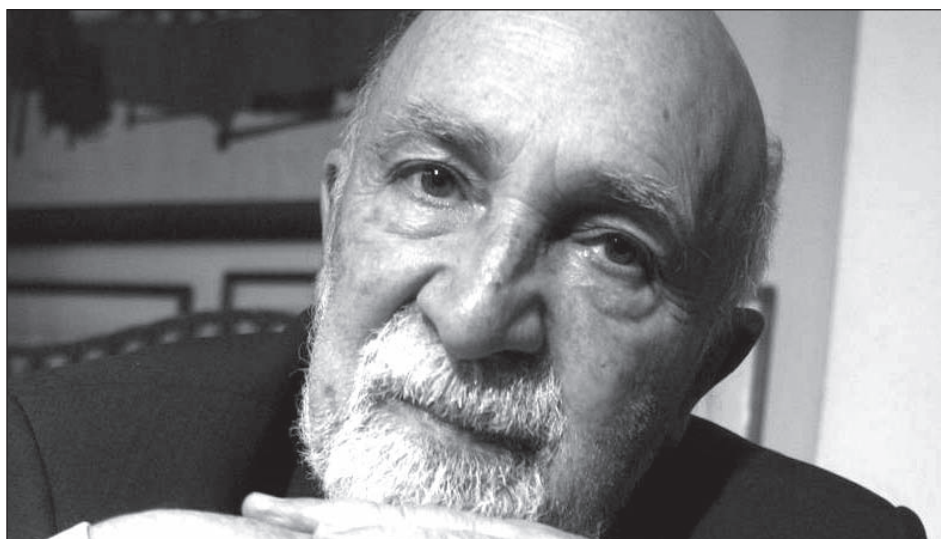
## Escapee from Nazi death train tells his story

### BULLETIN REPORT

Eighty-four-year-old Belgian holocaust survivor Simon (pronounced See-mawn) Gronowski has made the best of the horrific hand dealt him in April of 1943 when he, his mother Chana and sister Ita, were placed on a Nazi death train to Auschwitz from Belgium.

How Simon escaped certain death is a story he will tell at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8 at Alevy Chabad Jewish Center, 2907 E. Idaho Ave.

At the age of 84, Gronowski is a working attorney in Belgium as well as an accomplished author and jazz pianist with an intense passion for American jazz. Richard Atkins,



COURTESY PHOTOS

**Simon Gronowski, who survived his experiences at the hands of the Nazis during WWII, will speak Dec. 8 at Alevy Chabad Jewish Center.**

a professional pianist, playwright, actor and artistic director of the East Mountain Centre for Theatre in Sandia

Park reached out to Gronowski about a book the survivor wrote called "The Child of the XX Convoy." Atkins hoped to

adapt a screenplay based on that book, but the text was in French and was going to cost thousands of dollars to translate, so

the idea was scrapped. However, Gronowski and Atkins stayed in touch via e-mail.

For the 2016-2017 season, Atkins had the idea to bring Gronowski over from Belgium to tell his story to New Mexicans.

The author gladly agreed and after generous public and private donors came forward with contributions, Gronowski is traveling around New Mexico speaking about his life.

In addition to telling his harrowing story, he'll perform on the piano, even playing a few duets with Atkins.

After the performance, there will be a question and answer session. A commemorative silver coin has been produced honoring Gronowski's New Mexico visit with dual images of Gronowski on the front, and on the reverse, a Jewish star encased in the New Mexico Zia symbol with the inscription, "Never forget the child of the XX convoy."

The coin will be sold at the venues as a memento for \$15, the proceeds of which go to offset the speaker's expenses while in New Mexico.

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### Holocaust survivor speaks Dec. 8

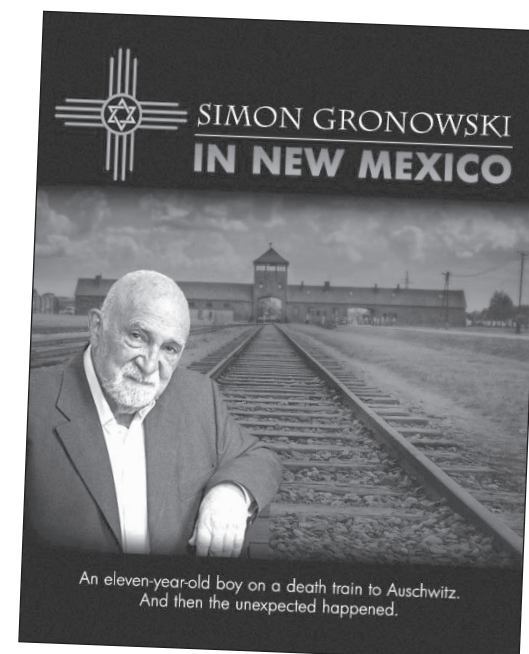
Eighty-four-year-old Simon Gronowski from Belgium will talk about his fascinating yet harrowing experience at the hands of the Nazis during World War II.

**WHEN:** 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8

**WHERE:** The Alevy Chabad Jewish Center de Las Cruces, 2907 E. Idaho Ave.

**HOW MUCH:** There is a \$10 admission fee.

**INFO OR RESERVATIONS:**  
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# WORSHIP SERVICES

# Humility

I have discovered, over my many years as a rabbi, that there is one aspect of our lives that has the potential to bring us together: our values.

While there are some tenets that people and different faith groups may interpret differently, there are other principles that lay at the foundation of creating a common language.

We tested this notion at a program at Temple Beth-El on Sunday, Nov. 20. Entitled "Humble Enough? An Interfaith Conversation," the event featured presentations by speakers from a number of faith traditions (Methodist, United Church of Christ/Disciples of Christ, Society of Friends, Muslim, Orthodox Christian, Unitarian Universalist and Jewish). Each speaker offered his or her perspective on humility, sharing teachings from past and present, parables and personal stories.

When it was my turn to speak about humility, I focused on specific insights that have emerged from my tradition over the last 3000 years. I noted that Abraham and Moses were both considered humble. The prophet Micah's call for people to "walk humbly/modestly with God" is more than a religious principle.

Author and Rabbi Joseph Telushkin has explained that not to walk humbly means to go to the other extreme, ar-

rogance, which might lead a person to think that ONLY his or her views, beliefs and positions must be right and true.

The 12th Century Jewish philosopher, Moses Maimonides,

taught that, for most character traits, it was best to try to stay in the middle, keeping an even disposition, except when it came to humility. Maimonides insisted that extreme humility was the best approach to lead us to gain self-respect and the respect of others, and to enable us to appreciate the gifts life has given us.

Following the statements by the panel members, participants engaged in small-group discussions on several questions presented to them about what it means to be humble. These insightful responses might help us understand what it means to give and to receive in the coming weeks and throughout the year:

- Be willing to be vulnerable.
- Recognize that we are interdependent with all that is
- Listen intently to others.
- Approach life and the world with a sense of awe and wonder.
- Accept your limitations and be sensitive to the limitations of others.
- Choose to learn from adversity and grow from it
- Look at people as



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## HUMILITY

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human beings, past differences

- Each of us is not better or worse than anyone else.
- Recognize the blessings we all have and, in turn, help bring blessing to others.

- Say little and do much.
- Start everything in the name of God. When an opportunity comes your way, say to yourself, "God let me do this."

- No person should put himself/herself above anyone else.

- Find and respect the divine in every person.

- Don't presume that we know all there is to know.

- Open your heart.

- Serve others.

- Accept yourself as you are.

Many of these statements remind us to "keep ourselves in our place" with a feeling of pride and confidence. There are, however, times when we need "a lift" when we find ourselves in a place of despair.

