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Ags go wild for Homecoming



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New Mexico State University students go wild as they cheer on the Aggie football team during the school's Homecoming Game Saturday, Oct. 1, at Aggie Memorial Stadium. The fans were rewarded with a 37-31 Aggie victory in overtime against Louisiana-Lafayette. Inset: Mikaela Haley of Zeta Tau Alpha and Kenneth Williams of Sigma Chi celebrate their crowning as the 2016 Homecoming King and Queen.

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Applications for jail advisory panel close Oct. 11

The Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants willing to serve on the Doña Ana County Detention Center Citizen Advisory Committee.

Established in September 2016, the purpose of the Detention Center Citizen Advisory Committee is to recommend improvements in Detention Center policies and practices to county management and the Board of County Commissioners with an initial emphasis on matters related to civil rights, conditions of detention, juvenile detention, rehabilitation, and successful transition of individuals out of detention.

The Citizen Advisory Committee will be composed of nine voting members as follows: one member will be drawn by lot from applicants who have had a family member held in the Doña Ana County Detention Center at some time in the past; three community organizations—CAFé, ACLU, and NAMI—will be offered the opportunity to each designate a representative to sit on the Citizen Advisory Committee; and each county commissioner will appoint one member.

Members will serve three-year staggered terms, with the length of terms drawn by lot at the first meeting of the committee. Members may serve unlimited numbers of terms. The same selection process as is used to initiate the committee shall be used to fill vacancies.

Once the committee has been established, subsequent appointments shall be for the remainder of the subject term plus three years in order to keep all committee members on the staggered three year cycle.

The Citizen Advisory Committee may consult with the office of the Third Judicial District Attorney, defense attorneys, law enforcement, the judiciary and any other entities related to the criminal-justice system.

The Citizen Advisory Committee will establish and operate within by-laws consistent with authorities and requirements approved by the Board of County Commissioners and will meet at least quarterly to consider policy and practice issues.

All meetings will be in compliance with the New Mexico Open Meetings Act.

To be considered, the applicant must reside within Doña Ana County.

To apply, submit a letter of interest with your full residential address and contact information, as well as a statement about which of the categories of voting members you wish to be considered for (commission appointment or relative of a current/former detainee), and a detailed explanation of why you want to serve on the committee and what experience and education you have that will make you a good choice for membership.

The letters of interest may be mailed or delivered to Public Information Director Jess Williams at 845 N. Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, N.M. 88007, emailed to jessw@donaanacounty.org or faxed to (575) 525-5948. The deadline to apply is 9 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners is expected to make its appointments at the Oct. 12 regular meeting, which will begin at 9 a.m. in the Commission Chambers of the Doña Ana County Government Center.



STOP DUMPING!

With his message about stopping illegal dumping in Doña Ana County, Doña Ana County Codes mascot Carlos the Coyote entertained and educated attendees at the 2016 Southern New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo last weekend. Carlos the Coyote regularly makes appearances at area schools and events with the county's message about how to prevent and eradicate illegal dumping.

Election trainings underway

The Doña Ana County Bureau of Elections has scheduled poll-worker training for both early voting and Election Day.

Trainings will be held at the Doña Ana County Government Center as follows: Early Voting and Election Day training will be offered from 8 a.m. to noon both today and Friday, Oct. 21. Election Day training will be offered from 6-8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 24, and Friday, Oct. 28, and from both 10 a.m. to noon and 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29. Election Day training for presiding judges will be offered from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 1, Wednesday, Nov. 2, and Friday, Nov. 4.

Election Day training will be offered at the Hatch Learning Center on Oct. 26 from 6-8 p.m., and at the Gadsden Learning Center from 6-8 p.m. on Oct. 27.

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City council hires new city manager

BULLETIN REPORT

By a unanimous vote on Monday, Oct. 3, the Las Cruces City Council approved the hiring of Stuart Ed as the new Las Cruces city manager.

Ed (rhymes with "deed") was president/CEO of Goodwill Industries of El Paso until July of this year, according to the City of Las Cruces. Since leaving that position, he has served as a consultant to the El Paso Independent School District.

"I think we got some great candidates presented to us," Mayor Pro-Tem Greg

Smith said.

"Two of the candidates, Ed and another finalist, Dan Biles from Jefferson County, Alabama, were "exceptional," Smith said. "(Ed) would be the person who would most fit at this point."

"We had two very well qualified candidates," Councillor Gill Sorg said. "We interviewed them thoroughly. I think we have picked the better of the two," he said.

"I don't think we could have two better people," Councillor Ceil Levatino said.

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Program enables some immigrants to earn livings, attend college

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**

Las Cruces Bulletin

At a Sept. 29 immigration forum, topics relating to legal immigration into the United States were discussed.

Anna Hey, an immigration attorney for Catholic Charities of Southern New Mexico, which put on the immigration forum with the help of City Councilperson Olga Pedroza, gave a presentation on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA), which was passed in 2012 by President Obama

as an executive order.

DACA allows for immigrants who came to the United States before their 16th birthday and before June 2007 to remain in the United States, to obtain work permits and exempts them from deportation.

“As of June 30, 2016, 1.25 million people have benefited from this program,” Hey said. “That’s 1.25 million people who would not have been able to get a job, continue school, who often times would not have had any choices but bad choices to make in order to live in the United States.”

DACA does not confer citizenship, Hey said, only work authorization for two years. After the permit expires, people can reapply.

“With that work authorization, they’re able to get a Social Security card, legally work in the United States, allowing them to obtain health insurance, accept scholarships, file taxes and contribute to Social Security, attend college, open a bank account, get a driver’s license and travel in the United States, past checkpoints,” Hey said.

The contributions work-

authorized immigrants can make to society are immeasurable, she said.

“People complain often that immigrants are a draw on our economy, when in fact immigrants every day put into the system and don’t take back because our laws prohibit them from getting any kind of benefits or assistance,” Hey said.

Additional requirements for DACA eligibility are:

- An immigrant must have graduated from high school or currently be in high school/taking GED classes/taking English-as-a-second-language courses;
- Be 30 years old or younger as of June 15, 2012;
- Pass extensive crimi-

nal-history check with no felonies, serious misdemeanors or more than two non-serious misdemeanors; and

- Pay application fee of \$465.

Out of DACA, in 2014, came the Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents program (DAPA).

The program was controversial and led to several states, such as Texas, filing lawsuits against the federal government, which then put an indefinite end to DAPA in February 2015 while the lawsuits proceeded. The program remains inactive today.

The requirements for DAPA were similar to DACA’s. An individual must:

- Have lived in the

United States without interruption since January 1, 2010;

- Have been physically present in the United States on November 20, 2014 (the date the program was announced);
- Be physically present in the United States when applying to the program;
- Have lacked lawful immigration status on Nov. 20, 2014;
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“We are extremely fortunate to have the candidates we did,” Mayor Ken Miyagishima said. “The city is going to be in great hands. We have a very deep bench and we’re going to have a really good team.”

City attorney William R. “Rusty” Babington said “the Mercer Group will take the lead in negotiating” with Ed his start date, salary and other benefits and other conditions of his employment. The Mercer Group, Inc. is a private company based in Santa Fe that the city hired to conduct its search for a new manager.

Ed replaces Robert Garza, who retired at the end of May.

Police chief: 'We do not enforce immigration law'

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Las Cruces City Council chambers recently hosted an immigration forum discussing the legalities of illegal and legal migration into the United States.

Jaime Montoya, chief of the Las Cruces Police Department, gave a presentation outlining LCPD's priorities as an agency, which do not include arresting and deporting illegal immigrants strictly for immigration violations, he said.

"We (LCPD) do not enforce immigration law," Montoya said at the forum on Sept. 29.

For example, if an illegal immigrant is pulled over and doesn't have a driver's license and/or registration, LCPD will not call Border Patrol to have the individual deported, Montoya said, because enforcing immigration law is not part of LCPD's general orders.

Unless an illegal immigrant is in police custody following an arrest for a crime that falls under LCPD general orders, such as robbing a convenience store, LCPD will not enquire as to the person's status in the country, he said.

"If you call dispatch and say, 'My neighbor's an illegal immigrant, can you go send the cops?' We don't do that," Montoya said.

LCPD will only notify immigration authorities if an illegal immigrant is arrested for a non-immigration criminal violation such as aggravated as-

sault or murder.

"The way we look at it is we don't enforce immigration law, but if they're here committing crime, we don't want those people on our streets," Montoya said.

LCPD also has general orders prohibiting bias-based policing, Montoya said.

"If I see someone who 'looks' like he's an immigrant, 'looks' like he's undocumented, we can't stop someone just because they look like that," Montoya said.

Other examples of bias-based policing include detaining an individual based on language, race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, among others.

"When we make a stop for somebody, it has to be based on a crime, probable cause, reasonable suspicion," Montoya said.

Misconceptions about local law enforcement's role in enforcing immigration law often leads to exploitation of undocumented workers. Further, crimes may be committed by legal citizens and not reported to police by immigrants for fear of deportation, said Montoya.

To fix this issue, LCPD participates in the federal U-visa program, Montoya said.

"Any victim that wishes to report a crime that may be undocumented, they get a temporary U-visa," said Montoya.

A U-visa legally allows an undocumented immigrant to remain in the United States, said Montoya, provided the victimized undocumented immigrant cooperates with law enforcement in investigating the crimes they reported.



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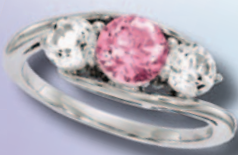
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Bond C great for NMSU

Passage will bring projects, new jobs statewide

Amid all the hype and hyperbole about the 2016 elections, don't forget one thing: You need to vote.



RICHARD COLTHARP

From the Publisher

You can vote soon; early voting begins Oct. 11 at the Doña Ana County Government Center, Thomas Branigan Library and five other regional locations (see www.donaana-county.org).

The craziness surrounding the presidential election has turned some voters off. Remember, though, the presidential race is only one of many important items for voters to consider. In many ways, the presidential race might be the one with the least impact on the average Las Crucean.

In addition to commander-in-chief, we'll be voting on U.S. Rep., state senate and state representatives. We'll be voting on county races, including county clerk, county treasurer and county commission. We know three of the five county commission positions are



changing. The new makeup of the commission will have an impact on all of our futures.

There are decisions to make on judges and there is also a vote on a constitutional amendment allowing courts to deny bail and pre-trial release for particularly dangerous defendants. There are general obligation bonds, including Bond Question B, which supports libraries statewide.

Then there is General Obligation Bond C.

Almost everyone in Las Cruces can agree on this point: The single entity with the biggest impact on our community is New Mexico State University.

We all know, for a variety of factors — most critical, the state's rapidly declining oil and gas revenues — NMSU

has had to cut a lot from its budget. Depending on what happens in Santa Fe the next few months, more cuts could be looming.

However, General Obligation Bond C is independent of those cuts and, if passed, could bring \$27.5 million for capital outlay projects for NMSU and its system, which includes Doña Ana Community College.

Statewide, the bond will fund more than \$131 million worth of projects, ranging from \$500,000 for Dine College in Shiprock to \$4 million for New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs. If passed, projects from the bond will also generate 1,350 new jobs in New Mexico.

The largest chunk of the money for NMSU will be \$22.5 million to renovate and build Williams Hall, which houses NMSU's department of art and the University Art Gallery. Private efforts have already raised more than \$800,000 for the project's planning.

Wondering about the benefit of the arts? According to a study by the University's Anderson School of Business, in New Mexico, the arts and cultural industries contribute \$5.6 billion annually. Yep,

that's billion with a B.

NMSU's art department already attracts talented art students from around the state, as well as many non-art majors who take classes to broaden their perspectives.

Julia Barello, NMSU's art department head, told me recently art classes are particularly popular with psychology and engineering students.

One thing that attracts some of the engineering students is the art department's "fab lab," Barello said. The Intel-funded fabrication lab features 3-D printers.

What keeps those students, however, is something less mechanical, according to one mechanical engineer.

"I'm continuously amazed by the way you think," the engineer told the art students. "I love the way with such fluidity and flexibility you solve problems and come up with creative solutions."

When we have artists thinking like engineers and engineers thinking like artists, well, that's the way you change the world.

Let's make it happen. Vote for GO Bond C.

By the way, voting for it will not raise your taxes.

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Arresting citizens before they commit crimes a bad move

"...society has no business to permit degenerates to reproduce their kind. It is really extraordinary that our people refuse to apply to human beings such elementary knowledge as every successful farmer is obliged to apply to his own stock breeding."

- Theodore Roosevelt, 1913.

It is revolting that the philosophy of eugenics from the past is raising its head



MICHAEL SWICKARD
In My Opinion

again. Reasonable people destroyed the eugenics movement in the last century but we must confront eugenic thinking as it rises again.

Note: America should take Theodore Roosevelt off Mount Rushmore and replace him with the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., or movie star and WWII B-24 pilot Jimmy Stewart. I respect Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln but despise Progressive Era eugenicist Theodore Roosevelt.

In the late 19th and early 20th century, the Progressive Era Movement embraced the philosophy of eugenics as a method of improving the dominant population by

weeding out what elites considered undesirables. The German Nazi Party took eugenics to an extreme by killing millions of people.

Fast forward to elites in today's society advocating eugenics without the name. Example: people are saying the government must stop crime before it happens by identifying those undesirables who are going to murder, rape and rob in the future.

They say an all-powerful government is needed to ensure our safety. Already the elitist government can take property from citizens who are neither charged nor convicted of a crime. It is called Civil Forfeiture, which the elites in government love for the power and money it brings. That leads to something even worse.

In the website American Intelligence Report, Kristan Harris reports: "(Chicago) Police are arresting people for crimes they've not committed yet using a new computer algorithm software that identifies criminal behavior and predicts future crime. Suspects were arrested this year as a result of being put on a

predictive policing Strategic Subject List and Chicago Special Order S10-06 which equips law-enforcement with the ability to arrest citizens before they commit a crime."

My concern is that the government will extend this to other classes of citizens. With the bitter fight for gun control in our nation perhaps the government will start with gun owners. They are already tagging members of the military and former members as potentially dangerous.

But it isn't just now that this is mainstream. Bill Mauldin in his 1947 book, "Back Home," wrote: "During a period when veterans were big news, every time an ex-soldier got himself in a jam the fact that he was a vet was pointed out in the headline... But the sad fact was that such headlines gave added impetus to the rumor that always appears in every country after a war that the returning soldiers are trained in killing and assaults and are potential menaces to society."

There isn't more of a betrayal than to

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send citizens into battle and then view them as a class of killers who are dangerous to the society because of what they learned and did to protect our freedom. Today the leaders of our country, in general, didn't serve in the military nor do their children serve.

Returning veterans are not treated well for their sacrifices and as Mauldin pointed out, it goes back into World War II and beyond. Journalist Tom Brokaw in his book "The Greatest Generation" praises the soldiers of World War II 50 years after they served.

But we have the 1947 words of Mauldin to remind us that WWII soldiers faced an ungrateful society when they came

home. As did the Korean and Vietnam soldiers.

The politicians who see our former military members as dangerous and take action before these men and women do something are as bad as all of the eugenic progressives combined. We are already betraying our former soldiers by having a Veterans Administration that is shameful in provided care.

Who knows what will come of the Chicago "arrest them before they commit a crime" but I sense that former military and gun owners are in the cross-hairs of this all-powerful government. Their eugenic moves must be stopped. And we should honor our military and former military members. Without them America would not be a free nation.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

GO Bond C needs to be passed

This letter is written in support of the passage of General Obligation Bond C which is on the ballot for the 2016 election on Nov. 8. GO bond C has \$27.5 million for the New Mexico State University system. Of this, \$22.5 million is for renovation and construction of Williams Hall which houses the Department of Art. I urge the citizens of Doña Ana County to take the opportunity of voting for and passage of the sum of money allocated.

As a visitor to the Art Department I have observed continuing deterioration of the building and its usability for classroom, gallery and administrative areas. The building was built as a gym in 1938. At that time, the art courses were housed in various quarters throughout the university. The Art Department's first home was a barracks building which burned. After the fire the Art Department was moved to the old gym in 1974.

The particular reason for this letter is so that the public will understand the need for passage of General Obligation Bond C, which will promote funding for renovation and replacement of Williams Hall. Such renovation and replacement

will honor those present and past art instructors and will provide for effective teaching and foster an environment of creativity for our students.

J. Paul Taylor

Thanks for a great evening

Congratulations must go to Arianna Parsons and her staff and board of Downtown Las Cruces Partnership for the wonderful dinner and entertainment as a kickoff to Salsa Fest. The new Plaza de Las Cruces venue was the perfect backdrop for a five-course international menu held under the stars. Luchador and 138 Food Trucks catered this plated affair and event goers were treated to dance performances by many talented groups throughout Las Cruces.

The fountain kept event goers mesmerized by the beautiful lights and the weather was perfect. Many people remarked that this was one of the finest celebrations to date in Las Cruces. To really round out the festivities, the DLCP honored former City Manager Robert Garza and Architect Steve Newby for their vision and support of Main Street and the Plaza for lo these many years. Downtown Las Cruces is on the march and we look forward to many more fabulous events on Plaza de Las Cruces. We are fortunate to have DLCP working hard for our community.

Heather Pollard



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Clinton wins mock election at charter school

Johnson pulls 2nd with 18 votes, Trump follows

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

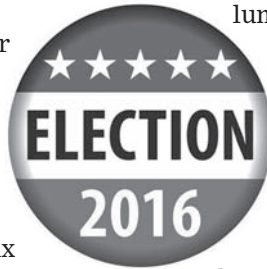
As far as the students at Los Montañas Charter High School (LMCHS) are concerned, former U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is the best choice for president in the 2016 election.

Clinton, the Democratic Party's nominee for president, received 51 votes in the school's mock presidential election, conducted on Thursday, Sept. 29, by Chief Deputy County Clerk Scott Krahling; Rose Ann Vasquez, a document technician in the clerk's office;

and other staff. Libertarian Party candidate (and former New Mexico Governor) Gary Johnson was second with 18 votes. Republican nominee Donald Trump received nine votes. Green Party candidate Jill Stein did not receive any votes. Six students chose not to vote.

A survey before the mock election showed that about one-third of the 155 freshmen through seniors at the school were apathetic about the presidential race, LMCHS government teacher Gilbert Estrada said.

Teachers and staff worked to erase that apathy through a cross-curricu-



lum education effort that reached every student at the school and "dived into the election process," he said. "Even if they don't identify with one of the candidates per say," the students learned about their party's platforms.

"After the cross-curricular lessons, our 'Would Not Vote' dropped from 33 students to six students," Estrada said. "This tells me that we had some impact in motivating/informing that group of students to vote."

"When the school did the preliminary survey the majority of students said they would not vote," Krahling said. "When they learned more about why their vote counts, that changed and the vast majority voted for a candidate. The future of voting depends on

our youth. We need to inspire youth to vote and develop lifelong voting habits. Giving youth the experience of voting educates them about the election and increases the chances they will vote."

Estrada said LMCHS students came up with a wide range of suggestions on how to improve the quality of life in Las Cruces as they learned about elections and voting. Their suggestions for making Las Cruces better included parks and fields for sports, recreation centers, 4x4 off-road trails, more police, legalizing marijuana, dealing with immigration and international refugees, creating a climbing wall, cleaning up weeds, a water park, an arcade, a music hall, free tuition at New Mexico State University, "world peace through inner peace," preventing child abuse, free day care, going greener and many more.

Clerk's office registers students, staff

Bulletin REPORT

Chief Deputy County Clerk Scott Krahling and his staff, members of the

Doña Ana County Election Advisory Council and volunteers, visited 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 staff.

Sept. 27 was National Voter Registration Day.

Visits were also made to Hatch Valley High School, Chaparral and Gadsden high schools in the Gadsden Independent School District, and in Las Cruces, Los Montañas Charter High School, Las Cruces High School, Arrowhead Park Early College High School, Oñate, Centennial and Rio Grande Preparatory Institute, Krahling said.

"Our outreach program has been a huge success this year," Krahling said. "We have registered over 1,000 new voters in Doña Ana County, including 400 students, teachers and parents."



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The City of Las Cruces is currently accepting applications to fill openings on a new ad hoc committee named the Utility Customer Advisory Group (UCAG).

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 - Not hold any elected or appointed public office or be a City employee.
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 - Utility Rate Management, and/or
 - Other skills or experience that may be of value to the rate making process.

Member Training: UCAG members will participate in training, provided by a third party consultant; along with the Board of Commissioners for the City of Las Cruces Utilities (Utilities Board) and staff covering the basics of ratemaking consistent with utility-based cost-of-service analysis as modified through the constraints of the Utilities Board's new By-Laws.

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DUTIES: The UCAG will function as a customer advisory committee with members participating in:

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- Press releases, utility billing inserts, letters to the editor/guest editorials, and similar materials concerning rate reviews pending before the Utilities Board will be approved by the UCAG prior to release or publication:
 - Press releases approved by the UCAG will be submitted to and issued by the City's Public Information Office following standard procedures.
 - Utility billing inserts approved by the UCAG will be submitted to the Office Manager Senior for the Utilities Department and may be reformatted for consistency. The printing costs for billing inserts will be paid for by the Utilities Department.
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Chancellor pushes for passage of GO bonds

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

The New Mexico State University art building was built the year before NMSU Chancellor Garrey Carruthers was born. He's hoping voters will approve a bond issue in November to build a new one.

Carruthers, who turned 77 in August, said the current art building was constructed in 1938 as a gymnasium and still contains the old gym's concrete bleachers. As a result, he said, the building is "impossible to remodel."

General Obligation (GO) Bond C, one of four GO bonds on the New Mexico general election ballot in November, includes \$22.5 million "for the renovation and construction of D.W. Williams Hall, which houses both the NMSU Department of Art and University Art Gallery," according to an NMSU brochure about GO Bond C.

Carruthers said NMSU has already raised about \$800,000 in private donations to pay for early architectural drawings

for the project. He said NMSU will need an additional \$2.5 million to pay for the demolition of the old art building, which is now vacant. Once the demolition is complete, the site will be converted into a parking lot, he said.

The bond also includes \$5 million for "infrastructure replacement and upgrades" at NMSU's community colleges in Las Cruces, Alamogordo, Carlsbad and Grants. Doña Ana Community College in Las Cruces would receive \$1.5 million of that total.

With voter approval of Bond C, the higher education bond, the new art building, near the intersection of University Avenue and Solano Drive, will be "a very attractive addition for the campus," Carruthers said. It will be constructed in the Spanish renaissance style that characterizes many of NMSU's buildings.

The NMSU Department of Art serves stu-

dents, staff and the community and "is going to be good for recognizing that art is a major industry in New Mexico," Carruthers said.

At present, Williams Hall is "substandard," he said, and providing a better home to the Department of Art "is our highest priority."

"We have a very robust program," Carruthers said, including 200 undergraduates and graduate students pursuing degrees in the Department of Art. The department also serves 200 to 300 non-art majors who are taking a wide range of

art electives.

Carruthers said passing Bond C will not increase property taxes. The dollar amount included in the bond is based on the dollar amount of bonds being retired this year, so the tax rate will remain the same if the bond passes.

For more information, visit <http://gobond.nmsu.edu/>.

Carruthers also asked voters to support Bond Issue B, which will provide almost \$10.2 million for academic, public school, tribal and public library resource acquisitions. It includes \$3 million for 81 non-tribal public libraries statewide, \$750,000 for 19 tribal libraries in eight

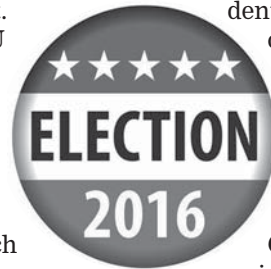
Read the bill

You can read the bill and many of the specific projects the GO bonds would pay for if approved at www.nmlegis.gov/Sessions/16%20Regular/final/SB0122.pdf.

counties across the state, \$3.25 million for academic libraries statewide and \$3 million at public school libraries across the state. Learn more about allocations to public and tribal libraries at www.nmstatelibrary.org/services-for-nm-libraries/funding-libraries/go-bonds.

Two other bond issues are on the ballot. One would authorize \$15.44 million to make capital expenditures for certain senior citizen facilities, including improvements, construction and equipment acquisition projects. It includes 109 projects at senior centers across the state. The other would authorize almost \$18.2 million for state police, public safety communications and National Guard facilities around the state.

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Candidates answer questions at forum

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

Eight candidates were represented Thursday, Sept. 29, at a forum held at J. Paul Taylor charter school in Las Cruces. The candidates represented legislative positions and included both state and district slots. U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce and District 38 incumbent Rep. Mary Kay Papen were represented by others speaking on their behalf.

