



Got 'em!

After Buddy Tharp ropes a steer's head, his cousin, Russell Tharp, throws his lasso to catch the legs Sunday, Sept. 20 during the Cowboys For Cancer Research team roping event at the Southern New Mexico Fairgrounds.

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13 file for five spots

By Brook Stockberger
Las Cruces Bulletin

Now it's official: We have a race. In fact, there are five races.

Candidates visited the Las Cruces City Clerk's office throughout the day Tuesday, Sept. 22 to file the proper paperwork to run for office in the upcoming municipal election, Tuesday, Nov. 3.

On the line are the position of mayor, three city council seats and the presiding municipal court judge position.

A total of 13 candidates – 11 men and two women – filed their candidacy paperwork.

Mayor's seat

Mayor Ken Miyagishima was one of the first to visit the clerk's office Tuesday morning as he seeks a third term in office. His opponents are City Councillor Miguel Silva and businesswoman Eugenia Montoya Ortega.

While Silva and Miyagishima announced well before the filing date, Ortega announced her candidacy three days

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Report: NMSU staffing is top heavy

By Brook Stockberger
Las Cruces Bulletin

A reorganization is in order at New Mexico State University and the school hopes such a move could save up to \$53 million.

The more than 3,000 staff employ-

ees – excluding the about 900 faculty members – learned Tuesday, Sept. 22 there will be changes on the way in how jobs will be approached and how hierarchy will function throughout the learning institution.

For the immediate future, that means no staff reductions.

An intensive 10-week, \$620,000 study shows New Mexico State University

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Who are the candidates?
In depth look at 13 who are running



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"For my family, I just knew I couldn't face cancer anywhere else." – Emily V.

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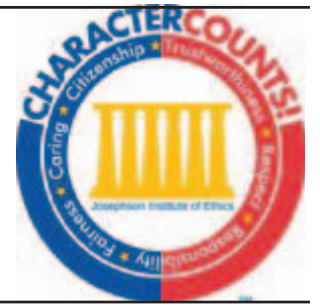
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Jetport hosts two Oct. 3 events

Weather permitting, Saturday, Oct. 3, will be a busy day at the Doña Ana County International Jetport at Santa Teresa.

Beginning at 7:30 a.m., a spot-landing contest will be held, with pilots getting three chances each for touch-and-go landings as close as possible to lines painted on the runway as a target.

Points will be awarded based on whether all of the aircraft's wheels touched the ground and how close complete contact comes to the designated target zone. Touchdowns within 20 feet of the target are worth 100 points, while touchdowns from 20-50 feet are worth 50 points, and touchdowns 50-75 feet distant from the target are worth 25 points.

Jetport Manager William 'Bill' Provance said the target will be placed about 1,000 feet from the front of the runway.



No registration is needed for the event. Contestants will be identified by the tail number on each competing aircraft.

Francis Aviation is offering a discounted fuel price to all competitors, Provance said, adding that an awards ceremony will be held shortly before noon at the War Eagles Air Museum, which is lo-

cated on the Jetport grounds. Lunch will be offered for \$6 per plate.

Also at the Jetport on Oct. 3, an Angel Fly-In is planned to celebrate volunteer pilots and charity-benefit flying.

Provance said Angel Flight South Central will be hosting the fly-in to introduce pilots to Angel Flight, welcome new pilots and recognize those who have made an impact on the regional community through charity-benefit flying. The event will feature an Angel Flight presentation and an opportunity to speak with other Angel Flight pilots.

Provance said he expects the bulk of the activity from the two events to occur between 7 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

The Doña Ana County Jetport at Santa Teresa is located in southern Doña Ana County.

Van wrap contest entrants sought

The board of directors of the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley has announced a contest to design the look of the shelter's large, new transport vehicle.

The design will turn the shelter's 2015 Ford F-650 transport van into a traveling billboard to promote the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley's 'Heartbeats Out' approach to aggressive rescue and off-site adoption initiatives.

The contest is open to any resident of Doña Ana County. The deadline for submissions is Friday, Oct. 9, at 5 p.m. Submissions can be submitted to the Doña Ana County Special Projects Office at the Doña Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd., in Las Cruces.

Each entry must show the proposed design for the front, rear and sides of the vehicle. Photographs and drawings of dogs, cats, puppies, kitten and rabbits are acceptable for inclusion in the design, but cartoon characters are prohibited. The design must incorporate the full name of the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley, as well as the artist's signature.

Finalists will be asked to present their design proposal(s) to the shelter's board of directors.

The board of directors of the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley reserves the right to have the final design fine-tuned by a professional graphic artist prior to application of the wrap. The winning artist must sign ownership of the design over to the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley, with the understanding that this and any future use of the design will be properly credited to the artist.

The large transport van was purchased with 2013 legislative appropriations.

2015 NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR



Corrie Stone-Fielder of the Doña Ana County Special Projects Office spent Thursday, Sept. 17, with Doña Ana County Manager Julia T. Brown (not pictured) handing out goodies and educating fairgoers about Doña Ana County during Gathering of Counties day at the 2015 New Mexico State Fair in Albuquerque.

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before the filing deadline.

Along with her husband, Ray, she owns and operates La Fiesta Bakery on North Valley Drive. She reports she has been a local advocate for small businesses and a strong proponent for public safety.

“I bring a positive alternative and choice in this election,” she said.

Taking over for Small

After two terms as the city councilor for District 4 – which includes parts of western Las Cruces and the West Mesa Industrial Complex – Nathan Small has decided not to seek a third term.

With an eye on the seat are: Gilbert Vasquez, a former sprinkler fitter for fire suppression systems; former health care administrator and business consultant Jack Eakman; and Richard Hall who says he does “light construction.”

“Taxes are high and regulations are kind of strangling businesses,” Hall said after he filed his papers.

Eakman said in his career he has “worked with budgets the size of Las Cruces’ (budget). I’m going to hit the ground running.”

Vasquez said he was waiting to see someone “step up that I could support.” When that did not happen, he decided to run himself.

“I’ve been campaigning for at least a month,” he said.

Two-man race

Unlike that for the job of mayor and the other council races, District 2 has two opponents: incumbent Greg Smith and businessman Philip Van Veen.

Smith has said he considered a run for mayor himself, but decided he wanted to continue to represent District 2, which takes up the area around New Mexico State University.

VanVeen uses the slogan “Cut the red tape.”

He’s president of two local businesses, Eagle Security LLC and owner of Umbrella Mesh Network. He said Las Cruces needs to do more to help entrepreneurs in areas like permitting

“It’s very difficult (to start a business,” he said. “The first five years are so critical, but if you spend two years getting up, (you’re behind).”

District 1

With Silva now in the race for mayor, his seat on the council, representing District 1 and the center portion of the

city, is now up for grabs.

Kasandra Gandara with the state’s Children, Youth and Families Department has thrown her hat into the ring along with businessman Eli Guzman and Steve Calderazzo.

Presiding judge

Presiding Municipal Judge Melissa Miller-Byrnes earlier announced she will not run for another term, so the other municipal court judge, Kieran Ryan, filed paperwork to take over the position. He said the municipal court is already operated smoothly, so he would not shake up the process.

“You don’t fix it if it’s not broken,” he said.

Ryan will face attorney William Kinsella.

“I’ve been a defense attorney and I’ve prosecuted,” he said. “I’ve helped people with parking tickets and I’ve had parking tickets. Judges should be fair and treat people fairly.”

The city clerk’s office will now certify the candidates. Certified candidates will draw for ballot position at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29 in the clerk’s office.

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Opinion



From the publisher

BY RICHARD COLTHARP

Some like it hot; well, most of us do

At some point in the next week or so, I will go to Roberto's restaurant and have some red enchiladas. Extra onions.

That in itself is not worth noting, other than it's an enjoyable meal. I do have an extra purpose this year. Bear with me.

Everywhere you go in Las Cruces, people are busy, busy, busy.

"There is so much going on this time of year," people say. "I don't know if I'm coming or going."

School's back. The weather's starting to cool off a bit. Football is in full swing. Every weekend in Las Cruces is packed with activities.

This weekend, the last weekend in September, for 34 years, offered yet another alternative for Las Cruces.

If you were born in in 1980 or later, you've never known a Las Cruces without the Whole Enchilada Fiesta.

Until now.

Organizers and board members determined earlier this year the fiesta was no longer sustainable. Part of their actions were based on a decision by Roberto himself, Roberto Estrada, to bow out of making the Whole Enchilada itself.

Early on in the fiesta's history, Roberto began work on the Whole Enchilada, the world's largest enchilada. It was confirmed by Guinness Book of World Records.

With the giant enchilada as a centerpiece, TWEF created a fair-like atmosphere, with a parade, rides, booths and, of course, some great music.

I particularly enjoyed two concerts from a few years back, Los Lonely Boys and Los Lobos.

It was always fun to watch Roberto work on the enchilada. Photos of him spreading cheese on the big enchy are part of the legendary Las Cruces iconography.

A lot of people, however, weren't necessarily keen on the enchilada itself.

"You should taste it once, just for the experience, but it's not like having a real Roberto enchilada," people would say.

That's true to a degree. Because of its sheer size, it had to be different from a regular plate-sized enchilada.

Regardless, I absolutely loved the enchilada. It's thickness indeed made it different, but it was still fantastic.

TWEF will be missed by many, but the event probably had run its course. The growth of Las Cruces has brought many new, additional events.

It used to be, Las Cruces would frequently say, "There's nothing to do this weekend."

Then it became, "Hey, there's this event going on this weekend."

Now it's, "There's so much going on this weekend, what are we going to do?"

While I enjoyed several TWEFs, and miss its presence, I don't lament the loss of the event. Roberto and TWEF had a good long run and weaved themselves into the fabric of Las Cruces' diverse, rich history.

Roberto has long devoted his time and energy to this and many other community projects over the years.

So perhaps you'll join me in, sometime this week, making a toast of sorts to Roberto and TWEF.

Red or green, onions or no, large-scale or small, it's still enchilada time in Las Cruces.

EDITORIAL CARTOON



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ruthlessness vs. civility

Each ideology is a justification to do whatever one wants. From this root springs a malignant growth that eventually undermines the whole structure.

Ideology ignores the necessity of balance. Avarice "justifies" any behavior that produces "more" for the avaricious. Hence deception, fraud, swindling, war, disregarding the health and safety of those around you – both human and environmental – are natural consequences of avarice.

It explains why we are a sociological shambles; we exist to "maximize" profits.

Why do we have a community? Schools? Economy? Government? Is it to protect and nurture each other or to ruthlessly misuse each other? Is it to arrange the social order to assure all are employed, schooled, housed, fed, clothed, medically provided for? We're reaping the harvest that avarice produces. Rich versus poor? No, it's ruthlessness versus civility.

Charles Clements

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

The fall run



I was ridin' pens for Horton in the fall of '91.

It was early October and the run had just begun.

He was buyin' calves like crazy 'cause the price was on the rise

And you couldn't see his pupils for the

glitter in his eyes!

He bought big ol' soggy weaners... soaked up virus like a sponge!

He bought dime-off little leppies when the market made a lunge,

He bought Terramycin junkies that

had been around the world

And hungry auction refugees that stuffed their cheeks like squirrels!

He bought growers offa wheatgrass, bought high mountain pasture calves,

He bought cuttin' bulls and ropin' steers, the have-nots and the haves,

Bought heifers that were baggin' up raised on leafy spurge and sage

And some that weighed two-fifty that were legal drinkin' age!

They were comin' in in boatloads! Trucks were lined up gunwale deep!

'Til the nightman up and quit us 'cause

they wouldn't let him sleep!

It was busy as an anthill at Receiving every day,

Calves were standin' in the alley, in the bunk and in the way.


All awaiting to be processed by the ragged cowboy crew

Who'd begun to look like prisoners doin' hard time at the zoo!


I was horseback checkin' new ones on the day before they broke

When the boss came drivin' up the bunk. He stopped and lit a smoke,

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

El Paso Electric should not get return on investment

El Paso Electric is asking for a 14-percent residential, nonfuel rate increase and for an 18.7-percent nonfuel increase from conservation-minded solar panel owners.

Because solar owners buy less electricity after installing solar panels, EPE wants to compensate itself for the loss by charging us a special rate, ostensibly to cover the cost of its infrastructure.

But the EPE grid wire attached to my solar-equipped house costs EPE no more than identical wires attached to non-solar houses.

Actually, my solar production reduces EPE's need to build or operate infrastructure to cover demand peaks.

Could FEDEX or UPS get away with charging me extra to cover their infrastructure — trucks, planes, and hubs — if I start receiving fewer packages?

EPE wants our electric bills to cover its costs plus a whopping 9 percent return on investment (ROI). If EPE, a monopoly, gets its costs covered by customers and incurs little risk, does it deserve an ROI, or money for stockholder dividends?

And if customers are paying for the EPE infrastructure, they should own it. The PRC should require EPE to operate with little or no profit like the nonprofit Las Cruces water and gas utilities.

William J. Beerman

Let's impair the urge to be impaired behind the wheel

At a traffic light, the car in front of me did not move when the light turned green. The driver's head was down, I suspect looking at text messages. After angry honking finally caused the person to look up and realize the light changed, the person made it through the light just as it turned red.

The rest of us had to wait through another light cycle. I suspect several drivers went back to their cell phones while waiting. It made me think of the good old days of driving when there were fewer distractions. However, it is a fact there have always been things that distracted drivers from their task with the road.

In the 1970s while working for a television station, I went to the scene of a wreck and was talking to a driver



Michael Swickard
In My Opinion

who confessed the wreck was the fault of his cigar.

"My cigar slipped out of my mouth and fell into my lap," he explained. Evidently the fire in his lap caused him to take his attention off the road.

Bam!

Paul and Joseph Galvin were the developers of car radios around 1930. Once installed, the radio gave the joy of entertainment but was one more reason for drivers to take their eyes off the road. It is hard to estimate how many people have died because of car radios.

There have also been beverages. One morning while leaving a small

town, I was holding a convenience store cup of fresh coffee. Concurrent to increasing my speed I was adjusting the radio when I looked up and a fellow in bib-overalls on a tractor was suddenly in front of me.

Out of instinct I clutched the paper coffee cup while applying the brakes thereby pouring very hot coffee all over myself. The rest of the day I had massive coffee stains but our guardian angels kept us from colliding.

It seems to me that now our society has many more distracted drivers. Years ago, primarily it was people who drank and drove that killed thousands upon thousands of people. In just the last ten years the distractibility index has zoomed. With the advent of cell phones, texting and video on demand, it's a wonder that some young people and some not so young people are still alive.

Part of the problem is knowing why vehicles collide. Often it is that the orbits and trajectories of the vehicles violate the law of not trying to occupy the same space at the same time. At least the textbook way of driving says running into things is a drag.

There are many theories on how to stop distracted driving. We see several broad categories of impairment: alcohol, drugs, sleep deprivation and physical distractions. These impairments are facts.

Wherever you were last night, somewhere near you someone was behind the wheel of a car and was impaired.

All good theories on how to combat such activity have a prescriptive component: If we as a society do this, then that will happen.

Some impaired drivers are caught, adjudicated and incarcerated. Many more offend day after week after month after year. We wake to headlines proclaiming a family was slaughtered by an impaired driver. The media captures the offender's sad face when realizing the effect of their actions.

The major impairment theory in America is that threats of a penalty will change behavior. The penalties for impaired driving have been increasing as politicians stand before the cameras and proclaim that they have a solution for this scourge: they will pass tougher and tougher penalties.

Can we as a society be tough? Can we elevate the penalties for impaired driving to the point that it disappears? For example, what if we took away a driver's license for five years on a first offense? Second time, forever and ever. Would that work?

The problem is that every weekend even after 25 years of DWI heavy enforcement there are people still being caught. Maybe texting while driving should automatically forfeit the car and serve time in jail. Are we tough enough to be that tough? Or have we become too soft to act? We must impair the urge to be impaired while driving.

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COMING UP

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Doña Ana County residents with unused, expired or unwanted prescription medications are encouraged to participate in the annual drug take-back program on Saturday, Sept. 26, sponsored in part by the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration and other local law-enforcement agencies.

The program gives the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous drugs. The service is free and anonymous. All drugs surrendered are destroyed.

Several locations around Doña Ana County will host take-back sites, and will be accepting medications from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., including all three Las Cruces Walmart locations and Sam's Club, K-Mart, Elks Club, NMSU police and others. New collection sites are still being added. For more information, visit www.dea.gov or call (800) 882-9539 for a complete list of collection sites.

NMSU alumnus, artist to visit Barnes & Noble

New Mexico State University alumnus George Mendoza will visit the Barnes & Noble at NMSU at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, to read and sign copies of "Colors of the Wind: The Story of Blind Artist and Champion Runner George Mendoza," a book illustrated by him and based on his experiences.

Mendoza, who graduated from the individualized studies department in 1978, began going blind at the age of 15. He lost his central vision and began seeing things that weren't there. He describes his condition as having "kaleidoscope eyes."

"Colors of the Wind" was written by fellow NMSU alumna Jessica Powers. Their collaboration earned them a nomination by the American Library Association as a finalist for the Schneider Family Book Award, which honors an author or illustrator for a book embodying an artistic expression of the disability experience for child and adolescent audiences.

This event is open to the public. Barnes & Noble at NMSU is located at 1400 E. University

Ave., and can be contacted at 646-4431.

For more information on artist George Mendoza, visit georgemendoza.com.

C4CR dinner scheduled

The Cowboys For Cancer Reach annual dinner, dance and silent auction is scheduled for 7 p.m., Friday, Oct. 9 at the Las Cruces Convention Center. Happy hour begins at 5:30 p.m.

Single tickets cost \$100 and a reserved table for 10 costs \$1,200.

For more information, call 642-5841.

Las Cruces Museum of Art fall art classes

Las Cruces Museum of Art announces the start of the Studio Program's Fall Sessions with new classes and new instructors for adults and children.

The first session will run until Oct. 21, and the second session will run Oct. 28 to Dec. 16, with a break the week of Thanksgiving.

Children's courses include a Homeschoolers Art class with gallery emphasis, Afterschool Mixed Media and Children's Ceramics. Adult courses include Ceramics (beginner and intermediate/advanced), Landscape Painting, Oil Painting, Art Critique and Technique and Classical Drawing.

Tuition ranges from \$60 to \$110 per session. The Las Cruces Museum of Nature & Science is located at 491 N. Main St. For more information, call 541-2137 or visit <http://las-cruces.org/museums>.

Museum of Nature and Science offers 'Evolved'

"Evolved" is a program that makes circuits through time, discussing important points in evolution and the development of the world. Every Friday at 3 p.m. attendees explore the beginnings of the universe and discuss what the future may hold for us, as informed by modern philosophy and science. Evolved is free of charge and all ages are welcome.

The museum is located at 411 N. Main Street and is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For additional information, visit the website las-cruces.org/museums or call 522-3120.

Dress the Child Dinner

Tickets are now on sale for the 29th annual Las Cruces Dress the Child fundraising dinner, set for Sunday, Oct. 4, at the Las Cruces Convention Center. Tickets are \$60 each or \$600 for a table of 10.

All the food and labor

for the dinner, as well as the venue, will be donated by local chefs, the Las Cruces Convention Center, Las Cruces restaurants and St Clair winery, said coordinator Doug Boberg. That means 100 percent of the money collected from dinner ticket sales will go to buy clothes and shoes for participating students, who are selected because of financial need by Las Cruces Public Schools and the Gadsden Independent School District.

To purchase tickets, call Dress the Child Co-Chairs Boberg at 644-9469 or Matt Holt at 993-2331 or email dougboberg@comcast.net. For more information about Dress the Child events, visit <http://dress-the-child.weebly.com/how-you-can-help.html>.

A cash donation in any amount can be made to the Dress the Child Program, c/o the Las Cruces Rio Grande Rotary Foundation. Mail it to ATTN: Brad Beasley, P.O. Box 550, Las Cruces, NM 88014.

High Heels for High Hopes set for Nov. 20

It's time to strap on the heels and celebrate the babies during the March of Dimes Awards, High Heels for High Hopes ninth annual Style Show, set for Friday, Nov. 20, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, presented by

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Ambassador: Empower locals to contain Islamic State

By Mike Cook
Las Cruces Bulletin

The Islamic State (often called ISIS or ISIL) is “deeply entrenched” in Syria and Iraq,” said Robert S. Ford, former United States ambassador to Syria and deputy ambassador to Iraq, as he addressed the annual Domenici Public Policy Conference Thursday, Sept. 17 at New Mexico State University on the topic of U.S. policy in the Middle East.

The Islamic State is a “real entity,” he said. It has an administration and a bureaucracy, it refines and sells oil and it even has tax collectors. The only way to contain it is to “empower local people” and to build up regional military forces that don’t include the U.S.

For example, Ford said, there are moderate groups in Syria that the U.S. government should back with weapons, supplies and money in their opposition to both the Islamic State and the repressive regime of President Bashar Assad.

“I don’t think it’s too late,” said Ford, who served as U.S. ambassador to Syria from 2011 to 2014.

He previously had served as deputy ambassador to Iraq



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Former U.S. ambassador to Syria Robert Ford, left, speaks Thursday, Sept. 17 at New Mexico State University during the annual Domenici Public Policy Conference while NMSU President Garrey Carruthers looks on.

(2008 to 2010) and ambassador to Algeria (2006 to 2008).

In addition, America needs to work with all countries involved in the Middle East crisis, including Russia, Iran, the Turks, the Saudis and others, to find a solution, Ford said.

“Get all these countries to-

gether and work out the broad parameters of a settlement,” he said. And then put more pressure on “recalcitrant parties” such as Assad to cooperate.

The U.S. should not “support oppressive dictators,” he said. It should back governments that “don’t suppress their people.”

The U.S. government should “support groups that want to reach a political solution,” Ford said.

The Islamic State arose in part, he said, because the Obama administration insisted that Nouri al-Maliki continue to serve as prime minister of Iraq following parliamentary elections in 2010, even though he was a partisan Shia Muslim and his selection violated the new Iraqi constitution the U.S. had helped to write. “The Islamic State, comprised of radical Sunni Muslims, “fed on a repressive government,” which helped with their recruitment efforts, Ford said.

The Obama administration began a bombing campaign in Syria and Iraq against the Islamic State more than a year ago, and “there are a lot of questions about the approach and how it’s working,” Ford said.

Because of its focus on the Islamic State, Ford said the U.S. government “has disengaged” from other countries that were part of the Arab Spring revolutions against repressive governments that began in December 2010 in Tunisia and spread to Egypt, Libya, Yemen and other

Middle Eastern countries.

More U.S. support is needed in Lebanon, for example, he said. The country has not had a government for a year. Syrian children who were refugees in that country froze to death. Ford said the anger and radicalization that resulted help the Islamic State.

But, the U.S. can’t fix the Sunni-Shia conflict, which dates back to the seventh century, Ford said. “We can’t expect them how to interpret the Quran,” he said. “They need to solve this problem themselves.”

“The most important thing is for the United States to think about its key principals and stick with them,” Ford said. The U.S., he said, should “help people who have a vision of politics and human rights in line with our vision.”

“This is not just a military problem,” Ford said. “This is basically a political problem.”

Ford, who lives in Vermont, is a senior fellow at the Middle East Institute in Washington, D.C. He has appeared on CNN, PBS, Fox, MSNBC, NPR, the BBC and Arabic news networks as well as in the New York Times and Foreign Policy, according to www.mei.edu.

