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Bear in the Air

Smokey Bear gets in a few hops across the dunes despite some wind challenges Sunday, Sept. 18, at the White Sands National Monument. More than 2,000 people showed up to see a variety of different balloonists take to the air in the 25th annual White Sands International Balloon Invitational. In addition to New Mexico, there were pilots and balloons from Arizona, Texas, Florida and Missouri.

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Commission sets busy autumn schedule

The Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners is gearing up for a busy autumn, with alternating work sessions and regular meetings scheduled every Tuesday of both the months of October and November. The schedule is as follows, and is subject to change.

Oct. 4 – Work session devoted to the Doña Ana County Strategic Plan. The commissioners will get an update on the plan's development and status, and they are expected to give staff direction about how they would like to see it updated.

Oct. 11 – Work session devoted to rural transit issues, which will include an update on the current status of the program, as well as a discussion about plans for development and/or expansion of the service. The commissioners also will hear a staff presentation comparing Doña Ana County's rural transit system to those of other areas.

Oct. 12 – Regular meeting. Agenda to be announced on Oct. 7.

Oct. 18 – Work session devoted to behavioral health issues in Doña Ana County, including a discussion

about the future of the Crisis Triage Center and the presentation of the feasibility status for a southern New Mexico mental-health hospital. Also on the draft agenda is a discussion about other counties' requests for Doña Ana County to hold their detainees who have mental illnesses.

Oct. 25 – Regular meeting. Agenda to be announced on Oct. 21.

Nov. 1 – Work session devoted to a staffing plan for Doña Ana County, including a presentation about current departmental staffing, organizational structure and succession planning. There also will be a presentation regarding what it would take to move Doña Ana County employees into the 40th percentile of regional pay equity.

Nov. 8 – Regular meeting. Agenda to be announced on Nov. 4.

Nov. 15 – Work session devoted to policy on fleet management, with input by the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, the Doña Ana County Fleet Department and Doña Ana County Manager Julia T. Brown,

followed by a discussion among the commissioners.

Nov. 22 – Regular meeting. Agenda to be announced on Nov. 18.

Nov. 29 – Post-election work session devoted to roads in Doña Ana County, including discussions about the county's road inventory, major roads projects and community development as it relates to road issues.

Dec. 6 – Work session for incoming commissioners to sit with the current Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners for a discussion about various committees to which individual commissioners are appointed each January, as well as the responsibilities each appointment entails.

Dec. 13 – Regular meeting. Agenda to be announced on Dec. 8.

All meetings will be held in the Commission Chambers of the Doña Ana County Government Center, and all are open to the public. All regular meetings and work sessions will be streamed live on the Doña Ana County website. Unless otherwise noticed in advance, each meeting will begin at 9 a.m.

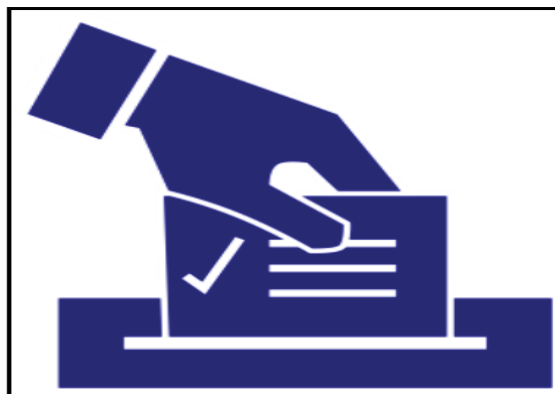
Seven high schools targeted for voter-registration drive

In celebration of National Voter Registration Day, Sept. 27, the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office has organized a voter-registration drive for students, teachers and parents at seven area high schools.

The voter-registration drive is scheduled Sept. 26-30, and is a project of the Election Advisory Council, which was created by Chief Deputy Clerk Scott Krahling to increase access to voting in Dona Ana County.

"We want everyone to vote in every election," Krahling said, "and we believe that encouraging youth to vote by the age of 18 is essential to developing lifetime voting habits that will increase participation in voting."

Teachers and administrators were central to planning the voter-registration drive. Some schools will encourage registration by conducting mock debates and elections at open house for parents, or by having a set time during planning periods and lunch.



More than 400 students, parents and teachers registered to vote at local high schools during the Primary Election as part of the outreach program implemented earlier this year.

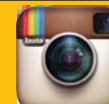
"Taking registration directly to people in our community has been a success," Krahling said, "and we will continue to be proactive in educating and informing voters throughout the county."

In addition to the voter-registration drive, a proclamation designating National Voter Registration Day will be read at the Sept. 27 meeting of the Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners.

Other voter-registration events are being planned in advance of the Oct. 11 deadline to register in advance of the Nov. 8 General Elections.

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Former U.S. Sen. says treat mental illness like all other illnesses

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

As a long-time advocate for people who suffer from mental illness, former U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., helped to “make life a little bit easier for those who are on the margins of life, particularly those suffering from brain illness,” said former U.S. Representative Patrick Kennedy, D-Rhode Island on Thursday afternoon, Sept. 15, as he closed the Domenici Conference.

By hosting a policy forum focused on mental

health issues, Kennedy said, Domenici is “bringing the national stage back here to his home.”

Kennedy, the son of the late U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Massachusetts, called the Mental Health Act of 2008 which Sens. Domenici and Kennedy (after the death of original co-sponsor Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minnesota) co-sponsored, a “modern-day medical civil rights bill.”

The bill was co-sponsored in the U.S. House of Representatives by Reps. Patrick Kennedy and James Ramstad, R-



PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

Former U.S. Rep. Patrick Kennedy spoke Thursday Sept. 15 to close the Domenici Conference.

Minnesota. It was signed into law by President George W. Bush.

“Not only was it a policy issue, it was a personal issue,” Kennedy said, who said his mother was an alcoholic and suffered from a mood disorder. His grandmother died as a result of alcoholism,

and his father suffered from post-traumatic stress disorder after “watching his brothers violently murdered, not just once, but twice. When I grew up, there were bullet-proof vests in every closet,” he said. Edward Kennedy also

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Domenici Public Policy Conference focuses on mental health issues

Author, educator, advocate: ‘I’m here because I’m a mom’

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

“The most important reason I’m here today is I’m a mom,” author and educator Liza Long said on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 15, as she opened the Domenici Public Policy Conference’s discussion on mental health issues.

A mother of four

and a doctoral candidate in organizational leadership in Boise, Idaho, Long is the author of “The Price of Silence: A Mother’s

Perspective on Mental Illness.”

Long had struggled raising her son, Eric, now 16, with his multiple hospitaliza-

tions and trips to

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City council funds public safety software program

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

At its Monday, Sept. 19 regular meeting, the Las Cruces City Council approved a payment of almost \$946,000 as its share of a new integrated public safety software system that will serve law enforcement throughout Doña Ana County.

The city and county will share the system, which will include field reporting messaging, warrants, arrest/book-ing, training, evidence and property management, court orders and other features, Las Cruces Police Chief Jaime Montoya told the council.

“This is going to help public safety,” Montoya said.

The city and county have been working on an integrated public safety software system upgrade for about six years, he said.

“My heart is in this because this is one of my bucket-list items,” the chief said.

“This is a large step forward for your department,” Councillor Gill Sorg told Montoya.

“This is long overdue and well-deserved,” Interim City Manager David Dollahon said.

The county will own the system, Dollahon said, and will transfer it to the Mesilla Valley Regional Dispatch Authority.

Las Cruces City Council will vote Oct. 3 on hiring new city manager

Mayor Pro-Tem raises questions about procedure

BULLETIN REPORT

Meeting in closed session on Monday, Sept. 19, the Las Cruces City Council selected Stuart Ed of El Paso as Las Cruces' next city manager, according to a Sept. 19 news release from the city.

In a Sept. 19 email, however, Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith said the news release was “not entirely accurate.”

“No vote on the city manager can be taken in a closed meeting,” Smith said. “That vote will occur at a regular (and open) city council meeting on October 3.”

In a Sept. 20 telephone conversation, Mayor Ken Miyagishima said the news release, which

he approved, “could have been worded better.” But, he said, “We have complied with the Open Meetings Act. The City of Las Cruces prides itself on being an extremely transparent organization.”

Under the Open Meetings Act, the mayor said, “we are allowed to discuss the qualifications (of city manager candidates) in closed session. We just have to vote in public session,” which he confirmed the council will do at its Oct. 3 regular meeting.

At the Sept. 19 closed meeting, the council discussed candidates for city manager and decided to make an offer to Ed (whose last name is pronounced “eed,” with a long “e” as in “deed”). If that offer is accepted, the council will then vote to hire him at the Oct. 3 meeting, the mayor said.

City attorney William R. Babington, Jr. responded to the Bulletin's request to clarify the correct procedure for appointing a city manager with the following statement:

“At a closed session of the Las Cruces City Council Sept. 19, final interviews were held with Mr. Stuart Ed and Mr. Dan Biles. After deliberations by Council, there was a general consensus that Stuart Ed should be offered the position of City Manager. While the Open Meetings Act allows for such deliberations in a closed session, there is a requirement that all final actions taken on personnel matters are announced publicly and the position of each council member

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DIRECTIONS

For the steaks: In a large bowl, whisk together buttermilk, eggs and Worcestershire sauce and set aside. In a separate bowl combine flour, cornstarch, salt, garlic powder, pepper and cayenne and set aside.

Add oil to frying pan and set to medium-high heat.

Dip steaks into buttermilk mixture, then dip into flour mixture making sure to coat each side. Once coated place steaks into oil. Fry on each side until golden brown, approximately 3-4 minutes for each side.

For the gravy: Add 1/4 cup of steak drippings to sauté pan over medium heat. Add in onions and garlic and let simmer for 2 minutes. Whisk in flour to create a roux and cook until browned. Stir in milk and chicken stock and bring to boil. Lower heat and let simmer until gravy thickens.



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Judge advocates to end criminalization of mental illness

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Up to 360,000 people who are mentally ill are in jail in the United States “on any given day,” Miami-Dade County Judge Steven Leifman said at the Domenici Conference.

More than double that number are under correctional supervision, he said, and 40 percent of all people with mental illness will come into contact with the criminal justice system.

It costs \$70 billion a year to incarcerate them, Leifman said, and it is a “shameful American tragedy.”

The Miami-Dade County jail was a perfect example, he said. It housed five times as many people with mental illness as any psychiatric facility in the area. The ninth floor of the jail, where the mentally ill were housed, was referred to as “the forgotten floor,” Leifman said.

More than one-third of the jail’s inmates were on anti-psychotic medication, he said.

And, the issue is “a national crisis as well,” Leifman said. America’s laws dealing with the mentally ill are “antiquated” and “fragmented,” he said, and the criminal justice system is “a silent system that just tortured and brutalized.”

“When it comes to mental health, we’ve lost ground,” Leifman said. “We have failed an entire population.”

The U.S. needs at least 1.5 million beds for people

DOMENICI CONFERENCE

with serious mental illness who have been arrested, but it has only 32,000, the judge said.

“If you got arrested and had a heart attack, we’d get help for you,” he said. But not so if you are mentally ill.

After the Civil Rights Act was passed in 1964, the system, he said, “transferred responsibility (for the mentally ill) from really horrible (state) hospitals to really horrible jails.” And that has only added the “stigma” of criminality to mental illness, Leifman said.

“We should not be willing to spend more on incarceration than treatment,” he said.

Leifman said the mentally ill have better recovery rates than people suffering from heart attacks and diabetes, and they have a “lower propensity for violence than the general population.” In fact, he said, the mentally ill are “more likely to be victims.”

Miami-Dade County has greatly improved its services to the mentally ill through diversion programs and other services, Leifman said. Over a six-year period, for example, only 119 arrests were made during 50,427 calls for which law enforcement officers had received crisis intervention training to deal with the mentally ill.

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Domenici Conference always enlightens

Mental health issues receive well-deserved spotlight during event

Liza Long's young child was having tantrums that lasted for three full hours. Her arms were covered in bite marks and bruises from trying to control him.



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

Her pediatrician in Idaho said, "He's just a boy. He'll grow out of it."

That was one of many misdiagnoses Long received regarding her child for the next decade or more.

Speaking at the New Mexico State University Domenici Public Policy Conference last week, Long then uttered a sentence any parent would find chilling: "He basically didn't have a childhood."

As always, the Do-

menici Conference planners selected a vital, meaningful topic well-deserving of review in such a public policy setting.

This was the ninth year of the Domenici Conference, an active outreach arm of the Pete V. Domenici Institute, created in 2008, after he retired from his 36-year career in the U.S. Senate. How fitting this year's conference dealt with mental health issues, a keystone of Domenici's advocacy efforts on Capitol Hill.

Because the conference has grown up in Las Cruces, many locals may not realize the national importance of these events. Through the influence of Sen. Domenici and through the quality of programs the NMSU staff continues to present, backed by critical sponsorships, nationally known experts have eagerly agreed to speak. Many have made return

engagements.

Previous topics have included water, energy, national security, technology, entrepreneurship, foreign policy, immigration reform and infrastructure. During election years, the agenda includes preview and analysis, bringing such pundits as Karl Rove, James Carville, Donna Brazile and Sam Donaldson to Las Cruces. Former U.S. Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel kicked off this year's conference.

Regardless of the topic, every single session I've attended through the years has been useful, informative and educational.

The panelists asking questions of presenters are college students, not just from NMSU, but from around the state. They have prepared and learned each presenter's subject matter beforehand, assuring we get

good, thoughtful questions. It's also a great way to involve and showcase New Mexico's amazing collegians.

Conference planners do an outstanding job finding and recruiting presenters who continually amaze. They seem to all have an uncanny ability to present complicated information in a way that's understandable to academics, students and laypersons. Typically, they make the subject matter not only understandable but interesting, engaging and thought-provoking.

This year's topic, mental health, is a powerful one. Long, the aforementioned presenter, wrote a book called "The Price of Silence: A Mom's Perspective on Mental Illness." Her presentation put a face to the unseen drama millions of parents confront daily. After years of frustration, her son was finally correctly diag-

nosed and treated and, at 16, he is able to have a life, thriving in an accelerated high school.

By the time her son was 13, however, he had been to juvenile detention four times, because that was the only way for him to receive mental health-care.

"We have lots of systems in place," Long said. "But none of them are working."

Long's presentation, and those of others, including former Congressman (and son of Ted Kennedy) Patrick J. Kennedy, have helped further this important public discussion.

It is difficult to measure what Sen. Domenici did for the state of New Mexico during his tenure as a legislator. Certainly the work of the Domenici Institute, put into action with the Domenici Conferences, will only build on his important legacy.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to businesses for contributions to fundraiser

We would like to thank the following people and businesses for your generous contribution to the 4th Annual "Bow Wow Swim Luau" fundraiser held on Aug. 20: Desert Hills Pool (family & staff), Mr. Jim Wright, Kelly & Mike Barker (OpSPOT-NM), Tom Foster Morris (Musician), and Robert Nantz Land (Musician), South-

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It was a very successful event because of each of the above

donors and we are immensely grateful to all of you! This year's proceeds went to support ACTION Programs for Animals for their relentless efforts in rescuing animals from our municipal animal shelter, and operating the only pet food bank in Doña Ana County that helps to feed up to 1500 low-income client's pets per year. Thank you all!

Dee Dougil (event organizer)

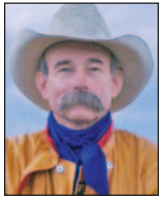
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Be deliberate

“If you’re in a hurry, be deliberate.” It always fascinated me that Charmayne James’ horse Scamper looked like he was running slower than the others, but his time was always faster!



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On the Edge of Common Sense

Was his stride longer? Was his body longer? Were his legs longer? Did it take less strides to go the same distance as the others? Or was each step done with such precision that it eliminated even the slightest misstep that would add micro-seconds to the run?

I watch with awe the rodeo calf ropers that flop the calf to the ground and tie him down with two wraps and a hooley, faster than the eye can see! They usually take the short cut on the tie and wait on pins and needles, hoping it will stay tight the required 6 seconds. However, he takes a risk by going for speed.

In real life I’ve developed the attitude that “If you’re in a hurry, be deliberate.” I don’t care whether I’m tying my horse to; a mesquite limb, a hitchin’ rail, or the side of a trailer, it’s a long walk back to the corral if you’re a’foot! So, say yer in the brush and yer pardner has a two-hundred pound calf roped around the neck bawlin’, his mama bel-lerin’ and chargin’ and all of them crashin’ back and forth! Many thoughts fly through your mind in the middle of this wreck.

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The key to me is to take the extra seconds that will prevent more problems. If during your attempt to hurry, you drop the rein, spook the horse, lose your glove or knock your hat off ... chalk up a demerit. Which causes you to mishandle the tight line, get run over by the calf, get kicked in the groin, burn your hand and drop the calf twice trying to throw him. Finally in desperation you try to imitate Alan Bach with two wraps and a hooley which comes undone as quick as you stand up.

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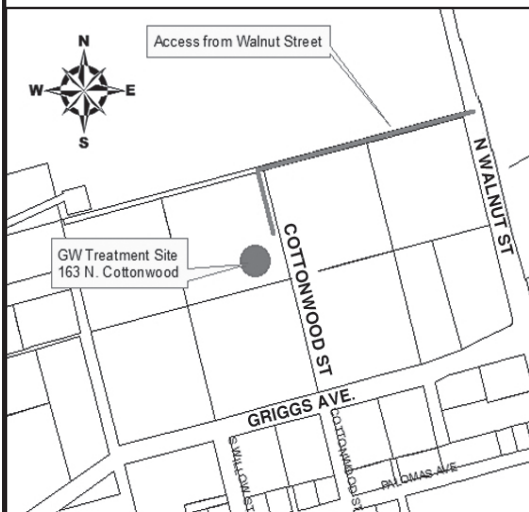
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Planned giving: The future needs you

By **COURTNEY LOPEZ**
Community Foundation
For the Bulletin

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Foundation sets ribbon cutting at new facility

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico (CFSNM) will have a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 28 as it opens the doors to its new office at 2600

El Paseo Road.

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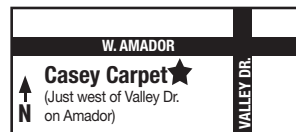
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The 'I deliberately lied' society

"When in doubt tell the truth."

— Mark Twain

Mark Twain's quote is from a long past society. In the 21st century, people seem to view truth as to be avoided always. Our society, which is connected by the media and internet, absolutely worships at the altar of in-nuendo, myth, purposeful misdirection and downright lies.

What are the three hardest words to say? Some think it is "I don't know." Others think it is "I was mistaken," which isn't heard often.

The three hardest words to say are "I deliberately lied."

Yet it happens all of the time. We're inundated in this "I deliberately lied" society where making up stuff is valued more than telling the truth. Example: this presidential campaign.

Today's conventional wisdom is that everyone should lie "if we really care about our country." They say, "I have to lie about this candidate I oppose because the opposition is lying about my candidate."

Candidates do not care if they have already been recorded saying the opposite of what they're now saying. When questioned they proclaim, "That's my story and I'm sticking to it."

Worse, with all of the data available to citizens today it is amazing that the truth suffers more in today's world than in past societies. As a lifelong historian, I have studied most of the history of our

country but I do not recognize statements currently being made about the founding and development of America.

Example: In February 2015, President Obama said, "Here in America, Islam has been woven into the fabric of our country since its founding."

That is certainly not true. A more truthful statement would be that people from many lands wove the fabric of our country during the last couple hundred years. No one nation or region, certainly no one religion, has dominated the found-

ing of our country. However, America has been served well by Protestant, Catholic and Jewish citizens.

People today confuse opinion from theory from truth. In fact, it seems opinion

is the new truth. If I say, "The sun rises in the East" I am told, "That is just your opinion since you belong to the other political party."

The great divider of our society are the two dominant political organizations: Democrats and Republicans. Both groups view truth only from their perspective. What one candidate is reported to have said is more an exercise in seeing the bias of reporters than seeing the truth.

A real truth bomb is the recent "birther" controversy. It is contained in the question: Was President Obama born in Hawaii? The media acts like it is a one-sided issue where Republicans are acting in very inappropriate ways.

The research is quick

and easy. However, it doesn't fit the political agenda so it is ignored. The birther question came into being not by Donald Trump nor Hillary Clinton.

Rather it started as a promotional booklet produced by then-literary agency Acton & Dystel celebrating the authors they at that time were representing on the 15th anniversary of the founding of their company.

On one of the 36 pages is this statement: "Barack Obama, the first African-American president of the Harvard Law Review, was born in Kenya and raised in Indonesia and Hawaii. The son of an American anthropologist and a Kenyan finance minister, he attended Columbia University and worked as a financial journalist and editor for Business International Corporation."

The next page had a description of Ralph Nader and the 1990s boy-band, New Kids On the Block.

That's where the "birther" story started. We know that some members of Hillary Clinton's 2008 campaign gave this information to the media. Mainstream Republicans repeated it then and in the eight years of Obama's presidency.

Did Donald Trump start this? No, but he could have researched it and then not repeated it. Truth has no place in the "birther" controversy since it serves the partisans on both sides. It is great for fundraising.

An old joke is: How can you tell if a politician is lying? When their lips are moving. Today: How can



MICHAEL SWICKARD

In My Opinion

SWICKARD FROM PAGE 10

you tell if the media is always lie — so expect it lying? Nowadays, they will and embrace truth.

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NMSU Library features new Domenici exhibit

Coinciding with the 2016 Domenici Public Policy Conference which occurred Sept. 16-17, the New Mexico State University Library is featuring a new exhibit of images and documents from U.S. Sen. Pete V. Domenici's papers, housed in the NMSU Library Archives and Special Collections Department.

The 2016 exhibit focuses on Domenici's work with mental health, his involvement with the USS Albuquerque and images from Domenici on the campaign trail.

The exhibit, located on the second floor of NMSU's Branson Library, highlights Domenici's work with mental healthcare reform, an issue

he took personal interest in during his 36-year career in Washington. In addition to the legislator's efforts alongside senators Paul Wellstone and Edward Kennedy, Domenici and his wife, Nancy, also worked privately to support neurological research and the study of mental and behavioral health.

Images and documents related to Domenici's efforts to improve the study and the treatment of the brain will be on display.

Also displayed will be photographs of the Domenicis at the launching and commissioning ceremonies of the USS Albuquerque, and images from Domenici's activities

related to political campaigns from the 1970s until his retirement. The display will be viewable until May of 2017.

For more information on the display or the Domenici political papers, contact NMSU Library Political Papers Archivist Adam Heien at 575-646-7711 or aheien@nmsu.edu.

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ILLNESS

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"self-medicated with alcohol," Patrick Kennedy said.

"But we never talked about it," he said. "We kind of kept our heads down and never looked up. We didn't know what to do."

Kennedy said he "succumbed to the same disease" because, both "genetically and environmentally, it ran in my family."

And, there were no screenings for mental illness during his doctor visits as a child, he said, noting that he first entered treatment at age 17.

"Too many of our fellow Americans are dying because we fail to treat this illness like any other illness," he said. "Our life expectancy is on its way down for one single reason," Kennedy said — the increasing number of suicides nationwide. And, the 41,000 drug overdoses that occur every year in the United States are

'Too many of our fellow Americans are dying because we fail to treat this illness like any other illness.'

FORMER U.S. REP. PATRICK KENNEDY, D-RHODE ISLAND

additional "successfully completed suicides," he said.

It's a "public health epidemic (for) in- or out-patients and in or out of the system," Kennedy said. The result is millions "sleeping on the street, languishing in our jails."

"No one should be incarcerated without treatment if they are mentally ill," he said. That constitutes a violation of his or her civil

rights and is cruel and unusual punishment.

Early intervention is crucial to dealing with mental illness, Kennedy said. "We have to intervene right away."

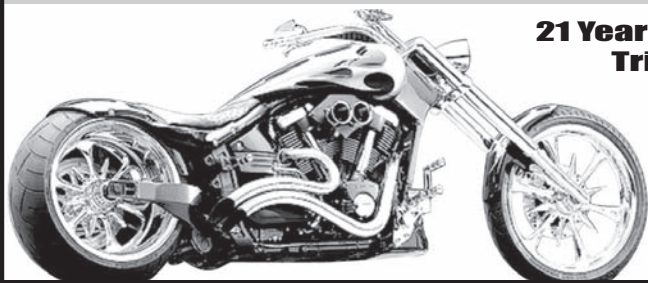
"Our current health system is illiterate when it comes to mental health," he said. And the fault lies not just with insurers, Kennedy said. "Providers are not being responsible for the delivery of evidence-based medicine. The services you provide need to be up to par."

