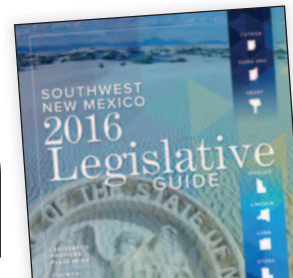


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## Las Cruces has nearly 1,000 acres of parks

*Editor's note: This is the first of a series of stories about city parks in Las Cruces.*

**By Mike Cook**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

We all know about Pioneer Women's Park in downtown Las Cruces, Apodaca Park, Young Park, Veterans Memorial Park and a few other city parks in Las Cruces. But local residents might be surprised to learn there are 85 total parks and counting in the city — three are in development in the Metro Verde area of northeast Las Cruces, City of Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Director Mark Johnston said.

Some city parks have been around

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## State of the State



BULLETIN PHOTO BY RICHARD COLTHARP

With husband Chuck Franco listening, Gov. Susana Martinez delivers her 2016 State of the State address Tuesday, Jan. 19 in Santa Fe, signaling the beginning of the 30-day Legislative Session at the State Capitol in Santa Fe. To read excerpts from her address, see Page A3. To read the full address, go online to [www.lascrucesbulletin.com](http://www.lascrucesbulletin.com).

## City remembers former councillor

Silva died Sunday of apparent suicide

**By Mike Cook and Brook Stockberger**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

"He brought us laughter, he brought us joy, he brought us support in many, many activities," Las Cruces community activist Irene Oliver-Lewis said in memory of the



SILVA

late Miguel G. Silva at the Tuesday, Jan. 19 Las Cruces City Council meeting. Silva, 55, died Sunday, Jan. 17 of an apparent suicide.

He served on the city council from 2007 to 2015 and ran for mayor in November 2015. He lost to current Mayor Ken Miyagishima.

Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith, who chaired the meeting in the absence of Miyagishima, asked for comments about Silva from the public and from his fellow council members before beginning the regular meeting.

"I sat next to Miguel Silva for four years on this council," said former City Councillor Dolores Connor. "Miguel had a big heart with lots of ideas and thoughts. Good-bye to my good friend and to that guy who loved being a public servant."

Kari Bachman, coordinator of Doña Ana Place Matters, said she first met Silva in 1994, when she came to Las Cruces as a student at New Mexico State University.

"He and I had many disagreements and many conversations about those, and I am forever enriched by them," Bachman said.

She and other friends and colleagues of Silva's placed an altar in his memory on Tortugas Mountain on Sunday, Jan. 18. Bachman wore a cap to the Jan. 19 council meeting in honor of Silva, who was known for his many hats.

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## County celebrates fifth clean audit

For the fifth consecutive year, Doña Ana County's annual outside audit has come back with zero findings of deficiencies in processes and protocols.

"It's unusual for a governmental entity of this size to get two consecutive clean audits," said Doña Ana County Manager Julia T. Brown. "To receive five consecutive clean audits borders on being unprecedented, and it's a sparkling tribute to the county's Finance Department for managing the strong financial protocols that have been put in place to safeguard the integrity of taxpayer funds."

In 2011, the New Mexico State Auditor's Office bestowed its very first Accountability Award for Large County Audit Achievement to Doña Ana County. The award was co-sponsored by the New Mexico Association of Counties.

According to the county's Finance Director, Bill Noland, Doña Ana County is the only county in the State of New Mexico to receive no findings over the five-year period, and only one municipality – the tiny Village of Causey, population 104, in Roosevelt County – received no findings over the

same period.

"Occasionally, department heads and elected officials complain about the budgeting and procurement processes that we have in place," Brown said. "The processes may be cumbersome at times, but they're in place for good reasons, and this string of clean audits demonstrates that they're working as they should."

The county's external audits have been conducted by Hinkle and Landers, PC, of Albuquerque.

## Pack 316 Cubs tour fire facility

Doña Ana County Attorney Nelson Goodin spends much of his free time working with young people involved in the local Cub Scouts of Pack 316. This month, he arranged a tour of the Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services Department's training facility and fire-simulation trailer for 32 of the wide-eyed youngsters.

Located at 1430 Portland Dr., in Las Cruces, the facility is a state-of-the-art training building for both volunteer and paid firefighters serving Doña Ana County's 16 Volunteer Fire Districts. The simulation trailer is used for both on-site and off-site demonstrations of how to properly respond to a kitchen or house fire.

The 2015 BullEx Fire Safety Trailer is a mobile classroom that staff uses to teach firefighting skills and fire-prevention training throughout the county. Some of the training scenarios include teaching adults how to extinguish kitchen fires with simulated fires that are intense and true-to-life, but are completely safe. It can also teach children what to do in case of a fire emergency.

Goodin said the children 'absolutely loved' getting to spend time visiting with Interim Doña Ana County Fire Chief Eric Crespín and his training staff.

"The tour and the demo trailer were clear highlights for them," he said, "but they also very much enjoyed



Firefighter Edgar Piñón of the Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services Department educates Cub Scouts about fire safety. PHOTO: Nelson Goodin

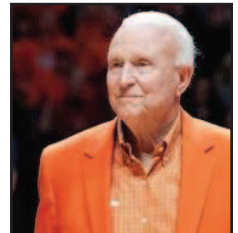
asking questions and getting to interact with the firefighting personnel."

"We're grateful for every opportunity to show these assets to the community," Crespín said. "People of all ages can benefit from the life-saving lessons we can demonstrate, and these kids were attentive and engaged."

To arrange a group tour of the training building, or to arrange a demonstration of the simulation trailer, call the Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services Department at (575) 647-7921.

## Commission to fete Lou Henson

Former New Mexico State University head basketball Coach Lou Henson will be honored Tuesday, Jan. 26, by the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners.



LOU HENSON

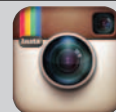
District 3 Doña Ana County Commissioner Benjamin L. Rawson is sponsoring a proclamation designating Jan. 26 as Lou Henson Day to honor the 2015 National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame inductee, who posted 779 wins during his career.

"Coach Henson is a local legend and a personal hero of mine," Rawson said. "I join my colleagues on the Commission in honoring his amazing career."

Henson coached at NMSU for a total of 16 seasons (1966-1975 and 1997-2005), and before that, he led the Las Cruces High School Bulldogs to state championships in 1959, 1960 and 1961.

The Jan. 26 meeting begins at 9 a.m. in the Commission Chambers of the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., in Las Cruces.

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# Martinez talks crime, education in State of the State

**Bulletin report**

Gov. Susana Martinez delivered her State of the State address to both houses of the New Mexico Legislature on Tuesday, Jan. 19 as the governing bodies opened up this year's 30-day session.

Here are some excerpts from the speech, which can be read in its entirety

online at [www.lascrucesbulletin.com](http://www.lascrucesbulletin.com).

**Overview**

"Our call and purpose will be to confront violent crime, demand more than mediocrity in education, and compete for jobs with the resolve that is expected of us. These challenges — these realities — are

not specifically of our making. In some cases, they have been decades in the making. But they are what is in front of us, and for the sake of future generations, it is our responsibility to address them."

**Crime**

"Call them boomerang thugs, turnstile thugs,

whatever. We have vicious, heinous criminals among us who are willing to take the lives of our greatest heroes, and who have no business being out on our streets."

"Communities, parents, and families ask: how are these criminals still out there? The pub-

lic's frustration is not misplaced. Our laws are too lax, our justice system too weak — particularly when it comes to violent, dangerous offenders. It's our job to fix it and there's a lot we can do.

"Every judge should have real-time access to the criminal background

and history of defendants who appear in their courtrooms — so that sentencing and bail decisions can be made with that information.

"And we need to amend our Constitution to allow judges to keep the most

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# Opinion



## From the publisher

BY RICHARD COLTHARP

# Las Cruces loses strong advocate

## Silva found his own style, his own voice

Miguel Silva sought beauty.

The former Las Cruces City Councillor loved art, music and architecture, but perhaps what he sought most was something more fleeting — the smiles of his fellow human beings.

Silva was known for wearing colorful, unique hats and colorful, unique bowties.

He was also known as a colorful, unique person. Some think he wore those clothes for attention, but I think he just liked them. To him they were unique, beautiful in their own way. They had the added effect of bringing smiles to his fellow human beings.

Silva started a business with a photo

booth. He brought the booth to events so people could share more smiles with each other and preserve those smiles to share with still others.

Miguel Silva also sought truth.

The biggest issue of Silva's eight-year tenure was the city council's vote on minimum wage. Many people on both sides of the issue knew immediately where they stood and began digging in their heels.

Silva initially took no position. Instead he did something very rare for a politician. He said he didn't know. He didn't know which position would be best for Las Cruces. So what did he do?

Miguel Silva sought truth.

He met with hundreds of citizens. Dozens of business owners and operators. Ardent supporters of both sides of the issues. He listened. He read. He studied. He looked at the effects of minimum wage increases in Santa Fe and Albuquerque. Once he felt he had gathered enough information, processed it, reviewed it with constituents and compared it with the needs of the city, he took his position.

I used to have in my office a framed photograph of baseball legend Roberto Clemente. It's an old National Geographic photo of Clemente at bat in Pitts-

burgh's Forbes Field in the 1960s. Real grass, real dirt, no batting gloves, the old-old-school black leather cleats. Beautiful in its simplicity.

One day Silva was sitting in my office and he commented on the photo. "Roberto," he said, one word speaking thousands. We talked about the elegance of the photo and the passion with which Clemente played the game and lived his tragically shortened life.

Silva loved things real

and vintage, down to his 1950s-style eyeglasses.

His appreciation for authenticity, for the historic, was a reason Silva was passionate about Downtown Las Cruces and its revitalization.

If you went to the Downtown Art Ramble the first Friday afternoon of each month, you'd find Silva there, visiting with gallery owners, citizens and friends. Smiling at every start.

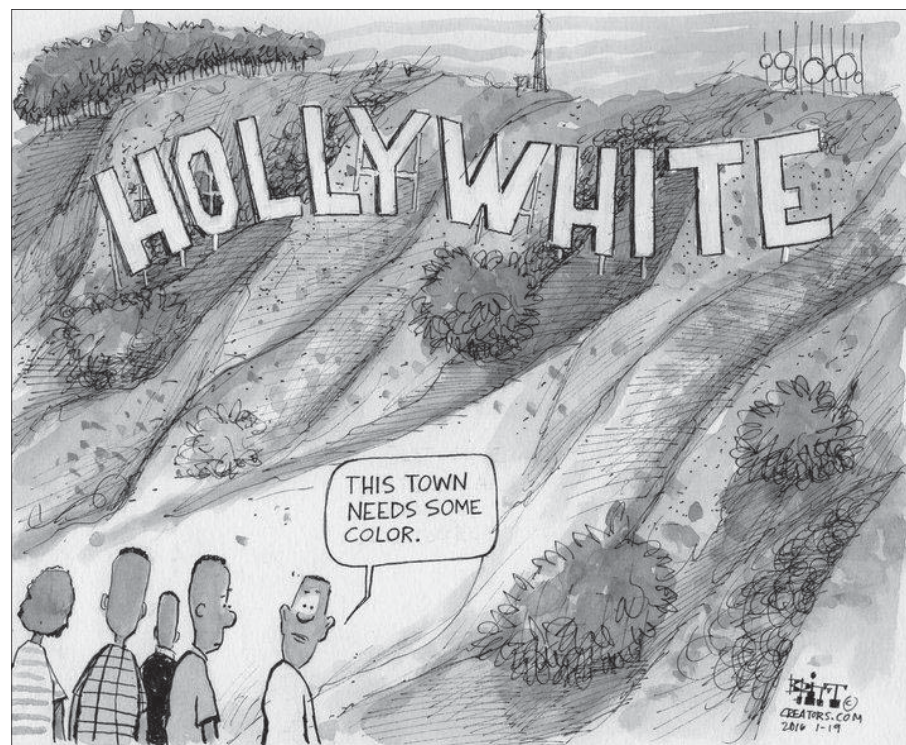
If you went to the Las Cruces Farmers and

Crafts Market Downtown, you'd often as not run into Silva, offering greetings and ideas.

He had an idea of an outdoor winter event in Las Cruces, given that a typical January Saturday in Las Cruces is sunny and 63 degrees. He wanted to celebrate what we have, what is unique and colorful about Las Cruces.

Unfortunately, though, Las Cruces has lost some of its uniqueness. Some of its color. We lost it when we lost Miguel Silva.

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## Some things should be standard

Mac told me a harrowing tale about losing a loaded six-horse trailer off the back of his pickup.

He admitted he knew the ball was too small, but it wasn't far to go, it was gettin' dark, the kids were restless, it was a new moon, the tide was running out, his hat was too tight... whatever the excuse he needed to justify not changing the ball.

I agree, noting that the hitch on my wood splitter was smaller than my stock trailer and I often had to make my daughter stand on the tongue when I moved the splitter around the place.

We concurred that there are some things in life that should be standard size. A law should be passed that makes it illegal to build any contraption that took less than a 2" ball!

Not only that, said Mac, plastic fittings! If you don't have the exact coupling, you have to rig a cobbled together reducing, enlarging, sliding, snapping or screwing menagerie of fittings to get you by 'til you can get to town for just the right part!

Meantime, your repaired section of pipe looks like a peyote smoker's whiskey still!

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I heard one vet say he determined dose by the size of pistol grip syringe the cowboy had!

Now Mac and I allow that horse shoes, Levi's, pickup seats, jalapenos and spouses can be variable...to suit the owner or operator.

But what possible excuse

can be made to explain why in the past twenty years, car companies had manufactured thousands of different kinds of oil filters!

Just tryin' to find one that fits your truck in the car parts catalogue is like tryin' to find a bareback riggin' in a New Delhi landfill!

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parts, electrical connections, bolts, wood stoves, belt loops, haying equipment, gate hinges, tax regulations, hunting laws, political promises, economist's predictions, legal loopholes all come in such a blithering array of shapes and sizes, that what you thought you had that might have worked, is now obsolete!

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# The lost world of human capital

*“Achieving the highest possible return on human capital must be every manager’s goal.” – Brian Tracy*

People in business know the value of human capital, but do we citizens? Brian Tracy writes about the value of good employees. I was thinking about the human capital of our citizens, as a whole, in our country. Some of that valuable human capital is being lost. And we are not attending to our losses.

We spend lots of money educating all children. Billions of dollars are being used in public education and colleges. We get doctors, lawyers and engineers along with people in the trades who keep our country functioning. We, as a country, are only as good as all of our citizens.

However, a third of all children drop out of a free education and often end up in jail. America loses when people who could have invented something useful or who would have raised children well are put in prison for non-violent crimes. America needs those Americans, but our



**Michael Swickard**  
In My Opinion

leaders have a political need to ruin lives.

The New Mexico Legislature leaders are talking for this session about getting tougher on crime. As if this country has not been doing that for decades. That sounds nice in political speeches but our country is either a police state right now or very close to it.

I do realize that violent crimes must be dealt with harshly. No, I am talking about non-violent crimes that have filled our prisons to capacity and more. We have allowed police units to become a military of their own.

Everywhere I go I am under the watchful eye and firearm of the police. Every action I take is monitored by a government agency. Not just me, every American. Yes, the NSA said they were going to stop spying on Americans. They are such liars.

Here’s the problem: progressives from both parties during the last 100 years have used any excuse to make government bigger and bigger.

The War on Drugs for the last 70 years has just been an excuse to turn our country into a de facto Police State. Sadly, drugs are just as plentiful today as when they started.

America’s incarceration rates are far beyond any other free country and now the New Mexico Legislature wants to toughen up the laws, which means incarcerate more New Mexicans. These are just numbers to the politicians and leaders. But they are flesh-and-blood humans.

And we are losing their potentials. When we incarcerate them, then all of their talents are lost and often lost forever. Some convicts do come out of prison and restart their lives. And that is the lesson. We really lose when we keep people incarcerated their entire lives.

In the last year I have gotten to know someone who five years ago was in prison. I think his violations were drug related. When he got out all he could get was a janitor’s job. But amazingly he was the best janitor that company had ever seen. He is naturally clever without any college.

Over a couple of years he first became assistant manager and then a store manager. I am being vague because I do not have permission to identify this person. I have owned several businesses and run others.

This person’s store reflects his great managerial skills. So do his employees. Even when he is not in his store, I see him in every one of his employees.

He is changing lives by leadership. Years ago he was in prison and only by the fortune of a company taking a chance on him do we see the potential of his human capital. How much value are we losing when we send so many to prison?

Becoming a police state benefits politicians and unions by having many more people employed in police departments, courts

and prisons. It is a vast ever-growing industrial complex that knows no bounds. New Mexico is getting tougher on crime for more political benefits. And we all lose the human capital from our society.

America thought their way to the moon. Can we readjust our legal system so as to not lose all of this human capital? Perhaps.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Santa to a Senior a success

Now that the dust has settled on our 11th year to sponsor BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR we want to thank the wonderful people of Las Cruces and Doña Ana County that made Christmas a special holiday for about 700 lonely and impoverished seniors.

Thanks to about 25 agencies, longterm care facilities and other senior providers for supplying names. Huge thanks to Mesilla Valley Mall for once again putting up the tree and allowing the gifts to be cycled through their office. Thank you Las Cruces Bulletin, Las Cruces Sun-News and SW Senior for notices to the public. We appreciate the Las Cruces Ukes who played carols and many other holiday songs at our Kick-Off event.

It couldn’t have been done without

you, the hundreds of thoughtful citizens who provided over 750 much needed gifts like robes, slippers, blankets and even pet food to lonely seniors, and, those community volunteers who came to help wrap them. The bags, decorated by students at Fairacres Elementary, were a delight to the senior recipients and we extend appreciation to those students, the administration, staff and teachers there that made it all possible.

Plus, we send a big thank you to our CAREGivers and staff for their donation of time and energy in coordinating the program and wrapping and delivering gifts.

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— Jan Wimsatt  
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# Mesilla sports complex proposal withdrawn

By Susie Ouder Kirk

On Tuesday, Jan. 12, a proposal brought before the Mesilla Planning, Zoning and Historical Appropriateness Commission by businessman Scott Bannister for a 50-acre sports complex was withdrawn.

Bannister will continue to lobby for the development of a private, for-profit sportsplex elsewhere, most likely in the city of Las Cruces, which is better equipped to build and maintain such a facility.

Mesilla residents, many of whom live

on the border of what would have been a comprehensive athletic set-up housing 22 sports fields with concession facilities, voiced their concerns by attending the commission meetings and speaking out.

Issues initially brought up by the com-

missioners and concerned citizens included questions about the septic system, the status of an active well to be used for all irrigation, trees and fencing, the plan for the parking area, the height of intended light poles and safety issues, among others.

## IN THE NEWS

### Municipal Court Judge II vacancy

The City of Las Cruces Municipal Court has an immediate position open for Judge II. Attorneys who meet the qualifications as part of the city's application, are encouraged to apply.

The selected candidate will serve the remainder of the vacated term with an election scheduled for 2017. Per City policy, the term for a municipal judge is four years.

Salary is 95% of the current salary of Municipal Judge I.

A candidate will be selected after a recommendation is made by a three-panel committee, which will conduct the review/interview process. Interested candidates may download the required application from the City's website at [www.las-cruces.org](http://www.las-cruces.org) and mail to

the address indicated on the application to be post-marked no later than Jan. 29.

### Reward offered for information on missing woman

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information that helps investigators find 52-year-old Eva Barela who has been missing since mid-November.

Eva Barela was last in contact with relatives on Nov. 16, 2015. She is known to reside in Las Cruces but also, at one time, had residency in Hatch.

Barela is 5-feet-1-inches tall and weighs approximately 190 pounds. She has brown hair and brown eyes.

Anyone with information on where she may be is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or send a tip by text message to CRIMES

(274637), keyword LCTIPS. The Crime Stoppers number and text messaging services are operational 24 hours a day and you do not have to give your name to collect a reward.

### Lion's Park parking lot closed

The Lion's Park parking lot will be under construction for approximately 30 to 60 days from now. Limited parking will be available. For more information call 541-2502.

### AARP/CAA free tax preparation

AARP/CAA is offering free tax preparation services starting Monday, Feb. 1 through Friday, April 15. Hours of operation are 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m.-noon on Fridays. Evening hours will be 6 -7:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday starting in mid-February.

Tax preparation will be conducted at 3880 Foot-hills Road. The tax service is available to everybody regardless of age. We do simple personal returns such as wages, pensions, interest etc.; we do not do complicated business taxes. We do file electronically and do prior-year taxes. For more information, call 527-8799.

### Free rides for veterans through DAV

The Disabled American Veterans free ride program, which supplies van rides for veterans to hospital and doctor appointments, can be reached at the following numbers: Las Cruces and El Paso/Truth or Consequences/Albuquerque 575-915-4899 and Alamogordo 505-506-8717.

### NMDA hires social media specialist to promote local food, agriculture

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tural products.

Her name? Sarah Hacker — and, yes, she's quite aware of how amusing her last name is in the context of her computer-based field.

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"Fourth, we must increase parental involvement, by making it easier for parents to be engaged in their child's education. In state government, we are now granting leave so employees can attend parent-teacher conferences, and I hope local governments and the private sector follow suit. And finally, we need to graduate more of our kids from high school,

ready for the workforce or college."

### Economic development

"It's also our responsibility to ensure there are jobs for our kids when they graduate — because we want them to work in New Mexico and raise their families here. This means attracting new jobs and businesses from elsewhere, while creating conditions that encourage New Mexico companies to expand."

"We are in a high-stakes daily competition with other states and other countries. It's our job to make New Mexico more welcoming, more predictable for job creators."



## COMING UP

### DAC Federated Republican Women meet

The Doña Ana County Federated Republican Women will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 22 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Drive. The cost of lunch is \$12. Jill Johnson who is running for county treasurer and Captain Craig Buckingham who is running for county commissioner District 5 will be our speakers. Contact Patricia Rothengass for reservations at: [artp-jr1940@yahoo.com](mailto:artp-jr1940@yahoo.com) or 521-9171.

### High Tech Consortium (HTC) of Southern New Mexico meeting

HTC's January membership meeting will be at 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 22 at the Sonoma Ranch Golf Course Banquet Room. Luncheon food and drinks will be available. The meeting features Randy Shaw, manager of the Brackish Desalination Research Facility in Alamogordo. HTC membership meetings are open to the public. Anyone interested in growing technology in southern New Mexico is encouraged to attend. The price for meeting attendance (no lunch) is \$5 and meeting attendance with a late lunch is \$20 — check or cash preferred. For information, call Terry Jack at 522-3868.

### Astronomical Society of Las Cruces general meeting

On Friday, Jan. 22, ASLC will have a general meeting at the Doña Ana Community College in room 141 from 7-9 p.m. at the main campus next to NMSU. See website for directions. The public is invited to attend. There will be a presentation at 8 p.m. on auroras by society member Rich Richins. Door prizes will be awarded at the end of the meeting. Visit [aslc-nm.org](http://aslc-nm.org) or email [president@aslc-nm.org](mailto:president@aslc-nm.org).

### Picacho Peak Brewing Company presents musical guest

On Friday, Jan. 22, Picacho Peak Brewing Company presents Alison Reynolds from 7-9 p.m. at 3900 W. Picacho Ave. Info: 680-6394.

### Chamber of Commerce Chamber Choice Awards and Gala

Join the Chamber on Friday, Jan. 22 from 6-9 p.m. at the Las Cruces Convention Center for the 2016 Chamber Choice Awards & Gala to welcome the incoming board, hear about the things in store for 2016 and recognize outstanding businesses and citizens from the community. Register on the Chamber's website or call 524-1968.

### Conversations with Democrats

Conversations with Democrats will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23 at Holy Family American National Catholic Church, 702 Parker Road. Title: "Is Politics A Dirty Word, Or Our Salvation?" Presenter will be Merrie Lee Soules. She was an Executive for GM and a contractor for White Sands. She ran for Public Regulation Commission, has been critically involved in the El Paso rate case, and is currently running for Congress in NM's 2nd Congressional District. All are welcome. Coffee, bottled water and cookies served. For information, call 650-4648 or email [lizrodjohn@aol.com](mailto:lizrodjohn@aol.com).

### WESST Training offers intro to workers' comp course

WESST offers Introduction to Workers' Compensation and Liability Insurance for Your Business from 3-5 p.m. Jan. 24 at Branigan Library Roadrunner Room, 200 E. Picacho Ave. Introductory course on topics of workmen's compensation and liability insurance. Register online at [www.wesst.org](http://www.wesst.org), by calling Manny Morales at 541-1583 or emailing [mmorales@wesst.org](mailto:mmorales@wesst.org).

### Las Cruces Civitan Club meeting

The Las Cruces Civitan Club meets monthly on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Bring a

friend to Los Compas Restaurant, 1120 Commerce Dr. at noon on the second Tuesday, and at 6 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday. For information, call 649-0165.

### Insurance exchange workshop offered by County Extension Office

This year's open enrollment period for the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange ends Jan. 31. For help in navigating the ins and outs of the process, NMSU's Doña Ana County Cooperative Extension Service hosts the last of three workshops at 6 p.m., Monday, Jan. 25, at the Extension Service Office, 530 N. Church St. The presentation will help people feel more confident when choosing a health insurance plan on the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange. To register, call the Cooperative Extension Service Office at 525-6649 or email [donaana@nmsu.edu](mailto:donaana@nmsu.edu).

### Free Money School classes scheduled at library

Learn about managing your money and achieving financial freedom through free classes at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave. The Money School is a public service provided by First American Bank. "Retire Confidently" will be 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 26. RSVP or for additional questions contact Daniel Payne, wealth advisor, 528-0404.

### Library presents an "Olde English" calligraphy workshop

Give your writing some artistic flair by learning how to create authentic calligraphy! Adults are invited to the first "Olde English" Calligraphy workshop on Wednesday, Jan. 27 at noon at Branigan Memorial Library. All skill levels welcome, and supplies are provided. To register, call the Reference

Dept. at 528-4005 or [library.reference@las-cruces.org](mailto:library.reference@las-cruces.org). Registration is limited to 20 participants.

### Mountain View Market Co-op Board of Directors meeting

On Wednesday, Jan. 27 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. the MVM Board of Directors will meet in the Co-op Community room. The first portion of the meeting is reserved for a Member Forum, and we welcome visits from our fellow Member-Owners to hear your concerns. For information, call 523-0436 or [mvmboard@mountainviewmarket.coop](mailto:mvmboard@mountainviewmarket.coop).

### American Gun Culture Club meetings change to fourth Thursday

We have changed our meeting night to the fourth Thursday of each month. Mark your calendars for 6:30 p.m., Jan. 28 at Pepe's Restaurant, 1405 W. Picacho Ave. For information, email [bevyco@gmail.com](mailto:bevyco@gmail.com).

### Doña Ana County Republican Party office announces hours

The Doña Ana County Republican Party Headquarters, located at 3201 S. Main St., will be open to serve the public weekdays Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The headquarters is staffed by volunteers. For information or for voter registration, call 523-8683.

### Children's story time and discounted shopping at Tutti Bambini

Tutti Bambini, 300 El Molino Street at Alameda, hosts a children's story time at 10:45 a.m. every Wednesday. Parents can shop for children's clothes at half price while the kids enjoy a story. Tutti Bambini is a nonprofit resale shop that raises funds for at-risk children in the area. The program is in collaboration with The Children's Reading Foundation of

Doña Ana County which provides free books for the children. For information, call 526-9752.

### Elite Business Builders Group meets on Wednesdays

If you're serious about growing your business using networking, this is the place for you. Elite Business Builders BNI Group meets at Picacho Country Club, 6861 Via Campestre every Wednesday from 8:30-10 a.m. Come early for open networking and to ask questions and get answers. Join this group of business professional who love to work together to help each other grow their business. Call for information and to be a guest at the next meeting: Cheryl 524-1201 or 520-730-4456.

### Free course in Spanish for Alzheimer's families and caregivers

Spanish-speaking families facing Alzheimer's disease will have access to a free education course in Las Cruces offered by the Southern Area Health Education Center (SoAHEC), in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter. The class will be held from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 29 at the Southern Area Health Education Center (SoAHEC), 4003 Geothermal Drive. To register or for information, contact Lori or Sandra at 646-4887 or Ana Luisa at 646-3061.

### Quint Quintet concert

Multi-Grammy nominated violinist Philippe Quint and the Quint Quintet share a special Evening of Tango on Friday, Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m. at NMSU's Atkinson Recital Hall. The concert is preceded by a talk led by Zuill Bailey and the performing artists at 7 p.m. For tickets log on to [www.eppm.org](http://www.eppm.org) or call 915-833-9400. Tickets are also available at the door.



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# NMSU convocation introduces Presidential Medallion, community engagement honors

By Jane Moorman  
For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University awarded its inaugural Presidential Medallions and Community Engagement Awards during the 2016 spring convocation ceremony Tuesday, Jan. 19, at NMSU's Atkinson Recital Hall. Every fall and spring, convocation is

held to honor excellence on campus.

In addition, four Regent Professorships were announced and 11 faculty members were honored for their excellence in teaching.

Former NMSU professors Jim Bullock and Gerald Burke are the inaugural awardees of NMSU's Presidential

Medallion, which recognizes the outstanding service each has given to the university beyond their time as employees.

Bullock is a professor and department head emeritus in NMSU's Department of Accounting and Information Systems, where he taught and held various administrative posts for 24

years before retiring in 1996. He presently serves on the College of Business Accounting Advisory Council and has chaired the NMSU Regents Audit Committee. He is a past member and treasurer of the board of directors of the NMSU Foundation and continues to help the university through various ef-

forts, including fundraising.

Burke's career of more than three decades at NMSU began as an assistant professor in the College of Agriculture and Home Economics. He also served as assistant dean of the Graduate School and as vice president for administration and legislative liaison. After retiring, he served as chair of the statewide general obligation bond campaign and on the state's Commission of Higher Education, providing leadership, experience and insight. He continues to work with the New Mexico Legislature, where he has served as the educational representative for NMSU.

There's an opportunity to honor the service of both Bullock and Burke to NMSU. Visit <http://giving.nmsu.edu> to give to the Gerald M. Burke President's Associates Endowed Scholarship, the Wanda H. Bullock Nursing Scholarship or the Dr. James H. Bullock Accounting Endowment.