The Las Cruces Neighborhood Consortium brought together these candidates and had prepared questions for them to answer.

Attending the forum were: Field Representative Joe Martinez, reading Pearce's prepared answers; Merrie Lee Soules, the Democrat running for Pearce's seat; State Senate District 36 candidate Jeff Steinborn; Ceil Levatino running for State Senate District 37; Greg Smith reading incumbent Papen's

prepared answers; and her opponent Charles Wendler; Anjelica Rubio running for New Mexico House District 35; and Joanne Ferrary running for House District 37.



The first prepared question for U.S. Senate candidates was about their inspiration for running for office and qualifications.

Martinez, reading from Pearce's written answer, said the federal government is not creating jobs but sadly, limiting job growth.

Merrie Lee Soules said she sees gridlock on the legislation in Washington and the government not stepping up.

"I think the government has a job to do," she said.

The second question to the U.S. representative candidates had to do with who they are supporting for president.

Pearce's response was that he supports but does not endorse Donald

Trump. He will be voting for Trump even though he believes Trump is misguided on a number of his positions.

Soules said she proudly endorses Hillary Clinton for president.

The third question for the Rep. candidates was about immigration.

Pearce said he wants to bring both sides together and a complete overhaul is needed for the "antiquated and broken system."

Soules said she supports a path to citizenship for undocumented people.

For those seeking state senate seats, the forum had another set of questions.

First they asked about motivation and qualifications.

Jeff Steinborn said he has always been passionate about public service, beginning in elementary school.

He said as he heads to the special session called that week by Gov. Susana Martinez for "a few days of madness," they need to make sure to deal with the state's deficit in a responsible way.

Levatino said her whole life has been

spent in service. She started out as a nurse, specializing in renal transplant services, walked away from the nursing career to be a full-time mom and then went into real estate. Currently she serves on the Las Cruces city council.

"I really believe I am the most qualified for this seat," she said.

Papen, in Santa Fe, said by written statement that she was motivated by the fact she was going to Santa Fe anyway as a citizen, testifying against domestic violence on behalf of mental health. She saw how those on committees were not paying attention and wanted to see if things could be different if she was sitting on the other side.

Wendler said he has spent 37 years in the education field both teaching and as an administrator. He identifies himself as a constitutionalist. He said that rather than running for office he is applying to constituents as though for a job.

Wendler said the \$1 billion tied up in capital outlay projects needs to be addressed and alcohol as well as other



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non-essential commodities should be taxed at higher rates.

“The feds need to fully fund their mandates,” Wendler added.

The forum asked the candidates to address the education issue.

“A teacher should never have to spend 500 to \$1,000 dollars to buy supplies for their own classrooms,” Levatino said. “We have a lot of great teachers who are so discouraged at this point.”

Smith said, on behalf of Papen, there should be an increase in trade learning in the state and there should be more parent involvement in the process.

Wendler said kids are being treated as a living laboratory.

“Some things are tried and true,” he said. “Let our teachers teach. Let them know how important they are. It seems



like we are testing and not teaching.”

Finally state representative candidates answered similar questions.

Rubio said she is one of six children. Her parents emigrated from Mexico. She said he has the experience of being crippled by student

loans and a goal of improving education, and economic development systems.

“We have provided enough to out of state businesses,”

Candidates and candidate representatives await questions during the Sept. 29 candidate forum organized by the Las Cruces Neighborhood Consortium and held at J. Paul Taylor Charter School. Pictured are Charles Wendler, Anjelica Rubio, Greg Smith (representing Mary Kay Papen), Ceil Levatino, Merrie Lee Soules and Joe Martinez (representing Steve Pearce).

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Rubio said.

Ferrary said she is running because she believes the state can build on the strengths it already has.

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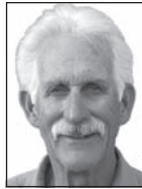
By **SUSIE OUDERKIRK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Small business owner Charles (Chuck) Wendler experienced an awakening seven years ago while watching politics on television, which prompted him to throw his hat in the ring for state senate, District 38, a seat held for 16 years by Democrat

Mary Kay Papen.

"I'm not running against anybody. I'm just applying for this job,"

Wendler said. "You're either on the sidelines or you're on the playing field. And I'm on the play-



WENDLER

ing field because I want to be able to tell my children and grandchildren that I did everything I possibly could to get things done the way it was designed to be."

He believes his 37 years as a public school servant – 12 years as a science and math teacher, 25 years as an administrator – has given him tremendous political training and experience.

"I've dealt with, for example, different cultures, problem solving, budgets, personnel, and program monitoring/evaluations," he said. "As a professional educator I was involved with relationships among people with the

most precious thing there is, their children. I was entrusted with not only their education but keeping them safe. So yeah, I've been in politics."

He ran for county commission, District 1 in 2014, but was defeated.

One of his concerns is the debt. "A debtor is a slave to the lender," he said. "I'm seeing it in the campaign. It's money driving things. Politics is big business ... In the last session in January the House passed a bipartisan bill on campaign finance and reform – 66 to zero. It went to the Senate and it died. How can you work with something like that?"

Other concerns include New Mexico's national ranking in education (50th), child welfare (49th), "we're the fourth most dangerous state in the union, employment, the economy and jobs—the list goes on.

"Likened it to your own body," Wendler said, "when you get the flu, do you get over it like that? If you look at recovering from a sickness, over time you have to get on some roads that you hope will lead you to a remedy." And included in that remedy, he said, "is jobs. We gotta' have jobs. Our state is not business friendly. We've got to start passing legislation that gives the

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message that we're business friendly ... Manufacturing is a base economic driver. Everything else spins off of that."

Wendler's concerns made him realize he has to get involved, get inside the system, he said. "That's another reason why I'm running."



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Papen celebrates her Sweet 16 in Legislature

By **SUSIE OUDERKIRK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Democrat Papen has been a public servant in New Mexico's 38th District for 16 years, and shows no signs of slowing down. The retired business owner plans to seamlessly continue the work on her pet projects during the next session in Santa Fe. "There is so much work yet to be



PAPEN

The first woman since 1940 to preside as Senate Pro Tem, Papen serves

done for the people of our state," Papen said. "Though we are making some progress, our behavioral and mental health system of care is still in disarray, and needs improvement."

on a number of volunteer boards in Las Cruces in addition to her time in the capitol. Recently, she served on the board of the committee that successfully raised \$6 million for the new facility at the First Step Health Clinic, which serves women and children, she said.

"I am most proud of laws I helped to pass that made mental health

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Candidates, bonds, amendment on ballot

BULLETIN REPORT

The race for president of the United States has gotten most of the attention in the 2016 election, but there are many other races on the general election ballot for Doña Ana County voters, along with four general obligation bond questions and a proposed amendment to the New Mexico Constitution.

Here's a short list of statewide, congressional and local races that will be on the Nov. 8 ballot:

- President: Democrat Hilary Clinton, Republican Donald Trump, Libertarian Gary Johnson, Green Party candidate Jill Stein and four other minor-party candidates are on the ballot.

- Secretary of state: Because former Sec. of State Diana Duran resigned last October and pled guilty to multiple counts of embezzlement and violation of cam-



paign finance laws, there is a contested race for the remaining two years on Duran's term. The candidates are Bernalillo County Clerk Maggie Toulouse Oliver, a Democrat, and is State Representative Nora Espinoza, R-Chavez, Lincoln, who was elected to the state House in 2007. Espinoza lives in Roswell.

- State Supreme Court: Incumbent Republican Judith Nakamura of Albuquerque faces Democrat Michael Vigil, is currently the chief judge of the New Mexico Court of Appeals. Justice Barbara J. Vigil also faces retention on the ballot.

- State Court of Ap-

peals: Incumbent Stephen French, a Republican, faces Julie Vargas, a Democrat. Up for retention on the ballot are Judges Jonathan Sutin, M. Monica Zamora and Timothy Garcia.

- U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce, R-N.M., who represents New Mexico's second district, faces Democrat Merrie Lee Soules. Pearce was elected to the seat in 2002, gave it up to run unsuccessfully for the U.S. Senate in 2008 and won the seat again in 2010.

- New Mexico House of Representatives. In District 33, incumbent Democrat Bill McCamley faces Republican Neal Hooks. In District 34, incumbent Democrat Bealquin "Bill" Gomez is unopposed. In District 35, Democrat Angelica Rubio faces Republican Joseph E. Bishop. Incumbent Jeff Steinborn, a Democrat, is running for the state Senate. In District 36, incumbent

Republican Andy Nuñez faces Democrat Nathan Small. In District 37, incumbent Republican Dr. Terry McMillan faces Joanne Ferrary. The two are squaring off for the third consecutive election. In District 39, incumbent Republican John Zimmerman faces Democrat Rudolpho "Rudy" Martinez. Martinez held the seat from 2007 until Zimmerman defeated him in 2014. This is the third consecutive election the two have faced each other. In District 52, incumbent Democrat Doreen Gallegos is unopposed. In District 53, incumbent Republican Ricky Little faces Democrat Cliff Reed.

- State Senate. In District 31, incumbent Democrat Joseph Cervantes is unopposed. In District 35, incumbent Democrat John Arthur Smith is unopposed. In District 36, incumbent Republican Lee Cotter is facing

state Rep. Jeff Steinborn, a Democrat. In District 37, incumbent Democrat Bill Soules faces Republican Ceil Levatino, who is a member of the Las Cruces City Council. In District 38, incumbent Democrat Mary Kay Papen, who is president pro-tem of the state Senate, faces Republican Charles Wendler.

- County clerk. Chief Deputy County Clerk Scott Krahling, a Democrat, faces Republican Maria Rodriguez. Incumbent Democrat Lynn Elkins is term limited.

- County treasurer. Republican Jill Johnson faces Democrat Eric Rodriguez. Incumbent Democrat David Gutierrez is term limited.

- County commission. In district two, Democrat Ramon S. Gonzalez is unopposed. He defeated incumbent Dr. David Garcia in the June primary. In district four, Democrat Isabella Solis faces Republican William Web. Solis defeated incumbent Wayne Hancock in the primary. In district five, Democrat John Vasquez faces Republican Kimberly Hakes. Incumbent Leticia Duarte-Benavidez is term limited.

County commission districts one and three are not on the 2016 ballot, nor are the offices of county sheriff, county assessor or probate judge.

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GO Bond questions on ballot

BULLETIN REPORT

There are the four general obligation bond questions on the ballot.

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1) \$15.44 million to make capital expenditures for certain senior citizen facilities, including improvements, construction and equipment acquisition projects. It includes 109 projects at senior centers across the state.

2) \$10.167 million for academic, public school, tribal and public library resource acquisitions. It includes two allocations to the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs, one to the state Higher Education De-

partment and one to the state Public Education Department. It would allocate \$3 million for 81 nontribal public libraries statewide, \$750,000 for 19 tribal libraries in eight counties across the state, \$3.25 million for academic libraries statewide and \$3 million at public school libraries across the state.

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3) \$142,356,000 for higher education, special schools and tribal schools capital improvements. It includes three allocations to Eastern New Mexico University;

11 to the state Higher Education Department; one each to New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, New Mexico Highlands University, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, New Mexico Military Institute, New Mexico Highlands University, New Mexico School for the Deaf, Northern New Mexico State School and Western New Mexico University; five to the University of New Mexico; and five to New Mexico State University.

4) \$18,196 million for state police, public safety communications and National Guard facilities. Its three allocations would include funding for "a new state police crime laboratory and evidence and records facility, including expansion of the existing lab, at the state Department of Public Safety headquarters in Santa Fe"; funds to "stabilize and modernize public safety communications statewide"; and \$6 million to the state Department of Military Affairs, including \$4 million to plan, design



and construct a National Guard readiness center in Las Cruces and \$2 million to improve energy efficiency and for staging areas at facilities statewide.

You can read the bill and many of the specific projects the GO bonds would pay for if approved at www.nmlegis.gov/Sessions/16%20Regular/final/SB0122.pdf.

Here is the proposed constitutional amendment that will be on the Nov. 8 ballot:

"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.

Oct. 11 is last day to register, 1st day to vote

BULLETIN REPORT

Tuesday, Oct. 11 is the final day to register to vote in the November general election, and the Doña Ana County Clerk's Office is busy training people to register as many voters as possible before that deadline a little more than a month from now.

Here are important dates to keep in mind for the general election this November:

- Tuesday, Oct. 11: Last day to register to vote in the general election. You can register online. Visit <https://donaanacounty.org/elections> and click on "Register to vote online."

- Tuesday, Oct. 11 through Friday, Nov. 4: Absentee voting. Nov. 4 is the last day to request an absentee ballot. Marked ballots must be received in the county clerk's office by 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

- Oct. 11 through Saturday, Nov. 5: Early voting will be available at seven locations, including these locations in Las Cruces: Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd.; Sonoma Elementary School, 4201 Northrise St.; and Thomas Branigan Memorial Library, 200 E. Picacho Ave.; and these locations in the county: Anthony Elementary School, 600 N. Fourth St. in Anthony; Doña Ana Community College Chaparral Learning Center, 755 Prescott Anthony Drive in Chaparral; DACC Hatch Learning Center, 219 East Hill St. in Hatch; DACC Sunland Park Center, 3365 McNutt Road in Sunland Park.

Early voting locations will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and on the last Saturday before the election (Nov. 5)

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treatment better and more accessible for children and adults,” Papen said. “My bills created and funded the Colonias Infrastructure Fund, and reform of our state’s housing authorities. The Legislature enacted my legislation to create ‘Katie’s Law,’ which gives law enforcement a powerful new tool to put violent criminals behind bars.”

One of her biggest concerns in District 36 is employment. “We need to create more jobs in south central New Mexico,” Papen said.

As co-creator of the NM Jobs Council, she is already working toward that goal.

“Two things that will help is to review our tax structure and to re-evaluate all the tax credits,” she said. “We must ensure our tax structure works for everyone in New Mexico. We must also improve education by working with colleges to provide workers with the skills that employers are seeking today.”

MARY KAY PAPEN

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CURRENT JOB: Retired business owner

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Papen is not one to overlook her roots, and is an advocate for education.

“The only way we can break the cycle of poverty is through high quality education,” Papen said. “For one thing, I think we should emphasize more vocational skills and trades.”

Furthermore, she said, NMSU is such an important institution in our community that in these difficult budget times, it needs strong support. “I intend to give that support in the Legislature.”

are still eligible to vote in the general election, let them know they can request an absentee ballot from Saturday, Sept. 24 until Nov. 4. Their absentee ballots must be received by the county clerk’s office by 7 p.m. on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 8. “They can get their ballot earlier than others because of the time it takes to get it to them and get it back,” said Chief Deputy County Clerk Scott Krahling.

For more information, call the county Bureau of Elections at 647-7428 and visit <https://donaanacounty.org/elections>.

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from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the County Government Center only. Qualified voters can vote at any early voting location.

• Tuesday, Nov. 8: Election day. Voting will be 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 40 locations throughout the county. For a complete list and a map, visit <https://donaanacounty.org/elections/vcc>.

• Also, if you have friends or relatives who live or are stationed overseas but



PHOTOS BY MIKE COOK

Doña Ana Soil and Water Conservation District President Joe Delk talks to students about soil erosion Thursday during a New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service presentation at Agventure.

Children learn about rain, soil and irrigation at Agventure event

BY MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

“Soil and water are the most important components of agriculture,” Doña Ana Soil and Water Conservation District (DASWCD) President Joe Delk told hundreds of elementary and middle school students Thursday morning, Sept. 29, during the first ever Agventure event at the Southern New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo.

At stations manned by DASWCD members and officials from the and the New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service (CES), students learned about rainfall, irrigation, the structure of soil and its water-holding capacity, erosion and much more.

Presenters included Doña Ana CES Horticulture agent Jeff Anderson and county CES master gardeners Ruth Rose, Mary Andrews and Frank Connor. DASWCD presenters included Delk, retired NMSU Dean of Agriculture and Home Economics Dr. Jerry Schickedanz, Melissa Gorham and D.J. Martinez.

DASWCD was formed in 1966 and is “authorized by the Soil and Water Conservation District Act to conserve and develop the natural resources of the state, provide for flood control, preserve wildlife, protect the tax base and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of Doña Ana County. DASWCD is a governmental subdivision of the State of New Mexico,” according to www.daswcd.org.

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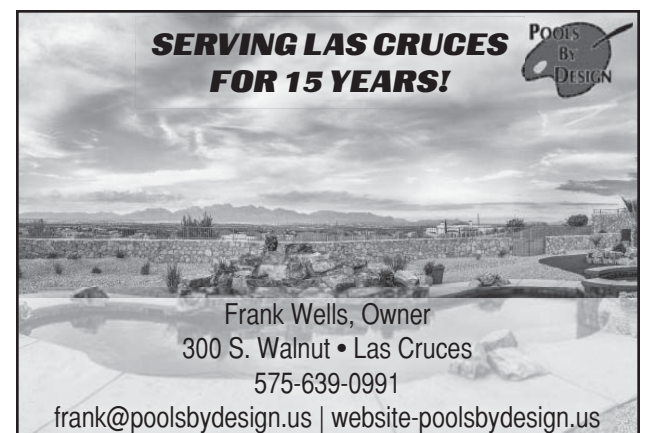
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Fun at the Fair

Fairgoer Titus feeds the goats at the petting zoo at the Southern New Mexico State Fair on Thursday, Sept. 29.

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Cadence and her mother, Candi, ride the train.

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Mayor wants to expand efforts to feed children

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Mayor Ken Miyagishima said he wants the city to expand efforts to feed poor Las Cruces children during holidays and vacations when they are not provided regular meals by Las Cruces Public Schools.

Miyagishima made his comments as the city council heard a report on childhood poverty in Las Cruces as part of its Monday, Sept. 24, five-hour work session.

City of Las Cruces Neighborhood Programs Specialist Natalie Green told the council that about 27 percent of all Doña Ana County residents live at or below the poverty line, and that 38 percent (up from 33 percent in 2011 and down from 40 percent in 2013) of the county's children, ages zero to 17 are living in poverty. That compares to 30 percent of the state's children who are in poverty.

According to federal poverty guidelines, a family of four with an annual income of \$24,300 or less is considered to be at the poverty line.

"Using school kitchens to provide more meals to children in poverty and leveraging the schools to help is an important step."

Councillor Kasandra Gandara

The figures include 36 percent of the state's children (182,000) in 2014 whose parents lack secure employment, which is 38 percent of children in Doña Ana County. There also were 10,000 teens (9 percent) ages 16 to 19 in the state who were not in school or working in 2014. That figure was 7 percent in Doña Ana County.

According to Kids Count, which tracks the status of children state by state according to 16 indicators in four domains (economic well-being, education, health and family and community), New Mexico ranks 49th among the 50 states overall.

Kids Count said 8 percent of Doña Ana County children had no insurance coverage, 21 percent of the county's teens engage in binge drinking and almost 8 percent of

the county's new born babies are low birth weight.

Kids Count said 39 percent of Doña Ana County children live in single-parent families, 22 percent live in families where the head of household does not have a high school diploma and the county's birthrate for teens ages 15 to 19 was 36 per 1,000, compared to 38 per 1,000 statewide.

Green said 27 percent of the county's children are food insecure, and that includes almost 15,000 children in Las Cruces.

"Overarching policy solutions must be a two-generational approach that addresses critical needs of children while helping parents improve their economic situation," Green's report said.

Ways to fight childhood poverty in Las Cruces include:

- Increasing U.S. Department of Agriculture Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits by 16 percent;
- Increasing housing subsidies by 21 percent. Mesilla Valley Community of Hope Executive Director Nicole Martinez said recently that a New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority report showed that there is a

4,500 housing-unit deficit in Las Cruces. Of that total, "Three thousand are needed just to accommodate the homeless population," she said, noting that the figures don't include people "on the edge of being homeless."

- Expanding school-based health centers and providing childhood screenings, adverse childhood experiences and expanding Medicaid enrollment assistance for children;

- Expanding childcare subsidies by 3 percent and expanding early intervention services; and

- Increasing the minimum wage, subsidized job/career pathway programs, earned income tax credits and fully refundable child tax credits.

Specific recommendations to the city council were:

- Create/support affordable housing
- Expand funding to nonprofit organizations in Las Cruces that support the poor and needy
- Hire a services coordinator/ombudsperson to be a bridge between organizations and services
- Develop a poverty-reduction strategic plan that addresses housing security, access to services, food access, job and economic security, transit equity and early learning.

The first step, Miyagishima said, is to partner with LCPS to provide meals to students during holidays and vacations.

In discussions after Green's presentation, the mayor and council's general consensus was

Nonprofits ask city for continued funding

Bulletin REPORT

Directors and other officials from a host of "health-related public service programs that support the physical, mental, developmental, emotional or social continued well-being, safety or improvement of sick, indigent, or low-income people" were at the Monday, Sept. 26 Las Cruces City Council work session to ask the council to continue funding their programs and to consider funding increases.

"The city's Health and Human Services Advisory Committee (HHSAC) was created to evaluate public service proposals for funding," according to city documents. The committee reviews funding requests for \$300,000 the city divides each year among nonprofits that serve the city's sick and indigent. Funding comes from the Telshor Facility Fund (TFF), which was created in October 2004 with the proceeds from an agreement between the city and Doña Ana County with Providence Healthcare Company for the 40-year lease of Memorial Medical Center.

The city received one of the proceeds of the lease, or about \$26 million. Interest from that money is "restricted to health-related programs and health-related capital projects to be determined by city council," according to a city resolution.

The city began allocating \$300,000 per year to nonprofits in FY 2009 "for the funding of health-related public services for the benefit of city residents."

The city adopted a two-year funding/application cycle in FY 2013. There is now almost \$31 million in the TFF, according to the city. The current two-year funding cycle extends through the spring of 2018.

to develop a "long-term strategy to combat poverty and high unemployment," as Councillor Jack Eakman said.

"Because it's complex, we have to work on a number of different issues," Councillor Kasandra Gandara said. "Using school kitchens

to provide more meals to children in poverty and leveraging the schools to help is an important step," she said.

The city needs to make "the most use of what's available" to ensure "that children don't go to bed hungry," Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Smith.

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Immigrants seek asylum in border area

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**
Las Cruces Bulletin

A New Mexico State University professor, lawyer and founder of a local pro-bono immigration law firm gave a presentation on political asylum at an immigration forum held at the Las Cruces City Council Chambers on Sept. 29.

Nancy Oretskin is a professor of business law at NMSU. She is also the founder of the Southwest Asylum & Migration Institute (SAMI), which seeks to help individuals from all over the world gain political asylum in the United States to escape persecution in their home countries.

“Asylum is an extraordinary legal relief that people claim when they’re put into deportation proceedings,” Oretskin said. “In order to claim asylum, you have to be able to prove that you have been persecuted in your home country.”

Specifically, asylum seekers need to present evidence that they will be killed if they are returned to their home countries based on their race, economic status, nationality, religion, political opinions and/or membership in a particular social group.

“Once somebody claims that at one of our borders, by law, (U.S. Customs and Border Protection) has to allow them into the U.S. and put them in (civil) detention,” Oretskin said.

The U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services department then conducts a ‘credible fear’ interview of the individual seek-

ing asylum, asking about their reasons for seeking asylum.

Oretskin said Las Cruces and the Borderlands are “a dragnet” in terms of attracting immigrants from a number of different countries, not just Mexicans.

“A lot of people fleeing persecution from a lot of different countries are forced to come through Mexico,” Oretskin said.

Currently, through SAMI, Oretskin is representing eight people from Africa seeking asylum in the United States, she said.

“They all went to an El Paso port of entry, fleeing their countries in Africa – the Ivory Coast, Nigeria, Ghana and Zimbabwe,” Oretskin said.

Oretskin said she has also represented asylum seekers from Afghanistan, Somalia, Eritrea, Pakistan, Mexico and Central America.

Many asylum seekers are deported because they fail their credible fear interviews, Oretskin said, which is often the result of CBP officers not speaking an individual’s language.

“Our officers are very fluent in Spanish and English, but they’re not really good in French or Swede or Urdu or other languages that these other people speak,” Oretskin said.

During such interviews, the interviewee will often answer ‘yes’ to each question, Oretskin said, and fail the interview.

Passing the credible fear interview is a prerequisite to getting an asylum hearing, Oretskin said.

If an individual passes

his or her credible interview, he or she will wait, on average, about nine months for a hearing, all the while being held in civil detention in an Immigration and Customs Enforcement building or, if such a facility is filled to capacity, in a criminal facility, such as the El Paso Detention Center, Oretskin said.

“(Most) asylum seekers are denied asylum in the El Paso Detention Center,” said Oretskin.

One audience member asked Oretskin the question, “Why don’t people who want to immigrate to the United States do so legally?”

“That’s about a five-year discussion,” Oretskin said.