Over 200 years ago, Rabbi Simcha Bunem said, "Everyone must have two pockets, with a note in each pocket, so that he or she can reach into the one or the other, depending on the need. When feeling lowly and discouraged, one should reach into the right pocket, and, there, find the words: 'For my sake was the world created.' But when feeling high and mighty one should reach into the left pocket, and find the words: 'I am but dust and ashes.'"

If we are able to strike that balance, we may well be able to intently listen to each other, to understand the respective truths by which we live and to realize that our humility has the power to keep us together in ways we cannot yet imagine. May we be open to that possibility.

*Rabbi Larry Karol has served as spiritual leader of Temple Beth-El (www.tbcl.org) in Las Cruces since July, 2011. His writings are available at rabbilarrykarol.blogspot.com.*

# Musicians share message of hope

## Temple Beth-El rabbi contributes song to album

### BULLETIN REPORT

On Nov. 11, Rabbis David Paskin and Menachem Creditor launched a project called "There is Hope" with the intention of curating a digital album of music dedicated to hope and healing in uncertain times. "The musicians featured in this collection have given of their souls to heal, to help, to bring light to others," said Paskin.

"We all offer these songs — the soundtracks of our own souls—to anyone in need of reassurance and comfort in

these uncertain times.

"There is an immense need for hope, now more than ever, as hatred seems to gain momentum with each passing news item. But, as the prophet Jeremiah, who witnessed destruction and violence in his lifetime, taught us: there is always hope."

Las Cruces' own Rabbi Larry Karol of Temple Beth-El contributes a song to the album, which became available for free download Nov. 18 at [www.hopesongs.net](http://www.hopesongs.net). In addition to Karol, participating musicians include

Marsha Attie, Stacy Beyer, Joanie Calem, Neshama Carlebach, Jennie Chabon, Menachem Creditor, Steve Dropkin, Maya Elise, Adam Feder, Josh Goldberg, Sue Horowitz, Chava Mirel, Dan Nichols, David Paskin, Pizmon, Rick Recht, Chana Rothman, Melita Silberstein, Julie Silver, Peri Smilow, and Craig Taubman.

Info: Rabbi David Paskin at [rabbi@davidpaskin.com](mailto:rabbi@davidpaskin.com) or 339-364-3640; Rabbi Menachem Creditor at [rabbi@netivotshalom.org](mailto:rabbi@netivotshalom.org), 510-549-9447 x101.

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## RELIGION BRIEFS

### Wednesday Advent at Peace Lutheran

Peace Lutheran Church announces Wednesday evening Advent and soup suppers starting at 5:15 p.m., followed at 6 p.m. by an evening prayer service on Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, and 21 at 1701 Missouri Ave. Info: 575-522-7119.

### St. Paul's free "Merry Christmas, Las Cruces" dessert theater Dec. 5-7

St. Paul's United Methodist Church hosts its 21st annual "Merry Christmas, Las Cruces" program with an added twist this year – free dessert theater. This year's program includes performances of the one-act play "The Christmas I'll Never Forget," along with traditional Christmas favorites performed by soloists, duos and ensembles, said St. Paul's musical director, Douglas Weeks. Cheesecake and wassail will be served. Performances are 7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 1 and 2, and at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3. Free. Info: 575-644-6999.

### Call to artists

The Las Colinas Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is taking submissions from artists of all faiths and backgrounds for its upcoming art festival event. Artwork submitted should reflect the theme of the show, "Our Heavenly Father's Mercy," or should be Christ-centered in some way.

Submit a clear photograph of your artwork to Kimball Hakes at kimball76@hotmail.com by Friday, Dec. 9 in order to be considered. All approved artwork

should be ready to hang or display at the festival by 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, at the LDS Church at 3210 Venus St.

For more information, call or text Rick Thurston at 575-636-9619 or email Kimball Hakes at kimball76@hotmail.com.

### Community Christmas sing-along at Peace Lutheran

All ages are welcome at the Community Christmas Carol Sing-a-Long at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17 at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Admission is free for this one-hour musical event, followed by cider and biscochitos, sponsored by the Las Cruces Chapter-American Guild of Organists. Info: 575-521-4318, 575-522-7119, www.lascrucesago.org or www.peachlutheranlc.com.

## ONGOING

### Cowboys for Christ

At 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month, this non-denominational outreach organization meets for those involved in livestock and agriculture. For meeting place information: 575-571-6367 or cfc.lcnm@yahoo.com.

### Unity announces Thursday silent meditation services

From 11 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays at 125 Wyatt Drive recharge your batteries at a silent meditation service. Info: 575-523-5592 or www.unityoflascruces.org.

### GriefShare at First Baptist

From 4 to 6 p.m., Sundays in room 229, First

Baptist Church Las Cruces, 106 S. Miranda, GriefShare is held. This is a weekly seminar and support group designed to help rebuild life after losing a loved one. Bereavement experience may be recent or not so. The seminars offer encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member or friend. Cost: \$10 for participant workbook. Info: Penny Baca 575-635-9696.

### Services, class at Mission Lutheran

At 9 a.m. Sundays learn and study God's Word for fellowship, coffee and snacks, followed at 9:15 a.m. by Sunday School and adult Bible study, and at 10:30 a.m. divine worship at 2752 N. Roadrunner Pkwy. 10 a.m. Saturdays "Discover the Faith" class for newcomers. Info: 575-522-0465.

Communion Service every Sunday at St. John's CCOA

St. John's Catholic Church of Antioch holds a Communion service at 10:15 a.m. every Sunday, located in the side chapel of First Christian Church, 1809 El Paseo Rd. Open to all. Info: 575-621-0255 or www.stjohnscatholicchurchofantioch.org.

Events at Center for Spiritual Living  
Sunday service: 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Shamanic Drumming & Meditation 1:30 – 3 p.m. the first Friday of the month. Newcomers or seasoned practitioners are all welcome; participants must be 18 years or older. If you have rattles or drums, please bring them. If not, it's still okay to attend

Yoga-9-10 a.m. Mondays; 4-5 p.m. Wednesdays; 9-10

a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays

Gentle Yoga- 6:15-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays; 5:15-6:30 p.m. Thursdays

Spirit Dance- Express your spirit through free dancing. No experience necessary. This is the only free dancing in Las Cruces. 2-3 p.m. Wednesdays.

Sacred Living Circle- A group that discusses articles from the Science of Mind magazine meets from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays.

Onefold (formally SoulShine)- musical group. Instrumentalists needed. Rehearsal 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays

Single Parents Support Group- 7-8 p.m. Thursdays  
A Course In Miracles discussion- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturdays

All activities held at the Center, 575 N. Main St. Info: 575-523-4847.

### Men's prayer breakfast at First Baptist

From 7 to 9 a.m. every Tuesday at First Baptist is a men's prayer breakfast in the fellowship hall. Info: 575-524-3691.

### Non-denominational service at New Agape

At 5:45 p.m., Sundays at the Dream Center, 6th and Wilson Streets, the New Agape Christian Church offers a scriptural, theological, historical and scientific look at the Prophets. Agape is an all-people's church; everyone welcome. Children's church provided. Info: Pastor Herb 575-650-3915.

### Mission Lutheran Sunday school, services and education

Events at Mission Lutheran include: 9 a.m. Sundays fellowship, followed at 9:15 a.m. with Sunday school for

adults and children. At 10:30 a.m. are worship services at 2752 Roadrunner Parkway. Mission Lutheran Church and School welcomes all. Mission Lutheran has an accredited day school for preschool through fifth grade, where the children receive a solid Christian education in a loving, supportive environment. Info: (church activities) 575-522-0465; info (school) 575-532-5489.

