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## Goats and a hare, ready for the fair



Janelle Godwin and Jackson Godwin bring in goats to enter in the livestock competition at the Southern New Mexico State Fairgrounds, and Aubri Kehoe, inset, holds her rabbit she plans to enter in competition, Tuesday, Sept. 27. The fair began Wednesday, Sept. 28 and runs until Sunday, Oct. 2. Daily events include the colorful carnival, exotic petting zoo, magician Adrian D'Marco, the Bengal tiger encounter and the high-flying Cycle Circus.

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## Senior info/resource fair on tap for Oct. 19

The staff of Doña Ana County's Community and Constituent Services (CCS) Division is in the final stages of planning an Oct. 19 Senior Resources and Informational Fair, which will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Doña Ana Community College East Mesa campus.

The pre-registration deadline for the event is 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, and only those registered will receive meal tickets for the day of the event. Pre-registration forms are available on the CCS page on the county's website, at all of the county's community resource centers and at the Doña Ana County Government Center.

The event is aimed at Doña Ana County residents 55 years old and older, and their families. It is an opportunity to connect older residents with the county and participating agencies that provide direct services

**Free meals will be available for those who pre-register by Oct. 11. To pre-register, visit the DAC Government Center, a community resource center or [donaanacounty.org/Community-Constituent-Services](http://donaanacounty.org/Community-Constituent-Services)**

to seniors, as well as professionals who are subject-matter experts in a variety of fields.

Presentations already scheduled for the event cover the Zika virus, diabetes prevention, emergency planning and fraud/identity-theft prevention.

Among the agencies scheduled to be at the fair are Adelante Senior Services, New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department, City of Las Cruces Senior Programs, New Mexico Department of Veterans Services, La Casa, Inc., Las Cruces Police Depart-

ment's Codes Enforcement personnel, Las Cruces Workforce Connection, Memorial Medical Center's Acute Care for the Elderly Unit, New Mexico Department of Public Safety, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Readjustment Counseling Services, Doña Ana County Bureau of Elections, Doña Ana County Fire and Emergency Services Department, Doña Ana County Vector Control and Doña Ana County Probate Judge Diana Bustamante.

Continental breakfast and lunch for pre-registered participants are being coordinated by Casa de Peregrinos Emergency Food Program.

There will be door prizes awarded at various intervals of the program, with the stipulation that a participant must be present to win. For more information, contact Constituent Services at (575) 525-5959.

### *Flood Commission feted for its advance-warning system*

The Doña Ana County Flood Commission has been formally recognized by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for its proactive work to protect the health and welfare of Doña Ana County's residents.

In a letter dated Sept. 13, 2016, FEMA's risk-analysis chief, Ronald C. Wanhanen, notified Flood Commission Director Paul Dugie that the development of Doña Ana County's comprehensive flood warning system has been recognized as a key to community safety and preparedness.

"We'd like to give our appreciation and support to the Doña Ana County Flood Commission for its efforts in taking mitigating action and making its communities more resilient," Wanhanen wrote.

The formal recognition was part of the program at the 2016 New Mexico Floodplain Management Conference last week in Deming.

The strategic placement of the 30+ monitoring sites in the system is designed to predict flooding and enable a warning system for residents who may be in danger. The newest reporting stations have been installed at the La Union Volunteer Fire District, at the Doña Ana County Fairgrounds and at the Santa Teresa Volunteer Fire District.



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# Armed robbery suspect sought

## BULLETIN REPORT

Las Cruces Crime Stoppers is offering a \$1,000 reward for information that helps identify the suspect in an armed robbery that occurred late Monday, Sept. 12 at a Family Dollar store.

Shortly after 9:30 p.m., police were dispatched to the report of an armed robbery at the Family Dollar store at 1690 S. Solano Dr. Detectives learned that an armed man walked into the store and pointed a handgun at the cashier. The suspect demanded cash but ultimately fled with a carton of cigarettes.

No injuries were reported.

Witnesses described the man as Hispanic, approximately 5-foot-3-inches tall with acne scars on his face. He was wearing a red sweater, black pants and a black baseball cap. He may have left the area in a silver Ford Taurus or Buick sedan.

Anyone with information that can help identify the suspect responsible for the armed robbery 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.



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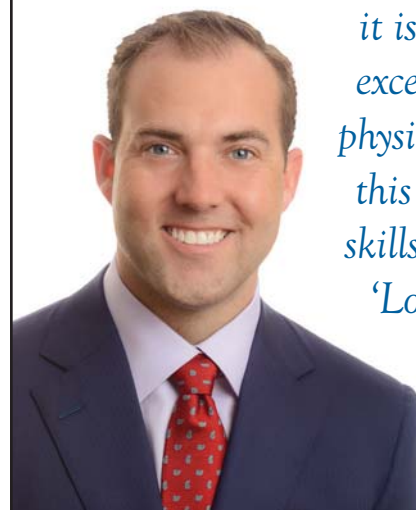
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Each Wednesday in October, starting Oct. 5, there will be offerings and events such as free health screenings in Garcia Annex Room 235 on Oct. 5; a talk by LGBT advocate Candace Gingrich; screening of the

movie “Tangerine” which focuses on the lives of two transgender characters; National pageant queen Eva Alicia Jane will host the Second Annual Halloween Drag Show at Corbett Center Student Union Auditorium on Oct. 24.

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Commercial space industry leaders from around the world, along with academia, state and federal government officials will meet to discuss the evolution and diversification of personal and commercial spaceflight on Oct. 12-13 at the 12th annual International Symposium for Personal and Commercial Spaceflight (ISPCS) at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum.

“Our industry has multiple milestones within reach and focus is necessary,” said Patricia C. Hynes, Ph.D., curator of ISPCS. “This highly energetic and competitive industry is at a pivotal point in shaping the future of aerospace as commercialization of low

Earth orbit becomes reality. During ISPCS, we will discuss vision, pathways and executable plans to accomplish our near-term and future goals.”

This year, 35 international government and industry speakers will discuss topics including: space traffic management; a self-sustaining commercial economy in

low earth orbit; international policy for space resources; persistence and perseverance in human spaceflight.

Sponsorships and exhibitor packages are still available. Contact Joylynn Watkins at 575-646-6414 or [jwatkins@nmsu.edu](mailto:jwatkins@nmsu.edu). For more information, visit [www.ISPCS.com](http://www.ISPCS.com).



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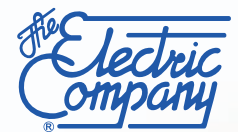
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# Cross words over crosswords

## Our readers prefer more challenging puzzles

**W**hen we changed our newspaper's format, beginning with the Aug. 19 issue, I was curious and concerned about our readers' response.



**RICHARD COLTHARP**

From the Publisher

Overwhelmingly, however, the feedback has been very positive.

Almost unanimously, people have told me they like the shorter tabloid format.

The brighter paper makes the color pop, I've been told a number of times.

However, one camp has been a vocal minority: the crossword puzzlers.

The change to the shorter size meant that, to continue with our previous crossword format, the size of the boxes and clues would have shrunk to an illegible size.

Fortunately, we were able to find a puzzle from a new service that fit our new size in an easy-to-read way.

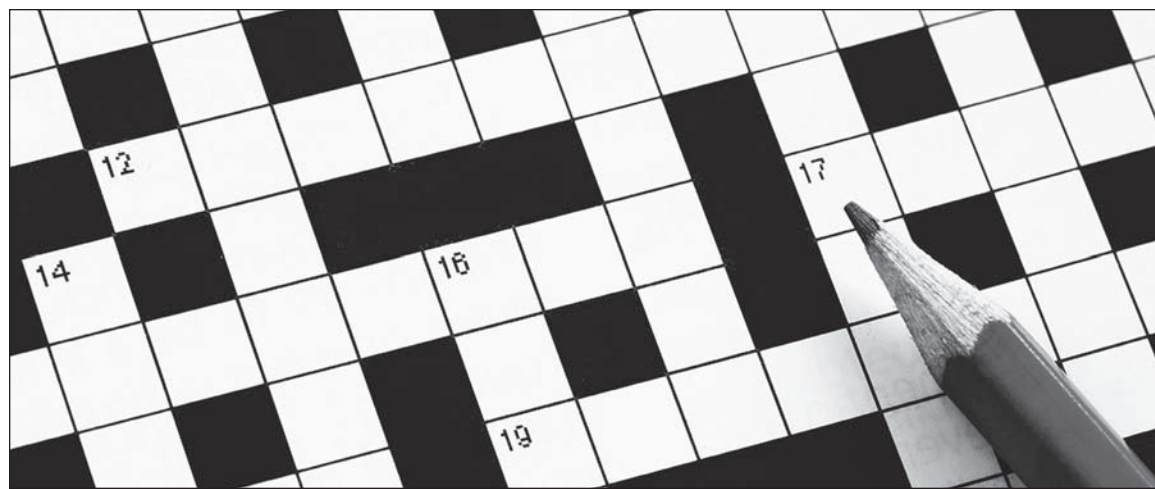
Unfortunately, the new puzzle was also too easy to solve, apparently.

While we received only one formal complaint about the new size and shape, we have received dozens of complaints about the puzzles being too easy.

Readers were not "down" with it, and it made many of them "cross."

Beginning this week, we have a new puzzle that, I hope, finds a good middle ground.

People who regularly read the Bulletin, or any publication for



that matter, typically read it for a few specific reasons, and additional material on top of that is an added benefit.

Lots of people tell me they love our entertainment calendar listings. Many say they love our feature stories. A lot of folks love the Baxter Black column. Our business section, featuring writer Alta LeCompte, has a great deal of fans. People say they like our feature stories, our sports columns, and the religion news. Every section of our newspaper has its supporters.

It wasn't until recently, though, I learned how dedicated our crossword puzzlers are.

Newspaper folks have long known how loyal readers can be to specific sections, or even specific elements of specific sections.

In the late 1990s, when I was editor of the Alamogordo Daily News, we inadvertently left out one of our comic strips. The next day, after not receiving any calls, I asked our designer to hold it out again. "Let's see if anyone notices," I said. "I've been wanting

to add a new comic strip, anyway. This one seems a little outdated to me."

The next week, after five days without the old strip, I finally received the call.

"I just have one question for you, Mr. Editor," the caller said. "Are you going to put Snuffy Smith back in the newspaper, or am I going to have to cancel my subscription?"

Well, the Las Cruces crossword contingent is even more loyal and outspoken than the Alamogordo Snuffy Smith sect.

I haven't done crossword puzzles much since I was in junior high, and my mom and I would tackle the TV Guide crossword. So I figured I would see how I fared with both the "hard" and "easy" versions of the Bulletin crossword.

I worked each one for 10 minutes and tallied my results.

"Hard" version: I got 24 clues right, and five wrong, out of 233. That was a 10 percent success rate that meant it would likely take me an hour or more to com-

plete it (or give up).

"Easy" version: I got 34 clues right, and none wrong, out of 109, for a 31 percent success rate, and a likelihood of finishing (and probably not giving up) in 20 minutes.

My old TV Guide training benefited me, as I knew the name of a "Bewitched" witch in the hard one and the name of the actress who played Granny Clampett in the easy one. The hard one asked me about Elvis Presley's birthplace, which, as a self-respecting Elvis fan, I knew, and how to say field in Italian, which I didn't. Both quizzed me on baseball (Nolan Ryan and Felipe Alou), which helped. Both asked about geology, which hurt.

The biggest difference was the number of clues, with the hard one having more than twice as many. The new one has even more clues.

Will it sit well with the puzzle people? I bet we won't have to wait until next week's edition to find the answers.

# Cow thoughts

The ol' cow thought to herself, 'I sure hate standin' in line. Even if it's just once a year it's not somethin' I look forward to.

'Oh, great. Here comes that yay hoo with a hot shot. Where'd they pick him up? Must be refugee from the hayin' crew.

'The weather's nice. Thank goodness for that! I've stood in this alley in the hot sun and in blizzards. You'd think these fools would plan their preg checkin' when the weather's decent.

'Keep movin', Molly. I know she's worried. Losin' her teeth. 'Course

I'm no spring chicken either and that bout with the eye infection didn't improve my looks any.

'Okay, kid! I'm movin' up! It's not easy in all this goop. They should'a had you shovel the alley but I suspect that would'a been beyond your learnin' skills!

'Uh, oh. I can

hear the squeeze chute clangin'. I been through it enough times I know it doesn't hurt but just the sound of it makes me nervous. I wonder if that lady will still be there.

'Alright, Molly. Go on. You're gonna do okay.

'Bred. Good. She's bred. Anybody could'a told that



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by lookin' but they've got Doc here to make it official. She's gettin' her shots but they're cutting her off to the right. Not stayin' with the big bunch. Dental problems, no doubt.

'Whoa! Sorry, kid! I

wasn't ready for that! But I'm in the chute. Ya happy now?

'By gosh, the lady is still settin' on that barrel where she was last year writin' in her notebook. She looks cold. Oooh! Speakin' of cold! Thanks,

Doc! I really needed that! I feel like I just got rear-ended by an army tank!

'Bred, he says. I should hope so! I didn't stand out there all spring with that bunch of slobberin' yearlin' bulls for nothin'! I know my job!

'Jeez! I wish there was a better way to check my teeth without you ham-handed Vikings stickin' your fingers up my nose!

'Try that on for size! Dang, I missed him.

'Ump! Agh! Where did that lunatic learn to give shots? Bet he makes a mean fondue.

'So, the big boss is givin' me the once over. He's lookin' at my eye. It's cloudy, but no pain. He's squattin' down to check it. Now he's puffin' a little powder in it. Now, for sure I can't see!

'Well, I be durned. I believe he patted me on the head!

'Okay, I'm goin'.

'Boy, I'm glad that's over.

'Naw, he couldn't have. Patted me on the head, I mean. Must'a been my imagination.'

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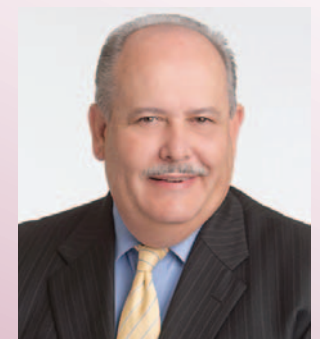
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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### What are the solutions?

What goes on in our beloved Land of Enchantment? The word is our governor needs to call our legislators back to the Roundhouse to resolve a budget crisis. Well OK, but the governor says she wants to deal with reinstating the “death penalty, mandatory sentencing and three strikes.” This alone could cost the state additional millions. Most professional people in the justice system are opposed to such legislation. She has already cut \$33.5 million in state funds for Medicare providers thus losing \$127.5 million in Federal Funds. Strange arithmetic. The governor has cut funding to behavioral health, education and justice and at the same time has given tax breaks to large corporations and friends.

She has also been an opponent of minimum wage, realistic immigration laws, among other things. More strange arithmetic. It is a financial mess along with the fact that most people in the state would like to see some much needed financial reform in the way electoral politics is conducted.

This all seems to be a puzzle with both the executive and legislative branches of our government. A solution appears difficult if not impossible to achieve. However, I think our state deserves much better and we need to demand just that from our elected and appointed officials. The alternatives do not bode well. Are we really heading for a pitch forks –and–lanterns syndrome? It is getting close. Please vote and use your vote wisely. It could be your most valuable weapon.

*F. Patrick Fitzgerald*

# Budget special session possibilities

New Mexico Governor Susana Martinez will call a special legislative session because of lower oil and gas revenues than projected. If there are budget cuts, will some government workers get fired? Or will there be a tax increase a month before the November election? Both solutions may cost votes for legislators in close races.

Cutting the budget usually means someone loses their government job because much of the state’s budget is used to hire people. Often the way those people in charge respond to budget cuts is to fire the most crucially important people first because the citizen outcry may protect their budget.

Organizations often target doctors, EMTs, fire and police along with in-classroom educators. That always gets lots of citizen outcry and media attention.

Years ago in Albuquerque there was a budget crunch in the police department so they fired the street



**MICHAEL SWICKARD**

*In My Opinion*

policemen in the worse section of town. Did they touch administrative people? No, because the citizens of Albuquerque wouldn’t care if those employees were fired.

The citizens of Albuquerque capitulated and added more tax revenue to the budget rather than lose critical police protection. Some politicians claim that everyone employed by the State of New Mexico is essential to the state. They proclaim loudly to the media that taking any money away from existing programs will result in catastrophic damage to our state.

The talking point: there are no workers on the state’s payroll who are not completely essential. Further, we citizens will be told we must consider that state employees are just like us with bills to pay and kids to raise so being fired is featured in the media reports letting us citizens know that firing state workers will destroy lives.

Another option being discussed is to increase taxes. That way no one is fired. But in the middle of an election voters

can express displeasure quickly. Increasing taxes is unlikely this time.

One thing not being discussed much is that they can raid the New Mexico Permanent Funds. Some people call them “Rainy day funds.” The quick way is to confiscate needed financial resources from the New Mexico Tobacco or other small funds.

The two funds with plenty of money are the New Mexico Land-Grant Fund created in 1912 and the 1973 created New Mexico Severance Tax Fund. It is dangerous to take money from these funds because these two funds are set to provide about one seventh of the entire New Mexico budget next year.

It is not easy to raid these funds because legislators in the past realized the glimmering pot of money would be quite attractive to politicians who only thought short-term. States like California had vast financial resources which were taken in a short-term political frenzy years ago. Now California is close to bankruptcy.

New Mexico’s budget increased more than fifty percent under former Governor Bill Richardson from 2003 to 2010. It went from about four billion dollars to almost seven billion dollars a year.

The long-term solution is to increase the economy and the budget will be corrected as long as New Mexico doesn’t elect another

free spender like Richardson. There is never enough money for free spenders.

New Mexico revenues are down because the oil and gas industry is cyclically at a low point. It is a cycle but the government increase is linear. There are always difficulties when the energy resources go down.

Roy Blunt wrote, “The shortest path to more American jobs is more American energy and more jobs that relate to American energy.” That is what New Mexico needs however the problem for New Mexico politicians is that the environmental lobby has lots of power and does not want New Mexico to increase energy jobs.

So the source of money from the energy sector may not be politically available to some legislators. There are no other easily increased revenue sources. Raising taxes usually results in people and businesses leaving the state thereby actually lowering collected revenues.

New Mexico’s government is still far larger than just a few years ago with the same number of citizens. Ultimately New Mexico’s state government is about creating jobs and political power. Tough decisions cannot be avoided at this time.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Swickard should follow that advice himself

He says “birtherism” didn’t come into question because of Trump or Clinton, but because of a literary agency bio. While it’s true the agency printed this bio for its “industry only” audience in 1991, Swickard fails to include pertinent details:

1.) Breitbart’s website published a copy of the bio in 2012 – the same website currently run by Trump’s campaign CEO, Steve Bannon.

2.) In 2012, Miriam Goderich stated: “You’re undoubtedly aware of the brouhaha stirred up by Breitbart about the erroneous statement in a client list Acton & Dystel published in 1991 (for circulation within the publishing industry only)... This was nothing more than a fact check-

ing error by me — an agency assistant at the time. There was never any information given to us by Obama... suggesting in any way that he was born in Kenya and not Hawaii. I hope you can communicate to your readers that this was a simple mistake and nothing more.”

3.) Trump began to promote “birtherism” in 2011 while exploring a presidential run – a year before Breitbart published the bio.

Anyone with eyes and ears knows Trump alone – with help from “friends” – actively promoted “birtherism” for five years. Swickard’s attempt to equally blame partisans of both sides is an insult. He says the media will always lie “so expect it and embrace the truth.” Perhaps, Swickard is making a confession.

*Robert McNamara*

## General Obligation Bond C to improve, renovate NMSU’s aging facilities

By **MINERVA BAUMANN**  
For the Bulletin

More than \$27 million in capital outlay projects are on the ballot for the New Mexico State University system as part of more than \$131 million in proposed general obligation bonds for aging buildings at universities

and colleges across the state.

If approved by voters in November, \$22.5 million is planned for a new visual arts facility at the Las Cruces campus to replace D.W. Williams Hall, a 78-year-old former gymnasium, which currently houses NMSU’s Department of Art and Uni-

versity Art Gallery. The funding is part General Obligation Bond C for higher education projects.

There is no tax increase associated with these bonds.

“Art is a major industry in New Mexico and an important academic pur-

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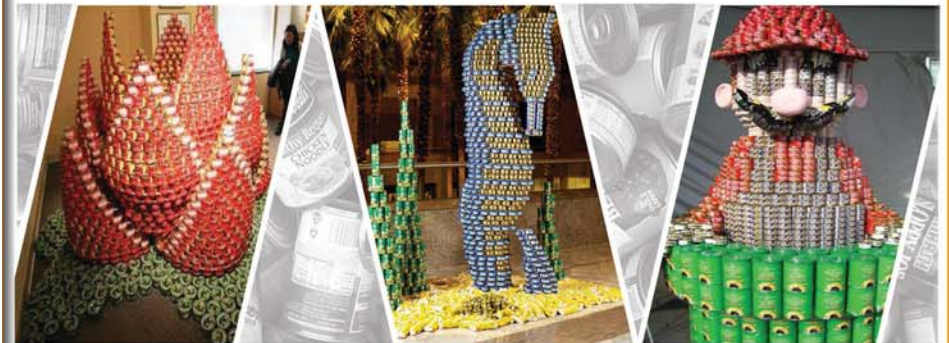


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# Old issues arise at UDC meeting Monday

Community members raise familiar concerns with proposed county code

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

At a town hall meeting Monday, Sept. 26, a Doña Ana Unified Development Code, which has been in the works since 2013 beginning with the creation of the Comprehensive Plan by the Camino Real Consortium, was once again described and discussed by a county official and an interested community member.

The meeting was held to address some lingering community concern that the proposed UDC is being pushed through without sufficient consideration and clarification. The Greater Las Cruces

Chamber of Commerce is not supporting UDC as it stands because “We remain concerned that some issues have not been sufficiently addressed and reflected in the code amendments despite the voiced concerns.”

The final, final draft is set to go up on the county website Friday, Sept. 30, and public meetings are scheduled 6 p.m. Oct. 11 and 9 a.m. Oct. 13 at the Doña Ana Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd.

Concerns from the community involve worries about control of the county over what residents, developers and property owners are able to do with their property

in the county.

Doña Ana County Community Development Director Daniel Hortert and retired volunteer county resident Bob Hearn gave presentations at the chamber sponsored event. Hearn is also a commissioner on the Extra-Territorial Zoning Commission.

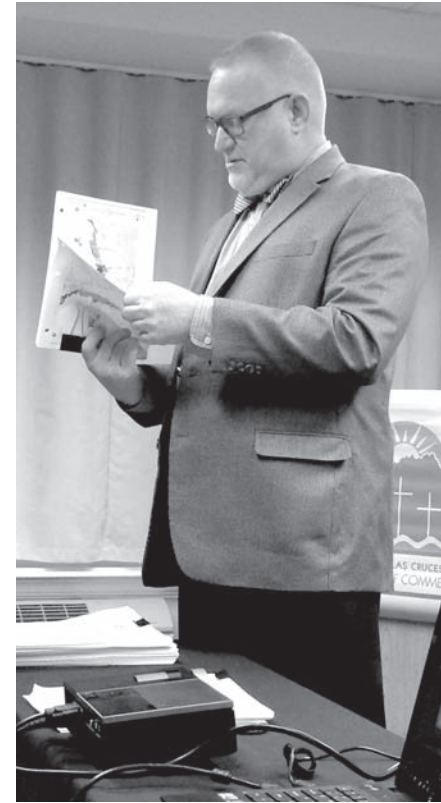
Hortert explained the UDC is a compilation of nine existing ordinance documents and has put together, into 450 pages, an essentially new system of rules for developing county property in the future. The UDC also brings together the existing comprehensive plans governing the Extra-territorial Zone (a five-mile

belt around the city of Las Cruces) and the rest of the county.

In addition to traditional zoning applications for new subdivisions and land usages, those seeking to develop land have a new option for creating places for people to live, Community Types.

“Community Types is a new concept in the UDC,” Hortert said. “Community Types will improve flexibility, improve predictability, encourage more mixed use, increase opportunities for services, amenities, and ultimately economic development and investment in the community.”

The positive impact of



Doña Ana County Community Development Director Daniel Hortert leaves through a proposed county Unified Development Code as he speaks to community members during a town hall meeting about the code held Monday, Sept. 26.

PHOTO BY ELVA K. ÖSTERREICH

the UDC, he said, is to streamline the regula-

tions and the development process.

“It’s not clear it’s converging,” he said. “What we really need to do is look to the time when the integrative comes to a full system test where you say ok it’s done now let’s take realistic problems and run them through this system and make sure it works. We’ve built the dog, we’ve got its legs bolted we’ve got his head bolted on we’ve got his tail bolted on — now, does it hunt?”

Another audience member asked that the document be translated into Spanish so that many of the existing landowners with concerns can understand it better. Hortert said they are “seriously considering” doing the translation and it would be unique because there are no other communities which have ever done that.

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# Transit: A wise investment for us all

By **DAVID ARMIJO**

For the Bulletin

Wise communities invest in themselves, providing the public resources necessary to allow residents to live prosperous, healthy lives. Regional transit is one of those key investments in a successful future.

The ability to move freely and safely through our community is a personal freedom supported by public investment. For the great majority of people, this investment is realized through the building and maintenance of public streets and roads, the enactment and enforcement of basic laws to govern safe traffic flow, and in efficient planning for future growth and development.

For a significant number of our residents, the freedom to move from place to place is made possible by public

transit. The South Central Regional Transit District (SCRTD) has been charged with providing a safe and reliable way for residents to get to work, to jobs, to school, and to area businesses.

The increased ability to participate in social and economic life greatly improves the lives of those who utilize public transit. This increase in personal self-sufficiency is in itself important, representing one of the most common reasons we engage in public investment.

Less obvious, perhaps, are the benefits a good public transit system provides for the whole community, especially in contributing to the economic success of our county and region.

When patients show up for their appointments, medical facilities are more efficient and more profitable. When moth-

ers and fathers get to work regularly and on time, even when the car is broken down, their family income increases and they can afford more goods and services. When our young people have reliable access to educational opportunities, they become part of a better-prepared workforce and we can attract employers with higher paying jobs.

In fact, the existence of a well-developed transit system is a major attraction for many industries considering relocation to our area.

The SCRTD, which started regular service in February, is already making the connections essential for county residents. There are bus stops at every La Clinica de la Familia location in the county, and service from the southern and eastern parts of the county to New Mexico State

University and Doña Ana Community College. Stops are being placed near major work sites, connecting workers with job opportunities and building workforce stability throughout our region.

Ultimately, of course, the SCRTD will be much more than a bus system. Projected services include ride share and dedicated van service to Santa Teresa and other key work sites along the border. There will be coordinated Dial-A-Ride type transport for elderly and disabled residents. There will be shared access to regional festivals and events, and the opportunity to scale public transport opportunities to local interests and need.

The benefits of this kind of comprehensive service, both to individual families and to our region, are clear. The data also indicate that there is a real dollars and cents impact as well, with studies showing a \$3 to \$4 economic return generated

for each \$1 invested in public transportation.

Even in its earliest stages, public transit is bringing money into our area. To date the SCRTD has secured over \$500,000 in grants to support its development and operations, and the District expects to secure \$662,000 in grant funding next year. The simple existence of an organized regional transit district makes us eligible for millions of dollars in federal funding, money that would otherwise be unavailable for our region.

We know that our success depends on a willingness to invest in our people and region. Through a commitment to public transit, we increase not only the freedom and opportunity of individual residents, but build toward a more prosperous and dynamic community for us all.

*David Armijo is the executive director of the South Central Regional Transit District.*

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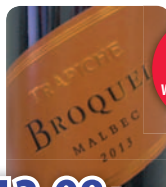
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# Las Cruces High School library featured in national magazine

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

It's all about the books and the students at Las Cruces High School's new library.

But, it was the incredible view of the Organ Mountains from the library's second-floor windows that caught the attention of the American Libraries Magazine, a publication of the American Libraries Association.

The magazine's September/October 2016 edition includes a photo and write-up on the LCHS library that's titled "Schools With a View." See the article at <https://americanlibrariesmagazine.org/2016/09/01/2016-library-design-showcase/>.

It's the first school library featured in the



**LCHS librarian Kim Barany checks out books for students.**

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BY MIKE COOK

magazine in two years, said LCHS librarian Kim Barany.

The 12,500-square-foot library opened in August 2015, she said. The new library is part of the \$82 million renovation of the entire school, located at 1755 El Paseo Road, which was built in 1955 and was the city's first high school. The first LCHS

was built in 1925.

"It's a beautiful space," said Barany, who worked with the architect Rem Alley to design the library.

In addition to shelves for 15,000 books and other educational items, the library includes a make space, where students can work on arts and crafts projects; classrooms, of-

ices; a staff work space; a conference room; a group reading space; plenty of computer work stations; and even the Bulldawg Bistro, which sells food a couple of mornings a week before school starts, Barany said, and gives students and staff a place to eat. The bistro is operated by the school's Family and Consumer Science

program, she said.