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America's aging infrastructure worries engineers, leaders

By Mike Cook
Las Cruces Bulletin

Infrastructure is one of those topics talked about all the way from city hall to the White House. Essentially, infrastructure is the basic structures and facilities of a governmental entity like the City of Las Cruces or Doña Ana County, or the state of New Mexico or the United States. It refers to everything from roads and bridges to inland waterways and railroads.

And, according to speakers at the eighth annual Domenici Public Policy Conference held Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 17 and 18 at the Las Cruces Convention Center, America's infrastructure is old and dangerously underfunded.

Andrew Herrmann, former president of both the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and the Committee for America's Infrastructure, said ASCE's 2013 report card on 16 categories of national infrastructure shows 11 with a grade of D (poor, at risk). None received a grade of A (exceptional, fit for the future) or F (failing, critical, unfit for purpose), solid waste received the only B (a B+, actually), and there were only four Cs: Bridges, Ports, Rail, and Public Parks and Recreation, with the last three each receiving a C+. A grade of B means good, adequate for now, while a C means mediocre, requires attention, according to the report.

The U.S. needs an additional investment of more than \$1.5 trillion in the next five years to adequately deal with infrastructure issues, he said.

Former U.S. Secretary of Transportation Mary E. Peters said the U.S. is no longer keeping pace with the rest of the world in terms of the maintenance of its infrastructure. America, she said, is 16th in the global ranking of infrastructure competitiveness.

"Infrastructure is the backbone of our economy," said Samara Berand, senior vice president and public-private partnership director for AECOM Capital.



Former U.S. Secretary of Transportation Mary E. Peters speaks at the annual Domenici Public Policy Conference. She said the U.S. is no longer keeping pace with the rest of the world in terms of the maintenance of its infrastructure.

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ASCE rates each infrastructure category based on things like capacity, condition, funding and resilience (see infrastructurereportcard.org).

Here are some of the categories and their grades:

- Roads received a grade of D. 42 percent of America's highways remain congested, Herrmann said. He said the U.S. spends about \$90 billion a year on its roads, but needs to spend \$110 billion.

- Bridges: C+. The ASCE report, he said, rates one in nine bridges in the U.S. as deficient.

- Inland waterways: D-. Herrmann said the average age of America's locks is more than 50 years, and the system averages 52 service interruptions a day.

- Aviation: D. Herrmann said the cost of congestion at America's airports was \$22 billion per year in 2012, and will grow

to \$34 billion by 2020 and to \$67 billion by 2040.

- Railroads: C+. Herrmann said a \$75 billion capital investment in America's freight and passenger rail service has been needed since 2009.

- Transit: D. 45 percent of American households lack any access to transit, he said.

- Energy: D+. \$1,000 is the average cost of one hour of power disruption for a U.S. business, Herrmann said.

- Levees: D-. There are 100,000 miles of levees in the United States, Herrmann said, and yet flooding damage cost \$141 billion in 2011.

- Drinking water: D. There are 240,000 water mains break each year in the U.S., he said. "Out of sight, out of mind" is one reason these kinds of systems lack adequate maintenance, Herrmann said.

"What are the consequences if we fail to act?" Herrmann asked. Without an investment of \$1.6 trillion by 2020 to bring the overall infrastructure grade up to a B, he said, there could be 3.5 million job losses nationwide, a \$3,000 per year drop in personal disposable income per household and a \$3.1 trillion loss in the gross domestic product.

Herrmann said America needs an "infrastructure vision," but right now, he said, there "doesn't seem to be one." To deal with infrastructure issues, he said, the U.S. needs three things: 1) bold leadership and a compelling vision. "We need a direction for where to go with our infrastructure," Herrmann said; 2) sustainability and resilience; and 3) prioritization, planning and funding.

"Game changers," Herrmann said, would include getting people to think about infrastructure, and technological innovations like robotic bridge inspection tools, smart parking systems, accelerated bridge construction and, recycled and reclaimed water.

Peters said one solution to the funding issue would be to increase the federal gas tax, which she said has lacked congressional support since 1993. Public awareness is also important, she said. People have to speak up and tell local, state and federal elected officials that adequate funding for infrastructure is essential.

"We are at a very precarious point," Peters said. "We have to convince the public to press elected officials to do something."

Berand said public-private partnerships have dealt successfully with infrastructure issues across the country, and enabling legislation should be considered on a national level.

New Mexico State University President and former New Mexico Governor Garrey Carruthers, who introduced speakers at the conference, concluded the session by saying, "We don't express infrastructure in the right terms." We need to think of it as it relates to jobs and economic development, he said.

Family asks for help finding missing daughter

Dr. Eduardo Castrejon of Las Cruces and his son, Oscar, spoke to the Las Cruces City Council at its regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 21, asking for help in finding Janet Castrejon, 44, who is Eduardo Castrejon's daughter and Oscar's sister. They also asked for help in making her disappearance more widely

known through social media.

The Castrejon family was vacationing in a camping area in the Chiricahua Mountains in southern Arizona when Janet disappeared on the afternoon of June 19, 2015.

Janet is "severely neurologically impaired," Oscar said. But, because of her age, she cannot be the sub-

ject of either an amber or a silver alert.

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“The NMSU we know today cannot sustain the marketplace of tomorrow,” University President Garrey Carruthers said. “We never have money to do anything (inventive).”

He said the school cannot continue to cut budget in reaction to declining enrollment, increased costs and shrinking federal research funding. In addition, Standard & Poor’s issued notice that NMSU was downgraded from AA to AA-Outlook is Stable credit rating due to declines in enrollment and operating deficits.

A new path was needed

NMSU hired the company Deloitte Consulting to



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study the university and develop plans to find savings.

No staffing cuts planned

“I asked if we were overstaffed,” Carruthers said.

Deloitte responded that staffing organization was more out of line than were staffing levels.

So while a hiring freeze remains at the university, there are no cuts planned. Carruthers, though, said he understands one can “never say never.” He said he does not want to say there will never be cuts and paint himself into a corner.

“We may or may not be overstaffed,” Carruthers said.

Top heavy

“Many workers have management titles,” Carruthers said. “We don’t want to have any manager managing less than three people.”

The report shows that NMSU should have a manager-to-staff ratio of more like eight to one.

The university also needs to reduce management layers. Span of control, the number of levels between staff and management, should ideally be about four. At NMSU that number is six.

The Deloitte report suggests NMSU “consolidate management responsibilities university wide.”

Fragmented

Deloitte reports there is “considerable fragmentation.” The company found work being performed is distributed broadly across the university.

“Academics are always decentralized,” Carruthers said. “But it causes problems.”

Carruthers said some employees will find their roles redefined or they may even be reassigned.

“We spent a lot of money (on the consultants), so we’re going to be following up immediately on their report,” he said.

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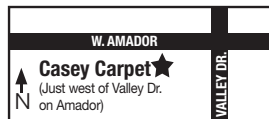
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Oct. 4 car show to benefit local wounded warriors

By Alta LeCompte
Las Cruces Bulletin

If David Cheek had a soapbox, he'd be taking it all over town to spread the excitement he feels about the Oct. 4 car show for the benefit of local wounded warriors.

Deprived of a soapbox, he's doing the next best thing — taking flyers around to businesses and talking up the event to anyone who'll listen.

"All the money raised is for local veterans," he said. "None of it goes to a national organization. Everybody should come out and support it. It's for a good cause, and the price (free) is right."

Those attending the show from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday in the Steinborn Plaza parking lot, 141 N. Roadrunner Parkway, will see him helping out any way he can.

The all-day event organized by Junior Adams on behalf of Mesilla Valley Masonic charities will feature much more than cool cars.

Chapter No. 20, Order of the Eastern Star, will serve breakfast and lunch; the Las Cruces Shrine Club will sell coffee and donuts; and snow cones will be available.

DJ Randy Lynch will play oldies and vintage Western music and Bobby Gutierrez and Joel Hixon will be on the scene from Big Chile Country satellite radio.

Hourly door prizes, a silent auction and the raffling of a 30.06 rifle



Junior Adams discusses logistics for the Oct. 4 Wounded Warrior benefit car show on site at Steinborn Plaza, 141 N. Roadrunner Parkway, with David Cheek of Cruisers Unlimited and Pat Waters of Jornada Masonic Lodge.

with scope and stainless steel barrel and a 12-gauge shotgun will be highlights of the day.

Driving in to exhibit their vehicles and answer questions from the community will be officers from the Las Cruces Police Department, Las Cruces Fire Department, New Mexico State Police and Doña Ana County

Sheriff's Office. Cheek, a member of Cruisers Unlimited car

club, is bringing five vintage hot rods to the show. His collection includes a '41 Willys, '71 Nova super sport, '57 Chevy Bel Air, '33 Ford coupe and a '55 Chevy station wagon.

He's also encouraging fellow club members and predicts they'll show up with 15 vehicles.

To Cheek, himself a wounded warrior, it's personal.

"I contracted Type 2 diabetes as a result of exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam," he said.

He served in the Army in Vietnam from January 1967 to May 1968, but was diagnosed with

the disease in 2001.

In the '60s, the war was unpopular and returning veterans were treated much differently than they are now, he said.

"I didn't tell anyone for a long time I'd been there," he said. "I just kept it to myself."

Cheek said he is pleased that today's men and women are

surviving combat injuries at a higher rate, although some suffer life-altering wounds and endure years of hospitalization and rehabilitation before resuming lives that are not what most would call normal.

Helping veterans who are dealing with combat wounds is important to Adams as well.

"I'm doing this to thank the men and women for what they've done for us," he said. "We can't buy them cars or houses, because we don't have that kind of money, but we're doing what we can."

The money raised at the show will be turned into gift certificates to help veterans and their families meet basic needs.

They will receive their gift certificates at a dinner 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at Jornada Masonic Lodge No. 70, 1250 W. University Ave. in Mesilla.

Combat wounded veterans and first responders will be guests of the lodge and attend the dinner free of charge.

For information about the car show or dinner, call Adams at 521-0406.

Alta LeCompte can be reached at alta@lascrucesbulletin.com or 680-1840.

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White House touts NMSU program as 'Bright Spot'

By **Minerva Baumann**
For the Bulletin

New Mexico State University's College Migrant Assistance Program (CAMP) was named one of the country's "Bright Spots in Hispanic Education." More than 230 programs and organizations are now listed online in the national catalog that recognizes their commitment to narrowing the Latino achievement gap.

"Our students are proving how successful we are by landing jobs in their fields of expertise," said Cynthia Bejarano, principal investigator of the program she founded in 2002. "We have accountants, CPAs, engineers and teachers who are working in New Mexico and elsewhere – Texas, Indiana, California, Ohio – so they're really becoming the ambassadors of the NMSU CAMP program and talking about our good work."

U.S. Sen. Martin Heinrich, nominated the NMSU program for the honor.

The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics was established in 1990 to address educational disparities in Hispanic communities. The announcement of this year's "Bright Spots in Hispanic Education" was made at the launch of Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15 in honor of the initiative's 25th anniversary.

NMSU CAMP is hosting a reunion next weekend

inviting all current and former students of the program to celebrate their success.

"I am pleased to see the hard work of NMSU's CAMP recognized nationally," said Christa Slaton, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "The children of migrant farmworker families start college with significant challenges but our caring staff and faculty understand the needs of these students and provide a safe haven of support as well as the academic tools they need to succeed and it's been working for more than 13 years."

Bejarano points to surveys of students in the program that indicate 79 percent of NMSU CAMP students who have graduated with bachelor's degrees are now in the workforce as professionals in New Mexico alone. The percentage is higher when we account for all NMSU CAMP alumni across the nation.

The program, which provides scholarships and book stipends as well as mentoring for students, has helped nearly 380 students from across New Mexico, West Texas, Arizona and Colorado.

Rocky Navarette, an NMSU senior mechanical engineering student, is a CAMP tutor and peer mentor for the program.

"CAMP is an extensive family that has provided me with scholarships, a job and moral support," Navarette said. "CAMP

has a sense of community rather than just a freshman going to a university on their own. They have taught me to never give up."

In 2012, NMSU's CAMP program, which is part of the College of Arts and Sciences, was among only eight CAMP programs nationwide selected to re-

ceive an additional five-year grant from the U.S. Education Office of Migrant Education.

"Working in the fields is not easy," Bejarano said. "Waking up at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning to go out and pick chiles or pick onions or work in an onion shed is very arduous work. We're able to do

what other programs and financial mechanisms are not able to do, to understand the story and the lived experience of our students and help them apply those tools they have learned working in the fields to the academic setting."

The Bright Spots initiative seeks to encourage

sharing data-driven approaches, promising practices and effective partnerships that result in increased support for educational attainment of Hispanic youth.

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NMSU gathering soil data after King Gold Mine river contamination

By Jane Moorman
For the Bulletin

Kevin Lombard knows how his neighbors are feeling after the King Gold Mine spill in Silverton, Colo.

He stood on the banks of the Animas River, 500

meters from his three-acre vegetable garden, and watched the plume of the spill turn the river water orange in August.

Lombard's not your average San Juan County farmer – he's an associate professor of horticulture

at New Mexico State University's Agricultural Science Center at Farmington.

"When I saw the plume come through in the river, I wasn't content on sitting by the river and crying about it," Lombard said.

"The scientist kicked in and I said let's grab some samples and take advantage of this event. This is historical."

While the irrigation gates were closed, Lombard and a team took between 100 and 120 sam-

ples of ditch sediment to establish a baseline for heavy metal contamination.

"We took soil samples from ditches that had not had contaminated water in them," he said. "We want to get baseline data,

to have when we re-evaluate the sediment at the end of the irrigation season. We want to see if any heavy metals were transferred to the ditches when they were running after the spill."

Consumers' concern regarding farmers irrigating with the river water after the spill were expressed during a public forum in Farmington on Sept. 1. The biggest concern was whether the water is distributing heavy metals from sediment onto the surface soil and into the plants.

"There is still an unknown of whether the water will spread heavy metal contaminants that could have settled in the river and irrigation ditch bottoms," Lombard said.

"Farmers have had to decide whether to use the water or not," Lombard said about the river water, which the New Mexico Environment Department and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency tests indicate is safe to use. "If they choose to not irrigate, they will lose

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thousands of dollars or even their sustenance. We are lucky – we have a well, so we continued our drip irrigation as usual when the irrigation ditches were shut off.”

He added that the farmers market manager in Durango, where he sells his produce, inquired about the protocol used during and after the spill.

During the forum, farmers asked representatives of the New Mexico Environment Department, U.S. EPA and New Mexico Department of Agriculture, along with NMSU agriculture specialists about the danger and potential impact on their crops and animals.

“The critical period is over,” said Tim Hanosh, veterinarian and director of New Mexico’s Diagnostic Laboratory. “The levels may have been high but not extremely high or high enough to cause acute problems.”

He advised livestock growers to keep an eye on their herd for any signs of unexplained illness, which could indicate an accumulation of heavy metals in their system, but from the EPA and NMED reports, he did not expect to see any such signs.

To help alleviate that concern, Richard Strait, state soil scientist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, contacted David Weindorf, Texas Tech University associate dean of research in the College of

Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, to help out.

“They got in touch with me because I use a portable x-ray fluorescence spectrometer extensively,” Weindorf said. “Point it at the soil, take a reading and 60 seconds later, you have information about the soil.”

Weindorf and Lombard worked together for three days taking readings of soil in fields along the Animas and San Juan rivers, as well as the river banks.

“This equipment is amazing,” Lombard said.

“Using the traditional way of testing soil, it takes weeks to get the results back. Plus it costs between \$50 and \$100 for each sample tested.”

On the first day, 40 screenings were conducted in six hours. Weindorf said the levels of pollution were well below the level for concern.

“We were looking for levels of lead, cadmium, arsenic, copper and a lot

of other different things,” Weindorf said. “Lead is one of the metals used as a tracer for most pollution analysis. The average for our first 40 samples was 20 to 30 parts per million. To give you a context, the U.S. residential danger level for lead in soil is 400 parts per million. This soil is well below that level.”

NMSU College of Agricultural, Consumer and

Environmental Sciences is committed to future studies of the Animas and San Juan rivers riparian area to see what effects the King Gold Mine spill may still have.

“Now we have baseline data for future studies,” Lombard said. “It will be important for us to continue to sample the soil to ensure that heavy metal contamination levels do not increase.”



Looking Back

This week in the history of the Mesilla Valley



Zak Hansen
Reflections

100yearsago

- The front page of the Sept. 25 Las Cruces Citizen informed readers of the booming weekly's new subscription rate of \$2 per year.
- "If automobiles are a criterion to prosperity Las Cruces is swimming in it," opined a Citizen editorial. "The unfortunate farmer or merchant who arrives in town later that nine-thirty in the morning must hitch or park his vehicle on one of the side streets. Main Street throughout the day is so crowded with autos that at times it is difficult even to park a bicycle. This condition is far from being deplored by the citizens, for it give Las Cruces a thrifty look which can't be duplicated in the southwest."
- The department of education had been informed that "plans are being drawn for a new \$15,000 public school at Doña Ana and for a \$10,000 school at Berino,"

the Citizen reported.

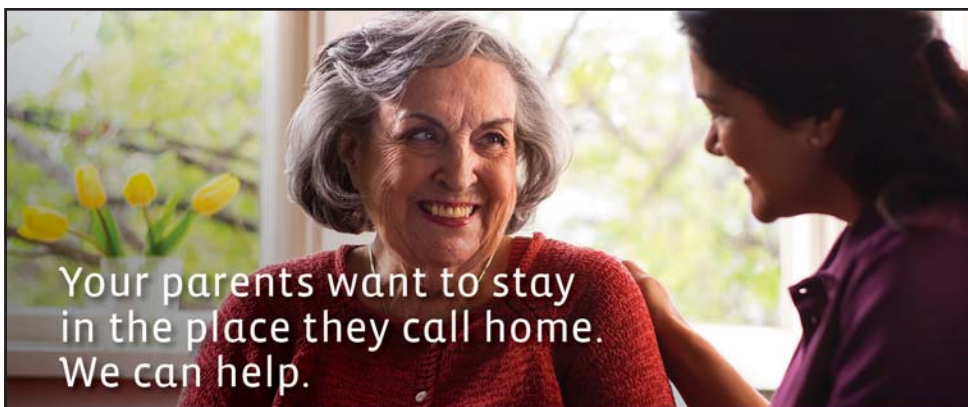
75yearsago

- The Boston Store was offering a \$5 reward "paid to the first person – employee or customer – who will bring to our notice and misrepresentation or exaggeration in our price tags, signs or advertisements."
- Las Cruces had been selected as the last city to play the government-sponsored \$1,000,000 annual Coronado Entrada, set to play the second week in October at Quesenberry Field.
- "Several parts of a human skeleton have been discovered by workmen excavating for the foundation of the Safeway store at the corner of Church and Amador streets, which recall to the old-timers the site of the building will be at the point of the first highway officially designated in Doña Ana County – the road being from Doña Ana to Las Cruces and ordered by Richard Campbell, the first probate judge of the county, under date of Sept. 17, 1853, according to old records found in the courthouse." The site was one block west of what was the Camps Santos, or "ground of the saints,"

where 20 years prior graves were still visible, markers removed by the Spanish-Methodist Church erected on the site.

50yearsago

- The Sept. 30 Citizen reported the executive committees of the United Fund and Planned Parenthood had "mutually agreed to exclude Planned Parenthood as a participating agency for the current year's campaign" in order to "assure the success of" the 1966 United Fund Campaign. Planned Parenthood President Mrs. Leland Evans said her group did not wish to hurt the United Fund in any way, saying "The boys and girls of the community will be helped by the United Fund, but now that we have been excluded, the Fund will provide no help to poor women."
- The New Mexico State Aggies were set to renew the "bitter rivalry between the two undefeated squads before a sell-out crowd on 30,000 in Sun Bowl Stadium" as they prepared to take on the University of Texas-El Paso Miners. Three days later, the Aggies would fall to the Miners 21-6.



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Parent program graduates more than 1,000

By Mike Cook
Las Cruces Bulletin

“It was the best decision that we both made. We learned so much about our ever-changing school district,” said Las Cruces Public Schools Institute for Parent Engagement (IPE) facilitator Lila Thelan as she introduced the IPE program to parents at Picacho Middle School (PMS) Tuesday evening, Sept. 15.

Thelan said she and husband were in the first IPE class when Superintendent Stan Rounds introduced the program in January 2013. Now, as a facilitator of the program, she is helping to connect parents more with their schools and school communities.

LCPS staff have are holding orientation sessions for parents at the 26 schools participating in the IPE program. The orientation at PMS drew more than 50 parents, and about that many children, who were provided day-care. Snacks were served in the PMS library before the parents broke up into an English-speaking orientation session led by Thelan and a Spanish-speaking orientation led by Alex Rodriguez, which had the most attendees.

‘Dynamic conversations’

LCPS began IPE in January 2013 based on a highly successful model created in California. To date, more than 1,000 parents have graduated from the program, which is designed to strengthen the connection among families and schools and to equip parents with the tools needed at every level of their children’s school journey.

“As the word spreads, more and more parents are interested in joining the dynamic conversations taking place through IPE,” said Rounds. “We’re even seeing parents who have



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Parents sign in for the LCPS Institute for Parent Engagement orientation Sept. 15 at Picacho Middle School.

graduated and now want to take the next level of classes. IPE is a perfect example of parent engagement and parents are the reason why we’re seeing such great success.”

Thelan said she and husband have a daughter who is a seventh-grader and a son who is a senior in LCPS schools. IPE, she said, connects “parents, schools and community partners to advance the education of every child through parent engagement.”

‘Let them dream big’

Some of the things par-

ents learned at the IPE orientation at PMS:

- Nationwide and in New Mexico, a significant number of economically disadvantaged students are reading below grade level by the fourth grade. Thelan advised parents to “find out your child’s reading level and proceed from that. It’s hugely important. It indicates so much.” For example, she said, reading levels can be predictors of graduation rates and graduates’ ability to continue on into higher education.

- According to the 2010 Census, 35 percent of U.S. high school graduates en-

roll in four-year degree universities. That means two of three high school graduates don’t go to a four-year school, Thelan said. All students have high goals, she said, but not all of them are given the appropriate guidance and are not taking the right classes to reach those goals. Parents need to weigh expectations vs. reality, and they need to learn more about advanced placement classes and dual-language courses that give students college credit at no cost to the parents.

- A person who enters the workforce without a high school diploma can expect to earn about \$21,312 a year, according to the 2010 Census, Thelan said. That same person with a high school diploma can expect to earn \$30,048 per year; with an associate’s degree, \$36,819; with a bachelor’s degree, \$49,824;

with a master’s degree, \$61,056; and with a PhD, \$74,400. Those numbers are probably lower in New Mexico, she said.

- The LCPS high school graduation rate increased from 70.8 percent in 2010-11 to 76.8 percent in 2013-14, Thelan said. By 2020, two-thirds of all U.S. jobs will require a high school graduation, she said, quoting former U.S. Secretary of Labor Thomas Perez.

- The most reliable predictors of student success, Thelan said, are a home environment that supports education; adults who have high but reasonable expectations for their children – “set the bar high,” Thelan said; and parents who are actively involved in their children’s education.