### Discover the Faith classes at Mission Lutheran

All are welcome 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays at Mission Lutheran Church, at 2752 Roadrunner Parkway for a class for people who are new to the faith or who would like a refresher course on what being a Lutheran is all about. The class continues for several weeks. Info: 575-522-0465.

### Peace Lutheran prayer groups

Peace Lutheran announces 9 a.m. on Saturdays is a 20-to-30-minute Centering Prayer. From 4 to 5 p.m. Women Gather for Prayer meets at Peace Lutheran, 1701 E. Missouri. Info: 575-522-7119.

### Fusion Youth Fellowship at Morning Star United Methodist

From 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at 2941 Morningstar Dr., join the youth's small group for music, family events and workshops. Info: 575-521-3770.

### Trinity Lutheran welcomes young worshippers

Events at Trinity Lutheran include: 9 a.m. regular Sunday worship with Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Sunday school

for children and youth at the church at 2900 Elks Dr. A child-friendly environment, children meet and worship God through songs, prayer and Bible stories. All are welcome to join. Info: 575-523-4232 or www.trinitylutheranlc.org.

### Church Bingo

Bingo games start at 7 p.m. every Monday and Tuesday in the multipurpose room at Holy Cross School, 1327 N. Miranda St. (doors open at 5:30.) All games can be played for \$5. At 7 p.m. every Thursday night is Bingo at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Tortugas. Doors open at 5:30. Food, fun, prizes. Info: 575-646-5860.

Meditation at New Kadampa Buddhist Center Meditation for healing mind and body 10 - 11:30 a.m. on the first and third Saturdays in September and October at 2000 S. Solono Drive. Info: 575-496-4271.

### Unity of Las Cruces weekly events

From 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday is a book study; all are welcome. 11 to 11:30 a.m. is a Meditation Service. 10:30 a.m. all Sunday worship celebrations at 125 Wyatt Drive. Info: 575-523-5592 or www.unityoflascruces.org.

### Genesis Bible Study at Revival Fire Bookstore

Bible study 6:30 p.m. every Thursday (except the fourth week of the month) at Revival Fire Bookstore, 2645 Missouri Ave., Suite 5. All are welcome to the Book of Genesis Bible Study. This book of beginnings lays out foundational principles for life on earth and beyond. Info: Bev at 575-642-1003.

# Prehistoric trackways hike set for Dec. 17

## BLM also offers guided hikes in Spanish

### BULLETIN REPORT

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Las Cruces District is hosting a guided hike in the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument at 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 17. The Monument is located on Permian Tracks Road off Picacho Boulevard, a half mile east of Shalem Colony Trail and Rocky Acres Road.

Hikers are asked to meet the BLM paleontologist at the second monument parking lot past the interpretive signs to begin the hike promptly at 9 a.m. The three-mile, round-trip hike will be on rough

and rocky terrain, so appropriate shoes, clothing and sun protection is advised. Because the hike will take approximately three hours, hikers are advised to bring snacks and enough water to stay adequately nourished and hydrated.

Covering 5,280 acres of public land, the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument was established in 2009 and includes a major deposit of Paleozoic Era fossilized footprints of numerous amphibians, reptiles, insects, plants and petrified wood dating back 280 million years ago — before the dinosaurs roamed.

Hikers will enjoy the scenic

landscape of the Robledo Mountains, while learning about the nationally important paleontological, scientific, educational and recreational values contained on BLM-managed public lands. By request, the BLM is also offering the guided hikes in Spanish.

For more information on the hikes, contact Daniella Barraza, BLM Park Ranger, at 575-525-4487 or at [dbarraza@blm.gov](mailto:dbarraza@blm.gov). Additional information and maps for the Prehistoric Trackways and other BLM National Monuments can be found at [www.blm.gov/nm/st/en/prog/NLCS/PT\\_NM.html](http://www.blm.gov/nm/st/en/prog/NLCS/PT_NM.html).



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## Safety tip: Holiday lights

### BULLETIN REPORT

With the holiday season just around the corner, you might be getting ready to decorate your home with an indoor tree or outdoor lights.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) data estimates 240 home fires each year involve Christmas trees and another 150 home fires are caused by holiday lights and other decorative lighting.

Together, these fires result in 21 deaths and \$25.2 million in direct property damage.

The New Mexico State University Fire Department has some tips on how to make sure holiday lights are used prop-

erly and safely.

- If you choose a cut tree to decorate with electric lights, make sure it is fresh and not dry. Dry trees catch fire easily.

- Make sure to check new or used strings of lights for frayed wired, cracked bulbs, open sockets, and excessive kinks.

- Do not use tacks, screws or nails to hang lights. Avoid metal-to-metal contact.

- Only use lights outdoors that are rated for outdoor use.

- Do not over exert an outlet or power strip.

- Do not leave the lights on when you are not home.

- Use caution when using ladders to string your lights.





# Forget-Me-Not

AS WE REMINISCE ON THE RECENT THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY, I'm hopeful that each one of us will take a moment to reflect on all the gifts life has given us each day. While it would be wonderful if every day we each took a moment to reflect on the positive happenings in our lives, I would ask that at least for one day we can be thankful, grateful, and see the many good things we enjoy daily.

I believe we are all aware that there is much sadness in the world, however, dwelling on the negative does not fix the problem and I truly believe that looking for the silver lining or the proverbial pot of gold at the end of the rainbow in all situations can make life much more enjoyable. Burying our heads in the sand is also not the answer, yet I am confident that bringing awareness and knowledge is.

Herb and Peggy dancing at the "Forget-Me-Not" dance at Good Samaritan-Las Cruces Village Nov. 17.



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With "awareness" set deep in our minds, the Good Samaritan - Las Cruces Village participated in its second annual lighting of the purple luminarias. This new tradition of ours has meant so much to our residents, staff and the family members. The purple bags are a way for us to reflect, remember, and honor those who have been affected by the Alzheimer's disease. The bags were distributed a week



COURTESY PHOTOS

Purple luminarias were lit for the Alzheimers' awareness memorial Nov. 17 at Good Samaritan-Las Cruces Village.

before the lighting took place so that they could be decorated and written on with messages of remembrance, hope and love. The bags were then filled with sand and a candle and put out for display early in the morning on Thursday, Nov. 17, so all could view and honor the site of the many, many purple bags lining the walkways.

It was a day of reflection, conversation, fond memories and awareness. In the evening the residents gathered together for a happy

hour, dinner and the "Forget-Me-Not" dance. As is part of our Southwestern tradition, in the evening the candles were lit, transforming the purple bags into luminarias. These glowing purple treasures illuminated the walkways of Las Cruces Village for those coming to join the festivities, and as a guiding light for those leaving the festivities and heading home.

While an Alzheimer's diagnosis is very sad and affects not only the diagnosed person, but family and friends

as well, this was a day and an evening which reflected the gift of compassion and togetherness. This was a day that we took a moment to reflect on our many blessings, and the love, caring and compassion we hold in our hearts

for family and friends. This was a day of thankfulness that even through the challenges of an Alzheimer's diagnosis, we were blessed to be surrounded by good friends and family. We hoped to always "Forget-Me-Not."



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# BCOM sponsors MCAT prep

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## BULLETIN REPORT

The Department of Biomedical Sciences at Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine (BCOM) is offering a one-semester MCAT prep course for individuals interested in going to medical school.

This course is designed to help strengthen MCAT scores and train pre-medical students to become competitive when applying for medical school admission.

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# New Mexico Department of Health hosts flu shot clinic

The New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Public Health Office hosts a flu shot clinic from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 2 at St. Genevieve Parish Hall, 1025 E. Las Cruces Ave. There is no charge to those attending the clinic. Public Health offices throughout the state have vaccines available for those without insurance or who are otherwise not able to get vaccinated. Those with Medicaid or other insurance who go to public health offices are asked to bring their insurance card.