"Let us ... become stewards of mental health," Kennedy said, so that it is considered part of the American health care system and "not separate and unequal."

Kennedy said he hopes his four children "grow up and don't know the difference between health care and mental health care because they're the same."

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BLACK

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The public is invited to a free question and answer forum for several of the candidates in the upcoming election.

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Invitations have been extended to the following candidates, who are running in all the districts which include our member groups: U.S. House of Representatives incumbent Steve Pearce-R and Merrie Lee Soules-D; N.M.

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Levatino-R; Dist. 38 incumbent Mary Kay Papen-D and Charles Wendler-R; N.M. State Representative Dist. 35 Angelica Rubio-D and Joseph Bishop-R; Dist. 37 incumbent Terry McMillen-D and Joanne Ferrary-D.

Each candidate will be asked four questions, provided in advance, designed to elicit useful information.

Answers will be discussed with the audience. Due to time constraints, taking questions from the audience won't be feasible. Coffee and juice will be provided. Info: 575-993-8496.

It's official: Plaza de Las Cruces is the pulsing heart of the city

The new splash pad and Plaza de Las Cruces were dedicated at a day-long celebration on Saturday, Sept. 17 with a parade, music, dance and a ceremony.



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Ollie the dog refuses to succumb to the dog days of summer.



The Aggie Pride Band fills the air with music during the parade.

City model-airplane airport, archery range going strong

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The city's new model-airplane airport and archery range are located at the Las Cruces Foot-hills Landfill, 545 S. Sonoma Ranch Blvd.

Both facilities were constructed by staff from the city Parks and Recreation and Solid Waste departments, said city Parks Administrator Tim Fulton, and were opened to the public last spring.

"The facility has shaded work benches and bleacher seating for spectators, along with "an elec-

tric charging station that is 100 percent solar powered," he said.

The model-airplane airport "has two runways that are 100 feet wide and 600 feet long," Fulton said.

"Members of the Mesilla Valley Model Airplane Club provided input for the facility design (and) provided assistance in developing rules and policies for the facility," Fulton said. Club members also conducted a model-airplane demonstration when the facility opened in April.

Fulton said the archery range has more than 20 stationary tar-

gets made of recycled material that range from 10 to more than 60 yards in distance.

"The airport facility is equipped with stations that can be accessed by individuals in wheelchairs," Fulton said. It also has portable toilets and ample parking.

City construction crews had to be innovative "in erecting and stabilizing all the standing structures at both facilities, since federal regulations prohibit any excavation at landfills," Fulton said. "Thanks to the efforts of several local agencies, the Las Cruces community has

repurposed what was once a landfill into a brand new flying field, and the results are beautiful," said AMA Air in a recent issue (<http://air.modelaircraft.org/3874-2/>).

"Shade shelters, seating, work stations and storage facilities all had to be surface mounted and constructed" so they could withstand winds of up to 100 miles an hour, he said.

"Both facilities make creative use of a landfill facility and provide community members with much needed recreational space," Fulton said. "The concept for the facilities was gener-

ated from the public. City staff collaborated to use the landfill since it was a large space with potential recreational use."

The archery range and model airplane airport are open to the public the same hours as the landfill: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. For information, call the city Parks and Recreation Department front desk at 575-541-2550. Call the landfill for directions and other information at 575-528-3678. Visit the Mesilla Valley Model Airplane Club website at www.mvmac.org.

Community immigration public forum is slated for Sept. 29

BULLETIN REPORT

A coalition of nonprofit organizations and concerned citizens have organized a community forum to address the issues and legalities of immigration, its local economic effects and the different moral views surrounding the topic. The forum is open to the public and will take place from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, in the Las Cruces City Council Chambers, 700 N. Main St.

This forum is an opportunity to address the misconceptions, questions and concerns community members have about immigrants and immigration policies. Guest speakers include Anna L. Hey, immigration attorney with Catholic Charities of Southern New Mexico; Kelly H. Burnham, retired United States attorney; Nancy A. Oretskin, co-founder of Southwest Asylum & Migration Institute; Jaime R. Montoya, Las Cruces

chief of police; Molly Molloy, Frontera List reporter; Chris Benoit, attorney at The Law Office of Lynn Coyle, PPLC; Most Reverend Ricardo Ramirez, bishop emeritus of Las Cruces; Pastor Jared Carson, senior pastor at Peace Lutheran Church; Rabbi Larry Karol, spiritual leader at Temple Beth-El.

"More than anything, it's important to clear up the misunderstanding and confusion that have been muddled further by the political campaigns," said Ana Hey, immigra-

tion attorney for Catholic Charities. "It is important to discuss at a local level national issues that have a lot of national and international significance ... These are issues that affect New Mexico's families every single day."

Peter Ossorio, retired assistant U.S. attorney, said that "Because immigration policy is controlled by the U.S. Constitution and federal law, there is a constant challenge to provide immigrants the full rights and protections of the New Mexico Constitution. New Mexico's constitu-

tion does not discriminate individuals based on their documentation rather the constitution states that all

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MOTHER

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juvenile detention before he was finally diagnosed as bi-polar at age 13.

After the shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School on Dec. 14, 2012, that took the lives of 20 children and six staff members at the school, Long said, "something inside me snapped."

"Why was I living in shame and silence because of my child's illness?" Long said she asked herself, deciding, "It's time to talk about mental illness."

To begin with, Long told her story anonymously on a blog.

"A lot of people were responding, but I had no skin in the game," she said.

Then, at the suggestion of a friend, "I made

a decision to put my name on my family's story. I don't think I've ever felt so vulnerable in my entire life," she said. "The response was overwhelming."

"From that blog, some amazing things happened. I was admitting to myself just how bad things really were." The situation, she said, was "a moral injustice. These are our children. They are our future."

Her son's "long path to diagnosis" began when he was in kindergarten, where his nickname was "Hurricane Eric," she said. His behavior included three- to four-hour-long tantrums and about 20 hours a week of therapy.

"I don't know how I survived that period," Long said.

And she wondered how other mothers who

were coping with similar family issues managed. "What is it like if you're poor? What is it like if you don't have the advantages I had?" she said.

"I just didn't think it was fair," Long said. "I didn't think it was right. So, I became an advocate."

One in five children will have a serious mental health disorder in the United States, Long said. The number for adults is one in four, she said.

About 10 million Americans — she called them "The Four Percent"— are living with serious mental illness, including schizophrenia, bi-polar disorder and depression.

Long said she suffered from depression in college while dealing with her father's terminal

cancer and breaking up with her boyfriend. She had problems sleeping, lost her appetite and said she experienced a kind of grayness in the world around her.

With help from her family and a psychiatrist, Long got treatment. "To this day, I love therapy. Everybody should be in therapy all the time," she said. "For me, this was mental health — the system wasn't broken."

Then, Eric's neurological condition surfaced. "His brain was not making sense of the world in the same way my brain was," she said.

"At age 21, they go to prison," she said about people with mental health issues like her son. "That's discrimination. That's why this is so important. What services do we have for

those 10 million Americans who desperately need care? This little boy (her son) was facing a future of gloom and I couldn't help him," she said.

"For whatever reason, we want to blame the kids and we want to blame the moms," Long said.

Finally, at age 13, Eric was properly diagnosed as bi-polar. He began taking lithium and is now "completely stable," his mother said. He is attending an accelerated high school in Boise and is in the international baccalaureate program.

"I am not my bipolar disorder," Long quoted her son as saying. "I am Eric, and I am awesome."

"He's such a great kid," Long said. "And that's why I advocate. I advocate

for all our kids."

Long advised anyone living with mental illness to "speak up and tell your truth. You have nothing, nothing to be ashamed of," she said.

She also advised her audience to contact local, state and national legislators to advocate on behalf of mental illness.

"It's going to take all of us to solve this problem, but I believe we can do it," Long said. "It's important to go out and change the world because every child deserves a healthy, happy, productive future," she said.

Solutions include making it "comfortable for people to share their experiences," Long said, along with providing training and education to pediatricians and school teachers.

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Cowboys for Cancer Research roping contestants, left, kick up dust on Sept. 18.



Caroline Taylor and Calvin Taylor, above, made up a father/daughter roping team.



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DACC instructor Luis Rios teaches an architecture class.

DACC program awarded national recertification

Architecture and Construction Technologies Department Chair Chipper Moore received notice the curriculum of the Doña Ana Community College (DACC) Drafting & Design Technologies (D&DT) program has been certified nationally. The American Design Drafting Association (ADDA) awarded the certification through August 31, 2017.

"These certifications and accreditations earned by different programs are vital to continuing improvement at DACC," said President Renay Scott. "Our D&DT program is a great example of a department that goes the extra mile to help students in their program and to earn recertification."

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. Tutoring center services are recognized by a national certification association and the tutors participate in ongoing training throughout their employ.

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of our tutors. 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/>.

NMSU School of Social Work, La Clinica partner to help city

A lack of mental health providers in the community has allowed for the creation of a new partnership. The New Mexico State University School of Social Work and La Clinica de Familia are now working together to fill the gaps in local mental health services.

The partnership, which started this fall, consists of 30 social work students — 21 master's and 9 bachelor's level starting in the spring — working as interns at La Clinica. Olga Cabada, college associate professor and field programs director, worked with Suzan Martinez de Gonzalez and Rosario Olivera from La Clinica to develop the partnership, which includes stipends for the students and a new college faculty position.

Twenty of the students were slated to receive \$3,000 stipends for the 2016-2017 academic year until Doña Ana County Health and Human Services became aware of partnership and offered an additional \$2,000 per student.

"This project feels very significant. We haven't done anything like this in this area," she said. "La Clinica really has a lot of gaps in services and they see this as very promising. They see this as helping fill some of those needs in community. They are thinking about building capacity for the future."

"We need them (students) to have real hands-on experience," Cabada said. "This is where they integrate the knowledge and the skills that we teach them here in their field. This is where the rubber meets the road."

During the internship, students will work at least two days a week, and Cabada noted no two days will be alike.

"There's not going to be a typical day because there's going to be so many different services they are going to fill gaps for — depending on the unit they are in," she said.

Cabada said she hopes this collaboration will become a model in New Mexico to allow the state to reimburse agencies for interns.



Robert Doyle, left, and Gustavo Piña, right, help a student.

DACC instructors selected to develop curriculum for cyber security

Doña Ana Community College (DACC) instructors Robert Doyle and Gustavo Piña have been appointed as members of the National CyberWatch Center's Curriculum Standards Panel.

The ultimate goal of the Panel is to protect the United States from cyber threats and increase the reliability and effectiveness of the computing infrastructure critical to national security.

The organization is creating national standards for teaching cyber security at community colleges and universities through a grant of the National Science Foundation. CyberWatch Center is a consortium of universities, colleges, businesses, and government agencies working together to advance information security education & research and strengthen the national cybersecurity workforce.

Doyle and Piña were appointed after nomination from their peers and a review process by the National CyberWatch Center.

Doyle has been an instructor in Computer and Information Technology at DACC since 2003. Last year Doyle was also selected for the 2015 Cisco Certified Network Associate Instructor Curriculum Specialist Award for the United States and Canada.

Piña has been teaching at the community college since 2011. He has several professional certifications and was awarded as a DACC Rising Star. He also serves on the advisory board of the national cybersecurity student association.

The DACC instructors will be assigned to one or more working groups. They will participate in scheduled weekly online discussions, contribute to accomplishment of the session objectives and review final results of the sessions.

The Panel is the first of several planned initiatives from the Center to produce credentialing solutions to increase the number of capable cybersecurity professionals.

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Conversations with Democrats

At 3 p.m. Saturday Sept. 24 at Holy Family American Catholic Church, 702 Parker Road, the conversation will be "Shaping New Mexico's Future," with Maggie Toulouse Oliver, the Bernalillo County Clerk since 2007. Refreshments available.

St. Andrew's Hospitality House ribbon cutting

A ribbon cutting at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 at 518 N. Alameda Ave. will take place celebrating the completion of the church's Hospitality House, designed as a place for out-of-town families to stay while loved ones face critical hospital stays.

Roundtable on colonias Sept. 25

The development, public health challenges and opportunities within the colonias of southern Doña Ana County will be discussed by Dr. Martha Loustaunau from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 25 in the church library at Unitarian Universalist Church of Las Cruces, 2000 S. Solano. Loustaunau is a retired medical sociologist and member of the board of the Colonias Development Council.

Wounded Warrior Car Show Sunday

The Third Annual Car Show benefitting the Wounded Warrior Program will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25 at Sonoma Ranch Plaza, 141 Roadrunner Parkway. The event is free and open to the public. Info: Junior Adams at 575-644-5774.

Help raise funds for scholarships, Aggie Cupboard

The NMSU Alumni Association has partnered with three Las Cruces restaurants to host Eat for Pete fundraising nights to support student scholarships and the Aggie Cupboard. Event kicks off Monday, Sept. 26, at Buffalo Wild Wings. Present the flyer and the restaurant will donate 10 percent of the bill to NMSU.

Tuesday, Sept. 27, from 4 to 9 p.m. eat at Jason's Deli and put the receipt in the donation box; 15 percent of your bill will be given back. Wednesday, Sept. 28 at Chili's (11 a.m. until 10:30 p.m.) present the flyer and Chili's will

donate 20 percent of the bill. Info: alumni@nmsu.edu.

UDC community town hall meeting

The Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a community/town hall meeting to facilitate discussion on the new Unified Development Code from 4-5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 26 at Springhill Suites, 1611 Hickory Loop. Info: 575-524-1968 or online at www.lascruces.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 Meer-schiedt Center.

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. Enroll before Sept. 30 and receive \$50 off (Use Code 35F8E4). Scholarships available. Info: District Manager Patricia Garcia 505-307-1903 or 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.

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 2nd 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. Sept. 17—Groundcovers for Desert Gardens. Classes last 1 hour and cost \$10/

person or \$8/person for Co-Op members. Reservations requested. Reserve space at gardens@zianet.com or call 575-323-0903.

Story time, discounted shopping

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

Doña Ana County Republican Party office hours


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

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MS Support/Education group meets 1st 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 lascrucesmselfhelp@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.

Toastmaster Club meets every Wednesday

Las Cruces Toastmasters Club meetings are held: at NMSU, from 7 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday; at Good Samaritan, Community Center, Kiva Room, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Info: 575-640-8951 or email lascrucestoastmasters@gmail.com, or visit the Toastmasters

International website at www.toastmasters.org.

'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 Mountain View 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.

Quilt Guild meets 2nd Monday each month

Las Colcheras Quilt Guild meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month in the auditorium at Good Samaritan Village, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Guests are welcome at the meetings where there will be show and tell, door prizes and refreshments. Info: Linnea Egbert at 575-521-0521 or visit www.lcwg.org.

Las Cruces Civitan Club meets every month

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.

IN THE NEWS



Soccer Challenge champions honored

Eleven boys and girls from Las Cruces, ages 9 to 14 were named local

and district champions of the 2016 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge Championship Sept. 11. Left to right:

Derek Evans, Age 14 Boys; Joseph Mihecobay, Age 13 Boys; Marisol Montoya, Age 13 Girls; Brandon Beakley, Age 12 Boys; Yadira Bernal, Age 12 Girls; Maya Figueroa,

Age 11 Girls; Lucas Vallejos, Age 11 Boys; Ariana Cisneros, Age 10 Girls; Francisco Gonzalez, Age 10 Boys; Teagan Dearmond, Age 9 Girls; and Adan Venegas, Age 9 Boys.

Arrowhead Center receives grant to help small businesses

The New Mexico Federal and State Technology Partnership Program at New Mexico State University's Arrowhead Center has been awarded a \$125,000 grant from the Small Business Ad-

ministration to continue programming that offers Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer proposal development assistance to New Mexico small businesses through workshops, mentoring and micro-grant awards.

LCPS administrator to direct education MBA at NMSU

Andrea Fletcher, a veteran educational administrator who most recently served as chief academic officer for Las Cruces Public Schools, has joined the New Mexico State University College of Business as an assistant dean, and will serve as director of the Woodrow Wilson MBA Fellowship in Education Leadership Program.


Fletcher served in numerous roles during more than a decade with the Las Cruces school district, including as as-

sociate superintendent for turnaround initiatives, where she established a "Turnaround" office to provide support and accountability to some of the district's lowest-performing schools. She led 14 schools through the University of Virginia's School Turnaround Program and 10 schools through the New Mexico Public Education Department's Principals Pursuing Excellence Program.

Trump/Pence campaign material available

The Doña Ana County Republican Party has a large supply of Trump-Pence campaign material on hand at the Headquarters, 3201 S. Main Street. Yard signs, bumper stickers, window signs, etc. Hours of volunteer workers are 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Info: 575-523-8683.

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Community of Hope seeks support for Tents to Rent program

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

It's called Tents to Rent and it's Mesilla Valley Community of Hope (MVCH) Executive Director Nicole Martinez's new fundraising idea to help move residents from tents to their own homes.

The goal of the online fundraiser, which continues through the end of October, is to raise \$18,000, the equivalent of one year's rent for three current residents of Camp Hope, MVCH's

tent city for homeless people.

To donate, visit <http://tentstorents.org/> and select one of the 10 Las Cruces celebrities participating in the fundraiser.

Click on his or her name to learn more about each and to make a donation. Each one is trying to raise at least \$1,800 for the program, and every \$100 raised changes a tent to a house. Click on MVCH on the web page to make a donation.

Participating celeb-

rities include Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith, Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Carrie Hamblen, artist Meg Freyermuth, teachers Kenny and Wanda Stevens, Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office Public Information Officer Kelly Jameson, Lucretia Jones of the Las Cruces Civic Concert Association, Hett Agency President Pam Hett, financial advisor T. Michael Henderson, Las Cruces Sun-News Publisher Rynni Henderson and exter-

nators Vinni and Roonie, along with Of the Same Ilk (a local wine club) and MVCH.

If the fundraiser succeeds—it had raised about \$2,500 as of Sept. 20 — Martinez said MVCH will continue to run it.

MVCH provided housing to 661 people in 2015, Martinez said, including 142 men, 51 women and 198 children. That total included 205 veterans, she said, as Las Cruces became one of the first cities in the United States to reach “functional zero” homeless veterans.

“We make it as safe and comfortable as we can while there is a crisis situation,” she said. “That’s the human thing to do.”

Tent City is funded entirely through donations, she said, and has been so successful that other communities, including Deming, Roswell, Alamogordo and Albuquerque asked Martinez for help in setting up their own tent cities.

In Las Cruces, across the state and around the country, “underlying obstacles to housing have to do with mental health,” she said.

Even though MVCH saw “more (people) housed than ever before” in 2013, she said, the need is still a huge problem in Las Cruces.

Thanks to a recent fundraiser called Project Dignity, MVCH's Tent City now includes restrooms and showers for both men and women. There's also a garden and an outdoor oven Martinez said.

Donations needed at Tent City as cold weather approaches

With temperatures still in the 80s and 90s, it's hard for most of us to think about the coming winter months and cold weather.

But, for the homeless people living at Mesilla Valley Community of Hope's Tent City, it's a real concern. They live outside in tents on concrete blocks, and no open fires or use of propane is allowed, MVCH Executive Director Nicole Martinez said.

“We try to layer them as much as we can,” Martinez said.

With that in mind, MVCH would welcome donations of new or gently used coats, blankets, socks, gloves and

even tents, she said. Tent city residents can also use towels, shampoo and soap, along with other toiletry items, Martinez said, noting that all residents of Tent City are adults.

She said MVCH would also welcome cash donations, especially with the increased costs of operating its new bathrooms and showers.

You can take donations to 999 W. Amador Ave. Mail donations to MVCH, P.O. Box 6875, Las Cruces, N.M. 88006.

Contact Martinez at 523-2219 or hope@zianet.com. Visit www.mvcommunityofhope.org.

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Former Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel: A historic redefining and rebuilding of our new world order

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

What the United States and the rest of the world are going through right now in a geo-political sense is “a historic redefining and rebuilding of our new world order,” former U.S. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel



HAGEL

told a full house at the Las Cruces Convention Center on Wednesday, Sept. 14, as he opened the ninth annual Domenici Policy Institute.

Speaking about national security and

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defense, Hagel said the post-World War II world order, created during the Truman and Eisenhower administrations, saw the “complete dominance” of the U.S. in world affairs. By any measure, any standard, “the U.S. has been by itself,” said Hagel, who represented Nebraska in the U.S. Senate from 1996 to 2008.

That current world order is built on “alliances, common interest and trade,” said Hagel.

“That now has shifted (and) parts of it have

eroded” and become irrelevant. “We’re seeing this great transition now into a new world order” that includes an “unprecedented diffusion of economic power” across the world. That has led some to the “wrong conclusion that somehow America has become weaker,” he said.

The truth is that other countries have grown and prospered, just as the U.S. and its allies intended when they began a worldwide rebuilding effort at the end of the second world war.

At the same time, “a new political order is being built in this country,” Hagel said.

“Whoever is the next

president of the country has got a lot of big issues to deal with,” he said.

They include national security issues across the world and their related “uncontrollables,” such as North Korea, the terrorist group ISIS and the emergence of China as a major world power.

“The world has become much more dangerous, complicated, interconnected and combustible,” Hagel said. “The likelihood of something (happening) that would spark a major conflict is very real.”

Hagel cited Russia and China conducting joint naval exercises in the South China Sea for the first time in history as an

example.

“The world depends on American leadership,” he said, adding that “there’s no blueprint.”

And, while America has made mistakes in the past, “I am not one who is in great despair,” Hagel said.

The former chairman of the President’s Intelligence Advisory Board said he is “offended by what’s going on in both political parties,” and said he blames both the White House and Congress.

“We’re better than this,” Hagel said.

At the same time, he said, the U.S. has “an amazing capacity to self-correct.”

“It’s easy to despair” about the current political situation in the U.S., he said, but “we will come through it.”

Hagel, the first defense secretary in American history who was a Vietnam veteran and the first who was an enlisted combat veteran, was stationed at White Sands for four months in 1967, he said, and received his basic training at Fort Bliss in El Paso.

Hagel said he “learned to be a United States senator from Pete Domenici,” who was elected to the Senate from New Mexico in 1972. The two are both Republicans who retired from the Senate in 2008.

STUDENTS

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well-paying jobs.”

The UAS Roadshow, which is a collaboration between NMSU’s PSL, PSL’s Flight Test Center and the STEM Outreach Center in the College of Education, will

feature multiple stations to provide students with hands-on experience.

Stations will include aviation education that explains how a UAS flies, subsystems of UAS and unmanned aircraft vehicles and how UAS are used; UAS display of NMSU’s aircraft; flight simulators; UAS flight demon-

stration by NMSU pilots and local Mesilla Valley Model Airplane Club pilots; student flight demonstration where selected students will have the opportunity to conduct a flight of a small UAS; and the event will conclude with information on FAA careers and safety.

In 2015, NMSU became a

core member-university on the Alliance for System Safety of UAS through Research Excellence (ASSURE) that operates an FAA National Center of Excellence for Unmanned Aircraft Systems.

“STEM programs are the foundation of the future of American competitiveness in a global economy, and the AS-

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Dan Sosa Jr.

On Sunday, September 4, 2016, New Mexico lost one of her best loved native sons. Dan Sosa Jr. passed peacefully from this life in the same house where he was born 92 years earlier. His wife Rita was at his side, just as she had been for over 66 years.

Dan was born in Las Cruces on November 12, 1923, to Dan Sosa Sr. and Margarita Soto Sosa. He attended Lucero elementary and Central elementary. Dan graduated from Las Cruces Union High in 1941 and was a member of the first basketball team from Las Cruces to win the state championship. Following high school he attended New Mexico A & M, as NMSU was known at the time. His

studies were interrupted by the December 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor. In response to the attack Dan immediately enlisted in the United States Armed Forces. He served with distinction in the 8th Army Air Corps as a bombardier/ navigator on a B-24 Liberator. Dan survived a crash landing on Normandy beach under enemy fire and after completing 35 successful combat missions over Nazi occupied Europe he left the military with the rank of Lieutenant.