Two faculty member and two students received the first-ever Community Engagement Awards for their demonstrated efforts to better New Mexico communities through partnerships and volunteer

work. The recipients are selected by NMSU's Community Engagement Council.

The Community Engagement Award recipients are Denise Rodriguez-Strawn, for her work as programs director for Service Learning for Educational Distinction, or SLED, in the College of Education, and Lois Stanford, an associate professor of anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences; along with students Courtney Gavin, a business and biology major; and Kristen Sprouse, an elementary education major.

Regents Professorships were awarded to David M. Boje, College of Business; Martha Desmond, and Thomas J. Dormody, both College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences; and Tom Smith, College of Arts and Sciences.

The NMSU Board of Regents established the Regents Professorship in 2001. It recognizes faculty who have made outstanding contributions to the university's mission and honors contributions in areas of education, research, extension education and public service.

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NMSU faculty, administrative and community engagement award winners are joined by NMSU President Garrey Caruthers, eighth from left, and NMSU professor emeritus Sanford Schemnitz, sixth from right, for a group photo following the 2016 spring convocation ceremony at the Atkinson Recital Hall. Awardees include, left to right, Sukumar Brahma, Geno Picchioni, Samantha Rich, Carlos Santos, David Boje, John Sandstrom, Martha Desmond, Tom Dormody, Henrietta Pichon, Kathleen O'Connor, Tom Smith, Maria Gurrola, James Gallagher, Denise Rodriguez-Strawn, Gerald Burke, Lois Stanford, James Bullock, William Corbett, Susan Pinkerton, Courtney Gavin, Yaxi Zhao and Michele Shuster.



## SILVA

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She suggested that the city find a way to honor Silva, perhaps with a Big Smiles and Crazy Hats Day on Silva's birthday, which will be Feb. 16, she said.

"Miguel was a vibrant, vital, positive member of this community," said Las Cruces Home Builders Association board member Max Bower.

Nathan Small, who served with Silva for eight years on the city council, said Silva's death "is absolutely tragic," and agreed that the city should find a way to celebrate Silva, his smile, his sense of style (Small said Silva was often referred to as the best-dressed city councillor in New Mexico) and his collaborative nature.

Councillor Gill Sorg said he and Silva often had lunch together on Mondays before city council meetings. "I got a lot of tips, information, especially when I was first on the council. He was very helpful," Sorg said. Because Silva was "a mental health advocate," Sorg said, dealing with the community's mental health issues would be a good way to honor him.

"He will be missed," said Councillor Olga Pedroza, who sat next to Silva on the council dais. "He worked very, very hard for those things he believed in."

"I have some very big shoes to fill — some big smiles, big hats," said Councillor Kasandra Gandara, who succeeded Silva as District 1 councillor. She also remembered that Silva came to her house during his first campaign for city council.

"I was stunned by the news," said Councillor Jack Eakman. "I feel re-



COURTESY PHOTO

Friends and colleagues of former City Councillor Miguel Silva placed an altar in his memory on Tortugas Mountain on Sunday, Jan. 18.

morse that I didn't reach out to Miguel."

He and Gandara were elected to the council and began service last November.

### Bringing people together

After eight years on the Las Cruces City

Council representing District 1, Silva hoped to be mayor and said his "top priority is to improve our quality of life as a community. To do this we need to take an honest assessment of our present situation which includes quality of education, jobs, rec-

reation and workforce, to name a few."

An adjunct professor at Doña Ana Community College, he taught English, Photoshop and web design. He also

spent 25 years with family-owned Silva Sanitation.

He moved to New Mexico when he was a high school freshman and graduated from Gadsden High and New Mexico State University.

He said one of his strengths was his ability to bring people together even if they don't agree. He said his greatest accomplishment was "that I brought many groups of opposing perspectives to the table to address the many community challenges.

Silva's brother, Andres Silva, was formally the mayor of Deming but died in 2014.

### Seeking compromise

During an often contentious debate about whether to raise — and by how much — the minimum wage in Las Cruces, Silva introduced a compromise plan.

In 2014 there was a push to raise the wage from \$7.50 to \$10.10 an hour, but Silva said it had become clear to

him that local small businesses can't handle such an increase all at once.

Silva's wage ordinance was to raise the minimum wage to \$8.50 over two years and then index future increases to inflation.

Silva said his position evolved after meeting with as many stakeholders as possible — from business and restaurant owners to newspaper editors and Comunidades en Acción y de Fé (CAFé) — as well as the city's series of Great Conversations on the minimum wage.

"With everyone I've talked to, we all agree that something is going to happen with the minimum wage," Silva said. "The question comes down to what is reasonable or what is unreasonable."

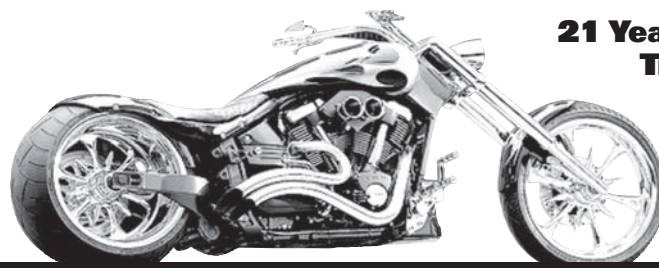
Eventually, the city did increase the wage to \$8.50 and then approved a proposal to raise the minimum wage to \$10.10 by 2017.

"We need to move forward the sooner the better," Silva said after the vote.

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A panel of Regents Professors evaluates faculty-submitted nominations from throughout the university, and the committee meets to determine the awards. The recognition is accompanied by a \$12,500 annual stipend.

Eleven faculty members were honored with the Donald C. Roush Excellence in Teaching Award. The accolade is named after Roush, a former NMSU executive vice president, in recognition of his 35 years of teaching improvement in New Mexico.

The Roush recipients are Geno Picchioni, College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences; William J.

Corbett, College of Arts and Sciences; Michele Shuster, College of Arts and Sciences; Carlos A. Santos, College of Business; Henrietta Williams Pichon, College of Education; Sukumar Brahma, College of Engineering; Maria A. Gurrola, College of Health and Social Services; James Gallagher, NMSU Alamogordo; Yaxi Zhao, NMSU Carlsbad; Kathleen O'Connor, NMSU Grants.

NMSU's Library was recognized for its outstanding assessment process with the Outstanding Assessment Committee for Co-Curriculum, Administration and Operations Excellence in Assessment Award.

# City council denies Verizon cell tower appeal

By Mike Cook  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The Las Cruces City Council voted to deny an appeal of a city Planning and Zoning Commission decision made last September that denied a special use permit application to Verizon Wireless/Tectonic Engineering to construct a cell tower on 1.552 acres of land at 4790 Stern Drive.

Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith and Councillors Kasandra Gandara, Jack Eakman and Olga Pedroza voted to deny the appeal.

Councillor Gill Sorg voted to overturn the denial and approve the request. Mayor Ken Miyagishima and

Councillor Ceil Levatino were absent from the meeting.

The council also voted unanimously to approve:

- Authorization of a legislative appropriation of \$402,000 "to plan, design, construct, furnish and equip a facility for film, digital media and entertainment arts production" in Las Cruces, according to city documents.

The city is looking at possible sites for the sound stage on either the city's West Mesa industrial park or within Arrowhead Industrial Park on the New Mexico State University campus;

- Authorization of a legislative appropriation of \$75,000 for playground equipment to be installed at Young Park, 850 Walnut Ave. The city will match the appropriation for phase one of the project;

- A resolution in support of early childhood education in the city and the state. The resolution was brought forward by Councillor Gill Sorg;

- Authorization of a legislative appropriation of \$220,000 to plan and design a community competition pool;

- Authorization of a legislative appropriation of \$65,000 for street improvements in the city;

- Authorization of a legislative appropriation of \$80,000 to purchase firefighting equipment for the Las Cruces Fire Department;

- Authorization of a legislative appropriation of \$40,000 to de-

sign phase one of the renovation and expansion of the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley;

- Moving the council's next regularly scheduled meeting from Monday, Feb. 1 to Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 1 p.m.

The meeting is being moved because many councillors plan to attend Las Cruces Day in Santa Fe, which will be held Feb. 1, said Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith.

Proclamations were also issued during the meeting declaring Jan. 31-Feb. 6 as Celebrate Catholic Schools Week in Las Cruces and Jan. 24-30 as School Choice Week in Las Cruces.

The next meeting of the council will be a work session at 1 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 25.

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nearly a century; others are brand new. If you add up everything that's been developed, "We're fast approaching 1,000 acres," Johnston said.

The city's per capita acreage of park space is below the national average, he said, but the total number of parks is higher than normal.

And that does not include the Las Cruces dam, which was built for water retention and community safety and now is being converted into a city park that totals 640 acres. The Butterfield Shoot-



JOHNSTON

ing Range, west of Las Cruces past Las Cruces Airport, is another 400-plus acres not counted in the developed total, Johnston said; along with the archery range at the old landfill site off Lohman Avenue, which comes in at more than 100 acres.

All counted, the city has 140 public spaces, Johnston said, including the downtown area and city hall and its neighbor, Thomas Branigan Memorial Library and their environs.

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# TETWP tabs Widger as executive director

**Bulletin report**

Deb Widger just retired from New Mexico State University in August after 32 years of service,



WIDGER

but she has jumped right back into the bustle of a new livelihood with NMSU Aggies are Tough Enough to Wear Pink (TETWP). The former fearless leader of NMSU Alumni Relations and the NMSU Foundation, Widger has been named as TETWP executive director, according to co-chairs Pat Sisbarro and Laura Conniff. Her primary focus areas will be management, fundraising and organizational development.

Most important to Widger is her job as a “behind-the-scenes coordinator and facilitator involved

with management and fundraising” for the day to day operations of TETWP, she said via email. “Community involvement is important and I look forward to helping Laura, Pat, Cowboys 4 Cancer Research and our many wonderful volunteers continue to raise funds and awareness through education.” And, she added, “have some fun!”

“We’re beginning our 10th campaign in 2016 and our work as a volunteer

group has grown and expanded every year since we began in 2007,” said Sisbarro, “and Laura Conniff and I have been hands-on with virtually everything we’ve done. With Deb Widger as our executive director, Laura and I can continue functioning as organizers and co-chairs and have an accomplished professional managing the day-to-day tasks that are so critical to keeping an all-volunteer group focused and productive.”



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# Former deputy runs for treasurer

**Bulletin report**

Jill Johnson has had an up-and-down experience with the Doña Ana County Treasurer’s Office, and now she hopes to be elected to the top position there.



JOHNSON

Johnson, a former chief deputy treasurer, announced Wednesday, Jan. 20 that she will seek the office of Doña Ana County Treasurer this year.

The current treasurer is her former boss, David Gutierrez.

Johnson, a Republican, started work-

ing at Doña Ana County in 2006 as the organization’s first internal auditor. Following that, she became the chief deputy treasurer working for Gutierrez. Johnson said she was fired from the position by

Gutierrez for reporting unethical behavior within the office. She sued the treasurer and was then offered another position within the county.



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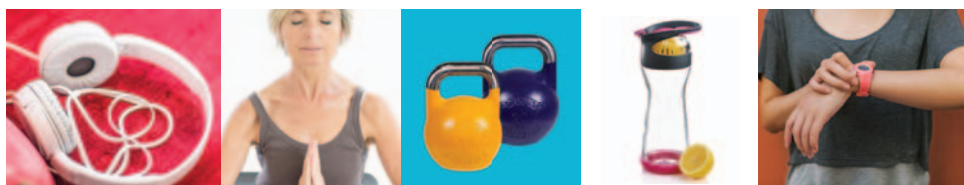

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There also are 60 play areas in the city, each containing play structures valued at \$75,000 to \$150,000 apiece, which Johnston said represents “a lot of investment in the community.”

Johnston said the city has regional parks, which are primary gathering places for local residents and visitors. They include the Hadley complex of more than 100 acres, Apodaca Park and Young Park. The city also has community parks, smaller neighborhood parks, undeveloped parcels that may become parks and sub-classes of each of these, including mini-parks.

Mini-parks range in size from one-quarter to one-half acre and were designed for small neighborhoods. They often include an open lawn area, a picnic area and play equipment. Many were created by land developers when they built homes and created housing developments, he said.

The City Parks and Recreation Department has more than 100 full-time employees, Johnston said, along with 150 to 200 part-time and seasonal employees. Johnston has been department director for 11 years. He also spent more than 30 years in parks and recreation in Kirtland, Washington.

In addition to the operation and maintenance of all city parks, the department also has charge of city recreation facilities and programs, including the aquatic center and athletic fields across the city; youth services, including the city's after-school programs, summer recreation, the city's Juvenile Citation and Weed and Seed programs.

“To me, the parks are the economic draw of the city,” Johnston said, bringing “more tourism than any other sector.”

### Pioneer Women's Park

Pioneer Women's Park,

500 W. Las Cruces Ave., may be the city's oldest park.

According to documents from the Las Cruces Woman's Improvement Association (WIA), the park was deeded to the city by the WIA (the association is singular, but the park is plural) on June 11, 1924. It probably had existed for more than 30 years prior to that as a WIA property, having been plated in September 1897, some 14 years before New Mexico became a state.

The transfer contains one restriction: “... said restriction is that this property must be forever maintained as and for park purposes upon failure to so maintain this property for park purposes the title shall revert to the WIA.”

The original deed was misplaced, and a corrective deed confirming the transfer was signed by Las Cruces Mayor Joe Camunez on Jan. 18, 1982.

The 2.1-acre park contains a gazebo that is often the site of weddings, candle-light vigils and other family and community events. It also contains a play area, a water fountain, four tables, benches, walking trails and many trees. Directly across Raymond Street from the park is the WIA building, soon to be the headquarters of the new nonprofit Film Las Cruces.

If you want to visit the Parks and Recreation Department, it's not located at city hall. It's at 1501 E. Hadley Ave., across the street from the Hadley sports complex. Call the department at 541-2550.

For more information on Pioneer Women's Park, visit <http://www.las-cruces.org/en/departments/parks-and-recreation/parks/parks-listing> and <http://prescriptiontrails.org/pioneerwomenspark/Pioneer-Womens-Park.pdf>.



# NMSU helps pueblos improve ag workforce

By Jane Moorman  
For the Bulletin

With nearly half of United States agricultural producers reaching retirement age, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has allocated funding to train beginning farmers and ranchers to help reduce the impact of that aging population.

New Mexico State University, partnering with the Institute of American Indian Art in Santa Fe, has used grant money from the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program for the past three years to help producers from the southern pueblos to improve their agricultural operations while maintaining their tribal tradition in agriculture.

The pueblos participating are Acoma, Cochiti, Jemez, San Felipe, Sandia, Santo Domingo and Laguna.

"We feel this has been a very successful project," said Edmund Gomez, director of NMSU's Rural Agricultural Improvement and Public Affairs Project and administrator of the beginning farmer and rancher program. "Tribal elders had approached us with concerns that the future of agriculture, and especially the culture within their pueblos, was being lost because they do not have a new generation of farmers taking over."

Fifty-eight individuals with less than 10 years of farming or ranching experience participated in workshops on horticulture, animal husbandry and agricultural economics. Each participant also received one-on-one assistance to ensure their farm operation would improve.

"During the last three years, we've provided more than 50 subject-related workshops and more than 25 on-farm demonstrations," Gomez said. "We also held field trips to

various agricultural operations for the participants to see ways they can improve their farm and ranch."

Along with agricultural topics, Gomez's staff introduces the participants to good business practices, such as record-keeping, profit-and-loss statements and other risk-management practices.

"Throughout this program, we have helped the participants learn about the paperwork they will need to obtain loans from financial institutions and the many financial aid programs the USDA has through its Farm Service Agency," Gomez said. "Many of the participants have taken advantage and obtained loans for farm equipment."

The beginning farmers and ranchers report that they have already seen an economic impact from the training they received. Several are sharing what they have learned with their tribal members to help the pueblos' agricultural production as well.

Gilbert Louis III, Pueblo of Acoma Livestock and Grazing Board member, said this was a unique program that allowed the participants to further their education in industry best practices.

"If you are not a part of the program, it is hard to go places and get this knowledge and experience," Louis said of the information he has applied to his beef-cattle production. "Because of being Beef Quality Assurance certified, we are now getting better prices for our calves at the sale barn."

Franklin Martinez, of the Acoma Department of Natural Resources, said he has learned that his tribal cow-to-calf ratio is not what it should be for a profitable operation, so now it is a concern that his department is addressing.

"In the past, we just fig-

ured a cow would have a calf all the time," Martinez said. "We never saw pregnancy testing as a business management tool."

Many of the individuals focusing on farming have simply run operations the way their grandparents had, or asked tribal members when to plant, irrigate and harvest. NMSU

Extension specialists have taught the farmers research-based information so they can improve their crop yield.

During hands-on workshops, several participants had low-cost, passive-energy hoop green houses built so they can extend the growing season and raise winter greens for market.



Participants in the Southern Pueblo Beginning Farmer and Rancher Program assemble a hoop house during a workshop provided by New Mexico State University's Rural Agricultural Improvement and Public Affairs Project.

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## Spring Crest celebrates 40 years

By Alta LeCompte

The Bulletin

Each time her husband was transferred, military wife Donna Kosnick transformed her austere new house into a gracious home.

She chose her fabrics lovingly and made the draperies herself.

But eventually the drill got old.

“From North Dakota we moved to England, then he had orders to move to Las Cruces,” she said. “When you’re in the Air Force, you go where they tell you to go.”

In 1965, her late husband, Jack Kosnick, was transferred to New Mexico State University, where he taught ROTC for four years.

Once again she made drapes.

### On to the South Pacific

“He went to Vietnam and when he came back he asked for Holloman Air Force Base,” she said. “He got Hawaii instead. Don’t you just know somebody asked for Hawaii and got Holloman instead,” she said, her brown eyes twinkling as she contemplated the possibility.

When the Kosnick family returned stateside, they landed in Albuquerque, where Donna made 22-foot-long draperies the old fashioned way, with green and gold raw silk her husband had picked up in Hong Kong.

Then — when it was too late — she discovered and fell in love with Spring Crest, a patented stainless-steel system that snakes through the rod pocket of a drapery, forming uniform, rounded pleats. The system eliminates the painstaking process of making pinch pleats.

The Spring Crest system is the unique ingredient behind the custom window covering and bedding shop she and her family have owned for 40 years.

They started the business after Jack Kosnick was transferred to White Sands and the family returned to their beloved Las Cruces home.

In spite of all their moves, Donna Kosnick did not forget Spring Crest.

“He got tired of hearing me talk about it,” she said.

In 1973, the couple bought a new Spring Crest franchise in the City of the Crosses. They opened their business in 1976.



Rob Kosnick constructs a frame in the sewing room of Spring Crest, 2310 N. Temple St.

Ten years later to the day — on Jan. 15, 1986 — they moved to their current location at 2310 Temple St. off North Main Street. Their new headquarters was built especially for the business, with a spacious showroom and equally spacious sewing room.

The week of their anniversary, Donna sat at a small, round table in a nook where fabric samples lined the walls.

Reminiscing with her were son Rob, the current vice president and granddaughter Jenni Cline, the marketing director.

“I was the head honcho,” Donna Kosnick said of the early days in the business. “Our two sons, Jon and Rob, were installers. I did the selling and measuring. Your dad did everything weekends and evenings.”

As the family celebrates their 40th

year in business, Donna is still president, but the two succeeding generations — son Rob and his daughter Jenni Cline — have taken over day-to-day operations.

Neither had planned to join the family business.

Rob Kosnick majored in geology at Northern Arizona University, intending to go into the oil business. Now he rock hunts for fun and sells some of his finds as a side venture.

Cline was graduated from the Arizona Culinary Institute and ran the prep and catering kitchen at Lorenzo’s de Mesilla.

“I absolutely loved it,” she said. “He is a great man.”

For two years, she worked as a marketing associate for Sysco, selling foods to restaurants.

Cline said she loved that job, too, but not the six or seven day a week eight to 10 hour days that came with it. In 2009 she joined the family business.

“She just made us a gorgeous spaghetti dinner,” Donna Kosnick bragged about her granddaughter. “She’s so versatile. She got us all on the computer and did a website and designed a logo for us.”

From time to time, other family members pitch in. Jon’s daughter, Jodi, helps Donna price the fabric books. Cline’s 4-year-old son, Grady, helps out after school.

“His job is to shred papers,” Cline said. “Anything his grandpa’s doing, he’s very happy to help.”

### Everything window covering — and more

The Las Cruces shop can make all styles of drapes, but Donna Kosnick still champions Spring Crest.

“They require less labor and you don’t break your fingers like you do with pinch pleats,” she said, adding the drapes look better.

Cline said the shop also features custom blinds and shades from six suppliers, which allows the business to be flexible in meeting the needs of customers at a variety of price points.

She said the shop partners with interior designer Melissa Oswalt.

“She’s young, bright, full of ideas,”





Spring Crest's Jen Cline, Rob Kosnick and Donna Kosnick confer in a nook lined with fabric samples.

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Cline said.

The family has done business as far away as North Dakota, Rob Kosnick said.

"We've done work in cabins in the Gila National Forest," he said. "One had an octagonal shape and needed draperies all around."

In addition to creating custom window treatments and bedding, Rob Kosnick said their shop offers take-down and re-hanging with its drapery cleaning services.

Newcomers to Las Cruces may not know it's tucked away at the end of

a one-block street off of North Main.

"One of our biggest struggles is to attract newcomers," Cline said.

Print advertising, the website and social media are among the ways customers find Spring Crest, she said.

"Our best advertising is satisfied customers," Rob Kosnick said.

"People love the fact that it's a family business and grandma still has a hand in it," Cline added.

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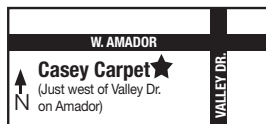
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# Economist shares secret of business forecasting

Making forecasts is important in making business and personal decisions. What will sales be next year? How much will you earn? Will you have a job? All these are factors that affect decisions made today in anticipation of the future.

Economists often rely on complex models estimated using scads of data. These models have the advantage of organizing a lot of information into a format that can be understood and digested. But the advantage of these models is not that they are more accurate, just better at handling lots of data. And these models have a cost — which is that they are time consuming to use and require specialized knowledge to create.

If you're the Federal Reserve Chair and you need to know the impact of a change in the Fed Funds rate on any of a large number of vari-



**Chris Erickson**  
*State of the Economy*

ables, from auto sales to movie tickets, then econometric models are useful. But for most purposes, the goal is simpler than that. All that is required is to forecast a single number or only a few numbers.

There is a trick that can be used in making accurate forecasts, which is to start from the base case and then adjust from that. For example, if you want to determine your company's sales for April 2016, then look at sales in previous Aprils, perhaps with an adjustment for trend growth.

Determining the base case isn't always straightforward.

We often hear, for example, that the recovery from the 2008 financial crisis was dis-

appointing, being the slowest recovery in the post war period. The problem with this analysis is that it uses the wrong base case. The correct base case is not recoveries from U.S. recessions, but recoveries from financial crisis — and to find this, we have to look to other countries.

In fact, recessions associated with financial crisis tend to be twice as long, as was the post-financial crisis U.S. recession, and tend to take twice as long for recovery, as did the post-U.S. financial crisis. Moreover, typical is a permanent 2 percent loss of GDP compared to the pre-crisis trend. Again, something we see in the United States. In fact, the U.S. recovery post 2008 is more or less typical.

Once the base case is determined, then adjust to take account of current circumstances that differ from normal.

Going back to the sales forecast example, if you know the company is running a big April promotion, then adjust the sales forecast up.

Let's use the bottom up approach to forecasting real GDP growth over the next 10 years. Since 1948, GDP growth has averaged 3.2 percent, of which 1.4 percent has come from labor force growth and 1.8 percent has come from productivity gains. So the base case forecast is 3.2 percent growth per year, or 37 percent over 10 years, taking account of compounding.

To adjust for current circumstances, we need to take account of the rat-passing-through-the-population-snake's gullet that is the Baby Boom. Boomers are now reaching retirement age, hence, are exiting the labor force. Consequently, labor force growth is expected to be

only 0.5 percent, still positive but less than half of typical. Our forecast for GDP growth needs to be adjusted down from 3.2 percent to 2.3 percent, which works out to be 25 percent over the next decade.

Thus the prediction is that GDP growth will be 12 percent lower over the next 10 years compared to typical.

I'll make another prediction: Whichever party is out of power will use slow growth as a bludgeon against whoever is the president in power, despite the slow growth being an obvious consequence of demographics. You heard it here first!

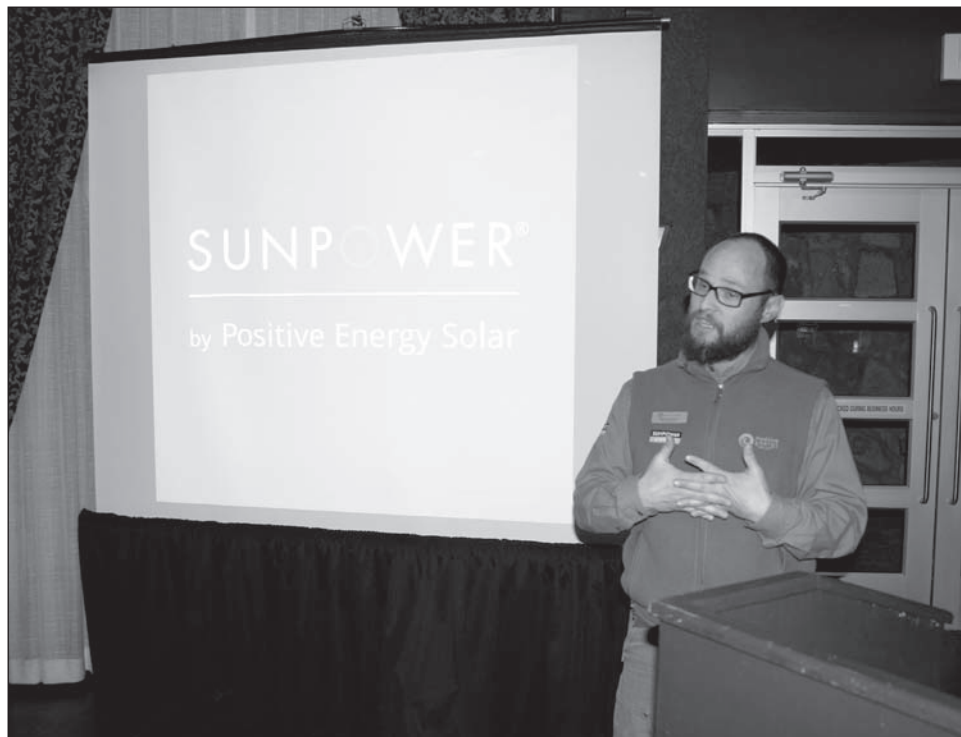
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## Positive Energy Solar enters partnership

Positive Energy Solar, a New Mexico-based solar installer with a Las Cruces office at 510 S. Main St., has joined the SunPower Master Dealer network, a strategic partnership program designed to deliver global solar expertise to local communities through leading independent solar installers.

Positive Energy Solar will re-brand as SunPower by Positive Energy Solar, rolling out their new look over the next several months at all three New Mexico offices.

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**Mark Westbrook of Positive Energy Solar in Las Cruces announces the company's affiliation with SunPower at a reception Thursday, Jan. 14, at Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces.**

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tem services, according to a company press release.

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est standards expected of a SunPower Master Dealer," said Howard Wenger, SunPower president, business units. "The SunPower Master Dealer program recognizes exceptional independent installers for their relentless focus on providing quality customer service to complement the most efficient solar technology available on the market today. We welcome Positive Energy Solar to the SunPower Master Dealer network and look forward to their continued success."

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



## SAVE THE DATE

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**FRI 2/19**

**Social media marketing workshop**, Small Business Development Center at Doña Ana Community College. The all-day event will feature guest presenter Eric Spellmann. Registration through Feb. 12. For information and an early registration discount, contact Pavla Paiz at 527-7676 or email [sbdcinfo@nmsu.edu](mailto:sbdcinfo@nmsu.edu).

**FRI 2/26**

**6 p.m. Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet**, Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Corporate tables and sponsorships available. Attire formal. Cost: \$75 per person. For more information or to RSVP, contact the Chamber office at 524-8900 or [lascruceshispanic-chamber.com](http://lascruceshispanic-chamber.com).

**SAT 3/5 – SUN 3/6**

**10 a.m. Las Cruces Home Builders Association 2016 Home & Garden Show**, Las Cruces Convention Center. Booth spaces and show sponsorship opportunities available. For more information, contact the association at 526-6126 or [events@lchba.com](mailto:events@lchba.com).

**SAT 3/12 – MON 3/14**

**Spaceport America Drone Summit to be held at Spaceport America in Sierra County**. For information regarding sponsorship and vendor opportunities, contact [info@spaceportdronesummit.com](mailto:info@spaceportdronesummit.com).

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# Tax credit program benefits low-income communities

Business people who want to develop property in economically depressed New Mexico communities — or who want to purchase expensive commercial equipment for use in those communities — often lack the funding they need for such ambitious and capital-intensive ventures.

That's why the New Mexico Finance Authority created a community development entity, or CDE, in 2006 to raise capital and fill funding gaps for large projects expected to benefit low-income areas.

To be eligible for CDE funding, a project must be in a neighborhood or tract considered low-income in the most recent census. Projects that have successfully utilized the funding program are those that already secured at least 75 percent of the total capital needed before applying to the program.

### How it works

Under the Community Renewal Act of 2000, the U.S. Treasury is empowered to allocate tax credits to local CDEs, which function like match-makers to connect funding with projects. The CDE is authorized to sell its allocated tax credits to private investors, who provide capital for lending to a qualified project.

The money is paired with the project's other financing, such as owner equity and bank loans. Project developers can then close a gap of up to 25 percent of the project's cost with a CDE loan that offers favorable terms: a low interest rate (about 2 percent) and interest-only payments for



seven years.