Because the library is on the second floor of the school's new main building, getting its thousands of books upstairs from a previous downstairs location proved to be quite an undertaking, Barany said. The building has no freight elevator, so the books had to be placed on pallets and forklifted to the second floor, she said.

"Enhancing learning environments for students where they feel comfortable to sit, read, talk, work in small groups, or complete research projects is important," LCPS Interim Superintendent Dr. Steven Sanchez said. "As a community, we should all celebrate these quality learning spaces and encourage our students to use them regularly."

"The word's getting around that this is a cool space," said Barany, who has been the LCHS library for the past 11 years. She was involved in designing, setting up and moving into the new library for more than half that time.

Barany was at Vista Middle School Library for 10 years before moving to LCHS. And before coming to Las Cruces Public Schools, she taught at Chaparral Elementary School in the Gadsden Independent School District.

Barany has taught everything from pre-school to graduate students during her career in education. But, looking around the LCHS library, "this is my favorite job," she said. "It's kind of like the best job around."



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## Las Cruces High School construction continues

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The \$82 million renovation of Las Cruces High School continues with remodeling of the school's main gymnasium, classrooms, vocational building, music building and conversion of the auxiliary gym into an athletic field house, said Las Cruces Public Schools Director of Construction Gloria Martinez.

The second phase also includes construction of a new dining and kitchen facility, auxiliary gym, tennis courts and basketball courts, she said.

The second phase began Aug. 15 and is expected to be completed by February 2018, Martinez said.

Construction began on LCHS in June 2013.

Phase I of the project included building new classrooms across El Paseo Road from the school, along with a gateway connector (foot-bridge) across El Paseo Road and a new administration area and media center.

Funding for the project came from construction bonds passed by Las Cruces voters and from the New Mexico Public Schools Capital Outlay Council.

Rem Alley and Associates is the architect for the project. The construction work is being done by Wooten/Sundt, she said.

LCHS, 1755 El Paseo



An artist's rendering shows what the front of Las Cruces High School will look like when renovation is complete.

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floor. The project, which also includes construction of the J. Paul Taylor Academy, will cost a total of \$9.5 million.

• Re-roofing of Mesilla Elementary School is expected to be completed this month, at a total cost of \$1.235 million.

For more information, contact Martinez at 527-6052 or [glomartinez@lcps.net](mailto:glomartinez@lcps.net). Visit <http://lcps.k12.nm.us/departments/operations/construction/>.

Road, was built in 1925 as Las Cruces Union High School. The current building was constructed in 1955.

Other school district construction projects underway include:

- Construction of a new gymnasium with locker rooms and expanding the existing music classrooms into the existing gym space and repaving parking lot at Sierra Mid-

dle School. The project will cost \$6.5 million and is expected to be completed this December.

• The entire second floor is being remodeled at Alma d'arte Charter

High School as part of the Court Youth Center charter school campus remodeling project. That project should be completed in October 2016, followed by remodeling of the first



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# State, local Democratic candidates address progressives

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

One statewide candidate and five local candidates – all Democrats – spoke to a meeting of the Southern New Mexico New Progressives on Saturday, Sept. 24 at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library. The group began as Las Cruces for Bernie, supporting U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders of Vermont in his unsuccessful bid for the Democratic nomination for president.

Speaking to the group of more than 40 people were Maggie Toulouse Oliver, candidate for New Mexico Secretary of State; Doña Ana County Commission candidate John Vasquez; state representative candidates Rudy Martinez and Joanne Ferrary, county clerk candidate Scott Krahlung and Third Judicial District Attorney Mark D'Antonio, who is running for a second term.

Here are some of those candidates' comments at the meeting:

- John Vasquez, candidate for county commission, district 5. (Incumbent Leticia Duarte-Benavidez, a Democrat, is term limited.) Vasquez said he served in the United States Army for 24 years and is an operational planner. "Veterans are the heart and soul of who John Vasquez is," he said. Vasquez said he is the founder of the Veterans Democratic Council of New Mexico, which is now organized in 16 of

## Secretary of state candidate visits LC to campaign

By MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Democrat Maggie Toulouse Oliver was in Las Cruces this past weekend as part of her campaign for New Mexico secretary of state. Her campaign stops included the Saturday, Sept. 24 meeting of the Southern New Mexico New Progressives at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library.

The secretary of state race, along with races for state Supreme Court and state Court of Appeals, are the only statewide races on the ballot this year.

Oliver has been Bernalillo County clerk since January 2007. Oliver said she supports "universal voter registration in New Mexico" and believes people should be automatically registered to vote when they apply for a driver's license at any motor vehicle office in the state. Once that happens, she said, those new voters should receive a postcard in the mail asking if they want to remain registered to vote or choose to opt out, she said.

That way, she said, "everybody's on the rolls who wants to be," and the secretary of state and county clerks offices around the state can concentrate their voter registration efforts on the 10 to 12 percent of the state's population who don't have a drivers license, including veterans, the elderly and the disabled. "We can really focus those efforts," Oliver said.

Oliver said she is also running for secretary

of state to "modernize and improve" the state elections office and to make sure there are no "new roadblocks to the voting booth." The state should make it easier to vote, she said, to prevent those in power from "restricting voting access."

Oliver said the secretary of state is also the state's chief ethics officer, noting that former Secretary of State Diana Duran resigned in October 2015 and pleaded guilty to multiple counts of embezzlement and violation of campaign finance laws. The office "wouldn't even be on the ballot (in 2016) if the former secretary of state hadn't violated those very rules that she was sworn to uphold," Oliver said. Making sure elected officials are following the state Governmental Conduct Act is part of the secretary of state's job, Oliver said. "We deserve that as New Mexicans," she said. "I promise I will go back to those standards you deserve," she said.

Duran, a Republican, was elected in 2010 and re-elected in 2014 and prior to serving as secretary of state was an Otero County state senator. She was the first Republican elected as secretary of state in more than 80 years. Albuquerque City Councillor Brad Winter was appointed to replace Duran until January 2017, when the newly elected secretary of state will take office.

Oliver's opponent in the Nov. 8 general election is State Representative Nora Espinoza, R-Chavez, Lincoln, who was elected to the state House in 2007. Espinoza lives in Roswell.

the state's 33 counties. "We're not just a voting group," he said.

"I believe the poor need somebody to champion for them," Vasquez said. Repairing roads and cleaning up graffiti through-

out the county are priorities, he said. "Just because you're poor, doesn't mean you can't have a decent neighborhood to live in," he said. Addressing financial literacy is another way to help

reduce poverty, he said.

The county also needs manufacturing jobs and economic development, Vasquez said.

• Rudolpho S. "Rudy" Martinez, candidate for State Repre-

sentative District 39. Martinez held the seat from 2007 to 2014, when he was defeated by Republican incumbent John Zimmerman, whom Martinez defeated in 2012. "I'm running because I feel District 39 has not had the right representation in the state of New Mexico representing the hard-working folks," Martinez said.

"I'm a big proponent of education," he said. "Our education system is 49th in the country," he said. "We disrespect our teachers. We don't pay them. We don't let them do their jobs. They are teaching to a test." The state's school grading system "is horrible," Martinez said. "The system was submitted to scientists in Los Alamos. They couldn't figure it out," he said.

"One of my other objectives is to grow the economy, grow jobs," he said. "We are missing the boat in New Mexico," Martinez said. Solar, wind and geothermal energy should be emphasized, and the state should "protect our environment, he said. If you ruin it, it's gone forever."

More apprenticeships and technical training should also be offered to provide a trained workforce "to entice companies to come to New Mexico," Martinez said.

• District Attorney Mark D'Antonio, who was elected to the office four years ago, is seeking a second term. D'Antonio,

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a former assistant U.S. attorney and FBI special agent, said he believes in prosecuting and incarcerating “hard-core criminals.” But “the majority of our crime,” he said, is committed by “people who made mistakes. They need alternative ways to return to society,” D’Antonio said.

To the charge that he is “soft on crime,” D’Antonio said he responds that “He’s smart on crime. He’s smart on justice.”

“I think we have the most open and transparent DA’s office in the history of Doña Ana County,” D’Antonio said.

• Joanne Ferrary, candidate for state representative, district 37. Ferrary lost to incumbent Republican Terry McMullan in races for the seat in 2012 and 2014. “I’m running because I believe we should be building on the strengths we have in southern New Mexico,” Ferrary said. “There’s lots of opportunities we have. We just need to believe in ourselves and invest in our future,” she said.

The state should “make schools better,” Ferrary said. “I really believe early childhood education is the answer. That will reflect on (a child’s) whole learning career,” she said.

Ferrary said she also supports raising the minimum wage statewide “to make sure our families are brought out of poverty.”

The state also should make better use of renewable energy and protect the environment, she said. “We need to make sure that we aren’t killing Mother Earth.”

• Scott Kraehling, candidate for county clerk. “I am the most qualified person to make sure we have fair

elections,” said Kraehling, a former county commissioner and current chief deputy county clerk. “Elections are complicated,” he said. The county needs someone with “hands-on experience who knows what he’s doing ... to make sure elections are as fair as they can be.”

“As a voter, I care passionately about democracy,” Kraehling said. “I believe everyone should vote in every election. The more people participate in the election, the better for our community.”

Kraehling said he has been talking to people about “why voting matters” as he campaigns across the county. And, as part of his duties as chief deputy county clerk, he is “getting into our schools and talking to our students.” The goal there, he said, is “to have every qualified student registered to vote before they graduate high school.”

“I have the experience. I know what I’m doing. I’ve been doing it. I want to keep doing it,” Kraehling said.

Southern New Mexico New Progressives “support candidates who represent our community, strive to revitalize our democracy (and support) social, racial and environmental justice,” according to organization members.



## Presidential debate

Hillary Clinton supporters of Las Cruces gather to view the 2016 Presidential Debate.

BELOW: New Mexico State University Student, Nicole Garcia, signs in before watching the 2016 Presidential Debate Viewing party held at the Las Cruces Hillary for New Mexico Office.

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Viewers of the 2016 Presidential Debate share a laugh in response to Candidate Donald Trump’s comments.



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# Suicide Prevention Task Force seeks support from city

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

New Mexico ranked third nationally (behind only Alaska and Montana) in its statewide suicide rate in 2014, and Doña Ana County had the eighth highest suicide rate among New Mexico's 33 counties in 2016, the chairman of the Las Cruces Mayor's Task Force on Suicide Prevention said at the Sept. 26 Las Cruces City Council work session.

Task Force Chairman Satya Rao, Ph.D., said the suicide rate in the county is 16.4 per 100,000 people, compared to 20.5 per 100,000 statewide and 12.5 per 100,000 nationally.

"The numbers ... are staggering," Rao said.

The task force she chairs was appointed earlier this year to reduce the number of suicides in Las Cruces and to provide additional resources to those contemplating suicide and to the families of suicide

*"Training could be provided in as little as one hour..."*

— Task Force Chairman Satya Rao

victims.

Rao said the task force will work to raise awareness about suicide and suicide prevention through public outreach, education and training, and to reduce the stigma and secrecy that surround it.

Suicide costs \$44 billion annually nationwide in medical costs and lost earnings, Rao said, and that figure was more than \$506 million in New Mexico in 2010.

In New Mexico, she said, suicide is the leading cause of death among children ages 10 to 14. It's the second leading cause of death among New Mexicans aged 15 to 44 and the fifth leading cause of death for those aged 45 to 55, Rao said.

A New Mexico State

University study showed five percent of NMSU undergraduates seriously considered suicide in 2016, down slightly from 6.4 percent in 2015, she said.

Rao said statistics don't include many other children and adults who survive suicide attempts (there are 25 attempted suicides for every successful one) or those who engage in self injury, like cutting.

The task force is seeking seed money from the city for initial activities, including a downtown event, public service announcements and public outreach to increase awareness of suicide and how to prevent it. She said the task force would also like to receive secretarial support from the city.

"I can't tell you how important this issue is to our community and our city," said Councillor Kasandra Gandara, a retired social worker. Suicide, she said, "is in epidemic proportions."

Gandara said she strongly supports increased training for city staff and others to help recognize the signs of suicidal behavior and how to help prevent suicide.

Rao said the training could be provided in as little as one hour, with additional training covering several hours. She said a training video is also available.

"This is a subject that needs to be discussed out in the open," Councillor Gill Sorg said. "People need to be educated and informed."

Las Cruces needs additional in-patient care and more hospital beds to better deal with attempted suicide and suicide prevention, Councillor Jack Eak-

man said.

Interim City Manager David Dollahon said city staff will review the task force's requests and report back to the council and task force very soon on the resources the city can provide.

Mayor Ken Miyagishima said the city also will provide a proclamation in support of the task force's efforts. September is National Suicide Prevention Month.

Rao said her husband committed suicide more than 10 years ago after suffering from bi-polar disorder.

Retired Las Cruces teacher Linda McFarland said her son committed suicide more than a year ago.

"We're like most people: We didn't know about depression or suicide," McFarland said. "Suicide is not a shameful thing," she said. "What it is, is an act of despair and depression."

The public should be better educated about suicide, she said, "because it happens a lot."

The key to preventing suicides is to provide as many options as possible to people in distress who are contemplating killing themselves, said Las Cruces therapist Mickey Curtis. Essentially, she said, you have to ask the person, "Have you tried everything else first?"

Alternatives should be provided, Curtis said, "so they don't feel like suicide is an option."

Restarting a local suicide hotline/help line is also an essential step in suicide prevention, Curtis and others said.

To reach the New Mexico Crisis Hotline 24 hours a day, seven days a week, call 1 (855) NMCRISIS (662-7474). The hotline is free and confidential. Visit [www.nmcrisisline.com](http://www.nmcrisisline.com).

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## EDUCATION BRIEFS

**NMSU program receives \$1.2M grant**  
The Department of

Counseling and Educational Psychology in the New Mexico State Univer-

sity College of Education recently received a \$1.2 million grant from the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration to provide scholarships to doctoral students of color and disadvantaged doctoral students.

The scholarships will be given to qualifying students over the next four years, said Eve Adams, professor and director of training for the counseling psychology doctoral program. Adams and Tracie Hitter, an assistant professor in the Counseling and Educational Psychology department, are the co-

principal investigators for the grant.

## Campus Tutoring is available

The Campus Tutoring Center, located in Corbett Center, Room 206, is poised to assist any NMSU student who could benefit from a peer tutor's perspective on course content with which they are challenged. Schedules are available on the web page and questions or concerns can be directed to 575-646-6050. For more information, visit <http://ssc.nmsu.edu/services/campus-tutoring-service/>.

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# Applicants wanted for graduate fellowship

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Since 1952 the National Science Foundation has awarded fellowships to graduate students in the science, technology, engineering and mathematical fields through its Graduate Research Fellowship Program.

Each year the GRFP awards 2,000 fellowships to students from all over the country pursuing research-based master's and doctorate degrees in the STEM fields at accredited U.S. institutions. On Sept. 22 New Mexico State University hosted a presentation by NSF GRFP representatives detailing the application process to receive fellowships.

"There's a lot that goes into putting together an application," said Jodie Jawor, program director for the GRFP

The involved process is worthwhile, however, because of how prestigious fellowships are, Jawor said.

"We have, amongst the fellows from 1952 forward, over 40 Nobel laureates," said Jawor.

In addition, more than 400 members of the National Academies of Sci-

ences are GRFP fellows, she said.

A fellowship, which lasts for five years, entails a \$34,000 stipend for three years, in addition to a \$12,000 cost-of-education fee paid to the university at which a fellow studies. The fellow determines which three of the five years he/she receives the money, and the years do not have to be consecutive, Jawor said.

"Maybe you want it in your first year so that you can immediately start doing research," she said. "Or maybe you want it in your second, third and fourth year once you've gotten your research idea hammered out and you can really, really focus on doing that research without having to worry about having a teaching assistantship."

After the fellowship's three years of financial support are up, fellows can then apply for additional support and professional development opportunities through the NSF's Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide program (GROW), for fellows to travel to different countries to continue their research, and the Graduate Research In-

ternship Program (GRIP), for fellows to travel within the United States to continue their research, said Jawor.

Fellowships allow for recipients to take time off in the event of an emergency, as well as for family leave, Jawor said. Fellowships also follow recipients to different universities, should they decide to transfer.

Fellowships do not obligate recipients to work for the NSF, nor do they have to perform any type of service, Jawor said.

"Beginning in 2010, we started upping the number of fellowships that we were awarding," she said.

In 2015, nearly 17,000 graduate students applied for fellowships, Jawor said.

"Which means that we've got about a 12 percent success rate," said Jawor.

Despite the low success rate, NMSU has had multiple GRFP recipients.

"I didn't really think I'd (receive a fellowship)," said Sharon Trujillo, who used the fellowship she received in 1993 to get her master's in mathematics and, after a two-year break, earned her Ph.D. in curriculum and instruc-

tion with a math emphasis, both from NMSU.

The GRFP is restricted to students in the fields of: chemistry, computer information and sciences and engineering, geosciences, life sciences, materials research, mathematical sciences, physics, astronomy, experimental psychology, social sciences and STEM education.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, nationals or permanent residents. Applicants can be undergraduate seniors, recent graduates, first- or second-year graduate students, or individuals who, for whatever reason, left graduate school without a degree as long ago as three years.

The application deadlines are in late October. Reference letters are not due until early November. Applicants will receive notice of approval in May 2017.

The NSF is a federal agency founded in 1950 "to promote the progress of science," says its website.

Questions about the application process can be directed to [info@nsfgrfp.org](mailto:info@nsfgrfp.org). The full application requirements can be found at <https://www.nsfgrfp.org/>.

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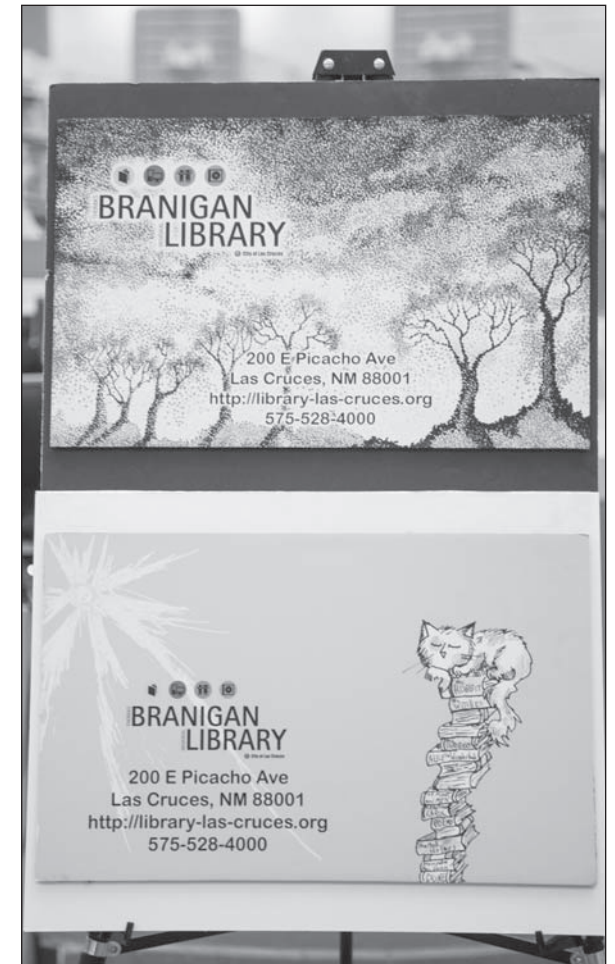


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The look of the new library card designs is revealed during an unveiling at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library on Saturday, Sept. 10 The library held an event for the Create-a-Card Contest Revealing where two new library card designs were introduced.

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# Dress the Child campaign nears \$50,000 goal for 2016

By **MIKE COOK**  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The 21st annual Dress the Child dinner, held Sunday night, Sept. 25 at the Las Cruces Convention Center, raised about \$15,000 for the 2016 Dress the Child campaign, event co-chair Doug Boberg said.

With other corporate, service organization and

private donations – and more than \$2,400 raised during a 50-50 raffle at Sunday's dinner (the winner donated his half back to Dress the Child), the program has raised about \$45,000 this year, Boberg said. His goal is to raise \$50,000 to provide new clothes and shoes to 500 needy children selected for the program by Las Cruces Public Schools and

the Gadsden Independent School District.

"There's just a huge need out there in southern New Mexico," Boberg said. "Many of these kids have never had new clothes or shoes before," he said.

A total of \$100 is spent on each child, and with the support of Kohl's and Old Navy – where participating children will be taken to shop later this year – each participant will actually get \$125 to \$150 in new clothes, Boberg said.

"It's a big deal for children living in difficult circumstances," he said.

This year's dinner included unique dishes prepared by Las Cruces chefs Tom Drake of the Spotted Dog, who prepared the appetizer; Arturo Tovar of

Pecan Grill and Brewery, who prepared the salad; Alfredo Vargas (host chef) of the Las Cruces Convention Center, who prepared the soup; Gabriel Hernandez of the Good Samaritan Society, who prepared the fish; Felipe Chavez of Sunset Grill, who prepared the intermezzo; Luke Roberts of Double Eagle, who prepared the entrée; and Russell Hernandez of Salud de Mesilla, who prepared the dessert.

"Our donated course was dessert," Salud de Mesilla owner Russell Hernandez said in a Facebook message about the dinner.

"Our creative team made 270 total Uruguay-style pavlova with pickled and candied watermelon rinds, fantastic meringues, and

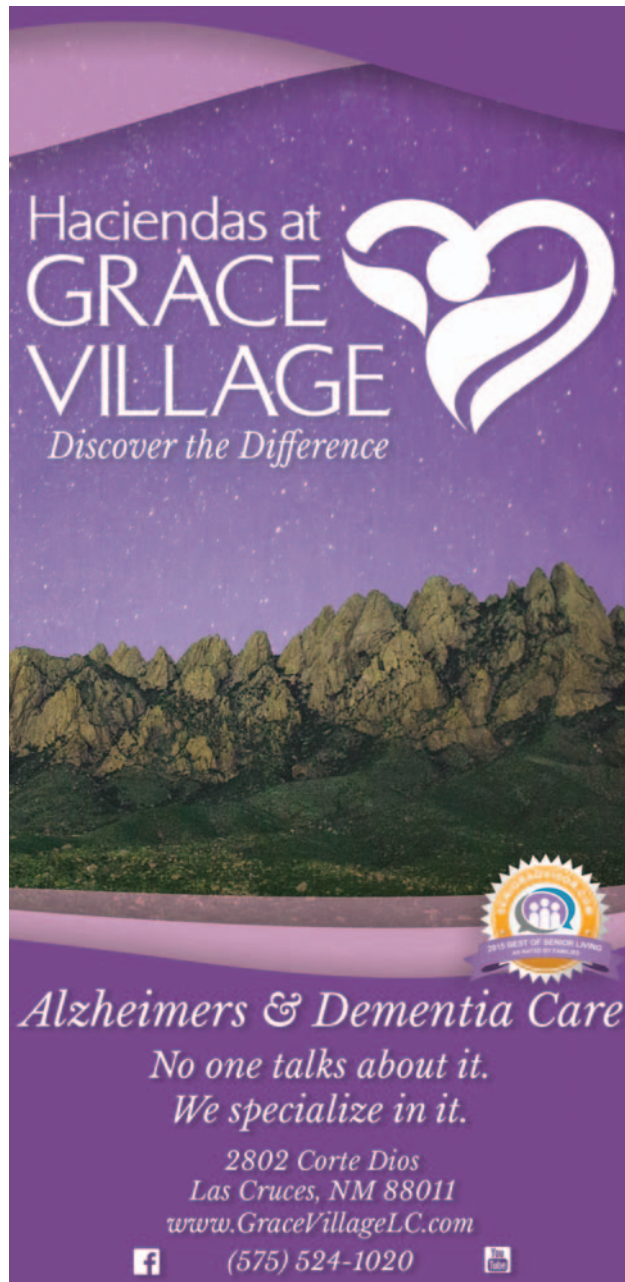
peach rum balls all atop a moist sponge cake."

Artisan table breads were provided by Tom Berrington, general manager of Zeffiro's Restaurant. St. Clair Winery and Bistro provided the wine. The Spotted Dog provided beer served before the dinner. American Linen and Uniform Supply provided the tablecloths and napkins. Jan McClure, Jamie McClure, Anne Clark and Giuseffe Porfillo did the table decorations. Del Valle Design and Imaging provided the menu. Servers were culinary arts students from Centennial High School, supervised by Melanie Stuart, Magan Romig, Yvonne Palmer, Laura Cobos and Melanie Stu-

art. Serving as assistants to participating chefs were Doña Ana Community College Culinary Arts program students. Music was provided by the MST Jazz Quintet, which includes Anthony Movsesian on bass; Joseph Seltzer, drums; Roman Chip, saxophone; Miguel Torres, keyboard; and Michael Trujillo, percussion. Vince Campbell of Las Cruces was the dinner organizer.

Because all the food, the facility and the labor were donated by participating chefs, the convention center and other local businesses and individuals, 100 percent of the proceeds from the dinner will go

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## CHILD

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to buy clothes and shoes, Boberg said.

Dress the Child is sponsored by the Las Cruces Rio Grande Rotary Foundation.

Dress the Child will continue to accept donations for the 2016 program until December, when the final shopping expedition will be held.

Send a donation of any amount to LCRGRF Dress the Child, P.O. Box 550, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004. Or, checks can be taken to the First New Mexico Bank at the corner of Lohman Avenue and Nacho Drive and given to Julie Koenig.

For more information, contact Doug Boberg at 644.9469 or [dougboberg@comcast.net](mailto:dougboberg@comcast.net), or call

## Volunteers needed for Dress the Child shopping events

### BULLETIN REPORT

Community volunteers are needed to escort participating children to Dress the Child shopping events in November and December at Kohl's and Old Navy, said Dress the Child co-coordinator Doug Boberg.

Volunteers will accompany the students and often a parent as they select new more than \$100 in new clothes and new shoes.

Volunteers are needed, Boberg said, because many of the children have never shopped for new clothes before.

The Dress the Child program, sponsored by the Rio Grande Rotary Foundation of Las Cruces, provides \$100 for each child. Kohl's and Old Navy provide additional support so that each child gets \$125 to \$150 in new clothes and shoes.

Children are selected to participate in the program based on economic need, and are chosen by Las Cruces Public Schools and the Gadsden Independent School District.

If you would like to be a volunteer, contact Doug Boberg at 575-644-9469 or [dougboberg@comcast.net](mailto:dougboberg@comcast.net), or call event co-chair Matt Holt at 575-993-2331. Visit <http://dressthechild.weebly.com/how-you-can-help.html> and follow them on Facebook.

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## COMING UP

### Quilt Guild changes meeting day, time

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

### Buddy Walk set for Oct. 1

The Southern New Mexico Down Syndrome Families will hold its annual "Buddy Walk" at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1 as part of the NMSU Homecoming Parade. Walk-up registration is from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and includes a t-shirt and refreshments at The Game on Espina. At 3:30 p.m. the Miracles baseball league for special needs children opens its season. Registration is going on now at the Meerschiedt Center.

### Democratic Women meet

The Federation of Democratic Women of Doña Ana County will hold its monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 3 at International Delights, 1245 El Paseo Road. Come early to purchase dinner, a beverage, or a dessert to eat during the meeting. Everyone is welcome.

### NMSU Dance presents 'Harvest of Dance'

The NMSU Dance program presents "Harvest of Dance," featuring performances by undergraduate dance companies Contemporary Dance Theater, DanceSport and Sol y Arena, and the newly formed graduate company, Traveling Airs.

"Harvest of Dance" takes place at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7 and at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8 at the ASNMSU Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets: \$15 for adults, \$10 for students/seniors, \$5 for children under 12. Tickets can be purchased from any dance program student or from the KindD office, Room 204, NMSU Activity Center, at 575-646-4067 or by email [nmsu\\_dance@nmsu.edu](mailto:nmsu_dance@nmsu.edu). Tickets available

at the door for an additional \$5.

### Enroll now in H&R Block income tax course

Tax courses starting in October will be held from 9 a.m. – noon Mon./Wed./Fri. or from 6-9 p.m. Mon./Wed. at 1880 E Lohman Ave. Enroll now: first come, first serve. \$149 (before discounts.) Payment due up front. Scholarships available. Info: District Manager Patricia Garcia 505-307-1903 or [patricia.garcia@hrblock.com](mailto:patricia.garcia@hrblock.com). Register online or by phone at 800-HR-BLOCK (800-472-5625) or locally at 575-526-9720.

### Tickets available for Southwest Environmental Center Gala

Tickets are now on sale for the Southwest Environmental Center's annual gala fundraiser "A Wild Night for Wildlife" from 6 – 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at 275 N. Main St. The event will feature food from local restaurants, live music, dancing on Main Street under the stars and auction items. The theme of this election year's event is "Vote for Wildlife!" Info and tickets: [www.wildmesquite.org](http://www.wildmesquite.org).

### NM National Association of Tax Professionals Annual Meeting Oct. 11

New Mexico Chapter of the National Association of Tax Professionals Annual Meeting is 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11 at the Albuquerque Museum of Art and History, 2000 Mountain Road NW. Cost: NATP and NMSEA members \$30; others \$45. Info: Meryl Kahn, [kahnea@smartertaxes.com](mailto:kahnea@smartertaxes.com) or 505-922-4973.