Everyone six months of age and older should get a flu vaccine each flu season, especially people in the following groups:

- Children 6 months through 4 years of age

- Pregnant women (any trimester)
- People age 50 and older
- People of any age with certain chronic medical conditions like asthma, diabetes, lung or heart disease, and those who are immunocompromised

- People who live in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities
- People who live with or care for those at high risk for complications from flu

- American Indians and Alaskan Natives

- People who are morbidly obese
- Healthcare and early childhood personnel

For more information on the no-charge flu shot clinic, call the Las Cruces Public Health Office at 575-528-5001.

## HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

### Free flu shot clinic Dec. 2

The New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Public Health Office will be hosting a flu shot clinic from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 at St. Genevieve Parish Hall, 1025 E. Las Cruces Ave. No charge. For more information on the no-charge flu shot clinic, call the Las Cruces Public Health Office at 575-528-5001.

### Breast Cancer Support Group set for January

The group meets the fourth Saturday of each month, excluding December. The next monthly meeting is from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28 at Memorial Medical Center West Side Annex Bldg., 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. The speaker will be Paul M. Phillips, MD, plastic and reconstructive surgeon. No pre-registration, no charge and open to all who are interested in health and wellness. For info, call 575-524-4373

### Activities at Center for Spiritual Living

Yoga - 9-10 a.m. Mondays; 4-5 p.m. Wednesdays; 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays; Single Parents Support Group - 7-8 p.m. every Thursday; Spirit Dance - expressing yourself through dance. No experience necessary. The only free dancing in Las Cruces): 2-3 p.m. Wednesdays; Shamanic Drumming and Meditation - newcomers or seasoned practitioners are welcome; participants must be 18 or older. (If you have rattles or drums, please bring them. If not, it's still okay to attend): First Friday of the month from 1:30 - 3 p.m. All activities held at 575 N. Main St. Info: 575-523-4847.

### Birth, death certificates available at Public Health Office

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

### Breastfeeding support group

From 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Friday at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room Mama's Milk Club Breastfeeding Support Group meets. Refreshments provided.

Free. Info: 575-521-5393.

### Zumba class at aquatic center

From 10 to 11 a.m. every Saturday the City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department holds Zumba class at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Info: 575-541-2782.

### Zumba at Mountain View Senior Circle

At 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Mountain View Senior Circle, 3948 Lohman Ave., Suite 1, Zumba classes are held. Info: 575-522-0503.

### Flu vaccines available

Flu vaccines are offered in many locations, including doctor's offices, hospitals, public health offices, and pharmacies, as well as by many employers and some schools. New Mexico Department of Health encourages those with health insurance to contact their healthcare provider or pharmacist about getting the flu vaccine. The Department offers vaccinations for people without insurance or who are otherwise not able to get vaccinated. Those with Medicaid or other insurance who go to Public Health Offices are asked to bring their insurance card. To find out about flu vaccination clinics throughout the state, call the Immunization Hotline toll free at 866-681-5872 or visit <http://flushot.healthmap.org/> to see where the vaccine is being offered.

### Immunizations available at Department of Health

The New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Central Public Health Office at 1170 N. Solano Drive provides immunization services for children (0-18 years of age) on Monday mornings, Wednesdays and Fridays. Info: 575-528-5006.

### Overeaters Anonymous

At noon Wednesdays in the library of St. James Episcopal Church, 1102 St. James Ave. and at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Overeaters Anonymous meets. OA is a fellowship of those individuals who, through shared experience, strength and hope, are recovering from a compulsive relationship with food.



# New Mexico Department of Health sets new recommendations for diabetes, exercise

## BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH) Diabetes Prevention and Control Program endorses new recommendations on physical activity and exercise for New Mexico residents with diabetes.

The guidelines, recently announced by the American Diabetes Association, suggest short periods of movement every 30 minutes—that's more frequent from previous recommendations of physical movement every 90 minutes. The new guidelines are pub-

lished in the November 2016 issue of the journal *Diabetes Care*.

Gov. Susana Martinez has proclaimed November as Diabetes Awareness Month in New Mexico to increase awareness about the immediate and long-term impact of diabetes to New Mexico residents, families and communities. The state has designated diabetes a super-priority and is deploying resources to address this condition.

NMDOH reports diabetes affects more than 233,000 adults statewide. That's one out of every seven adults. Na-

tionwide, more than 29 million people have diabetes, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). One out of every four people nationwide don't know they even have diabetes.

"Sedentary behavior—such as time spent sitting at the computer, in a meeting, or watching TV—has a negative effect on preventing or managing health problems, including diabetes," said New Mexico Department of Health Secretary Lynn Gallagher. "Physical movement improves blood sugar

management for anyone who has a sedentary job, is overweight, obese or who has difficulty maintaining blood sugars in a healthy range."

Warning signs for diabetes include frequent trips to the bathroom, unquenchable thirst, losing weight without trying, weakness or fatigue, tingling or numbness in your hands, legs or feet and more. Symptoms can also include blurred vision, itchy or dry skin and cuts and bruises that take a long time to heal. People with prediabetes or diabetes may also have no symptoms at all.

## Risk Factors

- You are overweight.
- You are physically inactive.
- A parent, brother or sister has diabetes.
- You are Hispanic/Latino, Native American, Asian American, African American or Pacific Islander.
- You had a baby weighing more than nine pounds or had gestational diabetes.
- You have high blood pressure.
- You have low HDL (good cholesterol).
- You have high triglycerides.

**TO ASSESS YOUR RISK FOR DIABETES, VISIT [HTTP://www.diabetes.org/are-you-at-risk/diabetes-risk-test/](http://www.diabetes.org/are-you-at-risk/diabetes-risk-test/).**

## HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

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Info: [www.oa.org](http://www.oa.org) or call Barbara at 575-405-0128 or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

### Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach support group

Diabetes Educational Support Group meetings provide open discussion and short teaching regarding diabetes, and a question and answer period from 10 – 11:15 a.m. the third Thursday of each month in the meeting room of Natural Grocers, 3970 E. Lohman Ave.

### Kiwanis seeking donations for blanket drive

The Kiwanis Club of Las Cruces blanket drive to support the pediatric units at Memorial Medical Center and Mountain View Regional Hospital is asking for donations of hand-made blankets or quilts to give to the children, aka Cupid's Cuties, for Valentine's Day. Blankets can be crocheted, knitted, quilted or made of cloth and can be dropped off any time at First New Mexico Bank on East Lohman Ave. (next to Pier 1). Info or to schedule a pickup: Debra Melcher at 575-202-6366 or Nancy Miller at 575-628-7186.

### Sexual Compulsives Anonymous

At 7 p.m. Mondays at Sierra Vista Community Church, 514 N. Telshor (behind the T Mobile building) Sexual

Compulsives Anonymous meets. SCA is a 12-step fellowship of men and women who share experience, strength and hope to solve common problems and help each other recover from sexual compulsion. Info: [www.sca-recovery.org](http://www.sca-recovery.org) or 575-526-9535.

### Tai Chi class

From 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday the City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department Tai Chi classes are held for adults. Cost: \$30 for a four-week session, \$15 for those 60 and older. Limited space available on a first-come, first-served basis. Info: 575-541-2455.

### Meditation classes at Tesoro

At 6 p.m. Thursdays at 1605 S. Main St. Zen Buddhist meditation and study group with the Rev. K. Hilbert. Walk-ins welcome. Cost: \$7 drop-in, five classes for \$30 or 10 classes for \$60. Info: 575-541-5660.

### Yoga at the Center for Spiritual Living

From 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays and 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays yoga classes meet at 575 N. Main St. \$5. Info: 575-523-4847.