Investors — typically large financial institutions — are eager to participate because the tax credits they purchase are worth 39 percent of the overall project costs and can be used to reduce federal tax liabilities over seven years. Tax credits can also be syndicated for resale to other companies. Either way, the investor's yield is about 8 to 9 percent.

### Benefits all around

Since New Mexico began participating in this public-private partnership, the program has enabled numerous economically beneficial projects in New Mexico's neediest communities.

"It's another avenue to get folks to invest in low-income communities," said John Brooks, director of commercial lending for the New Mexico Finance Authority, which manages the program, maintains relationships with investors and reports to the Treasury Department on how credits have been distributed.

The CDE has extended tax credits worth more than \$150 million — with an average allocation of \$10 million, Brooks said. Large capital projects like the Hotel Parq Central in Albuquerque, Presbyterian Medical Services facilities in Farmington and

Socorro and a water system overhaul at Laguna Pueblo have been financed in this way.

### How to participate

Business people and project developers can determine if their project is in one of the eligible census tracts by entering the proposed project address into the mapping tool at [www.cohnreznick.com/nmtc-mapping-tool](http://www.cohnreznick.com/nmtc-mapping-tool).

Ineligible projects include research and development businesses that hold intangible assets, country clubs, golf courses, massage parlors, tanning facilities, liquor stores and gambling operations.

While most projects are in the \$5 to \$10 million range, the CDE may be able to pool smaller projects into one allocation.

Business owners who have most of their funding secured and believe they qualify should contact the New Mexico Finance Authority, which can match the project with investors and do the actual allocation of credits and loan structuring.

The New Mexico Finance Authority makes tax credits available each quarter and is soliciting projects for rural New Mexico until Feb. 12.

Contact John Brooks at 505-992-9638 or [NMTC@NMFA.net](mailto:NMTC@NMFA.net) for more information.

*Finance New Mexico is a public service initiative to assist individuals and businesses with obtaining skills and funding resources for their business or idea. For more information, visit [www.financenewmexico.org](http://www.financenewmexico.org).*

## BUSINESS BRIEF

### HTC to hear water issues expert

This month's High Tech Consortium (HTC) of Southern New Mexico membership meeting will be 4 to 5:30 p.m. Friday Jan. 22, at the Sonoma Ranch Golf Course Banquet Room, 1274 Golf Club Road.

This month's speaker is Randy Shaw, manager of the Brackish Desalination Research Facility in Alamogordo, Bureau of Reclamation – Department of the Interior.

Shaw will discuss the operations at the Alamogordo facility and address water issues facing New Mexico and the United States.

He is licensed as a civil engineer.

He has managed the Brackish Groundwater National Desalination Research Facility since August 2010 and is a graduate of New Mexico State University with a bachelor's degree in Agriculture Engineering.

Shaw worked with Native Americans for 21 years in the Bureau of Indian Affairs. During that time he managed the Irrigation

Division of the 100,000-acre San Carlos Irrigation Project. He also served as a technical consultant to the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblos concerning sensitive water issues on the Rio Grande.

HTC membership meetings are open to the public. Anyone interested in growing technology in southern New Mexico is encouraged to attend. The price for meeting attendance (no meal) is \$5 and meeting attendance with meal is \$20 — check or cash preferred. For more information, call Terry Jack at 522-3868.

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## Lennert named WAC Swimmer of the Week

New Mexico State University senior Dorottya Lennert has been named CollegeSwimming.com Western Athletic Conference Swimmer of the Week for the week of January 17. This is the second time this season Lennert has received this honor.



**LENNERT**

In the meet against Idaho, Lennert played a large role in helping the Aggies dominate the Vandals by a score of 181-119.

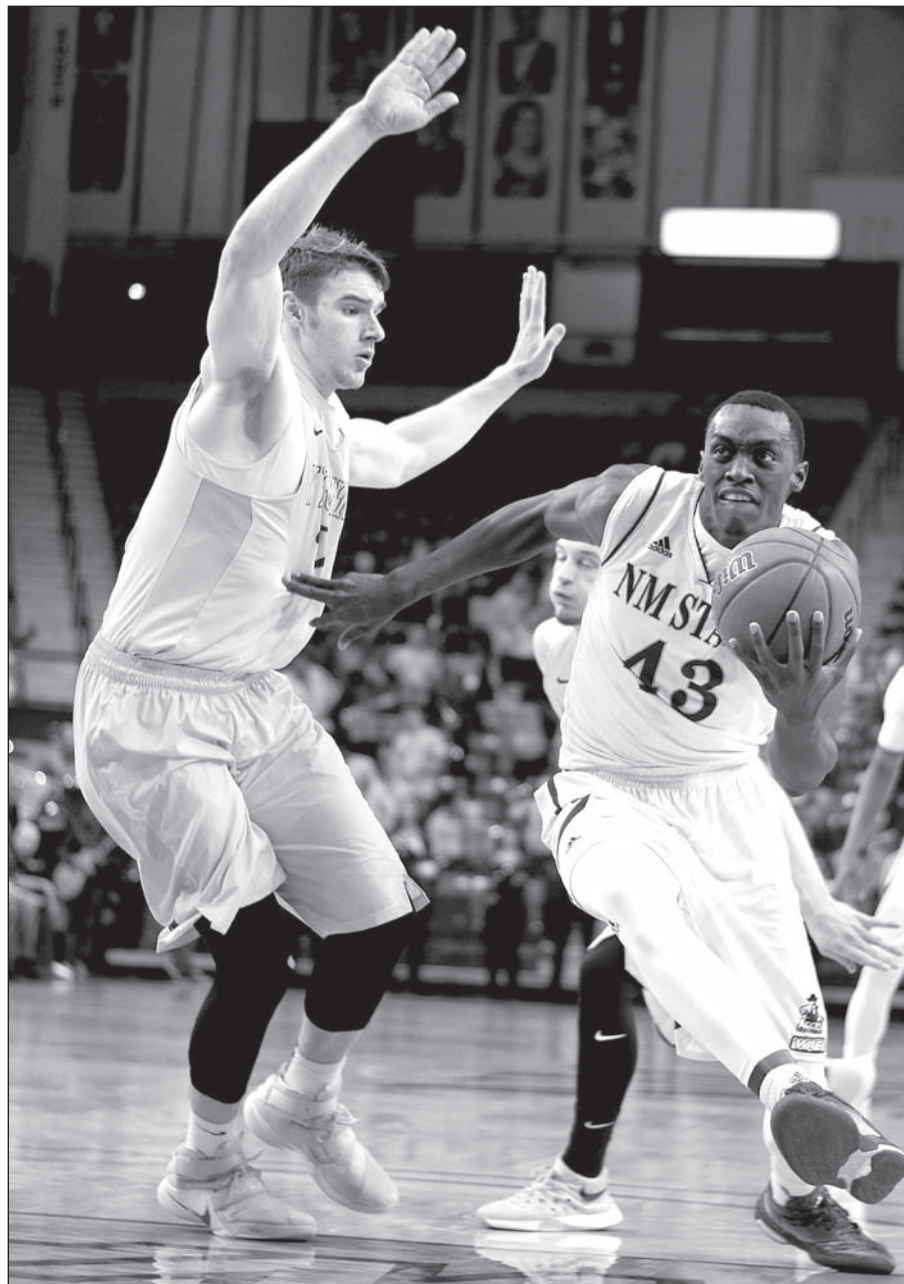
Lennert, a native of Budapest, Hungary, swept both individual events in which she competed. In the 200-yard Butterfly, Lennert finished first with a time of 2:07.80. In the 100-yard Butterfly, she claimed the top spot finishing in 57.20.

Lennert also helped the Aggies sweep both relays. She, along with teammates Georgia Brown, Lauren Wood and Cassandra Rupp put together an impressive 1:47.32 run in the 200-yard Medley Relay.

In the 400-yard Free-style Relay, Lennert, Brown, Rupp and Moranda Madero combined to win the event with a time of 3:35.28.

NM State will be back in action on Saturday, Jan. 30, as they travel to take on Rio Grande rival New Mexico at noon.

# Siakam leads the way for Aggies



New Mexico State University sophomore forward Pascal Siakam is on a roll for the Aggies. The 6-9 native of Douala, Cameroon has three 30-point games this season and leads the nation in field goals made with 168, and double-doubles with 17.

### Bulletin report

Have you made it to an Aggie men's game yet?

If not, you're missing something special.

New Mexico State University sophomore forward Pascal Siakam is on a roll for the Aggies.

The 6-9 native of Douala, Cameroon has three 30-point games this season with career-highs of 35 points against Robert Morris and Oral Roberts, and 30 points against Tennessee Tech. He is the first Aggie to post multiple 30-point games in the same season since Troy Gillenwater had four in 2010-11.

Siakam is one of the 31 players on the Lou Henson Award mid-season watch list. The award, named after the Aggie coaching legend, is presented to the top player from a mid-major institution by College Insider.

He has tallied the first 20-20 game in 13 seasons for the Aggies with his 24 points and 23 rebounds earlier this season. That marked the most rebounds for an Aggie since Chris Jackson's 23 at North Texas on Feb. 1, 2003.

Siakam has been named the WAC Player of

### Upcoming games

NMSU at CSU-Bakersfield

**When:** Saturday, Jan. 23

**Tipoff:** 8 p.m. MT

**Radio:** 570 AM

UT-Rio Grande at NMSU

**When:** Saturday, Jan. 30

**Tipoff:** 7 p.m.

**Radio:** 570 AM

the Week four times this season. He leads the nation in field goals made (168) and double-doubles (17), is sixth nationally rebounding (11.9 rpg) and 12th in scoring (22.2 ppg). He's 33rd in blocked shots (2.16) and 48th in minutes played (35.11). He leads the WAC in all six categories as well.

There have been just two games so far when Siakam has not recorded a double-double (double digit numbers in at least two categories.)

### Aggies cruise past Chicago State

Siakam paced the Aggies to their 11th win of the season with a season-high 10 blocked shots and 13 rebounds against Chicago State Saturday, Jan. 17.

He also scored 21 points. The Aggies won at home 80-62. It was the

SEE **AGGIES**, PAGE A24

# Ag women plan to 'Pack the Pan Am'

### Bulletin report

Off to their best start in nearly 30 years, the Aggie women now look to continue their hot streak in front of a raucous crowd Saturday, Jan. 23 against Cal-State Bakersfield.

Tipoff for the "Pack the Pan Am 2.0" is set for 2 p.m. and tickets cost just \$2.

With a 70-60 victory against Chicago State Saturday, Jan. 16, NMSU recorded its 14th victory of the season and secured its best start since 1987-88 when the Aggies went 26-3.

Junior guard Tamera William led the way with 20 points, including an 8-for-8 performance from

the free-throw line in the final five minutes of play.

With the win, the Aggies are now 5-0 against Chicago State all-time. Senior guard Sasha Weber now has 1,360 career-points to surpass Sinnamon Garrett (1,344, 2000-04) for 11th all-time at NM State.

### Upcoming games

CSU-Bakersfield at NMSU

**When:** Saturday, Jan. 23

**Tipoff:** 2 p.m.

NMSU at UT-Rio Grande

**When:** Saturday, Jan. 30

**Tipoff:** 6 p.m.



# Sifford, Suggs blazed trails in golf world

The golfing world lost four of its all-time best people in 2015.

These were players who not only were stellar performers on the golf course but also persons who made lasting contributions to the game. Charlie Sifford (1922-2015) and Louise Suggs (1923-2015) will be remembered in this column, while Billy Casper (1931-2015) and Calvin Peete (1943-2015) will be remembered in my column next week.

Charlie Sifford, who earned 60 cents a day caddying as a kid in North Carolina, basically broke the color barrier on the PGA tour. Lee Trevino referred to Sifford as the “Jackie Robinson” of golf.

Interestingly the 25-year-old Sifford met Robinson in 1947 and was advised of the hostility he would endure chasing his dream of playing and winning as a black man in a sport that had long been a white enclave.

At the time the PGA of America maintained a Caucasians-only membership clause. Tiger Woods stated that, were it not for Sifford, Woods dad, Earl, would not have picked up the game, and “I probably wouldn’t be a here (a golf celebrity).”

**Charlie  
Blanchard**  
*Golf Doctor*



Sifford won six National Negro Open championships in his 30s prior to his appearances in PGA tour tournaments. His PGA tour wins came in 1967 at the Greater Hartford Open and in 1969 at the Los Angeles Open, where he beat Harold Henning with a birdie on the first hole of a playoff.

Following his days on the PGA tour he went on to win several Senior PGA tournaments.

In late 2014, President Obama presented Sifford with the Presidential Medal of Freedom, our nation’s highest civilian award.

“We give thanks to the trailblazers who built the arc of freedom towards justice,” Obama said.

In the words of Tiger Woods, “Charlie ... is one of the most courageous men ever to play the sport.”

Charlie Sifford, who retired to just a few miles from my boyhood home in suburban Cleveland, was the embodiment of one of my deeply held beliefs about sport: It’s not about the score or the win, it’s how you play the game.

Louise Suggs, who passed away on Aug. 7, 2015, was one of the 13 founders of the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA).

Suggs was born in Atlanta, Georgia, about a six-hour drive to St. Augustine, Florida, where she is enshrined in the World Golf Hall of Fame. Her father was a golf course owner and she started playing at 10. She was 17 when she won the Georgia State Amateur Championship in 1940 and it didn’t take her long to amass seven more prestigious amateur titles, including the U.S. Women’s amateur in 1947 and the British Amateur in 1948.

During the course of her magnificent career, Suggs won 61 professional tournaments, including 11 majors. She was one of the founding members of the LPGA in 1950, and she served as the tour’s president from 1955 through 1957.

Suggs was the first to achieve the LPGA Career Grand Slam (four majors), and one of just seven women to claim that status.

The LPGA website notes Suggs was known widely for her spirt and toughness as a competitor throughout her career. Her 14-stroke victory against “bitter rival” Babe Zaharias in the 1949 U.S. Women’s Open still is tied for the largest victory ever in that event’s history.

Nicknamed “Miss Sluggs” by Bob Hope for how far she could smack a golf ball, she was a trailblazer throughout her career. She became the first woman ever elected into the Georgia Athletic hall of Fame (in 1966) and was one of the inaugural inductees into the LPGA Tour Hall of Fame.

Like just a few other golfers of her era, who viewed the game as a lifelong calling, she had an inner emotional sense of reality (and advice) as seen in my favorite Suggs’ quote: “Golf is like a love affair. If you don’t take it seriously, it’s not fun. But if you do, it breaks your heart. Don’t break your heart, but flirt with the possibility.”

## Free kids basketball clinic set

The New Mexico State women’s basketball team will conduct a second free kid’s clinic for children ages 5-14 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13 at the Pan American Center.

Kids in attendance will get hands-on fundamental training from members of the NM State women’s basketball team and staff. Attendees will also get free admission into the game against Chicago State following the clinic at 2 p.m.

Check-in will begin at noon inside the Pan American Center Annex. Walk-in registrations are welcome.

For any questions, contact DJ Downs, [djdowns@ad.nmsu.edu](mailto:djdowns@ad.nmsu.edu).

Additional tickets for the women’s basketball game against Chicago State can be purchased at the Pan Am Center Box Office or by calling (575) 646-1420. General admission tickets are \$6 for adults and free for children ages 12 and below.

## NMSU women’s soccer camp scheduled

The New Mexico State University women’s soccer program has selected Sunday, Feb. 28, as the date for its spring ID Camp. All interested campers must submit their registration form and medical release form no later than Thursday, Feb. 25.

The one-day camp costs \$75 and is open to girls’ grades 9-12 who are interested in playing soccer at the next level. Lunch will be provided for all participants as well as an NM State ID Camp t-shirt.

Head coach Freddy Delgado and his staff will be heading the camp along with current members of the NM State soccer team.

The camp is set to begin at 9:30 a.m. at the NM State Soccer Athletic Complex just west of Aggie Memorial Stadium and will end around 4 p.m. with full-sided games.

Participants will go through technical and tactical training during the camp and will have a chance to put their new skills to the test with 11v11 games. Goalkeeper training is also available at the camp.

A Q&A session will be held at the end for campers with the NM State coaching staff and players as well as any questions regarding the recruiting process.

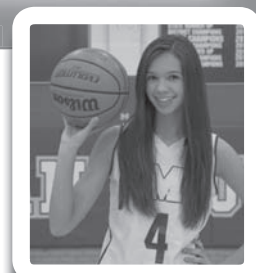
For questions, contact assistant coach Ben Parman via email at [bparman@nmsu.edu](mailto:bparman@nmsu.edu) or by phone at 501-499-0996.



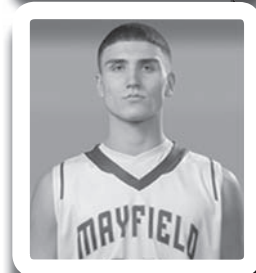
## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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**Jayne Gorzeman** is a 16-year-old junior at Mayfield High School. She plays guard and wing on the Lady Trojan’s basketball team and has averaged 17 points, seven rebounds, two steals, three assists and 1.8 blocks per game this season. She is a leader who is upbeat, enthusiastic, caring and competitive. Gorzeman is a leader of FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), an Honor Society member, plays AAV basketball with the New Mexico Heat Elite and is hoping to play college basketball. She is a dedicated student with a 3.82 GPA and outside of school and basketball, enjoys swimming, camping 4-wheeling and hanging out with friends and family. Gorzeman is grateful to God for her ability to play basketball and is thankful for her teammates who help her succeed.



**Jay Arnold** is an 18-year-old senior at Mayfield High School. He plays power forward for the Trojan’s basketball team and has averaged 14 points and four rebounds per game this season. Arnold is a thoughtful teammate – encouraging the players when they are down and respecting them when they step on the court with him. He is also respectful of his coaches and thankful to Coach Billy Keys for pushing him to not only succeed on the court, but also in life. Arnold is a dedicated student, with a 3.0 GPA. Outside of the classroom and off the court, he enjoys hunting and fishing with his family.



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# NMSU researcher tests mosquito repellent

By **Adriana M. Chavez**  
For the Bulletin

A New Mexico State University professor is collaborating with a New Mexico company and Arrowhead Center through the New Mexico Small Business Assistance program to test the efficacy of a mosquito repellent wristband that promises to be more effective than other commercially available repellents. The BugBling band has different active ingredients compared to other mosquito repellent bands on the market.

Through the NMSBA program, Immo Hansen, an associate professor of biology in NMSU's College of Arts and Sciences, has been the subject matter expert working with Bob Hockaday, president of

Energy Related Devices/eQSolaris to test the BugBling band. Energy Related Devices/eQSolaris is also a client of the Arrowhead Technology Incubator at Arrowhead Center.

Hansen and his research assistant Stacy Rodriguez tested the product with two experimental setups. Two band prototypes - one containing citronella and DEET, and the other containing oil of lemon eucalyptus and DEET - were tested using a Y tube and a taxis cage setup. The second test used a wind tunnel at NMSU to standardize airflow. Hansen said both prototypes were highly effective at reducing mosquito attraction.

The efficacy of both prototypes of the BugBling™ band were compared to two commercially avail-

able products - Invisiband and OFF ClipOn. The result: the effect of both BugBling bands were stronger than the two other products.

"The BugBling band strongly repels mosquitoes and proved to be superior compared to the other devices we tested," Hansen said. "In fact, it was the only device that had a significant effect in our tests."

Hockaday said the test results helped the BugBling band become "real" to the business world.

"With an independent test of our unique mosquito repellent technology it makes a spectacular difference in our credibility," Hockaday said. "For a little company that creates a disruptive product that far out-performs against com-



COURTESY PHOTOS

**NMSU student Hae-Na Chung wears the BugBling band developed by Energy Related Devices and tested by NMSU professor Immo Hansen as part of his research into mosquito repellents.**

mercial products, it is hard to be taken seriously. The NMSBA assistance was able to engage independent testing in a unique New Mexico laboratory to scientifically confirm our product was several times better."

Griselda Martinez, the NMSBA program manager at NMSU, said the mission of the NMSBA program "is all about support small businesses in the state of New Mexico to continue their growth. Seeing the development of this product and the potential to capture such a big market is of great excitement to our organization as we continue to work to develop our region."

Hansen's mosquito research recently attracted



**NMSU biology professor Immo Hansen, left, and research assistant Stacy Rodriguez demonstrate how they test mosquito repellent effectiveness using a Y-shaped tube. Hansen and Bob Hockaday, president of Energy Related Devices/eQSolaris, tested Hockaday's BugBlingband mosquito repellent with the help of the New Mexico Small Business Assistance Program through NMSU's Arrowhead Center.**

worldwide attention after discovering mosquitoes are strongly repelled by Victoria's Secret Bombshell perfume.

Hockaday said that the results and information

received through this NMSBA assistance have allowed him to continue with the process of registering the BugBling band with the Environmental Protection Agency.

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## AGGIES FROM PAGE A22

30th-consecutive home WAC victory for NMSU.

"I was happy about the overall effort," said NM State head coach Marvin Menzies. "(CSU) is the type of team that never gives up and keeps coming at you, and it was good to get a convincing win over them."

Sophomore Johnathon Wilkins scored a career-high 13 points. The 6-10 forward hit all four of his shots from the floor and was 5-of-8 from the foul line with six rebounds.

Sophomore Matt Taylor also scored a career-high 11 points. The 6-5 guard also notched a career-high three blocked shots and just missed a ca-

reer-best with eight boards.

### Upcoming games

The Aggies are now on the road and back out to the Golden State where they will tangle with Cal State-Bakersfield at 8 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 23.

CSU Bakersfield junior guard Dedrick Basile was named WAC Player of the Week for the week of Jan. 11-17. He averaged 19.5 points on 58.3 percent shooting, to go along with 4.0 rebounds, 2.5 steals and 2.5 assists as the Roadrunners picked up a pair of road wins to improve their record to 13-5.

After a week off with no Thursday game, NMSU returns to the friendly confines of the Pan American Center at 7 p.m., Saturday Jan. 30 against UT-Rio Grande Valley.



# Looking Back



## This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley



**Zak Hansen**  
Reflections

### 100yearsago

• The Jan. 22, 1916 Las Cruces Citizen reported “the Panama Canal will be opened to the largest ships on February 15,” on the word of Col. E. F. Glenn, who arrived to the U.S. the week prior “on the steamship Malapan from Colon.”

• U.S. Sen. James Wolcott Wadsworth of New York said of American intervention in the ongoing Border War — not two months before Pancho Villa’s raid on Columbus — that “if congress were to order intervention in Mexico today, it would be three, four or five months before we could get troops to intervene,” the Citizen reported. Said Sen. Wadsworth, “Our whole military history has been a distressing spectacle of waste in lives and money. For a century we have relied

on the volunteer system. I, for one, have no confidence in the efficiency of a volunteer system of raising an army — not even for efficient intervention in Mexico. The government gambles every times it asks for volunteers.”

### 75yearsago

• “The many friends of A. B. Fall (U.S. Sen. Albert Fall) will be delighted to know he is convalescing from a serious attack of pneumonia at the Veteran’s Hospital in Albuquerque,” the Jan. 23, 1941 Las Cruces Citizen reported.

• “Once there were two Irishmen — now there are millions of ‘em.”

### 50yearsago

• According to figures compiled and released by the national Department of Labor and Department of Commerce, fully one-third of Doña Ana County resi-

dents — 37.4 percent or 7,129 people — were Federal employees, the Jan. 27, 1966 Las Cruces Citizen reported. Doña Ana County’s numbers were considerably higher than the national average of 13.6 percent and the Mountain States average of 18.9 percent.

• Excerpts of the new guide “Sex and the College Student” appeared in the Citizen. Among them, “Campus health services should make available information on contraception ... actual prescription of contraceptive materials, however, cannot be done routinely since students will interpret this as sanction for their use,” and “Homosexuality may be a passing phase in a student’s life, requiring counseling rather than discipline.” The guide urged campus officials to avoid labeling adolescents as homosexual, “as such labeling might foreclose an understanding of the real problem faced by the youngster.”

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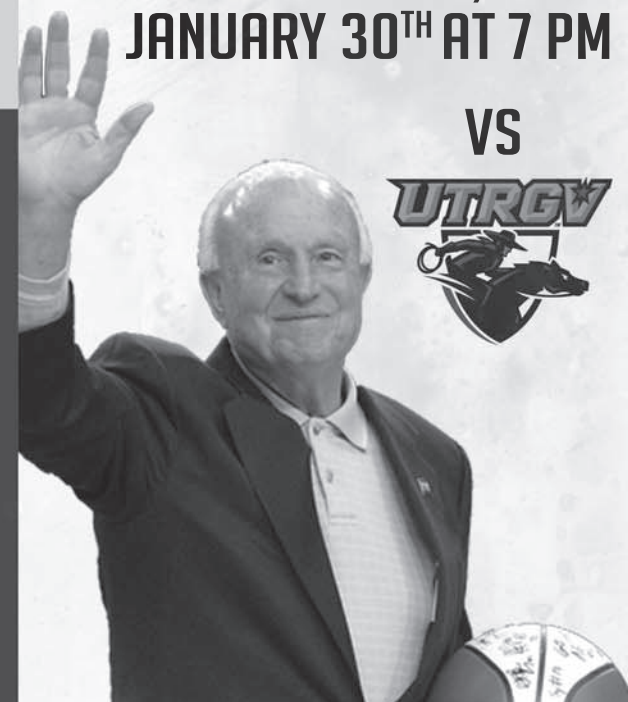
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was born August 8, 1930 in Chihuahua, Chihuahua, Mexico to Casimiro and Ramona Levario Reyes. "Andy" as he was fondly known to his family and friends retired as a construction laborer and was a communicant at San Luis Rey Catholic Church. Entrusted to Baca's Fu-

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## WILLIAM D. SNOW

*January 5, 2016*

WILLIAM D. SNOW, 59, of Las Cruces died Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at his home.

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## Burrell Institute for Health Policy & Research unveiled

Dan Burrell, Chairman of the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine at New Mexico State University (BCOM), Garrey Carruthers, Chancellor, New Mexico State University System, John Hummer, President of BCOM and George Mychaskiw, DO, Founding Dean and Chief Academic Officer, BCOM unveiled the new Burrell Institute of Health Policy and Research to an audience of regional business and healthcare leaders today. The new Institute, a division of the newly formed SW Osteopathic Foundation for Education and Research, will be a major healthcare research entity that will provide important information to policy leaders regionally, nationally and internationally.

"There is a huge need for population health research that will assist decision/policy makers in facilitating health policy changes for improving the health status of our population," Burrell explained. "That is why we decided to fund the creation of the institute. New Mexico now will be a laboratory for dealing with the health population issues that face us over the next 50 years. It's perfect to be in Las Cruces, because the population of the area is exactly how the US population will look in the future."

Keynoting the event was Dr. Barbara Ross-Lee, DO, FACOFP and Vice President for Health Affairs, New York Institute of Technology and Founding Dean, Chief Academic Officer, NYIT College of Medicine at Arkansas State University, who discussed the importance of population health research and health policy analysis. Emphasizing the importance of international cooperation in health policy and research, Dr. Ross-Lee an-

nounced that the Burrell Institute will sponsor a permanent physician fellow to work with his or her counterpart from Mexico in examining and addressing the health challenges of the Border region.

Hilda Davila, Director General, International Relations for the Mexican Government's Secretary of Health, also announced that the Ministry of Health will also be placing a permanent Fellow at the Institute to work side-by-side with their US counterpart.

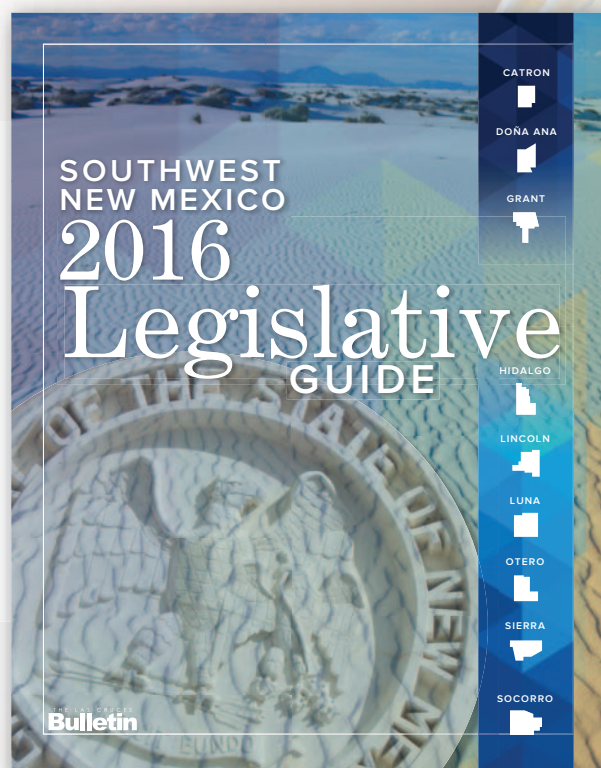
Dr. George Mychaskiw, Founding Dean of the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine and Co-Director of the Burrell Institute said, "The people of New Mexico, Texas and Chihuahua are the triplet children of different mothers. It is imperative that we work together with our colleagues in Mexico to provide for improved health and a better future for us all."

In addition to the research, the Institute will add full-time jobs and research opportunities for BCOM students.

The Institute will offer a multi-disciplinary approach to the analysis of determinants of health and health disparities, health care delivery, health policies, public health and health education programs.

The institute will embark on a variety of policy research projects and provide position papers to legislators, policy makers and the media. Collaborating with local, regional, national and international researchers from diverse agencies and organizations to analyze health conditions, evaluating programs and health care practices and conducting capacity building programs to improve local capacity.

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## MARIA DOMINGUEZ HERNANDEZ

*December 8, 1933 to January 5, 2016*

MARIA DOMINGUEZ HERNANDEZ, age 82, of Las Cruces entered eternal life Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born December 8, 1933 in San Mateo Valparaiso, Zacatecas, Mexico to Aurelio

and Margarita Piñeda Dominguez. Maria was a homemaker; a loving mother and grandmother.

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## ORDRA OLIVER GRAVES

*November 4, 1920 to January 8, 2016*

ORDRA OLIVER GRAVES, age 95, longtime resident of Las Cruces entered eternal life Friday, January 8, 2016 at Sierra Vista Hospital in T or C. He was born November 4, 1920 in Del Monte, CA to George and Martha Berry Graves. Oliver served his country honor-

ably in the United States Army during World War II, and was a supervisor for a construction company. Mr. Graves was a great father, grandfather and friend to all.