Supporting academic achievement

Thelan said steps to col-

lege include motivating students to choose college, financial aid, grade point average, college entrance exams (ACT, SAT) and graduating from high school with a diploma of excellence. They will all be topics of upcoming workshops at IPE schools, she said.

Other topics during this semester will include supporting the academic achievement of adolescents as they go through personal changes, connecting student academic success and self-esteem, overcoming obstacles to academic success, preparing students to meet university admission requirements, helping parents and students understand the importance of middle school as a bridge to high school and motivating teenagers to read.

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Crucen works to begin Parkinson's registry

By **Christophe Chino**
Las Cruces Bulletin

In order to conduct research to help battle diseases, there must be data present to use in the research. Unfortunately for those who suffer from Parkinson's disease in New Mexico and worldwide, there simply isn't enough data to move into the research phase of finding any effective treatments, and ultimately a cure for the disease.

Las Cruces John Hamilton, who was diagnosed with Parkinson's at 65, understands all too well how the disease takes over a person's life and well-being. He also understands the research process, and the fact that without sufficient data, there is little hope for any relief for others who will suffer from the disease in the future.

"We need something to help reduce the number of people developing Parkinson's disease; we need a registry," Hamilton said. A registry is a tool used to track those who have been diagnosed with a particular disease, taking in to account their demographics, their current treatment and condition, as well as the outcomes in correlation with their treatments.

With the formation of a registry, acquiring data in order to

start researching possible treatments and cures becomes possible. Fewer than 10 states currently have a Parkinson's registry formed, with New Mexico being in the majority group of states whom have yet to form a registry.

Coalition

Hamilton established and heads the Parkinson's Registry Coalition of New Mexico, which over the past few months has begun to gain some momentum.

Donna Wagner, the Dean of the College of Health and Social Services at New Mexico State University, has pledged her full support for Hamilton and his efforts to have a registry formed in the state.

"Medically and scientifically, there is no treatment or cure for Parkinson's disease," Wagner said. "And this should really be the reason for a registry in the state."

Wagner explained that the College of Health and Social Services will offer all that is possible to help gain recognition for the importance of a registry. "We are behind this completely," she said, "We want to encourage the state government to push this. We need to know the prevalence of Parkinson's in the state."

'Disease can hit at a young age'

Hoda Ali, who has come to NMSU from Egypt to work on gaining her master's degree in public health, is working alongside Wagner in her attempts to help Hamilton form the registry and also better understand and identify the causes and treatments for Parkinson's disease.

Ali attributes a lack of registries nationwide for the disease to multiple factors, but believes the most relevant factor to be a lack of education when it comes to understanding Parkinson's. "Many people believe that this disease is only for those who are of older age, and it's just a sign of aging, but in fact, the disease can hit at a young age," she said, referencing celebrity actor Michael J. Fox, who was diagnosed with the disease at the age of 29.

Wagner and Ali also connect the fact that Parkinson's is not directly deemed deadly as a reason for many to dismiss the disease of any recognition.

"Though the disease itself is not deadly, the quality of life is affected horribly," Ali said.

"We just don't know enough"

But finding a cure or even effective treatments does not seem to be right around the corner. With minimal attention and

funding, Parkinson's disease becomes increasingly hard to define and battle.

"We just don't know enough about the disease, not just in New Mexico, but globally," Ali said.

Hamilton does not let the sight of an uphill battle deter him from his ultimate goal of forward movement in the fight against Parkinson's; lobbying his case to officials both locally and statewide.

Doña Ana County Commissioner David Garcia has already expressed his support for the successful establishment of a Parkinson's registry in the state.

"A registry is the bottom line, it's the bottom line in gaining data for research," he said. "It's the bottom line in the fight against Parkinson's."

In a recent letter released on Sept. 21, Garcia called for the support of his fellow policy makers to join him in his support for the formation of the registry, writing, "This is not a request for money, but rather a request for any resources in the form of grant sources, your input, and your collaboration."

Also in his letter, Garcia detailed those who have been presented with the Registry Initiative, such as Las Cruces Mayor,

Ken Miyagishima, and the Health and Human Services Alliance; Wagner was also included in this list.]

'Like a train'

Hamilton is not trying to gain the tools to find a cure for himself, but alternatively for those in the future, so that they may not have to live with the pain and difficulties that he currently does. As Wagner describes, Hamilton is trying to "leave a legacy behind."

"Parkinson's is like a train," Hamilton said. "You get on the train, you get the disease. And the train only has one destination, end of life. You can't get rid of it, you can't cure it. You stop at different stations and people get on that train. They can't get off, I can't get off. What can we do?" He continues, "If we can figure out why people are getting Parkinson's, we might have a better grasp of what to do about it. And I determined if I could, I would try to stop people from getting on that train."

For further information on how to contribute to the formation of a Parkinson's Disease Registry in New Mexico, Garcia can be reached at 525-5804, or by email at dgarcia@donaanacounty.org.

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IPE Coordinator Brigitte Zigelhofer said the IPE program will continue for the next nine weeks, including the orientation session, six workshops, a dialogue with principals

and graduation. Level two of the program will be introduced in schools in early 2016.

If a student meets NMSU's admission requirements and his or her parent(s) graduate from IPE, that student will auto-

matically be accepted for admission to NMSU, Thelan said.

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2 blind marketers share their insight

By **Alta LeCompte**
Las Cruces Bulletin

New Mexico's small business community, intent on uncovering the blind spots in their clients' marketing.

Blindness is not a marketing gimmick — it's a physical fact for Michael and Teresa Blaes, a husband-and-wife team that's been assisting clients with branding, website development and lead generation since 2007. In the past five years they have focused on helping businesses maximize the impact of their social media activities.

CEO Michael Blaes, who is legally blind, uses a reading program called Zoontext to magnify the screen up to 32 times. Teresa Blaes, director of marketing, who is totally blind, uses WindowEyes.

"For me the computer is the great equalizer," Michael Blaes said.

He got into marketing by first



Adam Garcia finishes setting up the information table for two Blind Marketers and Associates while Michael Blaes prepares to greet passersby at the 2015 Business Showcase at Mesilla Valley Mall.

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working on computers.

In 1997, he started a computer repair business and an ebay-based business selling collectibles.

"I worked for AAA Computers in El Paso doing educational sales," Blaes said. "I was finding myself more interested in the business side of computers, not just the hardware but

what the computer can do for a person and a business."

He said he also noticed his vision was deteriorating, which made it difficult to work on computers on site.

"The day our daughter, Mandy, was born with multiple holes in her heart,

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Where are the customers?

In a presentation for vendors participating in the 2015 Business Showcase Sept. 10 at Mesilla Valley Mall, Adam Garcia of Two Blind Marketers and Associates urged his audience to engage with customers

"They are there (on social media) whether you are or not. Facebook is the grapevine, the fence post, the water cooler where people are talking about you," he said.

Garcia, the sighted associate with Two Blind Marketers and Associates, encouraged attendees to build social media relationships by spending the time to answer questions posed by customers. He also urged them to give value to customers through online activities such as contests.

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she changed our life," he said. "We didn't bring her home for a year and a half. I was sitting there saying to myself, 'I will not be able to go out and work an 8 to 5 job because she will need a lot of care.'"

The Blaes started a website and blog to inform family and friends of Mandy's progress.

Their first marketing client was Ross King a contractor who had done work for Blaes' computer repair business.

"My wife and I went to a conference in Las Vegas ... and became inspired to make a business of it," Blaes said of their interest in online marketing.

"We discovered we were very good at looking at a business's

marketing and seeing what was missing, then coming up with unique ideas to help them build their business," he said.

He said his wife had written poetry and found she had a real knack for marketing writing when she wrote copy for his eBay-based business.

Two Blind Marketers officially started in 2008 in Phoenix.

Michael Blaes said the couple took a course in social media, and by the time Facebook launched, they "already had a social media strategy going," he said.

"The biggest part of marketing is educating people on how to market," he said, "what they need to do online and offline."

Due to their own challenges with vision and the research

they have done, the Blaes are especially conscious of issues of website accessibility for both blind and sighted readers.

It's important for everyone to easily view a website, whether they're using a screen reader or an Android phone, he said.

"It's something we're particularly passionate about."

Simple, straightforward navigation is essential, Blaes said.

"It's almost like universal design."

Sighted associate comes on board

The Blaes get around with the help of canes and a sighted associate, Adam Garcia.

Garcia and Adam, both native El Pasoans, met at Texas Tech, where Garcia majored in com-

puter science and Adam in culinary arts.

"We didn't know each other that well," Garcia said.

They lost touch but met again in the late '90s in the student government office at El Paso Community College where Blaes was a student senator. (He went on to receive a bachelor's in business and information systems from the University of Texas at El Paso in 2002.)

"I can't wear 15 hats and make everything work," Michael Blaes said. "I need help."

Adam Garcia began working with Two Blind Marketers in 2012 and officially went on board as creative director in December 2014.

During most of their time working together, the Blaes

lived in Phoenix and Garcia was based in El Paso. They conducted their business primarily by phone.

That model is likely to continue, as Blaes plans to join his wife in Alamogordo, where she is participating in the Commission for the Blind Orientation Center's independent living skills program.

Garcia will continue to develop the business in Las Cruces.

"We began seriously marketing the business through Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce events," Garcia said.

"Our strength is in talking to people. I love to explain and teach."

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BUSINESS BRIEFS**SCORE, WESST offer fall series**

WESST and the Las Cruces chapter of SCORE are partnering to present an eight-part workshop series, Stepping Stones, which opened with a Sept. 16 presentation by Wil Lamarre of SCORE on Improving Operational Effectiveness.

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Buchanan to lead U.S. Bank team

Craig Buchanan has been named com-

munity lending team leader for U.S. Bank in New Mexico.

Buchanan has worked in the banking industry for 26 years. Previously, he was market president for U.S. Bank in Las Cruces, where he oversaw all banking activities of the company in the market, with a specific focus on commercial banking growth.

Buchanan works at the U.S. Bank office located at 277 E. Amador Ave. in Downtown Las Cruces.

"Craig is a known, trusted and respected banker, and has earned a quality reputation that will serve us well as we continue to grow our business," said Paul Di-

Paola, president of U.S. Bank in New Mexico.

Buchanan is active in the community as chairman of the Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance, president of Downtown Las Cruces Partnership, treasurer of New Mexico First, vice chairman of the City of Las Cruces Economic Development Committee, Leadership New Mexico committee member; NMSU College of Business Advisory Council member and NMSU President's Associates Scholars board member.

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Making a difference in the lives of cats

Michelle Corella is no stranger to services for abandoned and homeless cats. She is the program director of the Feral Cat Management Program (FCaMP) on the NMSU campus.

Since 2002 FCaMP has worked to stabilize the feral cat population on campus. The group employs the Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) methodology, in which the cats are trapped, surgically sterilized, vaccinated, micro-chipped and eartipped, and returned to the area where they were trapped. In the case of abandoned or lost adult cats or kittens, the group fosters the felines until they can be returned to their owner or a permanent home can be found.

"I feel like our program is a valid representation of what we can do in the community," Corella said of the FCaMP, which currently has 12 caretakers who feed the cats on campus out of their own pocket. "Even as a self-funded program, we have largely stabilized the population on main campus."

While stabilizing the population is something to celebrate, there is no end to new cats ending up on campus, some of them dumped, and Corella said



FCaMP must always be alert to new additions so the cat population does not grow.

Doña Ana County Big Kitty Fix is a program dedicated to reducing the number of cats entering the shelter by providing low-cost spaying and neutering services for cats throughout the county.

To meet their goal of bringing the number of animals at the shelter down to zero, a comprehensive and community-based plan is in place which includes: positive support for the shelter director and staff; adequate public and private funding for the initiative; public relations for more community involvement; engaging many volunteers; increased pet retention by owners; proactive approach to returning lost animals; high-volume, low-cost sterilization; a program to address feral and free roaming cats; more innovative programs at the shelter; active reliance on

dog and cat rescue groups; foster care for dogs and cats and a comprehensive adoption program.

To help manage the funds while focusing on the mission, both FCaMP and Big Kitty Fix has special project funds within the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico (CFSNM).

A special project fund allows the CFSNM to manage incoming donations, taxes, bookkeeping and the administrative process while recognizing contributors with a tax receipt and thank you letter on behalf of FCaMP and DAC Big Kitty Fix. A 4 percent fee is paid to the CFSNM for administrative costs.

"If we didn't have a special project fund under the CFSNM, we wouldn't be able to exist," said Anne Markman. "We are able to provide such an important service to the community."

Markman's devotion to cats doesn't stop at Big Kitty Fix. Both she and Corella are now involved in a new venture — Cat's Meow.

Cat's Meow is a feline only cat adoption center started in 2014. Located at 2211 N. Mesquite St. (open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday), Cat's Meow houses 25 fully vetted cats

until they are adopted to a loving family.

"We have adopted 75 cats out since we opened our doors, and we have approximately 30 cats on a waiting list. There is a real need for this cat adoption center," said Markman, adding the community has been extremely supportive of Cat's Meow, including Susana Montana, city planner, who was instrumental as the group found its home.

"Just like FCaMP and Big Kitty Fix, Cat's Meow has been welcomed by the community, and that is encouraging because we will continue having an impact," Markman said.

The Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico is dedicated to helping the Southern New Mexico community now, and in the future. The CFSNM offers opportunities for local people who want to give back locally. The beauty of the Foundation is that you need not be wealthy to make a positive difference in the lives of people throughout our area. The CFSNM can advise you on how best to maximize contributions, no matter what size. For more information, visit www.cfsnm.org or call Jennifer Cervantes at 521-4794. To donate, mail your check to CFSNM, 301 S. Church St., Suite H, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

BRIEFS

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Sitel receives award

The New Mexico Economic Development Department's Job Training Incentive Program board approved \$1,161,580.40 in funding in July to create 427 jobs and \$453,785.92 in August to create 52 jobs in New Mexico.

July's JTIP recipients included Sitel Operating Corp., Las Cruces.

Sitel Operating Corp. is adding 75 positions to keep up with demand for their services. JTIP will assist with \$58,000.

To qualify, new or expanding companies must either create a product in New Mexico, or provide a nonretail service with 50 percent of the company's customer or revenue base outside of the state. The eligible jobs must be full-time and year-round. The trainee must be a new hire to the company and have been a New Mexico resident for at least one year at any time prior to being hired.

For more information on JTIP, visit www.gonm.biz.

Greater Chamber recognizes FUN Coalition

The group For Unity Now (FUN) was awarded the 2015 Team Citizenship Education Award by the GLCCC Education Committee at the 2015 Education Membership Update Luncheon.

For Unity Now (FUN) Youth Leadership Coalition officially joined the Empowerment Congress, a program of the Ocotillo Institute for Social Justice in December of 2014.

Beginning In January 2015, 40 students from middle school through university and 20 organizations contributed their time over a span of four months in preparation for the conference. Approximately 12 youth and eight adults formed the leadership of the FUN Coalition averaging about 10 hours a week of volunteer time between April and June.

The FUN Coalition is intergenerational and is led by youth under 21 who vote on all major decisions. Over the past year they engaged approximately 316 students

across all three county school districts. This number includes 125 students who attended the 2015 FUN Conference, 40 students involved in our monthly coalition meetings, 50 who participated in Ignite (an afterschool leadership program at Gadsden High School), 75 who registered for the conference but did not attend and 26 who participated in focus groups in Gadsden and Hatch High Schools about the FUN Conference. The FUN Coalition also engaged 20 different businesses and organizations this year, along with nine elected officials.

The group has a strong support from U.S. Sens. Martin Heinrich and Tom Udall and U.S. Rep. Stefan Pierce's offices.

The FUN Coalition goals are to:

- Address the need reported by youth and parents for more enriching after school activities in communities
- Create a space for youth voices to be

heard in a united way, develop leadership capacity of youth and act as a spring board for them to take action on issues they care most about in their schools and communities

- Increase the coordination among organizations doing youth leadership and development work to better leverage resources and form a strong network to better serve youth.

With a budget of a little over \$12,000 the FUN Conference was able to put on a free two-day event that provided transportation to all participants who needed it.

The young people coordinated both participant and volunteer recruitment, food preparation; they served as masters of ceremony, facilitated workshops, ran the volunteer trainings, organized the elected officials' panel, facilitated focus groups of other youth leading up to the conference and designed all the content for the event. The momentum that has

developed over the past year has allowed for us experience a 66 percent increase in participation and we doubled the number of businesses and organizations involved from last year.

The most significant education contribution that the FUN Coalition is making to the community is the simultaneous creation of three youth advisory councils to the Las Cruces Public Schools Board of Education, City of Las Cruces, and Doña Ana County Board of Commissioners.

"The FUN Coalition has inspired leaders particularly at the city and school board to approach us for help," said Shakeria Crawley, FUN Coalition coordinator. "Not only is our coalition ready to answer their call but we were already planning to approach them with the same idea. We are excited that there is synergy coming from the leadership and grassroots levels."

Stores gear up to accept EMV cards

By Alta LeCompte

Las Cruces Bulletin

If you run a retail business in the Mesilla Valley or anywhere in the U.S. Oct. 1 is a day that should be marked in red on your calendar.

That's the date when retailers are required to have technology in place to read more secure credit and debit cards with embedded computer chips.

The new cards are known as EMV cards, after the Big Three of card companies — American Express, Master Card and Visa.

"For merchants and financial institutions, the switch to EMV means adding new in-store technology and internal processing systems and complying with new liability rules," creditcards.com stated. "For consumers it means activating new cards and learning new payment processes."

Businesses that aren't ready to process EMV cards will become liable for the cost of fraudulent transactions.

After the deadline, the liability for an in-store transaction using a compromised card will shift to whoever is less EMV compliant — the store, the issuing bank or the payment processor.

Transition a well-kept secret

Natalie Bitting of Citizens Bank of Las Cruces said the bank is on track to meet the deadline set by the card companies. Although many banks like Citizens have been gearing up for a year for the transition from magnetic-stripe credit and debit cards, it's been largely an unpublicized, behind-the-scenes process.

A surprising number of businesses and many consumers are clueless about EMV cards and the liability shift.

"What I find interesting is that I'm not seeing much information on the national news, and it's going to make such an impact," said Jeffrey Silva, manager of the US Bank Foothills Branch.

Silva said he attended a workshop on

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JEFFREY SILVA

Manager, US Bank Foothills Branch

the EMV card transition the bank presented for local businesses at the request of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce.

He said people at the event were in shock.

"We've been very pro-active about this," Silva said. "We've been in contact with all our (business) customers that need us to help them with the change-over."

The role of banks in the transition is to counsel their business-banking customers, which need to update their card reading equipment, and to issue new cards to their personal banking customers.

"This is a very serious change because there's liability involved for businesses," a US Bank presenter said. "A lot of people (at the Las Cruces workshop) stated they don't need to change their equipment."

"They need to call their merchant service provider."

The change is designed to help prevent security breaches such as the one that impacted millions of Target customers during the 2014 December holidays.

Not surprisingly, Target and most large chains have new card readers ready to go on Oct. 1.

Local businesses on board

Tony Mazza of Mesilla Valley Pro Music said his business is already set up to process EMV cards.

"Not too many local businesses have," he said.

"We just updated our credit card machines, and low and behold the new ones came with that," he said.

"I was talking with my landlord," said Carlos Rivas, owner of Run Culture on Main Street Downtown. "We (small businesses) got blindsided by this."

Rivas said he personally found out about the impending transition when his wife received a new EMV debit card.

He said being equipped to process chip cards by Oct. 1. is a high priority for his shop.

"I'm in the middle of discussions with my point-of-sale carrier. They now have the hardware," he said. "ShopKeep was really great about letting us know about the shift and how it's going to take place."

He said he is purchasing new equipment from ShopKeep, which provides his business with an integrated system, including iPod, Bluetooth scanner and wireless receipt printer.

"We don't have to have a separate magnetic stripe and chip reader," he said.

The cost of converting

Square's readers for merchants with mobile payment devices that use Android and iOS devices were available for pre-order at \$49.

The cost of updating card processing equipment at a store terminal is running an average of \$500 to \$1,000, according to creditcards.com.

Leasing the necessary equipment may be the best option for many businesses, said Karen Bailey, US Bank vice president.

"In many cases the cost of upgraded equipment may be the same per month or even less," Bailey said. "Most people are leasing. We don't recommend purchasing."

She said US Bank has been calling on businesses since the first of the year to discuss the conversion.

"Some converted right away," she said. "Others we're still working with. All will be ready Oct. 1."

How EMV works

"Unlike magnetic-stripe cards, every time an EMV card is used for payment, the card chip creates a unique transaction code that cannot be used again," according to creditcards.com.

"When an EMV card is 'dipped,' data flows between the card chip and the issuing financial institution to verify the card's legitimacy and create the unique transaction data."

If the transaction number created during processing is somehow stolen, it would not be usable again. The card would be denied.

Processing a card transaction will take a bit longer than swiping, since the card will remain in the reader until the transaction is complete.

The good news: consumers will no longer have to master the art of swiping at the stores they patronize. They may, however, continue to swipe at the gas pump, since the deadline for "fuel dispensers" to be EMV compliant is Oct. 1, 2017.

Most payment processors will initially require a signature with an EMV card, but, in the somewhat-distant future, chip and pin are expected to become the norm for both debit and credit transactions.

If chip card readers are not in place Oct. 1, consumers can swipe their cards — they just won't have the added layer of chip security.

Nationally, according to creditcards.com, some 70 percent of credit cards and 41 percent of debit cards in the U.S. will support EMV by the end of 2015.

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Fiesta at Hotel E

Claire Miller, area controller for Heritage Hotels and Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces, relaxes with Belia Alvarez, regional general manager of Heritage Hotels, and Curtis Rosemund in the shade of the pool garden where the Las Cruces Hispanic Chamber of Commerce enjoyed a late summer Mix 'n' Mingle Thursday, Sept. 16.

PHOTOS BY ALTA LECOMPTTE



James Wilson, sales manager of Hotel Encanto, visits with Helga Byndas and Rochelle Miller-Hernandez and Albert Herrera of the Las Cruces Convention & Visitors Bureau.

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NMSU licks wounds after 0-3 start



Bulletin report

A well-deserved rest is in order.

The New Mexico State University football team has started its season off with three-straight losses, but has a bye week and does not play Saturday, Sept. 20 as they rest up and prepare for three straight away contests.

The next game for the Aggies is Saturday, Oct. 3 at in-state rival the University of New Mexico. Their next home game is Oct. 24 in a Sun-Belt Conference game against Troy.

NMSU (0-3 overall, 0-1 Sun Belt) opened the season with a

loss at Florida – not unexpected against an SEC foe – but returned home for a pair of very winnable games.

A missed, last-second field goal against Georgia State led to a 34-32 loss during their home opener on Sept. 12, and a blown fourth-quarter lead led to a 50-47 overtime defeat at the hands of rival Texas-El Paso on Saturday, Sept. 19.

So far the Aggies have been outscored 145-92.

Sophomore running back Larry Rose III leads NMSU with 319 yards on the ground and three touchdowns. Senior quar-

terback Tyler Rodgers has thrown seven touchdowns and two interceptions and 858 yards.

On defense, defensive back Jaden Wright leads the way with 33 tackles while linebackers Derek Ibekwe and Rodney Butler are tied for second with 22.