Following his service, Dan returned to school in Las Cruces, graduated with a B.A. in Business from New Mexico A & M. He taught school at Mesilla Elementary where he is known to a generation of Mesilleros as their teacher and coach.

Dan continued his education at the University of New Mexico School of Law. It was during law school, Dan met Rita Ortiz of Santa Fe and the two fell in love and married. Dan was in the second graduating class of the Law School. Following graduation the young couple returned to Las Cruces where they reared their seven children. Over the years Dan practiced

law in various capacities. He served as Municipal Judge in Las Cruces, and for eight years as District Attorney for the Counties of Dona Ana, Otero and Lincoln. Dan then entered the private practice of law with his partners, Lalo Garza and Glenn Neumeyer.

Justice Sosa was a charter member of "Los Pastores del Valle de Mesilla," established in 1961, a liturgical drama presenting the Biblical Story of our Savior's birth. His role as Lucifer, "El Diablo" will be a memory for many.

In 1975, Dan was appointed by then Governor Jerry Apodaca, to the New Mexico Supreme Court. Dan was one of the longest serving justice of the New Mexico Supreme Court, and until recently was the longest serving Hispanic justice having served seventeen years from 1975, until he left the courts as Chief Justice in 1991. Through his career in the law and his service to others, Justice Sosa shaped the law in New Mexico and inspired generations of young people to become lawyers and judges. His legal opinions and his legacy in the law will live on for years to come.

Following retirement Dan and Rita returned to Las Cruces. For the next several years on Friday nights during football season Dan and sometimes Rita could be found on the fifty yard line at the Field of Dreams. He attended all Cruces High and Mayfield home games and traveled to the state championship game where ever it was held, when either of the teams were playing. At the annual Cruces/ Mayfield game he was always conflicted about which side of the stadium to sit because he had deep loyalties to both schools. Dan was always proud of "title town." He was a native of Las Cruces to his very core and would refer to his hometown as "God's country."

Dan was preceded in death by his mother, Margarita Soto Sosa. He is survived by his sister, Lucia Magallanes of Las Cruces; wife, Rita Ortiz Sosa; seven children, Dan Sosa III and wife Susie Romero Sosa of Albuquerque, Roberta Provencio and husband Joe of Las Cruces, Loretta Gonzalez of Akela, Steve Sosa and wife Elizabeth of Las Cruces, Rita Jo Carver and husband Bobby of Las Cruces, Martin Sosa also

of Las Cruces, and Anna Wright and husband Dennis of Santa Fe. Dan is also survived by twenty-six grandchildren; thirty-one great-grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

During his life Dan was known by different names. To some he was "Mr. Justice Sosa", to others "teacher" or "coach", and to others simply "Dan". To his children he was "Dad" and to his grandchildren and great grandchildren he was "Grampa No-No"

Dan lived his life by three guiding principles; faith, service to others and humility. These principles shaped and guided all he did. In later life when asked how he was doing he would say, "still vertical by God's grace." These were not mere words for him. He had a deep faith that sustained him in his life and comforted him at his death. He knew all gifts he received and all adversity he faced in life were from God.

On Tuesday September 13, 2016 at 9:45 AM a Funeral Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica of St Francis of Assisi, 131 Cathedral Place in Santa Fe where Justice Sosa and Rita were married sixty-six years

ago. Justice Sosa will then lie in state at the Rotunda of the State Capital from 12 PM to 4 PM. Flags will fly at half-staff in Santa Fe, to honor Justice Sosa. Thereafter, he will return to Las Cruces where he will be Thursday, September 15, 2016 from 2 PM to 4 PM in Baca's Funeral Chapel, 300 E. Boutz Road. Recitation of the Holy Rosary was the same evening at 7:30 PM in the Cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary, 1240 S. Espina where the Funeral Mass was celebrated Friday, September 16, 2016 at 10 AM. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 5140 W. Picacho in the town that he loved. Military honors accorded by a New Mexico National Guard Honor Guard and the Marine Corps League - El Perro Diablo Detachment.

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on the issue is recorded in the official minutes.

A resolution will be submitted on the October 3rd City Council agenda appointing a City Manager. The resolution will be subject to motion allowing Council to recommend a person. The resolution will then be considered by Council as a whole and voted on.

City staff will be allowed to negotiate the terms and conditions of employment subject to Council approval once agreement has been reached.

"I think Mr. Ed will make a fine city manager," Miyagishima said, noting that Ed's experience includes everything from his service as an Army Ranger to being CEO of a nonprofit. Ed also brings

"a tremendous amount of big-city experience, specifically in El Paso ... I'm really happy with Stuart. I'm looking forward to him hopefully accepting our offer," he said.

"Both Stuart Ed and Dan Biles (another candidate for city manager, from Jefferson County, Alabama) are very strong candidates, but based on the comments made in the closed meeting today (Sept. 19), it is fair to assume that Ed will get the vote on the

third," Smith said.

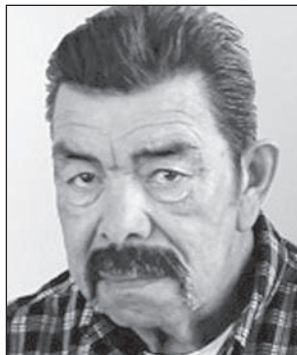
"Should the vote not go as assumed, or should Ed be offered the job and decline, we have been open about the fact that Biles has been under consideration also," Smith said.

Ed formerly worked with the City of El Paso Mass Transit Department and most recently was president/CEO of Goodwill Industries of El Paso until July of this year, according to the City of

Las Cruces.

The new city manager will replace Robert Garza, who retired at the end of May. It's the first time the city has hired a city manager through the application/interview process in more than 12 years, when it hired Terrence Moore.

When Moore resigned six years ago, then-Assistant City Manager Robert Garza was a "direct hire" by the city council, Miyagishima said.



Roman H. Ramos

ROMAN "MONCHI" H. RAMOS, age 66, lifelong resident of San Miguel passed away Thursday, September 15, 2016 at La Posada-Mesilla Valley Hospice. "Monchi", as he was fondly known to family and friends was born October 22, 1949 to Roman P. and Juana Hernandez Ramos. He was employed as a truck driver and a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include his loving wife of forty-nine years, Elvira Monje Ramos, of the family home; two sons, Rudy Ramos of San Miguel, Roman Ramos Jr. (Sonia) of Mesilla Park; a daughter, Lorraine Garcia (Andy) of Las Cruces, and Brittney Ramos (Rigo Pacheco), whom he raised as a daughter of La Mesa; four brothers, Henry Ramos (Linda) of El Paso, TX, Manuel Ramos (Stella) of Sunland Park, Victor Ramos of San Miguel, and Pepe Ramos of Chamberino; eight sisters, Gloria Perez also of Chamberino, Rosa Charria (Horacio) of Vado, Irene Marquez of San Miguel, Angie Ramos of Anthony, Gracie Trujillo (Will) of Berino, Regina Ramos (Benny) of Las Cruces, Nellie Trujillo (Rick) of La Mar, CO, and Donicia Gonzalez (Alejandro) of Odessa, TX. Other

survivors include seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Monchi was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Francisco and Ramon Ramos and one sister, Lupe Romero.

Visitation for Monchi will begin at 6 PM Thursday, September 22, 2016 in San Miguel Catholic Church 19217 S. Highway 28 where the Prayer Vigil is scheduled for 7 PM. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 AM Friday, September 23, 2016 in the same church. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in San Miguel Cemetery where he will be laid to rest in the family plot.

Serving as casket bearers will be Isaiah, Ezra, Daniel, and Johnny Ramos, Raymond Garcia, and Johnny Molina.

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Ramona Bernal

RAMONA BERNAL, age 57, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, September 12, 2016 at La Posada-Mesilla Valley Hospice. Service are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory. 527-2222



Rita M. Hines

RITA M. HINES, age 64, of Las Cruces died September 1, 2016 at her home. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Irving D. Parker III

IRVING D. PARKER III, age 60, of Las Cruces passed away Saturday, September 10, 2016 at La Posada-Mesilla Valley Hospice. He was born June 26, 1956 in Stuttgart, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany to Irving Fredrick and Christine Baumann Parker, while his father served in the United States Military. Irving was an artist by trade who lived life to its fullest and shared his gifts with many.

Survivors include two sisters, Audrey Jean Baker of Mimbres, NM, and Chris Roberts of Springfield, MO. Other survivors include numerous nieces and nephews. Irving is preceded in death by his parents and a brother, John Parker.

A Celebration of Life Service was held at 4 PM Friday, September 16, 2016 in Baca's Funeral Chapel, 300 E. Boutz Road. Inurnment of remains will take place at a

later date.

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Antonio Grado

ANTONIO GRADO, age 96, of Brazito passed away Wednesday, September 7, 2016. Service arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 527-2222.



Daniel M. Guzman

DANIEL M. GUZMAN, age 88, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, September 12, 2016. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces. 527-2222



Juanita Hernandez

JUANITA HERNANDEZ, age 52, of Moreno Valley, CA died Saturday, September 10, 2016 at La Posada Mesilla Valley Hospice. Services are pending with Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces.



Lucio G. Garcia

LUCIO G. GARCIA, age 75, of Doña Ana passed away Thursday, September 8, 2016. The Garcia Family has entrusted their loved one to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 527-2222.



Mary K. Schumaker

MARY K. SCHUMAKER, age 90, of Organ passed away on Sunday, September 11, 2016 at Casa de Oro Care Center. Entrusted to Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 527-2222.



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Tuesday October 18, 2016
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Where: Corbett Center Taos Cafeteria

Wednesday October 19, 2016
TETWP Sponsor Gala & Silent Auction
Where: Double Eagle de Mesilla
Tickets: By Invitation Only

Thursday October 20, 2016
TETWP Shop for the Cure
Where: NM State Pan American Center East Concourse
Time: 10:30AM-2:00PM
Admission: Free (ticket is required to fashion show luncheon)
How to Participate As A Vendor:
Contact: 575-644-4891

Thursday October 20, 2016
TETWP Fashion Show Luncheon
Where: NM State Pan American Center East Concourse
Time: 11:30am-1pm
Admission: \$45/Ticket or \$500/Table of 10
Purchase Tickets or Reserve A Table:
Contact: 575-521-2213

Friday October 21, 2016
Mayfield vs. Gadsden High School Pink Football game
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Saturday October 22, 2016
Cervantes Fun Run/Walk
Time: 7AM • Where: NMSU Campus

Saturday October 22, 2016
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Saturday October 22, 2016
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Contact: Pan Am Ticket Office
Tickets: 575-646-1420
Web: www.nmstatesports.com

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Dickerson gives aspiring entrepreneurs reality check

By ALTA LeCOMPTE
Las Cruces Bulletin

Marci Dickerson, proprietor of the largest female-owned hospitality company in southern New Mexico, officially got her start 18 years ago launching a catering company.

In truth, her days as an entrepreneur began years earlier — when she was 7 to be exact.

Speaking to an audience of New Mexico State University students Sept. 12 at Entrepreneur Encounters, Dickerson said she had been looking through a drawer recently and found a name badge. It was the one she wore for that first business — selling cookies at auctions.

“My parents were auctioneers,” Dickerson said. “There were all these kids hanging out. I organized the Cookie Tin. I got each one to bake a pan of cookies,” she said. “They sold the cookies. I, of course, took a percentage off the top.”

To plan or not

She said doing market research and analyses and writing a business plan will

not make a person an entrepreneur.

“You’re either born an entrepreneur or you’re not,” she said.

“You have to have enough ignorance to do it and enough arrogance to believe you can. You have to have an incredible belief in yourself. There’s a thousand reasons why it won’t work. There’s one reason why it will.”

An entrepreneur evolves and keeps growing, Dickerson said.

“If it isn’t working, you change it,” she said.

Dickerson said success is built on hard work and openness to recognizing opportunities.

“If you’re an entrepreneur working 12-hour days, you’re working part time,” she said. “Opportunity looks a lot like work. If you’re given an opportunity you work at it. If you work at it, you will be given an opportunity. You’ll be amazed what falls in your lap.”

A business evolves

Dickerson said she has seized many opportunities,



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Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Debbi Moore, far right, congratulates Marci Dickerson at the opening of the Game II. Dickerson’s grandmother, Blanche Hitson, helped her granddaughter celebrate the ribbon cutting event.

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Game II, Extra Innings

Wait staff at the new Game II, Extra Innings stand ready for customers at the restaurant’s grand opening Sept. 14.



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SUSIE OUDERKIRK



Grand opening guests look over the menu at the Game II, Extra Innings, 4131 Northrise Drive.



The Game II is located at 4131 Northrise Drive.

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opened countless businesses. The two or three that have failed provided valuable lessons.

Two days after hearing Hurricane Alley was for sale, she bought it sight-unseen, she said.

“The first time I walked into the place was as the owner,” she said.

When a Mayfield coach expressed an interest in an indoor sports facility, she responded.

“I had 20,000 feet of indoor space, and my children play baseball,” she said. “Why not?”

The result was Sports Skills Institute, which opened in 2012 in the former Dickerson’s Barn event center on West Picacho Avenue.

When she found herself with a \$410,000 bill

to pay two weeks before The Game Sports Bar and Grill opened in 2008, Dickerson asked her dad for help.

“You know all those things you’ve been telling me for six months?” she told him. “You were right. Can you be right with me one more time — at the bank?”

Her mother urged her not to take the risk, but she went ahead.

Learning from mistakes

She’s had failures, but never considered herself one of them.

“You are the only person that gets to determine when you fail.”

She learned by doing.

“I went to Vegas and I saw a blue martini,” she began. “I came home and I had a martini bar (M Five).” M Five failed because “you should never

open a bar three days after you leave your husband. Also, you should never open a martini bar for you and your fiends.

Also, there was road construction there for a year and I had the wrong management team.

“My lesson from M Five was this — I forgot how valuable I was. I designed it, got it going and handed over the reins to a manager. I forgot I’m the one that makes it work. This is a very big cautionary statement.”

When an owner stops working and becomes the boss “the problem is the payroll is way too high and you’re not doing it any more. If you become the boss too quickly, you will lose it all. It was a humiliating lesson.”

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How to succeed in business without leaving Las Cruces

Advice from Marci Dickerson, owner of The Dickerson Group

1. Always be there. Always be working.

2. Pay attention to what you’re doing — your accounting, employees, social media, what’s going in and out of your freezers.

3. Make sure the business decisions you make are not motivated by ego.

4. Be loyal and be fierce. Never forget who got you there. Take care of your people.

5. Buy the big data plan for your cell phone — you’ll get thousands of messages.

6. Join any civic organization that doesn’t have a strong left or right lean.

7. Have a gatekeeper.

8. Find mentors. Never be the smartest person in the room. Find people to tell you you’re stupid and why. One of the things that’s great about Las Cruces is you can develop relationships with people who can help you solve problems. There’s money here. Las Cruces has a network of supporters. This town is run by 120 people. The key is to find them and let them mentor you.

9. Spend your money on things that benefit your business.

10. Pay attention in accounting class. I used to show up one or twice a year (at my accountant’s office) and say, “How much do I owe?” Now I’m there once a month or more going over every little detail. Nothing makes you take things seriously like a \$750 an hour defense attorney. (The IRS launched a criminal investigation of her business. She subsequently was cleared.)

11. Don’t get involved in politics. The reason the IRS began a criminal investigation is I got involved in politics and pissed the wrong person off.

12. Be passionate.



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Indoor farm market to open in Mesilla

By ALTA LeCOMPTE
Las Cruces Bulletin

Like many Mesilla Valley farmers, Jay Hill ships most of the food he grows out of town and out of state, to markets far and wide.

That's about to change.

Hill is partnering with his produce broker, T.J. Runyan—the man who sends those crops out into the world—to make them available to local consumers.

The two are building FARMesilla, an indoor retail produce market at 1840 Avenida de Mesilla that will be open year round to serve residents looking for locally grown foods.

Hill said their wives, Shauna Runyan and Katie Hill, will run the store.

“My and TJ's job is to make sure they

have the produce to sell,” he said.

The market is scheduled to open in spring 2017.

Sustainable agriculture comes home

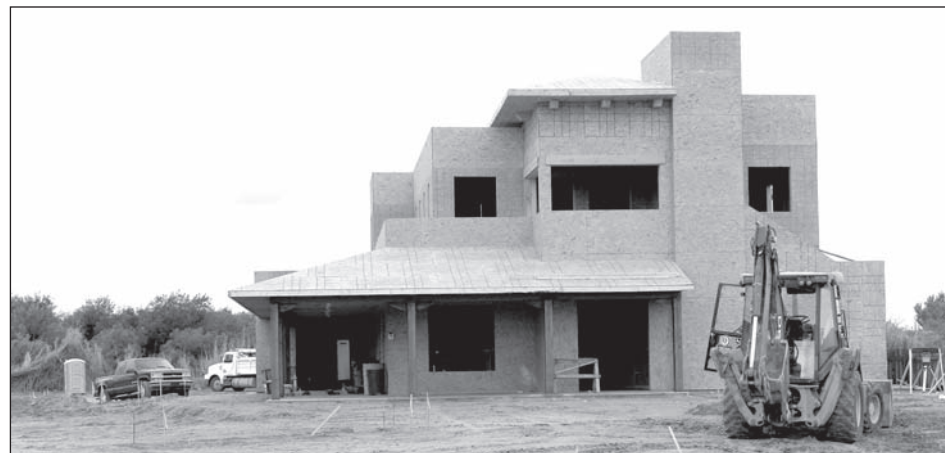
With the farm-to-table movement catching on, Shauna Runyan said now is the perfect time to open FARMesilla.

“We all kind of had the same idea at the same time,” Jay Hill said.

“Our main goal is to connect people with food that is healthy and nutritious,” Hill said. “We want to get people interested in where their food is grown—how it is produced so they can go home feeling good about it.”

He said they will grow everything “as naturally as possible.”

“We want to be able to explain to people



BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALTA LeCOMPTE

FARMesilla, a year-round commercial market featuring local produce, is under construction at 1840 Avenida de Mesilla.

how their food is grown and give them the option of organic products and non-organic,” he said.

He said he is committed to sustainable farming and protection of the land.

Starting something new

Hill started growing produce on his dad's 10-acre farm where he grew up.

He now has 1,000 acres under culti-

vation.

His crops include onions, lettuce, cabbage, pecans, pintos and watermelons.

“We serve 80 percent of New Mexico restaurants with chile, pintos, onions and some jalapeños,” he said. “The funny thing is every project we take on is bigger and more challenging.”

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Why didn't the Fed bail out Lehman Brothers?

One of the enduring mysteries of the 2008 financial crisis is why the Federal Reserve allowed Lehman Brothers to fail.

Lehman Brothers was the fourth largest U.S.-based investment bank doing business globally in a wide variety of products including equities, fixed incomes and U.S. government securities. Lehman was a major player in financial markets, trading on its own account and for clients.

On Sept. 15, 2008, Lehman filed for bankruptcy following a massive exodus by its clients in response to large losses on products associated with the subprime crisis. Lehman's is the largest single bankruptcy filing in U.S. history.

Many believe the Lehman bankruptcy was the cause of



CHRIS ERICKSON
State of the Economy

the Great Recession in that it transformed a normal recession into a financial crisis. A direct consequence of the Lehman bankruptcy, for example, was the breaking of the buck by Reserve Fund, a money market mutual fund that had invested heavily in Lehman paper.

Reserve Fund's problems, in turn, are often cited as a reason for the freeze in commercial paper markets. With the breakdown in commercial paper markets, many businesses found they were no longer able to conduct normal business—and the rest is history.

So why didn't Ben Bernanke and the Fed step in to bailout

Lehman? After all, the Fed did rescue Bear Stearns prior to Lehman and AIG subsequent to Lehman.

In fact, Fed officials from Bernanke on down have long said they knew a Lehman failure would be a disaster but felt that they could do nothing because they lacked legal authority.

Under the law, the Fed is required to only lend against collateral—and Lehman had inadequate collateral, according to the Fed.

This was not true; Lehman had plenty of capital, at least according to a new study by Johns Hopkins' professor Laurence Ball. He found that an \$88 billion loan would have been sufficient to save Lehman, while Lehman had \$131 billion in assets that could be used for collateral.

Moreover, according to Ball,

Fed officials knew Lehman had adequate collateral.

So again, we are back to the question as to why the Fed chose not to lend. The Fed has independent legal authority to determine who is or isn't eligible for a loan, yet the Fed decided to defer to Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson in deciding whether to bail out Lehman. It was he who decided not to bail out Lehman.

Paulson's decision against a bailout might have been motivated by politics.

It was an election year, after all, and another Wall Street bailout after Bear Stearns would not have been popular with the Main Street crowd.

Paulson was also a former principal of Goldman Sachs, a direct competitor of Lehman.

But we don't want to wonder too far down this conspiracy

rabbit hole in case Donald Trump is reading.

The Lehman bailout decision illustrates a more basic point. When the government is in the business of bailing out the private sector, conflicts of interests—such as Paulson's former ties to Goldman Sachs—rightly make people suspect of the government's motives.

The solution is to get rid of “too big to fail,” hence the need for bailouts. Something that has proved easier said than done.

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Property in the newly revamped Mesilla Vineyard Estates being developed by Randy McMillan will include land for growing produce for FARMesilla.

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FARMesilla is presenting him with a whole new set of challenges and opportunities.

Hill said he's considering retrofitting some old chicken barns on his farm as a greenhouse, primarily to extend the growing season for produce to be sold at the market.

"I'm actually standing in a chicken house right now, scratching my head and wondering what the heck I've gotten myself into," Hill said over the phone.

Across the street and beyond

Not all the food at FARMesilla will come in from the south valley.

Some will be grown across the street in Mesilla Vineyard Estates, under development by Randy McMillan, Hill said.

"We're going to take some strips of land in the community that were ruined by development and pipe in water," Hill said. "We're putting in the first block of drip irrigation and throwing in some pumpkins to see what happens."

He envisions growing vegetables such as tomatoes and pumpkins.

Some items on the

shelves at FARMesilla will come a greater distance.

Hill said the partners realize that when people come into the shop, they'll want more than cucumbers and lettuce.

They're looking to bring in cheeses and milk from Clovis, bread from Santa Fe and even some vegetables from southern Arizona when they're not in season in New Mexico, he said.

Partners return to the farm

Shauna Runyan said both her husband and Hill grew up on truck farms and wanted to reconnect with that lifestyle.

She said they had the same dream and were "both crazy enough to go for it."

She said T.J. Runyan began his career with a logistics company after graduating from NMSU with a degree in agricultural economics.

He returned to New Mexico as sales man-

ager for Skyline Produce from 2000 to 2004.

In 2004, he started his own brokerage, Mesilla Valley Produce.

"He's the middle guy between the grower and the retailer," she said.

She said she met T.J. at NMSU, where she earned a degree in accounting. After graduating she worked for Price Waterhouse in Houston and later for a local accounting firm.

Her new workplace will be FARMesilla, which will have offices on the second floor and an 1,800 square foot retail space on the first floor.

Runyan said the building will have two roll-up garage doors and a wrap around porch that can serve additional retail space when the weather cooperates.

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Entrepreneurs wanted downtown

Courageous men and women who are willing to take the big leap into business ownership are at the very core of revitalization. Let's face it: A municipality



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Downtown Lowdown

can contribute to infrastructure, build beautiful public spaces and line our streets with shade trees, but if the buildings themselves are empty or under-utilized, we are not a revitalized community.

Entrepreneurship is scary – trust me, I know. From the initial idea to financing, location, hiring and taxes, starting a business is no small undertaking and sustaining it is no easier. It also happens to be very, very rewarding and for some of us, it is a true passion. If you are one of those people for whom sharing your unique ideas with the community seems fun in spite of all the hard work, I want to talk to you.

Las Cruces has a great network of support for small business owners. From our own DLCP offices to our friends at the Small Business Development Center, SCORE, and groups like WESST and Arrowhead, there are a variety of resources and individuals who can help you take your idea and create a well-mapped out journey. Additionally, businesses today can come in any number of shapes and sized. Micro-enterprises, incubators and co-ops are all alterna-

tive models that are now better understood and supported; it's all about breaking down the barriers to entry.