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## SOCORRO LUJAN SOLIS

*October 24, 1920 to January 1, 2016*

MR. SOCORRO "SOKY" LUJAN SOLIS, age 95, of Brazito entered eternal life Friday, January 1, 2016 at his home surrounded by his loving family. "Soky", as he was fondly known to family and friends, was born October 24, 1920 in Las Varas, Chihuahua, Mexi-

co to Ricardo Solis and Maria Lujan Solis. He retired after thirty years as a farm worker at Stahmann Farms, and was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

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## HERMELINDA B. TIRRE

*November 10, 1929 to January 3, 2016*

On Sunday, January 3, 2016, our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, HERMELINDA B. TIRRE, age 86, lifelong resident of Las Cruces left her dwelling place on earth and entered eternal life to be with her heavenly Father at Casa Bella Residential

Care Facility surrounded by her loving family. She was born November 10, 1929 to Pedro and Jacinta Uranga Baldonado. Mrs. Tirre was a homemaker and member of the Catholic Church.

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## ESPERANZA ENRIQUEZ JONES

*December 4, 1921 to January 3, 2016*

On January 3, 2016 our dear beloved mother and grandmother, ESPERANZA ENRIQUEZ JONES, age 94, of Las Cruces went home to be with her heavenly Father surrounded by her loving family. She was born December 4, 1921 in

La Union to Jose and Felipa Borunda Enriquez. Esperanza was a homemaker and a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

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## AURELIO D. MORALES

*January 4, 2016*

AURELIO D. MORALES, age 65, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, January 4,

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# Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase

Sunday, Jan. 31 at the  
Las Cruces Convention Center

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## Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase set for Jan. 31

By Zak Hansen  
Las Cruces Bulletin

If you've got a wedding, a quinceañera, a sweet 16, a retirement party or any other special event on the horizon, the annual Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase packs everything you might need for your big day under one roof.

Held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 31, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave., the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase features dozens of exhibitors on hand, each offering something to make your event memorable to all. Photographers and videographers, party planners, venues, salons and spas, tuxedo rentals dressmakers, travel agents, limousine services, DJ and entertainment services, caterers and restaurants, florists, confectioners, cake makers and more will be available with information, prices and face-to-face meets to start the lengthy process of planning the perfect party.

New this year, one lucky couple will

tie the knot during the event. That's right, the husband-and-wife-to-be winners of the "Tie the Knot with Magic. 104.9 and the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase" were selected at random Friday, Jan. 22, and during the showcase, that couple will receive a full-featured wedding complete with floral arrangements, cake, dress and tuxedo, photographer, honeymoon, caterer and rings.

"It's going to be so exciting to share this special day with an actual bride and groom," said event organizer Staci Mays of Las Cruces Event Planning. "It's the perfect way to let our guests experience how professional our local businesses are when it comes to events like this."

Fiesta Flowers will provide a bouquet and boutonniere, and Simply Devine Salon will do the hair and make up for the bride. The groom will get a haircut from Gent's Barber Shop, and wear a tuxedo provided by the Men's Wearhouse. The bride will don a beautiful dress from Renee's Bridal, and a wed-

ding cake will be courtesy of Let Them Eat Cake. Wedding rings will be donated by the event organizers, and the tables and centerpieces will be furnished by A Catered Affair. Jess Williams has agreed to be the officiant, and Mountain Star Photography will photograph the wedding. The Las Cruces Convention Center will cater the reception with hors d'oeuvres, where III Generation MuZic will be the DJ. The Hilton Garden Inn has provided a complimentary night's stay at their beautiful facility.

Brides-to-be and quinceañera guests may register at the door for drawings held throughout the day by a few of the showcase's finest exhibitors, and will receive a special Bridal Bag along with a copy of the Las Cruces Bulletin's "Perfect Southwest Weddings" guide, indispensable when it comes to planning the big day.

This year, the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase has teamed with the Cinderella Prom Dress Project, a volunteer group that collects new and

gently used dresses and gowns, offering them to any girl in need in Southwest New Mexico, "ensuring every girl receives the dress of her dreams, so that she may feel more glamorous and confident than ever before." Guests who bring with them a new or gently used dress will receive free admission to the event, and do their part to make sure every New Mexico girl has a special day of her own. For more information on the Cinderella Prom Dress project, visit [www.facebook.com/promdressprojectlc](http://www.facebook.com/promdressprojectlc).

Tickets to the Las Cruces Bridal & Special Events Showcase are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. You may purchase tickets online at [www.lascrucesbridalshowcase.com/tickets.html](http://www.lascrucesbridalshowcase.com/tickets.html), or in person at Renee's Bridal, 855 Spruce Ave., and Enchanted Occasions Event Rentals, 1333 E. Amador Ave. For more information, visit [www.lascrucesbridalshowcase.com](http://www.lascrucesbridalshowcase.com) or call Las Cruces Event Planning at 522-1232.

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## NMSU theatre nonprofit celebrates 30th anniversary Jan. 30

The American Southwest Theatre Company (ASTC), the nonprofit that benefits the students, faculty and staff of the New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department, will celebrate its 30th anniversary with a gala beginning at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 30 at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

Tickets are \$30, \$10 for NMSU students, and can be purchased in advance or on the night of the gala.

Tony-winning playwright Mark Medoff and the late Bruce Streett created ASTC in the mid-1980s. Medoff will be the evening's featured guest.

"The creation of the ASTC was an act of joy committed by the late Dr. Bruce Streett and me; Jeanne Hernandez, our general manager in training; a fiercely supportive faculty and student body; dozens of people and businesses in our community and El Paso who believed in what I dreamed to do: Build a

theater in the desert, attached to the university, but with autonomy to hire professionals to come to Las Cruces to perform, write, direct, design, choreograph, and, just as important, to teach while in residence," said Medoff. His play, "Children of a Lesser God," was first produced at NMSU and won the Tony award for best play in 1980. He was also nominated for an Oscar in 1986 for his screenplay adaptation of the play.

The gala will feature "30 Minutes from 30 Years" – live performances of scenes from ASTC productions during the past 30 years, including "Children of a Lesser God," "Our Town," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "Latins Anonymous," "Bus Stop," "Peter Pan," "A Christmas Carol," "Rocky Horror Picture Show," "The Laramie Project" and others.

Co-directed by NMSU Theatre Arts Professor Tom Smith and theatre student Robby Sciortino, "30 Minutes from 30 Years"

("30M/30Y") will feature performances by NMSU theatre students and faculty and community actors.

"ASTC is an incredibly valuable nonprofit in our community," Smith said. "At its core, ASTC is all about arts education. Through its partnership with NMSU Theatre Arts, it provides guest artists to work alongside college students interested in forging a career in theatre. It supports the Theatre for Young Audiences program, which provides free tickets to thousands of elementary school students who couldn't otherwise see live theatre. It helps high school students see productions for free, provides study guides for teachers and offers community outreach and education through workshops. It does so much good – often under-noticed – for our community that's its wonderful to recognize and celebrate 30 years of that mission."

Smith was hired as a guest director for an NMSU production

of "Moon Over Buffalo" in 1998. He joined the faculty and the ASTC board the following year, and has served as department head and as artistic, producing and managing director for ASTC.

Sponsorships of the ASTC "memories" featured in "30M/30Y" are available for \$150 each, and include two tickets to the gala, an announcement of the sponsor's name during the gala and a listing in the playbills for Theatre Arts' Department shows.

The gala will also include a costume parade featuring many costumes worn by actors on the NMSU stage during the past three decades; hors d'oeuvres, desserts and a cash bar; a silent auction; a slide show featuring more ASTC remembrances; dancing and live music by Triple Play; and a musical preview of ASTC's upcoming "Broadway Today," including a performance by Theatre Arts Department Assistant Professor and ASTC

board of trustees member Megan McQueen.

Co-directing ASTC's "Laramie Project" in 2003 was "my all-time favorite theatrical experience," said Theatre Arts Department Scenic Designer Jim Billings, who has created sets for more than 150 NMSU shows. "This was really important to Claudia (Jim's wife, "Laramie Project" co-director, an associate professor of theatre at NMSU and one of the actors in "30M/30Y," and me, because we had both gotten our undergraduate theatre degrees in Laramie and I was a Wyoming native."

Jim Billings came to NMSU in January 1985 as a guest artist to design "Spring Awakening." He stayed the entire semester, designing four other shows and teaching scenic design. "I was hired for the following year, and it just kept happening," said Billings, who is ASTC's resident scenic and lighting designer.



# ASTC

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Billings remembers the 2013 “Rocky Horror Picture Show” musical as a “burn-down-the-house” choice for the last show” in the Hershel Zohn Theatre before the Theatre Arts Department moved to the Center for the Arts. “We were able to get the rehearsal hall (at the new building) named after Hershel Zohn, so we were able to continue his legacy as the man who created the department,” said Billings.

“Almost the entire production/design staff (Jim Billings, Dave Hereford, Deb Brunson, myself) have been working together since 1991, and in a profession that is transient and ephemeral by nature; that is an accomplishment,” said Theatre Arts Production Coordinator Michael Wise. “We have constantly amazed ourselves with the solutions we come up with to the creative challenges that have presented themselves with each new production and each new space.”

Wise was with NMSU Theatre Arts/ASTC from 1991 to 1997 and then moved to Portland, Oregon. He returned to NMSU in 2000. Wise has directed and stage managed many NMSU productions.

“When I came for my interview 29 years ago, I had never been to this part of the country before,” said ASTC Resident Costume Designer Deborah Brunson. “I remember thinking, ‘Hmm, this is pretty far away from the major theatre hubs, how do they stay up on the trends?’ Then I learned that ASTC brings the experts here.....So, our students and community get the best of both worlds—our beautiful desert AND professional theatre artists!”

““I have enjoyed being a part of ASTC over the years for a number of rea-

sons – working on interesting and challenging productions, the opportunity to work with a variety of designers, directors and artisans but chiefly, watching students grow and discover their talent,” said ASTC Technical Director David Hereford, who has been with the Theatre Arts Department for more than 25 years.

“I had just returned from Dallas and my graduate studies toward an MFA when ASTC was established,” said David Edwards, one of the community actors featured in 30M/30Y. “It was exciting to have a professional company and its educational mission in my home town, where I did my undergraduate work and learned to love theatre. I have many special memories of my work at ASTC – working on ‘Of Mice and Men’ with the late William Frankfather is among the most cherished. Even though I

didn’t get to play George to his Lennie – I played the ‘dog-killer Carlson’ instead – it was the best ensemble I’ve ever been a part of and Bill’s professionalism raised us all to his level. It was a perfect example of what ASTC’s mission was designed to accomplish.”

“For me, it’s terrific that part of the initial conception for ASTC, the idea that student theatre majors at NMSU could benefit strongly from opportunities to work alongside professional guest artists from around the country, has proven itself over time and continues to this day as part of what we can offer,” said Theatre Arts Professor Dr. William Storm, who is president of the ASTC board.

“Having ASTC embedded in the NMSU Theatre Arts Department allows our students to gain production experience that is akin to the professional theatre environment

which vastly enhances their education here,” said Department Head Wil Kilroy. “Although I’m a recent transplant to NMSU, I’m excited to be part of this milestone celebration and will not only be working behind the scenes for the event but will also appear as an actor onstage during our retrospective featuring scenes from past productions.” Kilroy came to NMSU from the University of Southern Maine last summer.

For more information about the show and ticket and sponsorship information, contact Bill Storm at 646-3180 or 4517 or [wstorm@nmsu.edu](mailto:wstorm@nmsu.edu). You can purchase advance tickets at the NMSU Theatre Arts box office, 1000 E. University Ave. (the corner of University and Espina) from noon to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The box office will also be open one hour before the gala begins. Call the box office at 646-4515.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**FRI JANUARY 22 • 10:30 A.M.** Branigan Library  
Rhythm Roundup (Music & Motion for Ages 2-5)

**FRI JANUARY 22 • 3:30 P.M.** Branigan Library  
Library Lab (Stories/Activities for ages 6-10)

**SAT JANUARY 23 • 1:00 P.M.** Branigan Library  
Team Anime ages12-18

**SAT JANUARY 23 • 7:00 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Chris Waggoner 75th Birthday Tribute to Neil Diamond

**SUN JANUARY 24 • 2:00 P.M.** Branigan Library  
4TH Sunday Movie Free Award-winning movies Most unrated; not suitable for families or children

**TUE JANUARY 26 • 10:30 A.M.** Branigan Library  
Read to Me-Storytime ages 1-3

**TUE+THU JANUARY 26+28 • 4:00 P.M.** Branigan Library  
Teen Game Night-for ages 12-18

**WED+THU JANUARY 27+28 • 10:00 A.M.** Branigan Library  
Toddler Time-Storytime ages 3-5

**WED JANUARY 27 • 11:00 A.M.** Branigan Library  
Mother Goose Time—Activities for Infants

**FRI JANUARY 29 • 7:30 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Mark Nizer, Comedian & Illusionist

**TUE FEBRUARY 2 • 6:30 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Every Other Tuesday: Jazzman Ross

**SAT FEBRUARY 13 • 7:30 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Josh Grider

**TUE FEBRUARY 16 • 6:30 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Every Other Tuesday: Bruce Carlson

**FRI FEBRUARY 19 • 7:30 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Viva La Cultura with La Rondella de Albuquerque

**SUN FEBRUARY 21 • 7:30 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
Judy Collins

**SAT FEBRUARY 27 • 7 & 9:30 P.M.** RIO GRANDE THEATRE  
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# Events Calendar

## FRI. 1/22

**10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Art silent auction**, Desert Roots Artists' Market and Gallery, 1001 S. Solano Drive. Bid on works by participating local artists. A new artist is featured each week. Call 652-7366.

**3 p.m. Evolved**, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Evolved is a program that makes circuits through time, discussing important points in evolution and the development of the world as it currently exists. Join museum staff every Friday at 3 p.m. to explore the beginnings of the universe and discuss what the future may hold for us, as informed by modern philosophy and science. Free. Call 522-3120.

**7 p.m. Live music**, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

**7 to 9 p.m. After-Hours Music Night: Live folk and Americana with Mark Courtney**, Desert Roots Art Gallery, 1001 S. Solano Drive. Enjoy an evening of art and music with friends and neighbors featuring folk and Americana music from Mark Courtney. Snacks, appetizers and hot and cold beverages available. Free. Call 652-7366.

**7 to 9 p.m. Live music with Alison Reynolds**, Picacho Peak Brewing Co., 3900 W. Picacho Ave. No cover. Call 680-6394.

**7 to 10 p.m. Live music with Derrick Harris Band**, The Game Sports Bar and Grill, 2605 S. Espina St. No cover. Call 524-4263.

**8 to 10 p.m. Live music**, Vintage Wines, 2461 Calle de Guadalupe. No cover. Call 523-9463.

**9 p.m. Live music with Overcome Las Cruces**, Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 521-1099.

## SAT. 1/23

**7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Big Daddy's Flea Market**, 5580 Bataan Memorial East. Indoor and outdoor vendors on 20 acres. A wide variety of items will be available. Call 382-9404.

**8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces**, Main Street Downtown. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art, pet adoptions and more. Free. Visit [www.fcmlc.org](http://www.fcmlc.org).

**9 a.m. to noon, MVM Farm volunteer day**, MVM Farm, 2653 Snow Road. Interested in organic farming and local food production? Want to find out more about vermiculture, composting, laying hens, season extension and crop planning in our region? Come and volunteer at the MVM Farm in Mesilla. Free. Call 805-6757 for directions or email [info@mvmfarm.com](mailto:info@mvmfarm.com).

**10 a.m. Family Science Saturday**, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Join the museum in August as the museum hosts the BLM Groundworks crew, a nonprofit organization that partners with local businesses to provide local youth with opportunities for personal and professional development by learning new skill sets and participating in community projects. This week's topic is geological maps. All ages are welcome, from 3 to 93. Free. Call 522-3120.

**10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces**, COAS Bookstores, 1101 S. Solano Drive and 317 S. Main St. This week, Louise O'Donnell will be the storyteller at the Downtown location and Loni Todoroki will be the storyteller at the Solano location. COAS will give coupons for free books to all children who attend. Free. Call 524-8471.

**11 a.m. to 1 p.m. SNAP**, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science and Museum of Art atrium, 491 N. Main St. Recognizing

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### OPENING:

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the importance of interdisciplinary learning experiences, the education staff of the Las Cruces Museums system have collaborated on a new program offering SNAP – the Science, Nature and Art Program. The program encourages visitors to embrace their artistic creativity while engaging in educational activities inspired by Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Free. Call 541-2137.

**2 to 6 p.m. Live music**, Sombra Antigua Winery, 430 La Viña Road, Chamberino, N.M. No cover. Call 915-241-4349.

**3:30 to 4 p.m. Learn to play Middle Eastern rhythms**, My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. No drum required but must call ahead for loaner drum. Cost \$2 per lesson. Call 693-1616.

**7 p.m. Play Me 75th Birthday Celebration**, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Chris Waggoner brings his high-powered tribute to Neil Diamond, backed by a seven-piece band and the "Diamondettes," to the stage for a celebration of the iconic singer's 75th birthday. Tickets are \$32 premium reserved seating (main floor, first 8 rows); \$22 regular seating (main floor, back rows and all balcony seats). Call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

**7 p.m. Neil Diamond 75th Birthday Tribute Concert**, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Join Chris Waggoner and the seven-piece Play Me Band – and the Diamondettes – in celebrating the 75th birthday of iconic musician Neil Diamond with a signature tribute concert. Tickets \$32.50 main floor reserve seating and \$22 regular reserved seating. Call 523-6403.

**7 to 10 p.m. Live music with Sage Gentle-Wing**, The Game Sports Bar and Grill, 2605 S. Espina St. No cover. Call 524-4263.

**8 to 10 p.m. Live music with Steve Selby**, Vintage Wines, 2461 Calle de Guadalupe. No cover. Call 523-9463.

**8 to 11 p.m. Live Chicago blues with Al Scorch**, High Desert Brewing Co., 1201 W. Hadley Ave. No cover. Call 525-6752.

**9 p.m. Live music with The Cajon Brothers**, Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 521-1099.

## SUN. 1/24

**7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Big Daddy's Flea Market**, 5580 Bataan Memorial East. Indoor and outdoor vendors on 20 acres. A wide variety of items will be available. Call 382-9404.



**10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday Farmers Market**, Tractor Supply Co., 1440 W. Picacho Ave. This is a true farmers market with produce and food as the primary items, along with some arts and crafts. Free. Call 993-6521.

**11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday Tea Party**, Desert Roots Artists' Market and Gallery, 1001 S. Solano Drive. Loose-leaf, perfectly brewed tea by the pot, accompanied by sweet and savory finger foods. Other beverages, snacks and appetizers are also available. Cost is \$7.95 per person. Call 652-7366 to reserve space – seating is limited.

**2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Live music**, Sombra Antigua Winery, 430 La Viña Road, Chamberino, N.M. No cover. Call 915-241-4349.

**MON. 1/25**

**9 p.m. Open Mic hosted by Chris Baker and Friends**, Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 5214-1099.

**TUE. 1/26**

**1 to 3:30 p.m. Beginning Drawing and Painting**, My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Pencil, pastel, charcoal drawing and watercolor and acrylic painting focusing on the basic and advancing at your own pace. Taught by artist and educator Wayne Carl Huber. Adults and high school home school students are welcome. Enroll any Tuesday for four weeks at \$45. Contact Huber for supplies and more information at 647-5684.

**5 to 6 p.m. Belly Dance Club**, My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Join one of the longest-running dance groups in the area. Open to ages 11 and older. Great low-impact exercise. Cost \$4 per lesson. Call 639-1616.

**6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Argentine Tango de Las Cruces**, 2251 Calle de Santiago, Mesilla. Daniel Haverporth will teach a class from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m., dances from 7:15 to 9:30 p.m. Cost \$5, NMSU students free with ID. Call 620-0377.

**WED. 1/27**

**8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Farmers & Crafts Market of Las Cruces**, Main Street Downtown. Wide variety of arts and crafts, food, fresh produce, unique fine art, pet adoptions and more. Free. Visit [www.fcmlc.org](http://www.fcmlc.org).

**9 a.m. to noon, MVM Farm volunteer day**, MVM Farm, 2653 Snow Road. Interested in organic farming and local food production? Want to find out more about vermiculture, composting, laying hens, season extension and crop planning in our region? Come and volunteer at the MVM Farm in Mesilla. Free. Call 805-6757 for directions or email [info@mvmfarm.com](mailto:info@mvmfarm.com).

**5 to 8 p.m. Open Mic, New Mexico State University Barnes & Noble**, University Avenue and Jordan Road. Poetry and musicians alternate. Organized by David Rodriguez. Free. Call 646-4431.

**8 to 10 p.m. Open mic**, Q's Steak, Pasta and Brewhouse, 1300 Avenida de Mesilla. No cover. Call 571-4350.

**8 to 10 p.m. Old-time fiddle music with Los Cacahuates**, Spotted Dog Brewery, 2900 Avenida de Mesilla. No cover. Call 650-2729.

**THU. 1/28**

**9 a.m. Nature Kids: Shells and marine life**, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. The museum invites kids ages 3 to 5 to learn about local flora and fauna on the fourth Thursday of each month. This week, we will learn about shells and marine life. We will discuss southern New Mexico's past as an ancient seashore and explore what it could have possibly looked

like back then. Next, we'll compare it to modern oceans. Free. Call 522-3120.

**1 to 3:30 p.m. Intermediate to Advanced Drawing and Painting**, My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. This intermediate and advanced class will focus on the unique concerns of each student, working in a variety of media, including watercolor, acrylic, water soluble oil paints, pastels, and colored pencil. Subject matter will comprise of still life, landscape, figure, and architectural space. Students may start classes at any time and proceed at their own pace. Open enrollment starting any Thursday. Cost \$45 for four two and a half hour sessions. Call 647-5684.

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**5:30 p.m. Science Café**, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. The museum invites the public to listen and participate in Science Café, the museum's monthly science roundtable discussion. Sigma Xi's Science Café is presented by the Scientific Research Society, in cooperation with the Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science. The free Café discussions are presented to advance greater public understanding and to encourage use of available science. Students and all those seeking greater knowledge of current science are encouraged to come. Free. Call 522-3120.

**7 p.m. Big Band Dance Club**, Court Youth Center, 402 W. Court Ave. The Big Band Dance Club invites you to join us to dance ballroom, country, swing and Latin styles. Beginner's group dance lesson begins at 7 p.m., dances from 8 to 10 p.m. Cost \$7 members, \$9 nonmembers. Call 526-6504.

**8 to 11 p.m. Live Gypsy jazz with Black Market Trust**, High Desert Brewing Co., 1201 W. Hadley Ave. No cover. Call 525-6752.

**FRI. 1/29**

**10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Art silent auction**, Desert Roots Artists' Market and Gallery, 1001 S. Solano Drive. Bid on works by participating local artists. A new artist is featured each week. Call 652-7366.

**7 p.m. Live music**, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

**7 to 10 p.m. Live music with Los Latinos**, The Game Sports Bar and Grill, 2605 S. Espina St. No cover. Call 524-4263.

**7:30 p.m. Mark Nizer**, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. The Doña Ana Arts Council continues its 2015-16 Variety Series with world-renowned entertainer Mark Nizer. Bringing his unique brand of original comedy, world-class juggling, movement, music and 3-D technology to the Rio Grande Theatre stage, Nizer touts the philosophy "the impossible is possible, the improbable is probable." Doors open at 7 p.m., show time is 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$37.50 for Main Floor reserved seats; \$27 for Balcony reserved seats; (includes all fees and a pair of 3-D glasses). Call 523-6403 or visit [www.riograndetheatre.com](http://www.riograndetheatre.com).

**8 to 10 p.m. Live music**, Vintage Wines, 2461 Calle de Guadalupe. No cover. Call 523-9463.

**9 p.m. Live music with Billy Townes Jazz Trio**, Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 521-1099.

**9 to 10 p.m. Live music with Ray Orta**, Picacho Peak Brewing Co., 3900 W. Picacho Ave. No cover. Call 680-6394.

**SAT. 1/30**

**7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Big Daddy's Flea Market**, 5580 Bataan Memorial East. Indoor and outdoor vendors on 20 acres. A wide variety of items will be available. Call 382-9404.

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# Galleries & Openings

## LAST CHANCE

**BRANIGAN CULTURAL CENTER** presents "Remembering the Mays" and "The Beggars of Venice."

Celebrating local history and one of Las Cruces' pioneering families is the focus of "Remembering the Mays." Settling in Las Cruces in the late nineteenth century, John and Elizabeth May opened and operated the successful Rio Grande Hotel on Main Street. The couple raised six children in Las Cruces, many of whom grew to become important figures in their own right, owning important businesses throughout the City and becoming involved in local and regional politics.

The exhibit will feature historic photographs as well as items from the Museum System's collection that belonged to members of the May family, allowing visitors insight into life in Las Cruces during an exciting period of time in which the city was rapidly developing.

The suite of drawings "The Beggars of Venice" captures the many characters of the most present but often unnoticed residents of Venice, Italy. Utilizing graphite and ink on paper, artist Ed Smith's images create a sense of historical continuity with the great artists Callot, Tintoretto, Tiepolo, Goya and Rembrandt. "The Beggars of Venice" and "Remembering the Mays" will remain on display through Saturday, Jan. 23.

Branigan Cultural Center is located at 501 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, call 541-2154.

## ONGOING

**BIG PICTURE DIGITAL IMAGE EXPERTS AND GALLERY** presents "Faces, etc. ..." by fine artist Carmen Navar. Navar's mission statement is to create "peace and beauty" in a stress-filled world, believing the arts are a powerful force for positive change. She communicates her art language through the movement of powerful brushstrokes and mark-making bordering on the realm of emotion, abstraction and figuration. "Faces, etc. ..." will present an array of Navar's newest works of the figure and face, which are whimsical and intense at the same time. "Faces, etc. ..." will remain on display through the end of January.

Big Picture Digital Image Experts and Gallery is located at 311 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and

9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 647-0508.

**NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY** presents its first exhibition for the spring 2016 semester, "Water! What is it Good For?" featuring Florida-based artist Bethany Taylor and Texas-based artist Brenda Perry. In this two-person exhibit, Taylor and Perry will create critical spaces for viewers to engage with multifaceted environmental concern. Through their art, the duo asks viewers to consider meanings and practices of sustainability, water rights, renewable natural resources and environmental consciousness. "Water! What is it Good For?" will remain on display through Feb. 27. In addition, Taylor and Perry will present a panel discussion on environmental issues from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23.

The NMSU University Art Gallery is located inside D.W. Williams Hall, at the intersection of University Avenue and Solano Drive. Regular gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, visit <http://uag.nmsu.edu> or call 646-2545.

**CAFÉ DE MESILLA** presents an exhibit of work from members of the Las Cruces Arts Association for the months of January and February. The exhibit will remain on display through the end of February.

Café de Mesilla is located at 2190 Avenida de Mesilla. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. For more information, call 524-0000.

**AA STUDIOS** presents "Dreams from the Desert," an exhibit of new ceramics and wall constructions by Las Cruces artist Christina Campbell. Campbell is a New Mexico artist who experiments with different media, including painting, drawing and ceramics. Much of her inspiration comes from the Southwestern landscape and dream images. Her imagery reflects plant and mineral forms, ranging from tiny seed pods to monolithic stone formations. Water is also a recurring element. Campbell has shown extensively in the U.S. and has had eight large one person exhibits. Locally, she has shown with the Border Artists and as part of the "State of the Art" exhibit at the New Mexico State University Art Gallery inside D.W. Williams Hall in NMSU. Campbell has served as a past board member for ArtForms and The Bridge Center for the Arts in El Paso. She is

also a member of "The Insighters," an art group in Las Cruces with a metaphysical focus. "Dreams from the Desert" will remain on display through the end of February.

Aa Studios is located 2645 Doña Ana Road. Gallery hours are held the second weekend of the month and by appointment. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 520-8752.

**ART OBSCURA GALLERY** presents "The S— We Like," paintings and drawings by Andrew Martinez and photography by Joe Suarez. The exhibit will remain on display through the first weekend of February.

Art Obscura Gallery is located at 3206 Harrelson St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 494-7256.

**COTTONWOOD GALLERY**, inside Southwest Environmental Center, presents a new show of artwork by Las Cruces painter Meg G. Freyermuth. Freyermuth recently completed the first Artist-In-Residence program for the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument, a program that supports public lands through art. An avid hiker, traveler and gardener since childhood, Freyermuth uses these experiences to display her passion for the environment through brightly colored, dramatic paintings and drawings of the United States' wilderness. Freyermuth's show will remain on display through the end of January.

Cottonwood Gallery is located inside Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 522-5552.

**MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY** features two local artists for the month of December, Bonnie MacQuarrie and Kay Susin. In addition, the gallery's 30 member artists offer work in many media.

Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery is located at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday. For more information, call 522-2933.

**ART ON EASELS GALLERY**, located inside the Community Enterprise Center, features nearly 50 works by members of the Las Cruces Arts Association. January's LCAA featured artist is Judy Licht. "From my first experience watch-

ing dye flow from my brush onto silk, I was captivated by this fascinating medium," Licht said. "The dyes penetrate the silk, creating a single entity that is both rich color and soft texture. My lifelong exploration of color and my love for the natural world combine to inform my artwork. I create paintings on silk that hang on the wall as well as wearable art — silk scarves and nuno — felted scarves (wool felted into silk.)"

Art on Easels Gallery, inside the Community Enterprise Center, is located at 125 N. Main St. Art on Easels Gallery is open from 5 to 7 p.m. during each First Friday Downtown Art Ramble, as well as during the Las Cruces Farmers & Craft Market on the first and third Saturdays of the month. For more information, visit [www.lascrucesarts.com](http://www.lascrucesarts.com).