### Grand finale Yappy Hour celebrates Halloween Pet costume contest highlights event

The last Yappy Hour of 2016 will be 6-8 p.m. Oct. 19 on the outdoor patio and lawn at St. Clair Winery & Bistro, 1720 Avenida de Mesilla. People are invited to dress up their dogs for the pet Halloween costume contest. Well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome. Music, games and door prizes by emcee Wayne Sinclair. Food and beverages, including beer and wine, are available from the menu. Free goodie bag for the pooches. \$5 at the door, benefits the Doña Ana County Humane Society and the Spay/Neuter Action Program. Call 575-642-2648 for more information.

### MS Support/Education group meets first Thursday

Group meets from 4:30 to 6 p.m. the first Thursday of every month in the Social Center Creative Arts Room, Good Samaritan Society Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle for emotional support and MS education. Date, time, location subject to change. Info: 575-373-5130 or [lascrucessmselfhelp@gmail.com](mailto:lascrucessmselfhelp@gmail.com).

### Vital Records Office hours

The Vital Records Office at the Las Cruces Public Health Office is available for registering and acquiring birth or death certificates 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1170 N. Solano Dr. (Office is closed noon to 1 p.m. for lunch.) Info: Las Cruces Vital Records Office at 575-528-5046.

### 'Blast from the Past' discussions

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

### Immunizations available at Dept. of Health

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

### Las Cruces Civitan Club meets

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

### Hands-only CPR training scheduled

A class from 10 to 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 8 will teach a hands-only CPR technique in the Memorial Medical Center West Annex Conference Room, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. Classes are limited to 30 participants. The next class is set for Nov. 5. Info: 575-524-2167.

### Business Builders meet Wednesdays

Elite Business Builders BNI Group meets from 8:30 to 10 a.m., Wednesdays at Picacho Country Club, 6861 Via Campestre. Open networking, questions and answers. Info: Cheryl 575-524-1201 or 575-520-730-4456.

### Las Cruces Shrine meets second Monday

The Las Cruces Shrine meets the second Monday of each month at 1150 W. Brown. All Shriners are invited to attend. Info: 575-526-8396.

### Gardening classes at Co-op

Gardening expert Jackye Meinecke will present gardening classes at 2 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 5 in the Community Room at Mountain View Co-Op, 1300 El Paseo Road. Classes last 1 hour and cost \$10/person or \$8/person for Co-Op members. Reservations requested. Reserve space at [gardens@zianet.com](mailto:gardens@zianet.com) or call 575-323-0903.

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## IN THE NEWS

### Humane Society receives \$7,500 Banfield grant

The Doña Ana County Humane Society has received a \$7,500 grant from the Banfield Foundation for the Animal Relief Fund (ARF.) This fund assists low-income pet owners with their emergency, quality-of-life and preventive veterinary care. In existence since 2010 under DACHS' administration, the ARF fund has helped more than 900 Doña Ana County residents with their pets' veterinary care. ARF is the only program of its type in all of southern New Mexico. Founded in 2015 by Banfield Pet Hospital, the Banfield Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to improving the well-being of pets and communities. For more information, visit [www.BanfieldFoundation.org](http://www.BanfieldFoundation.org), [www.Facebook.com/BanfieldFoundation](http://www.Facebook.com/BanfieldFoundation), [www.dachs.org](http://www.dachs.org) or call 575-642-2648.

### La Casa Inc. receives \$30,000 grant from the Allstate Foundation

La Casa Inc. has been awarded a \$30,000 grant from the Allstate Foundation to provide financial literacy and economic empowerment education to victims of domestic violence. A formal presentation of the check will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1 at the

Farmers' and Crafts Market located at 125 N. Main St. (Downtown Mall) at the La Casa Inc. booth. The booth will be at the market from 8 a.m.- 1p.m. and is open to the public.

### Kemp Smith welcomes new attorney in Las Cruces office

Kemp Smith LLP is pleased to announce Xochitl Torres Small has joined the firm's Litigation Department in Las Cruces. Torres Small studied at Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and returned to her hometown of Las Cruces to work as a field representative for United States Senator Tom Udall. At the University of New Mexico School of Law, she served as the co-editor-in-chief of the Natural Resources Journal and earned a certificate in Natural Resources and Environmental Law. After graduating from law school, she served as a judicial law clerk in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico. Torres Small currently sits on the Board of Directors for Mountain View Market Co-op and is a member of the New Mexico Strategic Leadership Institute.

### Tatsu Miyazaki wins New Mexico chef of the year

Chef Tatsu Miyazaki of The Restaurant at Sierra

Grande Lodge & Spa, the renowned Ted Turner Expeditions property in Truth or Consequences, won the title of "Chef of the Year" at this week's New Mexico Restaurant Association 2016 Hospitality Industry Awards.

Chef Tatsu, an award-winning American Culinary Federation Certified Executive Chef, was selected as the winner from among a group of 25 leading hotel restaurant chefs from around New Mexico. Chef Tatsu opened The Restaurant at Sierra Grande Lodge & Spa in January 2015, offering relaxed fine dining with a Southwestern flair and global influence.

For more information about The Restaurant and the Sierra Grande Lodge & Spa, please visit [www.sier-ragrandelodge.com](http://www.sier-ragrandelodge.com). For more on excursions with Ted Turner Expeditions on the Ladder and Armendaris Ranches, please call 1-877-2turner or visit: [www.ted-turnerexpeditions.com](http://www.ted-turnerexpeditions.com) or [www.theladderranch.com](http://www.theladderranch.com).

### Kitten fundraiser seeking jewelry

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## BONDS

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pursuit for many students," said NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers. "The building we have now for our art program is well passed the point where it should be torn down. Voting for Bond C will allow us to better support our students and give them a safe building where they can learn."

NMSU's Department of Art has the seventh largest enrollment out of 26 departments in the College of Arts and Sciences. However, enrollment is limited because of the build-

ing's size and age.

"Our classrooms and studios can only accommodate six to 12 students and this limits our ability to maximize our credit hours," said Enrico Pontelli, interim dean for the College of Arts and Sciences. "A new larger facility will help the college better meet the needs of our students."

GO Bond C also includes a total of \$5 million in infrastructure upgrades, renovations and construction for Dona Ana Community College, NMSU Alamogordo, NMSU Carlsbad and NMSU Grants.

GO Bond B, which includes

\$3.25 million for eligible academic libraries, is also on the ballot. The NMSU Library and all NMSU community college libraries benefit from these funds.

Absentee and early voting begins on Oct. 11. Early voting at dedicated locations runs from Saturday, Oct. 22 – Saturday, Nov. 5 with the election on Tuesday, Nov. 8.; General Obligation bonds come before the voters of New Mexico every two years to support projects throughout the state.

For more information on GO Bond C, visit [gobond.nmsu.edu](http://gobond.nmsu.edu).

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### Toastmaster Club meets every Wednesday

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# Donor gifts promote art, culture and economic development

By **CHARLOTTE TALLMAN**  
For the Bulletin

Where do we begin the process of wrapping our brains around 400 million years of geological time? That's a question Marisa Sage, former New Mexico State University Art Gallery director, asked herself when she first viewed the Zuhl Collection, which has more than 1,800 specimens of petrified wood, fossils and minerals found across campus. To find the answer, Sage curated the GEOMAGIC: Art, Science and the Zuhl Collection exhibit, and found the bond between art and science is a strong one.

Because of the generosity of Herb and Joan Zuhl, Sage had the perfect platform to inspire artists and exhibit viewers. For more than 30 years, the Zuhls collected petrified wood, fossils, minerals and rocks for their private collection. In April 2000, the Zuhls generously allowed their personal collection to be displayed at NMSU in the Zuhl Library. In 2003, a gift from the Zuhls underwrote the cost of remodeling and expanding gallery space in the NMSU Alumni and

## Want to go?

**WHAT:** GEOMAGIC: Art, Science and the Zuhl Collection

**CURATED BY:** Marisa Sage and Tiffany Santos

**WHEN:** Until Dec. 21

**WHERE:** University Art Gallery, 1390 E. University Ave.

**HOURS:** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday

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Visitors Center to house a larger portion of their collection in a museum setting.

In 2007, another gift added an extension to the Alumni and Visitors Center, making it possible for countless school-aged children and visitors to view the collection each year. To make sure the collection can be enjoyed for generations to come, the Zuhls also established an estate gift that will support and preserve the collection in perpetuity.

“Artists came in from all over the world to view this collection. These real life specimens spoke to the artists and they were able to create pieces that



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mirrored reality,” Sage said of the 10 artists featured.

The NMSU Art Gallery received a \$15,000 Art Works award from The National Endowment for

the Arts for GEOMAGIC: Art, Science and the Zuhl Collection. The gallery was selected from more than 1,700 applicants to receive funding as part of an \$82 million grant from

the NEA to fund local arts projects and partnerships nationwide. Donors like the Zuhls make grants like the highly competitive NEA award possible.

Currently the NMSU Art Gallery and D.W. Williams Hall — a 78-year-old former gymnasium that currently houses the Department of Art and the gallery — is in need of serious repairs. If approved by voters in November, \$22.5 million is planned for a new visual arts facility to replace the current building. The funding is part of General Obligation Bond C for higher education projects. No tax increases are associ-

ated with these bonds.

In 1991, the Zuhls moved from New York to Las Cruces without any ties to the community or NMSU, but the impact through their giving of time, vision and a combination of current use funds, endowments and estate gifts will be felt forever. To hear more about how to have a lasting impact like the Zuhls, please contact the NMSU Foundation at 575-646-1613, email us at [foundation@nmsu.edu](mailto:foundation@nmsu.edu), visit us at 1305 North Horseshoe Dr., Dove Hall, room 212 or visit us online at <https://advancing.nmsu.edu/givenow>.



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# NMSU opens patent and trademark information office

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**

Las Cruces Bulletin

New Mexico State University's Zuhl Library is now home to New Mexico's only Patent and Trademark Resource Center, a branch of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Throughout the United States and its territories, there are 85 USPTO branches, located in public libraries, said Paula Johnson, one of Zuhl's librarians.

"The purpose of these is to allow people to search the USPTO's database from a more local location," she said.

Patents used to be issued strictly by paper and if someone wanted to conduct a patent search prior to developing an idea for commercialization, he or she would have to go to the main office, formerly in Washington, D.C., and currently located in Alexandria, Virginia.

A PTRC is a useful resource to inventors and entrepreneurs, said Johnson, particularly because they provide more information on patents than the USPTO's online patent search tool.

"The purpose of patents is to disclose how your invention works and the idea that perhaps somebody can improve upon it and technology can keep growing," said Johnson.

The most significant resource a PTRC provides is simplifying "prior art" searches, Johnson said.

(All public information regarding an invention's functions is called "prior art.")

By patenting an invention or idea, the inventor receives exclusive rights to produce that technology for a time in exchange for publicly disclosing how that invention works. Entrepreneurs, inventors and businesses of all sizes research prior art of a particular invention and try to find ways to make it better and make it patentable for a time.

"What the PTRC here at NMSU will provide to the people of New Mexico and probably northwestern Texas is a place where they can come and access the same databases that the (USPTO) patent and trademark examiners use when they're doing prior art searches (to determine whether to issue a patent)," said Johnson.

The PTRC can also refer people looking to patent their technology to patent attorneys, Johnson said.

NMSU's PTRC will work closely with Arrowhead Center, NMSU's

technology commercialization and business development center, and will seek to establish relationships with other community businesses, Johnson said.

By doing so, while the PTRC might not directly generate jobs, it will help facilitate business and job growth in the area and so positively impact the Borderlands' economy, she said.

"Anytime you've got people coming up with new ideas or new processes, different kinds of inventions, there's the potential that there's going to be marketability, there's going to be a new business opening," she said. "Of course anything that's added to the market, there's possibility for employment, manufacturing jobs."

Patent and trademark information will be disbursed by Zuhl's librarians. To ensure that one is on hand to help, NMSU's PTRC will primarily operate on a by-appointment basis, Johnson said.

More information on the PTRC can be found online at <http://nmsu.libguides.com/ptrc>.

# Why it's important to patent your invention: A cautionary tale

By **SUSIE OUDERKIRK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

In the early 1900s, a Serbian inventor living in America is responsible for over 280 individual patents, many of which he never received credit for.

This unsung hero is Nicola Tesla (1856-1943), perhaps the most important mind of the 20th Century. This short biography is courtesy of a comic artist named Matthew Inman who is the brains behind The Oatmeal blog ([theoatmeal.com](http://theoatmeal.com)).

Tesla's discoveries and inventions include: AC current, the light bulb (no, it wasn't Edison), the radio (no, it wasn't Marconi), radar (no, it wasn't Watson-Watt), X-rays (no, it wasn't Rontgen), the first hydro-electric plant in Niagara Falls, New York, the transistor, the remote control, neon lights, the modern



**TESLA** circa 1885.

electric motor, wireless communication—shall I go on?

Many savvy, less ethical scientists took credit for Tesla's inventions. At one time, Tesla worked for Thomas Edison. Edison offered to pay him (Tesla) the modern equivalent of a million dollars to fix the problems he was having with his DC generators and motors. Tesla fixed Edison's machines, and when he asked for the money he was promised, Edison laughed him off and said, "Tesla, you don't understand our American humor."

After faux radio inventor Guglielmo Marconi became world famous for sending the first trans-Atlantic message by radio, Tesla said, "Marconi is a good fellow. Let him continue. He is using 17 of my patents."

Tesla died penniless in obscurity, so, it's important to understand and take advantage of the new NMSU Patent and Trademark Resource Center in the Zuhl Library on the university's campus.

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# 100 Years of Natural Wonder

## National parks celebrating birthday this year

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

As the United States celebrates 100 years of National Parks, the magnificent spaces remind us about the exploration of a great potential.

These spaces (as well as other preserved public lands) have the power to awaken imaginations, take us into the past and lead us to rejoice in the future. They are havens of discovery and wonder.

But, if you talk to a child, amazingly, sometimes you meet those who haven't been there. Those who see the mountains around them and have never climbed a rock, spotted a lizard or chased squirrels on a trail. Some don't know what waterfalls feel like or silent nights under New Mexico stars smell like.

You don't have to be a Boy Scout or a Girl Scout to go for a walk in a wild place. You don't have to be a hiker or camper to smell the desert rain or the pine forest.

New Mexico has more

### National parks contain:

- » At least 247 species of threatened or endangered plants and animals.
- » More than 75,000 archeological sites.
- » Nearly 27,000 historic and prehistoric structures.
- » More than 167 million museum items, including George Washington's inaugural coat and Carl Sandburg's typewriter.
- » 18,000 miles of trails.
- » The world's largest carnivore, the Alaskan brown bear.
- » The world's largest living things, Giant Sequoia trees.
- » The highest point in North America, Mt. McKinley (20,320 feet), in Denali National Park.
- » The longest cave system known to the world, Mammoth Cave National Park, with more than 400 mapped miles of caves.
- » America's deepest lake, Crater Lake in Crater Lake National Park, at 1,943 feet.
- » The lowest point in the Western Hemisphere, Badwater Basin in Death Valley National Park, at 282' below sea level.
- » Source: [www.nmp.gov](http://www.nmp.gov)

than 18 areas under the National Park Service purview and more than 1,714,700 visitors journey through them yearly. We need to continue to support them, take our children to visit them and provide the means to keep them functioning and safe for Americans and other visitors.

My favorite place in the world is right here in southern New Mexico and under the National Parks Service:

White Sands National Monument. My children have spent many hours cavorting there. I have floated above in a hotair balloon, been buried to my neck, slid and rolled down dunes and walked many miles at the park.

Other parks here that I have wandered in and been amazed at include Bandelier, Carlsbad Caverns, Chaco Culture and the Gila Cliff Dwellings. The Salinas Pueblo Missions have taken me into lonely and contested places of rich history. Valles Caldera sweeps me into an even more distant and prehistoric past, bringing up butterflies in my stomach every time I swing over the mountain into the vast caldera.

If New Mexico's National Parks are any indication, I want to hit every



Carlsbad Caverns

one of the more than 400 locations across the country. Imagine what I could learn, I can't conceive of all I would learn. I have felt the spray of Yellowstone's Old Faithful on my face. What's next?

Numerous problems face the national parks today, from human encroachment to a serious lack of funding at the nation's capital. Consequently the battle against vandalism, disintegrating infrastructure and demographic inequality is falling behind.

The mission statement of the National Park Service, as signed into law Aug. 25, 1916 by President Woodrow Wilson, is to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same

in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations."

An NPR series on the National Parks identified the four biggest challenges facing the National Park Service and its future. The four are climate change, overcrowding, financing and relevancy.

NPR reporter Nathan Rott found during his investigation that, while there is no shortage of visitors at the parks, the demographics are a bit disturbing. In a survey of visitors at the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the average age was 41 years old and most of the visitors were white. These statistics are very similar to the overall demographics of the park systems.

And, while the National Park Service has been making increasing a priority, most of its workforce and visitors are white. Cassius Cash is the first African-American superintendent in Great Smoky's history and one of only a handful in the service.

"This is the most diverse generation this country has seen," Cash told NPR. "If these kids have no connection to the natural world, what message are we sending 15 years from now?"

*Elva K. Österreich is editor of Desert Exposure and delighted to be holding office hours in Silver City on the second Wednesday of the month (Oct. 12) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Yankie Creek Coffee House. Please drop by and say hello.*

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**ELOY "SONNY" M. FLORES JR.**

ELOY "SONNY" M. FLORES JR., age 64, of Las Cruces passed away Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at his home surrounded by his loving family.

"Sonny", as he was fondly known to family and friends was born October 8, 1951 in Hatch to Eloy R. and Nellie Martinez Flores. He

worked in landscaping and was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include his parents; a son, Eloy Flores of Silver City; two daughters, Angela Flores of Las Cruces and Michelle Flores of California; stepson, Christian Lee and stepdaughter, Brenda Lee both also of Las Cruces; two brothers, Frank Flores of Las Vegas, NV and Gilbert Flores of Las Cruces; two sisters, Pauline Lopez also of California and Priscilla Flores of Las Cruces; two grandchildren, Aliannah Love and Jeremiah Mendoza. Sonny was preceded in death by his companion, Ina Guevara and a sister, Belen Kopp.

Visitation for Sonny was held on Thursday, September 29, 2016 in Baca's Funeral Chapel, 300 E. Boutz Road where the Prayer Vigil was scheduled to follow. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 AM Friday, September 30, 2016 at the Cathedral of Immaculate



Heart of Mary, 1240 S. Espina Street with the Reverend Marcel Okonkwo, Celebrant. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 5140 W. Picacho Avenue where he will be laid to rest in the family plot.

Serving as casket bearers will be Gilbert and Frank Flores, Juan Lopez, Jesse Saenz and Jay Zoccolli. Honorary bearers will be his grandchildren.

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**"TUFFY" ALFREDO MANUEL MONTAÑEZ**

"TUFFY" ALFREDO MANUEL MONTAÑEZ, age 68, of Canutillo, Texas passed away Saturday, September 24, 2016 at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born July 20, 1948 in Anthony. "Tuffy" as he was fondly known to his family and friends served his country honorably in the United States Army and retired from Old El Paso Canning Company as an industrial mechanic. He will be remembered for his famous saying "Only in America", his love for working on race cars and his Harleys. Tuffy was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Those left to mourn his passing included his loving wife of forty-three

years, Grace Lozano Montañez of the family home; a son, Carlos Montañez of Anthony; a daughter, Victoria Delia Baldez (Arturo) of Anthony, TX; his stepmother, Guadalupe Acosta of Deming; two brothers, Alfredo Acosta and Manuel Acosta (Irma) all of Deming; four sisters, Angie Montañez, of Anthony, TX; Maria Ester Salazar (Ignacio) of Albuquerque, Marta Valtierra (Arturo), and Sylvia Valtierra (David) all also of Deming. Other survivors include six grandchildren; one great-grandchild as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Tuffy was preceded in death by his father, Alfredo Acosta and mother, Antonia Villescas and stepfather, Ray Villescas Sr.

Visitation for Tuffy took place on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 in St. Anthony Catholic Church, 224 Lincoln Street in Anthony where the Prayer Vigil was scheduled for 10:30 AM. The Funeral Mass followed immediately thereafter with the Reverend Andres Alava, Celebrant. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in Anthony Cemetery with military honors accorded by the New Mexico Army National Guard Honor Guard and the Marine Corps League - El Perro Diablo Detachment.

Serving as casket bearers will be Carlos Montañez, Edward Joe Lechuga, Ismael Perez, Arturo Valdez, Esequiel "Zeke" Montañez, and Isaiah Montañez. Honorary bearers will be Jeremiah Montañez, Ryan Perez, Devon Lozano, J.D. Belmontes, Pedro Holguin, Cody and J.J. Black

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JOSEPHINE ORONA GAMBOA, age 89, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, September 26, 2016. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces. 527-2222

**MARY HOPE. C. NUNEZ**

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**MAX GARCIA SANCHEZ**

MAX GARCIA SANCHEZ, age 54, of Las Cruces passed away Sunday, September 25, 2016. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory. 527-2222.



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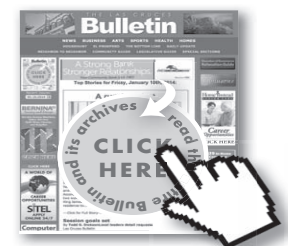
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## Dog Days at Horse N Hound

Horse N Hound hosted a Dog Days event Saturday, Sept. 24 at 991 W. Amador Ave. The free event provided a fun morning out for canines and their humans. Dogs tried out the barn hunt trials and participated in contests. Nail clipping was done by NMSU Aggie Paws and there were samples of locally-made Bow Wow Blends smoothies for pups to sample. In addition, there were K-9 demonstrations by the U.S. Border Patrol and an opportunity to talk to Mesilla Valley Search and Rescue personnel. Striking the Wonder Dog was available for handshakes. Owners could pick up information about local dog-related services and the AKC's Canine Good Citizen Obedience Test. There was also a doggie look-alike contest, a family relay run and dogs tricks.

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## St. Andrew's Church Hospitality House is ready for action

### BULLETIN REPORT

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 518 N. Alameda Street has officially opened its new hospitality house project on Hadley St., which is available for a small or no fee to out-of-town families of patients in local hospitals.

The Hospitality House had its ribbon cutting Saturday, Sept. 24.

The house has four rooms and a comfortable public area. The project is the culmination of a year



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of work setting up the property and a non-profit corporation which will run the facility.

"The finished house will fill a niche in Las Cru-

ces for families in need of a low- or no-cost room during a hospital stay for a family member," Hospitality House volunteer Sara Orton said.



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# Consumption patterns matter; keeping water 'fresh'

By **SUZANNE MICHAELS**

For the Bulletin

"My water doesn't seem fresh."

It's a comment Las Cruces Utilities (LCU) hears occasionally, and welcomes the opportunity to answer. Adrienne L. Widmer, P.E., Water Resources administrator, said, "Residents have to use enough water to keep their own home systems working well. If there's a bathroom that is rarely used or if the family leaves on vacation, the water in the pipes of the home may be sitting there for days. Upon return the family should flush their own system, turning on faucets and letting the water run for several minutes to clear out the old

water and bring in new."

LCU wants customers to be informed, so the city department hosted a Water Quality Open House in August, and had the opportunity to answer questions.

**QUESTION:** When I run the hot water, it has sort of a swampy or sulfur smell. What's going on?

**ANSWER:** A likely cause would be the temperature gauge on the hot water heater has been turned low (perhaps to save energy or because home owners were out of town and thought it was the right thing to do). But the low heat encourages the growth of an iron-based bacteria inside the hot water heater. The smell of the bacteria is then noticed

when residents run the hot water. **SOLUTION:** Turn up the heat on the hot water heater to at least the "normal" setting.

**QUESTION:** When water droplets are in the sink and they dry, I have white spots. What are those?

**ANSWER:** Calcium carbonate, which is not harmful. Our water is full of naturally occurring minerals and is sometimes referred to as "hard" water. Hard water has high mineral content. Hard water is formed when water percolates through deposits of limestone and chalk, which are largely made up of calcium and magnesium carbonates.

**QUESTION:** Sometimes I have red, discolored water. What should I do?

**ANSWER:** In Las Cruces, our water is very safe, but sometimes naturally occurring minerals – iron and manganese – discolor the water, making it look red or discolored. It's important to know that although iron and manganese can discolor the water, the minerals are not harmful to people, animals, or plants. Iron and manganese can break loose from water pipes when there is a water surge in the system, or if there is a nearby pipeline break.

When that happens, LCU flushes nearby fire hydrants until the water flows clear again. That's why you may see discolored water flowing down the street. "We always suggest to customers if they experience discolored water,



flush all their cold water faucets for 5 minutes; if the discoloration does not go away, please call our 24-hour Dispatch at 526-0500 so a serviceman can respond," says Widmer.

*You can reach Las Cruces Utilities at 528-3500 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Las Cruces Utilities provides gas, water, wastewater and solid waste services to approximately 100,000 Las Cruces area residents.*

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## Allstate Foundation awards \$1,000 grant to Rio Grande Prep

The volunteer efforts of Las Cruces Allstate exclusive agency owner Kelly Gonzales helped secure a \$1,000 grant from The Allstate Foundation to support Rio Grande Preparatory Institute.

"As a small business owner in Las Cruces, I see firsthand the opportunities and challenges facing our area," Gonzales said. "Giving back to my local community is tremendously rewarding and gives me a sense of purpose. I'm proud

to support Rio Grande Preparatory Institute's work to make our community stronger."

Rio Grande Preparatory Institute is one of 3,500 organizations this year that will receive The Allstate Foundation Helping Hands in the Community grants secured by agency owners' volunteerism. The grants support nonprofits focused on teen safe driving, disaster preparedness, hunger and other causes.

# Downtown celebrates a banking partner

By ALTA LeCOMPTE  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Bank of West — stocked with all the latest technology to make banking easier and more secure — was the center of attention Downtown on Sept. 22.

Customers and community leaders gathered for the long-awaited Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting celebrating the opening of the newly remodeled branch.

Mike Lowrimore, regional manager and senior vice president, thanked Bob Pofahl of the Downtown Las Cruces Community Partners (DLCCP), the group of developers that acquired and renovated the Bank of the West property.

As part of the agreement, the bank relocated its Main Street drive-through window to make space for the plaza.

Lowrimore said Bank

## Bank of the West

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of the West was celebrating the Sept. 17 opening of Plaza de Las Cruces — “all Bob and his guys are doing, our customers and Las Cruces.”

“We’re also thanking our long-term customers that stuck with us,” said Brenda Allred branch manager and vice president.

## Memories of St. Genevieve’s

Guests who toured the interior of the remodeled Bank of the West offices were reminded the bank’s story is about more than cool technology and physical space. It also is about history and community.

A painting of St. Genevieve Church hanging



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**Bank of the West’s senior vice president — with Downtown branch staff Tyffani O’Kelley, Brenda Allred, Yanira Rivera, Sally Frias and Santiago Garcia — applauds the reading of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce proclamation by Acosta at a ribbon cutting ceremony Sept. 22.**

in a prominent location inside the bank tells that story. An adobe church was built on the site in 1859 and a basilica with towers replaced it 1886. The basilica was demolished in 1967.

Many Las Cruces carry powerful memories of basilica in the heart of their city. During planning for Downtown redevelopment they asked that a new symbol of community be built on

the site where the historic church once stood.

Although Bank of the West could not bring back St. Genevieve’s, it could — and did — make the land its drive-through occupied available for the

recently completed community plaza.

“I live here,” Allred said. “This affects me on a personal level. I am so proud to be a part of what is happening Downtown.”

“We look forward to growing with this project,” Lowrimore said. “We’re at ground level, participating together in growing with Downtown. Our bank made this investment because we want to be a part of the future of the community.”

## Branch of the future

The nook where the painting is displayed marries past, present and future.

Beneath the painting is a sleek black countertop where customers can check their balances on iPads, get help with online banking questions or brew themselves a cup of coffee.

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# Keeping it cool at Valley Cold Storage

By ALTA LeCOMPTE  
Las Cruces Bulletin

Clay Bush wears a down jacket, hat and gloves at work — even when the outside thermostat reads 90-plus degrees Fahrenheit.

He’s one of 14 employees who keep things cool at Valley Cold Storage.

The facility at 101 Watson Lane currently contains 12 million pounds of chile, the biggest crop

it’s stored this year.

Valley Cold Storage of Las Cruces is operating at more-than-capacity and will expand into a second facility in spring 2017 in Santa Teresa.

The new facility will open just in the nick of time.

“What precipitated the move was for three months we were at 175 percent full,” co-owner and vice president Jennifer Bush said.

Co-owner and president Clay

Bush said Valley Cold Storage packed 10,292 pallet positions in its grid of shelves and then began filling up the aisles, which are 10 feet wide.

“Here — on five acres — we’re tapped out on growing,” he said. “We should have shovels in the ground Oct. 15 and hope to be done by mid-May.”