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Oretskin said this is impractical, particularly for asylum seekers.

“If you’ve been inside the U.S. for more than a year and you’re undocumented, if you leave to go get in line in your country, automatically there’s a 10-year bar that the U.S. imposes and you have to wait 10 years for them to even consider

your visa,” Oretskin said.

Oretskin said, additionally, illegal immigrants who have any sort of criminal history are permanently ineligible for legal citizenship.

So, “If you leave (to apply to emigrate from your own country), you’re never coming back,” Oretskin said.

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Attorney: Immigration statutes costing taxpayers

By **BILLY HUNTSMAN**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Taxpayers in the United States are paying enormous sums of money each year to criminalize and deport thousands of illegal immigrants based on two criminal statutes relating to illegal immigration, said a retired assistant U.S. attorney at an immigration forum on Sept. 29.

Kelly Burnham is a retired assistant U.S. attorney who gave a presentation on entry without inspection and reentry after deportation, both of which are federal crimes, Burnham said.

Entry without inspection is a misdemeanor on first offense and entails

entry into the United States outside of designated ports of entry, Burnham said.

"If you come into the United States through the desert, who knew? Sometimes you can't tell that there's a border there," Burnham said. "But if you do that, you are guilty of entry without inspection."

A first offense can lead to imprisonment for up to six months, Burnham said.

A second offense leads to a felony, which permanently prohibits a non-U.S. citizen from gaining citizenship.

Reentry after deportation results in an immediate felony, Burnham said.

"The bad thing about

these cases (is) it doesn't take a genius to prosecute these cases," Burnham said.

Reentry after deportation can be proved with a fingerprint scan, Burnham said.

"My dog Harley could do that case," Burnham said.

The biggest problems with these statutes are the over-criminalizing of illegal immigrants and the "amazing" costs to American taxpayers, Burnham said.

"And the deterrent effect of prosecuting these folks has not been proven to be important at all," said Burnham.

Among the costs involved are salaries for U.S. Customs & Border Patrol agents, of which there are 21,000 in the U.S., Burnham said.

"That's more than we have in the F.B.I., who are keeping us safe from ter-

rorists," Burnham said. "That's more than the D.E.A., than the A.T.F., who are supposed to keep felons from possessing firearms. That's more than any other federal agency."

An estimated 100,000 reentry cases are prosecuted each year, Burnham said, accounting for 53 percent of all prosecuted federal crimes—more than bank robbery, Medicaid fraud and homicide.

"Here in Las Cruces, there were 1,800 cases sentenced every month by U.S. District Judge Robert Brack," Burnham said, referring to a Las Cruces Sun-News story in December 2015.

The article actually says Brack said he estimates he heard about 1,800 cases in 2015.

"And there's 1,600 cases sentenced monthly by U.S. District Judge Ken-

neth Gonzales," Burnham said.

The Associated Press reported Gonzales heard 1,600 cases—"most of which were immigration-related"—in 2015.

Despite Burnham's incorrect citations, Brack's and Gonzalez's yearly caseloads still vastly outnumber the 75 cases a federal judge in other parts of the United States might see each year, said U.S. District Judge William "Chip" Johnson of Albuquerque in the AP story.

"Think of the costs of these cases," Burnham said, "where what the person has done is basically been a Mexican in public."

When Burnham became a felony prosecutor in 1990, she said, "there were two of us."

Today, there are 20 in Las Cruces alone, she said.

"They're all bringing home \$100,000 a year, if you average it," she said.

When she started, there was one district judge—"the Honorable Howard Bratton—because that's all it took to do the work down here."

"Now we have two district judges," Burnham said.

Burnham also said New Mexico's U.S. attorney, Damon Martinez, has "a policy" to take "100 percent of the reentry cases that are caught."

"These statutes are over-imposed and I urge you to join me in doing something about it," Burnham said.

She advocated contacting U.S. Senators Heinrich, Udall, U.S. Representative Steve Pearce and Damon Martinez to express dissatisfaction as to the statutes.

MVCS football team honors law enforcement

BULLETIN REPORT

The football team at Mesilla Valley Christian School (MVCS) honored local law enforcement officials before the start of their Friday, Sept. 30 game against the Tatum Coyotes at Oñate High School.

Agencies honored and the officers representing them at the ceremony were:

- Sheriff Kiki Vigil and Under-sheriff Ken Roberts from the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department
- Officers Matthew Dollar and Tyrel Jackson of the Las Cruces Police Department
- Officers Colby Skidmore, Oli-

ver Wilson and Erika Flores of the New Mexico State Police

- Sergeant Lance Shepan and Deputy Edward Madson of the Mesilla Marshal's office

- Sergeant Ryan Beck, Officer Diana Renteria and cadets Damario Pendraza and Martin Hernandez of the New Mexico State University Police Department

- Agents Steve Ghorick and Ida D'Antonio of the FBI

- Sergeant James Kirk of the White Sands Missile Range police

- Robert Armendariz (retired) of the Immigration Customs Enforcement Agency

- Officer Ralph Gomez from the U.S. Border Patrol

"This event was completely initi-

ated by the team's seniors who were saddened by the ongoing NFL, college, and more recently high school football athletes not standing while the National Anthem was being played at the start of football games. While they very much support equality for all people, the athletes really wanted to let law enforcement know they are supported," MVCS parent Kari Mitchell said in a letter of invitation to law enforcement officials.

Mitchell's son, Joshua, one of MVCH's seniors presented gift bags to the officers during the ceremony.

For more information, visit <http://mvconline.com/>.

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 The football team at Mesilla Valley Christian School (MVCS) and their opponents from Tatum, honored local law enforcement officials before the start of their Friday, Sept. 30 game.



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Astronomy open house

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NMSU presents 'Harvest of Dance'

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

"Harvest of Dance" takes place at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, and at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at the ASNMSU Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets:

\$15 for adults, \$10 for students/seniors, \$5 for children under 12. Tickets can be purchased from any dance program student or from the KindD office, Room 204, NMSU Activity Center, at 575-646-4067 or by email nmsu_dance@nmsu.edu. Tickets available at the door for an additional \$5.

Republican Women meet Oct. 8

Republican Women of Mesilla Valley will meet for monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 8, at La Posta Restaurant in Mesilla. The speaker will be announced at a later date. Food is ordered from menu and each pays individually. The fundraiser raffle will feature unique items furnished by members. Tickets are \$1.00. Visitors and new members are welcome. Reservations required. Info: 575-527-5574.

Doña Ana Doll Club show, sale

The Doña Ana Doll Club holds its annual show and sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at the Scottish Rite Temple, 195 E. Boutz Road. Dolls, accessories, clothes, bears, fantasy figures, miniatures, fabrics and laces on sale. Halloween exhibit, silent auction, door

prizes, children's crafts. Admission: adult - \$2; children 10 and under free. Info: sanders4605@comcast.net or 575-523-1413.

Model Railroad meeting Oct. 8

National Model Railroad Association-Roadrunner Division monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at Las Cruces Railroad Museum, 351 N. Mesilla St. Free and open to anyone interested in Model Railroading. Info: Dick Schriver, 575-524-2809.

Calligraphy Guild meets Oct. 10

Southwest Calligraphy Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, at Peace Lutheran Church, 1701 Missouri Ave. LeeAnn Meadows will be teaching the art of Suminagashi (floating ink). Visitors are welcome and membership is open. Info: maudebeakley@yahoo.com

Educational Retirees meet Oct. 11

The Las Cruces Association of Educational Retirees meets from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, at the NMSU Golf Course restaurant ballroom, 3000 Herb Wimberly Drive. There will be two activities: Susan Beyer Stoltzfus will talk about Project Linus followed by a "Shoe Boxes for Christmas" project. LCAER members are asked to bring shoe boxes and Christmas wrap. The cost of the luncheon is \$12.50 per person. For reservation or information, contact Navora Richardson at 575-523-6004.

Tax Professionals annual meeting

New Mexico Chapter of the National Association of Tax Professionals Annual Meeting is 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, at the Albuquerque Museum of Art and History, 2000 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque. NATP & NMSEA members: \$40; everyone else \$45. Info: Meryl Kahn, kahnea@smartertaxes.com or 505-922-4973.

Las Cruces Academy open house

The Las Cruces Academy invites the public to visit the school throughout the day on Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 1755 Avenida de Mercado. From 8:30 to 10 a.m. visitors can watch classes in Chinese and in grades early K through 2, talk with teachers, and view the facilities. From

5:30 to 7 p.m. visitors may speak with teachers and view the classrooms. LCA is a private school serving academically advanced or motivated students. Current openings are for early K through grade 8. Info: lascrucesacademy.org or by calling Lou Ellen Kay at 575-521-9384.

Brown Bag lecture at museum

The Las Cruces Railroad Museum hosts a free lunch time lecture at noon on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (Oct. 11) at 351 N. Mesilla St. titled "Ghost Trains and the Paranormal," presented by Hank Caruthers. Admission to the Railroad Museum is free. Info: <http://las-cruces.org/museums> or call 575-647-4480.

New Mexico Space Grant Consortium luncheon Oct. 11

New Mexico Space Grant Consortium will be holding the Leonard R. Sugarman Community Partnership Luncheon starting at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11, at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum. The cost for the luncheon is \$25. Info: http://www.ispcs.com/community_partnership_lunch.php.

Boundary and Water Commission public meeting Oct. 13

The U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) will have a public meeting of the Rio Grande Citizens Forum from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, at the Las Cruces City Hall Council Chambers, 700 N. Main St. Agenda items include the Rio Grande Riparian Ecological Corridor Project, bird hunting along the Rio Grande, and sediment removal from the river channel. Info: 915-832-4706 or email Shellie.Munoz@ibwc.gov.

Soil & Water Conservation District meeting

The Doña Ana Soil & Water Conservation District will hold its regularly scheduled meeting at 9 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, in the Elephant Butte Irrigation District Conference Room, 530 S. Melendres St. A copy of the agenda may be obtained 72 hours prior to the meeting by calling 575-522-8775, ext. 3, or from the website at www.daswcd.org.

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Las Cruces High class of 1966 50th Reunion

The Las Cruces High School class of 1966 is holding its 50-year reunion starting with a reception at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at Hotel Encanto. Tour of LCHS and a dinner/dance will be at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. Veterans service and lunch at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16 at Veterans Memorial Park. Info: 575-644-6654 or 575-640-7082.

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 to 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.

Grand finale Yappy Hour celebrates Halloween

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

Quilt Guild meets 3rd Monday

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

Gene's Gesters Toastmaster Club meets on Tuesdays

From 7 to 8 a.m. every Tuesday the Gene's Gesters Toastmaster Club meets at the Doña Ana Community College (DACC) Workforce Center Solutions, 2345 Nevada Ave. If you are interested in improving your public speaking and leadership skills, you are cordially in-

ited to attend a meeting to learn how this organization can benefit you. Info: clobato@nmsu.edu, or visit the Toastmasters International website at <http://www.toastmasters.org/>.

Hands-only CPR training set

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

Business Builders meet Wednesdays

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

IN THE NEWS

Mesquite Environmental Club elects officers

The Mesquite Environmental Club officers were recently elected for the 2016-2017 year. They are: President Kimberly Nevarez; Vice-President Itzel Gonzalez; Secretary Laylin Torres; Treasurer Diego Arroyos; Reporter Giselle Rico and Sargent At Arms Andrew Luna. Not pictured is Vice-President Leslie Barragan. The sponsor is Larry M. Sedillo, K-2 reading intervention teacher at Mesquite Elementary School. The club's main mission is to provide leadership, assistance and care of the environment at Mesquite Elementary School and the Mesquite Community. Info: 575-386-7250.

SWEC Welcomes New Field Organizer

Peter Sloan is SWEC's new field organizer. Born in Seattle and raised in Birmingham, Alabama, Sloan is a recent transplant to New Mexico. He will be working to build public support for Mexican wolf recovery, a ban on wildlife killing contests, and related issues.

NMSU Women's Club announces open enrollment

The NMSU Women's Club is open to all women associated with New Mexico State University (faculty/staff; spouse of faculty/staff; parent of current or former students). The purpose of the club is to welcome newcomers to New Mexico State University, promote educational and social activities, and

pursue special service projects that enrich the university community. The club is committed to raising monies and identifying returning female undergraduate students who merit scholarship support to assist them in attaining their educational goals. To learn more visit: <https://womensclub.nmsu.edu/> or contact Susan DeMar, president, at sdemar@nmsu.edu. Membership form can be found on the website link at <https://womensclub.nmsu.edu/membership/>.

Arrowhead Center recognized for economic development efforts

The Rio Grande Council of Governments, a neutral entity formed to further intergovernmental services, has selected Arrowhead Center at New Mexico State University as its Organization of the Year. The award recognizes organizations that further the efforts of the region in addressing a broad

array of critical environmental, economic development, emergency communications, and social services needs. In recent years, the El Paso Times Senior Fund and the dental practice of Dr. David M. Rizk have been recipients of this award for their efforts in promoting the ability for adults 60 years and older to remain independent and be able to continue to reside their home.

Kitten fundraiser seeking jewelry

Project Save a Kitten is preparing for its March 2017 fundraiser jewelry sale. Donations are requested of jewelry, jewelry boxes, small decorative items, lace and linens and other small treasures. To donate, contact us for pick up or drop off at Better Life Pet Foods, 365 Avenida de Mesilla. Cash accepted as well. Info: Jackye at Project Save a Kitten at 575-323-0903 or gardens@zianet.com.

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Thursday, Oct. 20th
Fashion Show Luncheon & Shop for the Cure

Saturday, Oct. 22nd
Cervantes 5K/10K Fun Run/Walk

Monday, Oct. 17th
Luminaria Ceremony

Tough Enough to Wear Pink Schedule of Events

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Friday October 7, 2016
Cowboys for Cancer Research Dinner Dance
Sponsored by Memorial Medical Cancer Center
Where: Las Cruces Convention Center
Contact: 575-642-5696

Saturday & Sunday October 8-9, 2016
TETWP at New Mexico Pecan Festival
Where: Old Mesilla Plaza

Saturday October 15, 2016
Las Cruces Domino's Pizza TETWP Saturday
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Monday October 17, 2016
TETWP Luminaria Remembrance Ceremony
Where: NMSU Sisbarro Park.
Reception following at Burrell College of Osteopathic Medicine

Tuesday October 18, 2016
ASNMSU TETWP Student Dinner
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, 2016t
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
Time: 7PM
Where: Gadsden High School

Saturday October 22, 2016
Cervantes Fun Run/Walk
Time: 8AM
Where: NMSU Campus

Saturday October 22, 2016
NMSU Aggie vs Georgia State TETWP Football Game
Time: 6pm
Where: NMSU Aggie Memorial Stadium
Contact: Pan Am Ticket Office
Tickets: 575-646-1420 Web: www.nmstatesports.com

Saturday October 22, 2016
Centennial vs. Las Cruces High School Pink Football Game
Time: 7PM
Where: Field of Dreams

www.pinkaggie.com



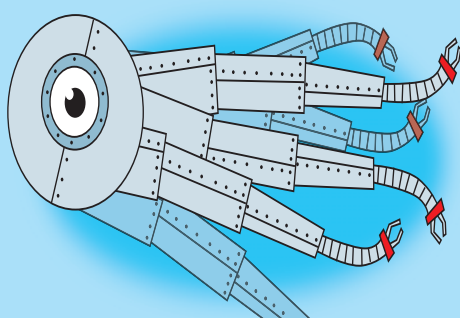
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 ANSWER: Octopus Prime.

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THE GREAT OCTO-ESCAPE

Thanks, But No Tanks!

Replace the missing words. **SEEN APART TANK SOFT DIFFICULT**
SUBMARINE PRINTS ALONE SHIPS SLID
 Finding Nemo? Finding Dory? Finding Inky?

NEW ZEALAND – One night in April, Inky the octopus slipped silently out of his _____ at New Zealand's National Aquarium.

The aquarium staff followed his little suction cup _____ to discover that Inky had escaped through a small gap at the top of his tank.

Once out of the tank, Inky _____ across the floor to a six-inch-wide drain. He squeezed his football-sized body through the drain which took him into the Pacific Ocean. And nobody has _____ Inky since that night!

Shape Shifters
 An octopus has a _____ body and can squeeze its body into very small spaces. In the sea, they like to live in small caves, spaces under rocks or even in pottery that falls from passing _____.

Inky was added to the aquarium in 2014. He had been injured when he was caught in a crayfish pot.

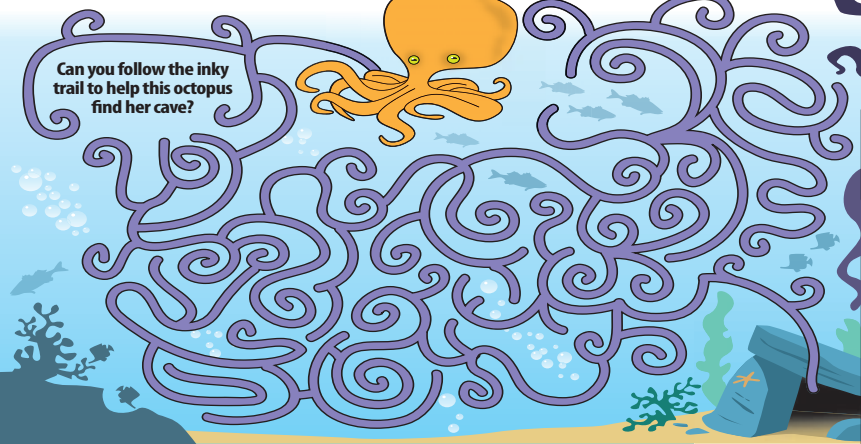
Keep An Octopus Occupied
 Octopuses are very _____ to keep in aquariums. If they get bored, they start to take things _____. In 2009, an octopus at the Santa Monica Pier Aquarium in California took apart a valve and caused a flood. Another octopus took apart a little robot that was in its tank.

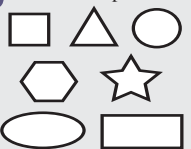
Eight Arms or Legs?

An octopus has eight arms . . . or are they legs? Scientists think two of the limbs act as legs, and the rest more like arms.

These limbs are called **tentacles**. Each tentacle has two rows of suckers that sense taste. If an octopus loses a tentacle, it can grow a new one!

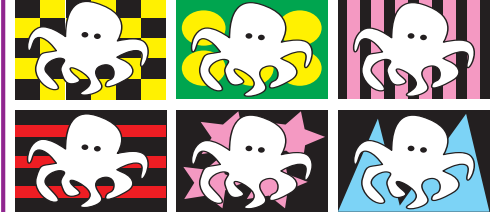
Can you follow the inky trail to help this octopus find her cave?



Extra! Extra!
Shape Search
 Look through the newspaper and see if you can find each of these shapes:

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

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Usually, an octopus is brown. But if it gets angry or scared, it changes color depending upon the mood. And it also can change colors to blend in with rocks, coral, sand and more. This is called **camouflage** (*kam-O-flawf*). Color each little octopus so it matches the background to hide.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

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

TENTACLES
AQUARIUM
OCTOPUS
PACIFIC
SCARED
DRAIN
BORED
ANGRY
EIGHT
TASTE
BROWN
ROBOT
MOOD
ARMS

S O P C E T S A T S
 E R C A O T O H D C
 L O A Q C N G P O A
 C B N U I I T U O R
 A O G A E D F E M E
 T T R R S E E I S D
 N D Y I A R M S C T
 E S S U P O T C O R
 T U L M E B R O W N

Standards Link: Letter sequencing, Recognized identical words, Skim and scan reading, Recall spelling patterns.

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Ate and Eight

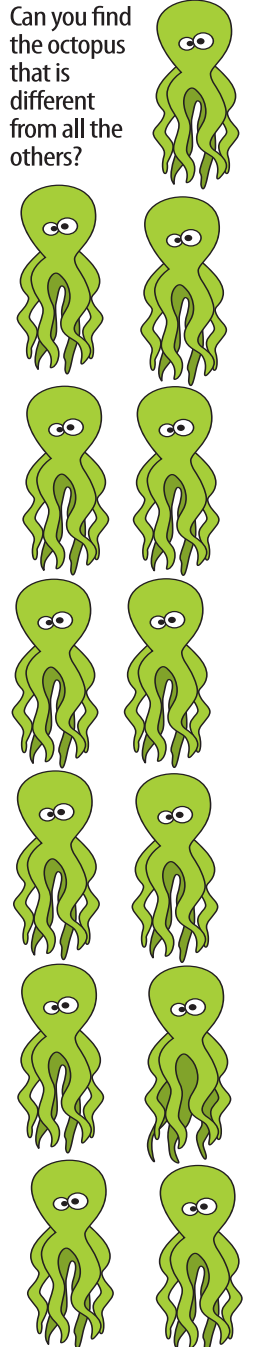
The words **ate** and **eight** sound the same but have different meanings and spellings. They are homophones. Look through the newspaper and see if you can find more homophones.

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

Write On!

My Pet Octopus
 Pretend you have a pet octopus. Describe what life is like with this pet. Be imaginative! Is it trained?

Can you find the octopus that is different from all the others?





STELLA DEE BRUNER

Stella Dee Bruner, 84, of Las Cruces, New Mexico went to be with the Lord on Thursday, September 22, 2016 while in hospice care. She was born in Erie, Kansas on August 18, 1932. The youngest of four children and the only girl, she was much loved by her parents, brothers and grandparents. Stella was a graduate of Sedan, Kansas High School where she was the head cheerleader and Homecoming Queen. She was a financial aid loan officer for 20 years at New Mexico State University where she took great joy in working with and helping students until she retired. Stella had an incredible gift of hospitality and was a wonderful cook and baker. She loved all things her children and grandchildren did and was an enthusiastic fan of her daughter's theater days, sons' football and baseball games and her

grandchildren's sporting events. Stella cherished her friends and family. She was a member of Mesquite Baptist Church and Precept Bible Studies.

Stella was preceded in death by her parents, Ola Lorine and Clarence Fenton Gibbs and three brothers, Ralph, Jack and Bob Gibbs.

She is survived by a daughter, Nancy of The Woodlands, Texas, son Gary and wife Luisa of Las Cruces, New Mexico, son Scott and wife Kay of The Woodlands, Texas, three grandchildren, Andrew and wife Shalani of Louisville, Kentucky, Ana of Las Cruces, New Mexico, and Mark of The Woodlands, Texas.

Visitation will be at 9 a.m. and the memorial service at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 7, 2016 at La Paz – Graham Funeral Home of 555 West Amador Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005. Entombment service will immediately follow at Hillcrest Cemetery in Las Cruces.

Memorials may be made to Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 Montana Avenue Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, <http://mvhospice.org/support>, and to the Baptist Children's Fund through Mesquite Baptist Church, P.O. Box 317 Mesquite, New Mexico 88048.

Online condolences may be made at <http://www.lapaz-grahams.com>.



JOSEPHINE ORONA GAMBOA

Our beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, JOSEPHINE ORONA GAMBOA, age 89, of Las Cruces passed away Monday, September 26, 2016 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born was born January 10, 1927 in Mesilla to Jose Maria and Manuelita Cardona Orona. "Grams" or "Pina", as she was fondly known to family and friends, was a homemaker and a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include a son, Danny O. Gamboa (Paula); a daughter, Estella G. Sanchez (Raymond) all of Las Cruces; her grandchildren, Gabriel, Tess and Leandra Gamboa, Orlando Casas (Michelle), Milissa Caldwell (Harold Jr), Raymond Sanchez (Louise), Ronald Sanchez (Sheryl), Randy Sanchez and Consuelo Sanchez; her great-grandchildren, Othello Gamboa, Xavier and Isaiah Casas, Zariyah, Tasia and Jaedin Caldwell; and a great-great-granddaughter, Shae Caldwell. Other survivors include two brothers, Isaac C. Orona and Raymundo C. Orona both of Mesilla; three sisters, Petra O. Caro also of Mesilla, Antonia O.

Diaz of San Pablo, and Nellie O. Donovan of Las Cruces. Grams was preceded in death by her husband, Eugenio P. Gamboa in 1994; three brothers, Isidro, Horacio and Ismael Orona, and three sisters, Tomasa O. Zuniga, Francisca O. Reyes, and Romana O. Rodriguez.

Visitation for Mrs. Gamboa will begin at 9:30 AM Monday, October 3, 2016 in The Basilica de San Albino, 2280 Calle Principal in Mesilla where the Prayer Vigil is scheduled for 10 AM. The Mass of Christian Burial will follow immediately thereafter with the Reverend Alejandro Reyes, Celebrant. The Rite of Committal and Interment will follow in San Albino Cemetery where she will be laid to rest alongside her husband.