Nearly every day, I get to hear about what people would like to see down-

town. From jazz clubs to wine bars, breweries to health food stores, there is no shortage of pent up demand for services. In fact, the most recently completed retail analysis for downtown (Gibbs Planning Group, February 2016) states that "Las Cruces can presently support up to 104,700 additional square feet (sf) of retail and restaurant development, generating over \$26.3 million in new sales." Yes, that's the current demand for new business downtown. The study further states, "The demand could partially be absorbed by existing businesses and/or with the opening of 50 to 65 new restaurants and stores." I am sure we can come up with 50 new ideas, Las Cruces!

My "ask" of you today is this: If you have considered opening your own business and being a part of downtown revitalization seems interesting - come talk to me. No commitments needed – you don't even have to know what business you want to start. Just come have a chat about options and opportunities.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Info session set for ag innovators

High Desert Discovery District (HD3), New Mexico Department of Agriculture and Arrowhead Center will host an information session for prospective “Innovation and Discovery in Agriculture and Food” Discovery Day applicants noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29 at the Arrowhead Center on the New Mexico State University State University campus.

The information session will cover what HD3 looks for in presenters and marketable/investable ideas.

HD3 Las Cruces Discovery Day will focus on statewide innovation and commercialization opportunities within or that impact the agriculture, value-added food products and food industries. It will be an opportunity for entrepreneurs raising capital for agriculture or food-related innovation to compete for funding.

The application deadline to participate in Discovery Day is Friday, Oct. 7. Application details are at www.hddd.org

MVEDA meeting to preview space week

The October meeting of the MVEDA Business in the Borderplex Forum will feature Patricia Hynes, director of the New Mexico Space Grant Consortium (NMSGC) and the chair of the upcoming International Symposium for Personal and Commercial Spaceflight (ISPCS).

The meeting will be 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4 at Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd.

The New Mexico Space Grant Consortium hosts the annual community partnership luncheon and ISPCS. ISPCS is one of the premier commercial space con-

ferences in the U.S. and is celebrating its 12th anniversary in Las Cruces.

The MVEDA meeting will begin with a hot entree buffet.

Due to space constraints reservations are required. Registration closes Thursday, Sept. 29. Advance registration is \$25, payable by major credit card via the secure PayPal portal on the registration form. Payment at the door with cash, check or credit card is \$30.

Register online at www.mveda.com/blog.

NM business accelerators receive SBA support

U.S. Senators Tom Udall and Martin Heinrich have announced that four business accelerators in New Mexico — Native Entrepreneur In Residence, IGNITE Community Accelerator, Creative Startups and ABQid — have been selected as winners of the U.S. Small Business Administration’s (SBA) third annual Growth Accelerator Fund Competition.

The four accelerators were among 68 winners selected nationwide, and each will receive a \$50,000 prize from the SBA to boost their economic impact and support job creation and the growth of startup businesses.

“Small businesses create jobs and drive our economy, and business accelerators like these help to expand support networks for small businesses, bring entrepreneurs and innovators together and connect them to the resources that fuel job creation and growth,” Udall said. “Native Entrepreneur In Residence, IGNITE Community Accelerator, Creative Startups and ABQid are among the best that our state has to offer.”

Game II, Extra Innings



BULLETIN PHOTO BY SUSIE OUDERKIRK

Lensi Shakra of Shakra LLC samples the nachos at the grand opening of The Game II at 4131 Northrise Drive.

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, Oct. 5

Every Wednesday, 5 to 6:30 p.m.: L.C.Y.P. Welcome Wednesdays. Las Cruces Young Professionals networking event. Azul Lounge, Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, 705 S. Telshor Blvd. Info: Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, 575-524-1968.

Thursday, Oct. 6

Noon to 4 p.m.: 2016 Business Showcase, Mesilla Valley Mall, 700 S. Telshor Blvd. Chamber members to showcase their business to other Chamber members and the public. Free. Booth rental info: Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce, 575-524-1968.

Friday, Oct. 7

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.: Lunch and Learn First Friday, Thomas Brnigan Memorial Library Roadrunner Room, 200 E. Picacho Ave. How to maintain an effective website with Paul Angel, owner of Cheddar Social. Free and open to the public. Bring a bag lunch.

Wednesday, Thursday Oct. 12-13

International Symposium for Personal and Commercial Spaceflight, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Info: www.ispcs.com; email Joylynn Watkins, nmsgc@nmsu.edu.

Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 9-10

“Innovation and Discovery in Agriculture and Food” event. Innovators are invited to apply to present their agriculture, agriculture-related food or value-added food discovery/innovation/product to experienced business advisers. Application deadline is Friday, Oct. 7. For information, call the New Mexico State University Arrowhead Center at 575-646-6120.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

11th annual Agricultural Employer Conference in Las Cruces. Info: www.ag-growers.com or call Angela at New Mexico Workforce Connection, 575-740-6484.

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National Voter Registration Day is Tuesday

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Tuesday, Sept. 27 is National Voter Registration Day, as efforts are made across the United States to register new voters and re-register those who have voted before but dropped off registration rolls.

Dolores Connor, president of the Doña Ana County Election Advisory Council (EAC), and Chief Deputy County Clerk Scott Krahlung were at the Monday, Sept. 19 Las Cruces City Council meeting to receive a proclamation from the city declaring Sept. 27 as Voter Registration Day

in Las Cruces.

Dolores Connor, president of the Doña Ana County Election Advisory Council (EAC), said members of the EAC will visit high schools in Las Cruces and throughout the county during the week of Sept. 26-30 to register eligible students to vote, along with teachers, administrators and other staff.

Connor said Tuesday, Oct. 11 is the last day to register to vote in the Nov. 8 general election.

You can register to vote in the clerk's office in the county government building, 845 N. Motel Blvd., or in other state agency offices, she said. Or,

you can register online at www.dacelections.com.

Here are other important general election dates:

- Applications for absentee ballots can be submitted any time until 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 4. Remember that ballots are mailed by the clerk's office to voters and must be completed and returned to the clerk's office by 7 p.m. on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 8, to be counted. Absentee ballots will be mailed out beginning Tuesday, Oct. 11.

- Early voting in the clerk's office begins Oct. 11. You can vote during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon-

day through Friday through Friday, Nov. 4. You can also vote at the clerk's office on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- Early voting at alternate locations in Las Cruces and throughout the county will begin on Saturday, Oct. 22. Here are those locations, in addition to the county government building: in Las Cruces: Sonoma Elementary School, 4201 Northrise Drive; and Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Blvd.; and these locations in the county: Anthony Elementary School, 600 N. Fourth St. in Anthony; Doña Ana Commu-

nity College (DACC) Chaparral Learning Center, 755 Prescott Anthony Drive in Chaparral; DACC Hatch Learning Center, 219 East Hill St. in Hatch; and DACC Sunland Park Center, 3365 McNutt Road in Sunland Park.

Except as noted above at the county government building, early voting at the six alternate sites will be from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday through Sat., Nov. 5.

- A total of 40 voting locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 4. Qualified voters can vote at any voting location in the county.

Agents Jill Grammer and Ruth Ann Clyons with broker Terianne Everhart of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices NM Properties.



Open house celebration downtown



Berkshire Hathaway agents Shelly McEntire, Terry Melon, Aaron Perez, John Allen and Lindsay Oberlander celebrate the office's open house at 424 N. Main St. Wednesday, Sept. 14. Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices NM Properties officially opened their doors Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 424 N. Main St.

BULLETIN PHOTOS
BY RICHARD COLTHARP

League of Women Voters craft questions for candidates

By **ALEX BURR**
For the Bulletin

The Voter Services committee of the League of Women Voters of Greater Las Cruces met recently to select ques-

tions to ask the candidates running for office in Doña Ana County in the next election.

Co-directors Vicki Simons and Dale Yeo chaired a meeting which crafted relevant questions

for the candidates. The answers will be published next month in the Voters' Guide to be distributed free throughout the county. There will also be a series of public forums for all candidates which are open to the public.

Regularly scheduled forums for legislative candidates will be held in cooperation with KRWG from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. each Tuesday from September 26 to October 11 on the air and live from

Milton Hall on the New Mexico State University campus. The forum for county candidates is scheduled 6 p.m. or Tuesday, Oct. 4 in the Doña Ana County Government Building.

Silver City 5th graders learn about the Gila at water fest

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Silver City fifth graders recently participated in a day of learning about the Gila River at the Nature Conservancy's Gila Farm in Cliff, New Mexico.

The Children's Water Festival took place on Tuesday, Sept. 13, and was cosponsored by the Upper Gila Watershed Alliance (UGWA).

"The Children's Water Festival was first put on in 2003 and sponsored by the Environmental Protection Agency and the New Mexico Environment Department," said Patrice Mutchnick, co-organizer of the festival.

Mutchnick is also executor of the Ella Jaz Kirk Water Conservation Fund, which supports projects that educate the public about Southwest rivers and watersheds. The fund is named after Ella Myers, Ella Kirk (Mutchnick's daughter) and Michael Mahl, high school students who taught the history of the Gila River at the 2014 water festival. Myers, Kirk and Mahl died in May 2014 in a plane crash.

"They loved the water festival and they knew how important it was to educate our children and they wanted to pass this education and information about the river to other children and adults as well," said Carol Fugagli, an UGWA staff member and other co-

organizer of the festival.

Mutchnick said, in the 13 years the water festival has taken place, the focus has shifted from general water quality concerns and education to river conservation and an ecological emphasis on rivers and watersheds.

The festival on Sept. 13 was the final component of UGWA's three-pronged approach to Gila education.

"The first phase was to get education material sent out to all the teachers (in Silver City) talking about the different aspects of the river," said Fugagli.

UGWA consulted Tricia Martinez, associate superintendent of learning services at Silver Consolidated Schools, to align the educational materials it distributed to the public schools of Silver City with the New Mexico Common Core State Standards, Fugagli said.

The second phase entailed festival organizers going into the fifth-grade classrooms to give presentations on the Gila.

"We introduced different vocabulary terms: watershed, filtration, erosion, continental divide, meander," said Fugagli. "And then there was a skit the kids put on where they took the role of animals that live in the river's ecosystem."

Such animals include the black hawk, the beaver, the river otter and the Gila River trout.



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY BILLY HUNTSMAN

Silver City school kids participated in the Children's Water Festival on Sept. 13.



At the water festival itself, there were six learning stations.

One taught how Native Americans historically used the Gila and its surrounding ecosystem. The students worked with adobe and clay and also made bracelets out of yucca flowers.

"I had a lot fun," said Asa, a third grader at Guadalupe Montessori school. "My favorite part was making these bracelets."

Another taught bird migration and allowed the students to interact with various birds by catching and releasing them.

"My favorite part was the bird migration," said Maya, a fifth grader at Guadalupe. "We got to play a game where we wore signs (saying which bird

we were) and we had to migrate without hitting obstacles."

Another station taught how a river is formed and grows throughout its lifetime. At this station, the students created smaller rivers within the river.

"I had a lot, a lot of fun. My favorite part was probably going to make the river," said Violet, a third grader at Guadalupe.

The fourth station had students comparing and contrasting the skulls of carnivores, herbivores and omnivores, which have different skull structures because of their diets.

At the fifth station, the students toured a garden of flowers and learned about pollination and pollinators.

At the last station, the students got into the water and caught macroinvertebrates—animals with backbones that

can be seen with the naked eye—and tested the quality of the water. It also gave the students the opportunity to swim.

"It was really fun, especially the swimming part," said Eleo, a third grader at Guadalupe.

Fugagli said the festival is important because it gives students the opportunity to interact with the river. Despite the river's proximity to Silver City, many students have never been to it, she said.

Fugagli said she hopes students come away from the festival with a love for the river.

"If you don't love it, then why would you want to protect it?" she said.

Currently the festival happens at Silver City schools, but UGWA will seek grants in the next year to include other school districts in the future.

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Legal Notice

"NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to Section 73-13-4 NMSA, the Board of Directors of Elephant Butte Irrigation District (District) will consider a Resolution to transfer water rights appurtenant to lands within the District which are not suitable for irrigation or capable of being properly irrigated to other lands within the District, if in the Board's judgement the land may be profitably irrigated and advantageously irrigated. The request is made by FIRST NEW MEXICO FINANCIAL CORP C/O MVP LLC who requests that the Board suspend a total of 2.40 acres of water rights from lands located in Section 9, Twp. 19S, Range 3W NMPM., and being a part of USRS Map G1-46B and transfer them to lands owned by CVZ HOLDINGS LLC located in Section 18, Twp. 19S, Range 2W, NMPM, being a part of USRS Map H-73A PT. The place of the hearing is the offices of the District located at 530 S. Melendres, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and the date of the hearing is October 12, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. Protest or protests from any person or persons interested may be heard at the hearing. At the end of the hearing, the Board of Directors shall take formal action upon the Resolution. Any protestant or protestant's may appeal the decision of the Board directly to District Court within 10 days of the adoption or rejection of the Resolution."

Dates: 09/23, 09/30, 10/07, 2016

A JOINT RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 2, SECTION 13 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF NEW MEXICO TO PROTECT COMMUNITY SAFETY BY GRANTING COURTS NEW AUTHORITY TO DENY RELEASE ON BAIL PENDING TRIAL FOR DANGEROUS DEFENDANTS IN FELONY CASES WHILE RETAINING THE RIGHT TO PRETRIAL RELEASE FOR NON-DANGEROUS DEFENDANTS WHO DO NOT POSE A FLIGHT RISK. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. It is proposed

to amend Article 2, Section 13 of the constitution of New Mexico to read: "All persons shall, before conviction, be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses when the proof is evident or the presumption great and in situations in which bail is specifically prohibited by this section. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted. Bail may be denied by a court of record pending trial for a defendant charged with a felony if the prosecuting authority requests a hearing and proves by clear and convincing evidence that no release conditions will reasonably protect the safety of any other person or the community. An appeal from an order denying bail shall be given preference over all other matters. A person who is not detainable on grounds of dangerousness nor a flight risk in the absence of bond and is otherwise eligible for bail shall not be detained solely because of financial inability to post a money or property bond. A defendant who is neither a danger nor a flight risk and who has a financial inability to post a money or property bond may file a motion with the court requesting relief from the requirement to post bond. The court shall rule on the motion in an expedited manner."

SECTION 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election or at any special election prior to that date that may be called for that purpose.

Dates: 09/16, 09/23, 09/30, 10/07, 2016

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

No. 16-0224

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF AMAL ALNOWAB a/k/a AMAL I. ALNOWAB, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NIDA SALIH has been appointed personal representative of this estate.

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

DATED:
September 12, 2016.

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Dates: 09/23, 09/30, 10/07,
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of a Restaurant Beer and Wine License with on premises consumption only and patio service for the expansion of May Entertainment, LLC d/b/a A Bite of Belgium, to be located at 741 North Alameda Boulevard, Suites 14-16, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the City Council to be held on **Monday, October 17, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers, 700 North Main Street, City Hall. If passed, the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department may approve the transfer.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 8 day of September 2016.

/s/Linda Lewis, CMC,
City Clerk

Dates: 09/16, 09/23, 2016

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

D-307-CV-2016-01958

CYNTHIA A. BENNETT, Plaintiff,

vs.

THE ESTATE OF RONALD C. SHOEMAKER, deceased, his heirs DAVID W. SHOEMAKER, LUANA METZGER, and KERRI L. TOELCKE, if alive, if deceased, their heirs, if any of the foregoing are married, the respective spouse of said parties, if living, if deceased, the known and unknown heirs of the respective spouse of any such party, deceased; and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to the Plaintiff, Defendants,

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

To: THE ESTATE OF RONALD C. SHOEMAKER, deceased, his heirs DAVID W. SHOEMAKER, LUANA METZGER, and KERRI L. TOELCKE, if alive, if deceased, their heirs; if any of the foregoing are married, the respective spouse of said parties, if living, if deceased, the known and unknown heirs of the respective spouse of any such party, deceased, and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to the Plaintiff

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that there has been filed in the District Court of Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Cynthia A. Bennett is the Plaintiff and you are the Defendants, the same being Cause No. D-307-CV-2016-01958.

The object and purpose of said suit is to quiet title to the following described real property in the name of the Plaintiff:

(SEE EXHIBIT "A" - Parcel 4)

You are notified that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before November 1, 2016, the Plaintiff will make

application to the Court for a decree by Default, and Decree by Default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the complaint.

The name of the Plaintiff's attorney is RICHARD A. HAWTHORNE, P.A., Richard A. Hawthorne, and his address is 1221 Mechem Drive, Suite 2, Ruidoso, NM 88345

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico this 19 day September 2016.

(Seal)

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DISTRICT COURT CLERK

By: Paloma Nava
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Southeast corner of this tract;

Thence S.89°54'53"W., 632.68 feet to a point East line of a 50 foot wide road and utility easement for the Southwest of this tract;

Thence along the East line of said 50 foot wide road and utility easement the following three courses and distances, N.00°02'20"E., 32.75 feet to a point of curvature of this tract;

Thence around the arc of a curve to the right, having a radius of 20.00 feet, an arc length of 17.45 feet, through a central angle of 49°59'41" and whose long chord bears N.25°05'54"E., 42.16 feet to a point of a reverse curve;

Thence around the arc of a curve to the left, having a radius of 50.00 feet, an arc length of 43.52 feet, through a central angle of 49°52'14" and whose long chord bears N.25°05'54"E., 42.16 feet to a point for the Northwest corner of this tract;

Thence N.42°34'17"E., 898.92 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5.845 acres of land, more or less.

EXHIBIT
"A"

Dates: 09/23, 09/30, 10/07,
10/14, 2016

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

D-307-PB-201600092
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BRIAN DOUGLAS HAINES, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Ben H. Haines and Brandon Hill Haines have been appointed personal representatives of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of the attorney for the undersigned at the address listed below, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 E. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001.

/s/Ben H. Haines
Ben H. Haines,
Personal Representative

Submitted by:
Jacqueline Bennett
Attorney for Personal
Representative
PO Box 849
Las Cruces, NM 88004
(575)-527-0225

Date: 09/23, 09/30, 10/07,
2016

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

No. 16-0217

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID MOSS a/k/a DAVID E. MOSS, a/k/a DAVID EDWIN MOSS, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that BRIAN RAV-
AK has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the personal representative in care of Alan D. Gluth, 2455 E. Missouri, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, 845 N. Motel Blvd. Rm. 1-201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

DATED:



INVITATION BID/REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)/REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ)

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/ Pre-Proposal Meeting	Due Date / Time
Landscape and Grounds Maintenance	16-17-059	October 4, 2016 / 2:00PM 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM	October 18, 2016 / 2:00PM 700 N Main, Rm 3138, Las Cruces, NM

Please use this link to access all City of Las Cruces solicitations: <https://www.newmexicobidsystem.com/Registration.asp?ID=1757>

Sealed bids/proposals will be received by the City of Las Cruces Purchasing Section, at 700 N. Main, 3rd Floor, Room 3134.

Unless otherwise noted above, copies of solicitation documents may be inspected or obtained at City Hall, 700 N. Main St, Room 3134, Las Cruces, NM. Additional information/clarification regarding solicitations may be obtained by contacting the City Purchasing Section at (575) 541-2525 or by email to bidclerk@las-cruces.org

Dates 9/23/16

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September 1, 2016.

BRIAN RAVAK
5904 Leaping Lizard Loop
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88012

Prepared by:
ALAN D. GLUTH
New Mexico Bar
#14980 Gluth Law, LLC
2455 East Missouri,
Suite A
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88001
Telephone: (575) 556-8449
Facsimile: (575) 556-8446

Date: 09/16, 09/23, 2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2014-02068

BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

COLIN J. BAILEY AND NAOMI E. BAILEY, HUSBAND AND WIFE; ABC CORPORATIONS I-X, XYZ PARTNERSHIPS I-X, JOHN DOES I-X AND JANE DOES I-X, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF ANY OF THE ABOVE, IF DECEASED; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 5135 N Valley Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88007, and more particularly described as follows: Tract B, U.S.R.S. Tract 5-11B1, Replat No. 1 located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat thereof filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on January 27, 1989 and recorded in Book 16 at Pages 24, Plat Records.

The sale is to begin at

12:15pm on October 13, 2016, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A. was awarded a Judgment on July 6, 2016, in the total amount of \$188,116.50 with interest at the rate of 5.500% per annum from March 1, 2016 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$6,406.27.

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. BOKF, N.A., A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION D/B/A BANK OF OKLAHOMA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST BY MERGER TO BANK OF ALBUQUERQUE, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

By: Robert A. Doyle,
Special Master
c/o Legal Process Network
P.O. Box 51526
Albuquerque, NM 87181
505-417-4113
1 NM-14-639870-JUD
IDSPub #0114766

9/16/2016 9/23/2016
9/30/2016 10/7/2016

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

Case No. D-307-DM-15-523
Judge: James T. Martin

**Justin L. Nichols,
Petitioner,**

vs.

**Suesanna Nichols,
Respondent.**

NOTICE OF SUIT

**TO Suesanna M. Nichols,
RESPONDENT:**

**Take notice that a lawsuit
has been filed against you.**

**The subject of this lawsuit
is: Custody of Sophyah
Nichols**

If you do not file a response or responsive pleading with the above-titled Court within 30 days after the third publication of this Notice, the Court may enter a default judgment against you.

Justin Nichols
5610 West 38th Street
Apt #4
Indianapolis, IN 46254
575-288-8573

WITNESS the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña

Ana County, this 25th day of August, 2016.

**CLERK OF THE
DISTRICT COURT
BY: Mary E Apodaca
DEPUTY**

Dates: 09/16, 09/23, 09/30,
2016

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

No. D-307-PB-2016-00088
Judge Manuel I. Arrieta

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
LEROY KERR,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE OF HEARING
BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF
NEW MEXICO:

To: PEGGY A. SAMFORD KERR, ERMA EARLENE HART, SHIRLEY JEAN LARUE, ELVA MAXINE AMERINE, PAMELA SUE JANSSEN, and SHARON KAY WEATHERSBEE;

and

To: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LEROY E. KERR, DECEASED, AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO HAVE OR CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF LEROY E. KERR, DECEASED, OR IN THE MATTER BEING LITIGATED IN THE HEREAFTER MENTIONED HEARING.

Pamela Sue Janssen, daughter of deceased, has filed a Petition for Formal Probate of Will and Appointment of Personal Representative, in which Pamela Sue Janssen seeks to be named Personal Representative. Hearing on the Petition will be held before **The Honorable Manuel I. Arrieta**, District Judge, Third Judicial District Court, **201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005**, on Tuesday, **November 1, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.** Pursuant to 45-1-401 NMSA 1978, notice of the time and place of hearing on said Petition is hereby given you by publication, once a week, for two consecutive weeks.

DATED: September 9, 2016

JOSEPH M. HOLMES, P.A.
P.O. Box 366
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0366
(575) 524-0833
holmespa@zianet.com

/s/ Joseph M. Holmes
Joseph M. Holmes
Attorney for Petitioner

Dates: 09/23, 09/30, 2016

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

No. PB-2016-97
Judge Arrieta

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
NEDRA ANN POMPEO,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO
CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative c/o The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.O. Box 2277, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88004, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Dona Ana County, 201 W. Picacho, Suite A, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 16th day of September, 2016.

/s/
MICHELLE LYNETTE GARCIA,
Personal Representative of the Estate of NEDRA ANN POMPEO, deceased.

Prepared by:

The Law Offices of Dana M. Kyle, P.A.

By: /s/
Dana M. Kyle
P.O. Box 2277
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88004-2277
(575) 525-0020
(575) 525-0017 fax
Attorney for Personal Representative

Dates: 09/23, 09/30, 10/07,
2016

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01381

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS CWABS, INC., ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-SD1, Plaintiff,

vs.