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**Clay Bush, president and co-owner, inspects agricultural products in the storage grid at the warehouse.**

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## Kemp Smith Welcomes Xochitl Torres Small



Kemp Smith LLP is pleased to announce Xochitl Torres Small has joined the firm's Litigation Department in Las Cruces, NM.

After earning her Bachelor of Science – Foreign Service degree, cum laude, from Georgetown University, Ms. Torres Small returned to her hometown of Las Cruces to work as a field representative for United States Senator Tom Udall. She is a graduate of the University of New Mexico School of Law, summa cum laude, where she served as the co-editor-in-chief of the Natural Resources Journal and earned a certificate in Natural Resources and Environmental Law. After graduating from law school, she served as a judicial law clerk in the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico.

Xochitl is a member of the New Mexico Strategic Leadership Institute. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for Mountain View Market Co-op and La Semilla Food Center.

We welcome Xochitl to Kemp Smith and look forward to many years of service to our clients and our community.



## COLD CONTINUED FROM 29

### Moving south

Clay Bush said a lot of Valley Cold Storage's business comes out of the El Paso area and farther south.

"Santa Teresa, with its rail infrastructure and good border crossing, will be convenient for our customers to the south," he said.

The company's customers from Mexico will have lower freight bills when they use the new warehouse — and their departure from the Las Cruces facility will free up more space in Las Cruces for its more northerly customers, he said.

Phase 1 of the Santa Teresa project will consist of 100,000-square-foot of warehouse on 16 acres. It will have 10 docks.

"There's enough acreage to have a 325,000-square-foot facility," Clay Bush said.

When the new warehouse opens, Tori Lopez, the current customer service manager, will be COO of both facilities, Jennifer Bush said.

"I'll have time to defrost and thaw between facilities," said Lopez, who has been with Valley Cold Storage five years and in the food safety business for 20.

### Transportation foundation

The Bushes moved to Las Cruces in 1995.

"Transportation brought us to this area," Jennifer Bush said. Her husband, Clay, was a broker and dispatcher with MVT.

"Clay realized the bulk of agricultural products were leaving for Arizona or El Paso for distribution," she said. "When this building became available, he asked 'Why isn't the product staying here?'"

The couple bought the former Anheuser-Busch warehouse in 2009 and began a remodeling that has been ongoing. They opened for business in 2010.

The Bushes left the original portion of the building — 30,000-square-foot — intact to hold crops that can be stored at 32 F, such as pecans, onions and assorted refrigerated goods.

A 50,000-square-foot addition stores products such as red chiles that require temperatures of 0 to -10.

"When we first opened, we were heavy in pecans," Jennifer Bush said. "It was a benefit for farmers to store their pecans so they could get the best prices. But when the market turned down they no longer needed to incur that expense."

Currently on the shelves are pecans, burritos, chile, cheese and even a bit of

*"We train our employees that if they leave they leave with usable skills — the same as are used at Sam's Club, Target and Walmart warehouses. If we're not a perfect fit for them, we put trained people back into the industry."*

### JENNIFER BUSH

#### Valley Cold Storage co-owner, vice president

Alaskan salmon from a local fisherman who catches it for a restaurant in Ruidoso.

"If it's a food-based product, we can store it," she said. "We can't store minks — we've been asked. No blood and cadavers — we've been asked."

"We have even stored cheese and shipped it to Israel," Clay Bush said.

### Competitive advantage

The competitive edge for Valley Cold Storage is its blast chamber that can flash freeze green chile, that arrives at 33 to 40 degrees.

"In the blast chamber a 15 mph wind will take your breath away and the temperature ranges from -30 to -35," Clay Bush said. "It can pull the temperature of the chiles down to -10 in a very short time."

He said in this area there are few other options for blast freezing — none in Las Cruces and just two in El Paso.

"Red chile in particular needs to be stored at zero to keep the beautiful, fresh red color," Jennifer Bush said.

She said in addition to its blast freezing capabilities, Valley Cold Storage has other advantages, including technology and training.

"With everything we do we try to make sure we are using technology advanced enough to give us a competitive advantage," she said.

"We train our employees that if they leave they leave with usable skills — the same as are used at Sam's Club, Target and Walmart warehouses. If we're not a perfect fit for them, we put trained people back into the industry."

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## Sweet spot

Stephanie Baumann, owner of Let Them Eat Cake, smiles at her mom, Barb Baumann, who holds the Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce proclamation welcoming the cake and cupcake business to its new location, 1001 E. University Ave., Suite D4. Stephanie Baumann started her business in her mom's shop, Barb's Flowerland in Arroyo Plaza.

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Attendees, including board member Leah Messina and CEO Carrie Hamblen (right) of the Green Chamber, applaud Stephanie Baumann's ribbon cutting prowess.

## BANK

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Another forward-looking feature of the renovated space is its open concept.

There are three offices facing North Main Street, separated from the inner lobby by glass rather than a solid wall. Employees and customers can look through the offices and out to Main Street. There are no barriers between the tellers, no high counter between them and their customers.

"It looks more like a desk than a traditional tellers' line," he said.

The space is configured so tellers can easily step around the end of their counter to work more closely with customers, Allred said.

Tellers have no cash in their drawers. Instead, she said, they take in deposits and disburse withdrawals through a cash recycler.

Lowrimore said the cash recyclers make tellers more mobile and efficient and transactions more secure.

"This branch is our model for the future," Lowrimore said, "adding

the office design is the first in New Mexico.

At Bank of the West Downtown branch, secure and efficient technology begins in the glass-enclosed outer lobby that houses a modern automatic teller machine.

The outer lobby can be accessed with a bank card after hours. Customers can make transactions securely enclosed in the lobby, which locks behind them and then opens for them when they are ready to leave.

### Neighborhood, Bank of the West focus on small business

Allred noted that attracting small businesses to Downtown is key to the success of the neighborhood.

She said the most satisfying aspect of her job is working with small businesses, "brainstorming what their needs are and helping them grow from small, small businesses into something much bigger."

"Small business is our niche," Lowrimore said. "We have unique products and services that help them maintain and grow their businesses

— with the help of our bankers. We count on our managers to be knowledgeable and to create relationships in their communities."

Lowrimore said among the small business products the banks offers are small business loans with "unique terms."

"We're the fastest growing small business bank in the country," he said. "We have outgrown everyone in the country in the past two years."

### Bank has their back

Allred said Bank of the West encourages employees to participate in community organizations and projects.

"It's huge as an employee to know you have that support, that if you have to be away from the office for a community commitment that's OK."

Among the organizations the Bank of the West's three branches

support are Jardin de los Niños, C.A.R.E., Las Cruces Home Builders Association, and Mesilla Valley Hospice. Their efforts include teaching financial literacy through Junior Achievement and other organizations.

In fact, Allred said, she missed the opening ceremony for the plaza

because she was participating in the Big Brothers Big Sisters Mud Volleyball Tournament.

"I love that organization," Allred said. "You should have seen us covered with mud."

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2015-02278

### NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

**WENDY TURNER AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF WENDY TURNER; DAVID TURNER AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DAVID TURNER; STATE OF NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY; Defendants.**

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The sale is to begin at **12:15 PM on November 10, 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 foreclosure Judgment granted on August 23, 2016, in the total amount of \$154,913.13, with interest at the rate of 2.00% per annum from January 7, 2016 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$2,614.42. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-02032

### CORNERSTONE HOME LENDING, INC., Plaintiff,

vs.

**ALAN C. SHADE AND JANE DOE SHADE, HUSBAND AND WIFE; GENNA MARIE SLAYTON AND JOHN DOE SLAYTON, WIFE AND HUSBAND; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

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of \$3,474.04. 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 Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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

Case No.:  
D-307-CV-2014-02141

### WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

**ROBERTA JAMES AKA LILAH ROBERTA JAMES, IF LIVING; IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ROBERTA JAMES AKA LILAH ROBERTA JAMES, DECEASED; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY AND THROUGH THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; NEW MEXICO TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT, MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.**

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# Celebrating BCOM



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## FROM THE DEAN

Buenos días y bienvenidos a BCOM. On behalf of the staff, faculty and students of the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine (BCOM) in Las Cruces, I would like to thank you for your interest and introduce you to the newest medical school in the United States. On Aug. 8, BCOM matriculated its inaugural class of 162 medical and 34 graduate students.

These academically accomplished men and women have come from our region and across the U.S. to join in our mission of improving the health and lives of the people of the Southwest U.S. and northern Mexico.

This inaugural class is the most diverse of any American osteopathic medical college and represents greater than 10 times the number of Native American, four times the number of Hispanic, and double the number of African American students relative to the average U.S. medical school.

Upon graduating in 2020, this class will represent a more than 160 percent increase in the number of new physicians graduating in New Mexico and we anticipate that many of these doctors will complete their professional training in one of the hundreds of new residency positions we have

facilitated in creating with our clinical affiliates in New Mexico, El Paso, southern Arizona, and within the Native American Nations, Pueblos and Tribes of the U.S.

From family medicine to surgery, anesthesiology, radiology and internal medicine (among many other specialties), osteopathic physicians disproportionately work in areas of the greatest need and with the populations most forgotten by the healthcare system.

Our Land of Enchantment suffers from one of the most severe physician shortages in the U.S. and our goal is to help ease some of those shortages and provide culturally humble care, research, and education para la gente y el futuro. For the people and the future of this great state and region.

George Mychaskiw II, DO, FAAP, FACOF  
Founding Dean and Chief Academic Officer

# Vision becomes reality

## Jewel rises from the desert in less than three years

In May 2013, the New Mexico State University regents named Garrey Carruthers the school's 27th president.

Shortly after, Carruthers was in his new office, getting a debriefing from Manuel Pacheco, who had served as interim president.

"Over there on the corner of the desk is a stack of letters," Pacheco said. "It's mostly long-term stuff, things I knew I wouldn't be around to deal with. There may be something of interest for you."

Upon reviewing the stack, one letter stood out. It was from Dr. George Mychaskiw, a man with an unspellable name but with unquenchable vision and optimism.

"Would the university," his letter read in part, "entertain the idea of having a school of medicine on its campus?"

Carruthers pondered. Maybe this is the "something of interest" Pacheco suggested.

By now you know Carruthers did not toss the letter in the recycle bin. He followed up, and about 39 months later, Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine opened its doors, right there on the southeast corner of the NMSU campus.

The ripple effect is only just beginning.

On Solano Drive, Lita Castillo at Sew Much More, got a sudden influx of work sewing patches and names on students' white medical coats.

At Doña Ana Community College, emer-



## FROM THE PUBLISHER

gency medical technician students could get new training opportunities, working with BCOM students.

And, ultimately, Las Cruces and the region will have a crop of new physicians. Here's a startling statistic BCOM officials quote: "Studies have proven that one new physician in a community will contribute over \$1.5 million annually in new economic development."

This August, BCOM's first class — 162 freshmen — launched what

will become a powerful legacy. Four years from now, when those students are seniors, there will be four full classes, totaling 648 students.

When Mychaskiw began floating the idea of BCOM in national circles a few years ago, one naysayer told him to open such a school in this part of the world was irresponsible.

Mychaskiw, knowing the need for quality healthcare in this region, countered. What would be irresponsible, would be to NOT open the school in this part of the world.

Knowing Las Cruces and this region, my prediction is Mychaskiw will have incredible continued support for his vision and optimism.

Welcome, Burrell College. We're glad you're here.

Richard Coltharp  
Publisher, Las Cruces Bulletin



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NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers, speaks at BCOM's Community Dedication Gala with Board of Trustees members, from left, Dan Burrell, John Jetter, Jaime Aguirre, Chet Burrell, George Mychaskiw and John Hummer.

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# Para la Gente y el Futuro • For the People and the Future

By **JESSICA SALOPEK**  
For the Bulletin

When BCOM's Founding Dean and Chief Academic Officer George Mychaskiw II, DO, first proposed the idea of a medical school in southern New Mexico, people in Las Cruces were very supportive, but others insisted it was a mistake.

"They told me there are no resources in that part of the country and it would be irresponsible. That's exactly why we came here, because there are limited resources and we need more doctors," he said. "They probably don't need any more medical schools in Los Angeles or New York City, but they need medical schools right here in southern New Mexico."

It's been less than four years since Mychaskiw, a pediatric cardiac anesthesiologist from Florida, first

envisioned an osteopathic medical school in the borderland. In March 2013, he met and teamed up with former hospital CEO, local businessman, and civic leader John Hummer who now serves as the school's president and executive board member. Hummer then convinced Dan Burrell and his family to invest in the project. Rice Management Company invested soon after.

The founding team negotiated a long-term land lease with New Mexico State University and built a \$32 million, technologically advanced facility at Arrowhead Research Park. They established a scholarship fund and formed clinical partnerships with medical facilities throughout the state and in Texas, Arizona, and Mexico. They hired staff and faculty from all over the country

and reviewed thousands of student applications to select an inaugural class of 162 medical students and 34 post-baccalaureate students who began classes in the new building this past August.

"Economically, we have created 75 full-time, high-paid employee positions and 250 indirect construction jobs," said Hummer. "Upon full operation, BCOM will support 350 jobs in the region and will have an estimated economic impact of over \$77 million per year."

It was the mission that kept driving the project forward.

"We exist to be a transformational force in education and healthcare in the region. That's what gets us up every day and that's what keeps us focused, and I think you will definitely see that as we move for-

ward," Hummer said.

One of the school's primary goals is answering the need for healthcare providers, particularly primary care physicians, or doctors that specialize in general, family, internal and pediatric care. The federal government has deemed all but two of the 33 counties in New Mexico to have a primary care physician shortage. Of the primary care doctors already in practice, more than 33 percent are over the age of 60 and nearing retirement, the highest percentage in the entire country.

This growing need made Las Cruces not only a good fit for a medical school, but for an osteopathic school, specifically. Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine, or DOs, are more likely to enter primary and family care than graduates of allopathic medical schools.

According to the American Osteopathic Association, 56 percent of DOs in active practice are primary care physicians.

Stephanie Ayala, a first-year student at BCOM, said she chose the school because of its focus on helping the healthcare shortage and providing care to underserved populations.

"I also realized that they wanted to create not only an intelligent physician, but a physician who is empathetic, a physician who has cultural sensitivity towards the people they are serving," she said. "By our third week, we'd already taken classes in empathy, medical Spanish and humanism — things that aren't necessarily taught at other medical schools but that are critically important to the type of care you deliver to your patient."

Those classes are all part of Mychaskiw's original vision of creating doctors who are able to provide "culturally humble" care. BCOM's mission also focuses on increasing diversity in the physician workforce so it better resembles the Hispanic and Native American demographic in the region. At the school's first White Coat Ceremony, the students made history as the first medical school class to recite the Osteopathic Oath in English, Spanish and Navajo.

While BCOM won't graduate its first class until 2020, the school is already making an important impact on not just the students, but on the community through economic developments, research projects, outreach programs and new healthcare initiatives.



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# Welcome!

**It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that I welcome the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine to Las Cruces!**

**My fellow Las Cruceans and I look forward to the positive impact BCOM will have in providing health care in our community and border region. So a heartfelt, bienvenidos to all students, faculty and staff!**

— Mayor Ken Miyagishima



## What you need to know about DOs

### DO versus MD

In the United States, practicing physicians are either Doctors of Medicine (MDs) or Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine (DOs). When it comes to licensing, certification and privileges, the two are indistinguishable. While MDs attend an allopathic school and DOs attend osteopathic school, there is nothing that an MD learns that a DO does not.

"A DO takes an additional 250-300 hours of instruction on osteopathic principles and practices."

### Hands-on care

A large portion of those extra hours of study are dedicated to what is known as Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM).

From the very first weeks of classes, students begin learning this hand-

on approach to diagnosis and treatment designed to alleviate pain and help restore the body to its natural functionality.

Through palpitation, DOs are able to identify abnormalities like tissue texture changes, asymmetry and tenderness.

They then pull from several treatment techniques ranging from realigning joints to repositioning the patient to relieve tension. OMM is commonly used to treat musculoskeletal problems and headaches, but is also beneficial for sinus problems, female pelvic pain, respiratory issues and many other ailments.

### Personalized treatment

Osteopathic philosophy focuses on treating people, not symptoms.

"We're looking at the patient as a whole and trying to find the root cause of

the problem as opposed to putting a temporary Band-Aid on it," said BCOM's Miho Yoshida, DO.

DOs are taught patient-centered care that takes into account lifestyle, culture and community. For this reason, osteopathic medical schools often admit students from non-traditional backgrounds, and many colleges, like BCOM, are focused on increasing diversity in the physician workforce.

This whole-person, hands-on approach makes DOs more likely to enter primary and family care than graduates of allopathic medical schools.

According to the American Osteopathic Association, 56 percent of DOs in active practice are primary care physicians. These doctors specialize in general, family, internal and pediatric care.



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# BURRELL COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE MILESTONES

**March 2013**

BCOM is proposed to NMSU, Las Cruces

**July 2013**

Mychaskiw meets with NMSU, letter of intent executed

**September 2013**

BCOM is incorporated

**March 17-18, 2015**

Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) conducts first site visit

**Dec. 14, 2014**

Pre-accreditation granted

**July 14, 2014**

BCOM announced publicly; pre-accreditation application filed

**April 20, 2015**

COCA approves BCOM; provisional accreditation granted

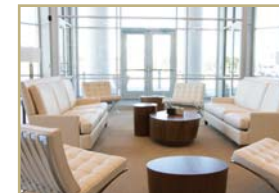


**April 27, 2015**

Groundbreaking ceremony held on construction site

**July 18, 2016**

BCOM building move-in date



**Jan. 15, 2016**

Burrell Institute for Health Policy and Research (BIHPR) announced



**Aug. 4, 2016**

BCOM ribbon-cutting with Las Cruces' three chambers of commerce



**Aug. 8-12, 2016**

Orientation week

**Aug. 15, 2016**

First day of classes

**Aug. 13, 2016**

White coat ceremony, Las Cruces Convention Center



**Sept. 9, 2016**

BCOM Community Dedication Gala

*“This is such a wonderful community and BCOM is like a cherry on top. I’m so excited about the partnerships that are already forming in this community. You are going to touch these students lives. I commend you and salute you and welcome you to our community.”*

**Debbi Moore, President/CEO, Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce**

*“I would certainly love to see the BCOM students stay here in our community. While they are going to school here, they’re spending money here, they’re going to our grocery stores and are going to our farmers’ markets. I hope that the charms that make Las Cruces so great keep them here so they’re practicing and providing services for our seniors and all the members of the community.”*

**Carrie Hamblen, Executive Director, Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce**

*“This is a great opportunity for not only the Hispanic community, but for the entire community as a whole. Having a medical school here means we can keep our local students here in Las Cruces. I’m originally from here. I grew up in the area, attended New Mexico State, and opted to stay here, open up a business and be involved in commerce. With this school, I see the same opportunities for other Hispanic individuals to stay in the area and serve the community.”*

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# BCOM partners with area healthcare facilities

## Affiliates provide clerkships, residencies for aspiring physicians

### BULLETIN REPORT

One of Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine's primary goals is to alleviate a shortage of physicians in the region. To that end, the school has established, and continues to build upon, affiliate partnerships with healthcare centers throughout New Mexico; El Paso, Texas; Tucson, Arizona; and Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico for clinical clerkships and facilitation of residency program development.

Completing coursework in medical school isn't enough to become a practicing physician. Medical students must fulfill clinical clerkships during their third and fourth year of medical school. Upon graduation, they must compete for a residency in order to gain advanced training in their chosen specialty. Depending on the

makes them a qualified doctor in his or her specialty. BCOM students will be able to apply for residencies beginning in 2020 when their coursework and clerkships are completed.

MountainView Regional Medical Center in Las Cruces is one of many BCOM affiliate healthcare facilities providing residencies.

"We have opened up an orthopedic residency, and a one-year internship residency," said Denten Park, CEO of MountainView. "We're working on a neuromusculoskeletal medicine residency, and then we'll open up — next July — an internal-medicine residency as well."

Prior to BCOM, MountainView did not have residency programs.

The orthopedic residency has three positions a year, 15 total at full maturity given

also in Las Cruces, did not have residency positions available until BCOM arrived. Its first residency program, a psychiatry residency, will have four positions per year, 16 at full capacity given it is a four-year program.

Memorial Medical Center (MMC) has a family-medicine residency program that's been in place before BCOM came to the area, but expanded it to include osteopathic education once the school was started, said MMC's Director of Marketing Anita Rockett. Prior to BCOM's involvement, the residency program at MMC had six positions per year, but will soon be able to take on an additional four residents per year, Dr. Oliver Hayes, associate dean of clinical affairs at BCOM, said.

Hayes said there is ample evidence that students who complete residencies in the same region as they went to medical school are more likely to stay in that region when they become practicing physicians.

Though BCOM students are not guaranteed residencies locally, more residency slots in the community increase the opportunities for more to remain in the region during the residency portion of their education.

Hayes said there is also an economic benefit to training and retaining doctors regionally.

"A physician staying here creates probably six or eight additional jobs in his or her office," he said.

BCOM has facilitated the development of 108 new residency positions among its various clinical partners. BCOM has clinical affiliations with 32 hospitals, clinics and healthcare centers throughout New Mexico, Texas, Arizona and Mexico. Also, 350 physicians have signed on as adjunct faculty members for clerkship rotations. Ultimately, BCOM hopes to coordinate more than 200 new residency positions in the region.

*Billy Huntsman, Tracy Roy and Jessica Salopek contributed to this report.*

## BCOM'S EXECUTED AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS

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### Las Cruces

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Mesilla Valley Hospital  
La Clinica de Familia Community  
Healthcare Center  
Ben Archer Health Center  
Rehabilitation Hospital of South-  
ern New Mexico  
American Medical Response  
Aprendamos Intervention Team  
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Southwest Sport & Spine Center  
St. Luke's Health Care Clinic  
The Village at Northrise -  
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### Other New Mexico Communities

Artesia General Hospital  
Carlsbad Medical Center  
Lea Regional Medical Center  
Mimbres Memorial Hospital  
Eastern NM Medical Center  
Lovelace Regional Hospital – Roswell  
Alta Vista Regional Medical Center – Las Vegas  
Southwest Center for Health Innovation

### Tucson, Arizona

Northwest Medical Center  
Oro Valley Hospital  
Indian Health Services, Navajo  
Area (NAIHS)

### Mexico

Angeles Hospital de Ciudad  
Juarez  
Starmedica Ciudad Juarez

*"Being able to train physicians in our region makes a huge impact on Las Cruces, the Borderplex, and the entire state of New Mexico. By offering medical school and residency programs locally, we can help ensure a healthy supply of quality physicians for the future."*

— Denten Park, CEO, MountainView Regional Medical Center

chosen specialty, residency training takes anywhere from three to seven years to complete and is required for graduates to become licensed doctors.

"A medical school can turn out students, but if those students don't go through a residency program, they can't be practicing physicians. Maybe they try to practice internationally or find a residency elsewhere, but once they leave, it's very difficult to get them back," said Denise Vandرسال, project director at Tripp Umbach, the Philadelphia-based consulting firm that conducted BCOM's feasibility study.

After a residency, physicians take a board-certification examination, which

orthopedics is a five-year program, and was implemented in July 2016, as was the internship residency with four positions available per year. The neuromusculoskeletal medicine residency will be implemented in July 2017 and will have two positions per year for a total of four at full capacity given it is a two-year program.

Park said the new or expanded residency programs in the area allow BCOM students to get training locally and ultimately help retain physicians in the region.

An internal medicine residency at MountainView will begin July 2017 and have a maximum of eight positions, 24 at full capacity.

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On behalf of the elected officials, management and staff of Doña Ana County, we welcome the students, faculty and staff of the Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine to New Mexico State University and Doña Ana County.

The Burrell College is a reflection of our community in terms of its enrollment and staffing, and we appreciate your promise of a diverse student body that will be heavily representative of Doña Ana County's five cities, 37 federally designated colonias and multiple unincorporated communities.

The opening of the Burrell College represents a giant step forward for job creation, personal opportunity and better health outcomes for all Doña Ana County residents. We look very much forward to the day — not far off — when graduates of the Burrell College will join and open practices right here in the place that their families and friends call home. Those who elect to practice their skills elsewhere will become instant ambassadors for New Mexico State University and the rich diversity that we value in Doña Ana County.

# BCOM and NMSU: More than just a land deal

By **JESSICA SALOPEK**  
For the Bulletin

Dr. Kevin Boberg, vice president for economic development at NMSU, remembers New Mexico State University Chancellor Garrey Carruthers telling him of the deal, “If it makes sense, keep it moving forward, but it has to be more than just a land deal.”

While not the sole focus of the deal, land was a big piece of the puzzle. BCOM signed a 60-year land lease that allowed for the construction of an 80,000-square-foot building at NMSU’s Arrowhead Park. A collaborative affiliation agreement that allows BCOM students to utilize NMSU services and facilities soon followed. BCOM students have access to the university’s



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**Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine opened its doors to the inaugural class in August 2016, consisting of 162 medical students and 34 post-baccalaureate students.**

transit services, activity centers, libraries and the campus health center, among other privileges. They can also apply for on-

campus housing and meal plans.

Boberg said in one of their earliest meetings, he and then-Special Assistant

to the NMSU President Ben Woods pitched the idea of BCOM contributing \$500,000 per year to a scholarship fund for the NMSU

Foundation to attract New Mexico residents wishing to pursue a degree in health and bio sciences with a preference towards pre-medicine. Over the term of their land lease, BCOM has pledged to donate more than \$30 million towards this scholarship.

Next came the Osteopathic Medicine Pathway Program which allows high school students to apply to NMSU and, if they maintain grades and do well on the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT), gain automatic admission to BCOM after graduating from NMSU.

Boberg said that these programs are just the beginning of a much larger plan that extends far beyond turning out doctors. One student has already started collaborat-

ing on research projects with NMSU faculty and utilizing the university’s laboratory space. BCOM and NMSU’s Cooperative Extension Service are also in talks to work together in providing health-education programs to the state’s rural communities.

Boberg also sees the two schools eventually sharing technology and knowledge to provide telemedicine and distance education to underserved communities. Joint degrees, such as a DO/MBA, are also envisioned.

“We could have a yearly meeting and spend half the time saying what we have done and half the time saying what is it now evident that we can do that before this partnership we hadn’t even considered,” Boberg said.

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# Bringing talent back to Las Cruces

Meet three native Las Cruceans who have returned to be part of BCOM's mission



**Miriam Donohue**  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Anatomy and  
Cell Biology

## Where did you go to school in Las Cruces?

I went to Mesilla Valley Christian School for all 12 years and then did my undergraduate at NMSU in the animal science program. I moved to Syracuse, New York for grad school, got a full-time teaching job and stayed for almost 10 years.

## How did you end up at BCOM?

I saw that they were opening a medical school here while I was visiting for Christmas break. I sent an email and Dr. Ketchum responded and got me in for an interview over the break. If not for BCOM, I would not have moved back here. The opportunity to take a job that I love in an area that I love with people that I love nearby was a whole package deal. I've also lived here long enough to see where the community needs help. We need doctors. I struggle with medical care in this region and I see other people struggling with the same things, so I really believe in what this school is trying to do.

## What are you most looking forward to?

I can see us having a well-established laboratory and some really cool electives. All of my previous research has been in a field called intraoperative neuromonitoring in which, basically, we monitor the electrical responses of nerves, just like they can monitor your heart. I've published on these techniques and presented across the country, so that's something I'd like to bring to the area. We don't have neuromonitoring here as an established field. It's in El Paso and Albuquerque, but not here yet.

## What do you do in your free time?

In Syracuse, I was involved in coaching for triathlons and I'd love to start doing that here. I also do a lot of handstitched, beaded jewelry. Beyond that, it's mostly church and family.



**Steven J. Ontiveros,**  
Ph.D., M.B.A.  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Anatomy and  
Cell Biology

## What was your life like growing up in Las Cruces?

Life was very simple growing up in Las Cruces.

My family did not have much money, so we primarily enjoyed our time at home. When I was 3 or 4, I used to study ants and observe their behavior. My mom would take me to the library to check out books on what at the time I used to call bugs; that interest in science has always been there for me. Another thing that got me interested in science was when in 8th grade our school went on a field trip and toured the chemistry department at NMSU. Someone, which I believe may have been Dr. Lara, one of my good friends now, was doing chemistry demonstrations which captivated me. From there I went to Las Cruces High School. I wanted to take AP and Honors classes, but they wouldn't allow me to. Luckily I had an advocate who pushed to get me into those classes. I ended up doing well and then eventually attended NMSU to study biochemistry.

## You're the first person in your family to attend college. What pushed you to continue your education?

It was tough, because the big factor that made a difference was me becoming a father as a teenager. My son was the deciding factor that convinced me that I had to do something more profound in life and motivated me to channel myself towards academics. It was very difficult, because I eventually became a single father and raised my son all through high school, undergraduate and

graduate school.

## How did you financially support your son and pay for college?

I've been working since I was 14. I did a lot of odd jobs until I got a stable job at the age of 16 through the City of Las Cruces' youth employment program working with Parks and Recreation. I got scholarships and financial aid that helped pay for college. At NMSU I worked as a work study and eventually transitioned into an undergraduate research position.