Serving as casket bearers will be Gabriel Gamboa, Orlando Casas, Harold Caldwell, Johnny Orona, Miguel Parra and Richard Sanchez.

Service arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces, 300 E. Boutz Road, 527-2222. For online condolences logon to www.bacasfuneralchapelslasruces.com



LUIS ALFONSO DELGADO

LUIS ALFONSO DELGADO, 70, entered eternal life on Thursday, Septem-

ber 22, 2016. He was born on January 15, 1946 in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico to Juan Medina Delgado and Socorro Alvarez Delgado. Mr. Delgado was brought to the United States by his parents to pursue the American dream. He became a naturalized citizen and served his country honorably in the United States Navy as a River Boat Patrolman during the Vietnam Conflict. After his service, he attended New Mexico State University and graduated with a B.A. in social work. Mr. Delgado worked hard his entire life to support his family & served his community. He worked for the State of New Mexico as a Probation & Parole Officer for the Department of Corrections. Throughout his life, he was an avid sports fan and volunteered for various youth sports teams. He was a sponsor of his daughters' sporting events ranging from bowling, horseback riding and soccer. He was the mentor and coach to his son's baseball teams from t-ball to high school. After retirement, he focused on his beloved wife, family and most importantly his two granddaughters. Mr. Delgado was a member of VFW Post 3242. Mr. Delgado participated in various church activities. He was a Eucharistic Minister and member of the Basilica of San Albino in Mesilla, NM. He also volunteered at The Shrine and Parish of Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Tor-tugas, NM with the cemetery crew, building of the Little Shrine of San Juan Diego and the San Juan Fiestas. Mr. Delgado made several religious pilgrimages during his lifetime.

Survivors include his loving wife, Dora Gutierrez

Delgado; his son, Jacinto Pablo Delgado and his wife, Joanna Teresa Delgado of Midland, TX. His daughters, Silvia Teresa Delgado and Maria Luisa Delgado of Las Cruces; His siblings, Juan G. Delgado, Socorro Delgado, and Rosa Torres and her husband, Ricardo Torres and many beloved nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. Other survivors include his granddaughters, Micaela Julietta Delgado and Isabella Dulcinea Delgado of Midland, TX. He was preceded in death by his parents, Juan Medina Delgado and Socorro Alvarez Delgado and his brother, Francisco Delgado.

Mr. Delgado has been cremated and the rosary will be held at 9:30AM Friday, October 7, 2016 at the Basilica of San Albino located at 2280 Calle de Principal, Mesilla, NM 88005. The Funeral Liturgy is scheduled to begin immediately thereafter. Burial services will take place promptly at 2:30 PM at Fort Bliss National Cemetery located at 5200 Fred Wilson Avenue, Fort Bliss, TX 79906. Memorial Luncheon will take place the following day from 11:00AM to 2:00 PM, Saturday, October 8, 2016 at the Mesilla Community Center located at 2252 Calle de Santiago, Mesilla, NM 88046. The family invites everyone to attend and share their memories of Mr. Delgado at the Memorial Luncheon.

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MARY CRAINE NUÑEZ

MARY CRAINE NUÑEZ, age 76, passed away on Monday, September 26, 2016 in Las

Cruces. She was born to Wilfred & Ramoncita Craine in Clayton, NM on June 2, 1940.

Mary then resided in Alamogordo, NM for 31 years with her hus-

band, David R. Nunez, and their six children by her side. Mary and David relocated to Las Cruces, NM where she lived for 25 years.

Mary was a loving and lifelong homemaker, caring for the needs of her husband and children. She and David were married for 55 years and maintained an inseparable daily bond. She enjoyed preparing meals for her large family and humbly gave selflessly to her husband and children. As her family grew, so did Mary's joy of serving, giving and deeply loving all of her family members.

Mary and David faithfully attended St. Genevieve, St. Albert and Holy Cross Catholic Church. She drew close to God by praying and discussing the Bible with family. Mary continuously viewed the Catholic television station, EWTN, and had a love for God's angels, embracing them with an inquisitive awe. Praise God for His indescribable love!

Mary is lovingly remembered by her husband, David R. Nuñez; her six children, Rhonda Spann (Guy), Leann Willis, David Nuñez (Becky), Dennis Nuñez, Nancy Oditt (Dan), and Laura Geoffroy. Other survivors include her fifteen grandchildren, Ashley and Paige Spann, Jesslyn and Joaquin Balboa, Josh and Crystal Willis, Christopher and Theresa Nuñez, Amy, Joseph, Amanda, and Jennifer Nuñez, Ashley Chase, Daniel and Emily Oditt, and Matthew and Jacob Geoffroy; eight great-grandchildren, Nolan, Lyra, Brayden, Cameron, Maleyah, Emilio, Anthony and Leonidus. Mary is also survived by her brothers, Martin, Lawrence and Bobby Craine; her sister, Sarah Armijo. Her parents; two brothers, Wilfred and Daniel Craine; a sister, Dora Garcia are also greatly missed by



their family and friends.

Recitation of the Holy Rosary will begin at 9:30 AM Thursday, October 6, 2016 at St. Genevieve Catholic Church, 100 S. Espina where a Memorial Mass will follow immediately thereafter with Reverend Ray Flores officiating. Inurnment of Cremains to follow in St. Genevieve Columbarium.

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**MAX GARCIA SANCHEZ**

MAX GARCIA SANCHEZ, age 54, of

Las Cruces passed away Sunday, September 25, 2016 at Memorial Medical Center surrounded by his loving family. Max was born July 22, 1962 in Deming to Max S.

and Guadalupe Garcia Sanchez. He was a welder by trade and a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Survivors include his loving wife of eighteen years, Betty A. Taber-Sanchez of the family home; his parents; two brothers, Carlos Sanchez (Patricia) all of Las Cruces, and David Sanchez (Shannon) of Silver City; two sisters, Laura Sanchez-Lozada (Daniel) and Irene Sanchez (Juan Alvarez); his paternal grandmother, Ricarda Sanchez; two step-sons, Allen Yarman (Bonnie) all also of Las Cruces and Michael Yarman (Kristi) of Ashville, Alabama; two step-daughters, Paula Hallers (Gil) of Orlando, Florida and Nicole Stroud (Chuck) of Gainesville, Florida. Other survivors include numerous nieces and nephews, as well as two step-granddaughters. Max was preceded in death by his brother, Richard Garcia Sanchez, his maternal grandparents and paternal grandfather.



Recitation of the Holy Rosary will begin at 11 AM Thursday, October 6, 2016 at Baca's Funeral Chapels, 300 E. Boutz Road. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 2 PM the same day at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 1327 N. Miranda Street. Inurnment of cremains will take place at later date.

The Sanchez Families would like to thank the Cardiac Unit of Memorial Medical Center for the excellent care provided.

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Pauline P. Limon, 72, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on September 29, 2016. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.

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Stewart Anthony Goodin, 63, of Las Cruces, NM passed away on September 29, 2016. Arrangements are with La Paz-Graham's Funeral Home.



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Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce Conquistador Darlene Stalder reads a proclamation for the ribbon cutting for new offices of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico at 2600 El Paseo Road Wednesday, Sept. 28.



Attending the ceremony were Jennifer Downey, Darlene Stalder and Cindy Bennett.



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Bob Barnard, Rick Supple, Mr. Martinez, the new High School principal, Mike Dave and Curtis Rosemond celebrate the ribbon cutting at the new location of Las Montañas Charter High School in Las Cruces, Thursday, Sept. 29, at 1405 S, Solano Drive.

Campbell Insurance runs on tradition, technology

By ALTA LeCOMPTE
Las Cruces Bulletin

A family business that thrives for 70 years through good times and bad must have stories to tell. Such a business is Pat Campbell Insurance.

Pat Campbell founded the business in 1946 in an office he shared with an attorney in the Masonic Temple building.

In 1968, Jack Hixon joined the business. He became Campbell's partner when the agency incorporated in 1980. After working in the insurance business in Texas for five years, Jack Hixon's son Kerry joined the business in 1989. He continues to operate the agency.

The Bulletin visited with Kerry Hixon following the agency's Greater Las

Cruces Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting ceremony Sept. 9 at the current location, 141 N. Roadrunner Parkway.

Bulletin: What has enabled Pat Campbell Insurance to survive and thrive for 70 years?

Hixon: Continuity of ownership and management since 1946 ensures our mission and vision — providing affordable, comprehensive insurance to our community — is sustained. It's the same family owned and operated business with the same mission, vision, goals and strategies for the entire 70 years.

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Kerry Hixon, president, said he's primarily a commercial consultant, while his wife Debbie, who has been with the agency since 2001, is operations manager. "She planned to leave after two years but we — not just me but all of us — wouldn't let her go," he said.

Aggie sharks return to the tank

By ALTA LeCOMPTE
Las Cruces Bulletin

Aggie Shark Tank, a public event in which student entrepreneurs compete for the backing of local business sharks, will return 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19 to the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave.

Kramer Winingham, director of Studio G student business accelerator at New Mexico State University, said tickets to the free event are available at www.arrowheadcenter.nmsu.edu.

Attendees will watch aspiring entrepreneurs present five-minute



pitches to the sharks. Sharks will have 15 minutes to question each entrepreneur and will then decide whether or not to back the competitor. Sharks will negotiate on the spot with the winners

October 2015 Aggie Shark Tank winner Rajaa Shindi presented a device that helps children train their brains to focus. Sharks Lou Sisbarro and Dino Cervantes invested in her company and are mentoring her as she works toward commercializing her product.

BULLETIN PHOTO BY ALTA LeCOMPTE

to acquire a percentage of the entrepreneur's company in exchange for an investment of \$10,000 to \$30,000.

"These are wonderful, advanced students who come with amazing ideas," said Lou Sisbarro local business owner and

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Bulletin: Are your employees compensated by commission?

Hixon: It's traditional in our industry for agents, consultants to be compensated strictly on commission. Our customer service specialists are salary based.

Bulletin: Do you specialize in personal or commercial insurance?

Hixon: By choice we do not specialize. We choose to be a generalist, a one-stop shop for clients. Commercial insurance accounts for about 70 percent of our total written premiums. Personal insurance accounts for 20 to 25 percent. We have more personal than commercial clients, but their premiums are lower. We have a life and health division with a full array of individual and group life, health and disability insurance.

Bulletin: What companies' insurance products do you sell?

Hixon: We represent 15 to 20 mainstream, preferred business insurance companies — marquee companies. We

do 90 percent of our business with those companies. We have a smaller array of products with some specialties that differentiate them. ... About 30 percent or more of specialty markets are for unique or hard-to-place businesses such as dynamite or oil drilling — or accounts with loss problems.

Bulletin: Where are the majority of your clients located?

Hixon: The majority of our client base is in Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, but we do business in multiple states including Texas, the Four Corners area and an odd array of states not in the Four Corners areas.

Bulletin: How do you sustain a commercial business in a relatively small city?

Hixon: Although it's a far cry from Albuquerque, Las Cruces is the second largest city in the state. There are some sizable businesses and a large number of small businesses. That's really where we thrive. We deal with all types of small businesses. They're stable, loyal and generate a great referral base.

Bulletin: How do you determine the kind

of coverage that's appropriate for each client?

Hixon: It's not rocket science. It's just a consultative approach. We ... identify their specific needs ... and then offer options and recommendations.

Bulletin: What has been the impact of technology on the operation of your business?

Hixon: Technology has dramatically improved our ability to meet client needs. We can do things quicker, more accurately and technology gives clients more choices on how they want to receive the information. They can review their documents and file claims online. They can choose to receive a PDF or an email. If they want a paper policy, we'll mail it to them.

Bulletin: How have changes within society affected your business?

Hixon: Basic lifestyle such as social media, cell phone and computer usage and ID theft. At least a small amount of identity coverage is now automatically included in commercial, homeowners and renters insurance.

Bulletin: What is the availability of health insurance for New Mexicans?

Hixon: New Mexico has only a handful of providers and those providers had to revamp their products, in part to comply with the Affordable Care Act. Some ... are pulling out of New Mexico. Blue Cross Blue Shield pulled out of the individual PPO market last year.

Bulletin: Other concerns?

Hixon: Increased litigation ... the high percentage of New Mexicans who don't have basic liability insurance on their vehicle ... which drives up rates. Our agency had \$30 million in personal property losses for our clients due to hailstorms (last October). There will be some double digit rate increases.

Bulletin: The good news?

Hixon: By and large, insurance products are still across the board — commercial or personal — very affordable. I do not see double-digit rate increases unless there are loss problems.

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SHARK TANK

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participating shark.

For sharks, the event is the beginning of a continuing commitment to provide not only capital but ongoing mentoring and other services the entrepreneurs need to grow their companies.

For the spectators, however, Shark Tank is a fast-paced, two-hour show of student brain power, ingenuity and determination.

"It's a pretty cool way to get community involvement with the university and our students," Winingham said.

A year of growth

A persistent group, the five sharks will return this year to again look for business potential in the Aggie Shark Tank.

Sisbarro, owner of 10 southern New Mexico car and truck dealerships and a fan of the ABC TV show Shark Tank, in 2015 suggested Arrowhead Center produce a live, local version of the competition.

Winingham liked the idea, they did a couple trial runs and Sisbarro became a shark. He was joined by Royal Jones, chief executive of Mesilla Valley Transportation; Chile magnate Dino Cervantes; general contractor Mickey Clute, president of GenCon Corp.; and Andy Rice, a former Aggie and vice president of Chicago-based private equity firm The Jordan Co.

"My goal is to see one a year, at least, become successful to the point where they can go out and make some money on it," Sisbarro said.

Sharks share their expertise

In October 2015, contestants

included Rajaa Shindi, a soft-spoken woman whose passion for her product caught Sisbarro's attention. Shindi pitched a device for treating attention deficit in children.

"My oldest son had ADD years ago," Sisbarro said. "It hit home for me. I said 'wow' — I knew what my wife and I went through, especially my wife."

Sisbarro offered Shindi \$30,000 for a 25 percent stake. Later, Cervantes asked Sisbarro to split the investment.

Both continue to mentor Shindi, who has received her Ph.D. in computer science from NMSU.

She knows her science, but Sisbarro and Cervantes are invaluable when it comes to business expertise.

Shindi said the thing she enjoys most about working with Sisbarro and Cervantes is the depth of their business

knowledge.

"We pushed her, guided her and provided the money," Sisbarro said. "Shark Tank is more about mentorship than anything else."

Perfecting the product

In the year since Shindi won the sharks' backing, she worked with Arrowhead Center CAD designer Leonard Casaus, who developed a new container for the device. She also has finished an executive summary and operating instructions for teachers with the help of Arrowhead student employees who are writing specialists.

"The initial prototype container was made of wood," said Studio G director Winingham. "It was important to produce a more professionally finished product."

The device monitors children's attention and provides

immediate feedback to them and their teachers so the children can adjust their behavior, Shindi said. "That's really the power of this project."

Sisbarro currently is making contacts with the Las Cruces and Gadsden School Districts to do Phase 2 trials of the latest version of Shindi's brain-training software. He said he thinks Shindi's innovation will help a lot of people.

"Once it's proven worthwhile and people suffering from ADD experience improvement from using it, we will start marketing it to school districts. Although it could be marketed to healthcare facilities or retail, we will push it to schools because we think that's where the real market is," Sisbarro said.

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Dates 10/07/16

-PUBLIC NOTICE-
WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, NEW MEXICO

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to New Mexico Hazardous Waste Regulations promulgated in the New Mexico Administrative Code, a petition for a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Class 3 Permit Modification for the White Sands Missile Range (the Permittee) is being submitted to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), Hazardous Waste Bureau.

The Department of the Army, U.S. Army Garrison White Sands, 100 Headquarters Avenue, White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico 88002-5000, is submitting a petition requesting a Class 3 Permit Modification to change the status of Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 125, Veterinary Clinic Incinerator, and SWMU 126, McAfee Clinic Incinerator, from Corrective Action Required to Corrective Action Complete without Controls.

A 60-day comment period will begin October 10, 2016, and end December 9, 2016. During the 60 day comment period, any interested person may submit comments to John E. Kieling, Bureau Chief, NMED, Hazardous Waste Bureau, 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505-6303, phone (505) 476-6000.

A public meeting will be held November 16, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library located at 200 E. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001. Phone: (575) 528-4000. A copy of the petition may be viewed at the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; and 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Interested persons may obtain additional information from the Permittee's contact person Benito Avalos, White Sands Missile Range, (575) 678-2225, and/or from the NMED's contact person John E. Kieling, NMED, (505) 476-6000.

The Permittee's compliance history during the life of the Permit being modified is available from the NMED contact person. Contact information is provided above.



AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO MAKE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR SENIOR CITIZEN FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS, FOR LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS, FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, STATE SPECIAL SCHOOLS AND TRIBAL SCHOOLS AND FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY; PROVIDING FOR A PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF, INTEREST ON AND CERTAIN COSTS RELATED TO THE BONDS; REQUIRING APPROVAL OF THE REGISTERED VOTERS AT THE 2016 GENERAL ELECTION OF THE STATE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.--This act may be cited as the "2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act". SECTION 2. PURPOSE.--For the purpose of providing funds for capital expenditures as authorized in the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, general obligation indebtedness of the state is authorized for the pur-

poses and in the amounts set forth in Section 10 of that act.

SECTION 3. BOND TERMS.—

A. The state board of finance, except as limited by the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, shall determine the terms, covenants and conditions of bonds issued pursuant to that act, including but not limited to: (1) date or dates of issue, denominations and maturities; (2) principal amounts; (3) rate or rates of interest; and (4) provisions for redemption, including premiums, registration and refundability, whether the bonds are issued in one or more series and other covenants relating to the bonds and the issuance thereof.

B. The bonds shall be in such form as the state board of finance determines with an appropriate series designation and shall bear interest payable as set forth in the resolution of the state board of finance.

C. Payment of the principal of the bonds shall begin not more than two years after the date of their issuance, and the bonds shall mature not later than ten years after the date of their issuance. Both principal and interest shall be payable in lawful money of the United States at the office of the paying agent within or without the state as the state board of finance may direct.

D. The bonds shall be executed with the manual or facsimile signature of the governor or the state treasurer, and the seal or a facsimile of the seal of the state shall be placed on each bond, except for any

series of bonds issued in book entry or similar form without the delivery of physical securities.

E. The bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, the supplemental Public Securities Act and the Uniform Facsimile Signature of Public Officials Act and may be issued in accordance with the Public Securities Short-Term Interest Rate Act.

F. The full faith and credit of the state is pledged for the prompt payment when due of the principal of and interest on all bonds issued and sold pursuant to the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act.

SECTION 4.

EXPENDITURES.--The proceeds from the sale of the bonds shall be expended solely for providing money to be distributed for the purposes and in amounts not to exceed the amounts set forth in Section 10 of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act and to pay expenses incurred under Section 6 of that act. Any proceeds from the sale of the bonds that are not required for the purposes set forth in Sections 6 and 10 of that act shall be used for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the bonds.

SECTION 5. SALE.

The bonds authorized under the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act shall be sold by the state board of finance at such time and in such manner and amounts as the board may elect. The bonds may be sold at private sale or at public sale, in either

case at not less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery.

If sold at public sale, the state board of finance shall publish a notice of the time and place of sale in a newspaper of general circulation in the state and may also publish the notice in a recognized financial journal outside the state. The required publications shall be made once each week for two consecutive weeks prior to the date fixed for the sale, the last publication thereof to be at least five days prior to the date of the sale. The notice shall specify the amount, denomination, maturity and description of the bonds to be offered for sale and the place, date and hour at which the sealed bids shall be received. At the time and place specified in the notice, the state board of finance shall open the bids in public and shall award the bonds to the bidder or bidders offering the best price for the bonds.

The state board of finance may reject any or all bids and re-advertise and may waive any irregularity in a bid. All bids, except that of the state, shall be accompanied by a deposit of two percent of the principal amount of the bonds in a form acceptable to the state board of finance. The deposit of an unsuccessful bidder shall be returned upon rejection of the bid. The state board of finance may also sell the bonds or any part of the bonds to the state treasurer or state investment officer. The state treasurer or state investment officer is authorized to purchase any of the bonds for investment.

The bonds are legal investments for any

person or board charged with the investment of any public funds and may be accepted as security for any deposit of public money.

SECTION 6.

EXPENSES.--The expenses incurred by the state board of finance in or relating to the preparation and sale of the bonds shall be paid out of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds, and all rebate, penalty, interest and other obligations of the state relating to the bonds and bond proceeds under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, shall be paid from earnings on bond proceeds or other money of the state, legally available for such payments.

SECTION 7. PROPERTY TAX LEVY.

--To provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds issued and sold pursuant to the provisions of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, there shall be and there is hereby imposed and levied during each year in which any of the bonds are outstanding an ad valorem tax on all property in the state subject to property taxation for state purposes sufficient to pay the interest as it becomes due on the bonds, together with an amount sufficient to provide a sinking fund to pay the principal of the bonds as it becomes due, and, if permitted by law, ad valorem taxes may be collected to pay administrative costs incident to the collection of such taxes. The taxes shall be imposed, levied, assessed and collected at the times and in the manner that other property taxes for state

purposes are imposed, levied, assessed and collected. It is the duty of all tax officials and authorities to cause these taxes to be imposed, levied, assessed and collected.

SECTION 8.

TREASURER -- DUTIES.--The state treasurer shall keep separate accounts of all money collected pursuant to the taxes imposed and levied pursuant to the provisions of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act and shall use this money only for the purposes of paying the principal of and interest on the bonds as they become due and any expenses relating thereto.

SECTION 9.

IRREPEALABLE CONTRACT -- AUTHORITY FOR ISSUANCE.--An owner of bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action or mandamus, enforce and compel the performance of the duties required by that act of any officer or entity mentioned in that act.

The provisions of that act constitute an irrevocable contract with the owners of any of the bonds issued pursuant to that act for the faithful performance of which the full faith and credit of the state is pledged. Without reference to any other act of the legislature, the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act is full authority for the issuance and sale of the bonds authorized in that act, and such bonds shall have all the qualities of investment securities under the Uniform

Commercial Code, shall not be invalid for any irregularity or defect in the proceedings for the issuance and sale of the bonds and shall be incontestable in the hands of bona fide purchasers or holders thereof for value. All bonds issued under the provisions of that act, and the interest thereon, are exempt from taxation by the state and any subdivision or public body thereof.

SECTION 10.