After the game at UNM, NMSU again travels to face an SEC foe on the road when they tangle with Mississippi Oct. 10. The Aggies return to Sun Belt Conference action Oct. 17 at Georgia Southern before back-to-back home games Oct. 24 and 31 against Troy and Idaho.

Aggie volleyball off to a great start

By Mike Jordan
For the Bulletin

Fall is always a great time of the year, with a lot of activities and that include New Mexico State University volleyball.



JORDAN

Our young ladies are playing at an outstanding level this season, worthy of top 25 notice. And it hasn't been because we've ducked anyone.

Our Aggies are 9-5 heading into the WAC conference opener against the University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV), the former UT-Pan American, at 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26.

We've been challenged by four teams that have been ranked in the top 25 and another one receiving votes in that poll. We've beaten one (Wichita State), but have taken the other four (Texas, Texas A&M, Arizona and Arizona State) to the wire, competing in every set and push-

ing them to the brink.

This team you'll want to come out to see. It really is fun to watch. We're very competitive and we're very good. Honestly, it's one of the better teams that we've had in my time here. Time will only tell if it's the best team or where it ranks with the 2008 team that was ranked all year long or the 2005 or 2006 teams that were ranked in the top 25.

Now you'll want to really watch our senior outside hitter Gwen Murphy. She's been the Western Athletic Conference Player of the Week twice this year and was our first National Player of the Week.

With the numbers she put up against the best teams in the country, Gwen is positioning herself to be one of the best players in the country. She's really got a legitimate chance of being a first-, second- or third-team All-American. That's something this program has never had.

We've had honorable mention All-Americans and first team Academic All-Americans, but never a true first-, second- or third-team All-American. And she is very deserving.

But she isn't the only player we've got. We've got a great local player in Nathalie Castellanos, from Gadsden High. She's one of our fiercest competitors. She's multi-dimensional, can do so many different things and playing her best her senior year.

Nathalie is just another example of our local players who can become great players at the Division-I level.

The schedule has been such this season that we haven't been home much, but I'm so proud of our community coming out to see us play Oklahoma and the rest of the Borderland Invitational two weeks ago.

But this is a big week for us, opening conference play.

UTRGV is one of the more improved teams in the WAC, with a new coach in Todd Lowery and has Bojana Mitrovic, the leader in the WAC in kills per set and points per set

on the attack.

We'll have an Aggie Spikers Clinic at 11 a.m., then the match at 1 p.m.

On Tuesday, Sept. 29 it's rivalry time again when

the University of New Mexico visits the Pan American Center. New Mexico has a lot of returning players this season. We've gone 4-4 with them

the last eight years and it's a great rivalry. You don't want to miss it.

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PREP SCHEDULES

Friday, Sept. 25

Football

- Centennial at Las Cruces, 7 p.m.
- Mesilla Valley Christian at Jal, 7 p.m.

Volleyball

- Centennial at Rio Rancho Bash

Saturday, Sept 26

Football

- Eldorado at Mayfield, 1 p.m.
- West Mesa at Oñate, 7 p.m.

Volleyball

- Centennial at Rio Rancho Bash
- Cibola at Las Cruces, noon
- Eldorado at Mayfield, noon
- Carlsbad at Oñate, 1 p.m.

Cross country

- Centennial, Las Cruces, Mayfield, Oñate at Rob Winter Classic

Girls soccer

- Deming at Mayfield, 11 a.m.
- Oñate at Las Cruces, 11 a.m.
- Centennial at Chaparral, 6 p.m.

Boys soccer

- Chaparral at Centennial, 1 p.m.
- Deming at Mayfield, 1 p.m.
- Oñate at Las Cruces, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 29

Girls soccer

- Mayfield at Gadsden, 3 p.m.
- Centennial at Valencia, 5 p.m.
- Deming at Oñate, 5 p.m.

Boys soccer

- Centennial at Valencia, 4 p.m.
- Mayfield at Gadsden, 5 p.m.
- Deming at Oñate, 7 p.m.

Volleyball

- Centennial at Los Lunas, 6 p.m.
- Mayfield at Las Cruces, 7 p.m.
- Alamogordo at Oñate, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 1

Girls soccer

- Las Cruces at Deming, 3 p.m.

Boys soccer

- Las Cruces at Deming, 5 p.m.

Early lead against Eagles doesn't save Knights



BULLETIN PHOTO BY ORLANDO SANTANA

Oñate High School quarterback Tony Herrera passes for a 27-yard gain against Hobbs Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Field of Dreams. The Knights jumped out to a 14-0 lead, but ended up losing to the Eagles 41-21. The loss dropped Oñate to 0-4 on the season. The Knights next tangle with West Mesa at 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 26 at home.



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Golf program a stroke of genius for students

By Mike Cook
Las Cruces Bulletin

Twenty-three Las Cruces Public Schools elementary school physical education teachers spent Thursday morning, Sept. 17, in the Monte Vista Elementary gym to get in the swing of things with the school district's new First Tee program, which teaches golf skills to students in grades one through five.

LCPS is partnering with local Farmers Insurance agents and the First Tee National School Program to incorporate golf into elementary school curriculums.

Funding comes from Farmers agents (\$7,000) and the Sun Country Amateur Golf Association (\$11,000), which includes about 14,000 members in New Mexico and west Texas, said Farmers agent Bruce Buchman. The money pays for the teacher instruction, curriculum manuals and five golf kits, which include clubs, balls, tees and other equipment and will be shared by the district's 25 elementary schools, he said.

The game is "easy for kids to learn," Buchman said, and children learn not only the fundamentals of golf, but nine core values promoted by First Tee, including honesty, integrity, sportsmanship, respect, confidence, responsibility,

perseverance, courtesy and judgement.

First Tee helps "instill self-esteem and values in students," said LCPS Coordinator for Elementary Instruction Jennifer Haan, who serves as LCPS' liaison with First Tee. "When they feel good about themselves, they are going to feel good about school." Haan said the program is also important because it builds community partnerships among participating schools, First Tee, local athletes and local businesses.

First Tee also shows students that there are other sports besides football, baseball and basketball, Haan said. "There are so many options out there for personal growth and physical development," she said.

Buchman said another advantage of First Tee for young students is that golf, unlike some others, is a life-long sport. He said he is 76 and still plays.

Buchman said more than 7,000 schools in 1,000 school districts nationwide are using the First Tee program, which began in 1997. The program expanded into elementary schools in 2004; in 2009, First Tee began a partnership with the U.S. Department of Defense and introduced the program to military families.

For more information, visit www.the-firsttee.org.

Future of golf is hard to predict

Charlie
Blanchard
Golf Doctor



Once upon a time there were mean ogres and trolls lurking deep in the forests, spreading tales of gloom and doom all over the kingdom of golf. Wild prognostications abounded, some claiming they must be at the dawning of a new epoch in the golf-dom.

This was January, 2000, when the editors of "Golf Digest" published their rather bold feature story about "The Future of Golf." Let's revisit some of what the golf futurists predicted.

For starters here's what former USGA chief and TV analyst Frank Hannigan asserted about professional golf: "The money has gotten too big."

Gee Frank, ya' think? That was fifteen years ago, before \$10 million FedEx winning check and today's really, really big money appeared, even well before fantasy sports betting appeared. Bemoaning mostly the pro tours, Hannigan added, "Undeserving pros play for huge sums of money."

I think what has happened in golf is exactly what has happened in all of professional sports as big time sports represent such a galactic profit-driven enterprise, where money is the holy grail.

Greed is an amazing phenomenon. One of the truly fascinating statements in the futurist piece was regarding golf equipment. Frank Thomas, longtime USGA technical director and TV analyst stated flatly in the 2000 story: "Equipment will not change measurably in performance, no

matter what marketers claim."

Wow!

That's like the U.S. Patent office stating officially, at the turn of the century that "everything that can be invented has been invented," prior to household telephones, mass ownership of automobiles and universal electric wiring.

Fortunately Mr. Thomas was way off the mark, as even the occasional golfer can attest, outfitted with the latest of clubs, balls and rangefinders.

Without clever inventors, some of us aging avid golfers wouldn't hit it out of our shadow.

The equipment we play today is the best ever, and the stuff will just keep getting better. The men and women pros will just keep getting better, and the golf courses will just keep getting longer.

As to golf courses designer Michael Hurdzan noted his view of the future: "The American golf course will retain its image of a lush, green oasis, but will use significantly less water, fertilizer, pesticides and fossil fuels. These changes will not be so much government-mandated as driven by the competition of our free enterprise and American value systems."

I'm not an expert, but I have played plenty of golf on plenty of golf courses, both private and munis, from the East Coast to the West Coast, from the North to the South, and

most recently Hawaii. Regrettably I did not see the "lush green" American golf oasis Hurdzan thought would happen.

Since 9/11, our economy has not been booming and money has been tight.

So are the lies, both from the fairway and the media. We better get used to it because the lush green carpets for us to play on every day are still a long way off, or only seen on television.

Offering predictions in 2000 about the general golfing population was Joe Louis Barrow, son of famed boxing champion Joe Louis, and an executive of a major golf accessories company, who thought that in a few decades "golf will not be for those rich with time, but for those who care to take a walk in the park for an hour or three."

He must be thinking that most golf facilities are planning to hire Marine drill sergeants for "player ambassadors" to speed up play. Then Mr. Barrow added, "the (future) game of golf will be more about family than individuals ... and (munis) will make time for family golf hours much like the family swim hour at the local pool."

And back to Hannigan, with this statement: "More and more ... golf is looking like Donald Trump ... collecting (club) initiation fees of \$150,000 from people who shouldn't even be allowed to play golf."

Read into that what you will. But don't you just love futurists?

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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CELESTE COX

Celeste Cox is a 16-year-old junior at Las Cruces High School. She plays middle hitter on the Lady Bulldawgs volleyball team. Cox leads the team in solo blocks, 1.1 per game, and block assists, 1.3 per game.

She is a great student, with a 3.97 GPA. Cox is a quiet but positive team leader who, in her spare time, enjoys reading, riding horses and hanging out with friends.



LAS CRUCES HIGH SCHOOL

Aggies fall short against Miners



NMSU students – part of the 17,210 fans on hand – cheer on their team at the start of the second half with the Aggies holding a 13-9 lead.



NMSU's Pistol Pete mascot celebrates an Aggie score.



New Mexico State University wide receiver Tyrain Taylor tries to outpace Texas-El Paso defender Kalon Beverly after a catch Saturday, Sept. 19 at Aggie Memorial Stadium. Taylor hauled in two passes, including one for a touchdown, during the game, but he and the Aggies fell to the Miners 50-47 in overtime.



NMSU running back Larry Rose III gives Aggie fans a salute after scoring the game's first touchdown on a four-yard run. Rose finished with 196 yards rushing.

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Health professions career fair scheduled

Bulletin report

Registration is now open for the Health Professions Career Fair taking place at New Mexico State University's Las Cruces campus at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 7, in the Corbett Center West Ballroom.

To register, employers must go to <http://career-services.nmsu.edu>, hover over the AggieCAREER Manager button and click on the "Employer" tab

from the drop-down menu. Those who are not registered with the Career Services website must first create an account and then register for the fair. Those in need of assistance during the process should call 575-646-1631. Those wanting to arrange for formal structured interviews should contact Elizabeth Ortega, coordinator for employer relations, at 575-646-1631 or employer@nmsu.edu.

The event is co-sponsored by the NMSU Career Services department and the College of Health and Social Services to provide students, alumni and faculty members an opportunity to meet with representatives from hospitals and social service agencies seeking to hire in nursing

or other health-related professions.

"The health profession is one of the largest industries, with 22 million jobs projected for 2022," said Roseanne Bensley, associate director of Career Services. "Employment is projected to increase 29 percent through 2022, compared to an average of 11

percent for all industries." At NMSU, potential employers will have access to students of human nutrition and dietetic science, family and consumer science, counseling and educational psychology, kinesiology, special education and communication disorders, nursing, public

health sciences and social work.

Employer attendance will provide those present with a better understanding of the job market, environment and companies' expectations for new hires.

The fair will take place from 2 to 5 p.m. for students and guests to visit with the employers.

New faces at Southwest Environmental Center

The Southwest Environmental Center has added two new staff members.

Lydia Hammond joins SWEC as the new part-time membership coordinator responsible for membership relations and programs. She previously worked for SWEC during the 2015 NM Legislature as a campaign associate working to get a ban on wildlife killing contests passed. A Las

Cruces native, she has a bachelor's degree in government from NMSU and is currently studying to get a master's degree in the same subject.

Kali Renard joins SWEC as the new part-time Field Organizer responsible for mobilizing public support for our conservation campaigns. Also a native of Las Cruces, Kali began at SWEC

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From 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Tuesday through Friday, participants can

talk about what's going on over coffee and pastries.

Call 528-3151 for more information or for directions.

ENHANCE FITNESS

Enhance Fitness with Alex Palacios is free from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at the Sage Café Senior Center, 6121 Reynolds Drive.

Call 528-3151 for more information.

Enhance Fitness is also held from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Munson Senior

Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

For more information, call 528-3000.

VOYAGERS TRAVEL

Voyagers plan day and overnight trips for seniors older than 50.

Upcoming trips are as follows: Costa Rica, Oct.

24-Nov. 1, \$2,399 double Hawaii Cruise, Dec. 5-12, \$3,486 and up double.

For more information, call Helen Glover at 805-4920

DANCESPORT

New Mexico State University's DanceSport team teaches two weekly lessons from 7 to 8 p.m. and from 8 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays in the Rentfrow Gym, 3165 Williams Ave. The first class is a beginner class and is free.

The second class costs \$5 and is intermediate. For information, call 646-5704.

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BINGO

Bingo will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays at American Legion Post 10, 1185 E. Madrid Ave.

Doors open at 3:30 p.m. and first game is at 6:30 p.m. Food and sodas will be available.

For more information,

call 526 9139.

Free bingo on the East Mesa every Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Sage Café Senior Center, 6121 Reynolds Drive.

For more information, call 528-3151.

TRAIN DOMINOES

Come and join the fun at train dominoes Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon at the Sage Café, Senior Center, 6121 Reynolds Drive, on the East Mesa.

New players are welcome.

For more information, call 528-3151.

SHUFFLE BOARD

Shuffle board tournaments are held every Sunday at VFW Post 10124, 709 S. Valley Drive.

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Aquatics fitness class combines cardio with strength building and is for all ages and fitness levels. Class is from 9 to 10 a.m. Monday through Friday.

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*Screening mammograms cannot include women with breast implants, women who have had a breast removed or those with previous breast issues.

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as a door-to-door canvasser, a job she still holds. She has a bachelor's degree in anthropology from Portland State University, and is studying to get a second bachelors degree in wildlife ecology from NMSU.

The Southwest Environmental Center works to protect and restore native wildlife and their habitats in the Southwest, through advocacy, education and on-the-ground restoration projects. The group invites the public to meet our staff and board at our annual gala fundraiser, "A Wild Night for Wildlife", to be held at 6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 17 on Main Street in Downtown. Details and tickets can be found at wildmesquite.org.

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Southern New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo

Sept. 30
through
Oct. 4

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Southern New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo rides again

By Zak Hansen
Las Cruces Bulletin

From its humble beginnings as a small livestock show and rodeo held on the New Mexico State University campus to its current status as one of the Land of Enchantment's premier annual events, the Southern New Mexico State Fair and Rodeo has become an institution over its 49 years, bringing together people near and far for five days of fun. This year, the fair returns to the Southern New Mexico State Fairgrounds, 12125 Robert Larson Blvd. just west of town, Wednesday through Sunday, Sept. 30-Oct. 4.

Every year more than 35,000 attendees representing the southernmost New Mexico counties – Doña Ana, Otero, Hidalgo, Luna, Catron, Sierra and Grant – El Paso and beyond flock to the city's fairgrounds each with their own priorities, be they livestock fairs, shows and sales – arguably the “reason for the season,” dating back to the fair's earliest days – rodeos and roping demonstrations, heart-pounding carnival rides and skill-testing midway games, tractor pulls, arts, crafts and home economics contests and displays, bake sales, live music and entertainment, high-speed stock car races at the Speedway and the deep-fried goodness of quintessential fair food.

This year's roster of daily entertainment includes performances from life-long professional magician Adrian D'Armarco, demonstrations of NSA (No Strings Attached) Natural Horsemanship by La Mesa resident and horse trainer Rudy Lara, the Pirates of the Columbian Carribean Aerial High-Wire Thrill Show by the Sensational Murcia family high-wire act, matches from Las Cruces' own Xtreme Cruces Wrestling, Woody's Educational Wildlife Show and Woody's Magnificent Cat Display, featuring exotic



A boy checks out the rabbits during 2014's Southern New Mexico State Fair. This year the event runs from Sept. 30 to Oct. 4.

animals from around the world, and more, all included with price of fair admission. For a schedule, visit the fair's website.

The Turquoise Circuit Pro Rodeo, for many the SNMSF&R's centerpiece, is part of a so-called circuit system developed by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) in 1975 as a reward system to those cowboys and cowgirls who regularly compete but aren't able to give up all their time to pursue a rodeo career. These “weekend warrior” circuit

cowboys, instead give it their all at rodeos close to home, allowing them to balance it with their personal and professional lives. Nightly at 7 p.m., this year's rodeo features competition between the top 12 riders in the TCPR, vying for a shot to compete at the Ram Nation Circuit Finals Rodeo. The rodeo will also feature specialty entertainment from “Backflip” Johnny Dudley.

Each year, the Southern New Mexico State Fair strives to shine the spotlight on local and regional musical talent as well as high-profile national acts. This year the fair follows suit with outings from Las Cruces' own The Yarbrough Band playing classic country (9 p.m. Thursday) and Crooked Beaver Creek's country-rock crossover (8:30 p.m. Friday) along with outlaw country from Austin, Texas' Mike and the Moonpies (8:30 p.m. Saturday). This year's headliners include Casey Donahew Band (10 p.m. Friday), who just released his fourth studio album, “Double Wide Dream,” on his own Almost Country Entertainment label, along with famed Red Dirt circuit regulars Turnpike Troubadours (10 p.m. Saturday). For more information on all these great acts, visit www.snmstatefairgrounds.net/musicalentertainment.

Southern New Mexico State Fair hours are 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Advance tickets are \$12 adults age 15 and older and \$10 children 7 to 14, and are available online via www.holdmyticket.com. Children age 6 and younger are admitted free. Tickets are also available at the gate. Fair admission includes exhibits, entertainment, rodeo, speedway and carnival. Admission is half-off all day Wednesday and half-off until 2 p.m. on Thursday.

Carnival hours are 6 to 10 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 6 p.m. to midnight Friday, 1 p.m. to midnight Saturday and 1 to 6 p.m. Sunday. All-you-can-ride promotional wristbands will be available from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday (\$20 or 3 bands for \$45 will three canned goods), 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday (\$20 or \$17 with ad from newspaper and Internet) and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday (\$20 or \$17 with ad from newspaper and Internet).

For more information, visit www.snmstatefairgrounds.net, call 524-8602 or email office@snmstatefairgrounds.net.

Zak Hansen can be reached at zak@lascrucesbulletin.com.



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OCTOBER 1-8

Irrational Man

95 min.

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'On Golden Pond' auditions at Black Box Theatre

No Strings Theatre Company and Black Box Theatre are looking for a young man age 13 to 15 for the role of young Billy Ray in the upcoming production of "On Golden Pond."

Auditions will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday and Monday, Oct. 4-5, at the Black Box Theatre Annex, 717-A N. Mesquite St. All other roles have been cast.

Rehearsals will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. weeknights throughout October and November. "On Golden Pond" opens Nov. 20 and runs through Dec. 6, with a possible extension through Dec. 13. Performances are Fridays through Sundays.

For more information, contact Director Larry Chandler at 523-4463 or larrychandler@zianet.com.

LCCT holds 'Shrek: The Musical' auditions

Las Cruces Community Theatre will hold auditions for "Shrek: The Musical" by Jeanine Tesori and David Lindsay-Abaire at 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, at the theater, 313 N. Main St.

The show will be directed by Janet Beatty-Payne, music directed by Megan McQueen and choreographed by Karlos Sauceo. There will be 11 performances Thursdays through Sundays Dec. 4-20.

Needed are numerous men and women ages 7 to 60. No roles pre-cast. Children and teens are encouraged to audition for a number of roles of the Fairy Tale Creatures, Young Shrek, Young Fiona and Teen Fiona.

Auditioners should prepare a Broadway-style song. An accompanist will be provided, so bring sheet music. A short dance routine will be taught as part of the audition. The role of Shrek requires an actor 6'3" or taller.

For more information, contact Beatty-Payne at president@lcctnm.org or visit <http://lcctnm.org>.

LCCT accepting submissions for 2016-17 season

Las Cruces Community Theatre is now accepting play and musical submissions for its 53rd season. If you are an experienced director and would like to submit a work, please visit <http://lcctnm.org> and download the director's application packet and submit the required items for consideration by the theater's play reading committee.

All submissions must be postmarked on or before Nov. 1. Please include appropriate contact information and a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish to have your script returned. Mail submissions to: Patrick

Payne-LCCT Playreading Chair, 3040 Jennifer Street Las Cruces, NM 88005.

The 53rd season lineup will be announced by the end of January 2016. A list of plays previously presented at LCCT can be found at <http://lcctnm.org/50-years-of-theatre>.

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Robert Mirabal
January 16, 2016 • 7:30pm

Mark Nizer
January 29, 2016 • 7:30pm

Josh Grider
February 13, 2016 • 7:30pm

Judy Collins
February 21, 2016 • 6pm

Barrage 8
April 8, 2016 • 6pm

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FRI SEPTEMBER 25 • 12:00 P.M.	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
Promoting Art in Las Cruces	
FRI SEPTEMBER 25 • 3:30 P.M.	Branigan Library
Library Lab-Stories & Crafts for ages 6-9	
SAT SEPTEMBER 26 • 1:00 P.M.	Branigan Library
Team Anime-for ages 12-18	
SAT SEPTEMBER 26 • 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.	Branigan Library
Got Drugs? (DEA Drug Take Back)	
SUN SEPTEMBER 27 • 2:00 P.M.	Branigan Library
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TUE SEPTEMBER 29 • 2:00 P.M.	Branigan Library
Intro to Computers-Internet for Beginners	
TUE+THU SEPTEMBER 29+October 1 • 4:00 P.M.	Branigan Library
Teen Game Night-for ages 12-18	
TUE SEPTEMBER 29 • 6:30 P.M.	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
Every Other Tuesday: Danny Ruley	
SAT OCTOBER 3 • 7:30 P.M.	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
Euterpe - Viva El Flamenco	
TUE OCTOBER 6 • 7:30 P.M.	RIO GRANDE THEATRE
The Diamonds: Bandstand Boogie	

ONGOING EVENTS:

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- Las Cruces Farmers & Crafts Market - Wed. and Sat. Morn.

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Events Calendar

FRI. 9/25

Noon, Promoting Art: Marketing and the Business of Art, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Promoting Art is a free bimonthly series presented by the Doña Ana Art Council exploring different ways for artists and arts organizations to promote themselves and their events. The featured presenters for September will be Cathie Fern, on "An Introduction to SCORE," Cathy Lockman on "Using Social Media for Marketing," Cindy Breedlove on "Organizing for Success" and Pat Breedlove on "Marketing and the Business of Art." Call 523-6403 or visit www.riograndetheatre.com.

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

7 p.m. Live music with The Gold-Hearted Crows, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. No cover. Call 527-5310.