**NEW MEXICO FARM & RANCH HERITAGE MUSEUM** presents in its north corridor "In a Nutshell: Growing Nuts in New Mexico," an exhibit centered on nuts grown here in the Land of Enchantment. Few crops are more diverse and individually tied culturally and economically to the various geographic areas of New Mexico's bountiful nut crops. Each of the state's top nuts — piñon, peanuts, pecans and pistachios — has its own story to tell about how and why it is grown and harvested. The exhibit covers everything from the definition of a nut to its health benefits. In between is a fascinating look at the history, research and uses as well as growing and harvesting techniques. "In a Nutshell" will remain on display through Sept. 25.

The museum presents in its arts corridor "Linda Hagen: Light Affects." New Mexico always has been renowned for the effects of its light and its attractiveness to artists. Light affects the way we view this beautiful state, and in this collection of paintings by Las Cruces artist Linda Hagen, she

accepts the challenge of capturing light on canvas — on form, distance and color. A love of animals, the West and nature inspire Hagen's work. "Light Affects" will remain on display through April 3.

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Regular museum admission is \$5 adults, \$4 senior citizens, \$3 children ages 4 to 17, \$2 active U.S. military and veterans and free for children age 3 and younger. For more information, visit [www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org](http://www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org) or call 522-4100.

**DESERT ROOTS ARTISTS' MARKET AND GALLERY** features works by local artists and a cozy café area.

Desert Roots Artists' Market and Gallery is located at 1001 S. Solano Drive. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 652-7366.

**DOÑA ANA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER** is currently displaying more than 100 pieces of new, original artwork created by students from Las Cruces Public Schools and Gadsden Independent School District in the center's first-floor corridor. The exhibit includes drawings, paintings, photography, etchings and more.

The student art exhibit complements the permanent art collection held inside the center, featuring 41 original acrylics and oils by Joyce T. Macrorie, several historical photographs and landscapes, art from students attending J. Paul Taylor Academy and Hatch Valley Public Schools and more.

The Doña Ana County Government Center is located at 845 N. Motel Blvd. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 647-7210.

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# Call to Artists

## Desert Roots Artists' Market and Gallery seeks artists

Desert Roots Artists' Market and Gallery, 1001 S. Solano Drive, extends a call to artists in all media to showcase works in February and March. Submissions now being considered. For more information, call Cynthia at 575-652-7366.

## Celestial Sounds choir begins spring rehearsals

Celestial Sounds, Las Cruces' choir of women who love to sing, announces the start of rehearsals for spring, which began Sunday, Jan. 18. The repertoire will include lyrical choral pieces by Gwyneth Walker, Eric Whitacre, Persichetti and more. Rehearsals are 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Two concert dates are planned for mid-May.

If you are interested in joining, contact Carol Nike at 202-9646 or [Carol\\_Nike@hotmail.com](mailto:Carol_Nike@hotmail.com).

## Foundation for Las Cruces Museums seeks volunteers

The Foundation for Las Cruces Museums (FLCM) is seeking dynamic, enthusiastic volunteers from the community to help run foundation programs and business. The Foundation supports the four city museums: the Las Cruces Museum of Art, Branigan Cultural Center, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science and Las Cruces Railroad Museum.

Foundation members support the museums by conducting events throughout the year and by managing funds that have been donated to the museum. Members work to support the museums through their popular "Rat on a Stick" food booth at the Renaissance Arts Faire and through their annual Navajo rug sale. They also support museum educational initiatives, such as the evening adult events. Most recently, they are working with the Progress Club to offer listening devices to visitors of the museums.

If you have an interest in supporting the educational efforts of our museums, consider becoming a member of the foundation. The FLCM is a nonprofit organization of individuals who choose to support the museums with financial and volunteer contributions.

The Foundation Board needs members to serve in key leadership positions, including: President, runs the foundation meetings and serves as head of the Foundation board; Secretary, takes notes of meetings and maintains documents for the board; Treasurer prepares monthly financial statements, oversees financial transactions and guides board members in annual budgets; Communications Chair manages social media for the board and writes monthly guest articles in the Las Cruces Bulletin on foundation events; Special Events Chair leads the board in planning, promoting and conducting special activities, such as fundraising events and educational activities; and Development Chair, who works with the community, finding ways to bring businesses and other organizations together to support the museums and related educational initiatives.

Potential board members are invited to contact current board president Michael Weiss at [mike-weiss65@gmail.com](mailto:mike-weiss65@gmail.com).

## Singing Out LGBTQA choir begins rehearsals

Singing Out, a choir comprised of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and allies, will begin rehearsals for its 2016 season on Friday, Feb. 2, and is seeking new members. No auditions or music-reading ability is required. For more information, visit [www.singingoutlascruces.org](http://www.singingoutlascruces.org) or email [singingoutlascruces@gmail.com](mailto:singingoutlascruces@gmail.com).

## NM Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum seeks tour guides

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road, is looking for volunteers to be tour guides during the spring 2016 season. Tour guides help the museum teach visitors about the rich cultural legacy of New Mexico by taking students through the museum. Enrich your own knowledge of New Mexico agricultural history at the same time. For more information, call Debbi Holderby at 575-522-4100 ext. 116.

## Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery accepting applications

Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery is accepting applications for exhibitions, and encourages artists to stop by the gallery to learn more. Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery is located at 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, across from the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday. For more information, call 522-2933 or visit [www.mesillavalleyfinearts.com](http://www.mesillavalleyfinearts.com).

## Tularosa MERC seeks member artists

The MERC, Tularosa's newest art and art gift cooperative on historic Granado Street is now accepting new artist memberships. Many details to share and many benefits. For more information contact [greatrepm@gmail.com](mailto:greatrepm@gmail.com).

## Fiction book entries sought for NMPW women's book contest

An outstanding New Mexico writer will be honored for her work in fiction in spring 2016 when her book receives the prestigious Zia Award, given by the New Mexico Press Women.

New Mexico women writers are invited to submit their fiction books for consideration of the award, given each year at the annual New Mexico Press Women spring conference luncheon. The 2016 conference luncheon will be held April 23, 2016 at Bosque Retreat Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Finalists are required to attend the award luncheon to read from their work.

Each year the award rotates to one of three categories: fiction, children's literature, and non-fiction. To accommodate this schedule, a book published in the last three years is eligible. Any fiction book published in 2013, 2014 or 2015 will be accepted for consideration of the 2016 Zia Award.

Publishers or authors may submit a book entry. Membership in the association is not required, but the writer must be a woman. Authors must also live in the state, or have a strong connection to New Mexico, however the book can be published anywhere.

Regular entry is \$25 for members and \$30 for

non-members. Membership in NMPW is \$13 annually.

For consideration please submit: A cover letter with contact information (include email) containing the following: author's biography, author's connection to New Mexico, description of the book, a copy of the book, entry fee and optional membership fee, payable to "New Mexico Press Women."

Mail to the following address: Jessica Savage, Zia Award Contest Chair, 1612 Ralph Dr. Las Cruces, NM 88001.

Entries must be postmarked by Saturday, Feb. 6. An acknowledgment letter will be emailed upon receipt of the entry.

Book entries are considered a donation to the organization and are not returned. The books will be part of the silent auction, held at the annual spring awards banquet, to raise scholarship funds.

For more information on the contest please send correspondence to the address listed above or email [jsavage@cybermesa.com](mailto:jsavage@cybermesa.com).

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# You couldn't wish for better than Black Box Theatre's 'Shooting Star'

Review by Mike Cook

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Reed McAlister (Alan Caroe) and Elena Carson (Karen Caroe) are in a Midwest airport waiting for flights to take them to their next destinations in Steven Dietz's "Shooting Star," which opened Friday, Jan. 15, and continues through Sunday, Jan. 31 at the Black Box Theatre on Main Street Downtown.

Unlike those flights, which are grounded by winter weather, this show takes off. There is so much to like: the honesty and sweetness of the performances; the willingness of the director (Ceil Herman) to let these two powerful characters tell their story with simple sets, props and costumes; Rafael Medina's sound design; and Peter Herman's light design.

Reed and Elena, who had been lovers for 22 months more than two decades before, meet by chance at the airport. He has moved on from their Bohemian lifestyle of the '70s – married, a child, a career in business, a cellphone and laptop; a blue suit and a white shirt. Even his briefcase and luggage are black. She hasn't changed so much – still a left-wing, pot-smoking, musi-



Karen and Alan Caroe star in the No Strings Theatre Company production of Steven Dietz's "Shooting Star," now playing on the stage of the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St., through Sunday, Jan. 29.

cian-dating, free spirit with a dead-end job who has left her cell phone in her turquoise velvet boots. Her luggage, like her clothes, is every color of the rainbow.

Even the contrast between the actors is stark. Karen has been in the theatre for 40 years, while Alan has only been in a couple of stage shows and appeared in some medical films – he's a retired doctor. And, yes, they are husband and wife in real life, with eight children.

In dialogue and monologue, Alan and Karen bring Reed and Elena to life – their shared past, briefly connected present and uncertain (but hopeful) future. With the addition of the period music and the perfectly annoying voices of the airport announcers (Jeffrey Bond, Marissa Bond and Rafael Medina), the show was theirs, and they owned it.

My favorite scene of Alan's was when his character

was describing a conversation he had had with his daughter about her dream of becoming a dancer and his thoughts on dreams in general. My favorite scene of Karen's was when she talked on Alan's cellphone to that daughter. I also loved when she was cleaning up the stage and putting away Reed's sweater, finding so many memories in its scent.

I really, really liked "Shooting Star" and I highly recommend you see it.

"Shooting Star" continues with performances at 8 p.m. on Fridays, Jan. 22 and 29, and Saturdays, Jan. 23 and 30; at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays, Jan. 24 and 31; and at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 28. Tickets are \$12 regular admission and \$10 for students and senior citizens over age 65. The Black Box Theatre is located at 430 N. Main St. For more information or to make reservations, call 523-1223 or visit [www.no-strings.org](http://www.no-strings.org).

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## Sudoku

Complete the grids below so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively. It is a game of logic, not math, and there is only one solution per puzzle. Have fun and exercise the gray matter. Tips and computer program at [www.sudoku.com](http://www.sudoku.com)

### BEGINNER

		9	5	7				
	7			3	6	8	4	
	1		8					2
3	8		6		9	2		4
	6			5				8
2		7	4		1		6	3
9					8			7
	5	6	7	1				9
			9	5	6			

### CHALLENGER

5			1	9				8
2								9
			2	3	6			
9	2						8	5
		8				7		
6	3						1	2
			3	8	4			
3								1
8			7	5				4

### EXPERT

			3					2
	1							6
6				5	8			3
	8			4		3		
9								6
		7		2				9
	7		9	1				5
	5							7
1						3		

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

BEGINNER

5	2	4	9	1	3	6	7	8
9	7	6	5	8	2	1	4	3
8	1	3	4	7	6	5	2	9
2	5	9	3	6	4	7	8	1
7	3	1	8	5	9	4	6	2
6	4	8	1	2	7	9	3	5
4	9	7	2	3	5	8	1	6
1	6	2	7	9	8	3	5	4
3	8	5	6	4	1	2	9	7

CHALLENGER

8	6	7	3	4	2	9	5	1
2	4	1	6	9	5	7	3	8
9	3	5	1	8	7	6	2	4
1	5	9	2	6	4	3	8	7
3	7	8	5	1	9	4	6	2
4	2	6	8	7	3	5	1	9
7	8	3	4	5	1	2	9	6
5	1	4	9	2	6	8	7	3
6	9	2	7	3	8	1	4	5

EXPERT

6	3	7	4	2	9	8	1	5
5	9	2	1	8	7	4	6	3
4	1	8	3	5	6	7	2	9
8	2	9	5	3	4	6	7	1
3	6	1	9	7	2	5	4	8
7	4	5	8	6	1	3	9	2
1	7	3	2	4	5	9	8	6
2	5	6	7	9	8	1	3	4
9	8	4	6	1	3	2	5	7



# BrainGames



## Word Salsa

Circle these English words and their Spanish equivalents that appear in the grid horizontally, vertically, diagonally and backward. Encierre estas palabras en inglés y sus equivalentes en español que aparecen al revés, horizontal, vertical y diagonalmente.

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INEXPERIENCED	INEXPERTO
IRRESPONSIBLE	IRRESPONSABLE
LAZY	PEREZOSO
LIAR	MENTIROSO
NEGLECTFUL	NEGLIGENTE
TARDY	TARDÍO
TO BE IN A HURRY	TENER PRISA
TO BE LACKING	FALTAR
TO BE UNAWARE OF	DESCONOCER
UNSKILLED	NO CUALIFICADO

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 O D E S C O N O C E R Z O S D  
 D A I R R E S P O N S A B L E  
 E C A R E L E S S N E M E G S  
 C I V I O T R E P X E N I N C  
 N F A L U F T C E L G E N I U  
 E I R A O T N E I R A V A K I  
 I L I Z O S R A T L A F H C D  
 R A C Y D E L L I K S N U A A  
 E U I M E N T I R O S O R L D  
 P C O S O Z E R E P Z Í R E O  
 X O U O Í D R A T A R D Y B R  
 E N S T E N E R P R I S A O A  
 N E G L I G E N T E X Í E T I  
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## Crossword Puzzles

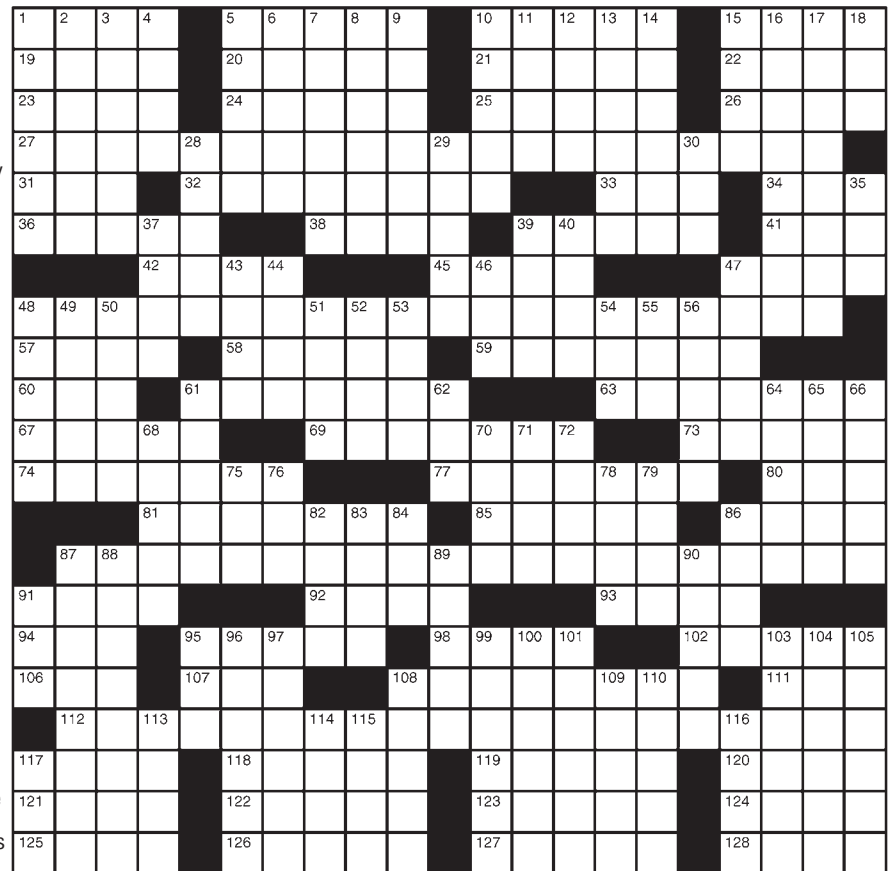
### Diagramless, 21 x 21

Like a regular crossword but with an added challenge. Sleuths must also create the diagram and figure out where the numbers and black squares go.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Florida or Alicia?
  - 5 "Poppies Blooming" painter, Claude
  - 10 Carrie Underwood was a winner on "American "
  - 11 Gussy
  - 12 Zero
  - 13 Establish a new date, perhaps
  - 14 Dummy
  - 17 Court document
  - 20 Destroy
  - 21 Real spooky
  - 22 Frothy
  - 26 Remote
  - 27 International Bollywood star, Aishwarya
  - 28 Poet Sandburg
  - 30 Roughly made hut
  - 34 Bach wrote a solo concerto for it
  - 35 Peacock feather eyes
  - 37 Compact group of infantrymen
  - 40 Cowboy rope
  - 41 Noble
  - 42 Imagine
  - 43 Outdated anesthetic
  - 45 Serious story
  - 50 "National Treasure" star
  - 51 Crier
  - 52 Take a load off
  - 55 Garlic-smelling gas
  - 56 Actress, Archer
  - 57 Divide into three
  - 60 Loose lady
  - 61 Snake-like sea creature
  - 62 Prescribed amount
  - 64 Czech composer, Antonin
  - 68 Escape route
  - 69 Eggs
  - 70 Soap ingredients
  - 71 Type of site
  - 72 U.S. painter, Lydia Field
  - 76 Not here
  - 80 Pear-shaped tropical fruit
  - 81 Bound
  - 82 Shrek I and II and III
  - 83 From scratch
- DOWN**
- 1 Relatives
  - 2 Old-time Tokyo
  - 3 Over there, for Shakespeare
  - 4 Sordid
  - 5 Person who dies for a cause
  - 6 Keats creation
  - 7 Board room votes
  - 8 Prior, poetically
  - 9 Used to blow things up
  - 15 Self-titled envelope
  - 16 Mud bath locale
  - 17 Pass slowly
  - 18 Knee-jerk reaction
  - 19 Mr. Gershwin
  - 23 Lanka preceder
  - 24 Greek T
  - 25 Hit the jackpot cry
  - 28 Academy
  - 29 Bank routing number abbreviation
  - 30 Existed
  - 31 Hip bones
  - 32 Go silent, with up
  - 33 Frontiersman, Carson
  - 35 No spring chicken
  - 36 Herbie, e.g.
  - 38 It's best buried?
  - 39 Buddhist who's attained nirvana
  - 44 Leased out
  - 45 Truth or \_\_\_\_
  - 46 PC processor, abbr.
  - 47 Dismounted
  - 48 They are Blue in Vegas
  - 49 "We \_\_\_\_ family"
  - 51 Used to be
  - 52 TV dog
  - 53 Coves
  - 54 African antelope
  - 58 Juice up the motor
  - 59 International Labor Org.
  - 62 Wide river mouths
  - 63 Moron or acetylene starter
  - 65 Dispute
  - 66 Madison for one
  - 67 Rabbinical teachings
  - 72 Self-image
  - 73 \_\_\_\_ shot, photo
  - 74 Blemish
  - 75 Brady Bunch's Plumb
  - 77 Scored a victory
  - 78 Hoodlum
  - 79 Hard wood

### DIET TRENDS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Island in the Lesser Sundas
  - 5 Common edible mushroom
  - 10 Like Dylan Thomas
  - 15 Exploits
  - 19 Composer Khachaturian
  - 20 Verdi forte
  - 21 Swiftly
  - 22 New York or London district
  - 23 Boxer Benvenuti
  - 24 Brief look-see
  - 25 "Slave Ship" author Jones
  - 26 Ready for business
  - 27 Start of a modernized verse
  - 31 Single entity
  - 32 1993 Harvey Keitel movie
  - 33 Aunt from Barcelona
  - 34 Before: pref.
  - 36 Brief, heated argument
  - 38 Pond coating
  - 39 Neon and radon
  - 41 Taking it on the \_\_\_\_ (fleeing from the law)
  - 42 Norwegian saint
  - 45 Highly excited
  - 47 Hilo garlands
  - 48 Part 2 of the verse
  - 57 Surefire shooters
  - 58 Actress Witherspoon
  - 59 Peter Benchley novel
  - 60 USN part
  - 61 Irregular lumps
  - 63 Hoarded
  - 67 Hellenic combiner
  - 69 Malaysian wraparounds
  - 73 Worker nest-egg leg.
  - 74 Brazilian woman's title
  - 77 Escape of fluid
  - 80 Holiday drink
  - 81 Cabal member
  - 85 Get up
  - 86 Not threatened
  - 87 Part 3 of the verse
  - 91 Coarse file
  - 92 Shade of blue
  - 93 Diva's moment
  - 94 Rock composer Brian
  - 95 Paint additive
  - 98 Uris or Trotsky
  - 102 Ground grain
  - 106 Cave hanger
  - 107 "\_\_\_\_ the land of the free..."
  - 108 Muse of epic poetry
  - 111 MDX divided by X
  - 112 End of the verse
  - 117 Even
  - 118 Where lovers walk?
  - 119 Printers' measures
  - 120 Aid a con man
  - 121 "God's Little "
  - 122 Of the past
  - 123 Look after
  - 124 Donated
  - 125 Girl of a Salingier title
  - 126 Reverie
  - 127 Wormy shapes
  - 128 Like many cheeses
- DOWN**
- 1 Lute kin
  - 2 ESA rocket
  - 3 Surgical cutter
  - 4 "How're you?" response
  - 5 Phoneme
  - 6 \_\_\_\_ citato (in the work cited)
  - 7 Brief summaries
  - 8 Sensual
  - 9 T-top car
  - 10 Ralph \_\_\_\_ Emerson
  - 11 Fencing tool
  - 12 Zhivago's love
  - 13 Glenn and Turov
  - 14 Manush of baseball
  - 15 From
  - 16 Make a deal with the D.A.
  - 17 Lancaster film
  - 18 "Dombey and \_\_\_\_"
  - 28 Big name in vodka, briefly
  - 29 "Newsboy" painter
  - 30 PAU's successor
  - 35 Printing measures
  - 37 Drags behind
  - 39 Ancient European
  - 40 Noted screenwriter
  - 43 '60s do
  - 44 Nourish
  - 46 Fetched
  - 47 Outcast
  - 48 Dangles
  - 49 Words of concern
  - 50 "The \_\_\_\_ Samurai"
  - 51 \_\_\_\_ ex machina
  - 52 "La \_\_\_\_ Bonita"
  - 53 Doe or buck
  - 54 TV spots
  - 55 Assam or hyson
  - 56 Embankment
  - 61 Middays
  - 62 Fa follower
  - 64 Singer Shore
  - 65 States, in a way
  - 66 Actress Debra
  - 68 Sound like a bird
  - 70 Close
  - 71 Characteristic clothes
  - 72 Lose traction
  - 75 Alphabetical trio
  - 76 Not feel well
  - 78 Big land mass
  - 79 Will of "The Waltons"
  - 82 Overdo the mothering
  - 83 Bedside pitcher
  - 84 Pioneering TV co.
  - 86 Headliner
  - 87 Overly enthused ones
  - 88 Weather map line
  - 89 God of Islam
  - 90 Detroit player
  - 91 CSA type
  - 95 Parties
  - 96 Phrase differently
  - 97 Person with pressing problems
  - 99 Slip away
  - 100 Dated platters
  - 101 Some kin
  - 103 Cold pack
  - 104 Blouse part
  - 105 Dyed
  - 108 Type of portable memory
  - 109 Egg-shaped
  - 110 Mexican money
  - 113 Nice notion?
  - 114 Mortgage figure
  - 115 Old Italian bread
  - 116 Long tale
  - 117 Menlo Park initials



**LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS**

**Word Salsa**

TFUSIORUSTI OSED  
 OCUSM IONMUCSULA  
 DESURISIONEUSID  
 RUSTICOUPS CRESUSU  
 SEJUSTACEFIASUMIS  
 EDSTILTOMUSCLES  
 TIESUEOTCSLESUJ  
 OPPCHEUPAIIONAMU  
 FSSUPHSNOJUSTO  
 UNUSLEPSNHPTSU  
 MCITSURANOISUF  
 CLEARJUSTICAJU  
 SEPCUSTECITSUJ  
 USADASUMNAISSUR  
 MOIRAUSUSUITSRF

**Diagramless**

HELLO ABED DEB  
 ORBIT RUST  
 BYTES  
 ROOT CAH ROAN  
 CAN ORE  
 TIFFF RIM  
 NILD ELM  
 HERRING  
 GANTRY HOE AMP  
 ERA MAXIMUM  
 JAMB SASS  
 FOR GRIMM  
 OBEY CHAOS  
 TAU AMES ENOS  
 TAD STYE

**Play Ball**

LAPD SALE LASSO SAUNA  
 ESAU EBAN AFLAT UNSET  
 ELUL CENTERLINE PAINE  
 SCATTERED VIR ENNEA  
 GREER TOES GETT TRIGHT  
 LEFTALONE TERTI OVA  
 USO PERE NUNEZ DTSBAR  
 THREAT CIR DEEDS AGA  
 SHORTHAND STILO ROD  
 PLATO EEO SEE CEREBRA  
 ROCA MILKPLITCHER GEAR  
 GATBRAN FEASAIT STATES  
 UNITEES ANS SECOND  
 SETI CARPE ASH WISSES  
 TRIPOD EMALL TGF TAI  
 ORO CPLS FEETFIRST  
 THIRDRAILS ARAN ERTES  
 VENTI LAO FRACTURED  
 ALDEN FLYCATCHER NEWIT  
 DOING ILEUM AMES ENOS  
 STATIS EYERS SELA STEP

**CRYPTOGRAM**

W Y U C Y W X I Z T C Y A W Z A ' Z  
 Z W U Y : " W U Y X P C B X I P  
 A C C A J R Y T A J C B N W E E  
 R E E U X R N R B . "

**LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:**  
 For a moment, I was lost in thought, It was highly unfamiliar territory!



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 Rev. Terry Lund  
 125 Wyatt Drive  
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Sunday Celebration  
 11am  
 Rev. Carol Carnes  
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# Come and follow the wild goose to freedom

In the beginning ... a great wind blew over the waters in the midst of nothingness. That's how the Book of Genesis begins. Later on we hear the wind blowing through the land and resting on special chosen people. Throughout the Old and New Testaments we hear this wind. We usually call it the Holy Spirit to indicate that the wind comes from God and, in a truth that we can't fully grasp, is God.

The dove symbolizes this Spirit in the imagery of the New Testament. During the period following Epiphany (January 6) we Orthodox bless houses. Going from room to room, we sing a hymn of "the Spirit, in the form of a dove," referring to the picture from the Gospels when Christ was baptized.

As Christian faith spread through the British Isles, the Irish, the Welsh, and the Scots were brought into the fold. In particular, St. Columba was influential in founding monasteries (which were educational institutions) beginning from his base on the island of Iona off



**Gabriel Rochelle**  
*Tales from the Cassock*

the northwest coast of Scotland. Columba, though Irish, bore a Latin name that means "dove." Through odd changes in Celtic languages, dove became paloma in Spanish and Galician.

On the ancient wind-blown heath of western Scotland, the rough coasts of Ireland and Wales, and the tidal waters of Lindisfarne, the dove was too tame a symbol for the experience of the Celtic people. They found another avian image for their experience of the Spirit: the wild goose.

Geese are notoriously feisty. They bite people; they nip at our ankles if we get too close. They honk loudly when we come too near. Not the friendliest animals, they are quite different from doves, which seem so passive and calm.

It must have been the way the Spirit

shook the peoples of the western Celtic lands that caused this switch. Their native tendency to restlessness was like the geese that fly off for migration, return, then fly off again. This restlessness was enshrined in the idea of "white martyrdom," the practice of going abroad to found a church or a monastery, an outpost of the faith. This is how Christianity reached the western borders of Europe at the Atlantic Ocean and bounced back onto the mainland. Columbanus, another dove-named monk, followed the wild goose in freedom and established monasteries in France and Italy.

Jesus spoke of the freedom of the Spirit, and that Spirit blew steadily throughout the Celtic church in the early centuries. That mighty wind inspired creative approaches to ministry, to organization, and to faith itself.

There is more. Wild geese fly high, on one hand, and come low to earth in flocks on the other. In the image of the goose, we see heaven and earth come

together in a way characteristic of Celtic Christianity. Welsh priest A. M. Allchin points out that the best Welsh poetry shows this spiritual unity between heaven and earth, so that earth and heaven are no longer two, but one in the Spirit. We sense this unity at crossing points like sacred hills and wells.

Monks and geese establish outposts far away, then return again whence they came. Listen as Mary Oliver – who often uses avian imagery in her poetry – expresses this unity of earth and heaven, geese and people, local and universal:

*Whoever you are, no matter how lonely,  
The world offers itself to your imagination,  
Calls to you like the wild geese, harsh  
and exciting –  
Over and over announcing your place  
In the family of things.*

*Fr. Gabriel Rochelle is pastor of St Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, Las Cruces. The church website is [www.stanthonylc.org](http://www.stanthonylc.org).*

## RELIGION LISTINGS

### Workshop on wireless technology for the hard-of-hearing at Grace Bible Church

Hearing loops are a technology that allows users to connect wirelessly to the microphone in a church, meeting hall or other facility simply by touching a button. The growing use of hearing loops throughout the state will be spotlighted when Juliette Sterkens, Au.D., presents a workshop on the technology to hearing care professionals at 7:30 p.m. on Jan. 22, and again for the public at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23 at Grace Bible Church, 2801 Missouri Ave. #15. Phone: 532-1234. See the brief on B27 for more information.

### Mesilla Park Community Church Youth Ministry Parent & Student retreat

On Friday and Saturday, Jan 22-23, Mesilla Park Community Church will host a fun overnight to study how to live out Deuteronomy 6:4-9. You will learn more about yourself and your student by creating ways to connect with each other through biblical principles and fun techniques. The event takes place at 6:30 p.m. at Bonita Park Campground in Ruidoso. For the first 55 to sign up, the cost is \$33.00 per per-

son. Regular cost is \$63. Contact Terrie Williams, [terriekww@gmail.com](mailto:terriekww@gmail.com) for more information. Register & pay online at [getrealchurch.org/events](http://getrealchurch.org/events).

### Spiritual group discussion at Funky Karma

Eckankar, religion of sound and light of God, is a practical spiritual teaching which can be used to better understand the ordinary and miraculous events in our lives. Eckankar will host a spiritual discussion on the topic of "Becoming a Creator," from 11 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Jan. 23. The event takes place at Funky Karma, 3207 S. Main St. For more information, call 654-0071.