### Cancer support group meets at UUMC

From 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer Care, a support group for those dealing with cancer,

(patients, survivors, caregivers, family and friends) meets. Info: Betty Harris at 575-524-3994 or the church office at 575-522-8220.

### Alzheimer's and dementia support group meets

At 11:30 a.m. every Thursday, Arbors of Del Rey Assisted Living Community holds a support meeting at Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. Arbors of Del Rey experts offer information and interventions. Info: 575-382-5200.

### Tesoro Integrative Health Center yoga classes

At 10 a.m. Monday/Wednesday/Friday is Gentle Yoga; 7:15 a.m. Tuesday and 8:30 a.m. Saturday is Kundalini Yoga; 6:15 Tuesday/Thursday, 10 a.m. Saturday is Hatha Yoga; 6:15 Monday/Wednesday is Gentle Yoga at Tesoro Integrative Health Center, 1605 S. Main St. Walk-ins welcome. Drop-in fee is \$7; five classes for \$30; and 10 for \$60. Info: 575-541-5660.

### Parkinson's Support Group meets third Tuesday

At 10 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. the Parkinson's disease Support Group of Southern New Mexico (PDSGSNM) meets.

### MS Support/Education group meets first Thursday

From 4:30 to 6 p.m. the first Thursday

of each month in the Social Center Creative Arts Room at Good Samaritan Society Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle, join a multiple sclerosis support/education group. Date, time and location are subject to change. Info/RSVP: 575-373-5130 or [lascrucesmselfhelp@gmail.com](mailto:lascrucesmselfhelp@gmail.com).

### BCOM sponsors MCAT prep

The Department of Biomedical Sciences at Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine (BCOM) is offering a one-semester MCAT prep course for individuals interested in going to medical school. Dates and times of the spring course are 5:15 to 6:45 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Jan. 18 to April 28, 2017. Application deadline is Jan. 10. For more information and to register visit: <https://bcmnm.org/academics/bcom-mcat-prep-course/>

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# Alzheimer's classes set for December

## Spanish language class available

### BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces families facing Alzheimer's disease will have access to free classes offered by the Alzheimer's Association-New Mexico Chapter in both English and Spanish.

"Cuidando con Respeto" is a free course presented in Spanish for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. It provides the same helpful information as the popular "Savvy Caregiver Program," but is designed for Spanish-speaking families and caregivers. The workshop will provide a basic understanding of the necessary skills and attitudes to manage the needs and challenges of an individual with Alzheimer's disease.

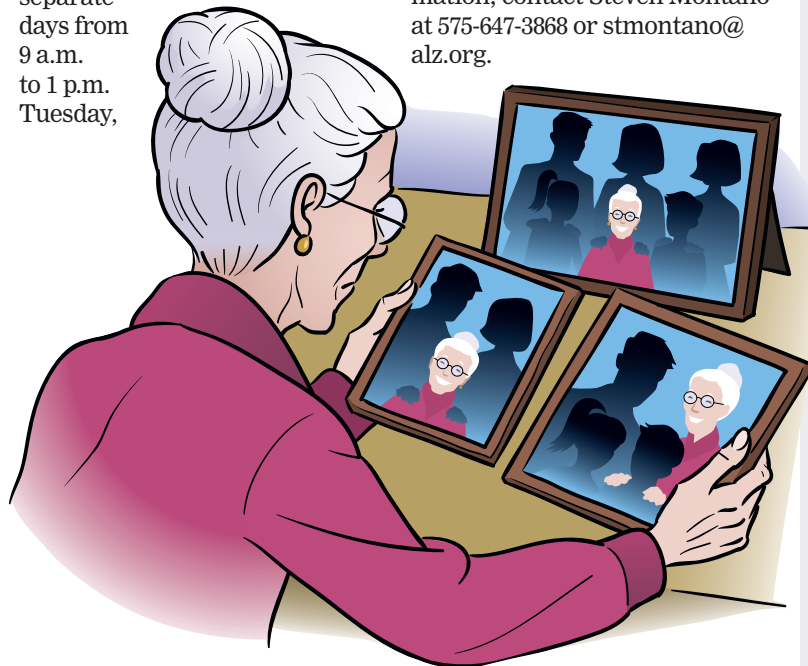
The course is a four-hour workshop that meets on two separate days from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday,

Dec. 13 and Wednesday, Dec. 14 at 4003 Geothermal Drive. To register or for more information, please contact Lori at 575-646-4887 or Ana Luisa at 575-646-3061. Refreshments and snacks provided.

In addition, "The Basics of Alzheimer's Disease" is a free presentation in English held from 11 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Dec. 21 at the Alzheimer's Association Office, 125 N. Main St., Ste 103-104. The class is free and open to all citizens of Las Cruces and surrounding communities and is part of the "Savvy Caregiver" program.

The workshop will provide a basic understanding of the necessary skills and attitudes to manage the needs and challenges of an individual with Alzheimer's disease.

To register or for more information, contact Steven Montano at 575-647-3868 or [stmontano@alz.org](mailto:stmontano@alz.org).



## Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures

The 2016 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures report shows the number of Americans living with Alzheimer's disease is growing quickly. Today, 5.4 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease, including an estimated 200,000 under the age of 65. It is the sixth-leading cause of death in the U.S. and nearly two-thirds of those with Alzheimer's disease — 3.3 million — are women. Nearly one in every three seniors who dies each year has Alzheimer's or another form of dementia.

According to the report, someone in the United States develops Alzheimer's every 66 seconds. In 2050, someone in the United States will develop the disease every 33 seconds. By that same year, up to 16 million will have the disease.

Currently, there is no cure for Alzheimer's.

The growing Alzheimer's crisis is helping to bankrupt Medicare. In 2016, the direct costs to American society of caring for those with Alzheimer's will total an estimated \$236 billion, with just under half of the costs borne by Medicare. This cost is projected to increase to \$1.1 trillion (in today's dollars) by 2050.

In our own state, the report reads, 37,000 New Mexicans are suffering from Alzheimer's. They are cared for by 106,000 unpaid caregivers, many of whom are members of their own families.

The Alzheimer's Association-New Mexico Chapter offers free classes to caregivers and families facing the disease. Call 505-266-4473 or the 24/7 Helpline at 1-800-272-3900 for more information. Source information: [alz.org/facts](http://alz.org/facts).



## School of Social Work hosts Holiday Angel Tree

New Mexico State University (NMSU) School of Social Work, Family and Child Welfare Training Project is hosting its annual Holiday Angel Tree. By partnering with Children, Youth, and Families Department (CYFD) the department will make the holidays brighter for local children who receive services from CYFD.

Needed are "angels" to donate gifts to children ages 0-18.

Individuals interested in purchasing a gift for a child or adolescent can choose an angel tag from the angel tree or request

a tag online at <https://socialwork.nmsu.edu/fcwtp/holiday-angel-tree/>.

The Holiday Angel Tree is located in the Health and Social Services building, Suite 210. Gifts should be brought in with the angel tag attached to an age-appropriate unwrapped gift bag to HSS Suite 210 by Monday, Dec. 12. Gifts will be distributed to the children the week before Christmas.

For inquiries please contact Gloria Nuñez at 575-646-4874 or [glunenez@nmsu.edu](mailto:glunenez@nmsu.edu).



# 'SNAP'py Critter Christmas is Dec. 11 at convention center

By **MIKE COOK**  
The Bulletin

SNAP (Spay and Neuter Action Program) of Doña Ana County is sponsoring the seventh annual "SNAP"py Critter Christmas from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 11, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

Tickets are \$50 each, which includes lunch, silent and live auctions, raffles and a dog-treat buffet. There will also be no-host bars. Well-behaved dogs on leashes are welcome to attend. Live music will be provided by The Derrick Harris Jazz Band.