PROJECTS.--The proceeds from the sale of bonds issued under the provisions of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act shall be distributed as follows for the purposes and in the amounts specified:

A. for senior citizen facility improvement, construction and equipment acquisition projects, to the aging and long-term services department:

(1) one hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$190,000) to purchase and equip vehicles, including meal delivery vehicles, for the Albuquerque department of senior affairs kitchen facility in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (2) three hundred fifty thousand two hundred dollars (\$351,200) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at Los Volcanes senior center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (3) forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$47,500) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Los Volcanes senior center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (4) thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to purchase and install meals equipment for the North

Domingo Baca senior center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (5) nine hundred twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$912,500) to plan, design, construct and equip an addition to the Palo Duro senior fitness center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (6)

forty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$47,500) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Palo Duro senior fitness center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (7) fifty-one thousand dollars (\$51,000) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Glenwood senior center in Glenwood in Catron county; (8) twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for renovations to the Quemado senior center in Quemado in Catron county;

(9) ninety-one thousand dollars (\$91,000) to purchase and equip hot meal delivery vehicles for the Reserve senior center in Reserve in Catron county; (10) forty-three thousand seven hundred dollars (\$43,700) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Hagerman/Dexter senior center in Hagerman in Chaves county; (11) forty-three thousand seven hundred dollars (\$43,700) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Lake Arthur senior center in Lake Arthur in Chaves county; (12) three hundred thousand two hundred dollars (\$300,200) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Roswell senior center in Roswell in Chaves county;

(13) sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$67,000) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the

Eagle Nest senior center in Eagle Nest in Colfax county; (14) two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) to plan, design and construct a senior facility and meal site for the Clovis senior center in Clovis in Curry county; (15) nineteen thousand one hundred dollars (\$19,100) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Clovis senior center in Clovis in Curry county; (16) forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Grady senior center in Grady in Curry county; (17) six thousand dollars (\$6,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Melrose senior center in Melrose in Curry county; (18) one hundred thirty-six thousand dollars (\$136,000) for improvements to the facility and parking lot at the Melrose senior center in Melrose in Curry county; (19) fifty-one thousand dollars (\$51,000) to purchase and install meals equipment in the Gila senior center in Gila in Grant county; (20) sixty-three thousand dollars (\$63,000) to purchase and install equipment, including a vent with blower, at the Hurley site kitchen in Hurley in Grant county; (21) fifty-one thousand dollars (\$51,000) to purchase and install meals equipment in the Mimbres senior center in Mimbres in Grant county; (22) sixty-eight thousand dollars (\$68,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Santa Clara senior center in Santa Clara in Grant county; (23) one hundred eight thousand dollars

(\$108,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Silver City senior center in Silver City in Grant county; (24) thirty-seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$37,200) to purchase and install a walk-in cooler at the Ena Mitchell senior center in Lordsburg in Hidalgo county; (25) forty-seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$47,400) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Ena Mitchell senior center in Lordsburg in Hidalgo county; (26) one hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$190,000) for renovations and improvements to the parking lot at the Eunice senior center in Eunice in Lea county; (27) thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Lovington Bill McKibben senior center in Lovington in Lea county; (28) thirty thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$30,150) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Tatum senior center in Tatum in Lea county; (29) twelve thousand eight hundred dollars (\$12,800) for renovations to the Ruidoso community center in Ruidoso in Lincoln county; (30) ninety thousand six hundred dollars (\$90,600) to purchase and install meals equipment at the White Rock senior center kitchen in White Rock in Los Alamos county; (31) fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000) to purchase and install a generator at the Deming senior center in Deming in Luna county; (32) one hundred twenty-one thousand seven hundred dollars (\$121,700) for renovations to the Deming

senior center in Deming in Luna county; (33) four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) to plan, design, construct and equip an expansion to the Baahaali senior center in the Baahaali chapter of the Navajo Nation in McKinley county; (34) four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Baca senior center in the Baca chapter of the Navajo Nation in McKinley county; (35) forty-six thousand three hundred dollars (\$46,300) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Baca senior center in the Baca chapter of the Navajo Nation in McKinley county; (36) eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the McKinley senior center in Thoreau in McKinley county; (37) fifty-six thousand four hundred dollars (\$56,400) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Pueblo Pintado senior center at the Pueblo Pintado chapter of the Navajo Nation in McKinley county; (38) five hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$550,000) to plan, design and construct an addition to and to renovate the Mora senior center in Mora in Mora county; (39) ninety-seven thousand seven hundred dollars (\$97,700) to purchase and equip vehicles, including a meal delivery vehicle, for the Mora senior center in Mora in Mora county; (40) forty-three thousand six hundred dollars (\$43,600) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the

Alamo senior center in Alamogordo in Otero county; (41) sixty-eight thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$68,250) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Alamo senior center in Alamogordo in Otero county; (42) fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for renovations to the Cloudcroft senior center in Cloudcroft in Otero county; (43) five thousand eight hundred dollars (\$5,800) to purchase and install meals equipment for the Mescalero Apache elderly program in Mescalero in Otero county; (44) seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Mescalero Apache elderly program in Mescalero in Otero county; (45) twenty-nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$29,500) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Tularosa senior center in Tularosa in Otero county; (46) twenty-seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$27,400) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Logan senior citizens center in Logan in Quay county; (47) thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) to purchase and equip a hot meal delivery vehicle for the Alcalde senior center in Alcalde in Rio Arriba county; (48) eight thousand three hundred dollars (\$8,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Chama senior center in Chama in Rio Arriba county; (49) four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4,100) for renovations to the Chama senior center in Chama in Rio Arriba county; (50) thirty-five thousand

one hundred dollars (\$35,100) to purchase and equip a hot meal delivery vehicle for the Chimayo senior center in Chimayo in Rio Arriba county; (51) thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) to purchase and equip a hot meal delivery vehicle for the Coyote senior center in Coyote in Rio Arriba county; (52) seventy thousand two hundred dollars (\$70,200) to purchase and equip hot meal delivery vehicles for the El Rito senior center in El Rito in Rio Arriba county; (53) thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) to purchase and equip a hot meal delivery vehicle for the Espanola senior center in Espanola in Rio Arriba county; (54) one hundred thirteen thousand eight hundred dollars (\$113,800) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Santa Clara adult daycare center at the Pueblo of Santa Clara in Rio Arriba county; (55) fifty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$57,500) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Santa Clara adult daycare center at the Pueblo of Santa Clara in Rio Arriba county; (56) one hundred twenty-eight thousand seven hundred dollars (\$128,700) to purchase and equip vehicles, including a meal delivery vehicle, for the Santa Clara senior citizens center in the Pueblo of Santa Clara in Rio Arriba county; (57) two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for renovations to the Tierra Amarilla senior center in Tierra Amarilla in Rio Arriba county; (58)

thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) to purchase and equip a hot meal delivery vehicle for the Tierra Amarilla senior center in Tierra Amarilla in Rio Arriba county; (59) thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) to purchase and equip a hot meal delivery vehicle for the Truchas senior center in Truchas in Rio Arriba county; (60) seven thousand six hundred dollars (\$7,600) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Aztec senior community center in Aztec in San Juan county; (61) fifty-three thousand one hundred dollars (\$53,100) for renovations to the Aztec senior community center in Aztec in San Juan county; (62) one hundred thirty-three thousand dollars (\$133,000) to purchase and equip vehicles, including meal delivery vehicles, for the Aztec senior community center in Aztec in San Juan county; (63) fifty-five thousand seven hundred dollars (\$55,700) for improvements to the parking lot at the Blanco senior center in Blanco in San Juan county; (64) forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Blanco senior center in Blanco in San Juan county; (65) fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Bloomfield senior citizens center in Bloomfield in San Juan county; (66) four hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$480,000) to plan, design and construct a parking lot at the Bernalillo senior center in Bernalillo in Sandoval county; (67) eighty-three

thousand four hundred dollars (\$83,400) to purchase and equip vehicles, including meal delivery vehicles, for the Bernalillo senior center in Bernalillo in Sandoval county; (68) twenty thousand five hundred dollars (\$20,500) for renovations to the Corrales senior center in Corrales in Sandoval county; (69) one hundred one thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$101,650) for improvement to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Cuba senior center in Cuba in Sandoval county; (70) twenty-two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$22,800) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Cuba senior center in Cuba in Sandoval county; (71) forty-three thousand dollars (\$43,000) to purchase and equip vehicles, including a meal delivery vehicle, for the Cuba senior center in Cuba in Sandoval county; (72) fifty thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$50,250) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Jemez community center in Canon in Sandoval county; (73) ten thousand six hundred dollars (\$10,600) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Jemez community center in Canon in Sandoval county; (74) seventy-one thousand one hundred dollars (\$71,100) for improvements to the facility and parking lot at the Jemez community center in Canon in Sandoval county; (75) three million four hundred thousand dollars (\$3,400,000) to plan, design, construct and equip phase 1 of

a new senior center in Rio Rancho in Sandoval county; (76) seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Meadowlark senior center in Rio Rancho in Sandoval county; (77) nine thousand three hundred dollars (\$9,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Meadowlark senior center in Rio Rancho in Sandoval county; (78) sixty-five thousand four hundred dollars (\$65,400) for renovations to the Meadowlark senior center in Rio Rancho in Sandoval county; (79) seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$7,400) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Placitas community center in Placitas in Sandoval county; (80) one hundred twenty-four thousand four hundred dollars (\$124,400) to purchase and equip hot meal delivery vehicles for the Rio Rancho meal site in Rio Rancho in Sandoval county; (81) thirty-six thousand two hundred dollars (\$36,200) to purchase and equip a vehicle for the Sandia elderly program at the Pueblo of Sandia in Sandoval county; (82) fifty-three thousand seven hundred dollars (\$53,700) to purchase and install meals equipment at the senior center in the Pueblo of Santa Ana in Sandoval county; (83) sixty-eight thousand three hundred fifty dollars (\$68,350) to purchase and equip vehicles, including a meal delivery vehicle, for the senior center in the Pueblo of Santa Ana in Sandoval county; (84) ninety-seven thousand

dollars (\$97,000) to purchase and equip vehicles, including a meal delivery vehicle, for the Edgewood senior center in Edgewood in Santa Fe county; (85) two hundred thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$236,500) for improvements to the building and parking lot at the Mary Esther Gonzales senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (86) seventy thousand three hundred dollars (\$70,300) to plan, design, construct and equip phase 2 of the computer laboratory at the Mary Esther Gonzales senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (87) four hundred ninety-six thousand eight hundred dollars (\$496,800) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Mary Esther Gonzales senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (88) thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000) for renovations to the Nambé Pueblo senior center in the Pueblo of Nambé in Santa Fe county; (89) one hundred ninety-eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$198,500) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Pasatiempo senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (90) one hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$190,000) to plan, design, construct and equip an expansion to the senior center in the Pueblo of Pojoaque in Santa Fe county; (91) one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to purchase and equip vehicles, including a meal delivery vehicle, for the Santa Cruz senior center in Santa Cruz in Santa Fe county; (92) one hundred

ninety-eight thousand dollars (\$198,000) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Villa Consuelo senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (93) eighty thousand nine hundred dollars (\$80,900) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Villa Consuelo senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (94) five thousand six hundred dollars (\$5,600) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Magdalena senior center in Magdalena in Socorro county; (95) twenty-six thousand one hundred dollars (\$26,100) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Socorro senior center in Socorro in Socorro county; (96) fifty-three thousand six hundred dollars (\$53,600) for renovations to the Socorro senior center in Socorro in Socorro county; (97) one hundred one thousand three hundred dollars (\$101,300) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Socorro senior center in Socorro in Socorro county; (98) ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Veguita senior center in Las Nutrias in Socorro county; (99) six thousand eight hundred dollars (\$6,800) for renovations to the Veguita senior center in Las Nutrias in Socorro county; (100) ninety-two thousand eight hundred fifty dollars (\$92,850) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Picuris senior center in the Pueblo of Picuris in Taos county; (101) one million two hundred

seventy-five thousand dollars (\$1,275,000) to plan, design, construct and equip a new senior center in Taos in Taos county; (102) one hundred twenty-nine thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$129,150) to purchase and equip vehicles, including a meal delivery vehicle, for Taos county senior centers in Taos in Taos county; (103) seven thousand eight hundred dollars (\$7,800) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Estancia senior center in Estancia in Torrance county; (104) eighty thousand one hundred dollars (\$80,100) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Estancia senior center in Estancia in Torrance county; (105) seven thousand eight hundred dollars (\$7,800) to purchase and install meals equipment for the Mountainair senior center in Mountainair in Torrance county; (106) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for improvements to the facility to address code compliance issues at the Clayton senior center in Clayton in Union county; (107) one hundred ninety-eight thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$198,150) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Bosque Farms senior meal site in Bosque Farms in Valencia county; (108) one hundred forty-three thousand four hundred dollars (\$143,400) to plan, design, construct and equip an addition to the Bosque Farms senior meal site in Bosque Farms in Valencia county; and (109) two hundred ninety thousand dollars (\$290,000) for expansion and renovations at the Fred Luna senior center

in Los Lunas in Valencia county; B. for library acquisitions at public libraries, public school libraries, academic libraries and tribal libraries statewide: (1) to the cultural affairs department: (a) three million dollars (\$3,000,000) for equipment, library furniture, fixtures and supplemental library resource acquisitions, including print, non-print and electronic resources, and for the purchase and installation of broadband internet equipment and infrastructure at nontribal public libraries statewide; and (b) seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) for equipment, library furniture, fixtures and supplemental library resource acquisitions, including print, non-print and electronic resources, and for the purchase and installation of broadband internet equipment and infrastructure at tribal libraries statewide; (2) to the higher education department, three million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$3,250,000) for supplemental library re-source acquisitions, including books, equipment, electronic resources and collaborative library resources and information technology projects, for academic libraries statewide; and (3) to the public education department, three million dollars (\$3,000,000) for supplemental library resource acquisitions, including print, non-print and electronic resources, at public school libraries statewide; C. for capital improvements at institutions of higher education, special schools and tribal schools

statewide: (1) to the board of regents of eastern New Mexico university: (a) one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to plan, design, renovate, equip and furnish classrooms and campus-wide infrastructure improvements and replacement at the Roswell branch campus of eastern New Mexico university in Chaves county; (b) seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip classrooms and student service spaces at the Ruidoso branch community college of eastern New Mexico university in Lincoln county; and (c) eleven million dollars (\$11,000,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip the Golden library and student success center at eastern New Mexico university in Portales in Roosevelt county; (2) to the higher education department: (a) thirteen million five hundred thousand dollars (\$13,500,000) to plan, design, construct, furnish and equip renovations at Max Salazar hall at the main campus of central New Mexico community college in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (b) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to plan, design, construct, furnish and equip library building 104 and general education building 103 at southwestern Indian polytechnic institute in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (c) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to plan, design, replace, purchase and install heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, including infrastructure, air handlers, controls and

boilers campuswide, at Clovis community college in Clovis in Curry county; (d) four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to plan, design, construct, furnish and equip the allied health building at New Mexico junior college in Hobbs in Lea county; (e) eight hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$850,000) to plan, design, demolish, construct, improve, furnish and equip the learning innovation center, including site infrastructure and the removal of existing modular buildings, at the Crownpoint campus of Navajo technical university in McKinley county; (f) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for site improvements and to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip campus improvements, including paving and signage, at Mesalands community college in Tucumcari in Quay county; (g) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to plan, design, construct and improve infrastructure campuswide, including restroom renovations for code compliance, at San Juan college in San Juan county; (h) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip the education media center, including the auditorium, classrooms and performing arts education space, at Luna community college in Las Vegas in San Miguel county; (i) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to plan, design, construct, furnish and equip a new multipurpose fitness and performing arts center at the institute of American Indian arts in Santa Fe county; (j) one million five hundred thousand

dollars (\$1,500,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip infrastructure upgrades and roofing campuswide at Santa Fe community college in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; and (k) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to plan, design, renovate and construct roads and sidewalks, including site improvements for code compliance, at Dine college in the Shiprock chapter of the Navajo Nation in San Juan county; (3) to the Indian affairs department, nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) to plan, design and construct an access lane and other road improvements, including ingress and egress, curbs and gutters and storm drainage, at the Santa Fe Indian school in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (4) to the board of regents of the New Mexico school for the blind and visually impaired, one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip Garrett dormitory, including the purchase and installation of special needs playground equipment, at the New Mexico school for the blind and visually impaired in Alamogordo in Otero county; (5) to the board of regents of New Mexico highlands university, four million five hundred thousand dollars (\$4,500,000) for site improvements and to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip the Rodgers administration building at New Mexico highlands university in Las Vegas in San Miguel county; (6) to the board of regents of the

New Mexico institute of mining and technology: (a) five million five hundred thousand dollars (\$5,500,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip Jones hall at the New Mexico institute of mining and technology in Socorro in Socorro county; and (b) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to plan, design, construct, furnish, equip and install a telescope and interferometer infrastructure at the astrophysics facility at the Magdalena ridge observatory in Socorro county; (7) to the board of regents of the New Mexico military institute, four million eight hundred fifty-six thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,856,200) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip Cahoon hall athletic facility at the New Mexico military institute in Roswell in Chaves county; (8) to the board of regents of the New Mexico school for the deaf, two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip Delgado hall, including demolition, at the New Mexico school for the deaf in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (9) to the board of regents of New Mexico state university: (a) one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip improvements to campus roads and parking lots and site improvements campuswide at the Grants branch campus of New Mexico state university in Cibola county; (b) twenty-two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$22,500,000) to

plan, design, demolish, construct, renovate, expand, furnish and equip Dan W. Williams hall and Dan W. Williams annex at New Mexico state university in Las Cruces in Dona Ana county; (c) one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip classrooms, laboratories and other infrastructure, including roof repair and replacement, at the central campus of Dona Ana branch community college of New Mexico state university in Dona Ana county; (d) one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate and equip improvements to the fire alarm and fire suppression system in the main building at the Carlsbad branch campus of New Mexico state university in Eddy county; and (e) one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate and replace roofs campuswide at the Alamogordo branch campus of New Mexico state university in Otero county; (10) to the board of regents of northern New Mexico state school, one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for site improvements and to plan, design, construct, renovate and upgrade heating, cooling and electrical systems and infrastructure at the El Rito and Espanola campuses of northern New Mexico state school in Rio Arriba county; (11) to the board of regents of the university of New Mexico: (a) twenty-seven million dollars (\$27,000,000) to plan, design, construct,

furnish and equip a new physics and astronomy inter-disciplinary science building, including demolition, at the university of New Mexico in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county; (b) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip upgrades at existing facilities, including code compliance, at the Los Alamos branch campus of the university of New Mexico in Los Alamos county; (c) one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip a new physical plant and storage facility at the Gallup branch campus of the university of New Mexico in McKinley county; (d) eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) to plan, design, construct, renovate, furnish and equip a health science center west education building, including classrooms, laboratories and faculty space, at the university of New Mexico health sciences campus in Rio Rancho in Sandoval county; (e) four million dollars (\$4,000,000) for site improvements and to plan, design, construct, expand, furnish and equip a career technical center at the Taos branch campus of the university of New Mexico in Taos county; and (f) one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) to plan, design, construct and upgrade electrical, mechanical and information technology systems and infrastructure campus-wide at the Valencia branch campus of the university of New Mexico in Los Lunas in Valencia county; and (12) to the board of regents

of western New Mexico university, five million dollars (\$5,000,000) to plan, design, demolish, construct, improve, landscape and equip Harlan hall and for infrastructure upgrades campuswide at western New Mexico university in Silver City in Grant county; and D. for capital improvements and acquisitions for public safety: (1) to the capital program fund, seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) to plan, design and construct a new state police crime laboratory and evidence and records facility, including expansion of the existing crime laboratory, at the department of public safety headquarters in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county; (2) to the department of information technology, five million dollars (\$5,000,000) to plan, design, purchase, install and implement infrastructure to stabilize and modernize public safety communications statewide; and (3) to the department of military affairs: (a) four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to plan, design and construct the Las Cruces national guard readiness center in Dona Ana county; and (b) two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for improvements, repairs and demolition and to purchase and install systems to improve energy efficiency and for staging areas at facilities statewide.

SECTION 11. ELECTION.--

A. Bonds issued pursuant to the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act shall be submitted to the registered voters of

the state at the general election to be held in November 2016, and, if they receive a majority of all the votes cast thereon at such election, shall take effect upon certification of the state canvassing board announcing the results of the election. No bonds shall be issued or sold under that act until the registered voters of this state have voted upon and approved the bonds and property tax as provided in this section. Any bonds issued under that act shall be issued within thirty months from the date of such election. B. The ballots used at the 2016 general election shall contain substantially the following language: (1) "The 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of senior citizen facility improvement, construction and equipment acquisition bonds. Shall the state be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed fifteen million four hundred forty thousand dollars (\$15,440,000) to make capital expenditures for certain senior citizen facility improvement, construction and equipment acquisition projects and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law? For _____ Against _____";

"The 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of library

acquisition bonds. Shall the state be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed ten million one hundred sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$10,167,000) to make capital expenditures for academic, public school, tribal and public library resource acquisitions and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law? For _____ Against _____

"The 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of library acquisition bonds. Shall the state be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed ten million one hundred sixty-seven thousand dollars (\$10,167,000) to make capital expenditures for academic, public school, tribal and public library resource acquisitions and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law? For _____ Against _____

For _____ Against _____

"The 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of higher education, special schools and tribal schools capital improvement and acquisition bonds. Shall

the state be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed one hundred forty-two million three hundred fifty-six thousand dollars (\$142,356,000) to make capital expenditures for certain higher education, special schools and tribal schools capital improvements and acquisitions and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law? For _____ Against _____

"The 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of public safety capital improvement and acquisition bonds. Shall the state be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed eighteen million one hundred ninety-six thousand dollars (\$18,196,000) to make capital expenditures for capital improvements and acquisitions for state police, public safety communications and national guard facilities statewide and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law? For _____ Against _____

C. Each question set forth in this section includes a specific work or object to be financed by the bonds. If any such question is not approved by a majority vote of the

electorate at the state's 2016 general election, the issuance of bonds for the work or object specified by the question shall be excluded from and shall not be part of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act. The failure of a question to be approved by the electorate at the 2016 general election shall not affect those questions that are approved at the election. D. The secretary of state shall include the submission of the capital projects general obligation bonds to the people at the 2016 general election, and it shall be included in the general election proclamation of each of the County clerks. The secretary of state shall cause the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act to be published in full in at least one newspaper in each county of the state if one be published therein, once each week, for four successive weeks next preceding the general election as required by the constitution of New Mexico.

SECTION 12. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES.--

Pursuant to Section 13-4A-4 NMSA 1978 and where applicable, the appropriations authorized in the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act include money for the art in public places fund.

SECTION 13. PROJECT SCOPE -EXPENDITURES-- REVERSION.--

A. If an appropriation for a project authorized in the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act is not sufficient

to complete all the purposes specified, the appropriation may be expended for any portion of the purposes specified in the appropriation. Expenditures shall not be made for purposes other than those specified in the appropriation.

B. The state agencies and state institutions to which money has been appropriated in the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act shall be responsible for monitoring the projects funded in that act to ensure compliance with the constitution and laws of New Mexico and shall cause to be reverted any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the earlier of the third full fiscal year after issuance of the bonds or the termination or completion of the specific project. Reverted funds shall be deposited in the debt service fund established by the state treasurer for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the state's general obligation bonds. SECTION 14. SEVERABILITY.--If any part or application of the 2016 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act is held invalid, the remainder or its application to other situations or persons shall not be affected. SECTION 15. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.



Mesilla to host first

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Mesilla to host first pecan festival

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

The Town of Mesilla is hoping 5,000 to 8,000 people will attend its first ever Pecan Festival, which will be held Friday through Sunday, Oct. 7 through 9 in Las Cruces and Mesilla.

The event, which is sponsored by the Town of Mesilla and Legacy Pecans, begins on Friday, Oct. 7 at Pecan Grill and Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd., with an evening of food and music and includes a kids' zone. It begins at 3 p.m. and continues until 10 p.m.

Events will be held in Mesilla from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8



Lace up your sneakers for the Run Like A Nut 5K race, part of the Town of Mesilla's first ever Pecan Festival.

and from noon to 7 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 9, and will include the Run Like

A Nut 5K race, a hot-air balloon send off (at Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park), the Pecan Ball, a pecan pie competition, wine and beer tastings, a tractor and car show, face painting, a dunking competition and the works of local and regional artists and craftsmen. Food and alcohol vendors will participate. There will also be live entertainment during the festival, along with a free gala dance on the plaza.

There will be free park and ride shuttle service to and from the event with pedi-cabs to make it easy to get around Mesilla, plus Safe Ride cab services as needed.

"Fabian Garcia, the first director of the New Mexico Agricultural Experiment Station, planted some of New Mexico's first pecan trees in the

Mesilla Valley in 1913," according to <http://aces.nmsu.edu/ces/pecans/pecan-history.html>. "Many of these original trees are still standing at New Mexico State University's Fabian Garcia Horticultural Science Center."

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For information, call 575-652-6561. Visit www.newmexicopecanfestival.com. Find them on Facebook at New Mexico Pecan Festival.



Play games such as corn hole during the festival, which will be held Friday through Sunday, Oct. 7 through 9 in Las Cruces and Mesilla.

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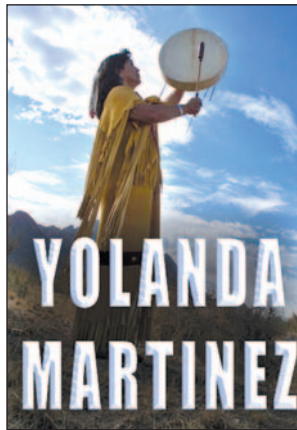
Award-winning Native American drummer, singer and composer Yolanda Martinez begins Rio Grande Theatre's New Mexico Heritage Series with a performance at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 7 at the theatre, 211 N. Main St. in downtown Las Cruces, said Doña Ana Arts Council (DAAC) Executive Director Kathleen Albers.

DAAC manages the theater under an agreement with the City of Las Cruces. The New Mexico Heritage Series is sponsored by Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces and its parent company, Heritage Hotels and Resorts, Albers said.

Martinez, who is a native New Mexican and lives in Las Cruces, has Apache, Comanche and Hispanic ancestry. She performs nationally and also conducts drum-making workshops and drumming circles, and was the Native American Music Award winner for best female artist in 2004. Martinez also is a two-time winner of the Indian Summer Music Award. She has eight recordings and is a "master drummer," according to a DAAC news release.

Martinez composes and performs a variety of genres of music, including traditional, country, Latin and jazz. She has been a singer since she was a child and began making drums as an adult almost 30 years ago.

Along with guest vo-



calist Denny Guerrero, Martinez "will entertain and educate the

audience with a native drums program as well as a set of her contemporary work," Albers said.

Martinez said attendees can expect "a good performance," according to the DAAC news release. "They'll feel great when they leave," she said. "They'll learn about my heritage and traditions."