### Cathedral of the Immaculate Heart of Mary breakfast fundraiser

Cathedral of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, 1240 S. Espina, is holding a breakfast fundraiser at Finley Hall on Sunday, Jan. 24 after all masses for the benefit of our parish hall improvements. For information, contact the Cathedral office manager at 524-8563.

### Fourth Annual NMSU Bel Canto concert

The New Mexico State University Department of Music and Doña Ana Lyric Opera present the fourth annual Bel Canto Scholarship Concert at Temple Beth-El, 3980 Sonoma Springs

Ave., on Sunday, Jan. 31, at 2 p.m. The eclectic program includes selections from operas by Handel, Donizetti, and Leoncavallo, as well as Broadway standards by Rodgers and Hart, the Gershwins, Bernstein, Lloyd Webber, and more. The four scholarship winners - Amanda Ronquillo, Lara Zel Hartman, Ejerson Balabas, and Cory Gasparich - will be joined by pianist, Flor de la Garza. DALO director, Dr. John Carlo Pierce, will moderate the program. This is a free concert. Refreshments will be served, and all donations benefit DALO's Bel Canto Scholarship fund. The event is sponsored by Temple Beth-El's Adult Education Committee.

### Holy Cross to hold open house

Las Cruces Catholic Schools, which includes Holy Cross and St. Mary's High School, will hold an open house on Thursday, Feb. 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The event is open to existing and new families interesting in enrollment. School tours will be given from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., followed by a spaghetti dinner in the school's auditorium from 4:30 to 6 p.m. There also will be a meet and greet with teachers and staff from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner are \$5 per plate and families who purchase dinner will be entered into a raffle for free registration. Registration fee is \$325

for new students or \$175 for existing students. Holy Cross is located at 1331 N. Miranda St. School hours are 8 a.m. to 3:10 p.m. during the regular school year which runs August through May. For more information, please contact Holy Cross Catholic School at 526-2517.

### GriefShare recovery support group meets Sundays

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Your bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent. You will find encouragement, comfort, and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling or other family member or friend. No matter what the cause of your loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. You will learn how to recognize the symptoms of being stuck in grief and that you do not need to live in bondage as a slave to certain emotions. You will learn valuable information about facing your new normal in life and renewing your hope for the future.

Join us Sundays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room 229, First Baptist Church, 106 S. Miranda St.. For registration and information, call Penny Baca at 635-9696. Cost: \$15 for participant workbook.





Jacir Eid Al-Hweitat stars as a young Bedouin boy who embarks on a perilous journey as a guide to a British officer in "Theeb," now playing at the Fountain Theatre through Jan. 28.

# 'Theeb' a stirring survival story of the highest order

## Review by Jeff Berg

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

In the Arabic language, "Theeb" means "wolf." It is also the name of the young man and focal point of the strong Jordanian film "Theeb," which features solid performances and amazing location shooting in Jordan.

Theeb is the son of a sheikh who has recently died. He is now being brought up by his older brother, Hussein, who (if I understand correctly) is now charged with the rearing of siblings after the death of the father.

The time is 1916, and World War I rages, with the Ottoman Empire battling British and Russian forces.

A desert guide with a British soldier in tow arrives late one night at Theeb's and Hussein's family encampment. Bedouin hospitality requires aid and comfort be offered, along with a guide to help the two men get to their destination – a well along a pilgrim trail which is rarely, if ever, used anymore, and is infested with brigands who are only on hand to rob and kill. The trail was abandoned after the railroad came to the desert, an occurrence that still doesn't mesh well with the local people.

Hussein becomes the one who must guide the men through the badlands. Not wanting to be left behind, Theeb secrets away from the camp after the adults leave, ill-prepared for such a journey, as he finds out

when he has to leave his stubborn donkey behind after a very short time.

Discovered by Hussein and the others shortly thereafter, the men have no choice other than to have Theeb go with them on their perilous journey.

Danger and violence follow the men along the trail, and as seen through Theeb's eyes, the film becomes a tale of pure survival of the fittest. It is not long before the tiny group of travelers is set upon by marauders; not long after, Theeb is left by himself.

"Theeb" plays out much like a Western, it seems – the small group hunted by bad guys, child in tow, set upon and harassed by evil people.

Others appear at the well where Theeb has had to stay while trying to figure a way home or a way to find help. He meets various travelers, good and bad (mostly bad), who offer little value for human life no matter what the age of the intended prey.

Theeb himself has had to mature enough to shoot a rifle at enemies, perhaps ending someone's life. It makes one wonder how much has changed in the last

100 years in Theeb's corner of the world, other than people having more powerful firearms.

Writer-director Naji Abu Nowar, who wrote the impressive screenplay, keeps the cast very small, allowing Theeb to intermingle with just a few people during the film, including a shady character that first shows up near the well with an arrow in his back.

Each scene is enhanced by the amazing desert landscapes, even more beautiful than those of the Chihuahuan Desert.

Variety noted the theme the picture "deals with is nothing

less grand than survival; survival on an individual level for the protagonist but also the survival of a culture and a way of life. Nowar impressively treats both themes at the same time without overtly drawing parallels and further amplifies what are small-scale relationships and actions by letting the story play out against one of the world's most majestic backdrops."

Quite.

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# 'Purple Breasts' debuts at NMSU Jan. 22 and 23

By Mike Cook  
Las Cruces Bulletin

A play that is new to Las Cruces and the Southwest about breast cancer will have three showings at the Associated Students of New Mexico State University Center for the Arts Friday and Saturday, Jan. 22 and 23.

The play, "Purple Breasts," was written by the late Daryl Lindstrom, a close friend of NMSU Theatre Arts Department Head Wil Kilroy, who is directing the play.

Performances are 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 22 and 23, with a Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. All tickets are \$15, with half the proceeds going to the NMSU Tough Enough to Wear Pink breast cancer research campaign.

Performances will be in the Mark and Stephanie Medoff Theatre in the ASNMSU Theatre Arts Building, 1000 E. University Ave. The play is part of the NMSU Theatre Arts Department's "onstage" series, "where the audience will sit onstage, close to the action," Kilroy said. There are only 100 seats available for each of the three 80-minute performances.

Each show will be followed by an open talkback with the audience. In addition to the actors and Kilroy, each talkback will include a representative from the medical community and a breast cancer survivor, said Kilroy, who came to NMSU from the University of Southern Maine last summer.

"Ending each show with a panel will help anyone in need process their feelings, which can be very cathartic," Kilroy said. "That's one of the prime attributes of live theatre – to be able to relate to a story and allow that to open your perspective and perceptions."

The cast of "Purple Breasts" is led by NMSU Theatre Arts students Veronica Bissell and Josh Horton.

Other cast members include Las Cruces actress Janet Beatty-Payne, who is president of the Las Cruces Community Theatre board of directors; NMSU Creative Media Institute Department Head Amy Lanasa; and other NMSU theatre students.

"Purple Breasts" is based on Lindstrom's experiences after being diagnosed with breast cancer. She died of the disease in 1989 at age 37. The play takes its name from the purple ink used to mark the body for radiation treatments.



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"Daryl was a friend and theatre colleague," Kilroy said. "She directed me as an actor, we worked together onstage as actors, and she was a vibrant, creative soul who always energized and inspired those around her. It is my honor and privilege to be able to carry on her story in the hopes that others might see something about themselves that could result in positive change."

"It's a very personal story for me, but a very a universal story for someone with breast cancer and for those they know and love," he said. "I hope to play 'down' the tragedy and instead focus on this being one woman's journey through a challenging time ... which contains both moving elements as well as humor," said Kilroy,

"Purple Breasts" premiered at San Jose City College where Lindstrom was teaching in the fall of 1989, Kilroy said. "Daryl's friends assisted her with the writing of the play, and she was directing this first production. However, her illness forced her to hold later production meetings at her bedside, but her last sojourn away from home was to see the premiere production of her show before passing away

as a result of metastatic breast cancer."

The play has been performed many times since its debut, Kilroy said, including in the California Bay Area, at the Actor's Institute in New York, in Los Angeles and at the Edinburgh Festival in Scotland. It also has been shown at many medical facilities across the country, where it has been used as a training tool, he said.

Prior to its debut in Las Cruces, Kilroy has directed "Purple Breasts" in Maine, Vermont and Massachusetts, and for the National Breast Cancer Coalition in Washington, D.C. The play marks Kilroy's directing debut in Las Cruces.

Kilroy said "Purple Breasts" will appeal to all audiences.

"This is not just a story about breast cancer; it's a story about life and relationships – particularly when challenges occur," he said. "Zoe is the title character and you meet her husband, mother, sister, mother-in-law, sister-in-law and best friend, and discover how this effects everyone. Her medical experiences are also revealed in a theatrical way. However, this also represents Daryl's humor and hope. There are funny scenes. I think this will raise awareness about breast cancer and the challenges patients might face, both medically and within their relationships. I think it's also revealing as to how relationships change as our lives change, and anyone can relate to that."

For tickets, call the NMSU Theatre Arts box office at 646-4515. Or, you can buy tickets at the door. The box office will open 30 minutes before each performance. Visit [www.nmsutheatre.com/event/219/purple-breasts-one-womans-journey-through-breast-cancer](http://www.nmsutheatre.com/event/219/purple-breasts-one-womans-journey-through-breast-cancer) and [www.facebook.com/events/1518943418403916](https://www.facebook.com/events/1518943418403916).



A cast of NMSU Department of Theatre Arts students rehearse "Purple Breasts," playwright Daryl Winstrom's breast-cancer survival drama, with performances Friday and Saturday, Jan. 22 and 23, at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts.



# AtTheMovies

## Coming soon on DVD Jan. 26

**Burnt**  
 Rated: R  
 Genre: Comedy  
 Starring: Bradley Cooper, Lily James  
 Director: John Wells

**Downton Abbey Season 6**  
 Not Rated  
 Starring: Hugh Bonneville, Maggie Smith  
 Director: Julian Fellowes

**Chi-Raq**  
 Rated: R  
 Genre: Drama, comedy  
 Starring: Nick Cannon, Teyonah Parris  
 Director: Spike Lee

**Goosebumps**  
 Rated: PG  
 Genre: Comedy, suspense  
 Starring: Jack Black, Odeya Rush  
 Director: Rob Letterman

## Top-grossing Jan. 5-17

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| <b>1</b> Ride Along 2 (Week No. 1)<br>\$41,006,705                           | <b>6</b> Norm of the North (Week No. 1)<br>\$9,375,822                    |
| <b>2</b> The Revenant (Week No. 4)<br>\$37,528,219                           | <b>7</b> The Forest (Week No. 2)<br>\$6,980,549                           |
| <b>3</b> Star Wars: The Force Awakens (Week No. 5) \$33,020,265              | <b>8</b> The Big Short (Week No. 6)<br>\$6,439,541                        |
| <b>4</b> 13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi (Week No. 1) \$19,224,408 | <b>9</b> Sisters (Week No. 5)<br>\$5,481,810                              |
| <b>5</b> Daddy's Home (Week No. 4)<br>\$11,902,133                           | <b>10</b> Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip (Week No. 5) \$4,336,322 |

# Picking the Flicks



Movie information from [www.rottentomatoes.com](http://www.rottentomatoes.com). Movie reel based on a 5-point scale.

**Star Wars: The Force Awakens**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** The Rebel Alliance and the Galactic Empire – now the Resistance and First Order – square off once again.  
**Starring:** Harrison Ford, Mark Hamill  
**Director:** J.J. Abrams



**Norm of the North**   
 Rated: PG  
**Plot Overview:** Displaced from the Arctic, Norm the polar bear and three lemming pals head to New York City, where Norm becomes the mascot of a massive corporation – one with ties to his homeland's fate.  
**Starring:** Rob Schneider, Heather Graham (voices)



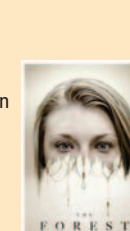
**Point Break**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A young FBI agent goes undercover inside a group of professional criminals and extreme athletes.  
**Starring:** Édgar Ramírez, Luke Bracey  
**Director:** Ericson Core



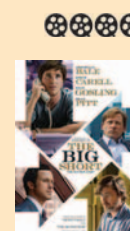
**Ride Along 2**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** With his wedding day approaching, Ben heads to Miami with soon-to-be brother-in-law James to take down a drug kingpin with a hold on Atlanta.  
**Starring:** Kevin Hart, Ice Cube  
**Director:** Tim Story



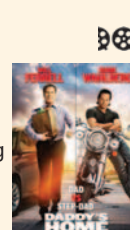
**The Forest**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A young American searching for her missing sister in Japan discovers the awful supernatural truth about Aokigahara Forest.  
**Starring:** Natalie Dormer, Taylor Kinney  
**Director:** Jason Zada



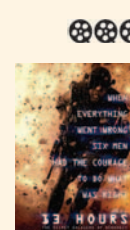
**The Big Short**   
 Rated: R  
**Plot Overview:** Four outsiders in the high-finance industry who predict the housing bubble burst of the 2000s take on the big banks.  
**Starring:** Christian Bale, Steve Carell  
**Director:** Adam McKay



**Daddy's Home**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A mild-mannered executive and stepfather is forced to compete for his children's affection upon the arrival of his wife's freeloading ex-husband.  
**Starring:** Will Ferrell, Mark Wahlberg  
**Director:** Sean Anders



**13 Hours: The Secret Soldier of Benghazi**   
 Rated: R  
**Plot Overview:** A U.S. Ambassador is killed during an American attack in Libya, and a security team must try to survive the chaos.  
**Starring:** Toby Stephens, John Krasinski  
**Director:** Michael Bay



**Sisters**   
 Rated: R  
**Plot Overview:** Two sisters throw one final house party before their parents sell the childhood home.  
**Starring:** Tina Fey, Amy Poehler  
**Director:** Jason Moore  
**Starring:** Kaley Cuoco, Bella Thorne



**Creed**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** Rocky Balboa steps into the role of trainer to promising young boxer Adonis Johnson – the son of Rocky's late friend and former rival Apollo Creed.  
**Starring:** Sylvester Stallone, Michael B. Jordan



**The Revenant**   
 Rated: R  
**Plot Overview:** Legendary frontiersman Hugh Glass, mauled by a bear and left for dead, treks across the wild to take revenge on the men who abandoned him.  
**Starring:** Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hardy  
**Director:** Alejandro G. Iñárritu



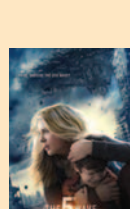
**The Boy**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** An American nanny is shocked to discover her new family's boy is actually a life-sized doll – one she's convinced is really alive.  
**Starring:** Lauren Cohan, Rupert Evans  
**Director:** William Brent Bell



**Dirty Grandpa**   
 Rated: R  
**Plot Overview:** An uptight husband-to-be is tricked into driving his perverted grandfather to Florida for Spring Break.  
**Starring:** Robert De Niro, Zac Efron  
**Director:** Dan Mazer



**The 5th Wave**   
 Rated: PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** After four deadly alien attacks, Earth is mostly destroyed and mankind is on the run, among them Cassie, trying to save her young brother.  
**Starring:** Chloë Grace Moretz, Matthew Zuk  
**Director:** J. Blakeson



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# Dark comedy 'Neon Psalms' debuts at LCCT Jan. 22

**Review by Zak Hansen**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Is the American Dream dead? That question is central to playwright Thomas Strellich's sardonic comedy "Neon Psalms," coming to the stage of the Las Cruces Community Theatre this Friday, Jan. 22, directed by Algernon D'Amassa.

D'Amassa, veteran actor, writer, director and adjunct professor at New Mexico State University's Creative Media Institute, calls Strellich's play a "comedy about darkness." Set in a dilapidated trailer desiccating in the Mojave Desert near Boron, California, site of the world's largest open-pit Boron mine, the play centers on Luton Mears, retired heavy equipment operator, who has settled into the desert and an uneasy truce with his born-again wife Patina.

This relative peace is shattered by an unexpected visit from the couple's daughter, Barbara, recently divorced and set on moving back home until she's back on her feet. The wayward daughter causes a rift between her parents – Luton wants her to stay, Patina quite the opposite – but a strangely comforting future appears on the Mears' doorstep, in the form of the trio's propane delivery man Ray.

For D'Amassa, "Neon Psalms" is "a family drama but the themes also point to something about the American myth of progress and the way some of us use religious identity as a substitute for human connection."

D'Amassa's introduction to Strellich's play could hardly be more felicitous.

"I found an old actors' edition of this play at COAS Bookstore downtown, right next door to the theatre, several years ago ... bought it because the title was intriguing, and months went by before I got around to reading it," D'Amassa said. "I was taken with the characters and especially with the dialogue, which sounded so ordinary and plausible and yet was loaded with



McKensi Karnes and Jeff Peckham star as daughter and father Barbara and Luton Mears in Thomas Strellich's darkly relevant comedy "Neon Psalms," opening Friday at the Las Cruces Community Theatre under the direction of Algernon D'Amassa.

lyrical power and meaning.

"The male lead, Luton, is a retired miner with a poet's heart, and in his retirement it is dawning on him that his commitments to work and family were based on lies. We don't have enough plays about people like Luton and Patina. And yet it's not an overtly political play when you watch it."

What's more, D'Amassa said, Strellich's play, now more than 30 years old, is as relevant today as when it was written.

"This is another thing I found remarkable, when I discovered it in the 2010s: Luton's ruminations about the American promise and the waste that has been left behind are even more pertinent at a time when we are reckoning with capitalism's instability and an ecological crisis wrought by our use of the earth," the director said. "The older generation couple in this play cling to what they have and are riding out the crash,

while a younger generation assesses its options. There is a metaphor in this play about wreckage: for some, the way to survive is to stay near the wreckage, and for others the right choice is to move away, look for a light.

"There is also a very funny scene in which the younger characters peruse a community college catalogue, and it satirizes the way adult education is commodified to make money for the schools and specialize even the most menial office labor. It was probably seen as over the top in 1985, but by 2016 it sounds normal."

Starring a quartet of local stage veterans – Jeff Peckham as Luton, Gail Wheeler as Patina, McKensi Karnes as Barbara and Darin Robert Cabot as Ray – D'Amassa praised the work his actors have done for "Neon Psalms."

Briefly, "they're wonderful." "This had a much shorter

rehearsal process than I prefer, mainly because of the holidays, and these four actors have worked hard to make each rehearsal week count as three. I've been on stage with Jeff and Darin, and feel quite at home with them. This was my first opportunity to work with Gail, who knows a great deal and likes to argue with the material - which might be intimidating for some directors, but it's essential for an artist to do that. I had seen McKensi in some small roles and am thrilled she accepted this assignment."

While on its face "Neon Palms" may sound grim, D'Amassa is quick to correct that assumption.

"From this conversation I think it sounds like the play is a downer, but no, it's a funny play about painful things," he said. "One friend who read the play asked me, 'Don't you like happy plays?' I don't know if this is a

'happy play' but I think it retains a note of hope in the midst of darkness. In four brief scenes, it presents four people seeking warmth in their own ways, and that's the part of us that is indomitable in spite of all our folly."

Las Cruces Community Theatre is located at 313 N. Main St. in Downtown Las Cruces. Performances of "Neon Psalms" are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays through Feb. 7. Tickets are \$12 adults, \$11 students, seniors and military, \$each for groups of 10 or more and \$9 for children age 6 and younger. Opening night Friday, Jan. 22, is Gala Night with cake, wine, refreshments and an opportunity to visit with the cast.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 523-1200 or visit <http://lcctnm.org>.

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## Mesa Middle School gets down and dirty during mock dig

By **Susie Ouderkirk**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Students from English and science classes at Mesa Middle School orchestrated an event that included a mock archaeological dig and the subsequent media coverage of the findings during the week of Jan. 11 -15. Students from Mrs. Senoski's 6th grade English classes and Mrs. Bradley's 6th grade science classes teamed up and divided into a variety of groups consisting of archaeologists and reporters representing newspapers, magazines, television, radio and documentary production.

The students studied the process involved with establishing an archaeological dig and then mapped out several plots a couple hundred yards from the north side of the school. Assistants 'salted the mine' and the students, in small groups, headed out to test their hypotheses while searching for buried artifacts.

Following the archaeologists were student members of the media who were tasked with reporting on the findings. Students found a variety of objects such as ceramic dishware, pottery sherds, silverware, tools, bones and old shell casings. All of the items were collected and labeled, and the students will follow up with reports and presentations about their findings and the conclusions they

Sixth-grade science teacher Mrs. Cathy Bradley, center, explains some basics to students at the mock archaeological dig at Mesa Middle School. Student reporters David Lucero, with Ipad, and Gladys Mendoza-Villarreal, far right, prepare to "cover" the story.



Rylee Serrano, foreground, and A'Maree Garcia, wearing white hat, work in the dirt as Naysa Smith points out to another student the technique required.

drew about the type of areas they excavated.

Student reporters will be compiling information, video and audio recordings to create news stories for print, television and radio.



**ABOVE:** Naysa Smith uncovers pieces of broken pottery.



**LEFT:** Emma Savala carefully cleans out a ceramic pot unearthed at the Mesa Middle School archaeological dig Jan. 15.

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# Big Brothers Big Sisters makes a difference

By Sen. Bill Soules  
For the Bulletin

I am honored to be a new member of the Big Brothers Big Sisters Regional Board in Las Cruces and wanted to share my story as we celebrate National Mentoring Month. Being part of BBBS is personal for me. Around 1980 my mother ran a BBBS program in Cincinnati. I saw how it positively affected the lives of young people. As I began my professional career in education, I always felt I could do more to help in a very direct way, and Big Brothers Big Sisters provided opportunity. I was at an event at Young Park and saw the Big Brothers Big Sisters table. I went to talk to them as a result of my mother's affiliation and left with an application to become a "Big."

I sat on that application for a couple of weeks, debating if I could make the commitment to a "Little Brother." Finally, I completed it and turned it in. Things started happening quickly with the background check and personal interview and less than a week later I met my Little Brother, Chris.

Chris was about 10 years old. His parents were divorced and his father was not being a good role model. His mother worried that Chris didn't seem to have many friends and was withdrawing. She signed him up with BBBS hoping he would find that strong male role model lacking in his life.

Chris and I hit it off right away. We usually got together

*'People would often tell me how noble it was to help a young boy. They would comment about how great it was to give my time to help a boy grow. It always made me feel a little guilty. I think I got at least as much out of it as Chris did.'*

on Sunday afternoons, but it would vary depending on what was happening for both of us. We spent time going to the park, playing video games, making models and working on homework. I kept a watch for other activities happening. We went to NMSU athletic games, the circus, and special lectures on planets held at NMSU. I fly a small airplane and took Chris along where I taught him how to take off, land, and hit dirt roads with flour bombs of tissue and baking flour. We never went to the formal activities set up by Big Brothers Big Sisters. We always had plenty to do just from our interests.

People would often tell me how noble it was to help a young boy. They would comment about how great it was

to give my time to help a boy grow. It always made me feel a little guilty. I think I got at least as much out of it as Chris did.

After a few years, I moved. Chris grew up and moved. We lost direct contact, though I heard from him every few years. I admit, I'm not very good about keeping in contact with friends, but I thought of him often. About 10 years ago, a Midwest newspaper did a story about him. He was in the Air Force and was now a Big Brother himself, sharing the legacy. The story talked about the relationship we had so many years before and how he felt a need to give back. It made me cry to know I had been such an important part of his life.

Joining the board of Big Brothers Big Sisters allows me to continue working with this wonderful organization and carry on the tradition of helping our youth achieve their potential. It's personal to me. I know the impact our relationship had on Chris, how it carries on to the Little he mentored and how every single mentor in our program in Las Cruces changes the life of a child here.

During this month celebrating mentoring, I urge you to look at your calendar and find four to six hours per month to spend with a child. I promise you, it will change their life and it will enrich yours.

*Bill Soules is a current New Mexico State Senator; a retired Oñate High School teacher; and current Big Brothers Big Sisters Mountain Region board member.*

## Four southern N.M. students receive Udall's nomination

U.S. Sen. Tom Udall on Jan. 15 announced that 36 New Mexico students have received his nomination to attend a United States service academy, including four students from Southern New Mexico. A congressional, vice-presidential, or service-connected nomination is required for admission to the U.S. Military Academy (West Point), U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy or the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. Students receiving Udall's nomination participated in a competitive application process, which included an interview with the senator's Military Academy Review Board, made up of active duty service members, veterans and community leaders.

"I'm proud that these exceptional

and motivated young people want to serve our country. I wish them luck as they move to the next phase of the admissions process, and I'm confident that they will represent New Mexico well," Udall said.

Nominated students will compete for admission to their service academy over the coming months. Those admitted will join the class of 2020.

The following are the students Udall nominated from Southern New Mexico by academy: United States Military Academy (West Point) Evan Bradshaw of Las Cruces; United States Naval Academy Krystal Graves of Ruidoso; United States Air Force Academy Riley Finnegan of Alamogordo; and United States Merchant Marine Academy Kyle Temple of Las Cruces.

## N.M. Press Women contest deadline approaching

New Mexico Press Women (NMPW) invites entries for the 2016 New Mexico Communications Contest, recognizing excellence in print or electronic media, books, photography, advertising, public relations, graphic arts, blogs/websites and academic journalism throughout New Mexico. The final contest deadline is Feb. 1. Winners will be recognized at the spring conference. You don't have to be a member of NMPW to participate in this open competition to be held Friday and Saturday, April 22 and 23 at the Bosque Retreat Center in Albuquerque.

An online entry system streamlines the process, which can be found at

[www.nfpw.org/communicationsContest.php](http://www.nfpw.org/communicationsContest.php).

To be eligible, entries must have been distributed, published or broadcast between Jan. 1, 2015 and Dec. 31, 2015. For members, the fee is \$10 for first entry and \$5 for each succeeding entry. Non-members pay \$15 per entry and \$10 for

each succeeding entry.

First-place winners will go on to compete at the national level. NMPW, the state's largest inclusive media organization since 1949, is an affiliate of the National Federation of Press Women. Membership is open to men and women.

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The 2015 graduates of the New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service's Doña Ana County master gardener program. The photo is courtesy of Doña Ana County Cooperative Extension Service.

# Master gardeners graduate

By Mike Cook  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Doña Ana and Luna counties added 21 newly certified master gardeners to their programs during a graduation ceremony held Saturday, Jan. 16 in Las Cruces. Another 19 in the two counties were recognized as mas-

ter gardener interns.

Receiving certificates as graduates of the Doña Ana County program were Sharon Benfield, Nancy Beard, Marcia Brown, Ofelia Cadena, Mike Cook, Ana Drone, Delilah Eakman, Gina Eidel, Mary Ganier, Rachel Giannini, Gabriella

Gucci, Patsy Hill, Shirley Miller, Joe Montelongo, Nivedita Pai, Robert Rapposa, Patricia Salas, Maria Vicario and Dot Wyckoff. Receiving graduation certificates in Luna County were Claudia Smith and Connie Grove.

Receiving recognition as master gardener interns in Doña Ana County were Arthur Banach, Jim Barrow, Dolores Blea, Mauni Brunett, Suzanne Buker, Minette Connelly, Donna Farmer, Ray Hickman, Bonnie Hoover, Jerry Humble, Winifred Jahnke, Donna Knudson, Matthew Moore, Denise Newton, Orlando Salazar, Deborah Scott and Kathy Vinyard. Master gardener interns from Luna County were Edward P. Apodaca and Zandra Darrow.

An applicant to a county master gardener program must complete a 15-week course to qualify as a master gardener intern. If he or she then completes at least 50 hours of community service during the next year, that intern becomes a certified master gardener. He or she then must complete at least 50 hours of volunteer service each year to remain certified.

Speakers at the Jan. 16 graduation ceremony included Doña Ana County Agriculture Agent Jeff

Anderson, Luna County Agriculture Agent Jack Blandford, Luna County master gardener Eric Graham and New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service Master Gardener Program Coordinator Kelly White.

The master gardener program began nationally in King County, WA in 1976 and has expanded to all 50 states.

"The New Mexico Master Gardener Program began in 1981 in Albuquerque," according to <http://aces.nmsu.edu/ces/mastergardeners/>. "There are currently 15 New Mexico counties and the Navajo Tri-State Extension office with active master gardener programs," said White, who became the state's first ever master gardener program coordinator last November and is based in Los Lunas. Two other New Mexico counties link into the master gardener program through the internet, including Luna County.

Doña Ana County started a master gardener program in 2000, which is coordinated by Anderson. There are now nearly 150 master gardeners and master gardener interns in Doña Ana County. Blandford coordinates the program in Luna County.

## Winter green!

I know most of you are not thinking of gardening at this time of year. The Organ Mountains may have one or two dustings of what appears to be confectioners' sugar yet to come. The nights are still freezing even though the balmy rays of the sun make it feel like spring is not far away. Some landscapes mainly made up of deciduous trees and shrubs may seem a bit bleak. If this is the case in your yard then this is the time to seek out some new greenery to help liven up your surroundings.

There are dozens of plants that will keep most or all of their leaves even during our coldest winter months. The term "evergreen" is not just for the well known arborvitae anymore. There are trees such as Live Oak or Magnolia that keep happy green appearances during this time of year. Broadleaf evergreens such as Euonymus are available in various shapes and sizes, with colors that stay the same all year long to those that "flush" to deep reds and purples with the onset of cold temps. The Heavenly Bamboo is an old time favorite that also blushes in various shades of red, orange, burgundy and hues in between. Indian Hawthorne, Viburnum and Rosemary will keep their leaves on and typically are one of the first plants to bloom pink to white flowers in early spring, "blue flowers for the Rosemary." Pittosporum, Boxwood, Wax Leaf Privet and Choisya, are available in solid green and variegated forms. Holly, Yaupon Holly, Pyracantha, and Nandina develop red berries which add winter interest as well as cover and food for birds. The Shiny Xylosma keeps its leaves during the winter months and as the name suggests has very beautiful shiny leaves all year round. The Strawberry Bush has an interesting reddish brown bark and has creamy white upside-down-bell-looking flowers followed by a round red fruit that resembles, again as the name suggests, a strawberry.

Ground cover such as ice plant, carpet rosemary, Japanese Dwarf Juniper, Blue Rug Juniper, and some varieties of sedum will keep their leaves during this time of year as well.