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

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

9 p.m. Live music with Matt Morgan, Pecan Grill & Brewery, 500 S. Telshor Blvd. No cover. Call 521-1099.

SAT. 9/26

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

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

9 a.m. to noon, Mountain View Market Co-op Farm volunteer day, Mountain View Market Farm, 2653 Snow Road. Interested in organic farming and local food production? Want to find out more about vermiculture, composting, laying hens, season extension and crop planning in our region? Come and volunteer at the Mountain View Market Farm in Mesilla. Free. Call 523-0436 for directions.

10 a.m. Family Science Saturday: Egg-cellent Science, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Join the museum in September as it hosts this month's Family Science Saturday all about eggs. Join the museum to learn and find out some egg-streme egg facts. This week's topic is egg-citing engineering. All ages are welcome, from 3 to 93. Free. Call 522-3120.

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

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. SNAP, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science and Museum of Art atrium, 491 N. Main St. Recognizing the importance of interdisciplinary learning experiences, the education staff of the Las Cruces Museums system have collaborated on a new program offering, SNAP – the Science, Nature and Art Program. The program encourages visitors to embrace their artistic creativity while engaging in educational activities inspired by Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Free. Call 541-2137.

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

6 p.m. HSR 5th Annual Buffalo Roast, New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Human Systems Research Inc., a nonprofit for anthropological research and preservation, is holding its fifth annual buffalo roast fundraiser, followed by a presentation by Karl W. Laumbach titled "Tales of Lost Gold and Other Treasures: When Legend, History and Archeology Meet in Southern New Mexico." Doors open at 5 p.m. with cash bar and silent auction. Dinner is from 6 to 7 p.m., presentation begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person, advanced sales only. Call 524-9456.

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Learn to play Middle Eastern rhythms, My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. No drum required but must call ahead for loaner drum. Cost \$2 per lesson. Call 693-1616.

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

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

8 to 11 p.m. Live music with No Reservations Jazz Trio, High

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SUN. 9/27

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

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

2 to 5 p.m. Live music with Steppin' Up, Rio Grande Winery, 5321 Highway 28. No cover. Call 524-3985.

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

MON. 9/28

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

TUE. 9/29

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

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

6:30 P.M. Every Other Tuesday with Danny Ruley, Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Every Other Tuesday concert series presents an evening of country, rock and jazz peppered with a little romance, a little crying, a little laughing and a story or two to bring back memories of those special moments from yesteryear. The EOT series offers a free venue for local performers to showcase their talents and promote upcoming performances at other venues. Free. Call 523-6403.

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WED. 9/30

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

9 a.m. to noon, Mountain View Market Co-op Farm volunteer day, Mountain View Market Farm, 2653 Snow Road. Interested in organic farming and local food production? Want to find out more about vermiculture, composting, laying hens, season extension and crop planning in our region? Come and volunteer at the Mountain View Market Farm in Mesilla. Free. Call 523-0436 for directions.

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

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

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

THU. 10/1

9 a.m. Grandma Mona's Science Story Time, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. Grandma Mona invites children ages 3 to 5 to the museum for Science Story Time the first Thursday of each month, to read a story relating to one of the many exhibits in the museum. Free. Call 522-3120.

1 to 3:30 p.m. Beginning to Advanced Drawing and Painting, My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. Watercolor, acrylic and water-soluble oil painting classes taught by art educator Wayne Carl Huber. Open enrollment starting any Thursday. Cost \$45 for four two and a half hour sessions. Call 647-5684.

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

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

8 to 11 p.m. Live music with Little Table Contra Band, High Desert Brewing Co., 1201 W. Hadley Ave. No cover. Call 525-6752.

FRI. 10/2

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

7 p.m. Live music with Back of a Car, Amaro Winery, 402 S. Melendres St. Food from Green Chile Paddy Wagon. No cover. Call 527-5310.

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

7 p.m. Howling Coyote Coffeehouse and Open Mic, Center

for Spiritual Living, 575 N. Main St. The "granddaddy" of open mics in Las Cruces is open to acoustic musicians, poets, storytellers and singer-songwriters. Artist sign-up begins at 6:30 p.m. and performances begin at 7 p.m. Free. Call 525-9333.

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

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

SAT. 10/3

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

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

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10 a.m. Family Science Saturday, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science, 411 N. Main St. All ages are welcome, from 3 to 93. Free. Call 522-3120.

10:30 a.m. Storytellers of Las Cruces, COAS Bookstores, 1101 S. Solano Drive and 317 S. Main St. COAS will give coupons for free books to all children who attend. Free. Call 524-8471.

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. SNAP, Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science and Museum of Art atrium, 491 N. Main St. Recognizing the importance of interdisciplinary learning experiences, the education staff of the Las Cruces Museums system have collaborated on a new program offering, SNAP – the Science, Nature and Art Program. The program encourages visitors to embrace their artistic creativity while engaging in educational activities inspired by Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Free. Call 541-2137.

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

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Learn to play Middle Eastern rhythms, My Place Jewell, 132-B Wyatt Drive. No drum required but must call ahead for loaner drum. Cost \$2 per lesson. Call 693-1616.

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

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

8 to 11 p.m. Live funk-rock-jazz fusion with Nosh, High Desert Brewing Co., 1201 W. Hadley Ave. No cover. Call 525-6752.

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

SUN. 10/4

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

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday Farmers Market, Tractor Supply Co.,

1440 W. Picacho Ave. This is a true farmers market with produce and food as the primary items, along with some arts and crafts. Free. Call 993-6521.

2 p.m. Bluegrass, country and folk music jam, O'Donnell Hall, corner of Williams and Gregg Streets on the NMSU campus. All players are welcome. Free. Call 405-1290.

2 to 5 p.m. Live music with O & Co., Rio Grande Winery, 5321 Highway 28. No cover. Call 524-3985.

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

MON. 10/5

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

TUE. 10/6

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

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Theatre companies open new productions in October

The two longstanding theater companies that call Downtown Las Cruces home – No Strings Theatre Company, housed at Black Box Theatre, and Las Cruces Community Theatre, both on Main Street – are set to open the curtains on their upcoming October productions, each with some spooky subject matter just in time for Halloween.

Opening Friday, Oct. 2, on the Las Cruces Community Theatre stage is New Mexico native Allison Lee Moore's satiric horror-comedy "Slasher," directed by veteran David Edwards and starring Gail Wheeler, Tory Castillo, Danny Wade, Savannah Rousseau, Kerrigan Sivils and Joel Fisk.

"Slasher" follows Sheena (Rousseau), a struggling wannabe actress recently cast in a low-budget slasher flick as the so-called "last girl," a move she hopes will catapult her to fame. However, not everyone is as pleased, and Sheena's casting sends her malicious, malingering mother Frances (Wheeler) into a misguided feminist rage, willing to do whatever it takes to stop the production and her daughter's ascension to silver-screen scream queen – even if it kills her.

Combining belly laughs with blood-curdling screams, "Slasher" wrenches humor from its horrific happenings by diving headlong into, rather than attempting to evade, the well-worn stereotypes and cliché that govern the genre.

"Classic horror films like 'Friday the 13th' and 'Texas Chainsaw Massacre' have been imitated, satirized, spoofed



Gail Wheeler and Tony Castillo and others star in the Las Cruces Community Theatre production of "Slasher," set to open Friday, Oct. 2.



and paid tribute to over the years," the director said. "It seems to me that little new material is left to explore in the 'slasher' genre, at least as far as film is concerned, but every few years some creative director comes up with something fresh. Maybe there is some opportunity for some bloody, theatrical fun on the stage, and we hope (the audi-

ence) have some."

"Slasher" runs from Oct. 2-18, with performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Gala opening night is Oct. 2, featuring snacks and refreshments. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$11 for students, seniors and military, \$10 each for groups of 10 or more and \$9 for children six and younger. Las Cru-



ces Community Theatre is located at 313 N. Main St. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 523-1200 or visit <http://lcctnm.org>.

The following week, opening Friday, Oct. 9, No Strings Theatre company presents the thrilling Stephen Sondheim musical classic "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street" on the Black Box The-

atre stage.

Set on the streets of 19th-century London, "Sweeney Todd" tells the tale of Benjamin Barker, also known as Sweeney Todd, and his bloody revenge on Judge Turpin, who exiled him some 15 years before. Allied with Mrs. Lovett, owner of the dying pie shop, the duo will introduce a carnal new ingredient to Lovett's meat

pies, drawing ever-growing crowds to the booming business and a steady stream of new victim to Sweeney's barber chair.

After its 1979 Broadway debut at the Uris Theatre, "Sweeney Todd" became a critical and audience favorite, having been mounted and remounted a number of times all over the world, garnering a number of Tony and Olivier Awards along the way and servings as the source material for Tim Burton's acclaimed 2007 film of the same name starring Johnny Depp and Helena Bonham Carter.

This No Strings Theatre Company production is directed by Nora Thomas, who most recently directed the company's lauded production of "Into the Woods" at Black Box Theatre in 2014. The cast of locals includes Rafael Medina, Diane Thomas, Shaun Hadfield, Carol Ayon, Chris Hornung, Cameron Lang, Mario Raggazone and Jamie Smith, along with chorus members Xodia Choate, Daniel De La Rosa, Vanessa Dabovich, Layla Jackson, Chris Sedillo, Joseluis Solorzano and Autry Sutcliff.

"Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Streets" runs Oct. 9-25, with performances at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 18 and 25, and an evening performance at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22. Tickets are \$12 regular admission, \$10 students and seniors age 65 and older and \$8 all seats on Thursday. Black Box Theatre is located at 430 N. Main St. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 523-1223 or visit www.nostrings.org.

'Gamma Rays' explores hope, despair in Hunsdorfer home

By Zak Hansen
Las Cruces Bulletin

Opening the 2015-16 American Southwest Theatre Company (ASTC) and New Mexico State University Department of Theatre Arts 2015-16 performance season is a uniquely staged production of Paul Zindel's 1964 dysfunctional family drama "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds" on the stage of the Mark and Stephanie Medoff Theatre inside the ASNMSU Center for the Arts, 1000 E. University Ave.

Zindel, a playwright and science teacher, combined his dual disciplines writing "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds," which premiered in 1964 in Houston before moving to New York City Off Broadway. In 1971, the drama earned Zindel both the Pulitzer Prize for Drama and the New York Drama Critics' Circle Award.

The following year, director Paul Newman adapted the play for the screen with the help of writer Alvin Sargent, starring then-spouse Joanne Woodward and one of the couple's children, Nell Potts. The film garnered Woodward a Golden Globe nomination and won her Best Actress at the 1973 Cannes Film Festival, where Newman was nominated for the prestigious Palme d'Or.

The small and poignant domestic drama centers on the Hunsdorfer family – daughters Matilda, a quiet but individualistic introvert, and the elder Ruth, a brash adolescent – and deeply dysfunctional matriarch, the self-loathing and abusive Beatrice, who copes with a life gone awry with high doses of both cynicism and substances – taking place entirely in their living room and kitchen.

Seeking comfort from the merciless teasing of her peers and heaps of abuse at the hand of her self-centered mother in science, Tillie Hunsdorfer finds solace in carefully preparing her ambitious science fair entry, which involves the cultivation of Marigolds grown from seeds exposed to doses of radiation. Though Tillie is dedicated to her project, her possible success is consistently destroyed by Beatrice, until the three Hunsdorfer women's lives and destinies diverge.

"The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon

Marigolds' explores the emotional journey one family takes when the youngest member of the family finds sudden success in her high school science fair," said Director Josh Chenard. "The others are left to face their own fears about life, failure and regret. The play was selected for its dramatic power, rich language, and to give four actresses within the department an opportunity to chew on realistic and deeply flawed characters."

Taking advantage of the Center for the Arts' staging and the small physical scale of Zindel's family drama, Chenard and Set Designer Jim Billings have gone out of their way to make the audience experience mimic that intimacy.

"Firstly, the Medoff Theater is a dream to direct in," Chenard said. "It's modern, big, and flexible; but I find that with the large expanse between the stage and the audience that smaller, more intimate shows are an energetic challenge. It really struck me when I directed 'Other Desert Cities' that the nuance and rhythms discovered in the rehearsal hall did not translate satisfactorily to the stage – that if you sat beyond the first few rows, you did not feel like you were in their living room, which is what I had worked for.

"So, when selecting 'Gamma Rays,' another intimate drama, I asked our Resident Set Designer, Jim Billings what he thought about moving the audience on stage – could we completely transform the space into a black-box style theater? Jim is wonderful and collaborative and creative, and loved the idea. So, we now have an intimate 150-seat theater built on the stage! It's perfect for this production. I love it. It will be something new for our actors and audiences to experience."

Working with a small cast that includes NMSU students Tiffany Tyson, Parigrynn Cox, Miranda Kay Elizabeth and Stephanie Vasquez Fonseca, Chenard said "working with four talented young ladies playing characters who are at very different ages and life stages than they themselves are at ... has made for some wonderful conversations, acting explorations and creative thinking.

"They have also been able to do things like take the 'In Her Shoes' workshop with La Casa, Inc. to better understand issues around domestic violence, learn how to work with a live animal on stage – there is a

live rabbit in the play – and be the first students to experience this new, on-stage series production.

"It was fun watching their faces when we moved on to the set for the first time when they realized just how close the audience was actually going to be to them. I know they are all very excited about it."

Chenard, clearly enthusiastic, said this production is the perfect piece to kick-off another season of diverse ASTC programming.

"I think kicking off a season that includes a splashy musical, a classic horror story, and plays dealing with fantasy and magical realism, with a smaller, more intimate drama makes a lot of sense," he said. "It also feeds into our departmental and company values in terms of picking plays that offer unique opportunities, a variety of styles and interesting material for our students, designers and audiences."

The ASTC production of "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds" runs through Sunday, Oct. 11, with performances at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$10 to \$17 and are available at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts box office between the hours of noon and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, as well as by calling 646-4515 or 646-1420.

A reception sponsored by NMSU College of Arts and Sciences Dean Christa Slaton will be held following the Friday, Sept. 25, opening-night performance, and following the Sunday, Oct. 4, performance, a panel discussion will be held on the play's themes with experts in the fields of domestic abuse and science along with the director. For more information, visit www.nmsutheatre.com or call 646-4517.

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New Mexico State University Department of Theatre Arts students Tiffany Taylor, Miranda Kay Elizabeth, Stephanie Vasquez Fonseca and Parigrynn Cox star in the American Southwest Theatre Company production of "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds," opening Friday, Sept. 25, at the ASNMSU Center for the Arts.

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NM film historian Jeff Berg presents at NMFRHM

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum's monthly Culture Series presentation in October takes a look at "New Mexico Movies Featuring American Indians."

Santa Fe-based writer and New Mexico film historian Jeff Berg returns to Las Cruces for the series at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8, and his presentation is a compilation of clips from movies that have at least been partially shot within New Mexico, focusing on how American Indians have been presented in NM movies over the years.



BERG

Berg has compiled film clips from about 17 different movies, starting with a 1912 silent film and continuing up to present day. After each short clip is shown, he will offer information about the film, such as where it was shot, any historical reference, and a mini-review. Audience participation is encouraged. Some of Hollywood's most noted actors that featured in the clips include Mary Pickford, Bob Hope, Lucille Ball, Jerry Lewis and Gary Farmer.

Berg is a freelance writer, journalist and New Mexico film historian living in Santa Fe. His column appears weekly in the Las Cruces Bulletin. He has traveled around New Mexico presenting his noted "Made in New Mexico" film clip series, doing live narration for each show for five years. Previously, he lived in Las Cruces for 10 years, where he programmed the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum's popular "New Mexico Connection" film series for five years and served on the board of the Mesilla Valley Film Society in Mesilla.



His book about movies made in New Mexico, "Filmmaking in New Mexico," will be released by the Arcadia Press on Nov 16. It is currently available for advanced orders. The museum will accept donations for admission.

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens age 60 and older, \$3 for children ages 4 to 17 and \$2 for active-duty U.S. military and veterans. Children age 4 and younger and museum members with a card are admitted free of charge. For more information, call 522-4100 or visit www.nmfarmandranchmuseum.org.

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CRAFTS FOR KIDS

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3

Children of all ages are invited to come by the museum and create their own fall crafts to take home. Regular museum admission is required for all family members: \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens, \$3 for children 4 to 17, and free admission for children 3 and under.

BLACKSMITH WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

Wednesdays (Oct. 7, 14, 21)

Thursdays (Oct. 8, 15, 22)

Learn the basic techniques of traditional iron and steel-smithing in the Museum's blacksmith shop. This nine-hour course, taught over three consecutive weeks by one of the Museum's experienced blacksmiths, will provide you with the essential skills required to forge tools.

Class attendees will fashion and take home five useful items (valued at more than \$125). Class size is limited to three at a time. The cost is \$150 plus a \$15 materials fee. A \$50 non-refundable reservation fee is required to hold a space in a class. Full payment is due prior to the first class.

For more information, please call 522-4100.

GHOSTS OF THE PAST

6 to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 23-24

Experience the Museum at night as you time travel back in New Mexico history or meet historical ghosts. The popular living history event features new characters this year. The tours offer a unique living history experience that transports visitors of all ages another time in New Mexico history. Various historical characters interact with visitors on indoor and outdoor tours. The start times for the indoor "ghost hunting" tours are: 6:00, 6:20, 6:40, 7:00, 7:20 and 7:40 p.m. The start times for the outdoor "time travel" tours are: 6:10, 6:30, 6:50, 7:10, 7:30, 7:50 and 8:00. Tickets must be purchased for a specific tour and each tour lasts about an hour and 15 minutes. Advance tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and can be purchased at the Museum beginning in October. Tickets purchased on the evenings of the event are \$6 and \$3. Tours are limited and fill up fast, so advance tickets are recommended for this popular event. Some combo tickets (indoor and outdoor) are available.

Sudoku

Complete the grids below so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively. It is a game of logic, not math, and there is only one solution per puzzle. Have fun and exercise the grey matter.

Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com

BEGINNER

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EXPERT

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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BrainGames



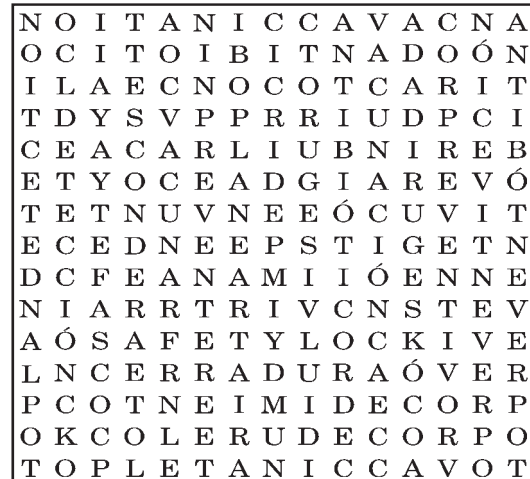
Word Salsa

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

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

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Crossword Puzzles

Diagramless, 21 x 21

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

ACROSS

- 1 Court doc
- 5 Barnyard sounds
- 9 Toad area for an entree
- 10 Entice
- 11 Stork kin
- 12 Dismissed from employment
- 13 Greenish blue
- 14 Refer to
- 15 Fantasy world lover
- 20 "The Sound and the Fury" writer
- 24 Creep
- 25 Grimm creature
- 26 Alexis, e.g.
- 27 Secular
- 28 Disco light
- 31 Tarnish
- 33 One kind of beer
- 36 Save
- 37 Chamomile, for one
- 38 Identical response
- 39 Environmental color
- 41 Clammy
- 42 Pack animal
- 43 Chip color
- 47 Miscalculation
- 48 Dagger handle
- 49 Japanese food fish, with red
- 50 Actor, Jude
- 52 Small bovid
- 53 Sinatra wear
- 56 Got smaller
- 59 Having secret information
- 60 Rephrase
- 61 Green shade
- 62 Wine at a sushi restaurant
- 63 Confuse
- 67 Go where you shouldn't
- 72 Breads
- 73 Billy, of rock & roll
- 74 Type of evidence
- 75 European resort
- 76 Informant wear
- 77 Seaweed bed
- 78 Snug retreat
- 79 Hard fat

DOWN

- 1 Wine color
- 2 Judge's gowns
- 3 First series of supercomputers
- 4 Genius physicist and inventor
- 5 Popular car color
- 6 Plant hormone
- 7 Mountain ridge
- 8 Passover dinner
- 16 Danica Patrick rest point
- 17 M.I.T part
- 18 Flaw
- 19 Pulsate
- 20 Geometric loops
- 21 Seaweed substance
- 22 Body waste fluid related
- 23 German river
- 29 Source of fear
- 30 Tuscany formerly
- 31 Chole followers (pl.)
- 32 Candelabrum
- 33 Wrong color for the books
- 34 Plant served like potato
- 35 Made a physics law
- 40 Falter
- 43 Hindi devotional courses
- 44 Computer network
- 45 Flying mystery
- 46 Time guess, abbr.
- 49 Printer powder
- 51 Forcibly take away
- 53 Deliver an order
- 54 OK city
- 55 St. Peter's top
- 57 Sixth Jewish month
- 58 "Just do it" company
- 63 Tan
- 64 Eagle nest
- 65 Puts on
- 66 Atoll
- 68 Pretty colors
- 69 See ya!
- 70 Column base
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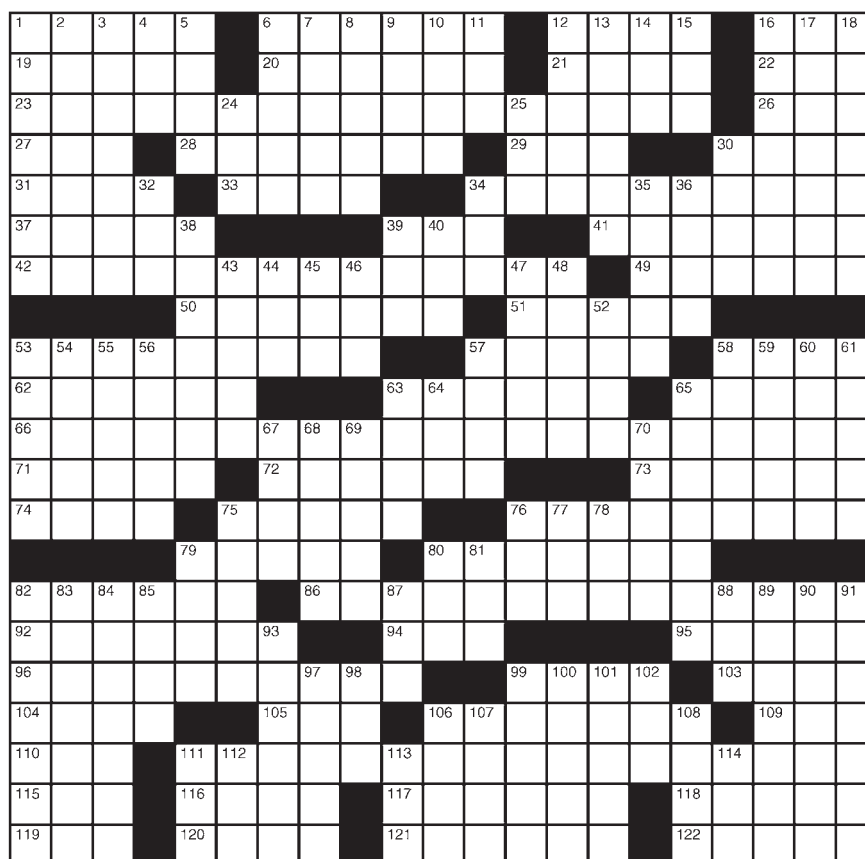
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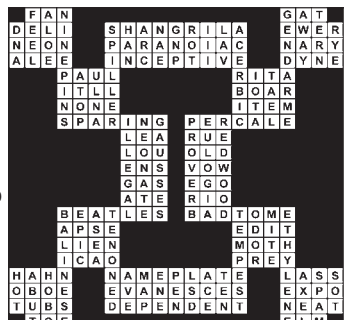
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

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Diagramless



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K W T D N G E !