Silent auction items will include time in a cabin in Cloudcroft, a diamond necklace and a chef's dinner at the convention center, said SNAP co-director Janice English.

Tickets are available at the SNAP office, 2405 W. Picacho Ave., Suite 103, directly across the street from Peddlers Pavilion; American Classified, 151 S. Solano Drive; Better Life Pet Foods, 365 Avenida de Mesilla and 315 Telshor Blvd., behind Whataburger; Horse N Hound Feed N Supply, 991 W. Amador Ave.; and online at [HoldMyTicket.com/event/256633](http://HoldMyTicket.com/event/256633).

Funds raised during Critter Christmas will support SNAP, English said. The event is SNAP's biggest fundraiser of the year, and generated about \$9,000 last year, she said.

SNAP was incorporated as a nonprofit in 1998 with a mission primarily focused on education and outreach. Three years later, it changed the "A" in SNAP from Awareness to Action and added issuing vouchers for the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats to its mission.

In 2001, SNAP helped subsidize 54 animal surgeries.

In 2015, SNAP issued vouchers for the spaying and neutering of 1,547 pets, including more than 830 dogs and more than 700 cats, according to SNAP's spring 2016 newsletter. 38 percent of the animals belonged to residents of the



## Spay and neuter is great holiday gift

### BULLETIN REPORT

Need a holiday gift for your dog or cat, or for a pet owner who needs help to do the right thing? Consider the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley (ASCMV) spaying and neutering services.

For dogs and puppies, the cost is \$35, plus \$5 for males that require an e-collar (cone). For cats and kittens, the cost is \$25.

To be eligible for surgery, the dog or cat must: 1) be at least two months old but not more than six years old; 2) weigh at least two pounds; 3) have current vaccinations; and 4) be in good health – no illness within two weeks of surgery.

ASCMV accepts SNAP (Spay/Neuter Action Agency) vouchers.

For more information, contact SNAP at 575-524-9265 or visit [www.snapnewmexico.org](http://www.snapnewmexico.org) and find them on Facebook at Snap Spay Neuter Action Program. The SNAP office is located at 2405 W. Picacho Ave.

SNAP works with 11 veterinary practices in the county to accomplish its mission "to prevent the suffering and death of dogs and cats due to overpopulation."

To make an appointment to spay or neuter your pet at ASCMV, 3551 Bataan Memorial West, call 575-382-0018 and ask for the for the spay/neuter coordinator.

# Jewelry donations sought for spring kitten fundraiser

Project Save a Kitten is preparing for its March 2017 fundraiser. This year's cat-chy event will be a jewelry sale.

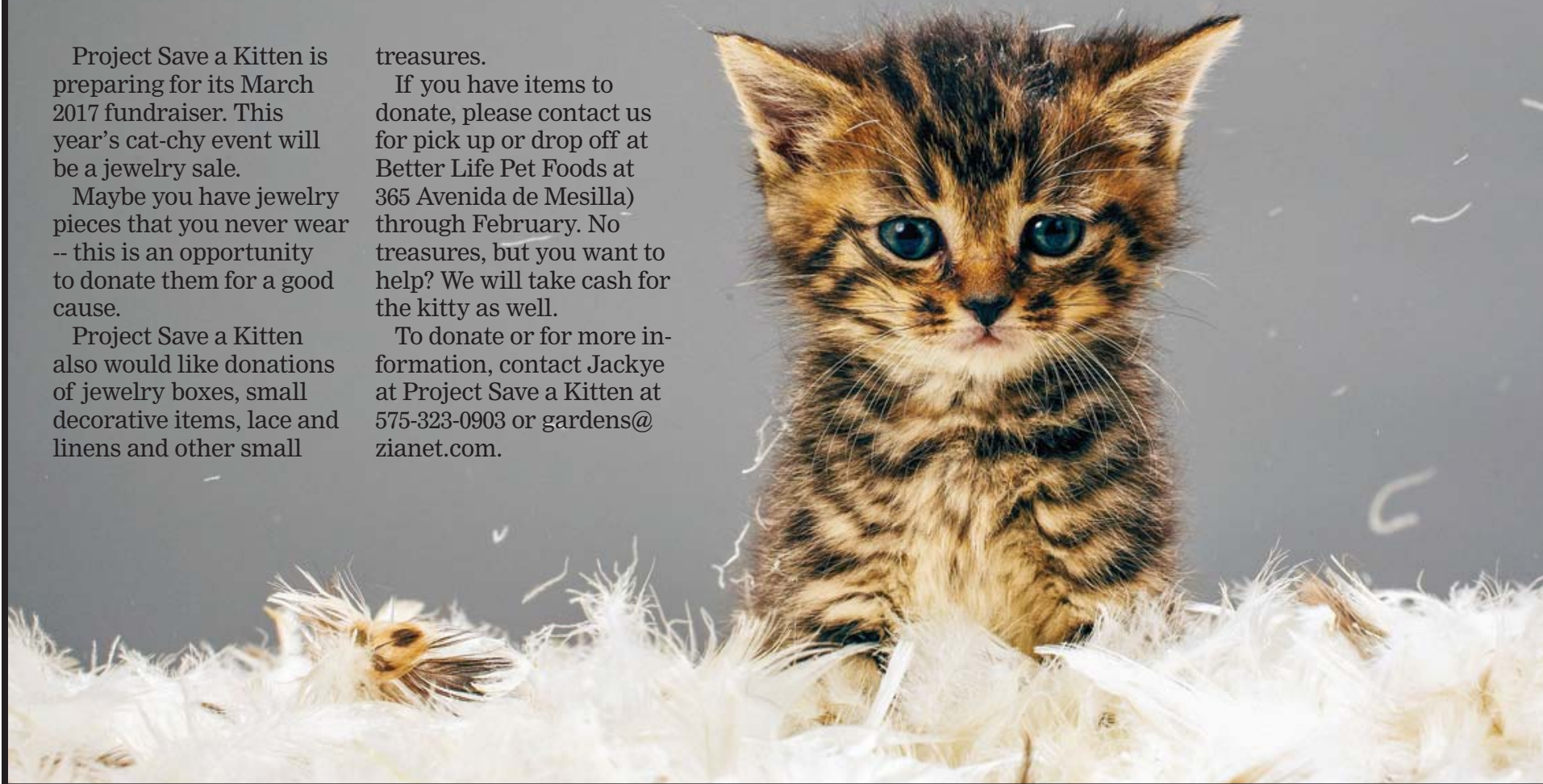
Maybe you have jewelry pieces that you never wear -- this is an opportunity to donate them for a good cause.

Project Save a Kitten also would like donations of jewelry boxes, small decorative items, lace and linens and other small

treasures.

If you have items to donate, please contact us for pick up or drop off at Better Life Pet Foods at 365 Avenida de Mesilla) through February. No treasures, but you want to help? We will take cash for the kitty as well.

To donate or for more information, contact Jackye at Project Save a Kitten at 575-323-0903 or [gardens@zianet.com](mailto:gardens@zianet.com).



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county, while 62 percent belonged to Las Cruces residents, the newsletter said.

In 2016, through the end of October, SNAP has issued vouchers for the spaying and neutering of 804 dogs and 615 cats, English said. It has spent \$109,000 thus

far this year on spaying and neutering services countywide, she said, and works with 11 local veterinarians to provide those services.

The program has two part-time employees and 10 active volunteers. New volunteers are very welcome, English said. "We need volunteers and particularly bilingual volunteers," she said, noting that SNAP's

vouchers and other documents are printed in both English and Spanish.

You can pick up a voucher application at the SNAP office or contact them for a mail-in application if you live outside Las Cruces. You can also sign up as a volunteer at the office.