## What drew you back to Las Cruces and to BCOM?

In grad school I was doing infectious disease research working in a lab where I had to wear hazmat suits. I didn't want to continue working with those types of hazards, so I decided to transition into the cell biology aspect of my graduate work. NMSU accepted me for a postdoctoral position in cell biology, and it being my home city, I quickly came back to Las Cruces in 2010. It was interesting because I ran into Dr. Morehead around 2013, and then again in 2015, and he mentioned BCOM. While interviewing with BCOM, I really enjoyed the atmosphere and the culture that was in place. It seemed like a perfect fit for me.

## What do you do in your free time?

I like to keep healthy, so I exercise a lot. One of my hobbies is watching movies. My favorite movie is

"The Matrix," favorite series is "Star Wars." I like to play pool on Friday nights with some of the faculty and staff from BCOM. I also enjoy spending time with my family.



**Michael Woods, Ph.D.**  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Physiology and  
Pathology

## How long have you lived in Las Cruces?

We moved here when I was 9. My dad got a job at NMSU. I went to Las Cruces High School and then went to Texas A&M for my undergraduate where I studied microbiology. I then got my PhD at University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. Then I worked in Colorado and California for several years before moving back here last December.

## What brought you back to Las Cruces?

The chance to be part of a great opportunity for this community. I wanted to be part of BCOM from the beginning. It's going to have a big impact on this region. Plus, I wanted to get back to the things that got me interested in science in the first place. I've always had a passion for understanding disease

and how pathogens cause disease and BCOM offered me the opportunity to teach that. I'm also closer to family here and I get to be in a part of the country that I really enjoy.

## What do you enjoy about this area?

I love the wide open skies, the views and the mountains. I feel something here that I've never felt anywhere else that I've lived. I can't really describe it. It's the history, the culture, the connection to the land. There's just something special here.

## What are you working on right now?

I'm teaching, but, along with Dr. Bramblett, we're working on a research program in conjunction with Dr. Kathy Hanley, a virologist at NMSU. We're hoping to develop an assay that's very simple and rapid for testing samples for the presence of different viruses. If Zika or Chikungunya ever makes it way here, we'll be in a position to follow it and hopefully play a role in the state's response to any sort of outbreak.

## What do you do in your free time?

I have two boys, ages four and 11. They both play basketball and I coach for their teams. My oldest is also involved in Boy Scouts, so we stay pretty busy. We also enjoy hiking and backpacking. My father and I just took my oldest on his first backpacking trip in the Gila so that was really memorable.



## BY THE NUMBERS

**162** students

**103** colleges represented

**30** states represented

**25** Percentage admitted from service area

- Median Medical School Admissions Test (MCAT) score: 25, versus 26 nationally
- Median undergraduate science GPA: 3.40, versus 3.37 nationally
- Percentage of Hispanic students above national medical school average: 4 times higher
- Percentage of Native Americans above national average: 10 times higher
- Percentage of African Americans above national average: 2 times higher
- Percentage of students admitted from service area (New Mexico, West Texas, Arizona and Native American communities nationwide): 25 (14 from New Mexico, 8 from El Paso, 19 from Arizona)
- Prior to BCOM, only eight New Mexico residents left the state per year to attend an osteopathic medical school. When data is released at the end of the first semester, BCOM will have reversed the trend of outmigration by either retaining those eight, increasing opportunity for New Mexico residents by 43 percent or increased the number of new New Mexico residents attending a medical school by 64 percent even if the historical eight still leave — or a combination of both scenarios.

## BCOM STUDENTS' ALMA MATERS

**Editor's Note: The number indicates the number of students in the inaugural class from that respective college. If no number, then just one student hails from that university.**

- Abilene Christian University
- Arizona State University (7)
- Brigham Young University (8)
- California Baptist University
- California State University – Fullerton
- California State University – Los Angeles
- California State University – Northridge
- California State University – Stanislaus
- Case Western Reserve University (4)
- Colby College
- College of the Holy Cross
- College of William and Mary
- Corban University
- Cornell University
- Cuny – Hunter College (2)
- Denison University
- Dixie State College of Utah
- Drexel University
- Eastern Michigan
- Elon University
- Emory and Henry College
- Emory University
- Florida State University
- Florida State University
- Fordham University – Rose Hill
- Howard University
- Humboldt State University
- Indiana University (3)
- John Carroll University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Michigan State University (3)
- New Mexico State University (3)
- Old Dominion University
- Oral Roberts University
- Oregon State University
- Pacific University
- Pennsylvania State University
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- Rice University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
- Rutgers University
- Saint Louis University (Missouri)
- Saint Thomas Aquinas College
- Scripps College
- SUNY – Binghamton University
- Texas A&M International University (3)
- Tulane University (2)
- University at Albany
- University of Akron
- University of Arizona (5)
- University of California – Berkeley (3)
- University of California – Davis
- University of California – Irvine (4)
- University of California – Los Angeles
- University of California – Merced
- University of California – Riverside (6)
- University of California – San Diego (4)
- University of California – Santa Barbara
- University of California – Santa Cruz (2)
- University of Central Florida
- University of Connecticut
- University of Florida
- University of Hawaii
- University of Houston – University
- University of Houston – University Park
- University of Illinois
- University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
- University of Maryland (2)
- University of Michigan – Ann Arbor
- University of New Mexico (5)
- University of North Georgia
- University of North Texas (3)
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Redlands
- University of Saint Thomas, Texas
- University of San Diego
- University of San Francisco
- University of Southern Indiana
- University of Southern Mississippi
- University of Tennessee (3)
- University of Texas – Arlington
- University of Texas – Arlington
- University of Texas – Austin
- University of Texas – Dallas
- University of Texas – El Paso (4)
- University of Texas – Pan American
- University of Utah (2)
- University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh
- University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point
- Ursinus College
- Utah Valley University
- Vassar College
- Villanova University
- Washington College
- Wayne State University
- Weber State University (3)
- Western Washington University
- Western Washington University
- Whitman College
- Whitworth University



## HOMETOWNS OF INAUGURAL CLASS

### ARIZONA (12 students)

Gilbert  
Glendale  
Maricopa Ona  
Mesa (2)  
Peoria  
Phoenix (2)  
Scottsdale (2)  
Sierra Vista  
Tucson

### CALIFORNIA

(37 students)  
Bakersfield  
Chino Hills  
Concord  
Corona  
El Monte  
Glendora  
Lompoc  
Manhattan Beach  
Martinez  
Modesto  
Moreno Valley  
Northridge  
Oakland (3)  
Oceanside  
Palmdale  
Rancho Cucamonga (2)

Redlands  
Riverside  
Rosemead  
Sacramento (2)  
San Diego (2)  
San Jose (4)  
Simi Valley  
Studio City  
Temecula  
Valencia  
Weed  
West Covina  
Yorba Linda

### COLORADO

(3 students)  
Centennial  
Denver  
Glendale

### CONNECTICUT

(2 students)  
Bristol  
Cromwell

### FLORIDA (5 students)

Fort Walton Beach  
Lake City  
Ocala  
Orlando (2)

### GEORGIA (1 student)

Bogart

### HAWAII (2 students)

Honolulu  
Waipahu

### IDAHO (1 student)

Buhl

### ILLINOIS (1 student)

Clarendon Hills

### INDIANA (3 students)

Dyer  
Fort Wayne  
Noblesville

### MASSACHUSETTS

(1 student)  
Stoughton

### MARYLAND

(1 student)  
Lanham

### MICHIGAN

(6 students)  
Brighton  
Farmington Hills  
Kalamazoo

Lansing  
Warren  
Waterford

### MISSOURI (1 student)

St. Louis

### MISSISSIPPI

(1 student)  
Canton

### NEW JERSEY

(3 students)  
Cherry Hill  
Toms River  
West Orange

### NEW MEXICO

(15 students)  
Albuquerque (4)  
Clovis  
Edgewood  
Española  
Las Cruces (6)  
Los Alamos  
Lovington

### NEVADA (2 students)

Henderson  
Las Vegas

### NEW YORK

(10 students)  
Brooklyn  
Mechanicville  
Queens Village  
Rhinebeck  
Rochester (2)  
Rye Brook  
South Richmond Hill  
Stony Point  
Syracuse

### OHIO (3 students)

Berlin Center  
Dayton  
Westerville

### OKLAHOMA

(2 students)  
Pocaha  
Tulsa

### OREGON (2 students)

Baker City  
Happy Valley

### PENNSYLVANIA

(4 students)  
Allison Park  
Latrobe

Philadelphia  
Shipperville

### SOUTH CAROLINA

(1 student)  
Hilton Head Island

### TENNESSEE

(2 students)  
Franklin  
Germantown

### TEXAS (28 students)

Coppell  
Dallas (2)  
Edinburg  
El Paso (9)  
Euless  
Flower Mound  
Garland  
Houston (6)  
Kingwood  
McKinney  
Mesquite  
Plano  
San Antonio  
Temple

### UTAH (8 students)

Lehi  
Plain City  
Brigham City  
Draper  
Provo  
Salt Lake City  
Springville  
Ogden

### VIRGINIA (1 student)

Hampton

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(2 students)  
Everson  
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BCOM students gather in the courtyard during the Community Dedication Gala.

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David Osborne, PhD, shows students Michael Davis and Alex Lam a virtual dissection on the Anatomage table.



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Students Adam Moreno, right, and Michael Davis learn from Dr. Adela Lente, MD.



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Students Alex Lam and Michael Davis in the BCOM lobby between classes.



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Guests mingle in the BCOM lobby during the Community Dedication Gala.



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Marlina Ponce de Leon practices her skills under the watchful eye of associate professor and surgery chair Dr. Adela Lente, MD.

# THE LAS CRUCES Bulletin

Welcome, Burrell College.  
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# Behind the name: Burrell, Jetter families brought expertise from conception to creation



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Dan Burrell and Katherine Jetter

By **JESSICA SALOPEK**  
For the Bulletin

When Chet Burrell's son, Dan Burrell, first approached him with the idea of building a medical school, he assumed it was a real estate venture.

"I said, 'Do you mean you want to build a building?' and he said, 'No, we want to create the entire college — faculty, students, the building, everything.' And less than three and a half years later, here we are," Chet said.

Dan, a Santa Fe-based businessman, has a wide range of ventures ranging from real estate, natural resources, mining and agriculture. He and wife Katherine Jetter are also philanthropists. They founded the New Mexico Leadership Institute which encourages entrepreneurship and innovation in high school students through leadership training, mentorship programs and significant educational scholarships.

When BCOM's president and co-founder John

Hummer first approached him about investing in the school, Dan immediately saw the potential, so much so that he got his family and the Jetter family on board to invest not just money, but also time and expertise. Chet, the CEO of CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield, the largest private health insurance carrier in the mid-Atlantic region which covers all members of Congress and the President of the United States, serves on BCOM's Board of Trustees. So does Katherine's father, John Jetter, a globally-recognized investment banker and manager. Chief Executive Officer of CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield serving Washington DC, Maryland and Northern

Virginia.

"My family committed to this project out of a philanthropic desire as well as a business desire to bring economic development to the region," Dan said. "We also wanted to offer students the opportunity to come here and practice in a variety of fields of medicine and help this community deal with the doctor shortages that we've been dealing with for so long. My mother was an educator; my father has worked in healthcare for 30 years, so we're a family that understands these challenges and has been on the forefront of trying to deal with them for generations."

Katherine, a jewelry designer with a background in art as well as investment

banking, got in on the project, too. She played a major role in planning the building's exterior elevation design and the landscaping. She also hand-picked all the interior finishes and furniture and worked with curator Sara Jo Fischer on all the art selections.

"With Chet's strong health policy and medical background and my father's strong business background, plus my design input, we really strove to join the family knowledge from all different angles," Katherine said. "BCOM is such a huge milestone and accomplishment for our family. We wanted to have our stamp on it and be a part of it in every way."

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### Community Open House

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### BCOM's Standardized Patient Program

This program is seeking community members to act out patient scenarios for the medical students to practice their examination and diagnosis skills. We're seeking people from all walks of life, between the ages of 12 to 90, with excellent communication

skills and flexible schedules. Compensation is \$15 per hour. To learn more or sign up, visit [bcomNM.org](http://bcomNM.org) and click on the bottom left corner of the homepage.

### Chronic Diseases

Borderless Conference: Nov. 8-11, 2016. The Burrell Institute of Health Policy and Research (BIHPR) has partnered with the America's Network for Chronic Disease Surveillance (AMNET) to host an international conference. The conference will include presentations on a wide range of topics including scientific writing, risk factors for neurodegenerative diseases, and cross-border

surveillance of health issues. For information or to register, visit [amnetbcom.org](http://amnetbcom.org).

### BCOM's Medical Explorer Post

This hands-on program is designed for students ages 14-20. Explorers will learn anatomy and first aid and have opportunities to shadow physicians, nurses and other healthcare professionals. The first group of 10 students has already been selected, but the program will be accepting new applications in 2017. For more information, email [nmpost222@gmail.com](mailto:nmpost222@gmail.com).



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# Youth learn where food comes from during NMSU Food Camp for Kids

By JANE MOORMAN

For the Bulletin

Three out of four consumers know nothing or very little about farming and ranching, according to a survey by the U.S. Farmers & Ranchers Alliance. That percentage is even higher for youth.

Two New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service county agents decided to help youth learn about the agricultural industry in their county by hosting two Food Camp for Kids one-week programs.

"The idea for Food Camp for Kids came about with the understanding that many people are disconnected from where their food comes from, especially youth," said Newt McCarty, NMSU Extension agent in Valencia County. "We wanted to show them where their food comes from with actual experiences of seeing the livestock, honey and berry farms, orchard and dairy that exist in their county."

Valencia County has annual agricultural cash receipts of \$76 million for livestock and \$10.9 million for crops, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture farm statistics. It has a wide variety of food production ranging from beef cattle, pigs and lambs, to fruit orchards, raspberries and garden vegetables. It also produces products such as packaged meat, milk, honey and flour.

"Food Camp for Kids was a six-day, six-hour-a-day camp for youth ages 9 to 14 that included field trips, hands-on cooking activities and a lot of



NMSU PHOTO BY JANE MOORMAN

**Jose Cordova, owner of the Valencia Flour Mill, tells Food Camp for Kids participants how the mill grinds wheat into flour. The six-day Food Camp for Kids was conducted by New Mexico State University's Valencia County Cooperative Extension Service agents. Participants visited agricultural producers in the county on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and cooked on Tuesday and Thursday.**

discussion," said Laura Bittner, NMSU's Valencia County Extension director and family and consumer science agent.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday the youth visited Hays Apple Orchard and Honey Farm and DeSmet's Raw Milk Dairy in Bosque Farms; 4 Daughters Cattle Feed Lot and Mechenbier Pig Farm in Los Lunas; the organic garden at Green House Bistro and Tome Berry Farm in Tome; Toni Barrow's grass fed beef farm and Mathews' Custom Meat Processing plant in Belen; and the Valencia Flour Mill in Jarales.

On Tuesday and Thursday the youth planned a meal, selected recipes, shopped for ingredients and cooked while learning about food safety practices.

"We provided the kids with a hands-on opportunity where they could take the food products they had learned about the day before and actually get into the kitchen and prepare recipes using those particular products," Bittner said.

Volunteers Carolyn Chance and Debby Hasse, from the county's Extension Association of New Mexico club, taught the youth how to make

black pepper biscuits and freezer jam. Hasse, a graduate of NMSU's Master Food Preservation program, taught the youth about canning and freezing fresh produce.

"We set some pretty high expectations of the youth," Bittner said. "They were responsible for capturing the week's activities using iPads from NMSU's Learning Lab."

They used the iPads to take pictures, videos and notes from their interviews with the producers and growers.

"They not only met our expectations, they exceeded our expectations

with their technical skills and their presentation to a group of 30-40 adults on Saturday," she said.

What did the youth learn from the week at camp?

"The field trips were really fun and informative," said Shaylee Cordova, 9, of Belen.

"I learned that out of a 1,300-pound cow, only one cup of fluid is not used," said Adrian Rodriguez, 14, of Los Lunas. His brother, Abram Rodriguez, 11, thought it was interesting that the cattle at the feed lot were fed cereal and granola bars that was waste from the cereal factory.

"Pigs sweat through their mouths and hooves," said John Wallace, 12, of Belen. His sister Caelie Wallace, 10, said she learned that baby piglets develop in the womb in three months, three weeks and three days and that a red Angus can be bred by a black Angus cow and a black Angus bull.

"Pigs can weigh as much as 700 pounds," said Aiden Lane, 12, of Los Lunas. "When they are 200 pounds they send them to the butcher."

"This was the first time I've seen cows being milked," said Dominic Martinez, 9, of Los Lunas.

Rio Romero, 11, of Los Lunas, thought it was cool that the dairy only milked once a day so the mother cow can provide for its babies and the dairymen don't have to bottle feed the calves.

At the berry farm, the youth thought it was neat to pick the raspberries and eat them immediately in the field.

Visiting the flour mill, which was built in 1914, was a high point in the field trips for several of the youth. "I liked all of the machines, especially when they were running," said Isaiah Martinez, 9, of Los Lunas.

"I thought it was neat that he had rebuilt everything and that belts from a main shaft in the ceiling turned each machine," said Shauncey Cordova, 10, of Belen.

To hear more about what the youth learned, watch the Food Camp for Kids video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ExxR1I5rCM>.

# Salsafest

2016



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on the  
next page.



# SalsaFest heats up Downtown

## BULLETIN REPORT

SalsaFest 2016 will be held Friday to Sunday, Sept. 30 to Oct. 2 in downtown Las Cruces.

The eighth annual event is sponsored by Las Cruces Downtown Partnership and will include live music, dancing and a salsa-making competition that will earn \$1,000 for the winner.

The festival kicks off Friday evening on the new downtown plaza with a "Salsas From Around the World" five-course sit-down fundraising dinner with food and entertainment by Team Havana.

Saturday, Oct. 1 events begin at 5 p.m. and continue until 11 p.m. Visit



Las Cruces will transform downtown into the Havana Nights Street Festival with special guest Nosotros on the main stage in the



Festival goers gather and have fun downtown for the annual SalsaFest. This year's event takes place from Sept. 30 to Oct. 2.

Plaza street festival, with music by Nosotros, salsa dancing, luchadors, performances by Odd Lab and more.

Tickets are \$10 for each day or \$15 for a weekend pass.

Events begin at noon and continue until 6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 2. The highlight will be the salsa-making competition. First prize is \$1,000, second prize is \$750 and third prize is \$500. This

event will feature music by the El Paso-based salsa band, Team Havana as well as salsa lessons, the Little Peppers Play area, food and beverages and, of course, the competition.

For tickets and more information, visit [www.eventbrite.com/e/2016-salsafest-tickets-26665603538?aff=es2](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/2016-salsafest-tickets-26665603538?aff=es2) and [www.downtownlascruces.org/las-cruces-salsafest/](http://www.downtownlascruces.org/las-cruces-salsafest/).

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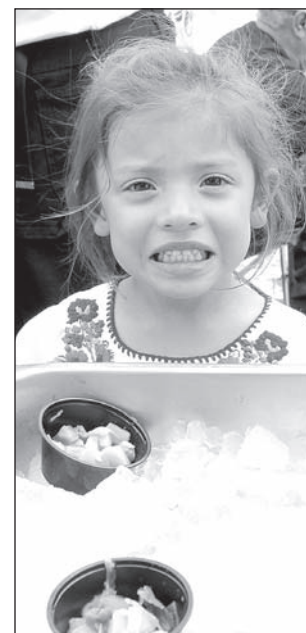
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# Rio Grande Theatre gets new sound board

## BULLETIN REPORT

Thanks to funding from the City of Las Cruces, the Rio Grande Theatre has a new, state-of-the-art sound board that can be operated from anywhere in the theater.

It's part of the continuing renovation of the theater that, over the past three years, has also included new lighting and projection systems.

With the new sound system, it's "easier for technicians to mix and get better sound for the audience," said Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) Executive Director Kathleen Albers.

DAAC operates the Rio Grande Theatre (RGT) under a management agreement with the city.

It's the first new sound board the theater has had since it reopened in 2005, Albers said.

The board satisfies the needs of large, professional arts groups that perform at the theatre and have their own sound technicians, and it's a boon to RGT sound engineer Ron Dropcho.

"There are many advantages," Dropcho said. For example, the new board has "built-in effects that you can apply to any of the channels," he said.

The new board, manufactured by Allen & Heath of the United Kingdom and purchased from Hubbard's Music of Las Cruces, has 32 channels – the same number as the old system – but it increases from 16 to 24 the number with input from the stage, Dropcho said.

It even allows programs recorded on



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iPhones to be patched in, he said. And, because of its Wi-Fi remote software, the board can be con-

trolled from anywhere in the theater, which means Dropcho or any other sound engineer working

at RGT doesn't have to go back and forth from the stage or elsewhere in the theater to the sound booth to change a level or make any other adjustment to the sound.

"It really gets us where we want to be," Albers said.

Additional RGT renovations that are on Albers' "wish list" include expanding the theater lobby and adding showers to the dressing rooms.

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

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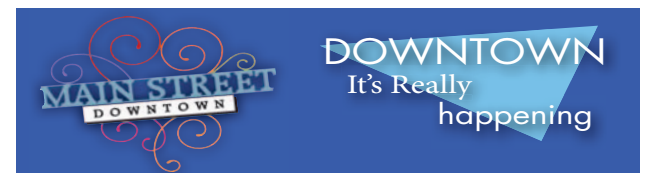
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**WED OCTOBER 5 • 11:00 A.M.** **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**  
Mother Goose Time (Activities for Infants)

**FRI OCTOBER 7 • 7:30 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
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**SUN OCTOBER 9 • 3:00 P.M.** **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**  
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# Ceramic artist brought Empty Bowls fundraiser to Las Cruces in 1993

BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

In 1991, Las Cruces ceramic artist Cally Williams was attending a conference at a Detroit-area high school, where she saw home economics students making soup and art students making bowls for a fundraiser for a local food bank.

"I brought it back here," Williams said. "The Potters' Guild of Las Cruces took it up," and the city held its first Empty Bowls event in 1993. Twenty three years later, it's still going strong.

The 2016 Empty Bowls will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave., which has been the home of Empty Bowls since the event began.

The Potters' Guild sold 600 bowls and raised \$3,500 for El Caldito in 1993. In 2015, more than \$22,000 was raised.

There will be more than 1,400 handmade bowls available at the 2016 event, and soup will be provided by more than 50 local restaurants.

Tickets are \$20 and include lunch and a handmade bowl, or \$12 for just the meal. Take out will be available.

Proceeds from the event will go to El Caldito Soup Kitchen, which is

## DACC ceramics partners with Empty Bowls event

BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

"Making pottery should not be like climbing a mountain, it should be more like walking down a hill in a pleasant breeze," said the late Japanese potter Shoji Hamada.

You could feel the downhill walk and the pleasant breeze earlier this month as local pot-



BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

**Doña Ana Community College Workforce Center students practice their art in their own studio classroom, which allowed for student numbers to nearly triple.**

ters gathered at the Doña Ana Community College (DACC) Workforce Center, 2345 Nevada Ave., to make bowls for this year's Empty Bowls event, which will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave.

Members of the Las Cruces Potters' Guild, community members and DACC ceramics students were making bowls, along with DACC ceramics instructor Glenn Schwaiger.

The process begins by shaping a bit of clay using a potter's wheel. After drying, the pieces are fired in an electric kiln, glazed and fired again, this time in a gas kiln that reaches temperatures of up

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BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces ceramic artist Cally Williams.

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part of the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope.

El Caldito serves about 90,000 meals a year to the homeless and needy, feeding an average of more than 200 people a day.

"It's been a great collaboration," Williams said of the relationship between El Caldito and the Potters' Guild.

"One of the reasons we've lasted this long is that El Caldito has taken over every aspect of the vent except making the bowls," she said.

The Las Cruces event was the first Empty Bowls fundraiser in New Mexico, Williams said. There are now others across the state and all over the country and in Europe, she said.

Empty Bowls is now an international event headquartered in Franklin, Michigan, that raises money for local food banks and raises awareness about world hunger. Events are coordinated around World Food Day in October.

Some serve lunch, like the Las Cruces Empty Bowls, while others serve dinner and a few use their bowls for an ice cream social fundraiser.

Williams said she and potters throughout the area make bowls for the local event. The Potters' Guild, she said, has about 100 members. Other community members and ceramics students also make bowls for the event.

The night before Empty Bowls, Potters' Guild members will go to St. Paul's and unpack the bowls for this year's event, Williams said. None of them are signed, "so we don't know who made them," she said.

"Artists are generous people," Williams said.

Williams makes 50 to 60 bowls a year for Empty Bowls. She also makes other ceramics items for the event's silent auction, which she's in charge of.

Williams said she meets people who are new to Las Cruces every year when they come to her house to pick up the items they successfully bid on at the silent auction. They had heard about Empty Bowls and decided to come and check it out, she said.

Potters make bowls at their homes or studios, or at facilities at New Mexico State University and Dona Ana Community College if they don't have their own

the potter does," Schweiger said.

The flames of a gas kiln can impact the sides of a bowl differently, he said, so there's "always a surprise for potters when the kiln is opened."

Schweiger is a native of Illinois and a graduate of the University of Illinois. With a graduate degree from New Mexico

## Tickets on sale now for soup kitchen fundraiser

BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Tickets are now available for the 24th annual Empty Bowls event, sponsored by the Potters' Guild of Las Cruces. It will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave., (at the corner of Griggs and Alameda).

Tickets \$20 and include lunch and a hand-made bowl, or \$12 for just the meal. Take out will be available.

Tickets are available at Bernina Sewing & Design, 1601 E. Lohman Ave.; Boudreau Jewelers & Gallery, 2001 E. Lohman Ave.; Color Your World, 504 N. Telshor Blvd.; Cutter Gallery, 2640 El Paseo Road; El Caldito Soup Kitchen, 999 W. Amador Ave., in the Mesilla Valley Community of Hope complex; Friendly Flowers, 2525 N. Main St.; Main Street Bistro, 139 N. Main St.; Mountain View Market, 1300 El Paseo Road; NM Spanish Kitchen, 2960 N. Main St.; Save Mart, 495 N. Valley Drive; Silver Assets, 1948 Calle de Santiago in Mesilla; Spirit Winds, 2260 S. Locust St.; The Potteries, 2260 Calle de Santiago in Mesilla; Wild Birds Unlimited, 2001 E. Lohman Ave., #130; and Guzman's Greenhouse, 270 Avenida de Mesilla.

The event is a fundraiser for El Caldito Soup Kitchen.

For more information, call 575-525-3831 or email [elcaldito@yahoo.com](mailto:elcaldito@yahoo.com). Visit [www.elcaldito.com](http://www.elcaldito.com).

wheels and kilns.

"It's a wonderful community of potters in Las Cruces," Williams said. "We learn a lot from each other."

Williams is a native of Racine, Wisconsin who moved to Las Cruces with her husband, Frank, in 1965. She began taking pottery classes through community education in the early 1970s.

Williams said she had a choice between pottery and macramé and remembered enjoying a pottery class she had taken in junior high, so that was her choice.

Williams bought a potter's wheel and then own kiln and set up a pottery-making business in 1981.

"I decided I was making stuff that people might actually want to buy," she said. Today, the studio in back of her Mesilla Park home has shelves filled with bowls, plates, platters, cruet sets, soap dishes, candle holders and many other handmade items in a variety of colors.

Williams also has a studio open house twice a year in November and April.

She also makes clay with the children at Jardin de los Ninos, which provides services to homeless

and near homeless children and their families in Las Cruces.

Williams' ceramics will be featured in the lobby of Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Downtown Main St. in downtown Las Cruces during the run of "Agamemnon," which opens Friday, Oct. 7 and continues through Sunday, Oct. 23.

For more information, contact Williams at 575-526-5250 and [callywill@hotmail.com](mailto:callywill@hotmail.com).

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to 2350 degrees, Schwaiger said.

Pottery making is hands on and hands off, he said. The potter shapes his or her bowl by hand, but then "the kiln imparts something to the clay in addition to what

State University, he has taught ceramics classes at DACC and in El Paso for the past 10 years.

DACC ceramics students got their own studio classroom at the workforce center recently, and Schweiger saw his enrollment nearly triple to 43 students this semester, he said.

"Now that we have our own space, we have a lot more possibilities serving students and the broader ceramics community in Las Cruces," Schweiger said, including volunteers making bowls for Empty Bowls.

For more information, contact Schwaiger at 575-525-1625 or [gschwaig@nmsu.edu](mailto:gschwaig@nmsu.edu).

## EVENTS CALENDAR

## October

**Autumn Overture concert series scheduled**

New Mexico State University's Music Department will host its second annual Autumn Overture concert series featuring premiere student ensembles the second week of October.

At 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, the Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band will present a program entitled, "Picturesque Pastiche," which will be the first concert under the direction of interim Director of Bands Ingrid Larragoity-Martin and interim Associate Director of Bands Cheldon Williams.