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

Most fish would be much bigger if the fisherman's arms would stretch longer.

Beer, Bacon and Bourbon Festival



PHOTOS BY STEVE MACINTYRE

Chris Esparza from the local band Bourbon Legend performs during the Beer, Bacon and Bourbon Festival at the Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum on Friday night.



ABOVE: From left, Anissa Bartolome, Cassandra Ortegon and Sarah Guerra toast during the Beer, Bacon and Bourbon Festival at the Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum on Friday night.



Centennial High School students Kameron Lozano and Allyson Puetes raise money for the Centennial Marching Band.

LEFT: Eric Rodriguez from Bourbon Legend plays for guests.



BELOW: Dickersons Catering employee Bobby Torres serves guests.



Monessa Valles orders an asada burrito from Cocina Mexicana Express truck during the Beer, Bacon and Bourbon Festival.



'Black Mass' marks a thrilling return for star Depp

Review by Zak Hansen
Las Cruces Bulletin

It's been a tough decade for Johnny Depp, at least critically (though certainly not financially.)

Since the early aughts, Depp's filmography has been largely high-grossing and critically ambivalent, filled with either entries in the "Pirates of the Caribbean" series (and its ill-fated wild-west carbon copy "The Lone Ranger") or variations on an increasingly tired Tim Burton theme ("Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," "Sweeney Todd," "Alice in Wonderland," "Dark Shadows" and the coming "Alice" sequel), with a few great films – the animated "Corpse Bride" and "Rango," Dillinger drama "Public Enemies" and Terry Gilliam's absurdly ambitious "The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus" – in between.

With "Black Mass," director Scott Cooper's Whitey Bulger mob drama, Depp makes a spectacular return to form with a performance so compelling it nearly washes the lingering reek of "Mortdecai" out of the multiplex, aided by its shocking, fact-based story of crime and corruption and a stellar supporting cast.

It's a tense, often ugly and thoroughly gripping crime drama, though it may cover little new ground within the genre, weaving a nasty yarn about James "Whitey" Bulger, the infamous Irish-American mobster who ran South Boston in

the late 1970s and early '80s – all the while providing and receiving information from none other than the FBI before evading authorities for 16 long years, finally apprehended outside a Santa Monica apartment in 2011 at the age of 81.

Framed by a series of police interviews with Bulger's former associates including second-in-command Stephen "The Rifleman" Flemmi (Rory Cochrane), newcomer Kevin Weeks (Jesse Plemons of "Breaking Bad") and hitman Johnny Martorano (W. Earl Brown), "Black Mass" begins in 1975, with Bulger and his Winter Hill Gang controlling the lion's share of organized crime in Southie. However, a challenger appears in the form of the Italian Anguilio Brothers, signaling the encroachment of the mafia into Southie.

The appearance of the mafia doesn't just shake Bulger and his crew, and another interested party appears in the form of Bulger's fellow Southie kid and rank-minded FBI agent John Connolly (Joel Edgerton), who parlays his childhood friendship from Old Harbor Housing Project with Whitey and brother William "Billy" Bulger (Benedict Cumberbatch), then a Boston senator, into a lucrative relationship for both: in exchange for career-making information on the Anguilio Brothers, Connolly and his unwitting partner John Morris (David Harbour) will turn a blind eye to Bulger's lesser



Johnny Depp stars as Irish-American mobster James "Whitey" Bulger in Director Scott Cooper's "Black Mass," now playing at Allen Theatres.

crimes – racketeering, gambling, bookmaking and the like – deflecting investigations while Whitey builds his empire.

This arrangement works well for the two organizations, until Bulger suffers a tipping-point one-two punch: the death of his father and then, shortly thereafter, his young son from Reye syndrome. The dual loss destroys his relationship with his wife Lindsey Cyr (Dakota Johnson), and Whitey seems to break, ushering in a new age of intimidation, predation and cold-blooded murder – not to mention prosperity and power – for the Winter Hill Gang.

As Connolly moves closer and closer into Whit-

ey's inner circle, his problems begin to compound, with his boss Charles McGuire (Kevin Bacon) increasingly questioning his agent's actions and Bulger's flagrant, conspicuous crimes. The final straw for Connolly comes with the entrance of new prosecutor Fred Wyshak (Corey Stoll) to the U.S. Attorney's Office, who calls for an end to Whitey's unchecked reign over Boston's underworld, which has grown to include gaming, drug trafficking, prostitution, murder and even funneling guns overseas to the Irish Republican Army – the crime that would be Whitey's undoing with the arrest of associate John McIntyre, who implicated Bulger.

With their empire crashing down around them, Boston Globe exposés and indictments on the way, Bulger fled Boston in 1994, spending 16 years a fugitive – twelve of those as a member of the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list, his capture reward second only to Osama Bin Laden – and Connolly was convicted of racketeering, obstruction of justice and

second degree murder, currently serving a 40-year sentence in a Florida state prison.

If this sounds familiar – the criminal rise-and-fall story – that's because "Black Mass" follows the formula laid by its forebears, most closely genre-standard "Goodfellas," to a T. Bulger's stranger-than-fiction story has been fodder for documentary films and books (including Dick Lehr's and Gerard O'Neill's "Black Mass: The Irish Mob, the FBI and a Devil's Deal" on which the film is based).

Bulger himself has also served as the muse for a slew of "inspired-by" characters on television (Showtime's "Brotherhood," "Law & Order") and film, most notably Jack Nicholson's Frank Costello in Martin Scorsese's "The Departed," though that film was adapted from the 2002 Hong Kong film "Infernal Affairs" unrelated to Bulger.

But do you really go to gangster movies for the innovation?

Sure it's a fable nearly as old as film, but "Black

Mass" treads over its worn territory with grit and confidence not seen in crime cinema in many years. It's gripping stuff from start to finish, unblinking in its portrayal of the vulgarity and violence of Bulger's life and even in its casting of moral culpability on the players on every side.

No small amount of the film's success lies in the performances it pulls from its cast of heavy-hitters. Cochrane, Cumberbatch, Stoll, Bacon, Harbour and Peter Sarsgaard, as doomed associate Brian Halloran, turn in solid supporting performances. As Connolly, cold, calculating eyes peering from a heavy brow, Edgerton continues a string of solid, sinister roles (after stellar writer/director/star vehicle "The Gift").

"Black Mass" is Depp's show, though, and he turns in a shapeshifting performance that reminds us why he's such a big star in the first place, fully inhabiting his role with a vigor he hasn't shown in years. Mottled skin, slicked, thinning hair, icy pewter eyes leering over his retroussé nose, he's almost unrecognizable, but the transformation is far more than just physical and prosthetic. Depp's Bulger is calculated and coolly cruel, prone to outbursts of vicious savagery. It's a multifaceted performance and a far cry from his recent big-budget crowd pleasers (and disasters).

"Black Mass" may not blaze any new trails, but between its unbelievable true story and strong performances from its all-star cast, it's a worthy entry in the gangster film genre and a welcome return for Depp.

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BLACK MASS

Rated: R

Running time: 122 minutes

Starring: Johnny Depp, Joel Edgerton, Benedict Cumberbatch

Director: Scott Cooper

Film Review

"Black Mass" may tread over some familiar gangster ground, but it does so well thanks to some strong direction, a thrilling story and strong performances all around.

Grade
B

AtTheMovies

Coming soon on DVD Tuesday, Sept. 29

Aloft
 Rated: R
 Genre: Drama
 Starring: Jennifer Conneley, Cillian Murphy
 Director: Claudia Llosa

Poltergeist
 Rated: PG-13
 Genre: Horror
 Starring: Sam Rockwell, Rosemarie DeWitt
 Director: Gil Kenan

Entourage
 Rated: R
 Genre: Comedy
 Starring: Adrian Grenier, Kevin Connolly
 Director: Doug Ellin

Results
 Rated: R
 Genre: Action, comedy
 Starring: Melissa McCarthy, Jason Statham
 Director: Paul Feig


Top-grossing Sept. 18-20

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| 1 Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials
(Week No. 1) \$30,635,037 | 6 A Walk in the Woods (Week No. 3)
\$2,808,717 |
| 2 Black Mass (Week No. 1)
\$22,635,037 | 7 Mission: Impossible — Rogue Nation
(Week No. 8) \$2,213,360 |
| 3 The Visit (Week No. 2)
\$11,566,400 | 8 Straight Outta Compton (Week No. 6)
\$1,907,980 |
| 4 The Perfect Guy (Week No. 2)
\$9,751,801 | 9 Grandma (Week No. 5)
\$1,501,101 |
| 5 War Room (Week No. 7)
\$6,215,991 | 10 No Escape (Week No. 4)
\$1,001,735 |


Picking the Flicks

Movie information from www.rottentomatoes.com. Movie reel based on a 5-point scale.


War Room
 Rated: PG
Plot Overview: A superficially perfect family turns to a wise older woman for help with their struggles.
Starring: Priscilla C. Shirer, T.C. Stallings
Director: Alex Kendrick




Sinister 2
 Rated: R
Plot Overview: A young mother and her twin sons move into a rural house that is marked for death by a supernatural force.
Starring: James Ransome, Shannyn Sossamon
Director: Ciarán Foy



Straight Outta Compton
 Rated: R
Plot Overview: NWA emerges from the streets of Compton, Calif., in the mid-1980s, revolutionizing rap music and culture along the way.
Starring: O'Shea Jackson, Corey Hawkins
Director: F. Gary Gray




Ant-Man
 Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: Former con-man Scott Lang is armed with a suit allowing him to shrink in size and increase in strength, and must pull off a heist to save the world.
Starring: Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas
Director: Peyton Reed



Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials
 Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: After escaping the maze, the Gladers face new challenges in the desolate landscape outside.
Starring: Dylan O'Brien, Kaya Scodelario
Director: Wes Ball



Black Mass
 Rated: R
Plot Overview: The true story of notorious South Boston gangster Whitey Bulger, who turned FBI informant to challenge the Mafia invading his turf.
Starring: Johnny Depp, Benedict Cumberbatch
Director: Scott Cooper



The Visit
 Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: Deep in Pennsylvania farm country, two young children discover a terrifying secret about the grandparents they are visiting.
Starring: Olivia DeJonge, Ed Oxenbould
Director: M. Night Shyamalan




Captive
 Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A single mother struggling with addiction is taken hostage in her own home by an escaped murderer.
Starring: Kate Mara, David Oyelowo
Director: Jerry Jameson




The Perfect Guy
 Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: After leaving her boyfriend, a woman begins a relationship with a "perfect" man — but this may be too good to be true.
Starring: Sanaa Lathan, Michael Ealy
Director: David M. Rosenthal



No Escape
 Rated: R
Plot Overview: An American family living overseas finds themselves caught in the middle of a violent coup in which foreigners are being slaughtered.
Starring: Lake Bell, Pierce Brosnan
Director: John Erick Dowdle



Hotel Transylvania 2
 Rated: PG
Plot Overview: To keep him from leaving the hotel, Dracula and friends try to bring out the monster in his half-vampire, half-human grandson.
Starring: Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg (voices)
Director: Genndy Tartakovsky



Everest
 Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: An expedition of climbers on Mt. Everest is pinned down by a violent snow storm.
Starring: Jason Clarke, Ang Phula Sherpa
Director: Baltasar Kormákur



The Intern
 Rated: PG-13
Plot Overview: A 70-year-old widower becomes a senior intern at an online fashion site created by a young female company chief.
Starring: Robert DeNiro, Anne Hathaway
Director: Nancy Meyers



The Green Inferno
 Rated: R
Plot Overview: A group of student activists' plane crashes in the Amazon jungle, pitting them against a tribe of cannibals.
Starring: Lorenza Izzo, Ariel Levy
Director: Eli Roth



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Manhattan Shorts program 10 mostly good example of often-overlooked works

Review by Jeff Berg

For the Las Cruces Bulletin

Last year, the Mesilla Valley Film Society was one of the hosts for the Manhattan Short film program. There were 10 finalists, I believe, and the final winners were voted for by audiences around the world, from Mesilla to Russia.

In last year's program guide, the good folks that run the program misspelled Mesilla (Mesillia) and the name of the good woman who programs movies for the film society Kelly (Kellie) Morris.

The Manhattanites are consistent, doing the same thing again this year, but it doesn't affect the quality of the works in this set of 10. Most are pretty good – several are excellent.

To wit:

From Finland, "Listen" is a strong tragedy/drama about a Muslim woman seeking escape from her abusive jackass husband, via the Finnish police. However, the translator, also presumably of the Muslim faith, is not being honest with the translation, telling the police what she wants to tell them, thus trying to force the troubled woman to stay in the loveless marriage. The woman's son is of no help.

"Dad in Mum," from France, was my favorite of the program. Two very young girls are

up late one night; when one wanders by her parents' bedroom, she happens to hear, shall we say, "hanky panky" going on. She and her sister discuss this mating ritual as one of the sisters sneaks peeks into the keyhole. It does have some bit of graphic detail

when the girls discuss the sights, but it is very funny.

Second best of the program for me was the Chilean piece "Bear Story," a sweet animated piece about a papa bear with dreams and losses.

Germany checks in with two short films, the first being "Forever," in which a young couple that is bored with their relationship write all of their wishes on sticky notes and toss them into a hat. They draw them, one by one, and all is great fun until a third party is introduced via one of the husband's wishes.

The piece from Kosovo, "Shok," is a dark but true story of the friendship between two boys during the Serbian conflict. Tragedy ensues and ensues again.

The second entry from France, "Grounded," has its heart in the right place, but the story is slightly unconvincing. It takes place at a huge airport, where a young mother is trying to make it to London for her mother's funeral. A helpful air-



Lum Veseli and Andi Bajgora star in the dark-but-true Serbian story "Shok," one of ten entries in this year's Manhattan Shorts film festival program, which opens Friday, Sept. 25, at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla.

line agent tries to help, going far above the call of duty.

"Life is Short," from Turkey, also features a dead mother, only close-up, shall we say. A young woman returns from a lovely frolic on the beach to discover a possible tragedy at her mother's home.

A very short and amazing CGI piece from Switzerland is next. The four-minute film is called "Patch," and once again proves the amazing power of computer graphics.

The weakest entry in this brace of films is that from the U.S., "El Camino Solo." Too many stereotypes and not enough story and a complete

lack of originality sink this little film, about a guy whose car breaks down and receives help from what he thinks is a remarkable source. It is not. Plus the inclusion of "Mighty Mouse" by the Black Lodge Singers from the Blackfoot Nation as part of the soundtrack doesn't make any sense at all.

The last film is also from Germany and is a bittersweet but rather unbelievable little flick called "Bis Gleich (See You Soon)." It is about two elderly neighbors, one who comes to the aid of the other in an unusual and touching way.

The program runs about two hours, and there is a

10-minute intermission after the fifth short.

Anyone seeing the films will get a ballot to vote for their favorite movie and favorite actor/actress. The Manhattan Short Website will announce the winner in early October.

Manhattan Short is a great idea with some really fine works and you won't be sorry if you go to check them out!

Manhattan Short 2015 will open at the Fountain Theatre in Mesilla on Friday, Sept. 25, and run for the better part of a week.

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Galleries & Openings

LAST CHANCE

WEST END ART DEPOT presents "The Academician," a solo exhibit by Las Cruces artist Michael Ponce. Ponce wanted to do something extraordinary, simple and elegant, with flawless lines and attention to detail – "The Academician" includes drawings from life and sketches from memory. A painter from Las Cruces, he studied at Foothill College near San Francisco and graduated with an M.F.A. in painting from the New York Academy of Art. Ponce pursued graduate research in anatomy at Oxford University

and studied old master drawings at the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, England. He also has a background in fashion illustration from the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York where he received his B.F.A. Ponce's work has been in several publications, including "American Artist Magazine," "En Plein Air Magazine," "Equine Vision Magazine" and "Polo: Player's Edition." He is an exhibiting member of the National Arts Club, and his work has been included in many group and solo exhibitions. "The Academician" will remain on display through Sept. 26.

West End Art Depot is located at 401 N. Me-

silla St. Gallery hours are 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday and by appointment. For more information, call 312-9892 or visit www.we-ad.org.

MAS ART presents "Viva L'Arte," a body-painting exhibition by Anahy Nuñez, on display through the month of September as the gallery celebrates its second anniversary. "Viva L'Arte" opens with an artist's reception from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, and will remain on display through the end of the month.

Mas Art is located at 126 S. Main St. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 526-9113.

NOPALITO'S GALERIA presents "Urban Desert," a photography exhibit celebrating the beauty of New Mexico's urban culture through the eyes of New Mexican photographers, featuring the work of photographers throughout the state and highlighting the work of Kate Burn, formerly of Las Cruces and currently based in Albuquerque, whose street photography emphasizes streets, people and New Mexican culture. "Urban Desert" will remain on display through the end of the month.

Nopalito's Galería is located at 326 S. Mesquite St. Gallery hours are 4 to 7 p.m. Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 524-0003.

Galleries & Openings

EL PASO ELECTRIC GALLERY will feature retrospective photographs and artwork from the past 89 years of the Rio Grande Theatre's history to help commemorate the 10th anniversary of the theater's renovation. The exhibit will remain on display through the end of September.

El Paso Electric Gallery is located inside the lobby of the Rio Grande Theatre, 211 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 523-6403 or visit www.riograndetheatre.com.

BIG PICTURE DIGITAL IMAGE EXPERTS AND GALLERY presents "Landscapes Thru My Eyes" by fine artist Alex Rosa. "For decades I made a living as a graphic artist sign painter but my passion always was to be a fine-art artist," Rosa said. "Being retired has opened up the pathway to pursue that long-latent desire. Now, as I put brush to canvas, I would like you to join me for my first solo fine-art exhibition." "Landscapes Thru My Eyes" will remain on display through the end of the month.

Big Picture Digital Image Experts and Gallery is located at 311 N. Main St. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 647-0508.

QUILLIN-STEPHENS GALLERY changes direction for the month of September and presents the music and instruments of Eddie

Harrison. Harrison, a regular performer at the Farmer and Crafts Market of Las Cruces, will have three of his handmade guitars on display for visitors to see. Harrison's guitars will remain on display through the end of September.

Quillin-Stephens Gallery is located behind COAS Books at 317 N. Main St. Regular gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 312-1064.

MESQUITE ART GALLERY presents an exhibit of 18 tropical paintings of Hawaiian scenes from Las Cruces painter Bonnie Mandoe for the month of September. Mandoe spent most of her life in Hawaii and returned there for two months this spring. These paintings were largely painted outdoors (en plein air). Her goal was to impart a tangible sense of the winds and mist of the Islands. Thirty inches of rain fell in one month alone while she was there, which she said didn't mind a bit. Mandoe's show will remain on display through the end of the month.

Mesquite Art Gallery is located at 340 N. Mesquite St. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 640-3502.

MAIN STREET BISTRO & ALE HOUSE presents the new "Pastel Landscape" series by Wayne Carl Huber, MFA. Huber has been featured in one-man shows in acrylics, water-

colors, oils and other mediums, but pastels are a new direction for him. Paul Schranz, former director of the Preston Contemporary Art Center, said "While influenced by places, Huber's work goes far beyond trying to replicate reality. Instead, he creates a sense of the place, abstracting it so that it becomes an internal emotional response, rather than the vantage of a spectator. The aim of all good art is for the artist to interfere, to take ownership, to embrace the work in his own way." Huber's work was exhibited in a juried show at the Preston Contemporary. Huber's show will be on display through the end of September.

Main Street Bistro & Ale House is located at 139 N. Main St. Hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 524-5977.

LULU FINE ART GALLERY presents "Reflections on the Journey," an exhibit of original photography by Renee Popovich. "Reflections on the Journey" will remain on display through the end of September.

LuLu Fine Art Gallery is located at 1800 Avenida de Mesilla. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 523-4747 or email luluelements@gmail.com.

MESILLA VALLEY FINE ARTS GALLERY features two local artists for the month of September, Arlene J. Tugel and Sylvia Hendrickson. Tugel enjoys the pure, glowing color of watercolor, her love of Earth inspiring her work. Hendrickson is a gourd artist who employs carving and wood burning and using dyes, inks, paints, beads and leather with a variety of other natural products. In addition, the 30

artists of the gallery offer art in many media including paintings, acrylics, pastels, fused-glass, jewelry, wood-turned objects, stained glass, photography, mixed media, textiles, prints, cards, miniatures and more.

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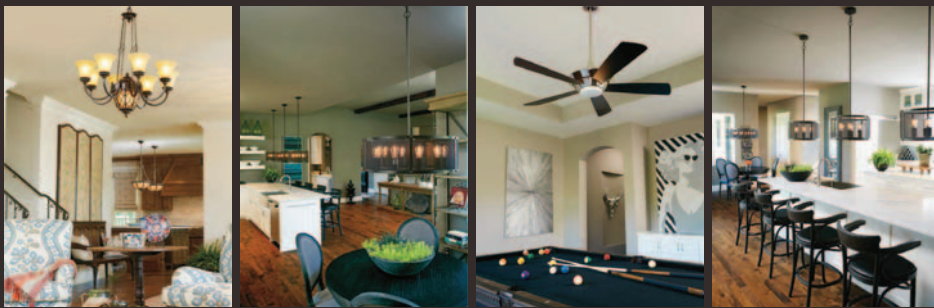
ART OBSCURA GALLERY presents "Minute Meditations" by artist Lea WiseSurguy-Sophilaizo, a collection of photographs that inspect tiny textures in everyday places. The exhibit will remain on display through the first week of October.

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COTTONWOOD GALLERY, inside Southwest Environmental Center, presents "Ebb & Flow," an ambitious three-month exhibit by the Ten O'Clock Club. The "Tenners" meet monthly at 10 a.m. on the 10th day of each month to talk art; every other day of the week at 10 a.m., they think art or, most often, get involved with their media to create, work and play. "Ebb & Flow" will remain on display through November.

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Finding ways through the path of our grief

The Fountain Theater recently ran the movie version of "Testament of Youth," a memoir of the first World War written by Vera Brittain, who served as a nurse for English troops in the war, and who lost her fiancé, her brother and her two best male friends in that terrible conflict. She had to find a way to produce this memoir almost like a novel, to turn tragedy into useful memory.

David Jones wrote a memoir of his time in service, as well. Jones was an Anglo-Welsh poet and artist who served several tours of duty in the Great War as a private in the Royal Welch Fusiliers. He fought in the horrific battles of Passchendaele and Mametz Wood, and later suffered from several severe bouts of what we today call post-traumatic stress disorder. Nonetheless, he had a brilliant career as both a writer and a modernist painter.