"SNAP requires a co-pay from its clients for each surgery: \$25

for cat surgeries and \$35 for dog surgeries if local veterinarians are used, a \$15 co-pay for cats and \$25 for dogs if pet owners use ASCMV services, and no co-pay for cat surgeries if the ASCMV is utilized for Trap, Neuter and Return (TNR) felines," according to SNAP documents.

SNAP and other spay and neuter programs

in the county "are making a difference in the overpopulation in our area," the SNAP newsletter said. "In 2015, the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley (ASCMV) took in 9,667 animals and only had to euthanize 3,210 or 33 percent of this intake. This is a notable decrease from previous years."

The SNAP office is open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tuesday through Friday. The office is located at 2405 W. Picacho Ave., Suite 103.

You can make donations on the Facebook page or website, or take donations to the SNAP office, 2405 E. Picacho Ave., Suite 200. Call 575-524-9265. Visit [www.snapnewmexico.org](http://www.snapnewmexico.org) or find them on Facebook at Snap Spay Neuter Action Program.



# Ags lose home finale; to take on South Alabama

BY MARTY RACINE

For the Bulletin

Perhaps it was unrealistic to expect more.

A week after a 40-point beat-down of Texas State, the New Mexico State University Aggies entered the season's final home game Nov. 26 full of momentum but plagued by injuries, facing arguably the best team in the Sun Belt Conference.

Little wonder, then, that Appalachian State took care of business before 5,366 on Senior Day at Aggie Memorial Stadium. The 37-7 win moved the Mountaineers to 9-3, 7-1 in the conference. The Aggies fell to 3-8 and 2-5, with the season's finale slated for Saturday at South Alabama (11 a.m. MT, ESPN3 and 99.5 FM).

A win over the Jaguars would top last year's Aggie total of three, but that's a challenge against a team fighting for a bowl berth. South Alabama is only 1-6 in the Sun Belt, but at 5-6 overall (including a shocker over Mississippi State) they would become bowl-eligible with a .500 record.

The Jaguars rack up most of their yardage through the air, but they've been solid on the ground, with the running game scoring more than half of their touchdowns.

Quarterback Dallas Davis has completed 58 percent of 296 attempts for nine touchdowns. He's also been intercepted nine times. His favorite targets are Gerald Everett, Josh Magee and Kevin Kutchera.

Xavier Johnson is the go-to back, with 633 yards for a 5.0 average and seven touchdowns. Kicker Gavin Patterson has been fairly accurate inside the 40-yard-line (9 of 11) but is only 1 of 5 from range.

Also, Saturday, NMSU running back Larry Rose III needs 39 rushing and/or receiving yards to pass Taeveon Rogers for fourth in career all-purpose yards.

Against Appalachian State, Rose was not a factor. The run-oriented Mountaineers dictated the game from the opening kickoff, carving up the Aggies' defense with option plays that found seams along the line and into the secondary.

For their part, the Aggies' offense, with a banged-up line and missing quarterback Tyler Rogers (reportedly an elbow injury in practice), could not remain on the field. With backup quarterback Nick Jeanty at the helm, the Aggies ran but nine plays in the opening



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY TABITHA ROSSMAN

The Las Cruces High School Bulldawgs take on Rio Rancho, 1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 3, at Rio Rancho in a showdown for the State Class 6A title.

# Bulldawgs seek state championship



By JEFF MATTHEWS

For the Bulletin

After a stunning blowout victory over No. 2 Cleveland in the semifinals last week, the Las Cruces Bulldawgs return to Rio Rancho to play for the 6A state title.

The Bulldawgs tangle with the Rams for the state trophy at 1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 3.

The Bulldawgs dominated Cleveland every which way they could Friday, Nov. 26, in the semifinals rolling to a 45-7 victory.

Rio Rancho is undefeated and the

## If you go

No. 3 Las Cruces 11-1 at No.1 Rio Rancho 12-0

**WHEN:** 1 p.m. Saturday Dec. 3

**WHERE:** Rio Rancho High School Football Stadium

**TICKETS:** \$8 adults \$5 students purchase online at Ticketleap.com or at the stadium

**RADIO:** 98.7 FM online audio: classic hits987.com

**VIDEO STREAM:** NFHS Networks (there is a fee)



# Golf course closures dramatically impact economy

**GOLF DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ABLE TO GET OFF THE BOGEY TRAIN.** In an episode of HBO's Real Sports that aired in July of 2014, host Bryant Gumbel described the golf course contraction as a "hangover" from the sport's explosive growth in the Tiger Woods era, and added, "A golf course closes somewhere in America every 48 hours."

That was a very slight exaggeration, but still poignant. The economic impact has been awful in terms of jobs, property and businesses.

Roughly 24 months prior to that HBO program Santa Teresa Country Club completely closed all operations at its 36-hole property after 40 years. STCC started up in 1972 with some investment and promotion by Lee Trevino, who by that



**CHARLIE BLANCHARD**  
Golf Doctor

time was famous in the world of golf. The club attracted many commuters from El Paso, some of whom built homes there. Over time, ambitious building, ownership squabbles, water rights difficulties and unpaid taxes took a heavy toll. Today the nearly 1000 homes surrounding the eastern portion of STCC have lost some 30 to 40 percent of the property value since the

club closed, according to reliable sources who recently visited the area. Many homes are up for sale and there are many rentals.

Make no mistake: golf as an industry may not be growing lately but it is BIG. (That's why the impact throughout the far-reaching money interests is so great when things turn ugly.) "Golf 20/20," a golf research and reporting entity closely allied with the National Golf Foundation, demonstrated that golf (in total) in 2002 was a \$62-billion industry, bigger than the motion picture and recording industries combined. A follow up survey in 2011 reported that golf had grown about 10 percent with a total impact on the U.S. economy of \$168 billion. That doesn't count the \$4 billion that golf is re-

sponsible for contributing annually to charities across the country.

Through the process of doing my own digging into the mind-boggling facts, hidden stories, background history, economic impact and far-reaching ramifications of golf course closings, nothing captured my attention more than the story of the 2013 demise of Ahwatukee Lakes Golf Course in a suburban Phoenix community of 80,000 near South Mountain. The owner of the once-popular ALGC stopped watering, drained all the ponds and stopped turf upkeep, with the result of turning the former green golf haven into a very real eyesore. A Bloomberg News online report of Aug. 16, 2015, titled "America's Golf Courses Are Burning," stated, "The dark clouds rolled in over

Phoenix's Ahwatukee Lakes Golf Course when its owner declared that the costs of keeping it open had outstripped what he was collecting in green fees ... then one night in February the dark clouds turned to smoke, and fire caved in the clubhouse roof." The fire was reported to be of "suspicious" origin. Since the closing of ALGC the course owner, adjacent homeowners, and other parties in the community have been at odds with ongoing lawsuits. Bloomberg News goes on, "the dynamics that bred between the struggling golf course's owner and its aggrieved neighbors are mirrored in communities across the country.

Jay Karen, CEO of the National Golf Course Owners Association, has noted that if you own a failed restaurant in a strip

mall, you close shop and move on. On the other hand, he says, for golf course owners, it's much harder to pull the plug on a failing business because as courses fall into disuse they become suburban zombies - "not quite dead yet far from alive."


The latest figures on golf facilities released by NGF was the "2015 Course Inventory Change" published in February, 2016. It reported that 177 18-hole (or equivalent) courses closed in 2015, while 17 new courses opened (up from only 11 in 2014). When NGF announced the industry goal of "a new golf course a day" back in 1988, that overly ambitious idea did not and could not foresee the ultra-rapid change in real estate, the economy and golf's decline in popularity.