At 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13 the NMSU Choirs, under the direction of John Flannery, will be featured in a program titled, "The Travelers Heart," which includes the University Singers, Women's Chorale, Statesmen and Masterworks Chorus.

The final concert of the series will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 featuring the NMSU Jazz Ensembles under the direction of Pancho Romero. The jazz groups will fill the hall with a program of classic standards and contemporary favorites in a program titled, "Vintage and Progressive."

All concerts will be held on the NMSU campus in the Music Center's Atkinson Recital Hall. This annual series is offered free to the public. Each concert will conclude with a reception.

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**Color-A-Thon 5K Run**

Fairacres Elementary School is sponsoring a Color-A-Thon 5K Run at 7 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1 at La Llorona Park. Registration is \$30 and includes T-shirt and color dye pack.

Register at: <http://shop.schoolathon.org/184180> by Sept. 20 to assure a T-shirt and color dye pack. For additional information call Jill at 330-360-7541.

**Stars-N-Parks Fall 2016 schedule**

View Mars and Saturn low in the southwest, the Summer Milky Way Galaxy is well presented. Andromeda Galaxy is rising in the east at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016. Rockhound State Park

**Photography Boot Camp Workshop**

The Doña Ana Photography Club of Las Cruces offers the Photography Boot Camp Workshops to the community. The courses are 9 a.m. to noon, at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St. Space is limited.

Saturday, Oct. 8 – Getting your



COURTESY PHOTO

**Pancho Romero, left, jazz ensemble director; John Flannery, director of choral studies; and Ingrid Larragoity-Martin, interim director of instrumental studies will each direct a concert in the Autumn Overture series.**

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**Learn to Play Bridge in a Day**

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 22 the Belton Bridge Center is conducting a free five-hour seminar called Learn to Play

Bridge in a Day. Pre-registration is required. No age limits. A light lunch will be served to participants. Call John Randall at 786-338-5970 or e-mail [puravidabridge@yahoo.com](mailto:puravidabridge@yahoo.com).

**Silver City's Dia de los Muertos**

Oct. 30 - Silver City Dias de los Muertos on Market and Texas Streets in downtown Silver City. Schedule includes: 1-3 p.m. Mariachi Music; 2-3 p.m. Story Tellers; 3:30 Parade.

4-6:30 Mariachi Music; 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. "The Book of Life" Silco Theater Oct. 31 - Silver City Dias de los Muertos: 7-9 p.m. – WNMU Fine Arts Theatre – talk by Dr. Felipe de Ortego y Gasca followed by performance by Ballet Folklorico de la Universidad Autonoma de Cd. Juarez Nov. 1 - Silver City Dias de los Muertos: 4-5 p.m. - Silver City Museum - Mariachi Canto a Mi Tierra de la UACJ; 5 p.m. An Ofrenda Procession be-

gins at Silver City Museum, proceeds through downtown Silver City and ends at Miller Library; 7-9 p.m. Miller Library Ofrendas, Talks, WNMU's Mariachi Plata Nov. 2 - Silver City Dias de los Muertos: 6:30 p.m. WNMU Parotti Hall Catalino Delgado Trunk Artist Lecture Papel Picado; 7:30-9 p.m. WNMU McCray Gallery - Opening Reception Catalina Delgado Trunk and Community Ofrenda.

**GALLERIES & OPENINGS****Weir, Leininger work on display**

An opening reception featuring the latest works of artists, Wendy Robin Weir and Marj Leininger will be held from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1, at Creative Harmony and Gifts at 220 N. Campo St. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. The exhibit will run through Oct. 15. Info: 575-312-3040.

**Drayer reception set for November Ramble**

An opening reception for Ruth A Drayer's exhibition "Conversations in Color" will be held in the El Paso Electric Gallery, in the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main Street during the first Friday Ramble, 5 to 7 p.m., Nov. 4. The show will run through the end of November. The subject of her abstract exhibition is color: vibrant acrylic color painted on hand-textured canvas. Info: 575-222-0660.

**Linda Lundeen Gallery announces new artist**

Jeri Desrochers is joining the other artists at the Linda Lundeen Gallery at the Lundeen Inn of the

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

**University Art Gallery NEA award exhibit to blend art,**

Natural science and contemporary art will be on display when the University Art Gallery at New Mexico State University presents "GEOMAGIC: Art, Science and the Zuhl Collection" through Wednesday, Dec. 21. "GEOMAGIC" pairs objects from NMSU's Zuhl Collection of more than 1,800

specimens of petrified wood, fossils and minerals with works by ten internationally renowned artists. A student exhibition at the Zuhl Museum, titled "NEOMAGIC," runs concurrently.

**Ceramic Artist Claude Smith III presents at Art Salon**

The Las Cruces Museum of Art at 491 N. Main St. currently displays the exhibition, "Nature, Tradition, and Innovation: Contemporary Japanese Ceramics from the Gordon Brodfuehrer Collection" through Oct. 15. Admission to the Las Cruces Museum of Art is free. For information, visit [museums.las-cruces.org](http://museums.las-cruces.org) or call 575-541-2137.

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**Thursday October 20, 2016**

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Where: NM State Pan American Center East Concourse  
Time: 10:30AM-2:00PM  
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**Thursday October 20, 2016**

**TETWP Fashion Show Luncheon**  
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**Friday October 21, 2016**

**Mayfield vs. Gadsden High School Pink Football Game**  
Time: 7PM  
Where: Gadsden High School

**Saturday October 22, 2016**

**Cervantes Fun Run/Walk**  
Time: 8AM  
Where: NMSU Campus

**Saturday October 22, 2016**

**NMSU Aggie vs Georgia State TETWP Football Game**  
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Weather Girls: Left to right: Nicole Bartlett, Lila LeCuyer and Megan McQueen.

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## See 'Weather Girls' at Boba Cabaret

BY MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

The show is called “The Weather Girls,” and the forecast calls for excellent entertainment, as Las Cruces singer/actress Megan McQueen joins Nicole Bartlett, Lila LeCuyer and Ginny May in the next show at Boba Café and Cabaret on Friday and Saturday nights through Oct. 1.

“Anybody who comes to see the show will know most of the songs,” said McQueen, who is an assistant professor of theatre arts at New Mexico State University. She also is co-founder, along with Justin Lucero of El Paso, of Scaffolding Theatre Company.

The show is a “fun way to explore how weather is depicted by different composers,” she said, noting that “a lot of weather songs are about love,” and about “getting through weather as a commitment.”

The songs, which were written and originally recorded in the 1930s through the 1980s, represent “a good assortment of musical theatre



**A Weather Girl has her face painted to reflect the kind of weather she represents.**

and popular music,” McQueen said.

Because the analysis of Harold Arlen’s “Somewhere Over the Rainbow” at the Boba show in August was so popular, McQueen said she added an arrangement featur-

ing three of his songs in “Weather Girls.”

Songs to be performed will include “It’s Raining Men,” “Rainy Days and Mondays,” “I’m Always Chasing Rainbows,” “Look to the Rainbow,” “Rainbow Connection,” “Blue Skies,” “Singing in the Rain,” “Sunshine on My Shoulders,” “Come Rain or Come Shine,” “Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head,” “Stormy Weather,” “Right as Rain” and a “You Are My Sunshine” singalong.

Performances will be Friday and Saturday nights Sept. 23 and 24 and Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. There will be two performances each night. The dinner show seats at 6 p.m., with the performance beginning at 7 p.m., and is \$27.50 per person. The cocktail show seats at 8:15 p.m., with the performance beginning at 8:30 p.m., and is \$12.50 per person.

Reservations are recommended for all shows.

For reservations and more information, call Boba Café and Cabaret at 575-647-5900. Boba is located at 1900 S. Espina St.

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# Greek history, mythology come to Black Box Theatre

BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

Pop quiz: Who was Agamemnon? Before you click on Wikipedia, here's a two-part answer:

First, Agamemnon was the mythical king of the Greek city-state of Argos. He sacrificed his daughter, Iphigenia, to ensure victory in the Trojan War, and his wife, Clytemnestra, murdered him in his bath in revenge.

Second, "Agamemnon" is a 2,100-year-old play written by Greek soldier and playwright Aeschylus. It's latest production will open Friday, Oct. 7 for a three-week run at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St. in downtown Las Cruces.

The modern translation of "Agamemnon" by Robert Fagles, "gives us the richness of the (original) language," said Algernon D'Ammassa, who is directing the play.

Like the original production in

465 BC, D'Ammassa's production includes a chorus, comprised of four women who are the elders of Argos and provide the background to the story.

One of the production's biggest challenges was deciding "Who are the chorus?" D'Ammassa said. They are not distinct characters, so how do they "do the storytelling most effectively?"

Since the chorus members speak together, casting those parts "called for actors who are comfortable and confident with text," he said.

Filling those roles are theater veterans Marissa Bond, Autumn Gieb, Erin Wendorf and Gina de Mondo.

The cast also includes Rafael Medina (in the title role), Norman Lewis, William Allen, Danny Wade and Los Angeles film and television actress Michel Tomlinson as Clytemnestra.

"It's an all human cast," D'Ammassa said. "There are no gods in the play."



BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

Members of the cast of "Agamemnon": Left to right Erin Wendorf, Gina DeMondo, Kerigan Sivils and Marissa Bond.

The play begins on the day the Trojan War ends, as Agamemnon returns to Argos after a 10-year absence.

The story includes a long-standing family curse, violent conflict and retribution between two powerful Greek

families, the dark ritual of asking the gods for deliverance and the stark realities of war.

"Agamemnon" is "different from everything we've come to expect from plays," he said. It features a very simple set and contemporary costumes "that aren't trying to represent the historical setting and include military fatigues, hooded sweatshirts and masks."

"Audiences are game," D'Ammassa said. "Just come out and tell an epic story. It comes down to making an exciting evening of theater," he said.

"Agamemnon" performances are Fridays and Saturdays, Oct. 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 and 22 at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 16 and 23. There will also be a performance at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 20.

Tickets are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and seniors over age 65. Tickets for all seats for the Thursday, Oct. 8 performance are \$10.

For reservations, call 575-523-1223.

## 'Belles: The Reunion' opens at LCCT

BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

With playwright Mark Dunn and his wife, Mary, in the audience, "Belles: The Reunion" opens Friday night, Sept. 30 at Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St. in downtown Las Cruces and continues for a three-weekend run that ends Sunday, Oct. 16.

The play stars an ensemble cast that includes Susan Smith, Lennie Brown, Caryl Kotulak, Karen Buerdsell, Mary Huhmann and Nora Brown as six sisters connecting by telephone across the country to deal with their mother, who is

in a rest home.

"Belles: The Reunion" is set 25 years after Dunn's highly successful play "Belles." He wrote the sequel after seeing the LCCT production of the original play in 2014.

Veteran Las Cruces director/actress Gail Wheeler directed both plays for LCCT. Brown is the only the cast member in both shows, although she plays a different part in the reunion than she did in the original.

Wheeler has directed about 15 plays since she returned to Las Cruces from Roswell nine years ago. Wheeler also has acted in many local productions, includ-

ing "School for Lies" at LCCT and "August Osage County" for lo-fi productions.

Wheeler taught for two years at Alma d'arte Charter High School before moving to Las Cruces Public Schools' CrossRoads program for long-term suspended middle and high school students seven years ago.

Her first part in a play after high school was in "Tea and Sympathy" in 1979, Wheeler said.

The key to directing "Belles: The Reunion" was developing the sense of story, she said. "Everybody (in the cast) knows where the story is going," Wheeler said. "Finding

those connections and feeling what it feels like and not just acting like we feel it - that's where we're going," she said.

Performances of "Belles: The Reunion" will be Fridays and Saturdays, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, 7, 8, 14 and 15 at 8 p.m. and Sundays, Oct. 2, 9 and 16 at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$11 for students, senior citizens and military; \$9 for children under age six; and \$10 each for groups of 10 or more. Student "rush" tickets will be sold to students with a valid student ID card for \$5 15 minutes before curtain time if seats are available.

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**Director:** James DeMonaco

**Swiss Army Man**

**Rated:** R  
**Genre:** Action, comedy, drama  
**Directors:** Daniel Scheinert, Dan Kwan

**Into the Forest**

**Rated:** R  
**Genre:** Drama, science fiction  
**Directors:** Patricia Rozema

**Top grossing Sept. 16-18**

- 1. The Magnificent Seven**  
(Week No. 1) \$343,703,397
- 2. Storks**  
(Week No. 1) \$21,311,407
- 3. Sully**  
(Week No. 3) \$13,537,270
- 4. Bridget Jones's Baby**  
(Week No. 2) \$4,056,229
- 5. Snowden**  
(Week No. 2) \$4,056,229
- 6. Blair Witch**  
(Week No. 2) \$4,053,785
- 7. Don't Breathe**  
(Week No. 5) \$3,773,226
- 8. Suicide Squad**  
(Week 8) \$3,108,351
- 9. When the Bough Breaks**  
(Week 3) \$2,515,605
- 10. Kubo and the Two Strings**  
(Week No. 6) \$1,124,384

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**Kubo and the Two Strings**



**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** A young boy named Kubo must locate a magical suit of armor worn by his late father in order to defeat a vengeful spirit from the past.  
**Starring:** Charlize Theron, Art Parkinson, Ralph Fiennes

**Hell or High Water**



**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** A divorced dad and his ex-con brother resort to a desperate scheme in order to save their family's farm in West Texas.  
**Starring:** Dale Dickey, Ben Foster, Chris Pine

**Bridget Jones's Baby**



**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** The continuing adventures of British publishing executive Bridget Jones as she enters her 40s.  
**Starring:** Renée Zellweger, Gemma Jones, Jim Broadbent

**Sully**



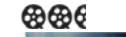
**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** The story of Chesley Sullenberger, who became a hero after gliding his plane along the water in the Hudson River, saving all of the airplane flight's 155 crew and passengers.  
**Starring:** Tom Hanks, Aaron Eckhart

**Sausage Party**



**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** A misplaced sausage and his savory friends embark on an existential adventure through the aisles of a massive supermarket.  
**Starring:** Seth Rogen, Jonah Hill

**Snowden**



**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** NSA employee Edward Snowden leaks thousands of classified documents to the press.  
**Starring:** Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Shailene Woodley, Melissa Leo

**Don't Breathe**



**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** A group of friends break into the house of a wealthy blind man, thinking they'll get away with the perfect heist. They're wrong.  
**Starring:** Stephen Lang, Jane Levy

**Blair Witch**



**Rated:** R  
**Plot Overview:** After discovering a video showing what he believes to be his sister's experiences in the demonic woods of the Blair Witch, James and a group of friends head to the forest in search of his lost sibling.  
**Starring:** James Allen McCune, Corbin Reid

**Storks**



**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** Storks have moved on from delivering babies to packages. But when an order for a baby appears, the best delivery stork must scramble to fix the error by delivering the baby.  
**Starring:** Andy Samberg, Katie Crown, Kelsey Grammer

**The Wild Life**



**Rated:** PG  
**Plot Overview:** A daring parrot recounts how Robinson Crusoe came to be stranded on a tropical island.  
**Starring:** Matthias Schweighöfer, Kaya Yanar, Ilka Bessin

**The Magnificent Seven**



**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** Seven gunmen in the old west gradually come together to help a poor village against savage thieves.  
**Starring:** Denzel Washington, Chris Pratt, Ethan Hawke

**Suicide Squad**



**Rated:** PG-13  
**Plot Overview:** A secret government agency recruits imprisoned supervillains to execute dangerous black ops missions in exchange for clemency.  
**Starring:** Will Smith, Jared Leto, Margot Robbie

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## Las Cruces film 'River' premieres at Cineport 10

BY MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

"River," the latest project of Las Cruces filmmaker/actor Mark Vasconcellos will premiere at 8 pm. on Thursday, Sept. 29 at Cineport 10, Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd.

Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at the door.

There's a possible week-long run of the film at Cineport 10 for those who cannot make it to the premiere, Vasconcellos said.

He is the producer and creator of the film, and a lead actor in it.

Vasconcellos' company, Bigbask Productions, made the film, in association with Andrew Gomez's Rigden King Entertainment and Matthew Valdovinos' Intrepid Films. The three began the web series in 2013. With limited funds and shooting on weekends, they produced three episodes and had about half a movie in the can, Vasconcellos said.

Vasconcellos, Gomez and Valdovinos weren't sure they should turn the web episodes into a full-blown movie, he said, but finally decided, "Okay, let's do this." Gomez, he said, wrote "a great script" that tied the web series together with the parts of the movie that hadn't been shot, and filming was completed last summer.

It's a "weird, crazy labor of love," Vasconcellos said about the film, which used all local talent and crew members. Three distributors are already looking at the film and its possibilities for distribution in not only the American film market, but in Europe, Asia and elsewhere, he said.

The 140-minute film is "short, tight and concise," Vasconcellos said. "It plays pretty quickly. It looks good. It sounds good. You can't help but watch it. You can't help but follow where the river flows," he said.

The movie, like the web series, tells the story of a detective (played by Gomez) who has gotten too close to some underworld characters and his nine-year-old daughter has been kidnapped, said Vasconcellos, who plays his drug-dealer friend H.B. Bartholomew.

The film, he said, addresses social issues like child abduction, the sex-slave industry and the Catholic Church. It also deals with drugs and a darker underworld, with the main character's visions of what happens during his "big blackouts," Vasconcellos said.

"We like the twists and turns; they're fun," he said.

Close to a border, he said, "commodities can be moved and disappear."

With "River," Vasconcellos said, he and his partners "want to show the border region has some really great talent," and you can "make good and interesting films without big budgets."

"It's been a really great collaboration of Las Cruces and El Paso talent and crew," he said.

In addition to Vasconcellos, Gomez and Valdovinos, other actors in the film include Jack Lutz, Diamond Briseno, James Travis Kirk, Ellen Bernhardt, Christina Villa, David Edwards, Victor Zamora, Monika Mojica, Bob Singer, Chris Waggoner and more than 25 other actors with speaking roles.

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



Viggo Mortensen stars in "Captain Fantastic" and lives with his clutch of six kids in the forest. The movie plays at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla.

COURTESY PHOTO

## 'Captain Fantastic' shines

By JEFF BERG

For the Bulletin

If you want to see one of the homes of the rich and wealthy in Las Cruces/Mesilla, go see "Captain Fantastic," which is NOT a superhero movie, but does feature the opulent digs of the Hutchinson family of La Posta fame. Who knew there was so much money in enchiladas?

"Captain Fantastic" lives with his clutch of six kids in the forest, where he makes them kill their own food, as we see in a grisly opening scene, teaches and practices hand-to-hand combat with them and a bit later on celebrates "Noam Chomsky Day" instead of Christmas.

The captain is the kind of guy who gives anarchist-survivalist losers a good name.

Ben, which is the Captain's real name, truly cares for his family, which is about to be tested to the max when he receives word that his emotionally broken wife has committed suicide.

After some additional survivalist-type training, Viggo Mortensen, who plays the Cap-

tain, has to decide whether to go to the home of his detested in-laws in order to attend the services they have planned, which he finds repugnant.

This is where the great debate of this unique and clever picture starts. Everyone gets a vote in this family and Dad is outvoted, so they load up the old remodeled school bus (what

else) and head for New Mexico—Mesilla to be exact—although it is never uttered in the film.

The film offers some interesting questions: What makes a good parent? How is a happy child created? And

whose lifestyle is better—the not-to-change-his-mind radical Ben, who teaches that "property is theft," especially while hijacking food at a grocery store while on the road? Or is it his inflexibly conservative father-in-law, (the guy and wife 'occupy' the Hutchinson residence), who loves his grandkids enough to pay for the college education of Ben's oldest, who has secretly applied to a number of high-end schools... which also shows that Ben's teachings aren't

nearly as bad, incomplete or weird as we may think.

This appealing, intricate film is directed by Matt Ross, an actor himself, who shows that he really knows how to handle his cast. All the kids are believable, and one might note that the younger they are, the better the performance is. Mortensen is well suited for his role, offering a smile with his "Jesse Jackson '88" t-shirt, while discussing the pros and cons of Trotsky with his kids.

"Trotskyist," one corrects him in one great scene. "Only a Stalinist would say Trotskyite! Besides, I'm a Maoist!"

Frank Langella performs well as the father-in-law, as does Steve Zahn as Ben's placid, confounded, decidedly middle class brother-in-law.

Beautifully shot, in spite of overlooking the beauties of southern New Mexico where it was partially filmed, the picture takes a number of unique twists and makes them believable.

Is Ben an irresponsible nutcase or do the rest of us have it wrong?

He'd probably suggest we all sit down together and discuss it while making sure that we authenticate each other's feelings and experiences.

"The Captain" truly is fantastic, and the picture itself is pretty dang good as well.

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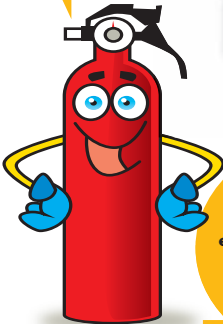
  
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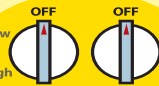





  
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 <b>Make sure there isn't anything near the stove that could catch fire.</b> A grown-up should be in the kitchen when the stove is on. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	 <b>You have a home fire escape plan.</b> Practice your escape plan at least once a month. <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	 <b>You have at least two ways to exit each room.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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**Write On!**  
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Write a "couplet"—a two-line poem that rhymes. Example:  
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**Keeping you safe in an emergency.**

To stay safe in a burning building, a firefighter must wear special gear. A turnout coat, for example, is a special jacket designed to protect a firefighter from heat and flames.

Reflective stripes on the coat and pants help firefighters see one another in a dark, smoky building.



Smoke can be one of the biggest dangers in a fire. Firefighters wear face shields and an air mask to be able to see and breathe.

If a fire breaks out in your home, it is VERY important to STAY LOW. Crawl towards an exit as quickly as possible to avoid breathing in smoke. And if a firefighter wearing gear like in the photo above is there, don't be afraid. They're there to help!

# 'Servant' cast gives masterful performance

BY MIKE COOK  
Las Cruces Bulletin

There are so many wonderful things about the New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department's "The Servant of Two Masters" that it's hard to know where to begin.

The acting – and especially the physical comedy – was supreme. The set was simple but elegant and appropriate. The costumes and props were incredible – and many were one-of-a-kind items made exclusively for this show by theatre arts staff and students. The direction, the lighting, the sound – all exceptional.

The set for "The Servant of Two Masters" is perhaps the simplest I've ever seen for an NMSU production, but it was perfect for this show. A few hanging tapestries painted as inns (the houses of Pantalone and Brighella) and cut with doors and windows provided all the backdrop the talented performers needed.

The amazing costumes helped the actors create their characters and included everything from a coat made of thrift-store neckties and a sash made with colored plastic spoons to pants and shirt using matching hair-comb accents and a hat made with drinking straws.

Director Wil Kilroy's vision for this play, which Carlo Goldoni wrote in 1746 in Italy, is a troupe of actors arriving for a performance in

## The Servant of Two Masters

**WHERE:** Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

**PRICE:** \$17. Tickets are available at the Pan American ticket office and by calling 575-646-1420 or 575-646-4515.

**INFO:** [www.nmsutheatre.com](http://www.nmsutheatre.com).

Las Cruces. They care not only about theater, but also about the earth, hence the recycled costumes and set pieces that included tables made from cat food cans and recycled plastic bottles and a traveling wagon with a curtain made of different-colored tee shirts.

With a modern translation of the play by Jeffrey Hatcher and Paolo Emilio Landi, Kilroy and his actors were able to work in a few local references and some terrific impromptu acting. And, look for some local celebrities with brief walk-ons. (Las Cruces Fire Chief Eric Enriquez was scheduled for opening night.)

What makes this show rock is not only the cos-

tumes but the actors who wear them and fill them with their heart and their talent.

"The Servant of Two Masters" was theater arts major Taylor Rodriguez's first performance on the NMSU stage. He was brilliant as Truffaldino – not just capturing the character, but delighting the audience with his comedic grace up and down and all around the stage. He gives a performance even Goldoni would have been proud of.

Truffaldino, the namesake of this show, truly is a servant of two masters. They don't know about each other or about his efforts to earn money, praise and food from both.

His two masters were played to perfection by

Daniela Castorena (Beatrice), a woman disguised as a man; and Nicolas Holguin (Florindo), who is in love with the real Beatrice, though he doesn't recognize her as she pretends to be her brother. Castorena and Holguin were engaging and delightful. Here again, they not only created characters as original as their costumes (his of the afore-mentioned combs, hers of belts), they were the masters (no pun intended) of the physical comedy demanded of their parts.

And no less so for Sarah Sue Jones as Smeraldina. Hugely bewigged and flatteringly costumed, she was sexy, saucy and delightful. Sarah Sue has beauty, grace and talent, and she used all three to outstanding result in this show.

Alas, I have not the words (either literally or figuratively) to shower the rest of the cast – many of whom are understudies for some

of the major roles in this show – but they were all terrific, including Yamillex Holguin, Haley Kirkpatrick, Daniel Miller, Mario Ragazzone and Tyler Berndt.

Deb Brunson deserves major kudos for her costumes, Drew Kelley for his lighting design, Mike Wises and Katrina Ortega as co-stage managers, Jim Billings for his scenic design, Matt Reynolds for the sound and David Hereford for the props.

All together, "The Servant of Two Masters" is a masterful tribute to the many gifts that NMSU Theatre Arts brings to the stage.

Please be aware that

there is only one more weekend to see this great show. Final performances are Friday and Saturday, Sept. 30 and Oct 1 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday matinees on Oct. 1 and 2 at 2 p.m.

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Regular tickets for all performances are \$17. Tickets are available at the Pan American ticket office and by calling 646-1420 or 4515. You can purchase tickets at the Center for the Arts one hour before each performance.