Reserved-seat tickets are \$17 for the main floor and \$12 for the balcony. Tickets at the door are \$22 for the main floor and \$17 for

the balcony. Purchase tickets at www.riograndetheatre.com or at the DAAC office on the second floor of Rio Grande Theatre during regular business hours, which are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and one hour before show time.

For more information, contact Albers at 575-523-6403 or director@daarts.org. Visit www.riograndetheatre.com. For more about Yolanda Martinez, visit www.yolandadrums.com.

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FRI OCTOBER 7 • 3:30 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
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FRI OCTOBER 7 • 7:30 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
An Evening with *Yolanda Martinez*

SAT OCTOBER 8 • 1:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Family Game Day

SAT OCTOBER 9 • 1:30 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
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SUN OCTOBER 9 • 3:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
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TUE OCTOBER 11 • 10:30 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Read to Me (Storytime for ages 3-5)

TUE OCTOBER 11 • 2:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Computer Class: Intro to Computers - File Management

TUE+THU OCT 11+13 • 4:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Teen Game Night (Games for Teens)

WED+THU OCT 12+13 • 10:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Toddler Time (Storytime for ages 1-3)

WED OCTOBER 12 • 11:00 A.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
Mother Goose Time (Activities for Infants)

WED OCTOBER 12 • 2:00 P.M. **BRANIGAN LIBRARY**
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FRI OCTOBER 21 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
Film Premier *Lady Belladonna's Night Shades*

FRI OCTOBER 28 • 7:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
ACT presents *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*

SAT OCTOBER 29 • 1:00 P.M. **RIO GRANDE THEATRE**
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NM Vintage Wines offers music

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

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- Saturday, Oct. 8, from 8 to 10 p.m., Jamie O'Hara, musician singer/songwriter
- Sunday, Oct. 9, from 2 to 4 p.m., Soulshine, with all acoustic rock, pop, classic rock, folk, soul, country, southern rock
- Friday, Oct. 14, from 8 to 10 p.m., La Maldita Union, Bailar Latin Music
- Saturday, Oct. 15, from 8 to 10 p.m., Cooper CW Ayon, Foot drums, guitar, vocals and harmonica
- Sunday, Oct. 16, from 2 to 4 p.m., Little Table Contraband, a blend of rock 'n roll, Americana and folk
- Friday, Oct. 21, from 8 to 10 p.m., Barneymuggers, Jazz standards in a folk/ragtime rhythm

- Saturday, Oct. 22, from 8 to 10 p.m., After Affect Acoustic, high energy acoustic rock performance
- Sunday, Oct. 23, from 2 to 4 p.m., Natural Shapes, thoughtful singers/songwriters
- Friday, Oct. 28, from 8 to 10 p.m., Maria y Yahví, Multi-instrumentalists and vocalists; music from various Mexican traditions
- Saturday, Oct. 29, from 8 to 10 p.m., Double Clutchers, Rockabilly act that performs its own original music along with covers
- Sunday, Oct. 30, from 2 to 5 p.m. Alister M + Steve MacIntyre, An Indie-rock-folk group singing favorites

'Harvest of Dance' opens fall season

The New Mexico State University dance program, under the direction of Ann Gavit, will be open the fall performance season with its annual "Harvest of Dance."

The performance will be presented at 7:30 p.m.,



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Singer/songwriter Jamie O'Hara, "The Magic Guy," will take to the stage at 8 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 8 at NM Vintage Wines, 2461 Calle de Principal in Mesilla.



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Friday, Oct. 7, as well as 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 8 at the ASNMSU Center for the Performing Arts at 1000 E. University Ave.

The program features performances by all three undergraduate dance companies: Contemporary Dance Theater; DanceSport and Sol y Arena; and the newly formed graduate company, Traveling Airts.

Tickets can be purchased from any dance program student or from the KindD office, room 204 in the NMSU Activity Center. Info: 575-646-4067, nmsudance@nmsu.edu. Tickets will also be available at the door; the price is \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors, and \$5 for children 12 and younger.

Free 'Ghost Trains' lecture sent

A free lunchtime lecture is scheduled for noon, Tuesday, Oct. 11, at the Las Cruces Railroad Museum on the topic "Ghost Trains and the Paranormal," presented by Hank Caruthers. Caruthers, author of "One Witch Had to Do It" is a paranormal researcher and has spent 22 years in the paranormal field collecting evidence of the afterlife. He worked his way up to assistant curator at the Tyson Wells Stage-

coach Stop Museum in Quartzsite, Arizona. He is currently a regular volunteer at the Railroad Museum.

Admission to the Railroad Museum is free. The museum is located at 351 N. Mesilla St. and is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Info: www.las-cruces.org/museums; 575-647-4480.

Autumn Overture concert series scheduled

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

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

At 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13 the NMSU Choirs, under the direction of John Flannery,

LCPS Faculty/Staff Art Show now on display in administration building

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

If you think Las Cruces Public Schools teachers and staff are only great in the classroom, just visit the annual LCPS Staff and Faculty Art Show now on display in the lobby gallery of the LCPS administration building to find out the other great talents they have.

There is a wide range of art on display,

including paintings, drawings, jewelry, photographs, pottery and more. Some of it is available for sale.

The exhibition continues through the fall.

The LCPS administration building and the gallery, which is located just inside the front doors of the building, are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 505 S. Main St., Loretto Towne Centre, suite 249.



Glass Bracelet, by Lisa Carlson, Monte Vista Elementary School.

PHOTOS BY MIKE COOK



ABOVE: Butterfly Specimen, by Cassie Banks, East Picacho Elementary School.

LEFT: The Geophage, by Michael J. Madrid, Las Cruces High School.



Puget Sound, by Barbara McGinley, LCPS Special Education Department.



Quilt Diva, by Vina Lujan, design by Amy Bradley, Monte Vista Elementary School.

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Weir, Leininger work on display

The latest works of artists, Wendy Robin Weir and Marj Leininger are on display at Creative Harmony and Gifts at 220 N. Campo St. Gallery hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment. The exhibit will run through Oct. 15. Info: 575-312-3040.

Drayer reception set for Nov. Ramble

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

hand-textured canvas. Info: 575-222-0660.

Linda Lundeen Gallery announces new artist

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

University Art Gallery NEA award exhibit to blend art

Natural science and contemporary art will be on display when the University Art Gallery at New Mexico State University presents "GEOMAGIC: Art, Science and the Zuhl Collection"

through Wednesday, Dec. 21. "GEOMAGIC" pairs objects from NMSU's Zuhl Collection of more than 1,800 specimens of petrified wood, fossils and minerals with works by ten internationally renowned artists. A student exhibition at the Zuhl Museum, titled "NEOMAGIC," runs concurrently.

Ceramic Artist Claude Smith III presents at Art Salon

The Las Cruces Museum of Art at 491 N. Main St. currently displays the exhibition, "Nature, Tradition, and Innovation: Contemporary Japanese Ceramics from the Gordon Brod-fuehrer Collection" through Oct. 15.

Admission to the Las Cruces Museum of Art is free. For information, visit museums.lascruces.org or call 575-541-2137.

NMSU pumpkins for sale at Farmers' Market, on campus

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The New Mexico State University Graduate Student Organization of the Plant and Environmental Sciences Department will sell organic pumpkins at the downtown Farmers' & Crafts Market of Las Cruces on Saturday, Oct. 8, said organization member Rachel Gioannini.

There will be four different kinds of pumpkins for sale, Gioannini said, two pie types, Cinderella and New England pie; and two ornamental types, Jack-Be-Little and Casper, which is a white pumpkin.

The prices are \$3 for New England pie and Casper pumpkins, \$5 for Cinderella pumpkins, and \$1 for Jack-Be-Little pumpkins, she said.

The pumpkins were grown from non-GMO seeds in an organic plot at the NMSU campus, Gioannini said.

The pumpkins will also be sold on campus on Wednesday, Oct. 12, on the NMSU International Mall, near the near Hardman-Jacobs Building; and Thursday, Oct. 13, in the lobby of Gerald Thomas Hall, she said. The on-campus sales will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. both days.

Funds raised through the sale of pumpkins "will help graduate students attend conferences as part of their masters programs," Gioannini said.

For more information, contact Gioannini at 520-955-1861 or rach-elgio@gmail.com.

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will be featured in a program titled, "The Travelers Heart," which includes the University Singers, Women's Chorale, Statesmen and Masterworks Chorus. The final concert of the series will be held at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 featuring the NMSU Jazz Ensembles under the direction of Pancho Romero. The jazz groups will fill the hall with a program of classic standards and contemporary favorites in a program titled, "Vintage and Progressive." All concerts will be held on the NMSU campus in the Music Center's Atkinson Recital Hall. This annual series is offered free to the public. Each concert will conclude with a reception.

Photography Boot Camp Workshop

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

Saturday, Oct. 8 – Getting your camera off auto mode

Saturday, Nov. 1 – Editing

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

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Learn to Play Bridge in a Day

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 22 the Belton Bridge Center is conducting a free five-hour seminar called Learn to Play Bridge in a Day. Pre-registration is required. No age limits. A light lunch will be served to participants. Call John Randall at 786-338-5970 or e-mail puravidabridge@yahoo.com.

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.

Jerry Lopez plays his saxophone during the Mesilla Jazz Happening Sunday, Oct. 2 on the Mesilla Plaza.

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Jazz Happening



ABOVE: Allen Rodriguez tickles the ivories on the piano.

LEFT: Josie Exparza and his wife Lilia Esparza enjoy the evening jazz music being played at the plaza in Old Mesilla

NMSU celebrates OUTober, promotes diversity, inclusion

By KRISTIE GARCIA

For the Bulletin

The New Mexico State University LGBT+ Programs will host several events as part of OUTober 2016 – Celebrating Diversity Coming Out Month.

Zoey Sophia ook, senior program specialist for LGBT+ Programs at NMSU, said OUTober will showcase a wide range of creative activities that speak to the NMSU community as a whole.

“The OUTober celebration is not just one event, it’s a year-long way of life,” Pook said. “It’s part of our general campaign to promote inclusion. It’s about discovering diversity here at NMSU.”

Pook also said that while pride season is in the spring, it’s important to introduce new NMSU students to the university’s inclusive resources soon after they begin their first semester.

OUTober includes the following:

Oct. 12 at 7 p.m.

Candace Gingrich will speak at Corbett Center Student Union Auditorium. She is the youth and campus engagement program associate director for the Human Rights



COURTESY PHOTO

National pageant queen Eva Alicia Jane will host the Second Annual Halloween Drag Show at Corbett Center Student Union Auditorium on Oct. 26. New Mexico State University LGBT+ Programs is hosting several events as part of OUTober 2016 – Celebrating Diversity Coming Out Month.

Campaign, a civil rights organization. She has been an advocate for LGBT issues for over 20 years and wrote an autobiography titled “The Accidental Activist.” She is the sister of politician Newt Gingrich.

Oct. 19 at 7 p.m.

Directed by Sean Baker, the movie “Tangerine” will be shown

at the Creative Media Institute Digital Media Theater in Milton Hall. A comedy-drama about revenge, “Tangerine” focuses on the lives of two transgender characters.

Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.

National pageant queen Eva Alicia Jane will host the Second Annual Halloween Drag Show at Corbett Center Student Union Auditorium.

Oct. 31 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Haunted Healthcare Party will take over the Campus Health Center for two hours on Halloween. This open house event will celebrate the health center’s inclusiveness and will promote diversity. Health screenings will be available, and representatives from the activity center and other campus wellness services will be present. The party will include free food and games.

All events are free. OUTober is sponsored by Black Programs, the Campus Health Center and the NMSU Department of English.

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New Desert Harmony Singers don't just sing

The New Desert Harmony Singers membership "is open to those who can sing in tune, do a few dance moves when asked and have fun doing it."

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By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

The New Desert Harmony Singers (NDHS) "doesn't just 'sing' a concert or a recital," director Don Harlow said. "We always strive to provide our audiences with more than just singing. We like to add some visual elements and even a bit of humor that you don't often get from other choral groups," he said.

"NDHS evolved from the Las Cruces Grande Sweet Adelines Chorus into an organization for both men and women," according to the NDHS 2016 summer program. "NDHS uses recorded musical accompaniment and sings with the standard choral soprano, alto, tenor and bass arrangements," the program said.

Members are sopranos Maria Armijo, Lisa Brain, Linda Grayless, Alesia Griswold (also the group's assistant director), Kathy Mitchell and Chrissy Wallace; altos Sandra Craddock, Jennifer Hodges, Vicki Medford, Laurie Thompson, Chris Richardson and Mary Roberts; tenors Debra Boyd, Leon Garner, Lois Joiner, Barbara McDonald and Elizabeth Sosa; and basses Edward Burlbaw, Joe Pfeiffer and Bob Wood, along with director Don Harlow.

For the past several years, NDHS has featured New Mexico State University contemporary dance theater students in its performances, Harlow said. "They are under the direction of the incomparable and national award-winning Debra Knapp. Debra and the student dancers are

always a pleasure to work with and we really consider them part of our NDHS family," he said.

NDHS membership "is open to those who can sing in tune, do a few dance moves when asked and have fun doing it," according to the group.

NDHS rehearsals are Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 225 W. Griggs Ave. Interested singers are welcome to attend a rehearsal.

NDHS' most recent concert was Sept. 23 at the New Mexico State Veterans Home in Truth or Consequences, Harlow said.

"We are now working on Christmas music," he said. "We'll perform at the La Casa Holiday Bazaar (Dec. 2 through 4 at the Las Cruces Convention Center), for the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) Chapter 182 Las Cruces December meeting (visit www.narfe-nm.net/ch0182/ch0182.html for more information) and at the downtown Farmer's Market in early December," Harlow said.

NDHS' final Christmas concert for the year "will be Sunday, Dec. 18 at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's United Methodist Church," he said. "Admission is free for that one, but we ask people to please bring non-perishable food items (or cash or check donations) for the Casa de Peregrinos food bank."

For more information, contact Harlow at 575-373-1816 or NDHSingers@gmail.com. Find them on Facebook under The New Desert Harmony Singers.

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Real Men Sing



BULLETIN PHOTOS BY TABITHA ROSSMAN

Ethan Cambell, Bradley Wright and his brother Devan Wright sing in the bass section. "It was such a great event to have that many guys together," said John Flanery, the new director of choral studies at NMSU and director of Real Men Sing. "The highlight, though, was to have one guy who was on the risers with his son-in-law and four grandsons. So that is three generations together singing."



Alexander Gardea, Eric Courter, John Phillips and Cory Gasparish sing in the tenor section during Real Men Sing.



John Flanery, the choral director at New Mexico State University, works with the Men Who Sing as they prepare for their concert and Homecoming Game performance.



Jack McCoy, Abdu Sandoval and Jesus Solis sing in the soprano section Saturday, Oct. 1 at Atkinson Recital Hall on the New Mexico State University campus. The three participated in Real Men Sing, a day of rehearsals topped with a public concert and the singing of the National Anthem at NMSU's homecoming football game.

'Our Little Sister' is a warm film

By **JEFF BERG**

For the Bulletin

Hirokazu Koreeda, the director of "Our Little Sister," a gently paced, warm and fulfilling picture, has based it on a graphic novel which tells the story of three sisters who, while attending their father's funeral, find out they have a younger half-sister.

Almost on impulse, they take her in not long after meeting her and set about making her part of their family.

The setting is present day and the film was shot in a pleasant little

beach town, Kore-eda, which is near Tokyo. It has an unassuming stride, easy storytelling and if all the people in the world were as strong and humane as our four sisters, it would be a

much better place.

The film premiered in competition at Cannes where it was immediately picked up for distribution.

It offers an intimate presentation of the lives of three

sisters: Sachi (Ayase Haruka); Yoshino (Nagasawa Masami); and Chika (Kaho) who share a warm and large rambling house which was left in their care after

GRADE: A-
The Fountain Theatre at 2469 Calle De Guadalupe, Mesilla, will host the film "Our Little Sister" for a week run to play 7:30 p.m. daily with a 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee, starting Friday, Oct. 7. It is in Japanese with English subtitles.



COURTESY PHOTO

The movie "Our Little Sister" offers an intimate presentation of the lives of three sisters who take in their young, half-sister.

their parents' divorce.

Though the sisters bicker, fight and argue like normal siblings, there is a close alliance which melds them together with a warmth and involvement which never fails despite the evident differences among them.

Sachi, the oldest, is responsible and devoted to her sisters and their home. Yoshino is very in-

dependent and is partial to drinking and men who aren't good for her, while Chika is the youngest and has great mentorship from her sisters.

Suzu (Hirose Suzu), plays the little sister, who is about 15, and has fine manners, a knack for soccer and who is the most complex character in the picture.

At home, they retain some ancient Japanese

traditions, but away, they are truly modern and involved.

Koreeda's vision is well seen here. The film is made up of many short vignettes which show the sisters in different situations, some good, some bad, but all of them being inclusive of each woman's thoughts and perceptions. There is a lot of between-the-lines-type

material in the picture, which is easy to pick up on by careful attention. These women are so believable and likeable, that I was almost able to overlook the fact that the movie is indeed too long.

But all in all, this is a real family, without shrill antics and histrionics; instead it concentrates on compassion and responsibility.

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Actress lured to Cruces for role that 'scares' her

By MIKE COOK
Las Cruces Bulletin

Professional actor Michelle Tomlinson made the trip from Los Angeles to Las Cruces with her seven-month-old daughter and her mother in tow to take the part of Clytemnestra in "Agamemnon," which opens Friday, Oct. 7 for a three-week run at the Black Box Theatre, 420 N. Mainstreet.

"She scares me," Tomlinson said of the character. "I think it's so important as a creative person to do things that terrify you."

Tomlinson is no stranger to scary parts. Since moving to Los Angeles from her native northern New Mexico 15 years ago, Tomlinson has appeared in such independent film classics as "The Cellar Door," "Brain Dead" and "Axe to Grind."

She was named the Pretty/Scary One to Watch at the 2007 Shriekfest Film Festival and was the November 2009 Scream Queen of the month.

"They find me," Tom-

linson said of roles in horror films. "'Agamemnon' is yet another horror film," she said. "And, yet again, I'm killing somebody."

In this case, the victim is Clytemnestra's husband, Agamemnon, who sacrificed the couple's daughter to ensure the favor of the gods and success in the Trojan War.

Clytemnestra waited 10 years to exact her revenge, famously murdering her husband in his bath in the play written by solidier and playwright Aeschylus 2,100 years ago.

"How was she able to wait 10 years?" Tomlinson asked. "I don't know if I could wait five minutes if someone hurt my child."

Clytemnestra, Tomlinson said, "is a woman who knows grief. I know grief on many levels, and I know loss, and yet we're both still standing."

Tomlinson, 38, is a survivor of papillary thyroid cancer and also dealt with another cancer scare.

"I was a mess trying to figure all that out," she said.



COURTESY PHOTO

California actress Michelle Tomlinson, center, as her character Clytemnestra, prepares to kill her husband Agamemnon during a rehearsal of the ancient play "Agamemnon" at the Black Box Theatre.

In addition to more than two dozen movie roles, Tomlinson has appeared in a number of television shows, TV pilots (including "Worst Week" for CBS) and web series (she plays the lead in "Kung Fu Femmes"), as well as stage plays in

both Los Angeles and New Mexico.

In addition to film, TV and stage acting, Tomlinson is a voice actor, and she began her own business as a professional acting coach and teacher several years ago.

Tomlinson accepted the

role in "Agamemnon" at the request of the play's director, New Mexico State University Theatre Arts Department visiting professor Algernon D'Amassa. The two appeared together in "The Cellar Door," and D'Amassa is a close friend of Tomlinson's husband, Christopher Nelson.

"Michelle and I met a decade ago when we were in ('The Cellar Door') together," D'Amassa said. "She spent long days confined in this horrible little box where the bad guy had imprisoned her; and I remember her singing between takes before the cameras would roll and she would have to descend into hell again."

"She later married my

best friend, and we have been talking about doing a theater project together for years," D'Amassa said. "The stars aligned for us to collaborate on this project. Happily, she has also had the opportunity to visit with theatre students at NMSU and convey to them how difficult it is to pursue a career in acting – but not to be afraid of doing difficult things."

The key to accepting the role for Tomlinson was bringing her daughter, Hope, with her. When Tomlinson's mother, Jan, who lives in Arizona, agreed to join them on the trip, Tomlinson accepted the role of Clytemnestra.

Hope, Tomlinson said, "is the raddest baby in the world. She has changed everything about my world in the best possible ways."

The main thing Tomlinson said she wants Hope to learn growing up is to "have compassion."

"Agamemnon" performances are Fridays and Saturdays, Oct. 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 and 22 at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 16 and 23. There will also be a performance at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 20.

Tickets are \$15 regular admission, \$12 for students and seniors over age 65. Tickets for all seats for the Thursday, Oct. 8 performance are \$10.

Black Box Theatre is located at 430 N. Main St. in downtown Las Cruces.

For reservations, call 523-1223. Visit <https://no-strings.org/>.

Tomlinson will host acting workshop



TOMLINSON

BULLETIN REPORT

Professional actor Michelle Tomlinson, who is visiting Las Cruces to play the part of Clytemnestra in "Agamemnon" during its three-week run at Black Box Theatre, will host an acting workshop from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22 at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St.

The cost of the workshop is \$100 per person and is limited to 15 students, Tomlinson

said, so she can "keep it intimate (and) really give everybody massive attention and massive opportunity."

The workshop will focus on the business aspects of acting, including finding an actor's essence, head shots and resumes.

Workshop participants will act in three scenes during the workshop. To register for the workshop and for information, contact Tomlinson at mt@michelletomlinson.net.

'Clarence Darrow' has two live performances at Black Box Theatre

By **MIKE COOK**
Las Cruces Bulletin

Las Cruces actor PJ Waggaman will portray the famed attorney in the eponymous "Clarence Darrow" in two live performances on Sunday, Oct. 9, at Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main St.

The performances are at 2:30 and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for regular admission and \$12 for students and senior citizens over age 65.

Darrow (1857-1938) was perhaps best known for defending teenage thrill-killers Leopold and Loeb in 1924 and saving them from the death penalty, and then defending John T. Scopes in 1925 in the historic Scopes "Monkey" Trial, where he opposed three-time presidential candidate William Jennings Bryant.

In the play, Darrow is "reminiscing over his long and renowned career, touching on many of his famous trials," according to play and musical publisher Samuel French, Inc. "Darrow reviews much of America's legal history with salty humor, courtroom gusto and human relish. His private life and many contemporary events, including labor conditions, are woven into this story of a man who accepted unpopular cases and defended un-

popular causes. This champion of dissenters and underdogs was also a writer and lecturer and he conjures up many famous people of his life and times," says www.samuel french.com/p/8782/clarence-darrow.

David Rintels wrote the play based on the novel "Clarence Darrow for the Defense," by Irving Stone. It was first produced in New York City in 1974.

Rintels has written other plays as well as screenplays and television scripts. He also was a television producer and executive producer. He has won three Emmy awards and four Writers Guild of America awards.

Waggaman has been acting for more than 30 years in more than 30 plays and in movies such as "Scarface," "The Babe" and "Love Ranch."

At Black Box Theatre, Waggaman has performed in "Bob: A Life in Five Acts," "Nickel and Dimed" "Children, Children" and "The Little Girl Who Lived Down the Lane." He also performed in "Mary Poppins," "The Sound of Music" and "Fiddler on the Roof" at the University of Texas at El Paso dinner theatre. And, he appeared the New Mexico State University Music Department's production of the musical "We Are Enron."

The play is directed by Larry Chandler, who has directed more than 300 plays at a variety of theatres in Las Cruces and other venues around the world. He has degrees in theatre from Weber State University and the University of Utah and is a retired U.S. Department of the Army civilian theatre/entertainment director.

For reservations to see "Clarence Darrow," call 523-1223. Visit <https://no-strings.org/>.