Like Brittain, it took Jones more than a decade to write his book. Jones' book is called "In Parenthesis," and the title



Gabriel Rochelle
Tales from the Cassock

underlines the belief that he and his compatriots lived and died in an unreal time bracketed out of ordinary, normal time when they were at war. They lived "in parenthesis" from normal life.

"In Parenthesis" is an extraordinary work of literature. T. S. Eliot called it a literary masterpiece and supported its publication. W. H. Auden called it the greatest epic work of the 20th century, no small praise when you consider the works of Joyce and Proust as emblematic of the epic form. Jones had to find a way to give voice to the exquisite sadness and devastating destruction that was the war, and he found it by projecting the conflict back over the history of the Romano-British land he loved.

There is a lesson for everyone in the way Jones and Brittain produced their work. We have to distance ourselves from grief while at the same time embracing its reality. This sounds strange. How can we distance ourselves from intense emotional pain and still experience it? Not all of us are writers or artists, but we all have our resources. The move is to avoid the dark side of grief.

Bad grief can drag us into a pit of despair where substitutes for reality like drugs or alcohol entice us with false hope of relief. Good grief allows us psychic distance from the pain while at the same time acknowledging it. Each of us must find the way to do this, but we can find aid in the approach of works like "In Parenthesis" and "Testament of Youth."

We have all known grief in our lives, and will know it again. We do not "get over" the deaths of parents, siblings, friends or the assassinations of major figures. We simply learn to live beyond

those events. The question is, "How?"

What we can learn from both Brittain and Jones is to be open with our emotions, allowing the raw edges to peek through, and addressing them with as much honesty and candor as we can muster. The Welsh poetic tradition offers the "marwnad" - a lament one writes for close relatives or friends. In the Orthodox Christian tradition, prayer services uphold the right of the bereaved to mourn and grieve, but within the love of God. These forms are not an end to grief but companions on the way and methods to incorporate it into our lives. Each of us finds his own way through the morass. Forms help, but be patient. As with Jones and Brittain, we may need a decade or more to come to good grief.

Fr. Gabriel Rochelle is pastor of St Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, Las Cruces. Visit the church web site at <http://stanthonylc.org>.

Dinner show features vocal talents of Bárbara Padilla

The Diocese of Las Cruces Foundation will hold a dinner show featuring the vocal talents of Bárbara Padilla with proceeds benefitting the 2015 Seminarian Endowment Challenge.

The event will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at Sunland Park Casino Ballroom, 1200 Futurity Drive, Sunland Park, N.M.

The cost of a ticket is \$100. Catholic Extension Society ex-

tended the opportunity to provide contributors to the Seminarian Endowment Challenge with matching funds at a ratio of 2:1 for qualified donations.

Told she might never sing again, Bárbara relied on the strength of her faith to lead her through a life-saving bone marrow transplant. Despite doctor's concerns, the quality of her voice was unaffected by the treatments she received. Bárbara Padilla is

known for her time on the television show, "America's Got Talent." Her performance of Charles Gounod's "Ave Maria" prompted judge Piers Morgan to declare, "It was the greatest single vocal performance we've ever had on 'America's Got Talent'."

The dinner will celebrate the future of the Catholic faith and its seminarians. The Diocese of Las Cruces is experiencing a renewed interest in priestly life.

This year, two of its seminarians were ordained. With the acceptance of three new candidates, its program has seven men in our program. Fifteen young men attended a recent vocations retreat.

Make reservations no later than Thursday, Oct. 1. For reservations, contact Susan Roberts at sroberts@dioceseoflascruces.com or 523-7577.

The Foundation serves the area

of ministry for the Diocese of Las Cruces, which comprises of 44 parishes, 45 missions, six schools, and approximately 250,000 constituents. The Diocese of Las Cruces has jurisdiction of 10 counties - Doña Ana, Eddy, Grant, Hidalgo, Lea, Luna, Otero, Chavez, Lincoln and Sierra - which make up approximately 45,000 square miles. For more information, visit www.dioceseoflascruces.org/foundation-office.html.

RELIGION LISTINGS

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Join members and friends at St. Anthony of the Desert Orthodox Mission, 518 N. Alameda, 7 p.m. Tuesdays through Sept. 29, in the fellowship hall behind the chapel of St. Andrew's Church. Come in the door off the parking lot at the corner of Hadley and Alameda.

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BLESSING OF THE PETS

Trinity Lutheran Church, partnering with Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary, will hold a pet blessing service and pet adoption opportunity starting 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, on the front lawn of Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Dr.

The Las Cruces community is invited to bring pets, leashed or in a carrier, for a blessing by Pastor Jerry Reynolds. Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary will have pets available for adoption from 10 a.m. 1 p.m. For more information, contact Pam Crume at 523-4232.

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vard and Hadley Avenue in Las Cruces. Parking is available in the lot by the church. Childcare will be provided. For more information, call 323-1038.

AUTUMN BAZAAR


Western Hills United Methodist Women will hold its Autumn Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Stewart Family Life Center, 524-A Thunderbird Drive. This free event will include vendors, crafts, bake sale, book sale, snack bar, door prizes and a silent auction. All proceeds from the bazaar will be donated to charities.

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NMSU floral team competes regionally

By Kristie Garcia
For the Las Cruces Bulletin

The New Mexico State University floral team competed regionally this summer, bringing home one first-place honor and two second-place finishes.

The team will be able to compete nationally for the first time next year in the American Institute of Floral Designers collegiate competition due to NMSU floriculture program coordinator Sabine Green receiving full induction into AIFD as a Certified Floral Designer in July. Only collegiate teams with a certified coach may participate in the national competition.

The team competed in regionals in Amarillo, Texas, which included the Dorsey Cup and the Silver Cup. NMSU's Cheyenne Pena finished second in the Dorsey Cup. The prestigious Silver Cup featured two NMSU students in the top three finishers – Pena, who earned the

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NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY PHOTO

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**Gary
Guzman**
Gardening Guru



The joy of autumn

It's official – fall has arrived, or so the calendar says. We can enjoy the cool mornings and beautiful nights for the next few months. With this in mind, we can add splashes of living color outside our home with flowers that can last up until spring. You probably already need to replace some of your summer annuals anyway, right?

Pansies and viola are some of the hardiest winter annuals that can provide us with a plethora of colors ranging from warm reds and yellows to cool blues and whites. These beauties can be planted in the ground or in pots. Both planting choices have upsides. The ones planted in the ground will have better root insulation, which will be important when we are dealing with very cold temperatures. The ones planted in pots have the advantage of being able to be moved for viewing from inside the home or to a sunnier spot. Either way, these frost-resistant bloomers can freeze into a solid state for a brief period of time, thaw out and continue to provide color for the rest of the mild winter days we are blessed with.

Dianthus, snapdragons, ornamental kale and cabbage also can produce some winter color, especially if kept closer to a structure, wall or in a courtyard. Make sure they are blooming or have buds – except for the cabbage and kale of course – before the temperatures fall below 50 degrees.

When planting in pots or in the ground, be sure to use a lightweight soil mix. This helps to provide rapid root growth and lessens the chance of root rot. A small amount of fertilizer may be needed if the foliage begins to turn light green. If you have trouble getting the plants to keep blooming, try placing them in more sun and use a fertilizer containing a high amount of phosphorous. The quick removal of spent blossoms will also ensure

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American Iris Society Region 23 convention

ABOVE: American Iris Society Members Kathy Palmer, Suse Townsend and Pat Feather examine Winterberry Garden iris up for auction during the American Iris Society Region 23 Annual Convention and Seminars/Judges Training held Sept. 19-20 at the Hotel Encanto.

RIGHT: Scarlett Ayers draws a raffle ticket from Mesilla Valley Iris Society Treasurer Dale Ellis.

BOTTOM: Iris hybridizer guest speaker Ginny Spoon of Winterberry Gardens brings examples of her garden's new hybridizations.



GARDEN CALENDAR

Fall Gardening Classes

Jackye Meinecke, former owner of Enchanted Gardens, will hold a series of fall gardening classes. All classes will begin at 3 p.m. on Saturdays at Casa De Mi Alma Wellness Center, 920 N. Alameda Ave. The cost for each class is \$7.50 per person, cash or check. To reserve your space, e-mail gardens@zianet.com or call 575-323-0903 to leave a message.

• *Sept. 26 – Choosing and Planting Trees.*

Create shade around your home and garden with trees. Learn to create beauty and shade around your home by choosing the best trees for your space and getting them off to a good start with proper planting. Don't wait for spring! Fall is the best time to plant and establish trees in the Southwest.

ChileKnights

Autumn is quickly approaching, bringing cooler days with occasional chile knights – oops, chilly nights. To celebrate, think enchiladas – warm tortillas rolled and stuffed with gooey cheese, the works smothered in a hot, creamy, green chile sauce. Has your interest piqued? There's nothing quite as tummy-gratifying as a platter full of steaming enchiladas. Serve the medley with a mess of greens tossed with chilled and chopped fruit and a pinch of piñon nuts – mandarin oranges, Granny Smith apples and green grapes are my favs.

Enchiladas are simple to prepare, making them an ideal choice for busy families. Keep your pantry stocked with canned enchilada sauce and packaged tortillas, and the fridge with cheese and roasted green chiles – essentials to create a quick and tasty sizzlin' autumn meal. Buen apetito, chileheads.

Quick Fix Green Chile Enchiladas (Serves 4)

- 1 white onion peeled and diced
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 (15 ounce) can medium to hot green enchilada sauce
- 5-6 green chiles, roasted, stemmed, peeled and chopped (preferably medium-hot)
- 12 corn tortillas
- 2 cups freshly grated sharp cheddar cheese

Sunny Conley Chile Knights



- Sour cream
- Salsa
- Pico de gallo (optional)
- Guacamole (optional)
- Cilantro leaves (optional)

In a small skillet, sauté onions with the butter over medium-low heat until the onions are golden brown.

In a small saucepan, combine green enchilada sauce with green chiles and heat until very warm.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Put corn tortillas on a baking sheet. Scatter cheese evenly on top of each tortilla. Place baking sheet in oven and melt cheese, watching carefully so as not to burn.

To serve, stack three cheesy tortillas on top of one another. Spoon green chile sauce over the top and add salsa, sour cream, pico de gallo, and cilantro as desired.

Note: Leftover sauce can be used as a dip. Whip in spoonfuls of sour cream or yogurt and serve with tortilla chips or veggies. The dip also tastes yummy on top of grilled chicken or tossed with pasta.

Tips:

- Bring cheese to room tem-

perature before exposing to heat source. Warm cheese takes less time to melt.

• Cheese is sensitive. Cheese prefers to be melted on low heat to retain moisture and fat protein.

Green Chile Turkey Enchiladas (Serves 6)

- 1 pound lean (at least 80 percent) ground turkey
- 1/2 cup white onion, chopped
- 1 cup frozen whole corn kernels
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 4 medium-hot green chile peppers, roasted, stemmed, peeled, seeded and chopped
- 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded Colby-Monterey Jack cheese
- 1 (10 ounce) can favorite hot enchilada sauce
- 6 (8-inch) flour tortillas
- Shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes and additional sour cream, if desired

Heat oven to 350 degrees. In 10-inch, nonstick skillet, cook ground turkey and onion over medium-high heat until turkey is thoroughly cooked, stirring frequently. Drain. Add corn; cook and stir approximately three minutes or until corn is thawed. Stir in sour cream, green chiles and one cup of the cheese.

Spread about 1/4 cup of the enchilada sauce in 13x9-inch (3-

quart) glass baking dish. Spread about two teaspoons enchilada sauce on each tortilla. Top each with 2/3 cup turkey mixture. Roll up tortillas; place seam side down over enchilada sauce in baking dish.

Drizzle remaining enchilada sauce evenly over filled tortillas. Sprinkle with remaining cup of cheese. Spray sheet of foil with cooking spray; place sprayed side down on baking dish and seal tightly.

Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 50 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Garnish suggestions include shredded lettuce, chopped tomato, chopped black olives, chopped cilantro and/or sour cream or Greek yogurt.

Leftovers? Reheat in microwave until hot. Microwave ovens vary in temperature. Check often to avoid overcooking or burning.

South of the Border Green Chile Enchilada Casserole (Serves 8-10)

- 8-10 medium or large flour tortillas (use medium if baking dish is less than 13x9 inches)
- 3 1/2 cups (28 ounces) favorite green chile enchilada sauce, reserving 2 cups for topping
- 12 ounces mushrooms, sliced
- 1 (6 ounce) can large black olives, sliced and drained
- 2 heaping cups of baby spinach
- 1 (15.5 ounce) can whole pinto beans, rinsed and drained

1 (15.5 ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained

2 chipotle peppers in adobo sauce (canned), finely chopped

10 jalapeño slices (canned or jarred), finely chopped

3 favorite green chile peppers, roasted, stemmed, peeled and minced

1/2 pound jack cheese, grated
Olive oil for sautéing mushrooms

In a frying pan, sauté mushrooms with a pinch of coarse salt in olive oil. When the mushrooms are golden and tender, mix in the spinach and remove the pan from heat. (Spinach will wilt from residual heat from pan.)

Mix all ingredients including spinach mixture in a large bowl, making sure to reserve some of the sauce and cheese for the topping. Stuff each tortilla as full as possible. Roll each tortilla, placing seam side down in the baking dish. Tortillas may overlap, but that's okay. Pour remaining sauce over the top and sprinkle with the remaining cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-35 minutes or until bubbly.

Cool slightly before serving, about five minutes. (Adapted from scatteredcook.com)

Sunny Conley is a cookbook author and food columnist. Contact her at sunny.conley@gmail.com.

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first-place spot and Monica Gomez, who finished in second place.

"It's important to note that the regional competition includes professionals," Green said. "Our students compete against other florists in the industry, not just collegiate competitors, so it presents a completely different playing field."

As part of her first-place honors, Pena also received a scholarship to a week-long floral school. This was her second time winning first place in the Silver Cup.

"Winners must sit out for two years," Green said. "Cheyenne won two years ago, sat out the last year and won again this year."

The floral team is open to all NMSU students, although members are encouraged to enroll in Horticulture 240 and 241. Green said team members

must also have enthusiasm.

"The majority of the people in the industry are artists first and business professionals second," she said. "You must think outside of the box and have a general love for flowers."

NMSU floral team members and students in the horticulture floral design course will have flower arrangements available for purchase in the lobby of Gerald Thomas Hall each Wednesday of the semester from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Customers may bring their own vase and purchase by the stem, or they may choose from a variety of pre-made arrangements. The cost ranges from \$5 to \$40, depending on each customer's needs.

Proceeds benefit the floral team and help with competition travel expenses and flowers used for mock contests and floral design practice.

For more information regarding joining the team or purchasing floral arrangements, contact Sabine Green at swhitley@nmsu.edu.

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continued color throughout the rest of the winter season and into spring.

If you choose to plant in containers, there is an array of pots to choose from, such as glazed, clay, plastic and even cloth. Any type will work as long as you have a good soil mix. Excellent drainage is a must. Most of these can also be allowed to almost dry out in much cooler temps. A good rule is to pick up or move the pot – if it seems light, then it is time to water; if it seems heavy, wait another day or two. When planting these bedding plants do not break the roots apart unless the roots are completely and extremely intertwined. Gently pull the roots apart to help guide them into their new soil retreat. Again, only do this if they are completely root-bound.

Turn the TV off, forget about the political campaigns for a while and do some relaxation gardening. This is truly one of the best times of the year to be outside, at least in the mornings and evenings.

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Legal Notice

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

No. 15-0237

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT MORALES, a/k/a ROBERT M. MORALES, a/k/a ROBERTO MORALES DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

DATED: September 14, 2015.

ANNA MARIE THOMPSON
P.O. Box 57743
Sherman Oaks,
CA 91413-2743

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Dates: 09/25, 10/02, 2015

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

No.: D-307-CV-2015-00811

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,

vs.

MARK LANCASTER AND MANUELA LANCASTER, HUSBAND AND WIFE; ESPERANZA DIAZ, IF LIVING; IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ESPERANZA DIAZ, DECEASED; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO to Defendant Esperanza Diaz, If Living; If Deceased, The Unknown Heirs of Esperanza Diaz, Deceased:

You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff WELLS FARGO BANK, NA has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on real property located at 806 E Arizona Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88001. The real property which is the subject matter of this action is legally described as follows:

BEING A PART OF BLOCK 20 OF THE GRANDVIEW SUBDIVISION OF LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, BEING A RECONCILIATION OF THE PROPERTY DEED OF RECORD OF THAT TRACT OF LAND THAT IS FENCED AND IN POSSESSION AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS. TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED AND MARKED BY A POINT SET ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE AFORESAID BLOCK 20, THENCE ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SAID BLOCK 20, N.76E., AT 20.44 FEET THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 30 OF BLOCK 20 AND AT 42.8 FEET THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED:

THENCE LEAVING THE NORTH LINE OF THE BLOCK AND ALONG THE FOLLOWING FIVE COURSES AND DISTANCES:
S.13 DEG. 36'30"E., 51.40 FEET; N.70 DEG. 43'E., 23.74 FEET; S.21 DEG. 14E., 40 FEET; N.72 DEG. 44'E., 34.13 FEET; S.17 DEG. 50'E., 21.62 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THIS TRACT;

THENCE S.60 DEG. 50'W., 99.74 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER; THENCE N.17 DEG. 37'W.; 199.44 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

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

McCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP

By: /s/Susan Carter
Jeannette M. Whittaker
Susan Carter
6501 Eagle Rock NE,
Suite A-3
Albuquerque,
New Mexico 87113
Telephone No.:
(855) 809-3977
Attorneys for Plaintiff

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 10, 2015, Vidler New Mexico, LLC, 3480 GS Richards Blvd. Ste. 101, Carson City, NV 89703 and Edward M. Padilla & Jerry Acosta, 3585 Paradise, Las Cruces, NM 88007 filed application Lease LRG-4-4 into LRG-4523-1 for permit under Water Use Lease (NMSA 1978, 72-6-1 thru -7) to temporarily change point of diversion and place of use of 210.87 acre-feet per annum of groundwater historically diverted from the following described wells:

WELL NO. SUBDIVISION SECTION TOWNSHIP RANGE
LRG-4 NE¼ SE¼
28 23S 1E
LRG-4-S-2 NE¼ NE¼
28 23S 1E

and by temporarily severing the water rights from the irrigation of 46.86 acres of land described as follows:

WELL NO. SUBDIVISION SECTION TOWNSHIP RANGE
Pt. NW¼ 27
23S 1E
Pt. SW¼ 27
23S 1E

The applicant proposes to temporarily commence the diversion of 210.87 acre-feet per annum, of groundwater to be diverted from the following described points of diversion:

WELL NO. SUBDIVISION SECTION TOWNSHIP RANGE
LRG-4523
NW¼ SE¼ NW¼
30 17S 4W
LRG-4523-S
SW¼ SE¼ NW¼
30 17S 4W
LRG-4523-S-5
NW¼ SE¼ NW¼
30 17S 4W

for irrigation purposes on 46.86 acres of land owned by Jerry Acosta & Edward Padilla in 'Dona Ann County, New Mexico described as follows:

SUBDIVISION SECTION TOWNSHIP RANGE
Pt. NW¼ 30
17S 4W
Pt. SW¼ 30
17S 4W

This application is being filed under the Water Leasing Act 72-6-1 thru 7 NMSA.

Application is made to temporarily transfer 210.87 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for irrigation to Edward Padilla & Jerry Acosta. This is a temporary transfer of groundwater rights that will expire on April 30, 2021. Upon expiration or early termination or cancellation of the desired permit, the subject water right will automatically revert to the move-from point of diversion, places and purpose of use.

The above described move-from points of diversion and place of use are located near intersection of S Fairacres Road and Chivalry Ln., west of Las Cruces, New Mexico. The move-to point of diversion is located near the intersection of Old Hot Springs Rd. and Green Canyon Rd., approximately 1.15 miles north of Army, New Mexico.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the State of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005, within

10 days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent with 24 hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3.

Dates: 09/18, 09/25, 10/02, 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on February 19, 2013, Heather Villegas, P.O. Box 596, Salem, NM 87941 filed application numbered LRG-5171-POD5 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of existing well LRG-5171-S, located within the NE¼/SW¼ of Section 08, T19S, R03W, NMPM, on land owned by the applicants and drilling replacement well LRG-5171-POD5 to an approximate depth of 80 feet below ground surface with 8 inch casing to be located within NW¼/SW¼ of said Section 08 at approximately X=1,355,706 Y=608,325 feet (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) on land owned by the applicants for the continued diversion of up to 99.405 acre feet per annum of shallow groundwater combined with surface water received from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, or an amount to be determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 22.09 acres of land owned by the applicant located in Pt. SW¼ of said Section 08. The subject property and proposed well site is located west of Hatch, NM approximately 1,500 ft. southwest of the intersection of Hwy. 187 and S. Castaneda Rd. Well

LRG-5171-S will be properly plugged.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, 575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Dates: 09/18, 09/25, 10/02, 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on June 20, 2012 Edward P. De Ruyter for De Ruyter Family Trust, PO Box 167, Mesquite, NM 88048 filed application numbered LRG-1281-POD5 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-1281-S, located at

X=1,516,780.9ft and Y=387,329.31ft, NAD 1983 NMSP Central Zone and drilling a new well LRG-1281-POD5 to be located approximately X=1,516,780.8 and Y=387,345.8ft NAD 1983 NMSP Central Zone in the Section 09, Township 26 South, Range 03 East, NMPM, all on land owned by De Ruyter Family Trust for the diversion of groundwater combined with surface water from EBID in that amount to be determined by the Third Judicial District Court for the irrigation of 250.63 acres located in part of the NW¼ and part of the SW¼ Section 09, Township 26 South, Range 03 East, NMPM also owned by De Ruyter Family Trust and further described under subfile LRS-28-012-0064. Old well LRG-1281-S will be plugged. The proposed well and lands are generally described as being southeast of the intersection of Three Saints Rd. and Berino Rd.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (legible, signed and include the writer's complete name and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application: (1) if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show you will be substantially effected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is sent within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to

575-524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with Sections 72-2-16, 72-5-6 and 72-12-3 of NMSA, 1978.

Dates: 09/11, 09/18, 09/25, 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on May 10, 2012, Arnulfo Reveles & Maria Vasquez, 2661 West Yale Avenue, Denver, CO 80219, filed application numbered LRG-15315-POD 1 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing the use of well LRG-679, located on land owned by Agribusiness Investments, LTD, and located at X;1,497,613 and Y:409,115 (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) and using proposed new well LRG-15315-POD1 to be drilled to an approximate depth of 150 feet with 6-inch casing on land owned by the applicant at approximately X=1,497,493Y=409, 680 ft. (N.M.S.P., Central Zone, NAD83) for the continued diversion of that amount of shallow groundwater combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District required for beneficial use, or as determined by the Third Judicial District Court, for the irrigation of 1.55 acres of land located within the NW ¼ of projected Section 23, Township 25 South, Range 2 East, NMPM. Well LRG-679 is located SW of the intersection of Victoria Street and NM State Hwy 28 and proposed replacement well LRG-15315-POD-1 is to be located approximately 500 feet NW of the intersection of Victoria Street and NM State Hwy 28 both of which are in the vicinity of La Mesa, NM. Old well LRG-679 will be retained for the exercise of other water rights.