Of course there are the typical selections such as Arizona or Italian Cypress, Juniper, and Arborvitae that we all know as evergreens. These typically need larger areas and can be used as wind breaks, living hedges or to help soften city life noise. Plant these with caution as their ultimate size may be more of a maintenance issue in the long run.

If you are landscaping now, make sure all of these beauties have already been acclimated to the frigid temps January and February have to offer. Use root stimulator and soil amendments. You should only have to water every 10 to 14 days or so while the nighttime temps are dipping below the freezing mark.

Winter does not have to look so barren and dry. With some careful thought and planning your landscape can have almost as much enchantment in the winter as it does in the summer.

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# Hiker missing for nearly 2 months

Family and friends, as well as the New Mexico State Police, are still asking for help finding an experienced hiker who was hiking the entire Continental Divide Trail (CDT) and has now been missing for almost two months.



OLSHANSKY

Fifty-nine-year-old Stephen Olshansky was last seen Nov. 14, when he was dropped off by friends at the Continental Divide Trail in the Cumbres Pass area on the New Mexico/Colorado Border to continue his southbound journey along the CDT.

Olshansky, described as 6-feet tall and 175 pounds with grey hair and a beard, was last seen wearing beige pants, a green baseball cap, and a blue jacket. He also has a black-and-red quarter-zip pullover. He usually camps in a six-foot red-and-grey tee-pee-styled tent.

Olshansky, whose trail name is "Otter," is a very experienced hiker who has hiked the three long-distance trails that comprise the "Triple Crown of Hiking" — the Appalachian Trail, the Pacific Crest Trail and the Continental Divide Trail — multiple times.

He hiked the Continental Divide Trail from Mexico to Canada just last year.

It is out of character for Olshansky to be out of contact for so long; he customarily checks in regularly. He last spoke with family and friends on November 14, before he left Cumbres Pass to hike the Continental Divide Trail to Ghost Ranch in Abiquiu.

A hiker matching his description has been seen in Cuba, Grants, and Lordsburg, which are towns on the CDT route, as well as off the trail near Springerville, Arizona; however, none of these sightings has been confirmed as Steve Olshansky. There have been no sightings since January 5th, so the media campaign has been expanded statewide.

A volunteer search is underway. For more information on how you can help, visit <https://thesearchforotter.wordpress.com/>.

Anyone who has seen a hiker matching Olshansky's description or if you have any information on his whereabouts, please call the family 24/7 at 800-444-1011 (ask for Peter). You can also use the contact form at <https://thesearchforotter.wordpress.com/home/contact/>.

## Centennial High School students partner to help dogs find homes

On Saturday, Jan. 23 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. students from Centennial High School are teaming up with Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary and First New Mexico Bank in an adoption event with all proceeds going to the no-kill shelter. In addition to campaigning for loving homes for dogs, the students will be providing food, activities and pet photos with Centennial school mascot, Hank the Hawk. The event takes place at 3000 E. Lohman Ave. For information, call 541-4942.

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# Natural equine parasite control

Horses in a wild existence have no real exposure to internal parasites (worms) because they are in constant motion and do not graze over land where they have defecated. This is, of course, a clue to the line of sound management to reduce worm loads in horses. We must keep their environment clean and, ideally, remove all manure daily. Grazing and rotating with other species in the pastures is also helpful because the parasites are species specific in most cases.

Horses in a natural environment can actually develop “immunities” to parasites and a healthy digestive tract and metabolism can even repel the opportunistic organisms. So, the horse whose immune system is compromised or has digestive issues or metabolic troubles will be a chosen host of the parasites and the one being who will be further debilitated by the chemical de-wormers.

An ideal way to determine the need and dosing of a compound, whether herbal or chemical, is to have a fecal egg count done for the horse whose background is unknown or who has been neglected. A small amount of pure manure is suspended in isotonic liquid and smeared on a slide for the microscope. A series of squares are marked on the slide and the observer counts the worm eggs within each block. A formula is used to determine infestation.

With or without a “fecal egg count”, a regular program of feeding herbs that discourage parasites and support gut health is a wise practice. Other feed additives

from nature can also assist in evacuation of the worms.

There are also homeopathic remedies that work exceedingly well for horses with digestive issues on top of a parasite infestation.

With the herbs, feeding for 3 days before the full moon and 3 days after can have the strongest effect because the worms become “active” as the moon waxes. The feed additive Diatomaceous Earth is usually fed daily on a regular basis. This natural product is composed of millions of ancient “diatoms”, microscopic in nature. Their shard-like composition shreds the outer bodies of parasites (including fly larvae in manure) which kill them. But, the DE does no harm to a healthy gut. The silica in the DE actually can benefit joints and skin.

Herbs with anti-parasite properties are wormwood, garlic, thyme, pumpkin seeds, pau d’arco and olive leaf. Herbs with sulfur content are useful to keep the worms discouraged and garlic, turmeric and sea weeds are good sources of organic sulfur. Anise seed is a digestive aid added with the de-worming herbs or fed afterward to reduce flatulence. Ginger root in small amounts can prevent “griping” – simple stomach pain after treatments. Fenugreek seed fed in between “wormings” aids digestion and strengthens the stomach/intestine lining (so will colostrum). One common anti-parasite herb that is NOT safe for horses is black walnut. Any part of the black walnut tree can cause founder in horses (a debilitating disease); even wood shavings from the tree.

# Fire department offering live-in resident program

**By Susie Ouderkirk**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

In addition to a newly remodeled fire station, the Mesilla Fire Department (MFD) is reaching out to potential volunteer firefighters with a new program to make participation more feasible.

A new live-in resident program has been developed at the MFD designed to enhance the current firefighter coverage during the evening and weekend hours. Now, as many as six volunteers will be able to live at the station rent free as they move through the fire fighter training process.

“We’re trying to get out information about recruiting for the volunteer fire department, as well as offering housing to recruits as they go through the fire fighter training process,” said Mesilla Fire Chief Chad Zecha.

The program is set up to accommodate six live-in firefighters at the station who will work designated shifts in return for free room and board and other amenities. The new renovation includes two large bedrooms with four sleeping areas in each divided by privacy walls. The facility will have three private bathrooms, a dayroom with cable, a full kitchen, a laundry setup and internet access. Although the renovation is running several weeks behind schedule, Zecha is shooting for a March 1 start date.

The application process is now open for a variety of positions within the department (the deadline is Jan. 29 for a Jan. 30 initial test date.) Zecha sees this program as tailor made for college students or people with part time jobs. Because Mesilla firefighters don’t get paid, Zecha hopes the free digs and other related amenities will entice potential volunteers to sign up.

“This will be perfect for a student from out of state who wants to start their firefighting career,” Zecha said.

Volunteers chosen for the live in program can be either certified New Mexico EMTs or firefighters, or they can join the program and begin the training process on site. MFD is already associated with Doña Ana Community College through their Fire Science Technology Program, and the new live-in opportunities will allow for DACC students to potentially benefit from the free housing.

The shifts available for the live-in volunteers will cover a Mon.-Wed.-Fri, 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. overnight shift, the weekend off, followed by a Tues.-Thurs overnight shift plus one 24-hour Saturday shift. “Everyone will have every other weekend off,” said Zecha.

Saturday, Jan. 30 is the date of the next firefighter application test. The Mesilla Fire Department only holds tests twice a year, so inter-



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**Members of the Mesilla Fire Department participate in training.**

ested volunteers should pick up an application at the Mesilla Town Hall, the Mesilla Fire Department or download it from the website: mesillanm.gov. The deadline for applications is Jan. 29 by 5 p.m. at the Mesilla Town Hall or Mesilla Community Center, and the test is the following day.

Zecha said the test has two main components: a timed physical test involving job-related skills such as climbing ladders, pulling hose, carrying heavy weights and using a sledgehammer, and oral interviews with a panel of peers to discuss, among other things, moral and ethical issues. Extensive background checks will be done, and all applicants must have a valid driver’s license. Volunteers eventually will have to acquire a Class E license to drive the emergency vehicles.

The MFD modelled their program on the New Mexico State Fire Department, although at this time the Mesilla firefighters are not paid.

“We absolutely want to get to that place where we can pay our officers,” Zecha said. “But for now, we rely on volunteers and grants.”

For more information, call the Mesilla Fire Department at 523-1311.



# ChileKnights

## Honor 'Hot and Spicy Food Day' with Sunny

It's unofficial but not. January 16 was International Hot and Spicy Food Day. Its origin is unknown but we Chileheads will not argue. Although hot and spicy cuisine is an everyday affair for us, let's join the rest of the world by celebrating the holiday with dishes not tried before. Select your own international recipes or give one of mine a try—Thai, Korean, Peruvian, and one more, a traditional chiles de árbol peanut salsa from Chiapas, Mexico. Slather this unique and delicious creamy blend over shrimp, salmon, chicken, and even steak. Or top a taco for a sassy sizzle. Buen apetito!

### Peanut and Arbol Chile Salsa (Yield: About 1 cup)

2 tablespoons olive oil  
 ¼ cup roasted unsalted peanuts  
 ¼ teaspoon dried thyme  
 6 dried chiles de árboles, stemmed  
 8 black peppercorns  
 6 allspice berries  
 4 cloves garlic, minced  
 1 small white onion, minced  
 1 teaspoon apple cider vinegar  
 1 teaspoon kosher salt

Heat oil in an 8 inch skillet over medium heat; add peanuts, thyme, chiles, peppercorns, allspice, garlic, and onion, and cook, stirring, until onion is soft, about 4 minutes. Transfer to a blender and add vinegar, salt and ½ cup water; blend until very smooth, about 2 minutes. Let cool. (From Truly Mexican by Robert Santibañez.)

### Spicy Thai Lettuce Wrap (Serves 2)

1 pound ground beef, turkey, pork, or

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chicken

3 tablespoons fish sauce  
 1 teaspoon or more hot red pepper flakes  
 1 shallot, diced  
 1 green onion, sliced  
 1 large lime, freshly squeezed  
 3 sprigs mint or basil  
 1 head Napa cabbage, leaves separated for serving (smaller leaves are better)  
 Toasted sesame seeds for garnish

Place the ground meat into a bowl. Squeeze juice from ½ of a lime on to the ground meat. Mix well and let it marinate for just a couple of minutes until ready to cook.

Heat a pan on high until it is very hot. Add two tablespoons of water and then immediately add marinated meat and stir. Keep stirring until the meat is well done.

Put meat in a large mixing bowl. Add fish sauce, shallot, green onion, remaining lime juice, and red chile pepper flakes, and almost all of toasted rice/sesame seeds into the bowl. Mix well and taste. For more kick, add more chile pepper flakes. For more tartness, add additional fish sauce or lime juice.

Put the mixed ingredients in a serving bowl, garnish with spearmint or basil and sprinkle toasted sesame seeds on top. Scoop mixture into Napa cabbage leaves. Roll and enjoy.

### Spicy Peruvian Chicken Thighs (Serves 4-6)

This five-star recipe, credited to Rachael Ray, appeared on several

blogs sites.

8 chicken thighs, bone in  
 Salt and pepper  
 1 serrano pepper, chopped  
 2 red Fresno chiles, chopped  
 6 garlic cloves, chopped  
 1 tablespoon fresh oregano or 1 tablespoon marjoram leaves  
 4 bay leaves, fresh if available  
 2 limes, zest and juice  
 1 tablespoon sweet paprika, smoked  
 ¼ cup olive oil, plus  
 1 tablespoon olive oil, divided  
 2 teaspoons cumin seeds  
 1 tablespoon sugar  
 1 cup chicken stock  
 Mint leaf, to garnish  
 Cilantro leaf, to garnish

Place chicken in a shallow dish and season with salt and pepper.

In a food processor, process chiles, garlic, oregano or marjoram, bay, lime zest and juice, paprika and about ¼ cup olive oil into a paste. Spread paste evenly all over the chicken pieces. Chill several hours or overnight to meld flavors.

Heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Add cumin seeds, stirring constantly until seeds are toasted. Add chicken pieces and lightly brown, about 10 minutes.

Sprinkle sugar over the chicken and add stock. Partially cover and cook 10 minutes more. Toss with mint and cilantro, and serve with a favorite side dish.

### Korean Short Ribs Taco (Makes about 18 small tacos)

3 pounds beef short ribs (about 11-12 pieces), marinated\* and grilled to desired doneness (\*see recipe for marinade)

½ Romaine lettuce, thinly shredded  
 ½ red onion, diced  
 1 tomato, seeded and diced  
 1 cup chopped cilantro  
 18 small flour or corn tortillas  
 1-2 lemons, thinly sliced for garnishing

### MARINADE

1 Asian pear  
 ½ white or yellow onion  
 1 ¼ cups soy sauce  
 2 tablespoons sugar  
 1 cup citrus soda  
 1 tablespoon freshly grated ginger  
 ¼ cup sesame oil  
 3 cloves garlic, minced  
 2 tablespoons sesame seeds

Add ingredients to a large bowl. Mix thoroughly. Add ribs. Refrigerate for at least 30 minutes or overnight before grilling to desired doneness (medium-rare tastes best).

### SAUCE

3 tablespoons sesame oil  
 ½ cup freshly squeezed lemon juice  
 4 tablespoons soy sauce  
 1 ½ tablespoons Korean chili powder  
 3 tablespoons toasted sesame seeds  
 1 teaspoon sugar  
 Salt to taste

In another bowl, add sauce ingredient. Mix well and refrigerate until ready to use.

Prepare the Romaine lettuce, red onion, tomato, and cilantro in separate bowls.

Wrap tortillas in aluminum foil and warm at lowest setting for a few minutes. Toss the shredded Romaine lettuce with ½ of the sauce. Save the remaining sauce for the tacos.

Put cubed ribs on a tortilla. Top with the diced red onion, tomato, and cilantro. Drizzle with sauce, garnish with a sliced lemon, and serve. (Adapted from *rasamalaysia.com*)

## Doña Ana County Historical Society's Annual Awards program set for Jan. 30

The public is invited to the Doña Ana County Historical Society's 49th Annual Awards Program at noon on Saturday, Jan. 30 at the Double Eagle Restaurant in Mesilla. Every year the historical society recognizes and honors those in the community

making an effort to preserve the area's rich cultural heritage and encourage a better understanding of the region's history.

This year Buddy Ritter will receive the Pasajero Del Camino Real award for his book "Mesilla Comes Alive: A History of Mesilla

and its Valley." Doyle Piland will be inducted into the society's Hall of Fame and Frank Parrish will receive the Heritage Award.

In addition, those responsible for the Phillips Chapel rehabilitation will receive the award for Noteworthy Renovation of a His-

toric Building. Finally, the Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce will be recognized for its ongoing effort to restore the Nestor Armijo House. Although the work is not complete, the chamber is being credited for its diligent commitment in getting the work

done right on one of the most significant buildings left in Las Cruces.

Advance reservations for the awards luncheon are required and can be made by contacting Jon Hunner at 646-2490 or at [jhunner@nmsu.edu](mailto:jhunner@nmsu.edu).



# LEGAL NOTICES

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## Legal Notice

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

No. 15-0354

### IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RONALD ALLEN KEITH DECEASED

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **CHRISTOPHER KEITH** 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 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: January 6, 2016.

**CHRISTOPHER KEITH**  
12834 Homestead Lane  
Lusby, Maryland 20657

Prepared by:  
**ALAN D. GLUTH**  
New Mexico Bar #14980  
Gluth Law, LLC  
2455 East Missouri,  
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New Mexico 88001  
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Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 2016

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on December 12, 2015, Ramon Alvarez on behalf of the Estate of J.R. and Maria Alvarez, 1049 Mercantil Ave, La Union, NM 88021 filed application numbered LRG-5197-POD2, OSE File No. LRG-5197, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-5197 located at X = 1,513,992 Y = 345,797 ft., NMS, Central Zone, NAD83, on land owned by the Alvarez Family Trust and drilling replacement well LRG-5197-POD2 located at approximately X = 1,513,896 Y = 345,760 on land owned by the Alvarez Family Trust for the continued diversion of an amount of water determined by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of NM, combined with surface water from the EBID for irrigation of 83.99 acres of

land owned by the Estate of J.R. and Maria Alvarez et al located within part of the NW¼, NE¼, and SE¼ of projected Sec 20, T27S, R03E, NMPM, as described in part by Subfile No.: LRS-28-018-0032 of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. Replacement well LRG-5197-POD2 will be located in La Union, NM at the physical address of 1025 Mercantil Rd. The applicants have requested emergency authorization to drill and use replacement well under NMSA, 1978, Section 72-12-22. Existing well LRG-5197 will be properly plugged.

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

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29, 2016

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on December 15, 2015, David P. and Cristina T. Gloria, 9975 North Valley, Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-12017, OSE File No. LRG-24-AA, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by using existing well LRG-12017, located within the NW¼ NE¼ of Section 25, Township 21S, Range 1W NMPM, and more specifically located at or near where X = 1,441,365.94 ft., Y = 530,650.48 ft., NMS, Central NAD83, on land owned by the applicants, and discontinue the use of existing

well LRG-24-A, located on land owned by Richard P. Gloria Jr. located within the NW¼NE¼ of said Section 25 NMPM and more specifically described where X = 1,441,725.87 ft., Y = 530,550.94 ft., NMS, Central NAD83, for the continued diversion of an amount of shallow groundwater reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 1.81 acres of land, owned by the applicants, located within the NW¼NE¼ of Section 25, Township 21S, Range 01W NMPM, as described in Subfile No.: LRN-28-002-0125-A Right A of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. The site of existing well LRG-12017 is located north of Las Cruces, NM and may be found approximately 475 feet southwest of the intersection of North Valley Dr and Latigo Ln, Las Cruces, NM. Existing well LRG-24-A will be retained for other rights.

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

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29, 2016

**NOTICE** is hereby given that on November 15, 2013, Veronica Montoya, 2600 Doña Ana Rd. #3, Las Cruces, NM 88007 filed application numbered LRG-14988-POD2, associated with file number LRG-14988-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of existing well LRG-14988-POD1, located within the SW¼NE¼ of projected Section 22, T23S, R01E, NMPM on land owned by the applicant and drilling replacement well LRG-14988-POD2 to a depth of approximately 200 ft. below ground surface with 4" casing to be located within SW¼NE¼ of said Section 22 at approximately X=1,462,297 Y=471,463 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) on land owned by the applicant for the continued diversion of up to 3.0 acre-feet per annum, or that amount required for beneficial use whichever is less, of shallow groundwater for domestic purposes. The existing well and proposed well site are located at the physical address of 3796 Tierra Rd. in Las Cruces, NM. The old well will be properly plugged.

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

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29, 2016

### PATIENT'S OF ACTION-OCCMED-M.M.I., P.C. EDWIN L. KENNEDY, M.D. TERESA REYES, M.D. KEVIN ALLEN M.D

DUE TO THE TRAGIC AND UNTIMELY DEATH OF EDWIN L. KENNEDY, M.D., WE HAVE BEEN LEFT WITH NO OTHER CHOICE THAN TO OFFICIALLY CLOSE DR. KENNEDY'S CLINIC; ACTION-OCCMED-M.M.I. ON SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2015.

ALL MEDICAL RECORDS ARE BEING STORED IN A GATED, SAFE STORAGE FACILITY FOR THE REQUIRED TEN YEARS AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE DESTROYED AS DEFINED BY THE NEW MEXICO MEDICAL BOARD.

ALL PATIENTS MAY REQUEST COPIES OF THEIR MEDICAL RECORDS. WE ARE PROVIDING THE LAST ONE YEAR AT NO CHARGE; YOU MAY REQUEST THESE MEDICAL RECORDS BY WRITING TO:

**ACTION-OCCMED-M.M.I., P.C. ATTENTION: NANCY KENNEDY-MEDICAL RECORDS PO BOX 13399 LAS CRUCES, N.M. 88013**

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR FULL NAME, YOUR DATE OF BIRTH AND YOUR PHONE NUMBER. COPIES ARE USUALLY READY WITHIN 24 HOURS AT WHICH TIME WE WILL CALL YOU AT THE NUMBER YOU PROVIDED AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH YOU TO SET UP A TIME AND A PLACE TO MEET WITH YOU TO HAND OVER YOUR MEDICAL RECORDS COPIES.

Dates: 1/15, 01/22, 01/29, 02/05, 02/12, 02/19, 2016

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

NO. D-307-CV-2015-02639

### IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF Zachariah Samani FOR CHANGE OF NAME

### NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Zachariah Samani**, 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 district Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico,

wherein he seeks to change his name from **Zachariah Samani** to **Zakariya Samani**, and that this Petition will be heard before the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge, on the 17th day of February 2016, at the hour of 4:30 p.m., at the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho Ave, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Zachariah Samani  
Zachariah Samani  
2705 Claude Dove Dr.  
575-650-5038

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2013-02105

### WASHINGTON FEDERAL SAVINGS, Successor by Merger to First Federal Bank, Plaintiff,

vs.

**THOMAS SOTOMAYOR II, and if married, JANE DOE SOTOMAYOR (true name unknown), his spouse; and WASHINGTON FEDERAL SAVINGS, Successor by Merger to First Federal Bank, Defendants.**

### NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **January 27, 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 4106 Tres Infantes, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 9, BLOCK F, MISSION SANTA CLARA, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 1, 2006, IN BOOK 21 PAGE(S) 730-734 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 December 8, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is

\$284,701.69 and the same bears interest at 6.250% per annum from September 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: 01/01, 01/08, 01/15, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-00298

### WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

**ARLEY WEATHERFORD, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF ARLEY WEATHERFORD, DECEASED; and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF ARLEY WEATHERFORD, DECEASED, Defendants.**

### NOTICE OF SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **January 27, 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 1207 Hall Ave, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 11, Block 2, W.B. HALL ADDITION, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on March 4, 1947, in Book 6 Page(s) 54 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 December 14, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$76,637.87 and the same bears interest at 5.750% per annum from November 14, 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.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

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Dates: 01/01, 01/08, 01/15,  
01/22, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01740

**DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR SOUNDVIEW HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-WF2, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-WF2, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ISELA B. PEREZ, and if married, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ISELA B. PEREZ (true name unknown); MOUNTAIN VIEW REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER; and NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **January 27, 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 2921 Fountain Avenue, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 117 of Legends West Subdivision, Phase IV, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Legends West Subdivision, Phase IV, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on September 20, 2005 in Plat Book 21, Folio 344-346.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on December 17, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$110,803.96 and the same bears interest at 2.25% per annum from November 20, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such

sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, 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,  
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Dates: 01/01, 01/08, 01/15,  
01/22, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01598

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

vs.

**TIMOTHY A. DUTTLE; LUANNE B. KINAS-DUTTLE; and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **February 10, 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 721 Mesa Point Road, Las Cruces, and

is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 27, Block 3, of CANYON POINT 2 SUBDIVISION, located in the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico as shown on Plat thereof recorded on March 5, 1996 in Plat Book 18, at Page(s) 426-427 as Plat No. 2778, records of Doña Ana County.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on January 4, 2016, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$186,260.44 and the same bears interest at 5.375% per annum from October 10, 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,  
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Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29,  
02/05, 2015

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

No. PB-2015-104  
Judge Martin

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF  
JEANENE TORRES,  
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative, in care of the Bates Law Firm, PO Box 305, Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Suite A, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

DATED: January 11, 2016.

/s/Danny Gillespie  
Danny Gillespie  
Personal Representative of  
the Estate of Jeanene Torres,  
Deceased

PREPARED AND  
SUBMITTED BY:

BATES LAW FIRM  
PO Box 305  
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305  
(575) 524-8585  
(575) 524-1895 (Fax)  
/s/Lloyd O. Bates Jr.  
Lloyd O. Bates Jr.  
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-02027

**U.S. BANK NATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JUSTIN J. RODRIGUEZ,  
and if married, THE  
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF  
JUSTIN J. RODRIGUEZ,  
(true name unknown),  
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **February 3, 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 5013 Calle Princesa, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 19A, ELEPHANT BUTTE LAND & TRUST CO. SUBDIVISION "A", REPLAT NO. 6, in the County of Doña Ana, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on Plat No. 2974 thereof, filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk of said county on June 26, 1997, and recorded in Book 18, Page 708, Plat Records, Doña Ana County, New Mexico,

including, but not limited to, the manufactured home permanently attached thereto. A 1999 CAVC Doublewide, VIN No. CAV-AZL2984592XU, title to which has been deactivated in the records of the Motor Vehicle Department of the State of New Mexico.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on December 28, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$69,917.84 and the same bears interest at 3.750% per annum from December 13, 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,  
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Dates: 01/08, 01/15, 01/22,  
01/29, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01579

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

vs.

**MARIO H. CABRAL,  
Defendant.**

**NOTICE OF SALE  
ON FORECLOSURE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Sandoval County, New Mexico, commonly known as 3956 Sombra Prieta Court, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88011, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 3, BLOCK D, MONTE SOMBRA, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 4564 THEREOF, FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON APRIL 18, 2007, AND RECORDED ON BOOK 22, PAGES 191 - 193, PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on February 5, 2016**, outside the front entrance of the Third Judicial Court-house, 201 W. Picacho, #A, Las Cruces, 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 Judgment granted BOKF, N.A..

BOKF, N.A. was awarded in rem Judgment on December 18, 2015, in the principal sum of \$127,768.29, plus interest due on the Note through October 1, 2015, in the amount of \$5,536.60, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 5.200% per annum (\$18.20 per diem) until paid, plus late charges in the

amount of \$242.58, plus escrow advances for property taxes in the amount of \$208.93, plus hazard insurance in the amount of \$995.00, plus FHA/HUD premiums in the amount of \$342.69, plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through September 30, 2015, in the amount of \$1,500.00 and costs through September 30, 2015, in the amount of \$578.53, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 5.200% 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  
Special Master  
c/o 5120 San Francisco  
Road NE  
Albuquerque,  
New Mexico 87109  
(505) 858-3303

Dates: 01/08, 01/15, 01/22,  
01/29, 2016

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

Case No.  
D-307-DM-2015-1650  
Judge: James T Martin

**Karen Leann Tracey,  
Petitioner,**

vs.

**Virdie Ray Tracey,  
Respondent.**

**NOTICE OF SUIT**

**TO Virdie Ray Tracey,  
RESPONDENT:**

Take notice that a lawsuit has been filed against you.

The subject of this lawsuit is: Divorce

If you do not file a response or responsive pleading with the above-titled Court within 30 days after the third publication of this notice, the court may enter a default judgment against you.

Karen Leann Tracey  
1906 Coyote Ridge Rd.  
Las Cruces, NM 88011  
970-201-2440

**WITNESS** the Honorable Judge James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third

Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 11th day of January, 2016.

(Seal)

CLERK OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT

BY: /s/Mary E. Apodaca  
DEPUTY

Dates: 01/22, 01/29, 2/05,  
2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01691

**AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**CONRAD EUGENE CLAYCOMB AND EVIE SHAEFER A/K/A EVIE MARIA SHAEFER A/K/A EVIE CLAYCOMB, 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 4735 Arabela Drive, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88012, and is more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 1 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 1 OF PARKHILL ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE 4, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID PARKHILL ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE 4, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON 05/14/2007, IN PLAT BOOK 22, FOLIO 217-218.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on February 12, 2016**, outside the front entrance to the Third Judicial District, Doña Ana County Court-house, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted to BOKF, N.A.

BOKF, N.A. was awarded a Judgment in rem on January 5, 2016, in the principal sum



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of \$189,897.73, plus outstanding interest due on the Note through January 1, 2016, in the amount of \$10,760.83 and accruing thereafter at the rate of 4.000% per annum (\$20.81 per diem), plus late charges of \$541.65, plus the balance due on the Mortgage's required escrow for property taxes and insurance of \$3,658.88, plus attorney's fees in the amount of \$1,500.00 and costs in the amount of \$819.03, with interest on the above-listed amounts, attorney's fees and costs at the rate of 4.000% per annum from date of the entry of the 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,  
Special Master  
c/o Leverick & Musselman  
5120 San Francisco  
Road NE  
Albuquerque,  
New Mexico 87109  
Telephone:  
(505)858-3303

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29,  
02/05, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01914

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

vs.

**CURTIS FLORES; NICH-  
OLE FLORES; and  
WELLS FARGO BANK,  
N.A., Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on **January 27, 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 9776 Corralones Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situate Southeast of Radium Springs, Doña Ana County, New Mexico being part of Lot 13, Section 30, T.21S., R.1E., N.M.P.M., of the U.S.G.L.O. Surveys, also

being part of Tract "C" of a plat of survey filed April 25, 1985, in Deed Book 295, Page 581 Doña Ana County Records and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

**BEGINNING** at an iron rod set for the Northwest corner of this tract; whence the Northwest corner of Lot 13, Section 30, T.21S., R.1E., N.M.P.M. bears S. 89 deg. 32'W., a distance of 633.14 feet;

**THENCE** from the point of beginning and along the North line of Lot 13, N. 89 deg. 32'E., 119.20 feet to an iron rod found at the Northeast corner of the mentioned Tract "C" for the Northeast corner of this tract;

**THENCE** S. 0 deg. 49'W., 365.53 feet to an iron rod found at the Southeast corner of Tract "C" for the Southeast corner of this tract;

**THENCE** S. 89 deg. 32'W., 119.20 feet to an iron rod set for the Southwest corner of this tract;

**THENCE** N. 0 deg. 49'E., 365.53 feet to the point of beginning containing 1.000 acre of land more or less.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on December 17, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$183,140.46 and the same bears interest at 6.125% per annum from November 20, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, 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: 01/01, 01/08, 01/15,  
01/22, 2016

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

No. CV-2015-01328  
Judge: Rosner

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

vs.

**KRYSTAL AGUIRRE,  
AND 2006 DODGE  
CHARGER, BLUE; VIN:  
2B3KA43G86H467954;  
NEW MEXICO LICENSE  
PLATE NO. 163 SHF,  
Respondents.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

**To: Respondent  
KRYSTAL AGUIRRE:**

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 2006 Dodge Charger, Blue; VIN: 2B3KA43G86H467954; New Mexico License Plate No. 163 SHF.