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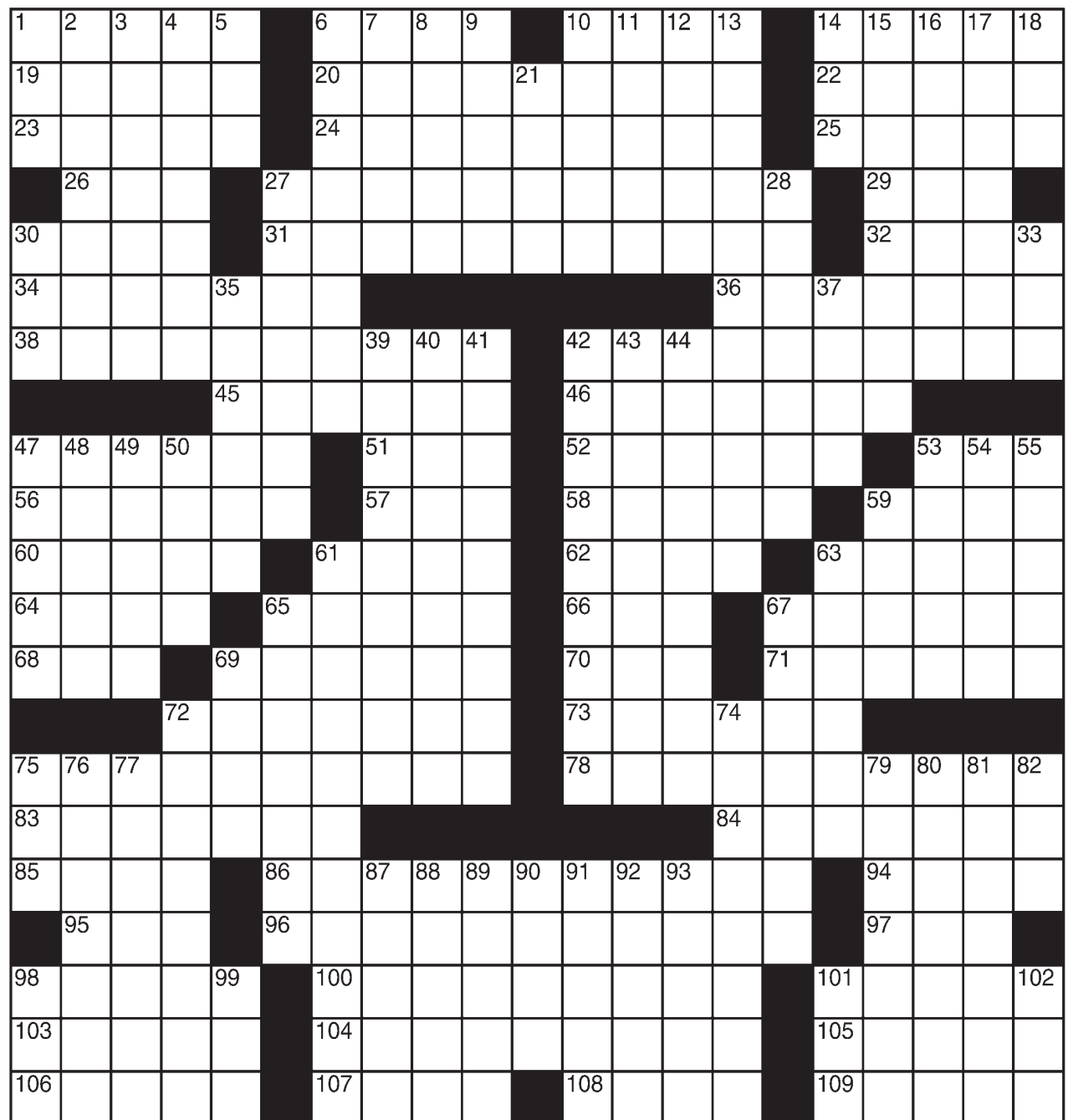
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72 Butcher knife
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11 Fall flower
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17 Sword cases
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35 Glue brand
37 Don't budge
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40 People fighting los toros
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42 Faded, as an emotion
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44 Goodbyes
47 Volcanic rock material



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53 Siren sound
54 Constructor
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59 Spill secrets
61 Long bicycle saddles
63 Actors Baio and Bakula
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77 Bit of sand
79 Coax
80 Largest city in the Cornhusker St.

81 Grapples, in the sticks
82 Chess piece: Abbr.
87 "Be silent," musically
88 Ghana's largest city
89 Glove part
90 Wyatt of the Wild West
91 "Git!"
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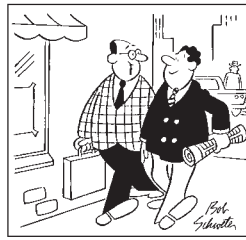
PUZZLES

WEEKLY SUDOKU By Linda Thistle

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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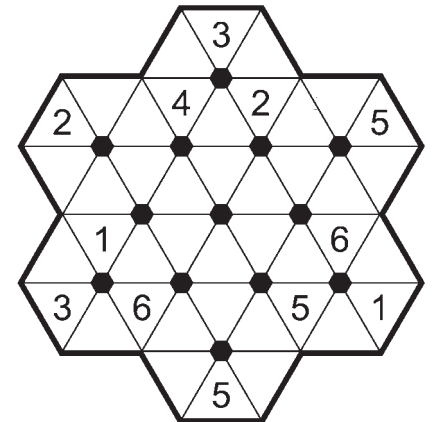
"My wife and I have an excellent relationship — she communicates and I _____!"

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!

Check **PICSENT**
 Dissent
 Refuse
 SWEAT
 Expert
 TAPED
 TODAY'S WORD

SNOWFLAKES By Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦
 ♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦ Difficult

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: U equals S

DU D UCBOAIM PFI'U HABX OIHK DY

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PUZZLE ANSWERS

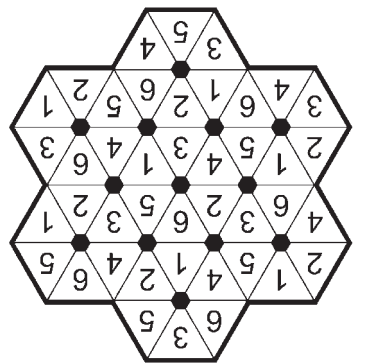
As a surgeon who's very good at removing marks left from wounds, folks like to say I'm a scar mechanic.

CRYPTOQUIP

LISTEN

Today's Word
 3. Waste; 4. Adept
 1. Inspect; 2. Denial;

SCRAMBLERS



SNOWFLAKES

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WEEKLY SUDOKU

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WORSHIP SERVICES

MVCSL Sunday Experience starts Oct. 9

By ALTA LeCOMPTE
Las Cruces Bulletin

The Mesilla Valley Center for Spiritual Living (MVCSL) will hold its first Sunday Experience 10:30 a.m. Oct. 9 at The Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago.

Rev. Carol Carnes, spiritual director of the center, will speak and will guide attendees in meditation, based on the concepts of New Thought.

Carnes said she believes there are many people in the Mesilla Valley who would greatly benefit from knowing the universal principles that govern how we shape our experience.

"Previous religious affiliation is not a factor," she said. "This is for anyone who wants to raise their level of peace, joy, prosperity, health and love. To learn how this spiritual universe supports us is to learn how to live more fully."

Carnes said she discovered New Thought when she was a young single mother of two, forced into food stamps although she had a full time job and two part timers.

"My life began to improve almost immediately," she said.

After many years of study, she was ordained as a minister and vowed to spend her life spreading the word of self-mastery.

"New Thought shows us how to forgive and release the past moving our self-identity from victim of

circumstances to master of our own destiny," Carnes said.

She said the center will offer Las Cruces an opportunity for spiritual growth through weekly Sunday Experiences and classes exploring the work of New Thought pioneers and contemporary teachers.

"Being born into this time of challenge, we have a unique opportunity," she said. "Through conscious spiritual work, we can discover our inner capacity to bring new ways of being into our lives and into the world."

During her nearly 30-year career, Carnes has held the position of spiritual director at centers in California, Florida, Tennessee and for 12 years in Calgary, Canada. She is the author of "The Way In," a compilation of some of her daily "Living Consciously" blogs. She has had radio shows in Santa Cruz, California, and in Calgary and now writes a column, "Ask the Opti-mystic" for the Las Cruces Bulletin.

Her work as a member of the Leadership Council of the Association for Global New Thought has taken her to India, Italy, Australia and South Africa to participate in the Synthesis Dialogues, a convening of progressive leaders representing, education, governance, medicine, media, spirituality, religion, science and social justice.

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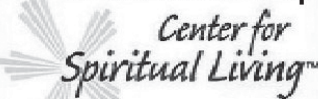
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ASK THE OPTI-MYSTIC

Spirituality, religion are different



**CAROL
CARNES**

Living Consciously

Dear Dr. Carol,
What is the difference between spirituality and religion?
— Curious Millennial

Dear CM,
Great question!
There is a definite distinction between traditional religion which

may be rules- and dogma-based, and spirituality which is a way of living. Both have philosophical beginnings but spirituality, especially New Thought, is based on observable principles that apply to everyone, just as the principle of electricity works the same for everyone. What is required is the knowledge of how to use it. Without that knowledge we could cause damage to ourselves and others.

Spiritual principle is simple: What we think about tends to come about. "It is

done to you as you believe." It is simple but a very deep study that involves a rethinking of our universal source. If our mind is creative, and it is, then it follows that there is Creative Mind as the source of our mind. This is a 21st Century image of the Divine.

No longer can we believe in "man-in-the-sky God," which was actually a metaphor for a power that is universal, making everything out of itself by becoming the thing it makes.

Modern spirituality teaches us that anyone can live on a higher level of love, peace, prosperity, health and joy by learning how to use the mind in the highest way.

"To learn how to think is to learn how to live." That is a quote from Ernest Holmes, one of the great spiritual masters of the 20th Century. For more information, log on to my website www.carolcarnes.com

Thanks for writing.

Temple Beth-El to observe Yom Kippur, Day of Atonement

BULLETIN REPORT

Temple Beth-El of Las Cruces welcomes members and guests to join in worship on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement with an evening service at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11 including the special moments of chanting the Kol Nidre (all vows) prayer at 3980 Sonoma Springs Ave.

At 9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, there will be a family service and at 10 a.m. a morning service. A Time for Sharing will begin at 1:15 p.m. (relaxed discussion), followed by study with Rabbi Karol at 2:45 p.m. to review special readings in the new Reform High Holy Day prayer book "Mishkan Hanefesh" (A Sanctuary of the Soul).

The Afternoon, Memorial and Concluding services will begin at 4:15 p.m. A break-the-fast meal, sponsored by Temple Beth-El Sisterhood, will follow the end of Yom Kippur worship at 7:10 p.m.

Child care will be available throughout the Yom Kippur worship (other than the family service).

Rabbi Larry Karol of Temple Beth-El said that Yom Kippur "directs us to look hard at what we have done in the last year so that we can consciously try to improve ourselves in the coming year, all in a spirit of compassion and self-awareness."

For more information, call Temple Beth-El at 575-524-3380 or email rabi@tblc.org.

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BRIEFS

Unity Talk series starts Oct. 9

Starting Sunday, Oct. 9, Unity of Las Cruces will present seven Sundays of talks on "The Seven Steps to Creation," covering how it affects life today, what our roles as individuals are and what influences we have in creation. Sunday Worship Celebration is at 10:30 a.m. at 125 Wyatt Drive in Las Cruces. Info: www.unityoflascruces.org.

Trinity Lutheran Church Ladies of Luther present Sarah Armijo

Ladies of Luther are hosting a lunch potluck and presentation by Sarah Armijo, development director for La Casa, Inc. from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13 at 2900 Elks Dr. Armijo will speak on "Understanding Domestic Violence in all its Forms." Info: 575-523-4232.

Women's retreat at Holy Cross

Restoring Balance, a women's healing retreat, will explore ways to find healing through honoring all the images of the divine in life on Friday through Sunday, Oct. 14, 15 and 16, at Holy Cross Retreat Center, 600 Holy Cross Road (4889 S. Main St., Mesilla Park). The open-faith retreat will be a combination of teaching, small-group discussion and learning through experience. Info: Donna Hollis at Holy Cross Retreat Center: 575-524-3688, visit programs@holycrossretreat.org or spiritualjourneys16@gmail.com.

Unity of Las Cruces weekly events

From 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesday is a book study; all are welcome. 11 to 11:30

a.m. is a Meditation Service. 10:30 a.m. all Sunday worship celebrations at 125 Wyatt Drive. Info: 575-523-5592 or www.unityoflascruces.org.

Genesis Bible Study at Revival Fire Bookstore

Bible study 6:30 p.m. every Thursday (except the fourth week of the month) at Revival Fire Bookstore, 2645 Missouri Ave., Suite 5. All are welcome to the Book of Genesis Bible Study. This book of beginnings lays out foundational principles for life on earth and beyond. Info: Bev at 575-642-1003.

International Association for Near-Death Studies

Near-death experiences are discussed at 1:30 p.m. the third Monday of every month at Unitarian Universalist Church great room, 2000 S. Solano Drive. A peer to peer group for understanding near-death experience. Info: 928-897-0933.

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church Wisconsin Synod

At 10 a.m. Sundays at 2541 El Paseo Road is worship and fellowship, Sunday school and Bible class. Info: 575-649-5458.

Bible school and more at Agape Christian

Events at Agape begin at 4:30 p.m. Sundays at 1400 6th street (6th and Wilson). The New Agape Christian Church in partnership with the Dream Center offers Sunday Bible School for all ages for those who work Sunday morning, or those who like to sleep late on Sunday and for folks whose church no longer offers Bible School, at Bible

School is followed at 5:45 p.m. with Secret Church and Children's church. The adult study is a Biblical, historical, scientific, theological study. Communion served to all believers. Info: Herb Pinney 575-650-3915.

Rey de Reyes Hispanic Lutheran Church service

At 7 p.m. every Thursday at Mission Lutheran Church, 2752 N. Roadrunner Pkwy., is a Spanish-language worship service. Info: 575-571-3210.

Course in Miracles at Tesoro Integrative Health Center

From 10 to 11:30 a.m. Saturdays at 1605 S. Main St. is a complete self-study spiritual thought system with Edward Alvarez. A \$5 donation is suggested. Info: 575-541-5660.

Holy Family America National Catholic events

At 10 a.m. Tuesday through Friday at 702 Parker Road is Liturgy of the Hours-Morning Prayer in the St. Francis Chapel. 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday Evening prayer with mass; 6 p.m. Thursday Community meeting followed by dinner. Open to all. Info: 575-644-5025.

Men's prayer meeting at Heart of the World

Heart of the World announces a 7 a.m. Saturday morning prayer meeting at 1605 S. Valley Dr. Manny Howie leads the prayer. Info: 575-523-1113.

Seventh Day Adventist worship service

Sunday services include: 9:30 a.m. worship service; 11 a.m. Sabbath School; 6 p.m. Wednesdays Bible study at 240 Three Crosses. Info: 575-526-5623.

Science of Mind Magazine weekly discussion

At 11 a.m. every Thursday at the Center for Spiritual Living Sacred Living Circle, 575 N. Main St. ask yourself: do you enjoy the monthly magazine 'Science of Mind?' Join to discuss the articles with like-minded people. Bring a lunch and come to the center. Info: 575-523-4847.

Memorial Medical Center Holy Mass

At Noon every Wednesday at MMC, 2450 S. Telshor in the Chapel, Holy Mass is offered. Info: 575-636-3274.

Center for Spiritual Living offers up a variety

Activities and services at the Center for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. include: 9:45 a.m. Sunday Meditation; 10:30 a.m. Sunday service followed by a meal; Individual prayer/pastoral counseling; certified classes and self-enrichment; workshops; weekly community events such as yoga classes, Saturday cat adoption, First Friday Howling Coyote open mic, First Saturday afternoon dowsing workshop and weekly Saturday Course In Miracles.

Book study Tuesdays at Unity

From 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays at 125 Wyatt Drive is Unity Book Study. Join any time for discussion related to the book. All are welcome. Info: 575-523-5592 or www.unityoflascruces.org.

Mountain View Baptist Sunday services

Events at Mountain View Baptist begin at 10 a.m. Sundays with Bible study; 11 a.m. worship services at Mountain View Baptist, 705 N. Main St. Nursery available. Info: 575-680-6247.

Cowboys for Christ

At 7:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month, this non-denominational outreach organization meets for those involved in livestock and agriculture. For meeting place information: 575-571-6367 or cfc.lcnm@yahoo.com.

Unity announces Thursday silent meditation services

From 11 to 11:30 a.m. Thursdays at 125 Wyatt Drive recharge your batteries at a silent meditation service. Info: 575-523-5592 or www.unityoflascruces.org.

GriefShare at First Baptist

From 4 to 6 p.m., Sundays in room 229, First Baptist Church Las Cruces, 106 S. Miranda, GriefShare is held. This is a weekly seminar and support group designed to help rebuild life after losing a loved one. Bereavement experience may be recent or not so. The seminars offer encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member or friend. Cost: \$10 for participant workbook. Info: Penny Baca 575-635-9696.

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New life for a forgotten subdivision

Wine a little, you'll feel better!

By **SUSIE OUDERKIRK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Randy McMillan is a man outstanding in his field. Or at least he was the last time I saw him.

McMillan, a commercial real estate broker/investor, showed me around one of his new projects, Mesilla Vineyard Estates, which at times had him standing in the middle of a field, pointing one way or another and smiling.

He smiles a lot when he talks about Mesilla Vineyard Estates; it's a project he developed because it spoke to him personally.

"I've always been interested in wine and the history of wine in New Mexico," he told me in September. "The Spaniards did wine in this area. They built vineyards along the Santa Fe Trail to serve the church."

And now McMillan is building vineyards to appeal to homeowners who want to try their hand at being vintners.

"It's taken a long time," McMillan said. He bought the stagnant subdivision on S. Fairacres Road in 2011, after its original developer faced foreclosure.

"In figuring out about the area, I figured I could do something to change the face of the original subdivision," McMillan said. That year McMillan and his partner,



BULLETIN PHOTO
BY SUSIE OUDERKIRK

Randy McMillan shows off the 360-degree view from the Mesilla Vineyard Estates.

Greg McFee, planted the vineyard on 12 acres surrounded by 360 degrees of mountains.

"From here, you can see the Doña Anas, the Organs, the Franklins and Picacho Mountain," he said. And, looking northwest, McMillan pointed out the oldest standing tree in the valley, a cottonwood bare and indomitable, which will be the logo for a winery he's planning to build in the future.

Right now McMillan plans to have 40 lots for home construction with an additional 65 acres of open space that could be farmed. A new farm-to-table store going up in

Mesilla is leasing 15 acres of the subdivision for high intensity gardening starting in the spring.

Currently, one home and one lot in Mesilla Vineyard Estates will come with a half-acre vineyard already planted with grapes. A drip irrigation system supplied by a community well will water the grape plants and the subdivision homes are supplied by city water.

"It's not wholly organic," McMillan said, "But something similar. It's farming with little to no chemicals. It's as close to organic as possible."

He backs up his claim with a herd of hair sheep, well managed by two stoic and kindly Great Pyrenees dogs, who make a short trip daily from their corral to the subdivision to take care of the weeds and add a little natural fertilizer.

Jon Strain of Las Cruces Builders, LLC, started working with McMillan in May of 2015, and has one home finished and three under construction. The current home for sale, located at 4902 Briareus Dr., is listed by Realtor Tobe Turpin at Steinborn and Associates. It shows off approximately 3100-square-feet with four bedrooms, two fireplaces, a three-car garage, an observation deck and, of course, its



Mesilla Vineyard Estates subdivision is a working vineyard that is "as close to organic as possible," according to developer Randy McMillan. An open house is scheduled for 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16. Tobe Turpin can be reached at 575-621-1462.


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own vineyard.

Not interested in owning a private vineyard? "Sharecropping!" said McMillan. "We can arrange for someone to harvest the grapes." In fact, the existing grape plants within the subdivision produce 250 to 300 gallons of wine each year.

Grape varieties include petit verdot, chardonnay, cabernet sauvignon, muscat, zinfandel, mourvedre, malbec and McMillan's personal favorites, montepulciano and refosco.


"This year we sold the muscat to Corrales Winery, which makes the best muscat I've ever tasted," McMillan said. The rest of the grapes were purchased by Noisy River in Ruidoso, and next year's crop may have a variety of destinies, depending on who moves into Mesilla Vineyard Estates.



Is it time for a tune-up?

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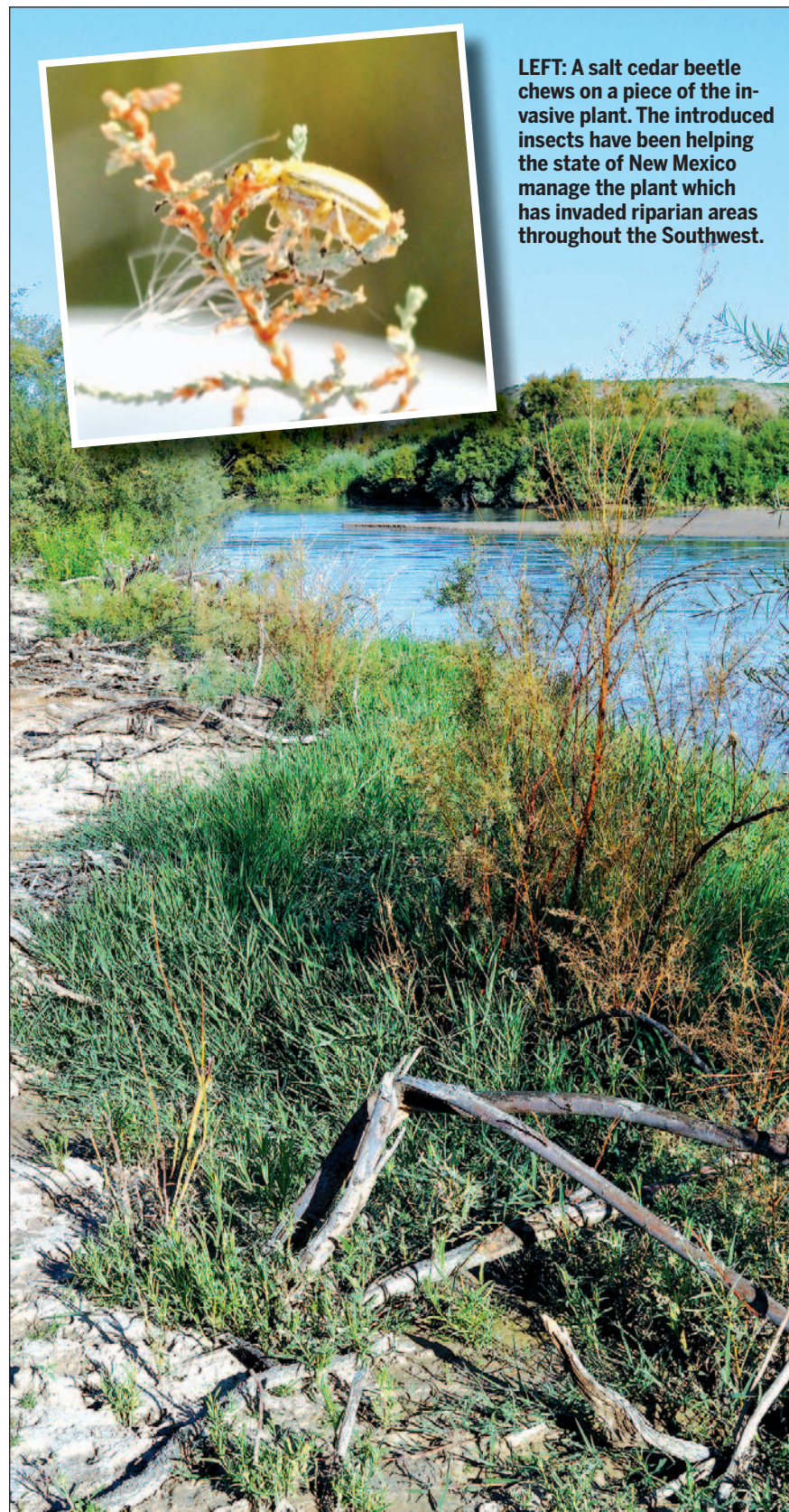
Gardening classes at Mountain View Co-op

Gardening expert Jackye Meinecke will present gardening classes at 2 p.m. 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.

OCT. 8 — WINTER CONTAINERS: Learn the details for creating flowering and vegetable containers for winter color and production. From container selection and placement to soil mix to plant selection discover the ease of winter containers to brighten the upcoming dreary months.

OCT. 15 — PLANT FOR SPRING BLOOMS: Plant bulbs, seeds, and perennials for larger plants and more flowers in the spring and summer months. Multiply the plants in your garden for FREE by plant division. Learn which plants can be divided and transplanted, as well as the necessary skills and tools to successfully transplant flowers, shrubs and trees in your garden.

OCT. 22 — CHOOSING & PLANTING FRUIT TREES: From selection criteria to planting, learn the best methods to guarantee success in growing fruit trees in the desert.



LEFT: A salt cedar beetle chews on a piece of the invasive plant. The introduced insects have been helping the state of New Mexico manage the plant which has invaded riparian areas throughout the Southwest.

BULLETIN PHOTOS BY ELVA K. OSTERREICH
During a Native Plant Society conference field trip in the bosque near Leasburg Dam Sept. 24, a swath of land cleared of invasive salt cedars by salt cedar beetles awaits regrowth of vegetation more native to the area.