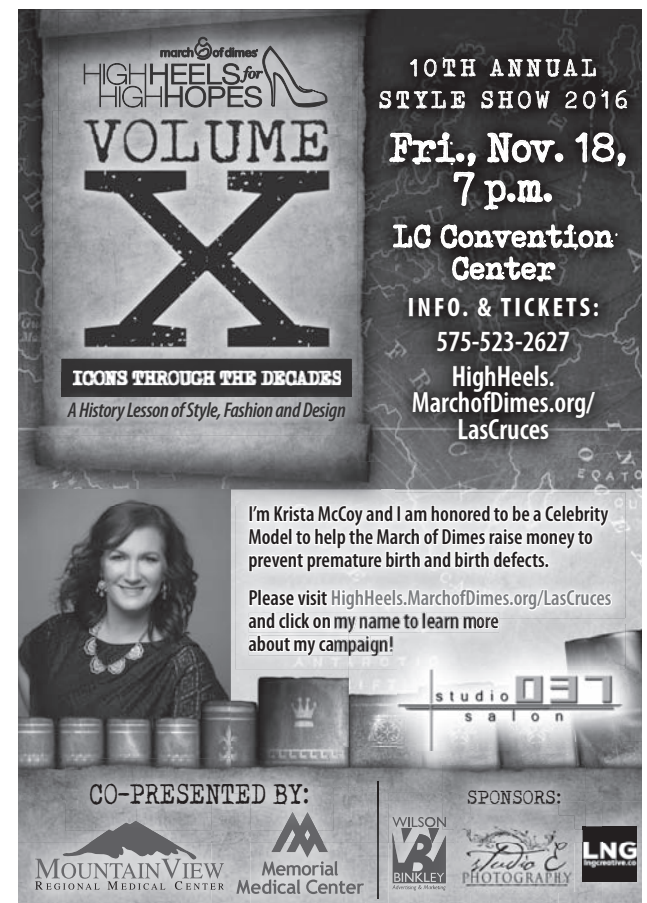
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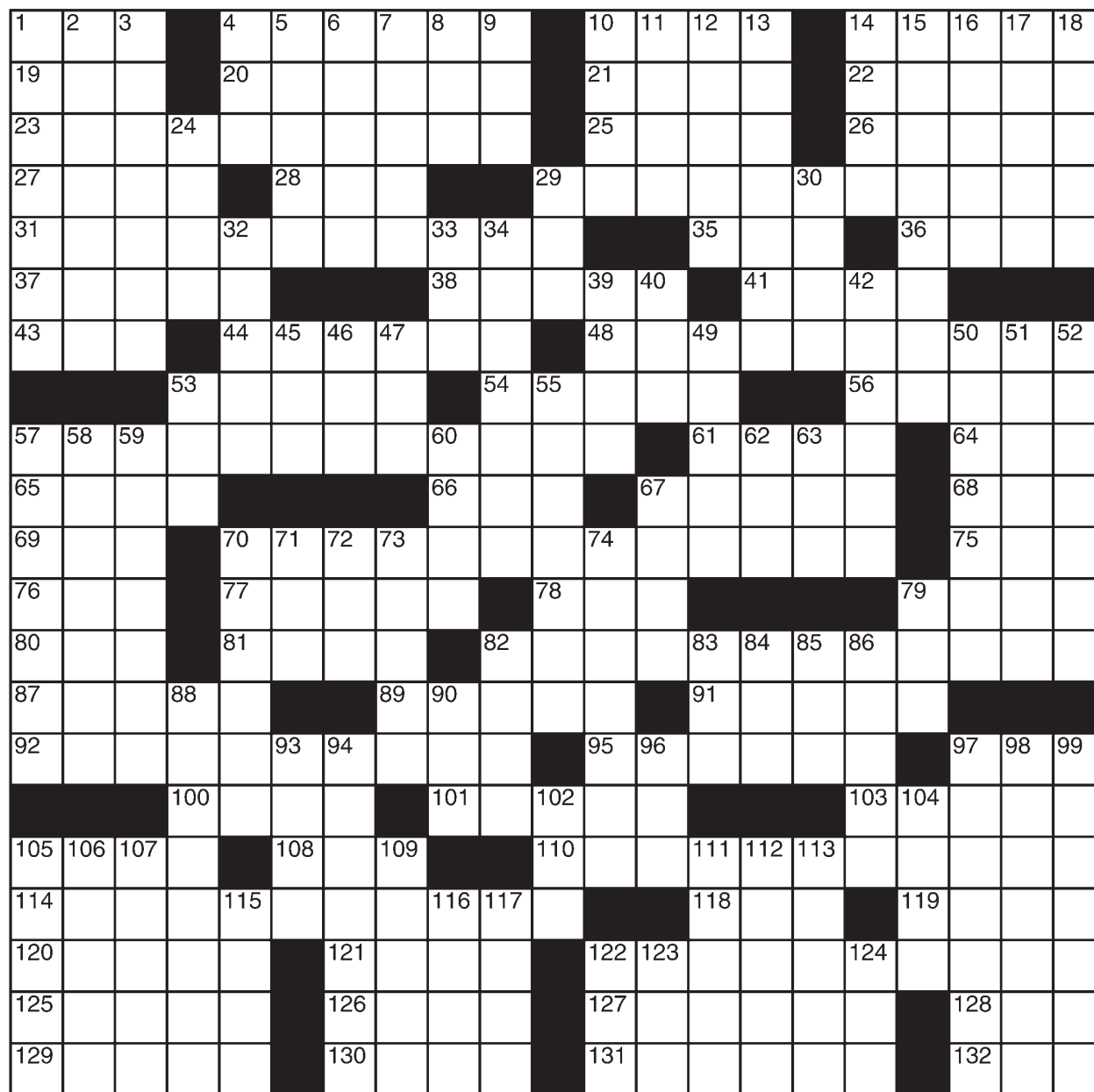
## ACROSS

1 Mails a dupe to  
 4 Peak in the Cascades  
 10 1975 shark thriller  
 14 Lost intensity  
 19 "You — here"  
 20 — -Davidson  
 21 Saab of fashion  
 22 Stare angrily  
 23 What planes are in when they're taking off and landing?  
 25 "Heck!"  
 26 MetLife rival  
 27 Nepal locale  
 28 — Perignon  
 29 Climb a rope right after waking up?  
 31 "Which of you is good at copying signatures?"  
 35 Poker pro Ungar  
 36 Beholds  
 37 Houston hockey team until 2013  
 38 Ancient Aegean land  
 41 So-so  
 43 Furlong divs.  
 44 Spectral hue  
 48 Big tree branch used to decorate a shop?  
 53 Big computer of the 1940s  
 54 Frustrates  
 56 Delhi coin  
 57 Tame some mean dogs?  
 61 "— girl!"  
 64 Uno + uno  
 65 Anniversary unit  
 66 AQI monitor  
 67 Four of —  
 68 Skill, to Cato  
 69 Law degs. held by the Obamas  
 70 Comment when a surface only allows for a glossy finish?  
 75 — Friday's restaurant  
 76 Dot in la Seine  
 77 Off-limits acts  
 78 Wad of gum, e.g.  
 79 Carrie's "Star Wars" role  
 80 Prefix with soul  
 81 Beer head  
 82 Fashionably stylish grain husk?  
 87 Big boo-boo  
 89 Tactics

91 Writer Nin  
 92 Spiced tea brewed in a business workplace?  
 95 Multi-vehicle crash  
 97 Church bench  
 100 Fed. crash-probing agcy.  
 101 Tear-eliciting vegetable  
 103 "Nowhere Road" singer Steve  
 105 Nailed  
 108 Happy — lark  
 110 Ensnared by a tree branch?  
 114 Bit of gear used by a videography student?  
 118 Simple tune  
 119 Ames' state  
 120 John Belushi catchphrase  
 121 Flubs it up  
 122 Apt phrase spelled by the deleted ends of this puzzle's theme answers  
 125 "It's — of the times"  
 126 Seven days  
 127 Parthenon goddess  
 128 Trump  
 129 Antsy  
 130 Uses needle and thread  
 131 Gym class, briefly  
 132 Some hosp. cases

## DOWN

1 Bread seed  
 2 With 47-Down, snow cone's base  
 3 Promgoers  
 4 "— La La" (1964 hit)  
 5 Writer of 104 symphonies  
 6 The long — the law  
 7 Replay view, briefly  
 8 Actor Lange  
 9 Mate's "yes"  
 10 Sci-fi knight  
 11 "Sadly ..."  
 12 Telegrams  
 13 Hill bigwig  
 14 "Holy moly!"  
 15 Sneeze response  
 16 Take a soak  
 17 Bert's pal  
 18 University bigwigs  
 24 1993 Texas standoff site  
 29 Toon pal of Stimpy  
 30 Zap, in a way  
 32 Black — (very dark)



33 Oil field sight  
 34 Boo-boos  
 39 Nile goddess  
 40 P.R.'s ocean  
 42 Wear down  
 45 Small peeve  
 46 Lah-di- —  
 47 See 2-Down  
 49 Honshu port  
 50 Software reviser, e.g.  
 51 Peach State  
 52 Wiesbaden native, e.g.  
 53 Vase handle  
 55 Like some citrus tastes

57 "Goodness me!"  
 58 Kind of lettuce  
 59 De-intensify  
 60 "Eh" marks  
 62 Little birdie  
 63 Big bang producer  
 67 Prefix with valent  
 70 Contaminate  
 71 Furthermore  
 72 Cell stuff  
 73 Energy  
 74 Boozer  
 79 Many oz.  
 82 Slay

83 Rodeo miss  
 84 MS-to-MI dir.  
 85 Lac liquid  
 86 Grow mature  
 88 Investigation discoveries  
 90 Philosopher — -tzu  
 93 Morales of film  
 94 Scott Pelley's milieu  
 96 Shiba — (dog breed)  
 97 Preceding  
 98 Bow-making material  
 99 Software running in browsers  
 102 Tenet

104 Keep — on (don't reveal)  
 105 Turn to try for a homer  
 106 Small oil container  
 107 Have home cooking  
 109 Side (with)  
 111 Actress Rigby  
 112 Eagles' kin  
 113 Actress Rich  
 115 Zilch  
 116 Work group  
 117 Pleads, e.g.  
 122 Track unit  
 123 Verb suffix in the Bible  
 124 "Gnarly!"

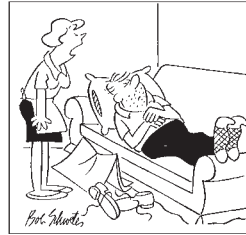
# PUZZLES

## WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

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

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

## SCRAMBLERS



"It's too beautiful a day to waste indoors — you ought to be loafing in the outside!"

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

React  
**PONDERS** \_\_\_\_\_

Crisis  
**SPASMIE**

Phony  
**MASH**

Dotted  
**PLEECKS** \_\_\_\_\_

**TODAY'S WORD**

## CRYPTOQUIP

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

Clue: M equals R

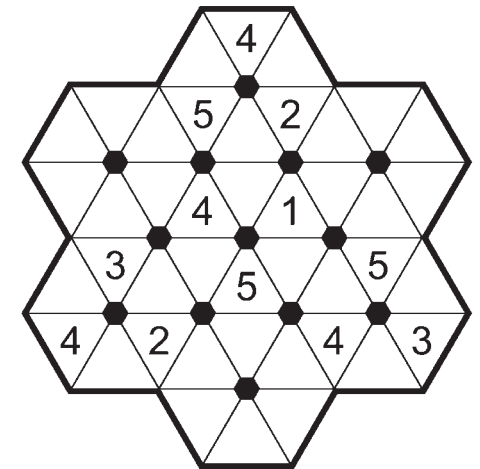
QAXH ZXOUAXMQLMDXMR RNHY, N

UANHD UAXW'MX JMLFOFZW REJXM

OU FXZUNHY LEU UEHXR.

## SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

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



**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

# PUZZLE ANSWERS

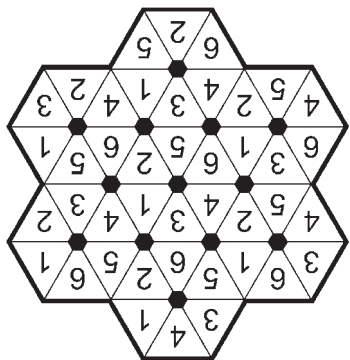
When leatherworkers sing, I think they're probably super at belting out tunes.

### CRYPTOQUIP

#### HAMMOCK

Today's Word  
3. Sham; 4. Speckle  
1. Respond; 2. Impasse;

### SCRAMBLERS



### SNOWFLAKES

1	6	9	2	8	5	7	3	4
5	8	7	6	4	3	9	2	1
4	3	2	1	9	7	8	5	6
6	7	5	8	2	4	3	1	9
9	4	8	3	6	1	5	7	2
3	2	1	7	5	9	6	4	8
8	1	3	4	7	6	2	9	5
2	9	4	5	3	8	1	6	7
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### WEEKLY SUDOKU

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### SUPER CROSSWORD

# Sunday sunshine and mariachis

Performers with Mariachi Jalisciense of Las Cruces, Folklórico-St. Francis de Palma of Tularosa, Mariachi Flores Mexicanas of El Paso and soloist Greg Rocha were on hand for the Mariachi Sundays in Old Mesilla event Sunday, Sept. 25. The performances will continue Oct. 23, Nov. 6 and Nov. 13 on the Mesilla Plaza. The 2016 Mariachi Conference scheduled for Oct. 12-16, though, has been canceled due to low registration numbers. The event's board of directors said it has resolved to hold the conference in 2017, hopefully in November, as they had in previous years. Recent fundraising efforts by the LCIMC planning committees have secured funds that can still be used to go to the benefit of the students as they plan for a 2017 conference. The board reports it remains committed to its mission of providing education and performance opportunities for mariachi musicians, vocalists and folkloric dancers. As such, the conference will continue to seek sponsorships and grants and have fundraising events in the future to help achieve its mission. For more information about the LCIMC, or Mariachi Sundays, call the LCIMC office at 575-525-1735.

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# Happy Birthday, Bruce Springsteen

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**

Las Cruces Bulletin

**O**n Sept. 27, Bruce Springsteen released his autobiography, “Born to Run,” five days after his 67th birthday.

As a parent can talk endlessly about how intelligent his or her child is, so could I talk about how peerlessly talented and marvelous Springsteen’s music is.

But for the sake of not driving you away, I will constrain this article to talk about Springsteen’s most accessible albums. While his entire body of work is spectacular, much of it is difficult to appreciate immediately.

To love his storytelling ability in “The Ghost of Tom Joad,” you may first have to become acclimated to his style through *Born in the USA*. To admire his skill in cramming more lyrics into one song than most albums have, such as in “The Wild, the Innocent & the E Street Shuffle,” you may first have to be eased in through an easier album, such as “Working on a Dream.”

## 1. “Born in the USA”

This isn’t Springsteen’s best-selling album, and one of the best-selling albums of all time, for no reason. This album marked Springsteen’s transition from a rocker known widely only in record stores to a household name. The songs on the album are as diverse as they are all masterpieces: the titular song is an angry anthem damning America’s war-mongering; “I’m on Fire” is sleek, sexy, bound to stay in your mind after one listen; “I’m Goin’ Down” deals with the frustration of allowing yourself to be used in a romantic relationship; and “Dancing in the Dark,” Springsteen’s biggest hit, is a fast-paced, synthesizer-heavy battering ram meant to break through the walls of mediocrity that surround somebody who wants more than what his/her hometown offers.

## 2. “Magic”

Surely one of Springsteen’s most underrated albums and one I consistently find is one of my favorites, if not totally my favorite. “Radio Nowhere” is a song lambasting the mindlessness of most of the music on the radio today; “Girls in Their Summer Clothes” is a staggering vocal diorama of a day in a small town; “I’ll Work for Your Love” is a Scripture-heavy ode

to the love of your life; “Long Walk Home” is “Girls in Their Summer Clothes” antithesis, describing how poor political leadership laid waste to a small town; and the hidden track attached to “Devil’s Arcade”—“Terry’s Song”—is a heartfelt farewell to a dear friend.

## 3. “Wrecking Ball”

The album that initially sparked my interest in Springsteen and definitely his most politically and socially biting. The album describes a disillusioned, cynical, furious America in such songs as “Shackled and Drawn,” “Death to My Hometown” and “Jack of All Trades” before waxing nostalgic and even idealistic in later songs such as “Land of Hope and Dreams,” “We Are Alive” and “American Land.”

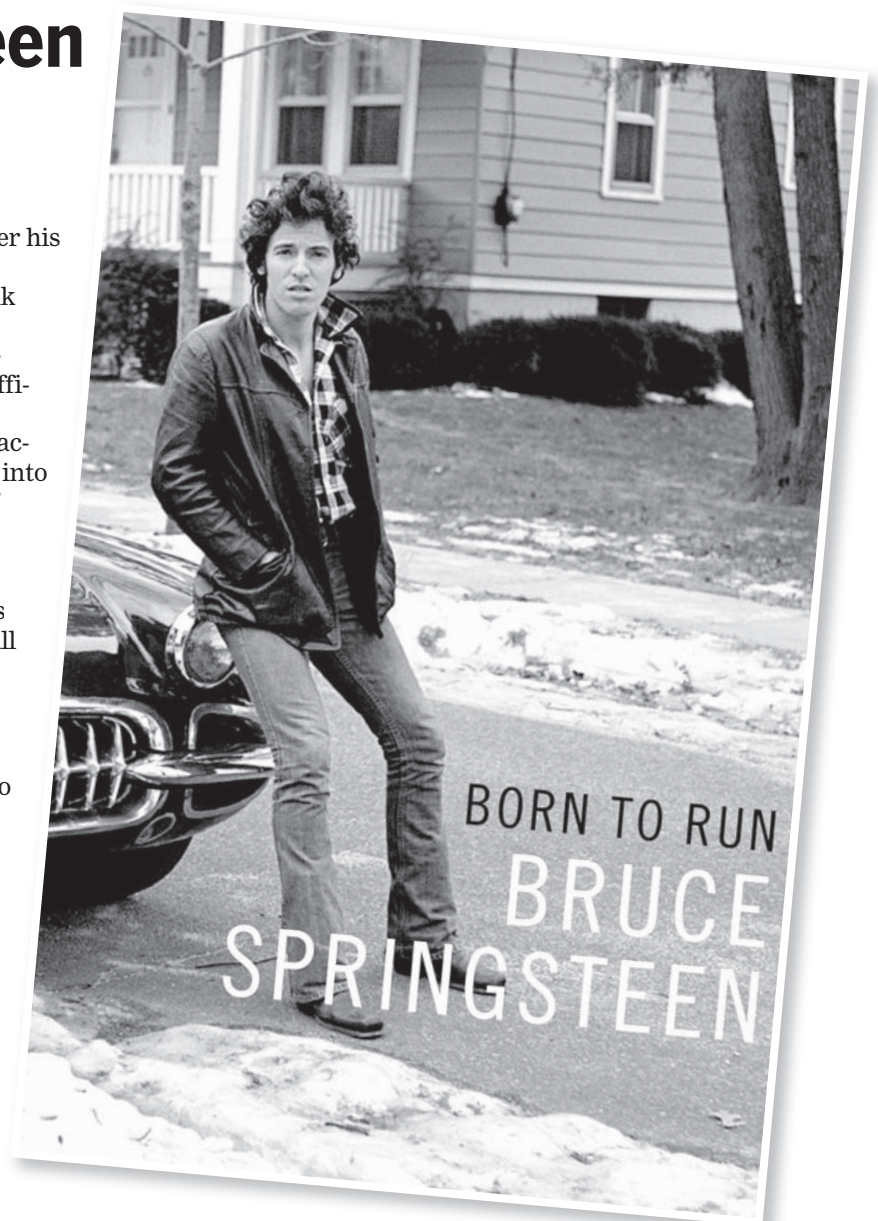
## 4. “The Rising”

This album has a number of songs that require multiple listens before a listener can fully appreciate them, but it also has several songs that immediately grab a listener’s interest and make you want to listen again. “Lonesome Day” is a song of hope in loneliness, of optimism in the face of hopelessness. “Into the Fire” is an almost indecipherable song of longing and lost love with a wonderfully simple and memorable chorus. “Nothing Man” is a tale of a

man who found success coming back to his small hometown and feeling separated from his former friends. “Mary’s Place” is a celebration of the power of music to bring people together. “The Rising” is a song of damaged, hurt, destroyed, downtrodden people banding together to fight the forces that keep them stooped in oblivion. And “Paradise” is a melancholy tune remembering better days in times of hardship and loneliness.

## 5. “Working on a Dream”

Many of the songs on this album are flawed and, if you want to know the truth in my opinion, uninspired. But those that show the spark of Springsteen’s creativity, which I admire so much, are “Outlaw Pete”—about an American Western outlaw who tries to reform his law of villainy, only to have it catch up with him; “Queen of the Supermarket”—about a man infatuated with an employee at his local grocery store, a much-mocked song but which showcases Springsteen’s enviable ability to romanticize and make relatable through music



even life’s most mundane aspects; “Kingdom of Days,” a song about the perseverance of true love; and “The Wrestler,” a song about someone whose lot in life is his/her ultimate ambition.

I hope listening to any or all of these albums arouses more interest in Springsteen’s work for you. I hope you eventually find your way to listening to the subtle beauty of “Devils & Dust,” the anxious splendor of “Born to Run,” and the impenetrable but spectacular “Greetings from Asbury Park.”

*Editor’s note: Casual listeners*

*should know how many songs you love are actually Springsteen originals. “Blinded by the Light,” “For You,” “Fire,” “Because the Night” and “Pink Cadillac” were all covered and made famous by other musical acts.*

*For me, a song such as “Highway Patrolman” exemplifies what Bruce is all about. I recommend his self-made album “Nebraska.” It’s gritty, poorly produced and packed with sorrow, angst and hope. “Reason to Believe” is a song that captures the beauty and joy as well as the anger and confusion that is life.*



# Tickets on sale for Masquerade Gala at HCCS

Las Cruces Catholic School is holding its first Scholarship Masquerade Gala with dinner, dancing, entertainment and silent auction starting at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7 at the Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road to benefit Holy Cross Catholic

School tuition assistance. Four levels of sponsorship are available and tickets are \$100 reserved seating and \$1,000 per table of eight.

Sponsorship and ticket information at [www.lccsgala.myevent.com](http://www.lccsgala.myevent.com), [www.lccsgala@gmail.com](http://www.lccsgala@gmail.com) or 575-202-3667.

## A little history

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By 1958, there were 300 students attending Holy Cross School. As the school continued to grow, Immaculate Heart of Mary School was founded in order to meet the enrollment demands. In 1962, Holy Cross School moved to its new and present facility on Miranda Street.

In order to promote growth, unity of purpose,

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In the spring of 2001, the Las Cruces Area Catholic School was reorganized as Las Cruces Catholic School under the governance of a Board of Directors and is certified by Advanc-Ed and the Public Education Department of New Mexico.

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Students from Holy Cross Catholic School pose in masks in preparation for the first Scholarship Masquerade Gala to be held Friday, Oct. 7 at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. (Courtesy Photo)

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zation meets for those involved in livestock and agriculture. For meeting place information: 575-571-6367 or cfc.lcnm@yahoo.com. Unity announces Thursday silent meditation services From 11 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays at 125 Wyatt Drive recharge your batteries at a silent meditation service. Info: 575-523-5592 or www.unityoflascruces.org.

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# Posole Cook Off fires up Sonoma Springs Covenant

The Hope and Care Ministry of the Sonoma Springs Covenant Church will be holding its first Posole Cook Off from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at the church, 3940 Sonoma Springs Ave.

Friends and members of the church will be entering their special posole recipes to be judged, which will take place from 5:30 to 6 p.m. Following the judging, ticket holders will be served posole, tortillas, salad, dessert and a drink. Children 12 and under will be served a hot dog, chips, dessert and a drink.

Adult tickets are \$8 and children's tickets are \$4. Tickets may be purchased ahead of time or



Courtesy Photo

at the door.

The proceeds from this event will be used to help the church in assisting families in need in the community, which are chosen through Sonoma Springs Covenant

Church's work with partner schools in Las Cruces.

For further information or to purchase tickets, contact Judy at 575-649-0039 or 575-523-6528, Roxann at 575-373-0138 or the church office at 575-526-4907.

## BRIEFS

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Streets, the New Agape Christian Church offers a scriptural, theological, historical and scientific look at the Prophets. Agape is an all-people's church; everyone welcome. Children's church provided. Info: Pastor Herb 575-650-3915.

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All are welcome 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays at Mission Lutheran Church for a class for people who are new to the faith or who would like a refresher course on what being a Lutheran is all about. The class continues for several weeks. Info: 575-522-0465.

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Peace Lutheran announces 9 a.m. on Saturdays is a 20-to-30-minute Centering Prayer. From 4 to 5 p.m. Women Gather for Prayer meets at Peace Lutheran, 1701 E. Missouri. Info: 575-522-7119.

### Fusion Youth Fellowship at Morning Star United Methodist

From 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at 2941 Morningstar Dr., join the youth's small group for music, family events and workshops. Info: 575-521-3770.

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Events at Trinity Lutheran

include: 9 a.m. regular Sunday worship with Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. Sunday school for children and youth at the church at 2900 Elks Dr. A child-friendly environment, children meet and worship God through songs, prayer and Bible stories. All are welcome to join. Info: 575-523-4232 or www.trinitylutheranlc.org.

### Church Bingo

Bingo games start at 7 p.m. every Monday and Tuesday in the multipurpose room at Holy Cross School, 1327 N. Miranda St. (doors open at 5:30.) All games can be played for \$5. At 7 p.m. every Thursday night is Bingo at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Tortugas. Doors open at 5:30. Food, fun, prizes. Info: 575-646-5860.

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# Young Life thriving in Las Cruces



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Young Life youth organization redefines the “brick and mortar” breed of church.

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By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

*This is a part two of a two-part series. Part one ran in the Bulletin Sept. 23.*

Young Life, a worldwide Christian youth organization that began in Texas in the 1930s, has an active chapter in Las Cruces headed by David Cunniff, who is probably better known in Las Cruces for his music than his religion.

The program helps young people “prepare for a life of good thought, good living and good experience,” said Cunniff, who is also pastor of Crossroads Church of Las Cruces, which meets in members’ homes.

“Brick and mortar” churches are “a dying breed,” Cunniff said. “What if we had a church that didn’t care if people had the money to support the church?”

At Crossroads, Cunniff has continued his work with YL, which he was introduced to in 1998.

“When it comes to engaging the youth of our community, there was no question that YL was where it’s at,” he said. It also helps fulfill the church’s mission to provide service in areas that are not currently being met rather than “anything that other people are (already) doing well,” he said.

In 2012, Cunniff joined the Las Cruces YL steering committee. He became the volunteer

director in 2014, overseeing all middle and high schools and NMSU students in Las Cruces. There are also YL programs in Albuquerque, Los Alamos and Farmington, he said, and efforts are underway to start one in Silver City.

YL has students at every high school in Las Cruces, and has a club at Centennial High School, Cunniff said, providing a “fun, safe place for kids to hang out,” to sing songs, play games, eat and talk. It includes a weekly Bible study meeting, where students “ask questions about God” and explore their spirituality, Cunniff said.

YL hopes to start a second student club at Las Cruces High School, he said. There are also plans to start a Bible study chapter at NMSU.

“By supporting our schools, we are really supporting our community,” Cunniff said.

YL also sends students to camp each summer, which “gives kids the best week of their lives,” he said. There are 24 YL camps all over the country, Cunniff said, and 30 to 50 local YL members will get to go each year, at a cost of about \$700 per kid. The national YL organization kicks in a little for each student, but most of the money is raised locally through donations, car washes, bake sales and other fundraisers.

“If a kid wants to go to camp, they’re going

to camp,” Cunniff said. “I don’t make money an issue.” After last summer’s camp attendance, he said, YL Las Cruces was about \$10,000 in debt. But, that amount was made up by the end of the year.

This year’s camps included surfing at Monterey Bay in California, kayaking and hiking down a river in the Redwood Forest.

For some, the camp is “the first time they open up about who they are and who they want to be,” Cunniff said. And, it may be the first time they find out it’s “okay to be identified as Christian.”

Two years ago was the first time Cunniff took YL students to a summer camp. It was “the most encouraging thing I’ve ever done and also the most heart-breaking,” he said. Of the 14 boys participating, he said, only two had fathers, as did about the same number of girls, he said.

“They’re kind of the forgotten ones,” he said. “They don’t fit in at church.”

Cunniff said YL Las Cruces’ goals include raising enough money to rent a local office so the organization will have a large meeting space that students from all high schools and middle schools can attend.

You can send a donation to Young Life, P.O. Box 485, Las Cruces, N.M. 88004-0485.

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

## Yard of the Month

The High Range Neighborhood Association Yard of the Month belongs to Kristi and Robert Curnutt on Cheyenne Drive.

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## Back by Noon Hike explores medicinal flora of Dripping Springs

Join the Southwest Environmental Center for an adventure into the world of medicinal plants with herbalist Deborah Brandt, owner of From the Ground Up at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1 at Dripping Springs Natural Area, 15000 Dripping Springs Road.

Brandt will describe the diverse healing

properties of the area's desert flora on an amble up the trail into a lush canyon in the Organ Mountains- Desert Peaks National Monument. \$5 fee per vehicle. Hike rating is: easy to moderate walk on a relatively well-maintained, sometimes-hilly trail.

To sign up or for more information, call 575-522-5552.

## Deming's St. Clair Winery hosts annual Winefest



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St. Clair Winery in Deming is having its 21st Annual Winefest to benefit Deming Cancer Support from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1 and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2 at 1325 De Baca Road SE. Events include a silent auction, fireworks, recipe competition, tours, grape stomp, live music, art and crafts, food, a bra parade and a kids' corner. Tickets are \$5. Info: [www.stclairwinery.com](http://www.stclairwinery.com).



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## Yappy Hour



Malia Davis (left) dressed up as the Wicked Witch of the West with Clarivel Garcia dressed as Dorothy from "The Wizard of Oz." The ladies were joined by a young fan also dressed as Dorothy. Garcia will play the waif from Kansas in the December production of "The Wizard of Oz" at the Las Cruces Community Theatre.

## St. Clair, Humane Society celebrate the 'The Wizard of Oz'

The Doña Ana County Humane Society celebrated the classic film "The Wizard of Oz" at their monthly Yappy Hour event at St. Clair Winery, 1720 Avenida de Mesilla Sept. 21.

The dog-friendly events are fundraisers for the Humane Society. The final Yappy Hour of the year takes place Wednesday, Oct. 19.

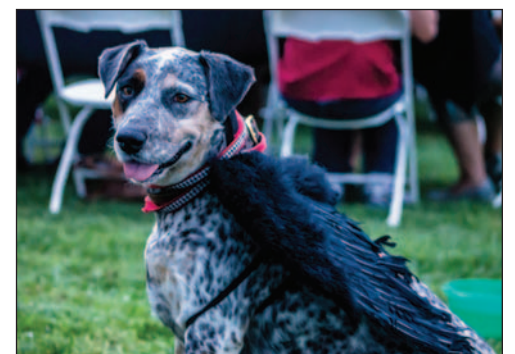


Jeanette Jones and Shaunna Foster enjoy the lawn with Lexi at St. Clair's Winery during Yappy Hour Sept. 21.



This handsome guy spent his evening enjoying the green grass at St. Clair's Winery, 1720 Avenida de Mesilla during Yappy Hour Sept. 21.

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Janice Shifflet's dog was dressed up like a flying monkey at the St. Clair Winery Yappy Hour Sept. 21.

# NMSU student creates 3D animation of 150 years of the Jornada Basin

By KRISTIE GARCIA

For the Bulletin

If you see photos of the Jornada Basin from the early 1900s, the vegetation is quite different than it is now. But explaining the story of how and why the vegetation changed on the land northeast of Las Cruces is difficult with just words and pictures.

Debra Peters, Jornada Basin Long Term Ecological Research Principal Investigator and a research scientist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, reached out to the New Mexico State University Creative Media Institute to help bring the landscape history to life.

“We have a lot of data that looks at the history of our landscape, and we try to visualize it from maps and from long-term data,” Peters said. “But it’s hard for us to put the story together in our minds, so we asked people from the Creative Media Institute to make that story come alive through an animation.”

Supported by the National Science Foundation, the project was funded by Jornada Basin LTER as part of the Re-

search Experience for Undergraduates program.