IRMA B. ADLER, aka IRMA S. ADLER, fka IRMA BARRERAS SANCHEZ, and if married, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF IRMA B. ADLER, aka IRMA S. ADLER, fka IRMA BARRERAS SANCHEZ (true name unknown); and TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 19, 2016, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 9111 Highway 28, Anthony, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situate Southeast of Chamberino, Doña Ana County, New Mexico in Section 19, T.26S., R.3E., N.M.P.M., of the U.S.R.S. Surveys as part of U.S.R.S., Tract 24-8102 and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a nail set at the North line of a 30-foot wide road and at the East Right-of-Way of the West Drain for the Southwest corner of this tract; whence an iron pipe found at the center line of the above mentioned road which is identical to the Southwest corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 24-8102 bears S. 11 deg. 40' E., 15.48 feet;

THENCE from the point of beginning and following along the East Right-of-Way of the West Drain N. 11 deg. 40' W., 259.72 feet to an iron rod set for the Northwest corner of the Northwest corner of U.S.R.S. Tract 24-8102;

THENCE leaving the West Drain N. 62 deg. 18' 40" E., 172.70 feet to a nail set at the West line of a farm road for the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE along the West line of a farm road S. 11 deg. 40' E., 265.21 feet to a nail set at the North line of a 30-foot wide road for the Southeast corner of this tract;

THENCE along the North side of the 30-foot road S. 64 deg. 05' W., 171.28 feet to the place of beginning containing 1.000 acre of land more or less. This description is intended to be for the same tract described in Deed book 254 page 772 of the Dona Ana County Records.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause pursuant to the Order Granting Motion for Reconsideration and Default Judgment entered on September 6, 2016, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$254,088.80 and the same bears interest at 11.825% per annum from January 17, 2016, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all re-

sponsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

Dates: 09/16, 09/23, 09/30,
10/07, 2016

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of the Following Ordinance(s) at the Special City Council Meeting Held on September 15, 2016:

(1) Council Bill No. 17-001; Ordinance No. 2789: An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$18,700,000 City of Las Cruces, New Mexico Joint Utility Improvement Revenue Bonds to Expand and Improve the City's Joint Utility System.

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. **Witness My Hand and Seal** of the City of Las Cruces on this the **20th day of September, 2016.**

**Linda Lewis, CMC
City Clerk**

Dates: 09/23, 2016

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of the Following Ordinance(s) at the Regular City Council Meeting Held on September 19, 2016:

(1) Council Bill No. 17-004; Ordinance No. 2790: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from C-3

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(Commercial High Intensity) to PUD (Planned Unit Development) and a Request for Approval of a Concept Plan for a PUD Known as Las Cruces Dental Plaza PUD. The Subject Property Encompasses 1.99± Acres of Land and is Located at the Northeast Corner of Don Roser Drive and East University Avenue. Submitted by Zia Engineering & Environmental Consultants, LLC on Behalf of Mesilla Valley Dental Properties, LLC, Property Owners (65151).

(2) Council Bill No. 17-005; Ordinance No. 2791: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from R-4 (Multi-Dwelling High Density & Limited Retail and Office) to C-3 (Commercial High Intensity) on a 1.69± Acre Parcel Located at 2100 W. Hadley Avenue. Submitted by Paul Pompeo on Behalf of Boyd Lee Welch, Trustee, Property Owner (67825).

(3) Council Bill No. 17-006; Ordinance No. 2792: An Ordinance Approving a Zone Change from R-2 (Multi-Dwelling Low Density) to R-3C (Multi-Dwelling Medium Density-Conditional) on a 14.2± Acre Parcel Located on the East Side of Bixler Drive, 855± Feet North of its Intersection with Bataan Memorial West. Submitted by Jared Curry, Managing Agent, on Behalf of Dillon Mountain Enterprises LLC, Property Owner (66940).

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. **Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 20th day of September, 2016.**

Linda Lewis, CMC
City Clerk

Dates: 09/23, 2016

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and virtue of an order of sale out of MAGISTRATE COURT in Luna County, New Mexico

dated June 17, 2016 in the matter of Steve and Shirley Bass V. Eduardo Triste cause number M-34-CV-2015-00031 NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON,

Sunday, October 9, 2016 at

the location of 845 Motel Blvd. at 10:00 A.M..

I will be in the obedience of said order of sale to sell the following:

2000 FORD MUSTANG (1FAFP4046YF229927) and 1999 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS (1G3NB52M2X6322160) and contents.

To the highest bidder for cash or lawful money of the United States of America.

ss/ Enrique Kiki Vigil
Dona Ana County
New Mexico

ss/ Garth A. Pirtle
Deputy Sheriff

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

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and virtue of an order of sale out of District Court in Dona Ana County, New Mexico

dated July 26, 2016 in the matter of MBE Partners, Ltd. V. David Serna cause number D-307-CV-2015-01780 NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON,

Sunday, October 9, 2016 at the location of 845 Motel Blvd. at 10:00 A.M..

I will be in the obedience of said order of sale to sell the following:

2002 NISSAN FRONTIER (1N6DD26S12C385156) and contents.

To the highest bidder for cash or lawful money of the United States of America.

ss/ Enrique Kiki Vigil
Dona Ana County
New Mexico

ss/ Garth A. Pirtle
Deputy Sheriff

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

NOTICE OF VEHICLE SEIZURE

TO REGISTERED OWNERS, SECURED PARTIES, AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS:

You are hereby notified that the Doña Ana Sheriff's Office has seized the following vehicles and intends to proceed with forfeiture of each vehicle to the County of Doña Ana pursuant to

DAC Ordinance #232-07 pertaining to the seizure and forfeiture of vehicles related to DWI Offenses: The below listed vehicles and contents will be auctioned to the highest bidder at our upcoming auction set for **October 9, 2016 @ 10:00 am**, the event location is 2821-B LAS VEGAS COURT, LAS CRUCES, NM

VIN # DESCRIPTION REGISTERED OWNER

1G1AK55F377410021
2002 CHEVROLET
GRAY 4 DOOR
BRUCE WILLIAM

1GTEC14W82Z111086
2002 GMC BLACK PK
JOE CHAVARRIA

1FTJW36F3VED15319
1997 FORD F350 PK
ANTONIO JUAREZ

1GNET16S566142529
2006 CHEVROLET
SILVER SUV
VICTORIA BAEZA

2G4WF5216W1438817
1998 BUICK GREEN
4 DOOR
JOSHUA ALANIZ

JA3AA26A5SU073677
1995 MITSUBISHI
SILVER 4DOOR
SANDRA JIMENEZ

JH2HE01028K702444
2008 HONDA RED MC
DESERAE PORTER

1GNFC1308R275793
2007 CHEVROLET
GOLD SUV
RACHEL MONTOYA

1102PF4103A
1964 GMC BLACK PK
BETTY INGLE

If you do not demand judicial review within 35 calendar days from the date of the seizure, by filing a claim for the described vehicle with the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office or filing a suit in court, you lose the right to a judicial determination of this forfeiture, and you lose any right you may have to the described vehicle and its contents.

Dates: 09/16, 09/23, 2016

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of a Restaurant Beer and Wine License with on premises consumption only and patio service for **Sakura Steak House, Inc. d/b/a Sakura Japanese Hibachi Grill & Sushi Bar, to be located at 3961 East Lohman Avenue, Suite 1, Las Cruces, New Mexico.**

The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the City Council to be held on **Monday, October 17, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers, 700 North Main Street, City Hall. If passed, the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department may approve the transfer.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 8 day of September 2016.

/s/Linda Lewis, CMC,
City Clerk

Dates: 09/16, 09/23, 2016

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-307-CV-2014-02226

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF DAVID MARTIN ROBERT GEORGE, SR. A/K/A DAVID MARTIN GEORGE, SR. A/K/A DAVID M. GEORGE, SR., A/K/A DAVID M. GEORGE, A/K/A DAVID MARTIN GEORGE, A/K/A DAVID GEORGE, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **September 28, 2016, at the hour of 10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real

estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 509 Corona Del Campo Loop, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot numbered 5 in Block numbered A of Vista Campestre, Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as the same is shown and designated on the plat of said Vista Campestre, filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Doña Ana County, New Mexico on December 13, 2001 in Plat Book 19, Folio 791-792.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on August 24, 2016, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$317,734.68 and the same bears interest at 4.750% per annum from August 27, 2016, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real

property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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

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

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DONA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE CHILDREN'S COURT STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel. CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT

No. JQ-201547
Judge Beyer

In the Matter of P.J., a Child, and Concerning C. J. and Jesse Gonzalez, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO: Jesse Gonzalez, Respondent.

If you need help reading this document, the court will appoint an interpreter for you at no charge and you can call 575-523-8200.

Si usted necesita ayuda para leer este documento, el tribunal le nombrará un intérprete sin costo y usted puede llamar al 575-523-8200.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an abuse/neglect petition has been filed against you in the above named court and county by the State of New Mexico. In the petition, the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department alleges that you have neglected and/or abused P.J., a child, and seeks legal custody of the child.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that this matter will be heard in the Children's Court Division of the District Court in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, no sooner than twenty (20) days after the last publication date of this Notice.

The name, address and

telephone number of the Attorney for the Petitioner is:

Michelle E. Pickett
P.O. Box 2135
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88004
tel. (575) 373-6400

THIS PROCEEDING MAY RESULT IN THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS.

Witness my hand and Seal of the District Court of the State of New Mexico.

(Seal)

Clerk of the District Court

by/s/ L.K.BROWN
Deputy
Date: 09/09/2016

Dates: 09/23, 09/30, 10/07,
2016

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY DOÑA ANA COUNTY PROBATE COURT

No. 16-0161
HON: DIANA
BUSTAMANTE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NIEVES LICON, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Dated: May 12th, 2016.

Eduvina Eres
P.O. Box 1033
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2016-00075
HON: MARTIN, JAMES T.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LILLIE R. FITZHUGH, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court of Doña Ana County, Las Cruces, New Mexico, located at the following address: 201 W. Picacho St., Las Cruces, NM 88005.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. D-307-PB-2016-00079
HON MARTIN, JAMES T.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELIZABETH DENNING, DECEASED.

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

No.: D-307-CV-2016-01297

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

vs.

**UNKNOWN HEIRS, DE-
VISES AND LEGATEES
OF LARRY L. LYON,
DECEASED; PENELOPE
A. KARSHNER; UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA
BY AND THROUGH THE
SECRETARY OF HOUS-
ING AND URBAN DE-
VELOPMENT; OCCU-
PANTS OF THE PROP-
ERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF PENDENCY
OF ACTION**

**STATE OF NEW MEXI-
CO to Defendants, UN-
KNOWN HEIRS, DEVI-
SEES AND LEGATEES**

**OF LARRY L. LYON,
DECEASED; OCCU-
PANTS OF THE PROP-
ERTY:**

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 2113 Pine Needle Way, Las Cruces, NM 88012. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 15 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 5 OF THE PINES, UNIT TWO, LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID THE PINES, UNIT TWO, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON AUGUST 1, 1995 IN PLAT BOOK 18, FOLIO 303-304.

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

**MCCARTHY &
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By: /s/ Carrie Cook
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Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dates: 09/09, 09/16, 09/23,
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**THE STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF
DOÑA ANA
THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT**

Case No.:
D-307-CV-2015-01693

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

vs.

**ROBERT ANCHONDO;
INDIVIDUALLY AND AS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ES-
TATE OF J. CELIA APO-
DACA GECK AKA CEL-**

**IA JOCEL GECK AKA
CELIA ANCHONDO, DE-
CEASED; UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA
BY AND THROUGH THE
SECRETARY OF HOUS-
ING AND URBAN DE-
VELOPMENT; CHRISTI-
NA A. ANCHONDO; OC-
CUPANTS OF THE
PROPERTY, Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 737 S Melendres St, Las Cruces, NM 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS PART OF LOTS 42, 43 AND 44 IN BLOCK NUMBERED 1 OF MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON MARCH 18, 1932 IN PLAT BOOK 1, FOLIO 23 AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF: EXHIBIT "A" SEPTEMBER 30, 1987 DESCRIPTION OF A 0.1752 ACRE TRACT TRACT A A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS PART OF LOTS 42, 43 AND 44, BLOCK 1 OF THE REVISED PLAT OF MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION (FILED MARCH 18, 1932 IN BOOK 1, PAGE 23 OF THE DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS) AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD FOUND FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; WHENCE THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 41, BLOCK 1 OF THE ABOVE MEN-

TIONED MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION, BEARS S.13°38'E., A DISTANCE OF 118.20 FEET; THENCE S.78°22'W., 98.18 FEET TO AN IRON ROD FOUND AT THE EAST SIDE OF SOUTH MELENDRES STREET FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF SOUTH MELENDRES STREET, N.25°55'W., 74.28 FEET TO AN IRON PIPE FOUND AT THE SOUTH SIDE OF AN ALLEY FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; SAID CORNER BEING IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 42, BLOCK 1 OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF AN ALLEY, N.78°27'E., 113.99 FEET TO AN IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; SAID CORNER BEING IDENTICAL TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 42, BLOCK 1 OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION; THENCE LEAVING SAID ALLEY AND ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF LOT 42, BLOCK 1 OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED MONTE VISTA SUBDIVISION, S.13°38'E., 72.00 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 0.1752 ACRE OF LAND MORE OR LESS.

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 January 13, 2016, in the total amount of \$122,635.80, with interest at the rate of 1.36% per annum from October 7, 2015 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$1,827.78. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real proper-

ty and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

No. D-307-CV-2016-00042

**NATIONSTAR MORT-
GAGE LLC, Plaintiff,**

vs.

**MARGO D. MELEN-
DREZ AKA MARGO D.
LOPEZ-MELENDEZ
AKA MARGO DENISE
LOPEZ; MICHAEL M.
MELENDEZ; THE UN-
KNOWN SPOUSE OF
MARGO D. MELEN-
DREZ AKA MARGO D.
LOPEZ-MELENDEZ
AKA MARGO DENISE**

**LOPEZ; THE UN-
KNOWN SPOUSE OF
MICHAEL M. MELEN-
REZ; OCCUPANTS OF
THE PROPERTY,
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2968 Onate Road, Las Cruces, NM 88007-8120, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 143 OF LEGENDS WEST SUBDIVISION PHASE IV, LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID LEGENDS WEST SUBDIVISION PHASE IV, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2005 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 344-346.

The sale is to begin at **12:15 PM on October 13, 2016**, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC. NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC was awarded a Judgment on June 22, 2016, in the total amount of \$165,619.52, with interest at the rate of 6.75% per annum from March 3, 2016 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$ 6,860.73.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, its attorneys, and the undersigned

Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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**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, HUS-
BAND AND WIFE; GEN-
NA MARIE SLAYTON
AND JOHN DOE SLAY-
TON, WIFE AND HUS-
BAND; OCCUPANTS OF
THE PROPERTY,
Defendants.**

**NOTICE OF
FORECLOSURE SALE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real

property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 4839 Calle Bella Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88012, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT NUMBERED 49 IN BLOCK NUMBERED A OF LOS ENOMORADOS ESTATES FINAL PLAT - REPLAT NO. 2, LAS CRUCES, DONA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT OF SAID LOS ENOMORADOS ESTATES FINAL PLAT - REPLAT NO. 2, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON JULY 27, 2006 IN PLAT BOOK 21, FOLIO 722-727,

The sale is to begin at **12:15pm on October 27, 2016**, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted CORNERSTONE HOME LENDING, INC., CORNERSTONE HOME LENDING, INC. was awarded a Judgment on August 3, 2016 , in the total amount of \$140,891.55, with interest at the rate of 3.00% per annum from January 1, 2016 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount 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, the Mortgagee's attorney.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. CORNERSTONE HOME LENDING, INC., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition,

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subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

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

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.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 4905 Balsam Road, Las Cruces, NM 88011, and more particularly described as follows:

A TRACT OF LAND SITUATE EAST OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, LOCATED IN SECTION 17, T.22S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

BEGINNING AT A 1/2" IRON ROD SET ON THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF BALSAM ROAD FOR THE NORTHE A ST CORNER OF THIS TRACT: WHENCE THE NORTH 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 17, T.22S., R.3E., N.M.P.M. OF THE U.S.G.L.O. SURVEYS, BEARS N.00°03'17"W., 2446.04 FEET; THENCE, FROM THE POINT OF BEGINNING, LEAVING BALSAM ROAD, S.00°03'17"E., A DISTANCE OF 198.44 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND FOR THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.89°36'06"W., A DISTANCE OF 142.68 FEET TO A FENCE POST FOUND FOR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE N.00°03'17"W., A DISTANCE OF 198.44 FEET TO A 1/2" IRON ROD SET FOR THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THIS TRACT; THENCE S.89°36'06"E., AT 122.68 FEET A 1/2" IRON ROD FOUND ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BALSAM ROAD AND AT 142.68 FEET THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ENCLOSING 0.650 ACRE OF LAND, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS AND RESERVATIONS OF RECORD. INFORMATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS DESCRIPTION DERIVES FROM SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED FILED JANUARY 22, 2001, IN BOOK 250, PAGES 1424-1425, OF THE

DOÑA ANA COUNTY RECORDS. A PLAT WAS PREPARED UNDER JOB NO. 01-04-0265. FIELD NOTES BY SCANLON WHITE, INC., LICENSE NO. 9433.

The sale is to begin at **12:15 PM on October 27, 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 July 11, 2016, in the total amount of \$89,141.00, with interest at the rate of 1.76% per annum from July 7, 2015 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$2,054.59. The sale is subject to the entry of an Order by this Court approving the sale.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, and all taxes and utility liens, special assessments and taxes that may be due. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., its attorneys, and the undersigned Special Master, disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property "as is," in its present condition, subject to the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured

home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-01728

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

MATTHEW G. WATSON AND ARLENE R. WATSON, HUSBAND AND WIFE; CITIZENS BANK OF LAS CRUCES; DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY-INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 6625 Rio Bravo Drive, La Mesa, NM 88044, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 1, LUGO SUBDIVISION, IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THERE OF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2005, IN BOOK 21 PAGE (S) 358 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **12:15pm on October 13, 2016**, on the front steps of the Third Judicial District Courthouse, City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to

satisfy the Judgment granted NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC. NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC was awarded a Judgment on June 23, 2016, in the total amount of \$318,773.59 with interest at the rate of 5.8750% per annum from March 31, 2016 through the date of the sale. Said interest is in the amount of \$10,056.65.

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

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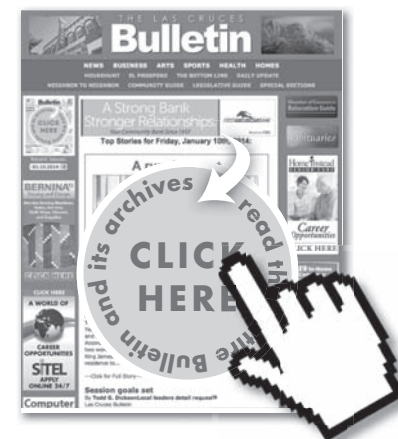
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A fair to remember

SNMSF lights up Las Cruces

The Southern New Mexico State Fair is coming Wednesday, Sept. 28 through Sunday, Oct. 2 with all the usual adventures, activities and more.

Daily events include the colorful carnival, exotic petting zoo, magician Adrian D'Marco, the Bengal tiger encounter and the high flying Cycle Circus.

Musical acts include legendary Neal McCowan

and the Good Time Gang, Bart Crow and Stoney Larue.

Special events for kids include educational outreach and a school arts and crafts exhibit with the theme "Down on the Farm."

And, as always, SNMSF hosts a fast-talking, bronc ridin', boot scootin' PRCA rodeo.

No pets will be allowed with the exception of service animals.



TOP RIGHT: Children enjoy floating on water in giant bubbles at the 2015 fair.

ABOVE: Neal McCowan and the Good Time Gang are scheduled to perform at the 2016 fair.

RIGHT: Old fashioned tools, like this corn mill, and tractors are on display every year at the Southern New Mexico State Fair.



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY SUSIE OUDERKIRK

Japanese folk dancers perform at art museum

Folk dancers from the New Mexico Japanese American Citizens League will perform at noon on Saturday, Sept. 24 at the Las Cruces Museum of Art, 491 N. Main St.

There is no charge to attend the performance and admission to the museum is free.

The dancers are directed by Natsuko Edelman and their dance program is part of the art museum's current "Nature, Tradition and Innovation: Contemporary Japanese Ceramics from the Gordon Brod-fuehrer Collection" exhibition, which continues through Saturday, Oct. 15.

The museum is open 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday. It is closed Sunday and Monday.

The Japanese American Citizens League was founded in 1929. Its New Mexico chapter was founded in 1947 and is based in Albuquerque. Its mission "is to promote, protect, and fight for the civil and human rights of all people in and outside of New Mexico," according to <http://nmjacl.org/history.html>. For more information, contact the league at 415-234-0961 or info@nmjacl.org.

For more information, call the museum at 575-541-2137 and visit www.museums.las-cruces.org.

Admission

Children Under 6 Years of Age - Free
Regular Child (ages 7-14) - \$10
Regular Adult (15 and Up) - \$14

1/2 off all day Wednesday
1/2 off till 2pm Thursday-Friday

Fair exhibits, entertainment, rodeo and speedway are included in ticket price.

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'Belles: The Reunion' to host playwright on opening night

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Long-time Las Cruces director (and actor) Gail Wheeler has assembled an all-star cast for her play "Belles: The Reunion," which opens Friday, Sept. 30 at Las Cruces Community Theatre, 313 N. Main St. downtown, and continues through Sunday, Oct. 16.

Playwright Mark Dunn, who lives in Santa Fe, will attend the production's opening night on Sept. 30. He also was in the

audience for Wheeler's production of the play's prequel, "Belles," which LCCT staged in 2014.

"Since the original 'Belles' and its 25-years-later sequel 'Belles: The Reunion' are so tightly connected, both in terms of characters as well as identical staging, it becomes a special treat to see both shows produced by the same theater and especially nice to have both in the hands of the same director," Dunn said.

"My idea in writing

'Belles: The Reunion' was to make it understandable and enjoyable to an audience that had never even heard of the original 'Belles,' but I also wanted to reward audiences that were familiar with the original play, so they could enjoy the trajectory of the characters over the years," he said.

"When Mary (Dunn's wife) and I drove down to see 'Belles,' I didn't know what to expect, having never attended a performance at LCCT before, and also over so many



Actors Caryl Kotulak, left, and Lennie Brown in rehearsal as director Gail Wheeler looks on.

BULLETIN PHOTO BY MIKE COOK

The cast also includes Susan Smith, Lennie Brown, Karen Buerdsell, Caryl Kotulak and Mary Huhmann.

"When you see these six together, they all look like they could be in the same family," Wheeler said. All six characters are on the phone with each other throughout the play, just like the original "Belles."

In the first play, the sisters are discussing what to do about their mother. In the sequel, they are discussing the same topic, except their mother is now in a home. "This is another drop in with 'What's up with mother,'" Wheeler said.

Wheeler said she chose to direct "Belles" two years ago after a search for a play that featured an all-woman cast. She also liked the simple set and "the parameter of the phone calls. That's an interesting thing to have to deal with," Wheeler said.

"The thing I like about the playwright and the women – they're very full characters and they're very interesting," she said. "I love the idea of families sticking together through adversity."

Wheeler, who has become Facebook friends with Dunn, said his ability to write believable women characters was a major factor in her

years I think I'd seen probably 15 different productions of 'Belles' and was a little burned out on it. But the LCCT production, under the talents of both Gail and a wonderful cast, was a delight all the way through. I loved the way it was done and was able to shake off quite a bit of that jaded attitude I'd had about that play. I should add that it was the LCCT production of

'Belles' that inspired me to tackle the sequel. This was, in fact, the last production of 'Belles' I saw before I started working on 'Belles: The Reunion,'" he said.

The only cast member from the 2014 LCCT production of "Belles" returning for the sequel is Nora Brown, but she's playing a different character than she did two years ago.

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Film vet to premiere new movie

By **MIKE COOK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces actor/film-maker Mark Vasconcellos has been working in the film industry for the past 25 years, he said, and has had “every job you can think of on a film set.” His first film, an 18-minute dark comedy called “Paco’s Two-Bean Double Frozen Margarita,” taught him not only about filmmaking but about the importance of promotion as well.

At a film festival, he got girls to wear tee shirts promoting the film and he gave away so many tiny bottles of tequila with his movie’s name on them, he became known as the “Tequila Dude.”

“My two screenings were totally full,” he said. The film also won three awards: the Houston World Festival bronze award, the Tucson International Film Festival Best Bar Award and the Miami Film Festival Audience Choice.

“You don’t just make a movie and throw it out there,” he said. “There are different tricks to the trade,” and PR and distribution are vital to a film’s success, Vasconcellos said.

“You never know in this business. You’ve got to be out there. You’ve got to be visible – keep trying and trying and trying and never give up,” he said. A good example, Vasconcellos said, was what happened with “River.” A friend of his had a copy of the film on a flash drive and a California film producer housed on the Paramount lot saw part of it and took an interest in the

film and its distribution.