Native Plant Society state conference



Carol Southerland, New Mexico State University Extension entomologist, shakes salt cedars in the bosque near Leasburg Dam to find a representative salt cedar beetle for demonstration to Native Plant Society conference participants.



Tortugas Mountain just west of Las Cruces provides a perfect environment for native plant lovers from across the state to explore. The state Native Plant Society meeting was held at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Museum Sept. 22-25.

Local naturopath specializes in alternative medicines

Non-psychoactive cannabis is high on her list

This is the first of a two-part series. The second part will run Friday, Oct. 14.

By **SUSIE OUDERKIRK**

Las Cruces Bulletin

Hilda Luz Chavez, ND, is a third generation healer and curandera. Her work in the Las Cruces community is all about educating and awakening the interest of the younger generations to herbal medicine and supporting the older generations with remedies they remember.

“The Hispanic culture in the Southwest, including New Mexico, has a rich tradition in natural and herbal medicine,” Chavez said. “I am most grateful to my maternal grandmother, who taught me when I was a child about the value of the good herbs and especially the benefits of cannabis.”

Although herbal medicine is seeing a resurgence, Chavez admits “it is still at risk of being forgotten,” even though “our abuelos, grandparents, tried to teach it to us.”

Chavez defines naturopathic medicine as “the oldest form of medicine based on the philosophy that the body has its own innate ability to fight disease and heal itself with the help of nature,” and, interestingly, that “naturopaths are teachers first.”

Chavez’s title is Naturopathic Doctor (ND) and she refers to herself as a “traditional naturopath” and often includes the term “curandera” in her presentations.

“Being a curandera is more of a cultural and family honor; being a naturopath is about the higher education, bringing



Dr. Hilda Luz Chavez

the two together and bridging the cultural gap,” she said. Of utmost importance to Chavez is a continuum of patient care. When patients come to her for treatment she supports their journey and follows their progress.

“My relationship is one of teacher and student. I meet the patient where they are and work toward teaching them self-responsibility for their health care and well-being using an integrative approach of body, mind and spirit,” she said. “I follow their progress to the degree that they need and seek my guidance. Ultimately, I respect their ability to heal themselves and awaken their inner healer. In the spirit of Hippocrates, the father of medicine, my goal is to do no harm and act as a teacher.”

As a healer who believes in the power of natural medicines, she has spent the last 37 years advocating for the use of medicinal marijuana, (cannabis) and its multi-tasking cousin, hemp.

“As an ND I do my best to



bridge the gap between nature and science. The medical world respects and accepts science before nature,” she said.

After a surgery in 1994 that “went terribly wrong,” Chavez went on a search for natural alternatives to find relief from her symptoms, which included pain, nerve damage and inflammation, and rediscovered the benefits of medicinal cannabis. In an article, Chavez wrote: “many cultures have used (cannabis) for hundreds of thousands of years, not by smoking it but by ingesting it, drinking it and using it topically. There was no science or research then, it was all experiential and empirical but it worked.”

Chavez points out in the article that it was only in the last century that cannabis became popular as a recreational drug. Due to this trend, “the good herb became abused and misunderstood, which led to its

classification as a Schedule 1 drug in the U.S.”

She is passionate about educating the public to the facts about medical cannabis and hemp. When asked to explain the difference between recreational marijuana and medicinal cannabis, she admits it’s a “deep and controversial subject.” One good thing about any cannabis discussion, she said, is that “Our younger generations, who do not know much about herbs in general, are now interested” because they want to know more about cannabis.

“There are numerous active ingredients in cannabis known as cannabinoids,” Chavez said. “THC cannabinoids are psychoactive, (which make you high, alter your awareness). Cannabidiol (CBD),” which is what Chavez promotes to her patients, “is not psychoactive and is one of the most medicinal of

the cannabinoids. It reduces pain and inflammation, relaxes the body, reduces anxiety and helps with sleep.”

“Medical patients do not want or need the high; they want and seek relief from pain and desire to improve their quality of life,” she said. “You do not have to smoke it. Smoking is actually not a healthy way to medicate and is very expensive.”

The medical cannabis issue is still a hotly-debated topic, but, as Chavez said, “This herb is not going away. It is being accepted,” and she’s on the forefront of promoting the benefits and getting relief to her patients with cannabis licenses in southern New Mexico.

Chavez can be reached at 915-204-5440 or www.NMMCPCONSULTING.com.

Next week: The politics of cannabis

'Feed Las Cruces' food drive on its way

BULLETIN REPORT

The 'Feed Las Cruces' food drive was established to provide canned and dry goods to local Las Cruces food bank Casa de Peregrinos for local distribution. Student organizations from New Mexico State University, including service and social fraternities and sororities will be going door-to-door asking for donations from households between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 15.

Donations can be made from your home or can be dropped off on the north side parking lot of the Pan Am Center at NMSU. Plaques from Trophy Country will be given out for most items collected and most items per person.

Refreshments are donated by the Pepsi Bottling Company and Zia Pizza. For more information, contact William Gould, Bank of America professor, NMSU College of Business at 575-646-3986 or wgould@nmsu.edu.

HEALTHY HAPPENINGS

October specials at Crossroads Acupuncture

October special: Five acupuncture treatments for \$75 all month long (\$10 additional fee if you purchase on your first visit. Mondays October 3, 10, 17, 24 at 130 S. Main St. Open 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 2 follow up visits.) Info: 575-312-6569 to schedule an appointment or book online at crossroad-sacupuncture.com

Hands-Only CPR training at MMC

From 10 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, in the Memorial Medical Center West Annex Conference Room, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd. learn the newly accepted hands-only technique in this 30-minute class. The next class is Saturday, Nov. 5. Classes are limited to 30 participants. Info: 575-524-2167.

Social media talk to be held Oct. 12

New Mexico State University assistant professor of communication studies Danielle Halliwell will give a talk called "Snapchat, FaceTime, and Blogs, Oh My! Communicating and Coping in Online Contexts" from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12 at the Hardman and Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center, Room 225. Halliwell will discuss how people in relationships communicate about and cope with difficult experiences, particularly during times of transition. The general public is welcome.

NMSU Aquatic Center offers first aid classes

The NMSU Aquatic Center will offer two CPR/AED/First Aid courses during the fall semester at the Natatorium on campus. Classes are from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12. The full course is \$79,

and re-certification is \$25. The required CPR manual may be purchased for \$15 and CPR mask may be purchased for \$10. Sign up at the Natatorium. Info: Katie Gillis at 575-646-3347 or ktgillis@nmsu.edu.

Sexual Compulsives Anonymous

At 7 p.m. Mondays at Sierra Vista Community Church, 514 N. Telshor (behind the T Mobile building) Sexual Compulsives Anonymous meets. SCA is a 12-step fellowship of men and women who share experience, strength and hope to solve common problems and help each other recover from sexual compulsion. Info: www.sca-recove-ry.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

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 lascrucesmselfhelp@gmail.com.

Immunizations available at Department of Health

The New Mexico Department of Health's Las Cruces Central Public Health Office at 1170 N. Solano Drive provides immunization services for children (0-18 years of age) on Monday mornings, Wednesdays and Fridays. Info: 575-528-5006.

Wellness talks include healthy lifestyle, excitotoxins, medical cannabis

BULLETIN REPORT

Wellness consultants Laura Smart and Jilique Eikleberry will be hosting experts or speaking on a variety of well-

ness topics during the month of October in Las Cruces.

"Healthy, Wealthy, & Wise!" takes place from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 6861 Via Compestre, Picacho Hills

Country Club. Learn how to live a healthy lifestyle without pharmaceutical medications.

"The Truth About Cancer - A Global Quest for the Cure Episode #4 "Excitotoxins

that Fuel Cancer, Nature's Pharmacy and Healing Cancer with Sound & Light" will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20 at Mountainview Senior Circle, 3948 E. Lohman Ave.

"Medical Cannabis" presented by Dr. Barry Fisher will be from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27. No charge. Info: Laura Smart 425-233-9082 or lauralsmart@comcast.net.



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La Paz Funeral Home thanks first responders with luncheon

ABOVE: La Paz Graham's Funeral Home thanked first responders with a luncheon on Sept. 26.

RIGHT: Life to right: First responders Driver/Operator Justin Whitefield, Firefighters Steven Gonzalez and Jesse Bustamante and Lieutenant Gabe Galaz stopped by for burgers and hot dogs at La Paz Graham's Funeral Home on Sept. 26. The mortuary hosted a luncheon to thank area first responders. La Paz Graham's Manager Daniel Sedner was pleased with the turnout and said, "We are planning to make this an annual event."



BULLETIN PHOTO BY SUSIE OUDERKIRK

Check your smoke detectors: Fire prevention week is Oct. 9-15

BULLETIN REPORT

It's a good idea to change the batteries in your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector twice a year. Most people change the batteries in the fall when they change their clocks to daylight savings time and again in the spring when the time changes again.

New Mexico State University Fire Department wants to remind you that it is important to check your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detectors every month to ensure they are in working condition. However, if you do not have smoke alarms or carbon monoxide detectors in your home off campus, we

strongly advise you to go pick up a few from your local home improvement store. Be sure to replace your smoke alarms every 10 years.

Smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors are installed in all facilities on campus including family housing. They are simple detectors that are com-

posed of two main parts (sensor/audible alarm) which allow the detector to notify the occupant that there is a hazardous smoke or carbon monoxide filled atmosphere.

The sensor picks up tiny smoke particles in the air which then triggers the audible alarm which consists of loud beeping noises.

These alarms normally operate off of 9 volt or AA batteries which are easily installed into the back of the alarm. Alarms normally come with instructions on the back of the detector which tells you how it operates and what the different audible alarms mean.

There is also a test but-

ton on the alarm which notifies you if the detector is functioning properly. Always notify the fire department in case of emergency and when your smoke detector is activated.

Fire Prevention Week is Oct 9-15. For more fire prevention and safety tips, visit <https://fire.nmsu.edu/prevention-safety/>.

Keep Las Cruces Beautiful sets Toss No Más Fall Cleanup

BULLETIN REPORT

Hundreds of volunteers will come together on Saturday, Oct. 15 for the 22nd annual Fall Cleanup, sponsored by Keep Las Cruces Beautiful. City workers and citizens, groups and individuals will clean neighborhoods, parks, schools,

city streets and arroyos.

Volunteers receive trash bags, gloves and water in the morning and are invited to the Volunteer Celebration and free lunch at Young Park immediately following. Groups and organizations are encouraged to register by Monday, Oct. 10 and may pick up sup-

plies in advance (between Oct. 10 and 14) at the Mesilla Park Recreation Center, 304 West Bell Avenue.

To register, for more information or to report a public area that needs attention, contact James Woods at 575-528-4506 or jwoods@las-cruces.org.



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Communication studies talk to be held Oct. 12 at NMSU

BULLETIN REPORT

New Mexico State University assistant professor of communication studies Danielle Halliwell will give a talk entitled "Snapchat, FaceTime, and Blogs, Oh My! Communicating and Coping in Online Con-

texts" from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 12 at the Hardman and Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center, Room 225. Halliwell will discuss how people in relationships communicate about and cope with difficult experiences, particularly during times of transi-

tion. Emphasis will be placed on the role technology plays in maintaining interpersonal relationships, as well as the ways individuals communicate on online forums to make sense of challenging relational events. The general public is welcome.

Cruisin' for Critters charity bike run is Oct. 8

By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces Bulletin

The seventh annual Cruisin' for Critters charity bike run will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8 with registration at Las Cruces Motorsports, 2125 S. Valley Drive.

The event benefits the Las Cruces ACTION Programs for Animals, which has rescued more than 2,300 dogs and cats from the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley in the past four years.

The cost of the ride is \$15 per driver and \$5 per passenger. Oct. 8 is National Motorcycle Ride Day, but all modes of transportation are welcome to participate the Cruisin' for Critters event.

Stops on the ride will include ACTION Programs for Animals, 800 E. Picacho Ave.; the New Mexico Pecan Festival; Spotted Dog Brewery; High Desert Brewing Company, Pic Quik, Miguel's Restaurant and Barnett's Las Cruces.

There will be a meal and awards ceremony held after the ride.

Register online at <https://apalascruces.networkforgood.com/events/920-7th-annual-cruisin-for-critters-charity-run>. You can make a donation online even if you

'Pits for Peace' celebrates National Pitbull Awareness Month



By MIKE COOK

Las Cruces tin

October is National Pitbull Awareness month, and the Las Cruces ACTION Programs for Animals (APA) is celebrating with its fifth annual "Pits for Peace," which will be held from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 23 at Grapevine Plaza Events Center, 3900 W. Picacho Blvd., which is the home of Picacho Peak Brewing Company.

The cost is \$10 in advance of \$15 at the door. The fee includes two slides of pizza.

APA will also receive \$1 from every beer sold during

the event.

The event will include dog adoptions, games, raffles and a vaccination clinic.

A Halloween costume contest for dogs will begin at 4 p.m. The entry fee is \$5. Prizes will be awarded first-, second- and third-place winners.

All well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome to attend the event.

For more information, call 644-0505. Visit <http://actionprogramsforanimals.org/?events=5th-annual-pits-for-peace-and-pizza-fest-at-picacho-peak-brewing-co>, and find them on Facebook at ACTION Programs for Animals.



ACTION Programs for Animals (APA)

can't participate in the ride.

For more information on the ride, call 373-0159. Visit <http://actionprogramsforanimals.org/?events=7th-annual-cruisin-for-critters-bike-run>.

Register online at <https://apalascruces.networkforgood.com/events/920-7th-annual-cruisin-for-critters-charity-run>.

For more information on ACTION Programs for Animals, call 571-4654

(adoption center) or 644-0505 (information line) or email them at mail@apalascruces.org. Visit <http://actionprogramsforanimals.org>. You can find a complete list of their upcoming events, including fundraisers, adoptions and vaccination clinics, by clicking on

"events" at the top of the home page. Click on "resources" to learn about lost, found and rehoming services and other animal-care services in Las Cruces, and to see APA's 2015 annual report. Visit them on Facebook at ACTION Programs for Animals.

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Safe Haven raffling off dog house fit for a king

Open House,
reunion Oct. 9

BULLETIN REPORT

Local animal lover Sandra Clark has donated a hand-made dog house, constructed by Doña Ana Community College, to be raffled off during the Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary (SHAS) Open House and Adopter Reunion Oct. 9. Clark's dogs Annie and Toby believe that "all dogs deserve a good home."

The dog house is currently on display at the SHAS Thrift Store and tickets can be purchased there at \$1 for one ticket, \$5 for 6. The drawing will be held at the annual open house.

The Open House event, which takes place from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9 at 6890 Eagle Road, includes tours of the sanctuary, refreshments, cat and dog adoptions and a reunion of former adopters and adopted pets.



Sandra Clark's dogs Toby (left) and Annie donated a dog house to be raffled off to support Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary Oct. 9.

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BY TABITHA
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PET OF THE WEEK

Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley Pet of the Week

This sweet, quiet boy is Coal, a black and white Labrador/Pitbull mix. He's very tired of having two other roommates in a one-room flat, located here at the Animal Service Center, and he's ready for some room to roam. Those deep brown eyes of his are calling out to his future family, and it could be you. How great would your day be if you came and saved a life today? Hours of operation are noon to 6 p.m., Monday thru Friday; noon to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at 3551 Bataan Memorial West. Call: 575-382-0018.

New Mexico State University running back Larry Rose III looks for yardage while surrounded by a host of teammates Saturday, Oct. 1 at Aggie Memorial Stadium. NMSU won its second game of the season with a double-overtime victory against Louisiana-Lafayette.

BULLETIN PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER BELARDE



Ags head into bye week with OT win

By **MARTY RACINE**

For the Bulletin

Enduring a gut-wrenching, endless contest that neither team seemed capable of winning, New Mexico State University might have salvaged a football season with its homecoming double overtime win against the Louisiana-Lafayette Ragin' Cajuns.

The emotionally draining 37-31 victory, hinging on a series of game-changing plays, was a testament to the Aggies' resilience after they had blown a sure win in regulation --- on a missed field goal from PAT territory as time expired --- and keeps their heads up for the remaining schedule.

At 2-3, they'll travel to Idaho Oct. 15, following a bye week.

The Vandals are also 2-3 and 0-1 in the Sun Belt Conference after last week's 34-13 loss to Troy. Their other defeats were routs to national powerhouse Washing-

ton and neighboring upstart Washington State. They've beaten UNLV and Montana State and face Louisiana Monroe Saturday.

Aaron Duckworth is Idaho's one-man rushing attack, averaging 65 yards a game. Matt Linehan has 902 passing yards on the season, finding 10 different receivers while compiling a 105.7 quarterback rating.

Expect both teams to let it fly.

While Larry Rose III ran for 97 yards against UL-Lafayette, NMSU went airborne to dictate its scheme. Quarterback Tyler Rogers coolly spread the field to five receivers, completing 28 passes for 319 yards. The offensive tempo --- 31 first downs --- eased the pressure on the team's beleaguered defense.

The crisp passing opened the Aggies' final drive of regulation, with the score tied at 24. Then, moving downfield with the clock on their side, they methodically kept it on the ground, pounding to the 3,

between the hashes. Timeout. Three seconds left.

What ensued made for a frantic finish that left everyone in Aggie Memorial Stadium stunned.

Kicker Parker Davidson, a sophomore who had earlier connected on a 33-yarder, shanks his 20-yard game-winner wide right as the gun sounds.

After the Aggies score a touchdown to start overtime (Rogers to Greg Hogan), The Ragin' Cajuns match it by recovering their own fumble in the end zone.

In the second overtime, the Aggies choose to start on defense; UL-Lafayette's normally reliable kicker Stevie Artigue, who had already hit from 47 yards, clanks a 22-yarder off the left upright.

With a shot at redemption, the Aggies fumble at the 14. Linebacker Tre'Maine Lightfoot, who was active all night for the Ragin' Cajuns, strips Rogers, but Rogers recovers.

Bulldawgs find success on the road

By **JEFF MATTHEWS**

For the Bulletin

Scheduling, lightning, a bye week and a mercy rule win have all combined to limit Las Cruces High's football team to playing just a little more than four quarters of football at the Field of Dreams so far this season.

Despite the heavy dose of road trips, primarily on I-25 north, the Bulldawgs are off to a 4-1 start and ranked as high as third in 6A polls in New Mexico.

Life on a bus will continue to be a way of life this week. A 276-mile trek to Hobbs awaits Las Cruces High Friday, Oct. 7 for a District 3-6-A matchup with the 1-4 Eagles who were off last week after a 54-41 loss to Centennial. But Hobbs spread offense averages 34 points per game.

"We've got to control their pace," said first-year Bulldawg Head Coach Mark Lopez, who was a long time assistant to the retired Jim Miller. "Their tempo, they are extremely fast. We've got to do a great job up front defensively. And take advantage of every offensive opportunity."

The Bulldawgs offense has been potent. LCHS averages 41 points per game and has outscored opponents 208-100 in 2016.

"We feel good about what we're doing. I think that we're getting better each and every week, especially on the defensive side of the ball." Lopez said. "These guys are playing for each other."

Underclassmen Brandon Baeza and Ivan Molina are both experienced playmakers for

Do you know how mentally tough you are?

Hardly a round of golf goes by when I'm not asked or needed about some form of mental problem or painful complaint.

Usually it starts as a joke, perhaps after a badly yanked putt, although I've learned to detect a silent cry of distress masked by a nervous remark. In the grill-room, while a fellow golfer drowns the pain of a final-hole meltdown, I might

hear, "Charlie do you know a good shrink? Or "Got any anti-choke drugs in your car?"

The truth is, very few golfers actually seek out help with golf-related emotional and performance issues. Yet, some recreational golfers secretly



CHARLIE BLANCHARD

Golf Doctor

realize that they have mental game difficulties but won't do anything about it, except flagellate themselves in a seemingly light-hearted manner. Golfers – men golfers in particular – would rather go in for a root canal than admit any weakness of the brain.

After pondering this situation long and hard, I have found a way to help you – the mental-anguish afflicted – without you having to even make eye contact. It's a very short version of the Dr. Golf's Mental Toughness Quiz.

I developed the PGAR test some 12 years ago with the help of Coach Herb Wimberly. I have now condensed this proprietary rating evaluation into a 12-item test for you to get some grasp on your level of mental toughness. All items are in the form of "I" statements which are either true for you or true for you. So, to keep it simple just read the questions and record "yes" (i.e. true) or "no" (i.e. false) for each answer. Be brutally honest with your self-assessment and don't fool yourself. Otherwise you'll defeat the purpose:

1. I have practiced and developed a reliable and consistent short game around the greens.
2. I enjoy competition and handle competitive pressure exceptionally well.
3. I consistently demonstrate very good course management and solid decision-making.
4. I maintain a realistically positive attitude and self-talk nearly all the time when I play.
5. I do not make what would be considered stupid mistakes that cause me to beat myself.
6. I am a really, really good, consistently good, confident putter under all conditions.
7. I nearly always handle adversity and bad breaks on the golf course in a way that helps me.
8. I am disciplined about my pre-shot routine, understanding and using visualization.
9. I repeatedly exhibit exceptional coping skills and problem-solving ability during a round.
10. I am not overly hard on

myself, keeping golf in perspective, not sinking into perfectionism.

11. I earnestly believe I have substantial control over my own performance on the golf course.

12. I am able to control my emotions, reactions and behavior at all times.

Score a "1" for a yes and "0" for a no. If you have seven or more points, you show up with fair to good mental and emotional strength.

If you rate yourself less than six total points you probably have work to do, mostly between the ears. Within the next couple of weeks I will offer some suggestions on how to become a more mentally tough and confident competitive golfer.

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BULLDAWGS

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the Dawgs. Both started as freshman, something nearly unheard of in 6A football.

"We never had a freshman start until (Baeza) came through. And you think, wow that will never happen again. And then Ivan (Molina) does it the following year" Lopez said.

"For a sophomore (Molina) and a junior (Baeza) to have as much knowledge, not just of our offense and our defense, but to have as much knowledge of the game as they have is very very unique. We're probably a little bit spoiled by it right now," he said.

Baeza seemingly never comes off the field. He's a target at receiver on offense and a key component in the secondary on defense. He is also an excellent punt returner. "He's a shifty dude back there," Lopez said. "His punt return against Gadsden kind of looked like a video game. I mean spinning around on hands and everything else. I was ready to call the next play and he's going down the sideline for a touchdown," he said.

Elsewhere this week, Oñate is 4-2 and fresh off a 31-28 come from behind victory over Mayfield. It was the Knights first win over Mayfield since 1993. The Knights try to run their winning streak to 3 games in Carlsbad Friday.

The Trojans have a bye week to regroup before taking on Centennial for the first time Oct. 14. The Hawks pulled out a 7 point win over Carlsbad last week to go to 2-0 in the district. Centennial hosts Gadsden Friday, Oct. 7 at the Field of Dreams at 7 p.m.



Rhinoriffic

The Las Cruces Rhinos girls softball team was honored by the Las Cruces City Council at its Monday, Oct 3. meeting. The team is state champions for five- and six-year-old age group. The team is a member of the Las Cruces Youth Baseball Association, which is an independent nonprofit organization. "We're very proud of you," said Mayor Ken Miyagishima, noting that the team is the ninth-ranked girls softball squad in the nation.

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Knights snap 23-year drought

LEFT: The Oñate High Knights tangled with the Mayfield Trojans Friday, Sept. 30 at the Field of Dreams. The Knights beat Trojans 31-28 for the first time since 1993 and moved to 2-0 in district play.

RIGHT: Oñate High fans cheer on the Knights during the team's come-from-behind victory against Mayfield.

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Yasmine Contreras is a 17-year-old senior at Mayfield High School. She runs track and is Libero for the Lady Trojan volleyball team. So far this season, Contreras has had 14 digs per game and is leading passer and assists on the team. She is a great leader, responsible and gives 100 percent effort every day during practice and in the games. Contreras has been able to change the momentum of a game in a single play. She is a dedicated student with a 3.64 GPA, and when off the field, court and out of the classroom, enjoys watching football and basketball on TV, watching Netflix, spending time with her dog and discussing politics with her family.



Gavin Swinson is a 17-year-old senior at Mayfield High School. He is on the Trojan track and field, basketball and football teams. He is wide receiver and cornerback and so far this season has had 16 catches, 466 yards and six touchdowns. Swinson has a great work ethic and attitude and is mentally and physically tough, intelligent on the field and in the classroom. He is an overall great person. Swinson is a dedicated student with a 3.81 GPA, and has accepted a scholarship offer at New Mexico State University to play football. Outside of school and sports he enjoys painting and welding for his dad's company.



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