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: Robert A. Cabello  
Robert A. Cabello  
Assistant City Attorney  
P.O. Box 20000  
(575) 541-2128  
(575) 541-2017 Fax  
Attorney for Petitioner

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

COURT EXECUTIVE  
OFFICER

By:  
DEPUTY

Dates: 01/22, 01/29, 02/05,  
2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01662

**HSBC BANK USA, NATION-  
AL ASSOCIATION  
AS TRUSTEE FOR  
MASTR REPERFORM-**

## Las Cruces Bulletin

**ING LOAN TRUST  
2005-1, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**DEBRA ALDRICH, aka  
DEBRA SUE ALDRICH,  
and if married, THE  
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF  
DEBRA ALDRICH, aka  
DEBRA SUE ALDRICH  
(true name unknown),  
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF SALE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN** that on **February 10, 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 2623 Quarterhorse Drive, Anthony, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situate northwest of Anthony, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, in Section 22, Township 26 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as part of U.S.R.S. Tract 25-92A, and being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

**BEGINNING** at an iron rod set for the northeast corner of the tract herein described, whence the section corner common to Sections 14, 15, 22 and 23, Township 26 South, Range 3 East, N.M.P.M. of the U.S.R.S. Surveys bears the following three courses and distances: North 0 deg. 05' 00" East, a distance of 996.01 feet to a point on the south line of Joy Drive (Doña Ana County Road No. A-062); thence South 89 deg. 45' 00" East, a distance of 1017.50 feet to the northeast corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 25-92A; and thence South 88 deg. 38' 04" East, a distance of 2627.98 feet to the section corner;

**THENCE** from the place of beginning and following along the center of a 50 foot wide road and utility easement South 0 deg. 05' 00" West, 308.65 feet to the southeast corner of this tract;

**THENCE** South 86 deg. 56' 05" West, 175.55 feet to an angle point;

**THENCE** South 86 deg. 48' 00" West, 11.89 feet to the southwest corner of this tract;

**THENCE** North 0 deg. 03' 00" East, 319.52 feet to the northwest corner of this tract;

**THENCE** South 89 deg. 45' 00" East, 187.33 feet to the place of beginning;

If there is a conflict between the legal description and the street address, the legal description shall control.

**THE FOREGOING SALE** will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the

above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on November 12, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$95,914.92 and the same bears interest at 3.875% per annum from October 27, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

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

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

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29,  
02/05, 2016

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

No. CV-2015-01757  
Judge: Kugler

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

vs.

**JAISON BRYAN, BRYAN  
TRUCK & AUTO,  
AND 1997 TOYOTA  
4RUNNER, WHITE; VIN:  
JT3HN87RGV9005122;  
NEW MEXICO LICENSE  
PLATE NO. 162RFD,  
Respondents.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

**To: Respondent  
Jaison Bryan:**

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit

all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle: 1997 Toyota 4Runner, White; VIN: JT3HN87RGV9005122; New Mexico License Plate No. 162 RFD.

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  
P.O. Box 20000  
(575) 541-2128  
(575) 541-2017  
Fax Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable \_\_\_\_\_, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of, 2015.

COURT EXECUTIVE  
OFFICER

By:  
DEPUTY

Dates: 01/22, 01/29, 02/05,  
2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01483

**WASHINGTON FEDER-  
AL SAVINGS, SUCCE-  
SOR BY MERGER TO  
FIRST FEDERAL BANK,  
Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ANTONIO MONJARAZ;  
EVA ESCAMILLA MON-  
JARAZ, aka EVA MON-  
JARAZ; BRENDA A GUT-  
TIERREZ; and TAXA-  
TION AND REVENUE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE  
STATE OF NEW MEXI-  
CO, Defendant(s).**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY  
OF ACTION**

Defendant(s) Antonio Monjaraz and Eva Escamilla Monjaraz, aka Eva Monjaraz is/are hereby notified that Plaintiff has filed a civil suit against Defendant(s) in the above-entitled cause of action, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 7617 Grouse Run Drive, in the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT NUMBERED 101 OF AMBER MESA, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID AMBER MESA, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 20, 1988, IN PLAT BOOK 15, FOLIO 326-349.

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and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as a 1973 Concord SW series, VIN No. 3424132076.

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

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

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

December 11, 2015

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

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 11 day of December, 2015.

(Seal)

CLERK OF THE  
DISTRICT COURT  
/s/Paloma Nava

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 01/29,  
2016

**STATE OF  
NEW MEXICO  
IN THE  
PROBATE COURT  
SAN JUAN COUNTY**

No. 5829

**IN THE MATTER OF  
THE ESTATE OF DORO-  
THY M. INGRAHAM,  
DECEASED.**

**NOTICE TO  
CREDITORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of, San Juan County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 100 S. Oliver, Aztec, NM 87410.

Dated: January 6, 2016.

/s/Ronald Ingraham  
Ronald Ingraham  
3480 La Plata Hwy.  
Farmington, NM 87401  
(505) 486-6695

Dates: 01/15, 01/22, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2013-01146

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

vs.

**SCOTT IZU, Defendant.**

**NOTICE OF  
FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2085 Chisholm Trail, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 6 IN BLOCK NUMBERED C OF COLLEGE PLACE SUBDIVISION NO. TWO, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID COLLEGE PLACE SUBDIVISION NO. TWO, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON OCTOBER 24, 1957 IN PLAT BOOK 1, FOLIO 34.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 AM on February 11, 2016**, on the front steps of the main entrance 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 Judgment granted WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. . WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A was awarded a Judgment on July 1, 2015, in the total amount of \$ 124,175.71, with interest at the rate of 4.875% per annum from October 13, 2014 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$8,060 .36. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney .

**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 . WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the



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

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

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

By: Robert A. Doyle,  
Special Master  
c/o Legal Process Network  
P.O. Box 51526  
Albuquerque, NM 87181  
505-417-4113  
1 NM-14-638152-JUD  
IDSPub #0099258

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-00059

**FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**VIRGINIA WELLING AND THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF VIRGINIA LYNN WELLING, IF ANY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2604 Poco Lomas Court, Las Cruces, NM 88011, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 14, POCO LOMAS SUBDIVISION PHASE 1, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON JUNE 15, 2004, IN BOOK 20 PAGE(S) 704-705 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **12:00pm on February 25, 2016**, at the main entrance of the 3rd 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 Judgment granted FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION . FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION was awarded a Judgment on March 19, 2015, in the total amount of \$ 328,967.34, with interest at the rate of 6.625% per annum from December 13, 2014 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$ 26,212.61 .

**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 . FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

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

1 NM-14-625752-JUD  
IDSPub #0100022

1/22/2016 1/29/2016  
2/5/2016 2/12/2016

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

No.: D-307-CV-201400977

**THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A. , A S SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. F/K/A JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, IN TRUST FOR MASTR ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2003-4, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**ESTEFANA R. GARCIA AND BENJAMIN F. GARCIA AKA BEN F. GARCIA, IF LIVING; IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF BENJAMIN F. GARCIA AKA BEN F. GARCIA, DECEASED, WIFE AND HUSBAND; ELEPHANT BUTTE IRRIGATION DISTRICT, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO** to Defendant, Benjamin F. Garcia aka Ben F. Garcia, If Living; If Deceased, The Unknown Heirs of Benjamin F. Garcia aka Ben F. Garcia, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY Y, N. A. , A S SUCCESSOR-IN-INTEREST TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. F/K/A JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, IN TRUST FOR MASTR ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2003-4 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 5530 N. Doña Ana Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88007. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, LOCATED IN THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, U.S.R.S. SURVEYS BEING WITHIN THE DOÑA ANA BEND COLONY GRANT AND COMPRISING PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 4-69C AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED BEING A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF N.M. STATE ROAD 28 AND N.M. STATE ROAD 320 BEARS N. 33 DEG 44' 00" W., 372.00 DISTANT: THENCE N. 58 DEG 33' 34" E., 217.38 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED: THENCE S. 33 DEG 44' 00" E., 155.04 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED: THENCE S. 57 DEG 37' 00" W., 217.27 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, BEING A POINT ON SAID EASTERLY LINE OF STATE ROAD 28: THENCE N. 33 DEG 44' 00" W., 158.62 FEET ALONG SAID EASTERLY LINE OF STATE ROAD 28 TO THE NORTHWEST AND BEGINNING CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED, CONTAINING 0.7820 ACRE OF LAND, MORE

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OR LESS.

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

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Dates: 01/22, 01/29, 02/05,  
2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-02061

**BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**BRANDAN J. MYERS aka BRANDON J. MYERS and LISA R. MYERS aka LISA R. WALKER, husband and wife; ABC Corporations I-X, XYZ Partnerships I-X, John Does I-X and Jane Does I-X, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVICES OF ANY OF THE ABOVE, IF DECEASED; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 5073 Avenida Del Sol, Las Cruces, NM 88011, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 78 OF HACIENDA ACRES, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID HACIENDA ACRES, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 22, 1961 IN PLAT BOOK 8, FOLIO 77.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 AM on February 23, 2016**, at the main entrance 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 Judgment granted BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A. . BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on October 15, 2015, in the total amount of \$141,730.63 with interest at the rate of 4% per annum from April 1, 2015 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$5,0947.54 .

**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 .

BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any .

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

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

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-00645

**BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF**

**OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., Plaintiff,**

vs.

**JOSEPH L. DUNN AND SUSAN S. DUNN, HUSBAND AND WIFE; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 6662 Vista Del Reino, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 43A, ALTO ESTATES UNIT 3, REPLAT NO. 3, 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, 1995, IN BOOK 18 PAGE (S) 249 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 AM on February 11, 2016**, at the main entrance 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 Judgment granted BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any .

The sale is to begin at **11:45 AM on February 11, 2016**, at the main entrance 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 Judgment granted BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any .

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

No.: D-307-CV-2015-02193

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

vs.

**RENEE MARIE SIERS; EARL TODD SIERS; RENE E MARIE SIERS, AS TRUSTEE OF THE RENE E MARIE SIERS REVOCABLE TRUST DATED JANUARY 18, 2007; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant Earl Todd Siers:

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 3922 Saddle Fork Court, Las Cruces, NM 88012. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

**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 .

BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF

OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

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

No.: D-307-CV-2015-02193

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

vs.

**RENEE MARIE SIERS; EARL TODD SIERS; RENE E MARIE SIERS, AS TRUSTEE OF THE RENE E MARIE SIERS REVOCABLE TRUST DATED JANUARY 18, 2007; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant Earl Todd Siers:

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 3922 Saddle Fork Court, Las Cruces, NM 88012. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT 20, BLOCK 6, SETTLER'S RIDGE, UNIT NO. THREE, CORRECTION PLAT, IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA

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ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON PLAT NO. 3633, THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON AUGUST 26, 2002, AND RECORDED IN BOOK 20, PAGES 113-115, PLAT RECORDS.

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

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-00135

**NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**CRAIG STOOKEY, BREND A STOOKEY AND MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property ( the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 383 & 385 Fossil View Rd, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE NORTH OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO IN SECTION 24, T.21S., R.1W., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O SURVEYS AS PART OF U.S.R.S. TRACT 1-9A1U1 AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD SET AT THE SOUTH LINE OF A ROAD EASEMENT FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; WHENCE THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 24, T.21S., R.1W., BEARS N 59°48'05"E., A DISTANCE OF 2625.85 FEET;

THENCE FROM THE PLACE OF BEGINNING S.30°35'30"E., 1022.15 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF



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THE BACA LATERAL FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE BACA LATERAL S.88°42'15"W., 7.66 FEET; THENCE LEAVING BACA LATERAL N.41°30'W., 486.84 FEET TO ANGLE POINT OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.40°03'17"W., 198.18 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT FOUND;

THENCE S.73°45'16"W., 172.46 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND; THENCE S.45°15'W., 60.51 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE ROAD EASEMENT N.30°35'30"E., 369.68 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE SOUTH LINE OF A ROAD EASEMENT;

THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE ROAD N.67°52'30"E., 90.24 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF A PREVIOUSLY CONVEYED 0.3404 ACRE TRACT;

THENCE AROUND THE 0.3404 ACRE TRACT THE THREE FOLLOWING COURSES AND DISTANCES S.28°54'30"., 136.89

FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND;

THENCE N.67°34'43"E., 110.84 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND;

THENCE N.29°37'07"W., 136.53 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE SOUTH LINE OF A ROAD EASEMENT; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE ROAD N.67°52'30"E., 160.95 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 3.645 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

The sale is to begin at **12:00 PM on January 28, 2016**, 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 Judgment granted NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC. NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC was awarded a Judgment on July 6, 2015, in the total amount of \$ 252,683.18 with interest at the rate of 2.625% per annum from December 31, 2014 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$7,141.76. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the

Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney .

**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 . NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the

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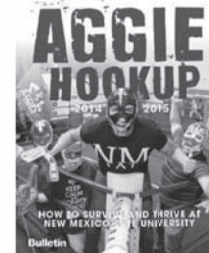
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## Defining yourself

It's January, the beginning of a fresh new year when we try on new habits. What a good time for new friends and genuine conversation. My new year started with a new book, "Ugly, My Memoir" by Australian author Robert Hoge, the story of a life and personal journey to define himself. While it is still too early in the book for me to write a review, I would like to share some thoughts from the author that got me interested in his story.

Below I quote from an article Hoge wrote for *The Guardian*, "Five things you can say to someone with a disability."

Here are Hoge's suggestions.

### 1: "HELLO, HI, G'DAY, HOW ARE YOU?"

Hello and its equivalents are perfectly reasonable ways to begin a conversation. Try them out on a person with a disability sometime. We won't bite. Don't say all four at once, though. That's just weird.

### 2: "CAN YOU TELL ME ABOUT YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES/DISABILITY?"

"As long as you accept 'no' or silence as a reasonable response, it should be OK to ask. It's entirely up to the person with a disability to decide if they'd like to engage on the issue or not. People with a disability are well-tuned to spot what might be a genuine but clumsily worded question, as opposed to something that's meant to be

insulting. But let's stop assuming people are going to somehow get a good sense of the issues we face if we don't communicate them."

### 3: "WOULD YOU LIKE A HAND WITH THAT?"

Wouldn't the world be a better place if we all gave each other a bit more of a hand – disabled or not – every now and then? I don't mind if you ask.

### 4: "I THINK YOU'RE VERY INSPIRING"

This is a tough one, and is the subject of plenty of well-founded criticism. It can suggest a misunderstanding of disability and the impact it has on us.

People with a disability don't feel inspirational just because we're getting on with our lives. It's not our job to make you feel a warm glow for telling us so. But we all need as much inspiration in our lives as we can get – and inspiration is a very personal thing. How and where an individual experiences it, is up to them.

If you're going to say this to someone with a disability, though, make us earn it. Do it after you have an understanding of the issues we face; after you've had a meaningful conversation with us.

### 5: "TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF"

This is about getting to know someone as a person and letting them choose the parts of their

## Federal initiative changes how NM patients are served, money is spent

### Medicare will pay providers based on quality, not quantity

In early January, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that in 2016, a total of 12,604 Medicare beneficiaries will be served by Medicare Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) in New Mexico.

ACOs are groups of doctors and hospitals that join together to develop and execute a plan for a patient's care and share information, putting the patient at the center of the health care delivery system. The ACOs are paid not based on how many tests or procedures are performed but by the success of the treatment administered. ACOs were created to change the incentives for how medical care is paid for in the U.S., moving away from a system that rewards the quantity of services to one that rewards the quality of health outcomes.

"People in New Mexico will get better care and we will spend our health care dollars more wisely because these hospitals and providers have made a commitment to change how they do business and work with patients," HHS Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell said. "We are moving Medicare and the entire health care system toward paying providers based on the quality, rather than the quantity of care they give patients. The three new ACO initiatives being launched today mark an important step forward in this effort."

Many Americans who have gotten ill or injured have experienced a situation where they have been shuttled from hospital to doctor's office to doctor's office, often enduring duplicative tests or receiving care that isn't coordinated.

CMS announced 121 new participants nationwide. With this announcement ACOs now represent 49 states and the District of Columbia.

ACOs are delivering better care, and they continue to show promising results on cost savings. In 2014, they had a combined total net program savings of \$411 million for 333 Medicare Shared Savings Program (Shared Savings Program) ACOs and 20 Pioneer ACOs. Improvements were noted on 27 of the 33 quality measures, including patients' ratings of clinicians' communication, beneficiaries' rating of their doctors, screening for tobacco use and cessation, screening for high blood pressure, and Electronic Health Record use. Shared Savings Program ACOs also outperformed group practices reporting quality on 18 out of 22 measures.

CMS also announced that providers and hospitals that have signed up to join new types of ACOs will also receive penalties for negative ones.

The Medicare Shared Savings Program welcomed 100 new ACOs and nearly 150 renewing ACOs on January 1, 2016 and approximately 15,000 more phy-



sicians will be participating in ACOs under the program this year, serving more than 7.7 million beneficiaries.

Thirty-nine Shared Savings Program ACOs will also participate in the ACO Investment Model (AIM).

"Accountable Care Organizations are improving quality of care and spending dollars more wisely. These new initiatives place patients at the center of a coordinated care delivery system and give providers the tools to achieve better outcomes," said Patrick Conway, Deputy Administrator for Innovation and Quality and Chief Medical Officer for CMS.

These initiatives also advance the Administration's goals, announced on January 26, 2015, to move 30 percent of traditional Medicare fee-for-service payments into alternative payment models that pay providers based on the quality rather than the quantity of care they provide patients by 2016 – and 50 percent by 2018.

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMS Innovation Center) <https://innovation.cms.gov/index.html> was created by the Affordable Care Act to test innovative payment and service delivery models to reduce program expenditures while preserving or enhancing the quality of care for Medicare, Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) beneficiaries.



# Udall works to protect youth athletes from concussions

U.S. Sen. Tom Udall, a member of the Senate Appropriations and Commerce committees, announced in early January that the president has signed into law as part of the “omnibus” appropriations measure several sports safety provisions to help protect youth athletes from the dangers of sports-related traumatic brain injuries. Udall has led efforts in Congress to improve equipment safety standards and curb false advertising claims, focusing on ensuring parents, coaches and players have the information they need to make important decisions about how to prevent head injuries.

The concussion-related provisions instruct the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to vigilantly enforce rules against using deceptive safety claims to sell youth sports gear and dietary supplements. The bill also directs the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) to report on

*‘When it comes to our children’s health, false product safety claims are simply unacceptable.’*

**TOM UDALL**

U.S. senator

voluntary industry standards and product labeling requirements for youth sports protective headgear and helmets, as well as CPSC staff involvement in developing sports equipment safety standards. The bill also encourages the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to investigate ways to develop new and better standards for testing sports equipment. These measures follow Udall’s per-

sistent efforts to improve safety equipment standards and curb dangerous claims for so-called “anti-concussion” products that actually put young athletes at greater risk of injury.

Additionally, Udall secured a provision to advance the medical understanding of concussions and the effectiveness of policies designed to prevent such injuries in youth sports. The law now encourages the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to monitor concussions nationwide and track their prevalence, especially among youth ages 5 to 21.

“Sports-related concussions are serious health issue for kids and their families in New Mexico and across the country,” Udall said. “We want kids to be active and participate safely in all kinds of sports. Misleading sports equipment safety claims put young athletes at greater risk of brain injury, and that’s why I’ve

pressed the Federal Trade Commission to investigate concussion prevention claims for products like football helmets, mouth guards and soccer headgear. ... When it comes to our children’s health, false product safety claims are simply unacceptable.”

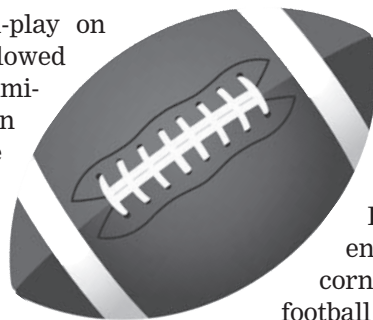
In 2015, Udall and Sen. Bill Nelson (D-Fla.) called on the FTC to investigate potentially misleading safety claims used to sell soccer headgear. The senators asked that the FTC take action if the investigation findings reveal that makers of soccer headgear or other children’s sports safety equipment are engaged in false or deceptive advertising practices. In 2012, the FTC warned nearly 20 sports equipment manufacturers that they might be making deceptive protection concussion claims, but the FTC’s actions thus far have not deterred companies from continuing to make similar claims.

## Register for adult flag football tournament

The City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department will offer registration for the “Las Cruces Gridiron Classic, 4-on-4 Adult Flag Football Tournament” at Meerscheidt Recreation Center, 1600 E. Hadley Ave., beginning Jan. 19 through Feb. 18. Limited space is available, early registration is encouraged.

This will be a non-contact flag football tournament and each team

will play pool-play on Saturday, followed by a single elimination round on Sunday. The cost is \$200 per team (five games are guaranteed). The tournament is open to individuals 18 years of age and



over. This year’s tournament will include women’s and men’s open divisions.

The tournament will be Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 20 and 21, at the Legends West Park (northwest corner of the Field of Dreams football stadium parking lot).

For more information, call 541-2558 or email [Athletics@las-cruces.org](mailto:Athletics@las-cruces.org).

## Soroptimist International to host ‘Dream It, Be It’ conference Jan. 23

Soroptimist International of Las Cruces is pleased to announce that it will be hosting its first ‘Dream It, Be It Conference’ for local high school junior and senior girls on from 8:30 to 3:30p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 23, at Hotel Encanto. Students selected for the program will spend the day networking with local professional women and learning from experts on subjects such as career topics, financial basics and professional etiquette. In addition, each participant will be given a career gift package and be entered into a drawing for prizes donated by our participating sponsors.

Joan Dormody, president of the Las Cruces chapter of Soroptimist International said, “The conference is designed to give young women career basics that they may not have gotten in high school. Our goal is for

them to learn how to use skills such as networking, elevator speeches and professional etiquette to meet their career goals after high school. Whether they are going to college, getting a job or are not sure of their plans, our conference will help them move into the adult working world.”

Soroptimist International is an organization devoted to providing assistance to women locally and around the world. Their motto is “Best for women.” The Las Cruces chapter offers scholarships to local women and assists other organizations that work to enhance the lives of women and girls in our community. For more information about Soroptimist International of Las Cruces please visit [www.silcnm.org](http://www.silcnm.org), contact Chris Sheppard at 520-6905 or email at [tineshep@icloud.com](mailto:tineshep@icloud.com).



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# State's teen birthrates are down 57 percent

The New Mexico Department of Health's Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics has released new data revealing a 57 percent decrease in birthrates among teens ages 15 to 17 between 2000 and 2014 in New Mexico. In that same time period, the teen birth rate for

15 to 19 years olds decreased by 48 percent. New Mexico's decrease in teen births in the 15 to 19 year-old age group in 2014 slightly improves our ranking from the state with the highest teen birth rate in the country to the fourth highest.

"While teen birth rates have decreased substantially in New Mexico, teen births in other states have also decreased. That means we have to work harder to get better results. Teen births are a complex public health matter. While being a parent is one of life's most rewarding experiences, we want to make sure young New Mexicans are creating a reproductive life plan so that becoming a parent is something that is planned," said Department of Health Secretary Retta Ward, MPH. "Teen births are a primary driver of generational poverty, and reducing teen births will improve high school graduation rates and lead to a better trained workforce, which will ultimately help our economy and improve our health status."

Teen childbearing in New Mexico cost taxpayers at least \$103 million in 2010, according to the most recent analysis from The National Campaign to Prevent

Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy; for the nation overall, teen childbearing cost taxpayers \$9.4 billion.




Recently the Population Institute, a non-profit organization, graded all 50 states for reproductive health. New Mexico was one of four states in the country to receive an A because of systems and policies in place for reproductive health. Other states that received an A were California, Oregon and Washington state.

"The report shows New Mexico is poised to make change and substantially lower teen births," said Secretary Ward.

The Department of Health provides confidential family planning services at low- or no-cost in 73 sites at Public Health Offices, Primary Care Clinics & School-Based Health Centers across the state. More information on DOH's teen pregnancy prevention resources are available online at [NMHealth.org](http://NMHealth.org).

## Calista Animal Hospital Low Cost Vaccination Clinic Saturday, January 30th, 8am until 2pm



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## READING

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lives that define them. People with a disability are writers, painters, runners, parents, accountants, introverts.

Some of us have no legs or can't see or can't hear. All of those things get poured into the great big blenders of our lives.

Exactly what flavor of person we are at the end of it all is best discovered by long, funny and honest conversations – over coffee, wine, hot chocolate or mineral water. Whatever beverage you choose, start by talking.

If we want to bash through barriers confronting people with a disability, we need the community to have a better understanding of us. This probably means some uncomfortable conversations – for others and for us. Focusing on what people shouldn't say isn't the way to build good relationships. If we can face living our lives in these bodies, we can face some difficult exchanges along the way." (Excerpted from an article that originally appeared in *The Guardian*.)

To me, what Hoge suggests about how we talk to each other is worth repeating in the beginning

of 2016 when we as a species seem to be challenged to find the right words to start conversations with people we really need to get to know better. Hoge speaks directly to the obstacle of being physically different, but what he says challenges us to use our words in other critical situations. So I'd like to paraphrase the title of his list here, a bit, to be more inclusive: 'Things that are okay to say to someone you perceive to be different.' What if, in 2016, we all stepped back and listened and tried to understand?

Hoge has recently written a children's book about defining yourself and others beyond superficial appearances and I intend to be getting back to you on this subject later. But for now I'm wondering about that first book of 2016 you are going to read. Let me know what you are reading so we can share more titles with each other for many more interesting conversations.

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# Law enforcement, emergency medical heroes honored



From left are Robert Northrup, president of the Gadsden Chapter of Sons of the American Revolution; Andrew Lyngar, president of the New Mexico Society of Sons of the American Revolution; Lt. Justin Allen, Las Cruces Fire Department; Megan Allen; James Northrup, member; and Capt. Walter Baker, member.

The Gadsden Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution recently honored two outstanding public servants at a luncheon meeting on Saturday, Jan. 16. Lieutenant Justin Allen of the Las Cruces Fire Department received the Emergency Medical Commendation Award and Sgt. Albert Mora of the New Mexico State Police received the award for Law Enforcement.

Lt. Allen earned the special commendation for his efforts to assist a 17-year-old driver who was injured at the Southern New Mexico Speedway in August of 2015. A 13-year veteran of the Las Cruces Fire Department, Allen was on the scene and took action and assisted the onsite personnel until additional EMT help arrived.

Mora, who works under cover, personally initiated two narcotics investigations in 2015 and was the principal agent in charge of both. His work contributed to the arrest of 60 defendants and the confiscation of methamphetamine, marijuana, cocaine, firearms and \$30,000 in U.S. currency.

## Healthy Happenings



### Water Safety class deadline Jan. 22

The City of Las Cruces Parks and Recreation Dept. is offering a Water Safety class at the Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave., from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Jan. 25-29. The class allows children ages 4-8 the opportunity to learn basic water safety and includes home, public and open water safety. (This is not a swimming lesson.) Classes include activities in and out of the water. Registration ends Jan. 22 at the Aquatic Center during normal operating hours: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The fee is \$20. For more information, contact the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center at 541-2782.

### Breast Cancer support group of the Community Foundation meeting

The next meeting of the Community Foundation Breast Cancer support group is Saturday, Jan. 23 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor, in the Annex Bldg. located on the west side of the main entrance. Meetings are free and open to all who are interested in health and wellness. No registration is required. For information, call 524-4373.

### Free Alzheimer's course starts Jan. 25

"The Savvy Caregiver" a free seven-session course presented by the Alzheimer's Association, NM Chapter will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. each Monday, beginning Jan. 25 through March 7 at Ambercare, 3870 Foothills Road. To register or for information contact: Candace Thomas, 575-647-3868, [cpthomas@alz.org](mailto:cpthomas@alz.org).

### Free seminar on 'Bio-Psycho-Social Approach' to healthcare

On Tuesday, Jan. 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Memorial Medical Center West Annex Conference Room, join a panel of experts for a discussion about the latest "Whole Person" approach to healthcare. Learn how to have fun as you engage in positive lifestyle change to achieve better health. Presenters are Dr. John Andazola, Dr. Marlin Hoover and Deanna Suggs, Certified Nurse Practitioner. Refreshments and snacks will be served. Space is limited so please RSVP to 532-4453 or 800-424-DOCS (3627).

### Back to Health workshop

Restore flexibility, maintain range of motion, help your body balance itself, improve alignment and posture and learn how to keep your back healthy. Only ten spaces available so reserve now. \$50.00 paid in advance. Four week session beginning Tuesday, Jan. 26 from 10:00 to 11:15 a.m. at Tesoro Integrative Health Center, 1605 S. Main St. through Feb. 16. Deadline to sign up is the first class on Jan 26. For information visit [www.amurielyoga.com](http://www.amurielyoga.com) or contact Ann Muriel at 979-292-5910.

### National Alliance for Mental Illness family support group meets

The NAMI meeting in January for the families who have a loved one suffering from mental illness is Wednesday, Jan. 27 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. For information, call Susan at 649-6766.

### Mesilla Valley Mall Get Fit Expo seeking businesses/booths

Calling all fitness/health related businesses. Mesilla Valley Mall will host a Get Fit Expo on Saturday, Jan. 30 from noon to 4 p.m. Booth space is \$50. If your business is interested in having a booth, hosting a demonstration or seminar, please contact Susan Palmer at 575-522-1001 ext. 302.

### Healthy cooking for kids at Doña Ana Community College

On Saturdays at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. from Jan. 30 to March 5, kids will learn to prepare dishes from different parts of the world in a healthy way. For kids 8-12. Course meets in DACC Central DAHL, room 184. Material/supply fee of \$35 payable to instructor at first class meeting. Course fee is \$77 for the 12 hours. To sign up, or for information, email [commmed@dacc.nmsu.edu](mailto:commmed@dacc.nmsu.edu) or call 527-7527.

### Overeaters Anonymous

Overeaters Anonymous is a fellowship of those individuals who, through shared experience, strength and hope, are recovering from a compulsive relationship with food. Local meetings are Mondays at 7 p.m. (women's issues focus), at Unity Church, 125 Wyatt Drive (use back door); at noon on Wednesdays in the library of St. James Episcopal Church, 1102 St. James Ave.; and Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. For information visit [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org) or call Barbara at 405-0128 or Wayne at 647-5684.



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