NMSU senior Carlos Tejeda spent the summer designing a 3-D animated video that simulates changes on the Jornada Basin from the 1850s to the present.

“I created a time-lapse of more than a hundred years, including how plants and the ecosystem and grass changed through those years,” Tejeda said.

Tejeda is a student in the NMSU Creative Media Institute Animation and Visual Effects academic program.

Accuracy was both important to and a challenge for Tejeda. He had several meetings with Peters and others at the Jornada LTER regarding the history of the range-land and their hypotheses about vegetation changes. He sorted through many long-term data documents. He also took his own pictures at the Jornada Range.

And Peters now has a teaching tool to present the findings from long-term data. Not only does she want to demonstrate that the vegetation changed from grassland to shrubs, she hopes to convey a more recent

discovery: Part of the landscape has a different species of plant life that’s separated by elevation and soil texture.

“The shrub species have gone through some very dynamic transitions, and that information was really new for us,” she said. “They’re on different soil textures now, but they started out growing together with grasses on similar soil. In order for that to happen, you had to have a lot of soil erosion and movement, and a lot of things really had to change in order to get to the landscape we see today, which seems to be very stable. So we asked Carlos to animate those time periods and the part of the landscape that we haven’t studied very well.”

Peters said most of those changes probably occurred between the 1850s and about 1900.

For Tejeda, the entire process was a fulfilling experience, especially knowing the magnitude of the LTER project and the fact that its historical data dates back to 1850.

He also enjoyed the unique partnership between him – as a 3-D animator – and LTER researchers.



New Mexico State University Creative Media Institute student Carlos Tejeda created a 3-D animated simulation of the Jornada Basin landscape changes over 150 years. Tejeda is expected to receive his bachelor’s of creative media in animation and visual effects with a minor in film production in May.

NMSU PHOTO BY KRISTIE GARCIA

“It was a great experience working with someone in a different career,” he said. “I don’t know much about their field, and they didn’t know much about my field, so both parties had to learn how to explain things in a simplified way. And it was really fun as well.”

Peters plans for the Jornada LTER to continue to collaborate with different departments at NMSU.

“We’re trying to reach out to more departments on campus with the LTER, so it was good to get a different perspective and different types of tal-

ent involved,” she said.

“Carlos was great to work with. We hadn’t worked with a creative media person before. He was attentive, he listened really well and he wanted to do things right.”

Tejeda is expected to re-

ceive his bachelor’s of creative media in animation and visual effects with a minor in film production in May.

His Dynamic Jornada Landscape video may be viewed at <https://youtu.be/kNwq3NHh5qE>.



COURTESY PHOTO

This 2005 photo of the Jornada Basin shows creosote bush. New Mexico State University student Carlos Tejeda created a 3-D animated simulation of this area’s landscape changes over 150 years.



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This 1912 photo of the Jornada Basin shows grass and tarbush. New Mexico State University student Carlos Tejeda created a 3-D animated simulation of this area’s landscape changes over 150 years.

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Instructor Albert Ortiz is a retired law enforcement officer, certified as a self-defense instructor who sells women's self-defense items.

Ortiz has been teaching the course since his retirement in 2005. His motto is "being a victim is not an option."

For more information or to sign up for this course, email [comed@dacc.nmsu.edu](mailto:comed@dacc.nmsu.edu) or call 575-527-7527. Online registration is easy at <http://dacc.augusoft.net>.

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# Overdose deaths decline in nearly two-thirds of New Mexico's 33 counties

2015 county-level drug overdose data follows nine percent decrease

By **DAVID MORGAN**  
For the Bulletin

On Sept. 20, the New Mexico Department of Health announced that nearly two-thirds of New Mexico counties saw a decline in overdose deaths last year. The department released county-by-county data, which shows overdose deaths decreased in 20 of 33 counties. Earlier this year, the Department of Health reported a 9 percent decrease in statewide overdose deaths.



**DAVID MORGAN**

“We’re working hard with law enforcement, health care professionals, and community partners throughout the state to fight the devastating impact of drug abuse,” Governor Susana Martinez said. “While results like these show important progress, we need to continue fighting this issue with coordinated efforts of education, prevention, treatment, and enforcement to help more families protect themselves and their loved ones from the dangers of drug abuse.”

The number of overdose deaths declined by 10 or more deaths in Sandoval, Valencia and Rio Arriba counties in 2015 compared to 2014. Overdose deaths in Rio Arriba County declined by 30 percent; from 40 deaths in 2014 to 28 deaths in 2015; however, Rio Arriba County has the highest drug over-

dose death rate in the state. Other counties with high overdose death rates included Quay at 63.1 deaths per 100,000, Grant at 46.1 per 100,000, and Taos at 43.6 per 100,000.

According to 2015 state mortality data previously released by NMDOH, New Mexico’s statewide drug overdose death rate decreased from 2014. The drug overdose death rate fell to 24.8 deaths per 100,000 in 2015, a 7.5 percent decrease from 26.8 in 2014.

There were 493 total drug overdose deaths of New Mexico residents in 2015 compared to a record high of 540 in 2014. National data for 2015 is not yet available. However, New Mexico’s drug overdose death rate was the second highest in the nation in 2014.

Although the prescription opioid death rate declined in 2015 compared to 2014, the heroin overdose death rate increased over that period. Deaths involving methamphetamine remained at the high levels seen in 2014. While methamphetamine was involved in a smaller percent of deaths than heroin or prescription opioids, deaths involving methamphetamine have tripled since 2006.

“We are working hard to reduce overdose deaths in New Mexico. The recent decrease shows we’re making progress, but we still have a lot more work to do,” said Department of Health Secretary Designate Lynn Gallagher. “The fact is, our state continues to suffer from drug abuse. One overdose death is one too many. And until we have zero fatalities related to drugs, we’re going to continue to do all that we can to address

the issue with our partners.”  
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Mexico Governor Susana Martinez signed two pieces of legislation earlier this year, which take important steps to prevent drug misuse and combat overdose death:

- SB 263 requires practitioners to check the Prescription Monitoring Program database when prescribing opioids. The database allows prescribers and pharmacists to check the prescription history of their patients.

- The Governor also signed legislation which increases the availability of naloxone, a medication that reverses opioid overdoses. Medicaid claims for naloxone among outpatient pharmacies in New Mexico increased 83 percent between the first three months (January-March) and the second three months (April-June) of 2016.

Additionally, the Department of Health and the Human Services Department recently secured more than \$11 million in various grants to reduce opioid-related deaths, strengthen prevention efforts, and improve opioid surveillance data. Following successful grant applications by the state, the U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration awarded HSD’s Behavioral Health Services Division \$6.8 million over five years in two separate grants to support training on prevention of opioid overdose-related deaths; aid in the purchase and distribution of naloxone to first responders; and bring prescription drug misuse prevention activities and education to schools, communities, parents, prescribers and their patients. DOH’s Epidemiology and Response Division just received two grants from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention totaling \$3.7 million over three years to aid in preventing prescription drug overdoses and to enhance tracking and reporting of overdoses; this is in addition to \$3.4 million received in September 2015 over 4 years for preventing prescription drug overdoses.

For information on prescription opioid safety visit: <http://nmhealth.org/about/erd/ibeb/pos/>; for information on the DOH Harm Reduction Program visit: <http://nmhealth.org/about/phd/idb/hrp/>. You can also find New Mexico substance abuse data and statistics at: <http://nmhealth.org/about/erd/ibeb/sap/>.

*David Morgan is the regional PIO for the New Mexico Department of Health. He can be reached at 575- 528-5180.*

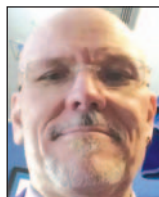


# Gluten Free and Me

**I REMEMBER SEVERAL YEARS AGO** when a friend of mine asked a waiter at a local restaurant if there was anything on the menu that was gluten free.

“Oh, God,” I thought. “Not that.”

I didn't know what gluten was, but I didn't want to hear about the latest giving-up-something-good-to-accommodate-someone's-pretentious-whims fad.



**MIKE COOK**  
What's Cookin'

But then, a couple of years later, my sister, Connie, told me she had given up gluten. That made me actually look it up.

Gluten, it turns out, “is a general name for the

proteins found in wheat, rye, barley and triticale (a cross between wheat and rye),” according to the Celiac Disease Foundation ([www.celiac.org](http://www.celiac.org)).

Celiac Disease, which affects about one percent of the world's population, is the immune system's reaction to eating gluten. People with the disease suffer a wide range of health problems if they eat foods with gluten including brain inflammation, digestive

issues, joint pain and aggravation of existing conditions like hypothyroidism.

There are many other people, including my sister, who don't have Celiac disease but who are sensitive to gluten. Here again, that can cause a host of health problems and a lot of suffering.

As I mentioned, eating gluten can cause brain issues, which can manifest as a life-threatening disease or something as seemingly minor as mood alteration.

That last one really got my attention. I have found myself in a “bad mood” – mild to extreme irritation – for much of my adult life.

So, I went gluten free about six months ago to see what would happen.

I talked very briefly to my doctor about it – he gave me a very enthusiastic thumbs up – but mostly I relied on the advice of my sister and a bit of my own research. Connie has read and studied more about health and well-being, physical, mental and spiritual, than anyone I know. Even though we live several hundred miles apart (she's in a Denver sub-

urb), she has become my guru.

At first, giving up gluten was a pain in the neck. I hated asking wait staff about my special dietary needs and I missed bread and a lot of desserts (cakes, pies and donuts come immediately to mind). Especially, I missed the occasional light beer.

I know they make gluten-free beer – the rice cake of the beer garden – but it's like jellied eels or snails: I don't have to try it to know I won't like it.

But, I've learned to ask for gluten-free bread, which many restaurants offer, or to get a corn (not flour!) tortilla instead of toast when I have breakfast out. I had a fabulous smoked-turkey sandwich on gluten-free bread last week at Boba Café. Many restaurants have other gluten-free items on their menus – ask them! Or, when I go to Rosie's Café downtown to get a cheeseburger with a friend egg on it (yum!), I either take a gluten-free bun with me or they make it for me with no bread.

I've also found gluten-free pretzels and other snacks and desserts in local stores, and they're terrific. I found a great raisin-cinnamon bread at MountainView Co-Op, which I have grown to love.

Honestly, the only thing I really, really miss is my rare but much loved light beer.

And the results of going gluten free? While it's totally unscientific, I know without question that I feel better.

Quite simply, I'm not as irritated as I used to be. I'm calmer. I yell at fewer people in traffic. I haven't smashed a lawn trimmer in months.

Seriously, the way I can tell the difference is because of the few times I have accidentally or intentionally (the fabulous cheesecake at Zeffiro's downtown was the culprit) ingested gluten, the next few days are like the return of Robert Lewis Stevenson's Mr. Hyde.

And, it's happened enough I'm convinced it's for real.

So, if you see me somewhere, I'd love to talk more about going gluten-free and me. Just please don't offer to buy me a beer.

There are many sources of information about gluten and going gluten free. I listed a website above. I also recommend a book I'm reading right now: “Why Isn't My Brain Working,” by Dr. Datis Kaharrazian.

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## HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

**Diabetes Outreach sets bilingual classes**

Reservations are being accepted for diabetes classes at Families and Youth, Inc. Session One: 2-5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4; Session Two: 2-5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6; Session Three: 2-5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 1320 S. Solano (corner of Solano and Idaho). Class size will be limited to 12 and support persons are invited and encouraged to be present with each attendee. Classes taught in English and Spanish by diabetes educator T. J. Jasso, RN, BS. Info: 575-522-0289 or email snmdo@snmdo.org.

**Free dance lessons offered on Tuesday nights**

Learn to dance ballroom, Latin and swing through Nov. 15. The NMSU DanceSport Club offers community lessons on Tuesday nights at Arrowhead Park Early High School. Level one is free and starts at 7 p.m. Level two is \$5 and begins at 8 p.m. For a schedule of classes, email nmsu\_dance@nmsu.edu.

**Tai Chi class**

From 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday the City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department Tai Chi classes are held for adults. Cost: \$30 for a four-week session, \$15 for those 60 and older. Limited space available on a first-come, first-served basis. Info: 575-541-2455.

**Meditation classes at Tesoro**

At 6 p.m. Thursdays at 1605 S. Main St. Zen Buddhist meditation and study group with the Rev. K. Hilbert. Walk-ins welcome. Cost: \$7 drop-in, five classes for \$30 or 10 classes for \$60. Info: 575-541-5660.

**Breastfeeding support group**

From 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Friday at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex, Piñon A meeting room Mama's Milk

Club Breastfeeding Support Group meets. Refreshments provided. Free. Info: 575-521-5393.

**Zumba class at aquatic center**

From 10 to 11 a.m. every Saturday the City of Las Cruces Parks & Recreation Department holds Zumba class at the Las Cruces Regional Aquatic Center, 1401 E. Hadley Ave. Info: 575-541-2782.

**Zumba at Mountain View Senior Circle**

At 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Mountain View Senior Circle, 3948 Lohman Ave., Suite 1, Zumba classes are held. Info: 575-522-0503.

**Overeaters Anonymous**

At noon Wednesdays in the library of St. James Episcopal Church, 1102 St. James Ave. and at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 E. Missouri Ave. Overeaters Anonymous meets. OA is a fellowship of those individuals who, through shared experience, strength and hope, are recovering from a compulsive relationship with food. Info: www.oa.org or call Barbara at 575-405-0128 or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

**Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach support group**

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**Acupuncture special at Crossroads**

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**NMSU Aquatic Center offers first aid classes**

The NMSU Aquatic Center will offer two CPR/AED/First Aid courses during the fall semester at the Natatorium on campus. Classes are from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12. The full course is \$79, and re-certification is \$25. The required CPR manual may be purchased for \$15 and CPR mask may be purchased for \$10. Sign up at the Natatorium. Info: Katie Gillis at 575-646-3347 or ktgillis@nmsu.edu.

**Sexual Compulsives Anonymous**

At 7 p.m. Mondays at Sierra Vista Community Church, 514 N. Telshor (behind the T Mobile building) Sexual Compulsives Anonymous meets. SCA is a 12-step fellowship of men and women who share experience, strength and hope to solve common problems and help each other recover from sexual compulsion. Info: www.sca-recovery.org or 575-526-9535.

**Yoga at the Center for Spiritual Living**

From 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays and 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays yoga classes meet at 575 N. Main St. \$5. Info: 575-523-4847.

**Cancer support group meets at UUMC**

From 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at University United Methodist Church, 2000 S. Locust St. Cancer Care, a support group for those dealing with cancer, (patients, survivors, caregivers, family and friends) meets. Info: Betty Harris at 575-524-3994 or the church office at 575-522-8220.

**Alzheimer's and dementia support group meets**

At 11:30 a.m. every Thursday, Arbors of Del Rey Assisted Living Community holds a support meeting at Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. Arbors of Del Rey experts offer

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**NMSU offers free Lamaze classes**

From 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Mondays, Oct. 10 to Nov. 28 in the College of Health and Social Services building, the New Mexico State University School of Nursing offers six-week Lamaze childbirth preparation classes for free to pregnant women in their sixth to eighth month of pregnancy. Participants must be 24 to 32 weeks pregnant by the first class. Info: Martha Morales at 575-646-8089 or moralest@nmsu.edu.

**Tesoro Integrative Health Center yoga classes**

At 10 a.m. Monday/Wednesday/Friday is Gentle Yoga; 7:15 a.m. Tuesday and 8:30 a.m. Saturday is Kundalini Yoga; 6:15 Tuesday/Thursday, 10 a.m. Saturday is Hatha Yoga; 6:15 Monday/Wednesday is Gentle Yoga at Tesoro Integrative Health Center, 1605 S. Main St. Walk-ins welcome. Drop-in fee is \$7; five classes for \$30; and 10 for \$60. Info: 575-541-5660.

**Parkinson's Support Group meets third Tuesday**

At 10 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Senior Circle, 4311 E. Lohman Ave. the Parkinson's disease Support Group of Southern New Mexico (PDSGSNM) meets.

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

From 4:30 to 6 p.m. the first Thursday of each month in the Social Center Creative Arts Room at Good Samaritan Society Las Cruces Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle, join a multiple sclerosis support/education group. Date, time and location are subject to change. Info/RSVP: 575-373-5130 or lascrucesms-selfhelp@gmail.com.

**Immunizations available at Dept. of Health**

The New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Central Public Health Office at 1170 N. Solano Drive provides immunization services for children (0-18 years of age) on Monday mornings, Wednesdays and Fridays. Info: 575-528-5006.

**Breast cancer support group at MMC**

From 10 to 11:30 a.m. on the fourth Saturday of each month at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., in the Annex Bldg., located west of the main hospital entrance the Breast Cancer Support Group of the Community Foundation of Southern NM meets. No pre-registration required and the event is free. Info: 575-524-4373.

**Birth, death certificates available at Public Health Office**

From 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mon-

day through Friday, the Vital Records Office at the Las Cruces Public Health Office, 1170 N. Solano Dr. is available for registering and acquiring birth or death certificates. Closed noon to 1 p.m. for lunch. Info: 575-528-5046.

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## Falls are the leading cause of ER visits, hospitalizations for 65 and older

By **DAVID MORGAN**

For the Bulletin

Governor Susanna Martinez, in partnership with the New Mexico Department of Health, New Mexico Adult Fall Prevention Coalition, the Healthy Aging Collaborative, and Aging and Long Term Services Department, are working together to raise awareness that older adult falls are not a normal part of aging and many falls are preventable.

Falls are the leading cause of emergency room visits, hospitalizations and injury-related deaths for New Mexico residents 65 and older.

Martinez declared September 22, the first day of fall, as statewide Fall Prevention Awareness Day. New Mexico residents are urged to support fall prevention strategies for seniors such as: regular exercise, professional eye examinations, an adequate level of Vitamin D (specifically found to reduce the risk of falls) a medication review with their health care provider and home safety improvements.

Nationally, one out of three seniors age 65 and older will experience a fall — that's 12 million people in the U.S.

## Munson Center under construction to add solar power

The City of Las Cruces is installing a 122KW solar photovoltaic system in the parking area of Munson Center, 975

S. Mesquite St., from Friday, Sept. 30 through Friday, Oct. 21. The north parking area will be fenced off during construction.

There should be no interruption of scheduled services. Sun Power by Positive Energy Solar is the contractor for this project.

For more questions about programs and services, contact Recreation Facility Manager Michael Garcia at 575-541-2005.

## ACADEMY FOR LEARNING IN RETIREMENT FALL 2016 SCHEDULE

### October

"Art in Las Cruces: History, Opportunity, and Practice"  
Presented by Bob Diven  
Where does a symphony or orchestra come from? How is a ballet company born? Who first assembles the boards of a community theater stage? Las Cruces is home to vibrant and vital arts organizations that have surprisingly deep histories.

Join Las Cruces' own Renaissance Man, artist, writer and performer Bob Diven, as he

reveals the personalities behind the arts in our community through a mix of lecture and filmed interviews. Bob's nearly 35 years of experience as a musician, composer, performer, actor, playwright, painter, sculptor, and designer make him an ideal guide to the arts world of our city.  
All classes meet at 10 a.m. for registration and snacks. Lectures start at 10:30 and run until noon.

Tuesday Oct. 18: Music  
Thursday, Oct. 20: Theater

Tuesday, Oct. 24: Dance and the Visual Arts  
Thursday, Oct. 27: Diary of a New Mexico Artist

### November

"Leaders Reflect"  
By Delano Lewis, Former U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa  
All classes meet at 10 a.m. for registration and snacks. Lectures start at 10:30 and run until noon.

Monday, Nov. 7: The role of Mentors, Family, & Friends in

my Career

Wednesday, Nov. 9: Why participation in Civil Society Matters- A Reflection on Politics in America  
By Dr. Dan Howard Executive Vice President and Provost NMSU  
Thursday, Nov. 17: Higher Education in the United States  
Tuesday, Nov. 22: Higher Education in New Mexico

### December

"The United States National Parks (100th Anniversary

Year)"

Coordinated by Dr. Jon Hunner  
All classes meet at 10 a.m. for registration and snacks. Lectures start at 10:30 and run until noon.  
Tuesday, Dec. 6: The Origins of the National Park idea and the National Park Service  
Dr. Peter Kopp, assistant professor and director of public history, NMSU  
Thursday, Dec. 8: The National Park Service at 100: It's About More Than Parks  
Dr. Dwight T. Pitcaithley, former

chief of historian for the National Parks Service  
Tuesday, Dec. 13: Animal life in the Yosemite: Inspiring young people to work in National Parks  
Dr. Carol Campbell – associate professor, biogeographer, dept. of geography, NMSU  
Thursday, Dec. 15: Traveling the Parks in the Centenary Year  
Dr. Jon Hunner, professor, dept. of history, NMSU  
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# Ags host Cajuns in homecoming clash

## BULLETIN REPORT

The Aggies are hoping for some home cooking.

New Mexico State University's football team has given up 114 points in the past two games – a 62-42 loss at Kentucky and a 52-7 defeat to Troy.

Now, with a homecoming crowd on hand, NMSU (1-3 overall, 0-1 Sun Belt) will tangle with Louisiana-Lafayette at 6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1 in Aggie Memorial Stadium.

Against Troy, the Aggies were able to amass 539 yards of total offense with 445 yards in the air, yet were able to score just a single touchdown.

Tyler Rogers led the Aggies offensively with 29 completions on 54 attempts. In all, Rogers tied a career-high with 445 yards and one touchdown in the air. Last year's leading rusher, Larry Rose III, amassed 56 rushing yards in his 2016 debut.

After capturing a 37-34 victory against the Ragin' Cajuns on Nov. 21, 2015, NM State holds a 4-6 all-time record against ULM. During that game, Rose III used 191 rushing yards to break the all-time single season rushing record for the Aggies. Andrew Allen led the team with 243 passing yards and four touchdowns on 13-of-31 passes just hours after holding a memorial service for his father, a sheriff who was killed in the line of duty.

UL Lafayette is 2-2 this season after falling



## UL-Lafayette at NMSU

KICKOFF: 6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 1

WHERE: Aggie Memorial Stadium

RADIO: 99.5 FM

Fans in the student section at Aggie Memorial Stadium celebrate the NMSU football team's 32-31 victory against rival New Mexico, Saturday, Sept. 10. NMSU returns home for a its homecoming game against the University of Louisiana-Lafayette Saturday, Oct. 1.

BULLETIN PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER BELARDE

41-39 to Tulane in a four-overtime contest in New Orleans. Quarterback Anthony Jennings led the Cajuns offensively with 240 passing yards and two touchdowns on 19-of-39 completions. Elijah McGuire amassed 89 rushing yards with two touchdowns and 48 passing yards and a score. McGuire chipped in a one-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter to knot the game at 16-16 and force overtime.

McGuire has amassed

497 rushing yards and three touchdowns on 94 attempts this season. Jennings leads the team with 852 passing yards and seven touchdowns. The quarterback has completed 73 passes with four interceptions on 118 attempts. Defensively, Travis Crawford and Tre'maine Lightfoot both have 35 tackles, while Otha Peters has amassed 30 tackles.

For more information on homecoming and a list of events for the week,

visit <http://asnmsu.nmsu.edu/events/>.

## Notes

- With 445 yards tonight against Troy, **Tyler Rogers** is now sixth on the all-time list for total offense with 5,275. The senior quarterback surpassed Jamie McAllister (1979-82, 4,890 yards) in the second series of the game when he connected with OJ Clark on a 23-yard laser.

- **Rogers** also moved up to No. 4 on the all-time

completions list with 29 completions tonight at Troy and pushes his total to 423. He first passed Buck Pierce (2001-04, 397) on the completion to Clark in the second series of the first quarter.

- **Izaiah Lottie** finished with 5 receptions for 71 yards, a new season-high for the redshirt freshman. His 13-yards reception from Rogers was the first touchdown for the Denver native as an Aggie.

- **Xavier Hall's** three receptions for 45 yards

Saturday night is a new career-high for the Las Cruces native.

- **Clayton Granch's** 37-yard reception in the third quarter was a new career-high for the senior.

- **Dalton Herrington** finished with 13 tackles, one shy of tying his career-high of 14 – which he has done twice (last coming against Idaho on Oct. 18, 2014)

- **Tymon Locklin** tallied a season and career-high eight tackles, five of which were solo.

# 'The King' brought golf into modern world

**A**rnold Palmer, who was followed and beloved by tens of millions of sports fans known as "Arnie's Army," died Sunday, Sept. 25, at age 87 of complications from heart problems.

Growing up the oldest of four children in rural Latrobe, Pennsylvania, just east of Pittsburgh, Palmer was the son of a greens superintendent and club pro at Latrobe Country Club. There he rode on the tractor with his father, Deacon ("Deke") Palmer, who taught him to play golf with a singularly self-styled and slashingly powerful swing, and would be adored the world over as the common man's pro.

Deacon also taught him manners, approachability and respect, among other values, which were his lifelong endearing qualities, and sadly lacking in many of today's superstars.

Palmer attended Wake Forest University (then College) on a golf scholarship where he was a top player before leaving



**CHARLIE BLANCHARD**

Golf Doctor

school and enlisting in the U.S. Coast Guard, where he served for three years. Back working on his game, he managed to win the 1954 U.S. Amateur Championship, and turned pro a few months later. Upon grasping how uncommon a talent his son possessed, Deacon Palmer cautioned Arnie, "Don't tell them how good you are – show them."

He did.

His first pro tour tournament win came at the Canadian Open in 1955. But it was in 1960 at the Masters in Augusta, Georgia, that the phrase "Arnie's Army" took hold when soldiers from nearby Camp Gordon followed Palmer. In 1959 businessman Mark McCormack contracted with Palmer, who (absent social media) now was wildly growing in popu-



PALMER

larity, that created International Management Group, which promoted, booked and got endorsements for Palmer, who was IMG's only client.

This was truly the confluence of a charismatic sports hero and the emergence of a video form of sports entertainment that brought golf into millions of living rooms via television. It was the "perfect sports marketing storm" that launched golf from a staid, lace curtain, uppity game to one that appealed to the masses.

TV was the tool.

"Television and Palmer took over golf simultaneously," sportswriter Jim Murray once wrote. McCormack said that Palmer was the very first athlete to become "a million dollar business."

Boy was he right!

Then in 1995 he used his media brilliance as co-founder of the Golf Channel for 24 hour golf TV. "There would be no modern-day PGA Tour without Arnold Palmer," said Tim Finchem a few days ago.

All in all, Palmer had 63 tour wins including seven majors, with more than 90 professional wins worldwide. Other than his four Masters Green Jackets Championships, perhaps Palmer is most remembered for his late charge in the 1960 U.S. Open at Cherry Hills to win from being seven shots down starting the final round. Shooting 65 that

round he would hold off Ben Hogan and an up-and-coming golden blond amateur from Ohio named Jack Nicklaus. His go-for-broke, risk-taking style endeared him to his fans and won lots of trophies and money, but it also let him down a few times, such as blowing a 7 shot lead with 9 to play when he lost the 1966 U.S. Open. He later said that losing was a valuable lesson, that the sun came up the next morning and he was alive.

If one goes through Arnold Palmer's sports and personal history it is strikingly evident that he became a fan favorite and "The King" of golf in the modern era not just due to his success as a golfer, but because he was a philanthropist, tireless promoter of the game, visionary businessman and more than anything a gentleman, a sportsman and universally acclaimed nice guy. He was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2004 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 2009, both recognizing his humanitarian accomplishments and contributions. Let me urge golfers and non-golfers alike to go online and read some about this incredible gentleman. If you have a golf library, like I do, a must have is "Arnold Palmer: Memories, Stories and Memorabilia from a Life On and Off the Course."

The King is dead. Long live the King. Who will it be, or not be.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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**Hannah Nunley** is a 17-year-old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School. She plays outside hitter on the Lady Blazers volleyball team. Nunley's hitting percentage is .348; she is ranked no. 1 in New Mexico Class 2A Standings for hitting, no. 1 in kills with 116 kills, so far this season, no. 4 in service aces with 21 and no. 1 in digs with 104. She has a passion for volleyball and plays offense and defense well. Nunley utilizes her knowledge of the game to fuel her exemplary skill and determination to win. She sets the example for improvement of herself and her team. Nunley has grown tremendously this season. She is also an exemplary student, with a 4.0 GPA and outside of school and volleyball, enjoys reading, playing the piano and watching Netflix.



**Tyler Franzoy** is an 18-year-old senior at Mesilla Valley Christian School and plays running back and outside linebacker for the Son Blazers football team. In three games played, he has 326 yards rushing, four touchdowns rushing, 132 yards receiving, two touchdowns and on defense has 42 total tackles. Franzoy is disciplined, humble and detail-oriented. His coach is honored to coach Franzoy. He is a great leader who only wants the best for his team. Outside of football, Franzoy enjoys hunting, fishing and anything that has to do with the outdoors.



MESILLA VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

# Friday night football



The Oñate and Mayfield High football teams clash at 7 p.m., Friday, Sept. 30, at the Field of Dreams in a district showdown. Centennial High goes on the road Friday to tangle with Carlsbad. Mesilla Valley Christian plays host to Tatum.

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