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**Irene Fernald** is a 17-year-old senior at Las Cruces High School. She runs cross country and is on the Lady Bulldawgs swimming and track teams. Irene ranked 7th in the cross country state competition this year. She also led the girls cross country team to 9th place - their first top 10 place ever. Fernald is fiercely determined, musically inclined, active in community service, compassionate and adventurous. She is an exceptional student, with a 4.16 GPA, is fluent in Spanish and Russian, president of the National Honor Society, Secretary for Students for Sustainability and National Merit semi-finalist. Fernald's career interest included foreign service international relations/studies. Outside of school and sports she enjoys foreign languages and cultures and band.



**Luis L. Mendoza** is a 17-year-old senior at Las Cruces High School. He is base and power tumbler on the Bulldawgs cheerleading team and was state champion in 2016. Mendoza is humble and responsible. He is a great leader, hardworking and pushes his teammates to be their best. Mendoza is a dedicated student, with a 3.0 GPA and his interests outside of sports are community involvement, playing video games and being a full-time big brother.

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## Las Cruces golfers win PGA awards

### BULLETIN REPORT


On Nov. 7, the Sun Country PGA golf season

finished with the presentation of the 2016 award winners at the section's annual awards dinner.

Sponsored by the PGA National Resort and Spa, the dinner was hosted at Sandia Golf Club in Albuquerque, N.M.


The honorees include Las Cruces Henry Stetina, NMSU PGA golf management, winning the Jack Hardwick Teacher of the Year award.

The Horton Smith Award, which recognizes individual golf professionals for their outstanding and continuing contributions to developing and improving education opportunities for Sun Country PGA golf professionals was awarded to Josh Salmon, NMSU PGA Golf Management, also of Las Cruces.






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# Aggies' home finale



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY CHRISTOPHER BELARDE

Appalachian State freshman Darrynton Evans tries to outrun the Aggie defense.



Above: NMSU quarterback Conner Cramer slides at the end of a run during the Aggies' loss in its final home game.

Right: New Mexico State University running back Larry Rose III fights for yardage against the Appalachian State defense, Saturday, Nov. 26 at Aggie Memorial Stadium. Rose – who is just 39 rushing or receiving yards away from fourth-place in NMSU career all-purpose yards - finished the game with 34 yards; NMSU lost its home finale 37-7, but still finishes with a winning record at home at 3-2. NMSU, 3-8 overall, plays at Southern Alabama, Saturday, Dec. 3 to round out the season.



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No. 1 seed. “You have a whole different challenge in this Rio Rancho team,” said Las Cruces Head Coach Mark Lopez.

“They are moving all over the place. They stunt, they twist, they are coming from all different angles. You are not trying to necessarily move them like you were Cleveland side to side. You are trying to keep them in front of you and trying to make sure they aren’t blowing by you with all their twists and stunts. Totally different approach on their defense,” he said.

Rio Rancho has sailed through their schedule. The closest game was a 14-point win over Cleveland in October. “Every team is beatable out there. You’ve got to find the right combination. You’ve got to play physical and execute like any other game.” said Lopez. “It’s one of those things where the more you watch somebody, the more human they become. Everybody makes mistakes. We like the matchup but by the same token, we know we have our hands full with a really, really talented team.” Rio Rancho has a ter-

rific running back in Josh Foley who was averaging over 10 yards a carry and has 30 plus TDs this season. “No doubt, he’s maybe the most explosive playmaker in the state. He just needs a small crease. You see it game after game,” said Lopez. “There have been teams that have just focused on him and the quarterback (Nic Little) gashes you. He does a great job too. He’s a very athletic runner.”

The Bulldawgs have been dominant in their own right. Las Cruces has outscored their opponents 80-21 in the playoffs. Las Cruces has got off to fast starts against Oñate, Centennial, Clovis and Cleveland rolling out to big leads early.

Lopez said this week, the Dawgs will go as far as their experienced forces in the trenches take them. “We are challenging those guys to do a lot this week. The recognition of our offensive line with all their stunts and everything they do. We’ve got to recognize and we’ve got to do a great job in executing,” he said. “Defensively we can’t get moved off the spot. If you get moved off your spot and that Foley kid has the ball behind you, it’s going to turn into a track meet.”

## AGS

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quarter for zero yardage and no first downs. Jeanty completed 2-of-3 passes for minus-1 yard. Suddenly App State was up, 17-0.

Junior QB Conner Cramer took over, and the Aggies briefly made a game of it, closing to 17-7 on a 54-yard Cramer-to-Tyrian

Taylor pass with five minutes remaining in the half. Cramer showed good vision, scrambling ability and arm strength on the play, escaping a sack by reversing field and finding Taylor downfield. It was Cramer’s first career touchdown and, playing the rest of the game, he set personal bests of 93 yards passing and 74 yards rushing.



# Three-game homestand begins Wednesday

## BULLETIN REPORT

The New Mexico State men's basketball team opened a three-game homestand Wednesday, Nov. 30, against Air Force and will conclude with Battle of I-25 rival New Mexico on Saturday, Dec. 10.

## GAMEDAY PROMOTIONS

vs. Long Beach State  
Three days later, the first 1,000 fans can get their hands on the second installment in the Aggie snapback hat giveaway on Saturday, Dec. 3, when NM State hosts Long Beach State.

## GET CONNECTED

Get up-to-the-minute information and news about the NM State men's basketball team all season on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook by following @AggieArmy.

## LISTEN UP

Aggie fans that can't make it to the game can listen to NM State Athletics/US Bank Hall of Famer Jack Nixon on 99.5 Zia Country or listen to the game live with their mobile or tablet device on the TuneIn app for free. In addition, fans can listen to the game on the following affiliate stations:

Alamogordo 103.7 FM KNMZ

Albuquerque 101.7 FM KQTM  
Carlsbad 1240 AM KAMQ  
Gallup 1230 AM, 94.9 FM KYVA  
Las Vegas 107.1 FM KMDS

## WOMEN'S CLINIC

Be sure to join head men's basketball coach Paul Weir and his wife, Alma, next Tuesday, Dec. 6, as they host the women's basketball clinic at the Pan American Center practice gym. For \$30, participants can enjoy an evening filled with basketball, friends and fun with fellow Aggie fans. The event includes a chalk talk, tour of NM State basketball facili-

ties, Q&A session, meet & greet with the current team and staff, on-court drills, appetizers, wine and more. Proceeds will go toward tickets for youth in the city of Las Cruces.

For more information, call Nicole Gomez at 575-646-8050 or by email at nicolemg@nmsu.edu.

## AGGIELAND DELIGHT

Seven games into the season, Ian Baker (13.3), Sidy N'Dir (12.9) and Braxton Huggins (12.4) lead NM State with all three averaging in double-figures.

Meanwhile, Eli Chuha (6.6) and Jemerrio Jones (5.3) guide the Aggies on the glass while Tanveer

Bhullar checks in with 4.8 boards per game.

N'Dir and Jones are tied for the team lead with 15 assists while Matt Taylor (13) and Huggins (10) rounds out the list of players with double-digit assists. Jones paces NM State in the steals category, picking opponents off 11 times so far to Baker's 10.


Huggins has been a deadly shooter for NM State beyond the arc, knocking down 16-of-28 attempts for a .571 shooting clip.

## BAKER NEARS 1,000 POINT CLUB


Aggie floor general Ian Baker currently sits at 940 career points as he

prepares to suit up for his 94th-career game in the Crimson & White. Baker, a Washington, D.C., product will become the 33rd player to join the 1,000 point club in program history when he reaches that plateau. He will be the fourth Aggie in the last three seasons to join the 1,000. Other players that recently joined the 1,000 point club include Pascal Siakam (1,126, 2014-16), Tshildzi Nephawe (1,087, 2011-15) and Daniel Mullings (1,677, 2012-15).

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