Vasconcellos graduated from high school in Madrid, Spain, then returned to his native California to earn a bachelor of arts degree in film and television production from San Jose State. He then moved to Los Angeles to work in movies. “I lived the gypsy life in LA for the summer, working on movies,” Vasconcellos remembers.

A set decorator for one of the movies he worked on asked Vasconcellos if

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“RIVER” premieres at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29 at Cineport 10, 700 S. Telshor.

he ever thought of working in front of the camera. That led to a three-year modeling career in Milan, Paris and Tokyo. He also worked as a segment director and cameraman for Italian and French television, producing TV commercials and covering

motorcycle races all over the world.

Vasconcellos moved to Los Angeles in the 1990s to pursue an acting career, where he met his wife, Ceci Vasconcellos, who was working at Warner Records at the time. Vasconcellos did freelance camera work “to pay the bills. I never had to work in a restaurant,” he said. The two married and decided in 2007 to move to Las Cruces to raise their two children, Marina, now 16, and Vincent, 14.

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Film Society participates in nationwide celebration

Three special films to be shown

BULLETIN REPORT

The Mesilla Valley Film Society (MVFS) announces its first Art House Theater Day, taking place on Saturday, Sept. 24 at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla. The MVFS is partnering with Art House Convergence, an international consortium of independent, community-based movie theaters for the event. More than 160 theaters will participate in this nationwide celebration of the cultural and community growth that art house theaters promote.

"We have chosen three films that were produced in the region and reflect

the history and culture of New Mexico," according to MVFS president Rob Felt. "These films have become patron favorites and they all reflect the interests of the diverse audiences that art houses serve. Our fourth film is a sneak preview of a feature film that has not yet been released commercially."

Beginning at 1 p.m., films will run through the afternoon and evening. The first film, "The Silence of Cricket Coogler: A Political Murder," recalls a story that gripped New Mexico half a century ago with the killing of a teenage waitress in Las Cruces. Still unsolved,

the murder exposed public corruption, sent law enforcement officers to prison and put a lid on the state's flourishing gambling industry. One of the filmmakers, Richard Startzman, and Paula Moore, author of "Cricket in the Web," will be present for the screening.

The next film, "Salt of the Earth," is based on an actual New Mexico mineworkers strike and depicts measures taken by a Hispanic union to improve conditions for its workers. Produced in 1954, the docudrama provides one of the best examples of blacklisted filmmaking in the 1950s and was considered an extreme leftist propaganda film at the time. A panel discussion with

historians Dr. Jamie Bronstein and Paul Ward will follow the 4 p.m. screening.

"Bless Me, Última," based on Rudolfo Anaya's acclaimed novel, is the feature presentation at 7 p.m. A drama set in New Mexico during WWII, the film centers on the relationship between a young man and an elderly medicine woman who helps him contend with the battle between good and evil that rages in his village. Chicano literature associate professor Dr. Joyce Garay will speak after the screening.

The 10 p.m. screening of "Danny Says," a documentary about music manager Danny Fields, will close the Art House Theatre Day event.

The film, which will be released commercially in October, chronicles Fields' pivotal role in music and pop culture in the '70s, '80s and '90s. He worked for the Doors, Lou Reed, Nico, Judy Collins and managed groundbreaking artists like the Stooges, the MC5 and the Ramones.

"Art House Theater Day is a chance to show film-lovers that local independent theaters are part of a larger cultural movement. They are passion-driven institutions that collaborate with distributors, filmmakers, and each other to deepen film appreciation and to increase the diversity and artistic integrity of what you see on the big screen," said Art House Theater Day cofounder

Gabriel Chicoine. The Mesilla Valley Film Society has operated the 100-seat Fountain Theatre since 1989 and it continues to be a physical space where film lovers can congregate and connect with each other.

Passes for the event are now on sale at \$25 for film society members and \$30 for non-members and may be purchased at the Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe in Mesilla. Individual tickets for each screening are \$8 and will depend on seat availability. For details about Art House Theatre Day and the Mesilla Valley Film Society, go to www.mesillavalleyfilm.org, email info@mesillavalleyfilm.org, or call 575-524-8287.



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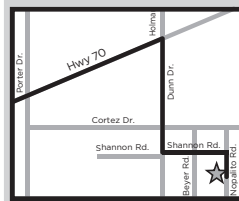
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wanting to direct both plays. "He's got a great wife," Wheeler said. "She helps contribute to his knowledge of women."

"I realized after 'Belles' that I really liked writing about women and telling their stories and for that reason I ended up writing quite a few other plays that either had female only casts, or which were mostly female casts," Dunn said. "By the way, when I teach playwriting seminars, we talk a little bit about why -- at least to me -- it's easier to write women: They tend to open up on the stage so much more than men who don't have that unboiling trait. To me that



Mark Dunn, the playwright of "Belles: the Reunion," and his wife, Mary.

makes for more dynamic theatre," he said.

Dunn said "Belles" was his first full-length play, "and happily one that really took off and put me on

the path to wanting to be a professional playwright. It was loosely based on my mother's family, four sisters and one brother, but I was fascinated by the

interaction between my mother and her very disparate sisters, all children of a very abusive, alcoholic father," he 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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Short films, some sweet

By **JEFF BERG**

For the Bulletin

Now in its 19th year, the Manhattan Short Film Festival is back in Mesilla, under the auspices of the Mesilla Valley Film Society at the Fountain Theatre.

The premise of this festival (which once again successfully misspelled Mesilla in its program guide) is that it is a one-week festival, screening at theaters around the world from Sept 23 through October 2.


Audiences vote for their favorite film and actor from the 10 that were selected from nearly 850 entries from 52 countries, and the winners are announced at manhattan-short.com just after the end of the festival.

Those who attend the Fountain during the week will be given a card on which they can mark their vote. The Fountain is the only New Mexico theater hosting this interesting festival.

The films that are playing this year are a bit of mixed bag. None are overwhelmingly great, but none are bad at all.

They include:

From Norway- "The Tunnel," a futuristic piece about a family trying to get home after a beach outing in which they are able to set a "personal" record of one hour in the water. The traffic is unimaginable in this live action/CGI work, and the story is tense and well told. It is also a striking comment about over population, with a bit of irony, as I noted that every vehicle shown has



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kids in it.

From England is the aptly named "Carousel," which offers identical conversations between an older person and a young person, offering "advice" which is then offered to the audience.

"Kaputt" is a strong and very dark, very short animated piece about the experiences of several women who were held in the Hohenek Prison for Women in the former East Germany. Colored in only black and heavy gray, it is an intimate overview of life in the prison which operated from 1950-90.

The only American entry is "Ella Gets a Promotion," a rather

dull and mostly predictable work focusing on two women who receive promotions and how the more authoritative of the two starts to overlord her friend and co-worker.

From the Netherlands is "Hold On," which introduces us to ever-advancing stage fright for a first chair cello player whose instrument pops a string during a stirring solo performance.

"Overtime," from Australia, is also a bit predictable, but fun, which pops the idea of a man who works in an office and cannot work late on full-moon nights. The film is saved by its fun opening and the unexpected ending.



I really wanted to like "Bravoman," from Russia more than I did, but it seemed somewhat disjointed as it told the tale of a man who is a paid plant in theater audiences, whose job is to get the others to share his fake enthusiasm, but they need to do it for real. His cynicism is upended a bit when he finds a woman who truly enjoys some of the cornball performances he must endure.

The best of the bunch by far is "Gorilla," a French-US production, shot in Burgundy but taking place in a fake jungle of 1930s Hollywood. Henry is a costumed gorilla who must terrify the leads, which he finds very difficult to do, since he is secretly in love with the starlet of his next movie. Takes grunting to a whole new level.

Another excellent piece is "I Am a Pencil," from Australia and in French. This well-drawn animated piece is an honoring of the humblest of writing instruments and to the journalists that were murdered at the Charlie Hebdo carnage in France. Far too short, but also amazingly moving and effective.

The final film is another little sci-fi piece

GRADE: A-

"Manhattan Shorts" is a cool concept and fun to watch and partake in. My votes are in for "Gorilla" as the best film.

from France, "The Last Journey of the Enigmatic Paul W.R." In this humble work, the "red

moon" is soon to destroy the Earth and Paul, the only possible savior, as the finest astronaut ever, has gone missing. It almost seems loosely based on the old David Bowie song "Major Tom." It features the coolest car ever in a film, not to mention landscape that looks very southern New Mexico-ish.

Jeff Berg has written reviews for the Bulletin for 15 years.

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Saturday, Oct. 1 events begin at 5 p.m. and continue until 11 p.m. They include a 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.

For tickets and more information, visit www.eventbrite.com/e/2016-salsafest-tickets-26665603538?aff=es2 and <http://downtownlascruces.org/las-cruces-salsa-fest/>.



Food Truck Fiesta slated for Sept. 30 at Amaro Winery

A special Friday Food Truck Fiesta at Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St, from 6 to 10 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 30 will feature wines from Amaro, beer from High Desert Brewery and a dozen or so Las Cruces food trucks, said Janet Beatty-Payne, who owns the Green Chile Paddy Wagon with her husband, Patrick Payne.

The event is themed "Monumental Food Truck Fiesta" to celebrate the inaugural Monuments to Main Street Month, recognizing the benefits all of us have from protected public lands," Beatty-Payne said. "It's the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service and we want to celebrate all of our public lands, the



Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks, Prehistoric Trackways and White Sands National Monument," she

said.

For more information, find Food Truck Fiesta on Facebook.

Fall gardening classes continue at Mountain View

Gardening expert Jackye Meinecke presents gardening classes at 2 p.m. on Saturdays in the Community Room at Mountain View Co-Op, 1300 El Paseo Rd, Las Cruces. The classes last 1 hour and cost \$10 per person or \$8 per person for co-op members. Reservations requested. Reserve your space at gardens@zianet.com or call 575-323-0903.

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BULLETIN REPORT

Members of the faculty of the New Mexico State University Music Department will perform “a diverse program of chamber works” beginning at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 2 in the Atkinson Recital Hall at the top of the horseshoe on the NMSU campus near the intersection with Espina Street.

There is no charge to attend the

performance, which is open to the public.

The program includes works by Ginastera, Ewazen, Gillis, Voigt, Weatherly, Ravel, Saint-Saens, Koshinski and Tyson, and features performances by La Catrina Spring Quartet, the NMSU Faculty Brass Trio as well as vocal, woodwind and percussion performances.

The concert is the first of four presented by the NMSU Music

Department as part of its Autumn Overture fall series. Upcoming concerts includes the NMSU Choirs on Tuesday, Oct. 11, NMSU Bands on Thursday, Oct. 13 and the NMSU Jazz Ensembles on Friday, Oct. 15. Each concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

All concerts are free and open to the public.

For more information, contact the NMSU Music Department at 575-646-2421 or music@nmsu.edu.

‘Flauto Dolce’ society celebrates 25 years

The Las Cruces/El Paso Rio Grande Recorder Chapter is celebrating 25 years of playing the recorder (also known as the flauto dolce) at its chapter meeting on October 8.

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Genre: Drama, thriller
Director: Jaume Collet-Serra

Warcraft

Rated: PG-13
Genre: Action, fantasy, fiction
Directors: Duncan Jones

Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates

Rated: R
Genre: Comedy
Directors: Jake Szymanski

Top grossing Sept. 16-18

- Sully**
(Week No. 2) \$21,653,017
- Blair Witch**
(Week No. 1) \$9,576,057
- Bridget Jones's Baby**
(Week No. 1) \$8,571,785
- Snowden**
(Week No. 1) \$8,000,058
- Don't Breathe**
(Week No. 4) \$5,640,232
- When the Bough Breaks**
(Week No. 2) \$5,486,126
- Suicide Squad**
(Week No. 7) \$4,701,834
- The Wild Life**
(Week 2) \$2,771,443
- Kubo and the Two Strings**
(Week 5) \$2,540,031
- Pete's Dragon**
(Week No. 6) \$2,152,802

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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

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

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

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

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

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

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 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

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

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

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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EVENTS CALENDAR

September

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. The event is 8:10 p.m., Saturday, Sep. 24, 2016, City of Rocks State. 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

Musical group seeks members

SoulShine, a new musical group in Las Cruces, is looking for youth (ages 8-18) as well as adults to participate in music making. The group is looking for singers as well as instrumentalists; experience and ability to read music notation are not requirements.

Wednesday rehearsals will run from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Sept. 21 to Dec. 21, at the Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. Soul Shine will perform for the New Thought candle lighting service on Dec. 24. Info: Mary-Lynn Brown at 575- 805-3042 or soulshinelc@gmail.com.

Concert Band kicks off season

The Concert Band of the Southwest, conducted by David Kendrick, will kick off its seventh season with "First Concert of the Fall" 7 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the Cobre High School Auditorium at 1300 Tom Foy Blvd., Bayard, New Mexico. Seating is open and all are free, though donations for a sheet music library and expenses are accepted.

Also, anyone who plays an instrument, even if it has not been for years, is invited to join. Info: David Kendrick 575- 388-7874 or concertbandofthesw@gmail.com.

GALLERIES & OPENINGS

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

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" is intended to reach the science, contemporary art and educa-

tional communities. It will pair 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," will run concurrently with "GEOMAGIC."

Fiber clay art to be displayed

During the entire month of September, the Mesquite Art Gallery will feature the 3D work of Deming artist Diana LaMarbe.

The show pays homage to women of the past. LaMarbe has recently found a new type of clay – fiber clay – that allows her to form sculptures of shawls and blankets to honor these women. Info: 575-640-3502

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. The museum is open Tuesday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For information, visit museums.lascruces.org or call 575-541-2137.

Weir, Leininger work on display

The art paintings of Wendy Robin Weir and Marj Leininger are on permanent exhibit at Creative Harmony and Gifts at 220 N. Campo St. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. For information, call 312-3040.

Pinos Altos Art Gallery to host reception

An opening reception for the Grant County Art Guild's 31st Annual Purchase Prize Award Exhibit- 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 20 at the Pinos Altos Art Gallery, 14 Golden Avenue, Pinos Altos. There will be artists, art and food. Show also available for viewing 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. Sept. 23 to 25 and Sept. 30 to Oct. 2.

October

Las Cruces Arts Association meeting

Dani Anderson will present a presentation "Fun and Easy Mixed Media Methods" at the next meeting of the Las Cruces Arts Association, 1:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 16 at the Art on Easels Gallery, 125 N. Main St.

The demo will explore work with paper, mat mediums, elastomeric compound, tyvek and pounded copper applied to painted board or canvas.

Visitors and new members are welcome. Info: www.lascrucesarts.org

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.

For additional information call Jill at 330-360-7541.

Bead Society meeting set

The Las Cruces Bead Society's next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 6 at Western Traders, 1300 El Paseo Road. Info: 527-1470.

Contra dance scheduled

The Southern New Mexico Music and Dance is sponsoring a contra dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 21 at the Mesilla Community Center at 2251 Calle de Santiago. The Mulettones, a west Texas band, will play, and Lonnie Ludeman will be calling. No partner is needed. Cost \$6, \$4 for youth and \$15 for a family. Info: www.snmmds.org or 575-522-1691

Empty Bowls 2016 set for October

The annual Empty Bowls event is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, at St. Paul's United Methodist 225 W. Griggs Ave.

WE WANT YOUR SUBMISSIONS

If you have an announcement you'd like to see in the calendar or galleries, please send to brook@lascrucesbulletin.com.

\$20 includes lunch and a bowl and lunch only is \$12.

This event is sponsored by the Potters' Guild of Las Cruces. All proceeds go to El Caldito Soup Kitchen.

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.

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 begins 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.

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Cooking classes continue: Red chile on Oct. 13

A series of classes on cooking with New Mexico Chile are ongoing on Thursday nights at the Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park visitors center, 5000 Calle del Norte in Mesilla. The Friends of the Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park hosts the classes in partnership with New Mexico State University's Dietetic Internship Program and the Doña Ana Cooperative Extension Service.

The cost is \$5 per class for materials and ingredients, with a valid park pass.

Upcoming classes:

OCT. 13: Red chile

NOV. 10: Chile rellenos

DEC. 8: Tamales

Pre-registration is required for each class, and seating is limited to the first 25 people who sign up. To pre-register and for more information, contact Sherm Evenson at 575-373-3262.



Ready to make music? Soulshine is looking for you

A new musical group in Las Cruces called Soulshine is accepting members of all ages, both singers and instrumentalists who are enthusiastic and ready to make music. This is an opportunity for youth ages eight to 18 to work together musically with adults. Experience and ability to read music notation are not requirements.

Rehearsals will be from 6 – 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and run through December 21. The group will perform for the New Thought candle lighting service on December 24.

Rehearsals and performance will be held at the Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. For information, contact Mary-Lynn Brown at 575-805-3042 or soulshinelc@gmail.com.

PUZZLES

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 O

LJSEA J EBDXVN LMTA XBTA DLJSX

MSWF MSA PMX'L VAWR, J LDRRLA

J VDSNAP LJSXWA-VMDSPAPWF.

SCRAMBLERS

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!



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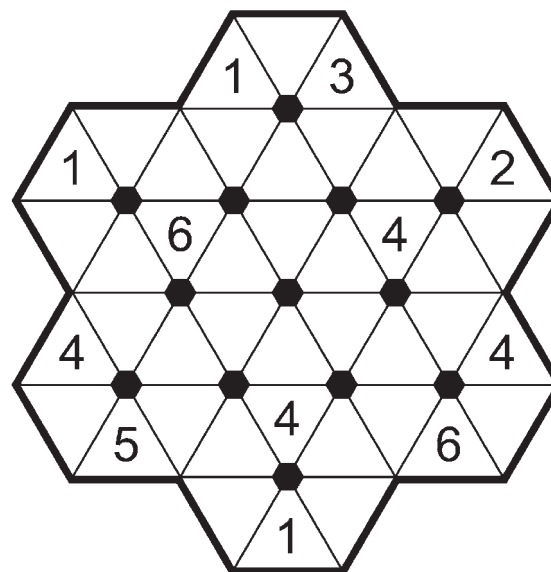
Swell
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GLEAN

Grand
BLONE

TODAY'S WORD

SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

Since I caught some game using only one dog's help, I suppose I hunted single-houndedly.

CRYPTOQUIP

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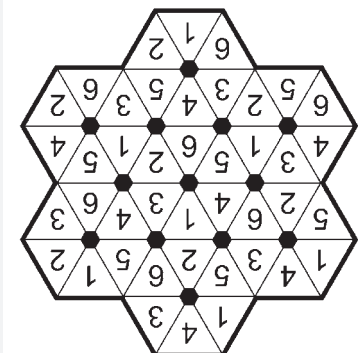
Today's Word

3. Angle; 4. Noble

1. Attain; 2. Bulge;

solution

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

PUZZLES

KING CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

- 1 Length times width
- 5 Matterhorn, for one
- 8 Language of Pakistan
- 12 Man of the manor
- 13 Bygone space station
- 14 Tide type
- 15 Make valid
- 17 San --, Italy
- 18 Pantheon member
- 19 Stockholm's land
- 21 West Pointer

- 24 "— pin and pick it up, ..."
- 25 Colors
- 26 Fine
- 30 Actress Hagen
- 31 Puncture
- 32 By way of
- 33 Preach
- 35 Catches some rays
- 36 Smoke
- 37 Buyer of stolen goods
- 38 Attack
- 41 Bando of baseball
- 42 Judicial garment

DOWN

- 1 Everything
- 2 Fish eggs
- 3 Work unit
- 4 Old sayings
- 5 In the thick of
- 6 "30 Rock" role
- 7 Charisma

- 8 Fictitious
- 9 Clarinet insert
- 10 Knight's lady
- 11 "Once -- a time ..."
- 16 Parcel of land
- 20 Frail
- 21 Pal
- 22 Car
- 23 Sweetie
- 24 Grab
- 26 Ancient
- 27 Terrible guy?
- 28 Galvanizing stuff
- 29 Facility
- 31 Advertise
- 34 From the start

- 35 Penn and —
- 37 Air safety org.
- 38 Cornfield intruder
- 39 Arizona tribe
- 40 Touch
- 41 Edinburgh resident
- 44 Praise in verse
- 45 A Gershwin brother
- 46 Microwave
- 47 "Guinness Book" suffix

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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		3		7			2	
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1					2			5

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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

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KING CROSSWORD

Wireless Wizardry at Branigan Cultural Center



Margaret Bernstein (KF5KHJ) and Charlie Welch (N5CWW), co-chairs, look at a table load of equipment which was brought in for display.

BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ALEX BURR

By ALEX BURR
For the Bulletin

Displayed in the unusual exhibit “Wireless Wizardry – A History of Radio in the Mesilla Valley” is radio equipment from the earliest times to the present as well as a selection of telemetry equipment from the Physical Science Laboratory at New Mexico State University.

Organized by the Mesilla Valley Radio Club, the exhibit traces the use of radio in the Mesilla Valley from the first broadcasts from NMSU in 1919 to the construction of the latest record-breaking equipment built in Las Cruces. The display room is filled with vintage and modern equipment and includes a transmitter which set a world record for miles covered per watt. A complete operating amateur radio station is included. Several computer systems show PowerPoint presentations describing the history of radio and explaining the exhibits.

Several more detailed oral presentations are scheduled. More information can be obtained from the Cultural Center at 575-541-2155.



Bernie McCune, from the Physical Science Laboratory at NMSU, adjusts the non-spherical model of the earth which PSL helped to establish by analyzing telemetry radio signals.

Nanci Bissell, Frank Rimbach featured at Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery

The Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, 2470-A Calle de Guadalupe, Mesilla, across from the Fountain Theatre, will feature artists Nanci Bissell and Frank Rimbach.

Bissell is a graduate of Texas A&M University, with a degree in education and a minor in art and English. She has been an educator, teacher, principal and assistant principal in the elementary schools, retiring after 26 years. Bissell’s paintings have been exhibited in numerous art shows. Her artistic interests include seascapes, street scenes and landscapes.

Rimbach holds a bachelor’s degree and Master of Fine Arts from New Mexico State University. He also has studied extensively old and modern masters in Europe and the



United States. Rimbach’s work is primarily in landscapes, bookcase series and his modern abstracts. He is currently exploring landscapes as he continues to capture the rugged

beauty of surrounding Las Cruces.

The First American Bank, Mesilla, is well represented by gallery members who continue to rotate their artwork on a monthly basis.

In addition, the 30 artists of the gallery offer art in various mediums, which include original paintings, acrylics, pastels, fused glass art jewelry, unique one-of-a-kind woodturning objects, stained glass, photography, mixed media, decorated gourds, handmade textile weavings, art tile, affordable natural quality gems stone jewelry, handcrafted basket weavings, pencil, charcoal and ink, prints, cards and miniature paintings.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday. For information, call 575-522-2933 or visit: www.mesillavalleyfinearts.com.




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ANSWER: We don't want it to spread all over town!

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SCRUB UP AND BECOME A MEMBER OF THE GERM PATROL

Disgusting germs don't stand a chance against my powerful SECRET WEAPON!

YOU can stop the spread of germs that cause illness. But you'll need two important pieces of equipment to get the job done – SOAP and WARM, RUNNING WATER.

Proper hand washing requires vigorous lathering for at least 20 seconds – about as long as it takes to sing the ABC song.

Use whatever soap gets you scrubbing. Regular soap works well!

CLIP AND TAPE TO YOUR BATHROOM MIRROR

Hand Washing in Three Easy Steps!

- Lather up both sides of your hands, around your wrist, between your fingers and around your nails.
- Rinse well to remove all the soap.
- Dry hands with paper towels. Tip: use a paper towel to turn off the faucet after washing hands.

Catch the Reading Bug – NOT a flu bug!

At the library, I talk with kids about washing their hands both before and after they read our books. They should wash before to help keep the books nice and clean. That helps the library. Then they should wash after they're done reading to remove germs they picked up from the books. And that helps kids stay healthy.

Bert Bookworm

Standards Link: Health: Students recognize behaviors that promote healthy living.

How often do you wash YOUR hands?

Keep track of how many times a day you wash your hands for one full week. Every time you wash your hands, make a check in that day's bubble. Take a guess **before** you begin, then fill out the actual number **after** the week is over. Did you wash your hands **more** or **less** often than you thought?

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY

I think I wash my hands _____ times a day. I discovered I actually wash my hands _____ times a day!

Standards Link: Health: Know how to prevent the spread of disease.

Number the pictures in order to show how a virus germ makes you sick.

How a Germ Makes You Sick

Germs that cause colds and flu are called **viruses** and **bacteria**.

- When a virus germ gets inside your body, it finds a healthy cell and digs its way inside.
- Then it begins to multiply. One virus germ becomes two. Two become four. Four become eight.
- Soon the cell is full of hundreds of virus germs.
- The germs break out of the healthy cell.
- Each germ finds another healthy cell and begins multiplying. Soon there are millions of virus germs in your body.

WHAT CAN YOU LEARN FROM A VAMPIRE?

The way a movie vampire covers his face with his cape is a good way to stop the spread of germs. It's called the Vampire Cough. Next time you cough or sneeze, cough into the inside bend of your elbow. If you cough into your hands, the germs from your mouth get spread around. Think about it—what was the last thing you touched with the inside of your elbow?

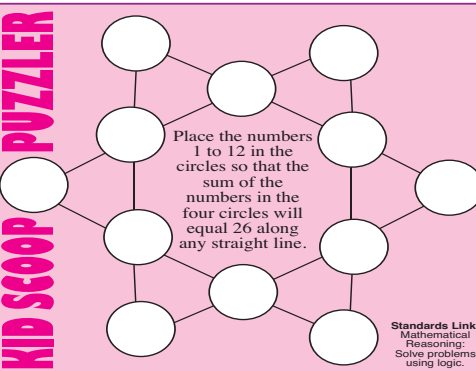
Get more Germ Patrol info and activities at kidscoop.com/scrub-squad

Hand Washing Before and After

Look through the newspaper to find pictures of people doing various things. Mark it with a red B if people should wash their hands before this activity. Mark it with a blue A if they should wash their hands after this activity. How many photos did you mark with both an A and a B?

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Students write narratives that follow a logical sequence.

KID SCOOP PUZZLER



Place the numbers 1 to 12 in the circles so that the sum of the numbers in the four circles will equal 26 along any straight line.

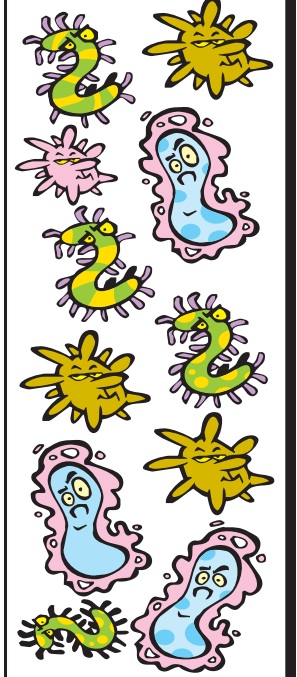
Standards Link: Mathematical Reasoning: Solve problems using logic.

Just how DO germs get into the body?

When you touch a germ, it clings to your hand. Then when you touch your mouth, eyes or nose, the germ slips into your body. Or if you touch some food, the germ moves onto the food, and when you eat the food, the germ gets inside you.

When someone sneezes, germs fly into the air. Those germs can land on surfaces and, if you touch those surfaces, germs get on your hands. **GROSS!**

Find the two identical germs.



Standards Link: Health: Understand how disease spreads, know how to prevent the spread of disease.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

G	E	R	M	W	A	S	H	U	P	A	O	S	I	R	V	U
B	E	C	H	C	S	D	N	A	H							
B	G	S	A	G	E	A	Y	N	S							
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O	H	P	A	O	S	I	R	V	U							
N	E	V	E	E	Q	U	A	L	H							

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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Cause and Effect

Find an article or advertisement that describes a health problem. What is the cause of the problem? What is described as a solution or "cure" for the problem?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Understand cause and effect.

Write On!

Germs Make Me Sick!

Write tips for kids on how to avoid getting sick. How can you stop germs before they get you down?

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Students write narratives that follow a logical sequence.

What a Character!™

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THE LAS CRUCES
Bulletin

Young Life thriving in Las Cruces

This is the first of a two-part series. The second part runs next week.

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Young Life, a world-wide 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.

In Las Cruces, he said, Young Life (YL) is “unabashedly Christian,” and is designed to “introduce young people to Christ in a way that’s relevant to them.”

“We have a lot of kids (for whom) church just isn’t a good fit,” said Cunniff, who is an ordained Southern Baptist minister. There’s very little that helps equip them with things like leadership and developing individual thought.”

YL began when Clara Frasher recruited a group of her friends to pray for the teenagers attending Gainesville High School in Texas, according to www.younglife.org. “Six years later, Jim Rayburn started a chapter of the Miracle Book Club in Gainesville (and) worked with

The Young Life organization makes appearances in the community to promote a “life of good thought, good living and good experience.”



COURTESY PHOTOS

David Cunniff (left) with a group from Young Life.

a local pastor, Clyde Kennedy. Like Frasher and her prayer circle, Kennedy was concerned about the town’s teenagers, who showed no interest in engaging with traditional church programs.”

Rayburn created a Young Life club and the organization went international in 1953, when it opened a program in France. Today, there are YL ministries in almost 100 countries, the website said.

“We welcome everybody,” Cunniff said. “There’s no exclusion for anybody. We focus on what really matters (and) break down the barriers on those things that don’t really matter.”

A native of Alexandria, Virginia, Cunniff moved to Las Cruces with his family when he was in the first grade and his father was stationed locally in the Army.

Cunniff graduated from Mayfield High School in 1989 and is a systems engineer for NASA’s contractor in Las Cruces. He is also an accomplished musician and performer who plays piano for many local productions, often volunteering his time and talent.

“I remember, distinctly, how intimidated I was by David’s insane musical prowess when I first sang to his incredible piano playing about 25 years ago,” said NMSU Theatre Arts Assistant Professor Megan McQueen, who has worked with Cunniff on dozens of musical performances in virtually every Las Cru-

ces venue. “I haven’t forgotten it because it’s pretty much how scary it is to sing with him still. Even after dozens of projects. His virtuosic ability is exceeded only by the patience it must take to put up with us mere mortals. And his dedication to this community is worthy of celebration.”

Cunniff said he considered entering the seminary after graduating from high school and also looked into a graduate degree in music. Ultimately, he chose engineering.

“I’ve always been torn in multiple directions,” said Cunniff, reflecting on his interests in science and math, music and “matters of faith.”


Through the church, he was introduced to YL, which had been active in Las Cruces since 1994. Cunniff began volunteering with the program through local events like YL’s annual banquet and golf tournament.

Cunniff left his church in 2002 for another ministry that allowed him to “be more relevant, establishing a congregation for people who might not otherwise give church a second thought,” he said. That evolved into his participation in a network of local churches called Crossroads, which holds its services in members’ homes three Sundays a month. Members take the fourth Sunday off to “get out into the community,” he said. The church has about 30 members.

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"Adra," which means "home," is a lovely song written and sung by the Welsh chanteuse Gwyneth Glyn. You can find it on Youtube easily — and in translation, too.



**GABRIEL
ROCHELLE**
Tales from
the Cassock

The singer recalls a number of songs that talk about home that were written by others: Neil Young, John Denver, Lynyrd Skynyrd. She then goes on to sing about her own sense of carrying home with her wherever she goes.

"I close my eyes and open my soul and follow the road of your voice ... Home is very much like you."

So it is friendship, perhaps love, that creates a sense of home. No need for a specific place to settle. A traveling singer, Gwyneth Glyn has learned to be at home in a variety of places, even on an empty plane so long as she carries within her a sense of kinship with others.

Song number two: "Dere mewn," by a young group called Colorama. A spare tune this, and one that comes from a different angle than Glyn's "Adra." Here the sense of being at home comes from the comfort you feel in a familiar and welcoming setting. "Dere mewn" bears the sense of "come on in, there's warmth here, you'll find friends and maybe a bite to eat

and drink." It's as if the song says, "why not find a home inside these lyrics, inside these walls?"

The video was filmed in an old tavern in Wales called the Blue Anchor (one of many Blue An-

chor pubs in Wales), with a fire in the fireplace and soft warm light inside. The lyrics are inviting: come in from the cold, have a seat, you're surrounded by friends, relax and forget about work — why not?

The huge popularity of "Dere mewn" belies its simplicity. It's a little ditty, almost, but people embraced it because it speaks quietly and directly to a human need. By the same token people took to Gwyneth Glyn's song because all of us know those occasions when home is a sensitivity we carry in our hearts, not necessarily a place where we walk and look at familiar landmarks and breathe the peculiar air — though it remains that, also.

The ancient Israelites had landmarks that lived in their minds and hearts, just as we do: pillars set up in the Jordan, ancient altars that recalled the old ones. Their central holy place, however, was at its very heart — empty. The Presence of God was

Temple presents special screening of 'Yochi'

Local filmmaker accepting donations to complete film

At 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24, the Temple Beth-El Mensch Club will present a screening of Ilana Lapid's short movie, "Yochi", at 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave.

The movie was written and directed by filmmaker and New Mexico State University assistant professor Ilana Lapid, who will

appear after the showing to answer any questions. At the showing donations will be accepted to complete costs of the post-production of the film.

The approximately 25-minute film was shot entirely in Belize, using local amateur actors, and was written and directed by Lapid. The title character is an olive-eyed, 9-year-old, selectively mute Mayan boy who guards a nest of endangered yellow-headed parrots in the pine savannah of

western Belize. When Yochi discovers his older brother Itza is poaching to pay debts, his loyalties are put to the test.

The movie will be shown immediately after the Havdalah service, and will be followed by refreshments and a brief Selichot service to mark the approach of the Jewish High Holy Days.

More information about the film can be found on its website - <http://yochifilm.com/> or on Facebook at Yochifilm.

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felt, not modeled or imaged. Maybe it's best that way because images get in the way of the experience. The experience is always now, not past and not future. We are either in it or we are not.

There is no contradiction between the sentiments of those two songs. Both are true. In them we can see and acknowledge the crossing point between the outside and the inside, the place and the feeling, home within and home on the road. We have all been in places that felt warm, that wrapped us in a blanket of comfort and peace. We have all known a sense of place within us when we travel, because "home" is something carried within.

If our relationship with God is something that we experience both externally and internally, we grasp that "home" is a good metaphor for that relationship. We are thrown into a world that is not of our own making, that may not feel like home, and that can be hostile, but we can discover a loving presence that speaks "home" to us both within us and outside in that world.

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Fall is ripe for planting

This was one of the strangest years in weather that I can ever remember, and I am a native of Las Cruces for over 50 years! It just seemed like spring took forever to get here and when it finally did the extreme heat took over. Although the cool mornings give us hope, the hot, balmy 90 degree daytime temps can make us feel that autumn has forgotten about us.

Never the less, fall is here. Or at least the calendar says so.

The perfect conditions exist now for new plantings and replacing color in ground or in pots. The recent rains that have added moisture to the ground make it ideal to plant new trees or shrubs now. A quick gaze at the beautiful green hue of the Organ Mountains reminds us of this. Beautiful! Cooler night time temperatures and warm soil, and little or no winds, give new plantings a better start to become established—with less stress and water—than summer time plantings.

Some trees to consider planting now that also

will offer fall colors are Chinese Pistache, Raywood Ash, Bonita Ash, Berrinda Ash, Red Oak, Cottonless Cottonwood and Crape Myrtle. Once established these beauties will thrive in our poor soils and arid climate. The fall colors on these trees will be evident in a few weeks, with the return of cooler crisp temperatures. Hues range from bright yellow to deep reds and everything in between, so if



GARY GUZMAN

Gardening Guru

you're going for a particular "look," you may want to shop during the cooler season. The addition of Organic Iron Chelate, sulphur, or other soil acidifier, along with a fertilizer during the growing season will help really bring out the fall color.

Remember when choosing a sight to plant a tree, look up. Watch for power lines and views that may be blocked upon maturity.

This is also the time of year that you can replace tired-looking summer annuals in the ground or in pots. Pansies, viola, stock, flowering cabbage and kale, and snapdrag-

ons can offer color from autumn up until next spring. If you notice insects or insect damage it may be a good idea to discard the old soil before replacing these winter annuals. Invest in good soil especially in pots; this will really make a big difference in plant performance. Try to use a light weight porous soil mix. This helps prevent over watering and promotes rapid root growth. Use a water soluble fertilizer such as 20-20-20 to keep foliage green and flowering plants blooming.

If the weather is still warmer than usual, pansies and viola will do better if allowed to just slightly wilt before watering. This will prevent long leggy growth during this time frame. These annuals will do best with full sun particularly during the coldest months of the year.

I am sure we will still have some very warm days ahead of us, but make no mistake cooler days are just around the corner. A little bit of planning and preparation now will give that much more of a jump on the next spring season, which will come by really fast if you are around my age.

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Photography club announces October 'Boot Camp' dates

The Doña Ana Photography Club announces the following October dates for its "Boot Camp" workshops. The club makes its home at the Southwest Environmental Center, 275 N. Main St.

Tuesday, Oct. 4 — DAPC program

"How to prepare and submit photos for the DAPC Photo-of-the-Year Competition" by DAPC president Erik Winter. Learn what makes a good photo at 7 p.m. Course is free and the public is invited. Info: www.daphotoclub.org

Saturday, Oct. 8

"Getting Your Camera Off Auto Mode." Learn how ISO, aperture and shutter speed work together



from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost for each workshop is \$5 per class, or join DAPC for \$15 and all five of the

workshops are free. For detailed course information and to register, visit www.dapcphotobootcampclass1.eventbrite.com/. For questions, contact Rob Peinert at education@daphotoclub.org

Tuesday, Oct. 18

DAPC 3 programs: "How to Apply for (Photo) Art Shows" by Storm Sermay, who currently has an art show at the Branigan Cultural Center through Oct; "Introduction to Sally Mann," a look at a 21st Century American photographer's body of work presented by Karen Conley; Monthly photo project is "Elements of Design" and member photos will be shown. 7 p.m. Course is free and the public is invited. Info: www.daphotoclub.org.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Change in programming schedule at museum

BULLETIN REPORT

Beginning October 1, the Museum of Art is making a change to the programming schedule. The drop-in art and science fusion program known as SNAP! will become a series of informal interdisciplinary-based workshops called "Artra-geous." The program will be held in the Atrium, adjacent to the Museum of Nature and Science from 10 a.m. – noon each Saturday.

The inaugural Artra-geous program will feature the Japanese cultural art of kokeshi dolls. The first Kokeshi dolls originated in the Tohoku region of Northern Japan



as a souvenir for farm workers visiting local hot springs. Museum visitors will use everyday objects to create their own version of this traditional Japanese folk art.

The program complements the current exhibition, "Nature, Tradition, and Innovation: Contemporary Japanese Ce-

ramics from the Gordon Brodfuehrer Collection," which continues through October 15.

If you need an accommodation for a disability to enable you to fully participate in this event, please contact the museum 48 hours prior to the event.

Admission to the Mu-

seum of Art is free. The museum is located at 491 North Main Street and is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For additional information, visit the website at: <http://las-cruces.org/museums> or call 575-541-2137.

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Planning is key when making creative lunches



SUNNY CONLEY

Chile Knights

What to take for lunch tomorrow? If I haven't planned, it can be a dilemma. Thinking outside the standard lunch-box fixings—a meat sandwich slathered with mayo or a yawner green salad—requires a bit of creativity and time.

Lunch out is an option but aside from being pricey it's not my preference. I prefer quiet time with a page-turner. So hands-down, planning is key. My favorite lunches are, in fact, salads but beefed up with a medley of colorful, tasty ingredients that, need I mention, always includes the essence of chile spirits. A great lunch and a great book make for a great rest-of-the workday.

Chile Chickpea Salad (Yield: About 4 servings)

2 (15-ounce) cans chickpeas (garbanzo), drained and rinsed
1 cup favorite green chile peppers, roasted, stemmed and sliced into thin strips
4 slices bacon, cut into ½-inch pieces
1 shallot, thinly sliced, about 2 tablespoons
1 medium clove garlic, minced
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
2 tablespoons juice from 2 limes, plus 1 extra lime cut into wedges
½ cup crumbled cotija cheese
½ cup thinly sliced scallions, white and light green parts only
½ cup roughly chopped fresh cilantro leaves
Salt and pepper to taste
Optional garnish: Nonfat at Greek yogurt

Cook bacon in a skillet over medium-high heat, stirring frequently, until fully crisp. Remove from heat and stir in shallots and garlic. Transfer to a large bowl. Add olive oil and 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice and whisk to combine. Add chile strips, cotija, scallions, and cilantro and toss to combine. Season to taste with salt and pepper. For best flavor meld, refrigerate overnight in a covered container. To serve, top with the juice

from lime wedge. Optional: Add dollops of nonfat Greek yogurt for a tangy twist.

Southwest Chicken Chile Toss (Yield: 4-6 servings)

1 (3- to 4-pound) whole chicken poached
4 cloves garlic, peeled
1 bay leaf
1 leafy cilantro sprig
1 tablespoon kosher salt
1 teaspoon black peppercorns

To poach chicken, place the chicken breast side down in a large pot along with the garlic, bay leaf, cilantro, salt, and peppercorns. Add enough water to the pot to cover the chicken. On high heat, bring the pot to a boil and then turn the heat down to low. Simmer uncovered for 1 hour.

After an hour, remove the chicken with tongs and place in a large bowl and allow to cool for about 20 minutes. Once cooled, remove the skin and bones and shred the chicken with two forks.

Salad Prep

3-4 favorite green chiles, roasted, stemmed, seeded and diced
4 cups cooked, shredded chicken
1 ear of corn, kernels removed or about ¾ cup fresh corn kernels*
1 jalapeño, seeded, stemmed, and diced
1 celery rib, finely diced
¼ medium red onion, finely diced
3 cloves garlic, finely minced
½ cup chopped cilantro
1 teaspoon ground cumin
½ teaspoon cayenne pepper
¾ cup mayonnaise or nonfat Greek yogurt (I prefer the low cal Greek yogurt and its tangy taste)
1-2 teaspoons yellow mustard (consider adding less if using yogurt to reduce tanginess)
1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lime juice
Salt

*Use a sharp knife to remove corn from ear.

In a large mixing bowl, toss together the chicken, diced green chiles, corn, jalapeño, celery, onion, garlic, cilantro, cumin, cayenne, mayonnaise, mustard, and lime juice until well combined. Taste and adjust seasonings if desired. Add salt if needed. If the salad seems too dry, add more mayonnaise or yogurt.

Autumn Salad with Green Chile Lime Dressing (Yield: 4-6 servings)

Prepare dressing first.

Dressing

1 cup sour cream (substitute nonfat sour cream if desired)
½ jalapeño, minced
2 tablespoons roasted green chile, minced
½ lime, juiced
1 teaspoon garlic powder
1 tablespoon fresh cilantro
½ teaspoon chili powder
1 shallot, minced fine
3 tablespoons mayonnaise
Salt and pepper to taste

Mix all ingredients together, stir until smooth. Refrigerate 2 to 3 hours for best flavor meld.

To prepare salad:

In a large bowl, add lettuce and top with the remaining ingredients. When ready-to-serve, drizzle salad dressing on top and enjoy!

3 cups Romaine lettuce, chopped
½ cup corn, drained
½ cup black beans, drained
½ cup prepared grilled chicken, chopped
¼ cup tomato, peeled and diced
2 tablespoons red bell pepper, diced
1 tablespoon red onion, diced
1 teaspoon green onion, green parts only, sliced
1 tablespoon jalapeño, stemmed, seeded and diced
¼ cup feta cheese, crumbled

For New Mexican eyes only: How to pair chile with wine, beer

By **ADRIANNA M. CHAVEZ**

For the Bulletin

In the late summer and early fall, the air in New Mexico is scented with roasted green chile enticing residents and visitors to give into their cravings. But what should

you pair with entrees brimming with chile goodness? A food expert at New Mexico State University have offered their takes on what beers and wines pair best with chile.

Professor Stuart Munson-McGee, a faculty member in the NMSU College of Agri-

cultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences Family and Consumer Sciences Department, teaches food science courses and researches wine and beer making techniques.

“What complements chile is a nice, malty beer, which also

helps cut the spice because of the high alcohol content,” Munson-McGee said. “I like a Scottish ale that is wee heavy, or a doppelbock that is malty.”

Prefer a beer that contrasts with the flavor of a chile entrée? Munson-McGee sug-

gests choosing a Northwest-style IPA that is very hoppy and bitter.

As far as wine is concerned, Munson-McGee said, it can depend on the social situation as well as the food, but he tends to disagree with many wine experts' suggestions.

Es ist lecker (it's delicious)



PHOTOS BY TABITHA ROSSMAN

ABOVE: Martha Ramirez-Ketelaar chats over a glass of wine at the NMSU HRTM German International Dinner Sept. 15.

LEFT: NMSU HRTM students Deidri, Taniya and Edith load up with plates on the way into the dining room to serve faculty and alumni.

NMSU faculty, staff and other visitors were treated to an international meal that featured German cuisine prepared by Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management students on Sept. 15. The menu included Green Spargelsuppe (soup), warm Kartoffelsalat Mit Speck (salad), cherry and currant sorbet, sauerbraten with spätzle and wilted chard and kale, and pecan Kuchen for dessert. The next international dinner will highlight French flavors on Thursday, Oct. 6. For information and tickets, call 575-646-4786.



ABOVE: Left to right: Rolando Flores, the new dean of the Agricultural College, Chandra Tharp, Craig Tharp, Linda Tharp and Charles Tharp enjoy the international flavor of German cuisine.

LEFT: Nathan Dickerson samples some German cuisine.



NMSU shares bicycle safety reminders

Bicycles are a convenient way to travel around the city and the NMSU campus, and the New Mexico State University Police, Fire Department and Environmental Health and Safety want to remind riders, pedestrians and drivers of some tips to keep in mind.

- Always inspect your bike to make sure that it is safe to ride before you go out.
- Obey all signs and traffic laws.
- Wear a helmet when you ride, because it can really make a difference if you ever get into an accident.
- If you ride at night use the

proper lighting on your bike so you can see and be seen.

- When riding in congested areas use appropriate signals to indicate to others what you are doing.
- Ride your bike like you would drive a car on a road. Ride with the flow of traffic and stay in your lane.

- Be very attentive of your surroundings. Just because you see a driver that does not mean that the driver sees you.

Visit <http://bikes.nmsu.edu> for more about the Essential Elements of a Bicycle Friendly America.

HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

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 information and interventions. Info: 575-382-5200.

NMSU to hold free Lamaze classes Oct./Nov.

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 lascrucessmselfhelp@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.

September acupuncture specials

Crossroads acupuncture, 130 S. Main St., announces

its September specials.

Back to school special everyday: Five treatments for \$75 for all teachers and students.

Two-for-one: Monday, Sept. 19 and Sept. 26 Two treatments for the price of one. Hours: 10-6. Bring in a friend and share the price of a treatment (\$30 if you come in with someone who is having their first treatment and \$20 total for two follow up visits). Info: 575-312-6569 to schedule an appointment or book online at crossroadsacupuncture.com

Birth, death certificates available at Public Health Office

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

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.

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Funky Karma festival heals, educates Oct. 8 and 9

The Funky Karma Weekend Pagan Party, two days of classes, workshops, readings and entertainment starts at 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 8 and 9 at 3207 S. Main St.

The event boasts activities such as Tarot, bone and oracle readings, Reiki healings, egg cleansings, incense, candles, cauldrons, tapes, oils, books and more, as well as the walking labyrinth.

For information, call 575-993-9797.



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'Fall' into the benefits of astragalus

By **TRISH McCAUL**
For the Bulletin

HERB OF THE WEEK

Herb of the Week: Astragalus
Latin Name: Astragalus membranaceus
Parts used: Root

Fall is officially here. The summer heat is fading and long sleeves will soon beckon us. Unfortunately, immune challenges, the common cold, and the flu are lurking in the cooler weather as well. Fortunately, we have herbs to help us through the season. One such herb is astragalus.

Astragalus is indigenous to China, and is one of the most widely prescribed herbs in Traditional Chinese Medicine. It is an overall body tonic which increases general vitality while enhancing and balancing many bodily functions.

Astragalus is perhaps best known for its capacity to stimulate and support the immune system. It fortifies the body against pathogens, and when taken during the fall and winter seasons, has been

proven to reduce the incidence and duration of colds and flu. Astragalus works by supporting and increasing the production of many different types of immune cells, which kill off viruses, inhibit viral replication, and protect healthy cells from viral invasion. It's especially beneficial for people with general fatigue and low vitality. For people who seem to catch every bug that goes around, or experience recurring infections, this herb may save you some suffering.

Astragalus has also been recognized by the National Cancer Institute to exhibit tumor inhibiting properties. When used in conjunction with radiation therapy and chemotherapy, it has been proven to dramatically increase survival rates in patients with certain forms of cancer. It's also used to help the body recover from these common, often debilitating cancer treatments.

Additionally, Astragalus



strengthens the digestive system and raises metabolism, making it useful for those with digestion, nutrient assimilation and appetite issues. It also helps build the blood, improves circulation, normalizes hormones, protects the liver and kidneys, as well as increasing energy levels and stamina.

Astragalus is most effective when taken daily, on a long-term basis. The dried roots are commonly available in slices and can be eaten as is, though the fibrous texture bothers some. The root makes a great addition to soups. To do this, simmer it for at least 30 minutes in the soup and remove the root before serving. Astragalus is also available in tincture form.



A word of caution. There is a plant which grows locally called North American Astragalus, also known as "locoweed". This plant contains toxic alkaloids which can have a detrimental effect on heart and lung function. Livestock having eaten it, have been observed jumping over imaginary ob-

jects and drooling excessively. So, don't go out and pick your own. It is not the same plant. Procure the correct Astragalus from a local health food store.

Astragalus! Use it and enjoy the benefits.

Courtesy of our friends at Mountain View Market Co-op

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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.

Vision screenings at elementary schools

The New Mexico Lions Operation Kidsight holds annual vision screenings on children up to first grade. Parents need to make sure children are at school on the appropriate day. If they currently wear glasses, children should bring them on screening day. Schedule is as follows: University Hills-Sept. 27; Valley View-Sept. 29. Info: 575-525-5631.

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. Info: www.oa.org or call Barbara at 575-405-0128 or Wayne at 575-647-5684.

Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach support group

Diabetes Educational Support Group meetings provide open discussion and short teaching regarding diabetes, and a question and answer period from 10 – 11:15 a.m. the third Thursday of each month in the meeting

room of Natural Grocers, 3970 E. Lohman Ave.

DACC Community Ed offers self-defense for women

"Self-Defense for Women" is a girl's and women's self-defense program for ages 15 and up designed to teach easy and practical techniques. Learn skills that include awareness of your surroundings, area, drawing attention, etc. The one-day, 7-hour course meets from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, Nov. 12 or Dec. 10. at the DACC Workforce Center, and costs \$54. Info: commed@dacc.nmsu.edu or call 575-527-7527. Online registration: <http://dacc.augusoft.net>.

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 recertification 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.

Dance to combat dementia

By HARRY GLENN HARRISON

For the Bulletin

Alzheimer's disease is running rampant in the U.S., Finland, Uruguay, Iceland and Sweden, as well as other countries of the world. With this in mind, Einstein College of Medicine in New York City did a 21-year study of senior citizens 75 and older to reduce the risk of getting dementia. The study shows the benefits of dancing. It reduces stress and depression, increases energy and serotonin, improves flexibility, strength, balance and endurance, strengthens bones and boost cardiovascular health, increases mental capacity by exercising our cognitive process and promotes dynamic and rapid-fire decision making which creates new neural paths.

Dancing frequently helped in the reduction of dementia by 76 percent. Doing crossword puzzles four times a week reduced dementia by 47 percent. There are other studies indicating that learning to play an instrument and learning a new language were very high on the list.

According to Dr. Joseph Coyle, a Harvard Medical School psychiatrist who wrote an accompanying commentary: "The cerebral cortex and hippocampus, which are critical to these activities, are remarkably plastic, and they rewire themselves based upon their use."

Four small cities in southeast and south-central New Mexico are trying to do something to help our seniors overcome some of the obstacles in aging. In Carlsbad, the Senior Citizen Program charges an annual membership fee of \$7.50 to seniors for all activities. Once membership has been paid, all dances are free.

The dances are held each week on Wednesday and Saturday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. There is always live music with the musicians donating their time and talents.

In Artesia, they have two free dances a week on Thursday and Saturday nights from 7-9 p.m. There are no fees collected by the Artesia Senior Program, however, a hat is passed by a member to collect a small contribution to pay the musicians for their time and talents.

In Alamogordo, they have one dance every Friday night from 6-9 p.m. for \$4. Two of those dollars go to the musicians and two dollars go to the Senior Center. They have many special activities for their seniors. One example is a steak dinner with all the trimmings for \$5, then a dance for three hours for \$4.

In Truth or Consequences, Senior Programs have one dance a month for 2-4 p.m. with a DJ at the Munson Center. They charge \$3 for this dance. There are also line dancing classes held weekly in all four cities.

Las Cruces is larger than all four of the above cities combined, but it is not one of the four cities that was mentioned in this assessment.



Upcoming Voyagers trips include Mamma Mia musical

TUCSON/MAMMA MIA PLAY, October 20-22, 2016; cost: \$415 pp double \$500 pp single

EL PASO, A CHRISTMAS FAIR, November 4, 2016; cost: \$30 pp (day trip)

RUIDOSO, ANNUAL CHRISTMAS JUBILEE, November 11, 2016; cost: \$28 pp (day trip)

ORLANDO, FLORIDA/EPCOT, May 5-15, 2017, cost: \$1,106 pp double; \$1,400 pp single

VENICE TO ROME CRUISE, June 14-25, 2017, cost: \$4,794-\$6,310 pp double depending on cabin

ALASKA CRUISE, September 1-8, 2017, cost: \$2,501-\$2,561 pp inside cabin; \$2,980 pp outside cabin

WESTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE, November 10-18, 2017, cost: \$2,538 pp inside cabin; \$2,648 pp outside cabin; \$2,889 pp balcony

Volunteer drivers/hosts needed for Voyagers trips. For more information, call Helen Glover, Voyagers Travel Center at 575-523-1152 or visit las-crucesvoyagerstravelcenter.com.

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COURTESY PHOTO

The Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department has six varieties of K9 toys being sold at Pic Quik stores to benefit the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.

K9 fundraiser hits local convenience stores

The Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department is still offering six varieties of plush K9 toys, available now at 20 area Pic Quik convenience stores. Each toy is \$15 and all proceeds benefit the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics (LETR).

Each dog stands approximately nine inches tall, features the DASO badge of office and represents one

of several popular K9 breeds: a bloodhound, a Belgian Malinois, a German shepherd, a yellow Labrador, a chocolate Labrador or a black Labrador.

A seventh collectible K9, a black German shepherd, was added this year. The Belgian Malinois was the first collectible K9, introduced in 2014.

The sheriff's department has

been a longtime active participant in LETR activities, including the Torch Run that passed through Las Cruces in May, heralding the start of the Special Olympics Summer Games in Albuquerque.

LETR fundraisers help to send New Mexico Special Olympics athletes to athletic events and to training conferences around the world.



BULLETIN PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER BELARDE

NMSU students and players take a selfie to commemorate defeating the UNM Lobos during the 2016 I-25 Rivalry Match-up, Sept. 10. The Aggies won 32-31 Sept. 10. NMSU now travels to Troy University to open Sun Belt play.

Aggies open Sun Belt play at Troy

BULLETIN REPORT

With a combined 74 points under its belt the past two weeks, the New Mexico State University offense appears to be clicking.

The defense, though, has surrendered 93 points during the same time period and now must travel to face a program that hung 52 points on the scoreboard in Aggie Memorial Stadium last year.

Coming off a 62-42 loss at Kentucky, the Aggies (1-2) take on Troy University Tro-

jans (2-1) in Alabama Saturday, Sept. 24.

Kickoff is scheduled for 5 p.m. Mountain Time.

Last season, the Trojans visited Las Cruces and left town with a 52-7 victory.

The game marks the start to NMSU's Sun Belt Conference portion of the schedule. It will be on ESPN3 and will be carried on the Aggies' flagship station KXPZ 99.5 FM in Las Cruces.

Troy is coming off a 37-31 upset at Southern Mississippi Saturday, Sept. 17. In

NMSU at Troy

WHERE: Veterans Memorial Stadium, Troy, Alabama

WHEN: 5 p.m. MT

TV: ESPN3

RADIO: KXPZ 99.5 FM

fact, after opening their 2016 slate with a 57-17 shellacking of Austin Peay, the Trojans nearly shocked the college football world on Sept. 10, when they fell by just six-

points – 30-24 – at Clemson.

Troy has averaged nearly 40 points per game so far and its offense has chewed up grass like a herd of cows on meth-amphetamines. The Trojans have the 24th best rushing offense in the nation with 710 yards through three games. By contrast, NMSU's rushing defense is one of the worst in the nation, ranked 126th out of 128 programs.

Leading the way on the ground for Troy is junior

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Abalos is WAC Player of the Week

BULLETIN REPORT

After an impressive weekend at the Brown Invitational, junior Jordan Abalos has been named the Western Athletic Conference Player of the Week for the week of Sept. 12-18. This is her first-ever WAC Player of the Week honor.



ABALOS

A native of Safford, Arizona, Abalos led NM State to the Brown Invitational title with a sterling 3-0 record and

was named tournament MVP for her performance. For the weekend, she averaged 5.60 kills on .431 hitting, 3.80 digs and 0.40 service aces per set. In a sweep against Central Connecticut State on Friday, Abalos racked up a career-high 22 kills on a .462 hitting percentage with 13 digs. In the 3-1 victory over Binghamton, she put up 21 kills, 17 digs and two service aces for back-to-back double-doubles. In the tournament finale against host Brown, Abalos logged 13 kills and eight digs on a .500 hitting percentage in a sweep of the Bears that took just over an hour.

Abalos is currently atop several categories in the WAC. She leads the WAC in service aces per set (0.36), second in double-doubles (nine), third in kills per set (3.66) and points per set (4.15), and sixth in both hitting percentage (.269) and digs per set (3.43).

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running back Jordan Chunn who has averaged 127 yards per game. Behind him are a trio of rushers who have each averaged more than 30 yards per outing.

When the Trojans take to the air, junior quarterback Brandon Silvers has thrown for 195 yards per game and has seven touchdowns and three interceptions.

NMSU quarterback Tyler Rogers, meanwhile, has completed 54-of-109 passes for 657 yards and four touchdowns. The senior quarterback has also amassed 154 rushing yards and three touchdowns on 39 attempts. Xavier Hall leads the running back corps with 163 yards on 35 rushes.

The Aggies have lost to Texas-El Paso and Kentucky and defeated in-state rival New Mexico.

After a 32-31 victory against the Lobos on Sept. 10, the Aggies traveled to Lexington, Kentucky, where they squared off with the Wildcats. NMSU led four times and never trailed through the first half as they entered the locker room knotted at 35-35 before ultimately falling to the SEC opponent. On Kentucky's first drive of the game, Jaden Wright stepped in front of a Drew Barker pass for his first interception of the season. The Aggies scored two plays later to take the lead. Overall, the Aggies forced three turnovers with one interception and two fumble recoveries.

Rogers led NM State offensively as he completed 16-of-33 passes for 246 yards and two touchdowns. Rogers also amassed a career-high 70 rushing yards and two touchdowns on 15 carries. Hall led the rushing efforts as he collected 94 rushing yards on 18 carries. Wide Receiver Tyrian Taylor scored two touchdowns with one passing and one rushing.

Notes:

- The Aggies' first two drives against Kentucky resulted in touchdowns, both caught by Johnathan Boone.

- 42 points is the most points NM State has scored against an SEC team in program history. The previous high was 24 against South Carolina in 2002.

- Johnathan Boone caught a 35-yard pass with 13:20 left in the first quarter for his first touchdown as an Aggie.

- Tyrian Taylor had his first touchdown pass as an Aggie. With 8:58 left in the first quarter, he found Johnathan Boone in the end zone for a 31-yard score.

- Taylor rushed for the first touchdown of his career with 2:40 left in the first quarter.

- Tyler Rogers had a career-high two rushing touchdowns (1-yard and 5-yards).

- Rogers amassed 246 passing yards. This is his third 200-yard passing game this season and the 13th of his career. He now ranks tied for third in 200-yard passing game leaders.

- Rogers now ranks seventh in career passing yards (4,410), seventh in career passing attempts (680), sixth in career completions (394) and tied for eighth in career passing touchdowns (30).

- In addition, Rogers now ranks No. 7 in career total offense with 4,830 yards on 817 plays. He also ranks No. 10 in total offense touchdowns with 36 (six rushing, 30 passing).

- Jaden Wright intercepted a pass with 13:43 left in the first quarter. This was the fourth interception of his career. The Aggies scored two plays later.

- Terrill Hanks had his second force fumble of the season. This was his third forced fumble overall.

- Izaiah Lottie recovered a fumble after a NM State punt in the first quarter. This was the first fumble recovery.



Oñate High senior Thomas Salas took first place at the El Paso Cathedral/Loretto Cross Country Invite on Saturday, Sept. 10.

Oñate cross country sweeps invites

BULLETIN REPORT

The Oñate boys and girls cross country teams have opened the 2016 season by sweeping their first three invitational meets. Both teams won the Silver City Invitational, the Alamogordo Invitational and the Cathedral/Loretto Invitational, and the girls won their fourth-straight invite at the Clint/Horizon Invitational held in El Paso Saturday, Sept. 17. This invite included 36 boys and 30 girls teams from New Mexico and Texas.

The Oñate boys showcase some returning all-state senior talent including Thomas Salas and Nate Montemayor. Each have opened the season with an invitational win.

After placing first at the Silver invitational "I just tried to run a smart race and stay behind the leaders until I was ready to make my move and it paid off," Montemayor said.

After his first season win at the Cathedral invite, Salas stated, "I had to work very hard for this victory. The last part of the race was the most challenging."

Newcomer to the sport this

year, David Cervantes, has had an immediate impact on the Knight's team dynamics. He has amassed three, top-ten finishes, two of which were in the top five. Rounding out the Knights core group are sophomore Isaac Rodriguez and seniors Oscar Corral, Kurk Goodson and Gabe Rodriguez.

As for the Oñate Knights girls, the Knights have two returning All-State runners Renee Baldwin and Amerhyst Aguirre. Renee Baldwin, who suffered a fracture in her leg during the 2016 track season, is slowly working her way back and could return before the season ends. Amerhyst, who already has an individual win and a second, a sixth and fourth place finish, is leading the Knights.

"I felt very strong and good about my race" she said after her Silver Invite win.

The sophomore duo of Sage Payne and Megan Hurst have exchanged places as runners on the team several times this season. Hurst had her best finish at the Alamogordo Invite, placing third, and Payne finished fourth at the Cathedral Invite.

SCORES & SCHEDULES

Scores

Friday, Sept. 16

Football

Las Cruces 42, Valley 6
Volcano Vista 35, Mayfield 21
Rio Rancho 38, Oñate 10
Cleveland 49, Centennial 33

Schedules

Friday, Sept. 23

Football

Hobbs at Centennial, 7 p.m.
Oñate at Gadsden, 7 p.m.

Soccer

Centennial at Sandia Prep Invite (girls)

Saturday, Sept. 24

Football

Carlsbad at Mayfield, 2 p.m.

Cross Country

CHS, LCHS, MHS, OHS at Rob Winter Classic at Oñate

Soccer

Centennial at Sandia Prep Invite (girls)

Oñate at Las Cruces (girls), 11 a.m.

Las Cruces at Oñate (boys), 1 p.m.

Hobbs at Mayfield (girls), 3 p.m.
Mayfield at Hobbs (boys), 3 p.m.

Volleyball

Centennial at Mayfield, noon
Carlsbad at Las Cruces, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 27

Soccer

Oñate at Centennial (boys), 5 p.m.

Mayfield at Las Cruces (girls), 5 p.m.

Las Cruces at Mayfield (boys), 7 p.m.

Centennial at Oñate, (girls), 7 p.m.

Volleyball

Hobbs at Oñate, 6 p.m.

Mayfield at Gadsden, 6 p.m.

Centennial at Las Cruces, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 29

Football

Gadsden at Las Cruces, 7 p.m.

Football follies: Part 4, foolish pleasure

Bulletin writer Susie Ouderkirk recently made the Las Cruces Coyotes full-contact women's football team. This is the fourth installment of her journey.

The Las Cruces Coyotes' first official practice was June 28 on the Oñate High School football field. In addition to Head Coach Billy Avalos were three men who yelled a lot. These were assistant coaches Jamar, Tony and Jacob. They split us into five groups and herded us to different areas of the field.

My group started with sprints between markers: running, tapping the ground, running back, tapping again, back to the marker, turning right and sprinting back. With no cleats on my tennies, I slipped like Bambi on the frozen pond. Coach didn't reach down to help me up, supportive smile on his face. Instead he barked: "Get up! Keep going!"

I began to understand this was not an introduction to "football-lite." This was real football, and my old body was in the process of a colossal attitude adjustment. But I pushed through. Damn the sore muscles, full speed ahead.

Nest was a tackling station, overseen by Coach Jacob, who, despite his thick beard, looked too young to buy beer. But his presence, carriage and expertise belied his appearance. He introduced several thick, plastic pillows, called bags, about the size of couch cushions.

On the ground in front of each bag, we practiced proper defensive form: chests up and shoulders back like intense soldiers, shoulder blades flat,

hands out. We lunged forward, thrusting our hips, and attacked the bags, landing on our chests with a satisfying "thwack."

Coach Jacob advised, tweaked our form, complimented our aggression. I gave it my all, smacking that bag like a woman scorned.

At the next station, Coach Jamar gave us our position names ("nose," "right tackle," "left tackle") and we practiced pushing each other backwards. You can't take a hold of your sparring partner's shirt (that's "holding"). It's more about what you do with your torso and legs.

Next, Coach Tony had us sprinting through an obstacle course, weaving around bags, high stepping, reversing, shuffling sideways. It felt like a modern dance lesson, except faster.

The practice was coming to an end, and Coach Jamar called us together for a recap and, I assumed, congratulations. Instead of a verbal pat on the back, he shouted, "Five lines. Now. Hustle."

If you've never been yelled at by a coach, it's unforgettable. The vocal power and authoritative, salty language, registers in your solar plexus like a shock wave.

In five lines we started our sprints. That's when things got painful. Just off the line I felt a jabbing pain in the muscle on the top of my right thigh. It slowed me down. My body was saying, "What you're

doing now is mean. You will slow down. You will stop running."

Because there were 24 other women doing the same thing, (feeling the same pain?), I kept running. Only slower. Every time I brought my leg forward, that thin, fiery strip of pain on my quadriceps muscle clenched its teeth inside my leg.

Next sprint, same thing. I was no longer having fun. Being the daughter of a coach, my gut told me to "suck it up" and finish the drill. However, my brain reminded me about "good pain" and "bad pain," and I took a moment to evaluate which one I had.

It was definitely "bad pain." For the first time during my football journey, reality reminded me I am a woman with a husband, a daughter, four horses, four dogs and a cat name Bentley who all needed me. I have a job that requires I drive and walk around talking to people, taking pictures. I have to go grocery shopping, do laundry, make meals. Can I afford to injure myself? Was I being foolish and selfish?

Mercifully, practice ended. Do I say something about the pain in my leg, or is that whining? What would Walter Payton, do? What would my dad do?

But it didn't happen to Walter Payton or my dad. It happened to me, and common sense told me to say something. I was sure coach would know exactly what to do.

So I pulled him aside, showed him what hurt and told him it was "bad pain." How he responded would be a learning ex-

perience for me on many levels. If he brushed it off and told me to toughen up, I knew my body was just too old for football, which was feeling more and more like a foolish pleasure.

But Coach Avila listened. He asked a couple of questions and said, "Rest it. It's early in the season and I'll need you healthy down the road."

Even though my leg hurt ("bad pain") his words were the sweetest I'd heard all day. He needed me.

Foolish or not, I was still on the team.

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Bulletin writer Susie Ouderkirk suits up to play full-contact football with the Las Cruces Coyotes.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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Givy Padilla is a 16-year-old junior at Las Cruces High School. She is libero on the Lady Dawgs volleyball team. Padilla has played libero through the first seven matches, averaging 4.2 digs per set and is third on the team with 13 aces. Her best quality is her enthusiasm! She has the ability to build others up on the court and as a libero, has the task of encouraging her team constantly. Padilla is a dedicated student, with a 3.6 GPA and when not in school and off the court, enjoys working out and spending time with family.



Payton Ball is a 17-year-old junior at Las Cruces High School and plays for both the Bulldawgs baseball and football teams. He is quarterback and so far this season has had 49-70 passing for 784 yards and six touchdowns. He's rushed 23 times for 172 yards and five touchdowns. Ball is a student-athlete of great character. His straight-forward, honest, and humble approach is a rare find and appreciated by all of his teammates and coaches! Ball is a dedicated student, with a 3.7 GPA. Outside of the classroom and varsity sports, he is on the National Honor Society and enjoys hunting and volunteering for Cowboy Days.



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Wanna make lots more putts? Calm down

PIA NILSSON, FORMER COACH OF THE SWEDISH NATIONAL GOLF TEAM, AND ONE OF THE PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE FOR LPGA LEGEND ANNIKA SORENSTAM'S SHORT GAME SUCCESS MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT. "Fact one: anyone with normal coordination can become the best putter in the (club). Fact two: great putting can make up for many other faults during a round. But no one putts well day-in and day-out if they don't first believe they are a great putter." Think about that; you must believe before you acquire overall confidence and then perform as a champion. Just like in all competitive sports. In part 3 of our putting series we'll delve into the mental side of putting.

The two mental mistakes that seem to happen most often with high-handicap and novice golfers are misunderstanding what should happen with a particular putt (a perception problem) and so weakly mishitting short putts that they never even have a chance of going in. So many golfers don't visualize anything. Ask yourself: Are you good at visualizing the line, slope and speed of a putt so that you see the ball dropping in the cup in your mind's eye? If not your putting with half a brain! It's not magical, but you have to imagine the ball disappearing down into the cup along the line you've chosen. But



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we also need to understand some luck is involved with putting. Not all "perfect" putts end up in the bottom of the cup – some mishits go in. I like what Tom Kite said after his missed 12-footer on the 72nd hole of the 1986 Masters and losing by one stroke: "I made that putt. It just didn't go in."

"Pressure" is, of course, is an emotional and perceptive construct; but, of course, it is real. It can result in yips, nervous breakdowns and choking. Thinking you have to try harder as the stakes get higher leads to nervous tension, which adds to the pressure you feel, and the tension

under pressure magnifies mistakes. The one thing that consistently shows up in all of the instruction manuals on putting is that you must have a ritualized routine, both bodily and mentally, leading to a comfortable rhythm and tension-free putting stroke. It keeps you basically relaxed. For your routine mostly focus on making the best putting stroke you can and not on the outcome of the putt. Fear seems to be the big invisible elephant on the green. Don't be one of those undisciplined, mentally confused golfers who stands frozen over the ball and leaves a must-make six-footer putt short and then moans, "I was afraid I'd do that."

Just as there are thousands of amazingly skilled golfers on all the men's and women's professional tours, including satellite tours, there are thousands of putting styles, techniques and opinions about putting. Less so with mental styles. In a chapter titled "Making Putts Routinely" in his book *Putting Out of Your Mind* Dr. Bob Rotella states: "The mental routine can actually begin before a player arrives on the green, when the player begins to read his putt. The eyes and mind of a good player start to process information about a putt almost

as soon as his approach shot stops moving (p. 67). Good putters can take in an enormous of information in this process (p. 69)" In golf information is power, but only if you use it.

When I played golf in Ireland this past June (8 courses in 8 days) caddies were an enormous asset for reading greens, for both speed and slope. Caddies may be partly why tour players make more putts than amateurs. Speaking of the pros the putting stats are pretty impressive. For three of the top players in the world, through early September average putts per greens-in-regulation, Jason Day is 1.711, Dustin Johnson is 1.712, and Jordan Spieth is 1.711. For the steadiness award, in 2015 Freddie Jacobson led the Tour playing 542 tournament holes straight without a three-putt. Think about that! And Daniel Summerhays didn't miss a 3 ft. or less putt, with 941 attempts. for the entire season. Those stats build confidence.

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