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

Description	Number	Pre-Bid/ Pre-Proposal Meeting	Due Date / Time
Medium Duty Parts and Labor (RFP)	15-16-074	N/A	October 8, 2015 / 3:30pm
Heavy Duty Parts and Labor (RFP)	15-16-075	N/A	October 8, 2015 / 4:00pm
City Wide Street Lighting	15-16-065	N/A	October 13, 2015 / 2:30pm
Work Uniforms On-Line Ordering Price Agreement - Resolicit (RFP)	15-16-078	N/A	October 6, 2015 / 4:00pm
Hacienda/Homestead Acres Estate Sewer Improvements Project, Phase I	15-16-027	October 7, 2015 / 1:00pm Utilities Room 150 680 N Motel Blvd	October 14, 2015 / 10:00am

Please use this link to access all City of Las Cruces solicitations: <https://www.newmexicobidsystem.com/Registration.asp?ID=1757>
Sealed bids/proposals will be received by the City of Las Cruces Purchasing Section, at 700 N. Main, 3rd Floor, Room 3134.

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

Dates 9/25/15



PUBLIC AUCTION

The City of Las Cruces (City) uses an online auction service to dispose of obsolete, unusable, or surplus equipment, furnishings, vehicles and supplies.

The public is invited to view and bid on items by accessing PublicSurplus.com through a link on the City's webpage las-cruces.org. All sales are final.

For more information, please contact the City of Las Cruces Property Transfer & Disposal Coordinator at 575-541-2683, 575-541-2590 or auction@las-cruces.org

Dates 1/2-12/25/15

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Date: 09/18, 09/25, 10/02, 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on May 12, 2015, Gary Biel, 1985 Trails End Rd., Las Cruces, NM 88007, filed application numbered LRG-15988-1 into LRG-6603-2A, OSE File Nos. LRG6603-2A & LRG-15988-1, with the State Engineer for Permit to Change Location of Well and Place of Use within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by transferring the diversion of 3.3 acre-feet per annum of groundwater from existing well, LRG-15546-POD 1, located on property owned by Ben Maese, and more specifically at or near where lines of Easting and Northing intersect at X=1,462,035 ft and Y=504,470.5 ft (NMSA), historically diverted for the irrigation of 0.74 acres of land, owned by Miguel & Elvia Cisneros, located within the NE 1/4 Sec. 22, T.22S, R.01E (NMPM), as described in Subfile No. LRN-28-006-0018A-A of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey, combined with surface water from EBID, to existing well LRG-6603-2A located in the SE 1/4 projected Sec. 17, T.22S, R.01E (NMPM) on property owned by Gary Biel and more specifically at or near where lines of Easting and Northing intersect at X=1,452,865.95 ft and Y=505,757.41 (NMSA), to be exercised therefrom, combined with surface water

from EBID, for the irrigation of 4.16 acres of land owned by Gary Biel, located within Pt. SE 1/4 of said Sec. 17 as described as part of Subfile No. LRN-28-004-0047-A of the Lower Rio Grande Hydrographic Survey. The physical site of the move-to well is north of Las Cruces, NM, approximately 0.7 miles west of the intersection of Trails End and NM Hwy 85. Well LRG-15546-POD1 will be retained for other rights.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, (575) 524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Date: 09/18, 09/25, 10/02, 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on May 8, 2012, Jeffrey L. Connoles, 2980 Fair Lady Lane, Las Cruces, NM, 88005 filed application numbered LRG-9723 POD3 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by drilling a supplemental well, LRG-9723 POD3, to a depth of 150 feet with 6-inch casing to be located within the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected Section 36, Township 23 South, Range 1 East, NMPM, and more specifically at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 15' 25.006"N, 106° 48' 0.836"W NAD83, on land owned by applicant, to supplement existing wells L R G - 9 7 2 3 and LRG-9723-S, located within the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 of projected Section 1, Township 24 South, Range 1 East

NMPM, and more specifically described at or near where Latitude and Longitude intersect at 32° 15' 22.20"N, 106° 47' 58.96"W NAD83, on land owned by applicant, for the continued combined diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 4.35 acres of land, owned by the applicant, located within the SE 1/4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 of projected Section 36, Township 23 South, Range 1 East and NE 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 of projected Section 1, Township 24 South, Range 1 East NMPM as described by Subfile No.: LRN-28-013-0357 and LRN-28-013-0358 of the Lower Rio Grande Basin Hydrographic Survey. The site for proposed supplemental well, LRG-9723 POD3, is located south of Las Cruces, NM and may be found at the physical address of 2980 Fair Lady Lane.

Any person, firm or corporation or other entity having standing to file objections or protests shall do so in writing (objection must be legible, signed, and include the writer's complete name, phone number and mailing address). The objection to the approval of the application must be based on: (1) Impairment; if impairment, you must specifically identify your water rights; and/or (2) Public Welfare/Conservation of Water; if public welfare or conservation of water within the state of New Mexico, you must show how you will be substantially and specifically affected. The written protest must be filed, in triplicate, with the State Engineer, 1680 Hickory Loop, Suite J, Las Cruces, NM 88005 within ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. Facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted as a valid protest as long as the hard copy is hand-delivered or mailed and postmarked within 24-hours of the facsimile. Mailing postmark will be used to validate the 24-hour period. Protests can be faxed to the Office of the State Engineer, (575) 524-6160. If no valid protest or objection is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 72 NMSA 1978.

Date: 09/11, 09/18, 09/25, 2015

NOTICE is hereby given that on November 27, 2012, Joe Paul and Rose Marie Lack, PO Box 274 Hatch, NM 87937, filed application numbered LRG-4591-POD8 and on February 27, 2015 filed application numbered LRG-4591-POD9 with the State Engineer for Permit to Change an Existing Water Right under OSE File Nos. L R G - 4 5 9 1 - 1 and LRG-4591-2 within the Lower Rio Grande Underground Water Basin in Doña Ana County by discontinuing use of well LRG-4591-S located within the NE 1/4 of Sec 1, T20S, R2W, NMPM and well LRG-4591-S-2 located within the NW 1/4 of said Sec 1 and drilling proposed replacement wells LRG-4591-POD8 to a depth of 100 feet with a 16-inch casing and LRG-4591-POD9 to a depth of 80 feet with a 16-inch casing on land owned by applicants for the continued diversion of an amount of water reserved for future determination by the May 24, 1999 Order of the Third Judicial District Court, combined with surface water from the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, for the irrigation of 236.82 acres of land located within the NE 1/4 NW 1/4 and SW 1/4 of said Sec. 1 and the diversion for irrigation with shallow groundwater only of 80.02 acres owned by the applicants within NW 1/4 SE 1/4 and SW 1/4 of said Sec 1 and the NE 1/4 and NW 1/4 of Sec 12, T20S, R02W (NMPM), as described by subfile Order LRR-28-011-0005, Rights A and B, of the Third judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, State of New Mexico. Easting/Northing coordinates for the wells are given as X=1,409,519 ft Y=580,192 ft and X=1,407,949 ft Y=583,916 ft (NMSA, NAD 83). The site of proposed wells LRG-4591-POD8 and LRG-4591-POD9 will be located 6 miles southeast of Rincon, NM and 1.4 miles south of the intersection of Road A and Kit Carson Rd., further identified by property address of 6610 Kit Carson Rd. The applicants requested Emergency Authorization to use the wells prior to publication and hearing, and pursuant to the authority of NMSA 1978 Section 72-12-23. Wells L R G - 4 5 9 1 - S and LRG-4591-S-2 will be properly plugged.

Date: 09/25, 10/02, 10/09, 2015

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

The City Council of the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Hereby Gives Notice of Its Adoption of the Following Ordinances at the Regular City Council Meeting Held on September 21, 2015:

1. Council Bill No. 16-001; Ordinance No. 2760: An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of up to \$28,500,000 City of Las Cruces, New Mexico Hold Harmless Gross Receipts Tax Improvement Revenue Bonds, in One or More Series, for Construction, Acquisition and Improvement of Streets, Roadways, Public Facilities and Infrastructure and Economic Development Purposes.

2. Council Bill No. 16-002; Ordinance No. 2761: An Ordinance in Accord with the City of Las Cruces Local Economic Development Plan, to Amend the Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Budget, Authorize the City of Las Cruces to Fund and Act as Fiscal Agent for a Local Economic Development Act Project Known as the ARCO LEDA Project.

Copies Are Available for Inspection During Working Hours at the Office of the City Clerk. Witness My Hand and Seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 22th day of September 2015.

Linda Lewis, CMC
Interim City Clerk

Date: 09/25, 2015

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT

Notice is hereby given that the Las Cruces City Council will hold a Public Hearing to discuss approval or disapproval of a transfer of ownership of Liquor License No. 28033, with on premise consumption only, to Blazin Wings, Inc. d/b/a Buffalo

Wild Wings, located at 2750 Mall Drive, Suite 600, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The Public Hearing will be held in conjunction with the regular meeting of the Las Cruces City Council scheduled for **Monday, October 19, 2015, at 1:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers, 700 North Main Street, City Hall. If passed, the State of New Mexico Regulation & Licensing Department may approve the transfer.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Las Cruces on this the 14th day of September, 2015.

/s/Linda Lewis, CMC,
Interim City Clerk

Date: 09/18, 09/25, 2015

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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

To be held at:
**DISCOUNT SELF STORAGE
2499 EL CAMINO REAL
LAS CRUCES, NM 88007
575 382-0000**

**ON SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 26, 2015,
BEGINNING AT 10 AM
SIGN IN AT 9:30 AM**

**THE ENTIRE CONTENTS OF STORAGE UNITS:
018, 052, 059, 343, 388,
593, 673, 693, 754, 778,
787, 792**

**Unit 018
Kevin Guzman
2205 Madeira Dr NE
Albuquerque NM 87110
Unit items consist of:
TV, ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, GAMING CENTER, MISC. BAGS.**

**Unit 052
Manuel Mrtz-Gnzlz
1585 Dodgen Ct
Las Cruces NM 88007
Unit items consist of: AIR COMPRESSOR, CARGO CARRIER, COOLERS, SUBWOOFER, RADIO SURROUND SOUND, LAMP, MISC. ITEMS.**

**Unit 059
Justin Torres
P.O. Box 2082
Ruidoso NM 88355
Unit items consist of: HEATER, FISHING TACKLE.**

**Unit 343
Carmen Lucero
1538 Standley Dr
Las Cruces NM 88001
Unit items consist of: REFRIGERATOR, FLOOR JACK, TREADMILL, CRAFTSMAN SAW, MISC. ITEMS.**

**Unit 388
Anthony Naranjo**

3215 Enchanted Dr
Las Cruces NM 88011
Unit items consist of:
BICYCLES, FOOSBALL TABLE, MISC. ITEMS.

**Unit 593
Tomas Hernandez
1750 Lester Ave
Las Cruces NM 88001
Unit items consist of:
WASHER/DRYER, TWO WHEELBARROWS, CRAFTSMAN VACUUM, AIR COMPRESSOR, MISC. TOOLS.**

**Unit 673
Robert Vallejos
1825 Thomas Dr #B1
Las Cruces NM 88001
Unit items consist of:
LUGGAGE, CLOTHING, MISC. ITEMS.**

**Unit 693
Roberto Aguirre
2720 Glass Rd
Las Cruces NM 88005
Unit items consist of:
FISHING RODS, TOOLS, WHEELBARROW, WELDER, LADDER, WORK TABLE, MISC. ITEMS.**

**Unit 754
Steven Escalera
1410 Alamo #1
Las Cruces NM 88001
Unit items consist of:
DRESSER, BED, MISC. HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.**

**Unit 778
Beverly Stapler
5935 Galaxy Dr #9
Las Cruces NM 88012
Unit items consist of:
COUCHES, TV'S END TABLES, LAMP, MATTRESS, MISC. ITEMS.**

**Unit 787
Eleazar Mendoza
3930 N Dal Paso
Hobbs NM 88240
Unit items consist of:
TV, CLOTHING, X-BOX PLAYER, LARGE SPEAKER, MISC. ITEMS.**

**Unit 792
Sergio Delarosa
2230 Dona Ana Rd Spc 35
Las Cruces NM 88007
Unit items consist of:
COUCHES, DRESSER, WORKOUT BENCH, MISC. HOUSEHOLD ITEMS.**

Lettie and Angel Quezada
Discount Self Storage
2499 El Camino Real
Las Cruces, NM 88007
Phone (575) 382-0000
www.discountstoragem.com

Date: 09/18, 09/25, 2015

NOTICE OF VEHICLE SEIZURE

TO REGISTERED OWNERS, SECURED PARTIES AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS:

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

of Doña Ana pursuant to DAC Ordinance #232-07 pertaining to the seizure and forfeiture of vehicles related to DWI Offenses: The below listed vehicles and contents will be auctioned to the highest bidder at our upcoming auction set for the Month of October 2015, the event location, 821-B Las Vegas Court, Las cruces, NM.

VIN # DESCRIPTION REGISTERED OWNER

**JF1GF4858VH805568
1997 WHITE SUBARU 4D
JOSE ATIENZO**

**1FAFP4041WF251430
1998 GREEN FORD 2D
ISRAEL CHAVEZ**

**1FTCR14A2SPA67575
1995 BLUE FORD PK
ISAURA CASTILLO**

**1G8DM15Z1GB141901
1986 MAROON
CHIEV VAN
DIANA SANTA CRUZ**

**2B6HB21X6MK408662
1991 BLUD DODGE VAN
ESEQUIEL PENA**

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

Date: 09/25, 10/2, 2015

Notice to Creditors /Lienholders

Notice under the Bulk Sales Act is herein given to any and all creditors or Lien Holders of DAB Holdings LLC, dba 1 Call Plumbing 2205 N. Mesquite Street Las Cruces, NM. That the business is being sold on or about November 5, 2015 By Eli Berger Realtor and Kenny Mcardle of Coldwell Banker Legacy (575)521-1000. Creditors and Lienholders should contact Grisel Chavez of Southwestern Abstract and Title (575) 523-8561

Date: 09/11, 09/18, 09/25, 2015

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA PROBATE COURT

No: 15-0223

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD EUGENE MAYHEW, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Doris Mayhew has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All

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persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of any published notice to creditors or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Doña Ana Probate Court, 845 N Motel Blvd, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007.

/s/Doris Mayhew
Doris Mayhew,
Personal Representative

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

Dates: 09/25, 10/02, 2015

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

CV 2015-2001
Judge Douglas R. Driggers

**IN THE MATTER OF A
PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME
OF JACLYN JANEEN
VANDERLUGT**

**NOTICE OF PETITION
TO CHANGE NAME**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Jaclyn Janeen Vanderlugt, a resident of the City of Las Cruces, County of Doña Ana; State of New Mexico, and over the age of fourteen years, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the Third Judicial District Court, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, wherein she seeks to change her name from Jaclyn Janeen Vanderlugt to Jaclyn Janeen Cervantes-Vanderlugt, and this Petition will be heard before the Honorable Douglas R. Driggers on the 5th day of November, 2015, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. at the Third Judicial District Court, Courtroom 6, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 88005.

Respectfully submitted,
THE DARDEN LAW
FIRM, P.A.
/s/John A. Darden
John A. Darden
Attorney for Petitioner
P.O. Box 578
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0578
(575) 541-6655 (telephone)

Dates: 09/25, 10/02, 2015

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

No. PB 2015-85
Judge Kugler

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF JESUS**

**O. FERNANDEZ, JR.,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO
CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned attorney for the Personal Representative or filed with the Clerk of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

MELISSA J. REEVES, P.C.

/s/M J Reeves Evins
Melissa J. Reeves-Evins
200 W. Las Cruces Ave.,
Ste. A
Las Cruces, NM 88005
575-522-5009
522-5031 FAX
Attorney for Personal
Representative

Dates: 09/25, 10/02, 2015

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

Cause No.
D-307-PB-2015-0008
Judge: Manuel I. Arrieta

**In the Matter of the Estate
of Ernest R. Riggs,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO
CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Ernest Wayne Riggs and Rosetta Jeter have been appointed co-personal representatives of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned co-personal representatives at the address shown in this notice or filed with the court.

The attorney for the co-personal representatives is William L. Lutz of the law firm of Martin, Lutz, Roggow & Eubanks, P.C. 2110 North Main Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001.

DATED this 31 day of August, 2015.

/s/Ernest W. Riggs
Ernest Wayne Rigg
Co-Personal Representative

3700 Mondale Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

/s/Rosetta Jeter
Rosetta Jeter
Co-Personal Representative
13100 Soledad Canyon
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Dates: 09/18, 09/25, 2015

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

No. D-307-PB-2015-00070

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
BYRON LEE WILSON,
Deceased.**

**NOTICE TO
CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NICHOL YVONNE WILSON has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of BYRON LEE WILSON, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the Personal Representative in care of the Attorney for the Personal Representative, Lauren D. Serrano of SCOTTTHULSE PC, 201 North Church Street, Suite 201, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005. Phone: (575) 522-0765. Fax: (575) 522-0006, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, located at 201 West Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2015.

SCOTTTHULSE PC
201 North Church Street,
Suite 201
Las Cruces,
New Mexico 88001
(575) 522-0765
(575) 522-0006
Facsimile

By:/s/Lauren D. Serrano
LAUREN D. SERRANO
Attorneys for Personal
Representative

Dates: 09/18, 09/25, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-00156

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

vs.

**MELINDA MAY MEDD,
aka MELINDA M.
RAUSCH, if living, if
deceased, THE ESTATE
OF MELINDA MAY
MEDD, aka MELINDA M.**

RAUSCH, Deceased; JACOB RIGER; LINCOLN ADKINS; and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF MELINDA MAY MEDD, aka MELINDA M. RAUSCH, DECEASED, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **October 21, 2015**, at the hour of **10:00 a.m.**, the undersigned Special Master will, at the main entrance of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 5212 Derringer Road, Las Cruces, and is situate in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 8 IN BLOCK 2 OF TELLBROOK SUBDIVISION UNIT 1, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS THE SAME IS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED FOR RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO ON SEPTEMBER 15, 1977 AND RECORDED IN BOOK 12 AT PAGES 129-130, PLAT RECORDS.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on September 10, 2015, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$72,667.20 and the same bears interest at 5.250% per annum from July 31, 2015, to the date of sale. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real

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

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

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

Dates: 09/25, 10/02, 10/09, 10/16, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-00531

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

vs.

BLANCA I. CARRASCO AKA BLANCA CARRASCO, NEW MEXICO MORTGAGE FINANCE AUTHORITY, AND NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND REVENUE, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE
ON FORECLOSURE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 4237 Independence Loop, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 10, BLOCK 2 INDEPENDENCE VILLAGE, IN THE CITY OF DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1995, IN BOOK 18 PAGE(S) 330-331 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on October 16, 2015**, outside the front entrance of the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, #A,

Las Cruces, New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, N.A..

BOKF, N.A. was awarded in rem Judgment on September 1, 2015, in the principal sum of \$92,114.49, plus interest due on the Note through August 1, 2015, in the amount of \$5,443.92, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 5.910% per annum (\$14.92 per diem) until paid, plus late charges of \$234.78, plus escrow advances for property taxes in the amount of \$564.72, plus hazard insurance in the amount of \$646.00, plus FHA/HUD premiums in the amount of \$335.94, less unapplied funds in the amount of (\$233.12), plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through July 15, 2015, in the amount of \$1,500.00 and costs through July 15, 2015, in the amount of \$1,016.19, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 2.00% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani
Special Master
c/o 5120 San Francisco
Road NE
Albuquerque,
New Mexico 87109
(505) 858-3303

Dates: 09/18, 09/25, 10/02, 10/09, 2015

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

No. D-307-CV-2015-00831

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

vs.

JIMMY RAY PEREA AKA JIMMY RAE PEREA, CHRISTINA PEREA, FIRST NEW MEXICO BANK, BUILDER SVC

GROUP DBA GALE INSULATION, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE
ON FORECLOSURE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-entitled Court, having appointed me or my designee as Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the real property (the "Property") situated in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, commonly known as 2410 Sandollar Court, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007, and more particularly described as follows:

LOT 2, WILDWIND ESTATES, IN DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE PLAT THEREOF, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF SAID COUNTY ON JULY 21, 2004 IN BOOK 20 PAGE(S) 739-740 OF PLAT RECORDS.

The sale is to begin at **11:45 a.m. on October 2, 2015**, outside the front entrance of the Doña Ana County Courthouse, 201 W. Picacho, #A, Las Cruces, New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in lawful currency of the United States of America, the Property to pay expenses of sale, and to satisfy the Judgment granted BOKF, N.A..

BOKF, N.A. was awarded Judgment on August 12, 2015, in the principal sum of \$211,715.63, plus interest due on the Note through July 15, 2015, in the amount of \$9,919.58, and accruing thereafter at the rate of 5.375% per annum (\$31.18 per diem) until paid, plus late charges of \$384.66, plus escrow advances in the amount of \$2,414.80, less unapplied funds in the amount of (\$3,357.54), plus reasonable attorney's fees incurred by Plaintiff through June 30, 2015, in the amount of \$1,500.00 and costs through June 30, 2015, in the amount of \$568.75, with interest on the aforesaid amounts at the rate of 5.375% per annum from date of the entry of this Judgment until paid.

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

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

/s/ Faisal Sukhyani
Special Master
c/o 5120 San Francisco
Road NE
Albuquerque,
New Mexico 87109
(505) 858-3303

Dates: 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 09/25, 2015

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

Cause No.
D-307-CV-2014-01854
Judge: Darren M. Kugler

**CHRIS FROST
Plaintiff,**

v.

JORGE CORRAL, MARIA MARGARITA PEREZ, MARCOS PEREZ MENDOZA, VERONICA M. ARMENTA, GILBERT E. MARQUEZ, SYLVIA MARQUEZ, RUBEN E. MARQUEZ, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOSEPHINA E. MORALES, deceased, and ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS CLAIMING ANY LIEN, INTEREST OR TITLE ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a default judgment issued out of the District Court of Doña Ana County on September 8, 2015, in the above entitled cause and which it was determined that Plaintiff had a judgment against the Defendant, Jorge Corral, in the amount of \$25,000.00 and \$1136.19 as reasonable attorneys fees and costs and which judgment I am among other things commanded to sell all of the lands described in said judgment which real estate is to be sold in this foreclosure sale and is more particularly described in said judgment in said cause and hereinafter described.

Notice is hereby given that on the 28 day of October, 2015 at the hour of 1:15 p.m. and in front of the Doña Ana County Judicial Complex located at 201 W. Picacho Ave. Las Cruces, NM 88005. I will in obedience of said judgment sell the following described real estate to wit:

Lot 9, Block 15; Berino Townsite; AKA 309 Candelaria St. Berino NM 88024

Together with the hereditaments and appurtenances belonging to said real estate in any way pertaining to said premises to satisfy Plaintiff's judgment in the amount of \$26,136.19 together with interest thereon to the date of sale in the amount of \$2,971.65 together with all costs of said sale.

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If the amount bid is over and above the amount due the Plaintiff, plus the cost of the sale, the amount of the proceeds shall be paid into the registry of the Court for the determination of the amounts to be paid to who said amount should be paid. Said sale shall be to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds provided however that the Plaintiff shall be entitled to bid all or a part of his judgment.

DATED this 15 day of September, 2015

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
By/s/Steven Hosford
Steven Hosford-Special Master
P.O. Box 420
Arrey, NM 87930-0420
575-644-6068

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

PB-2015-0079
Judge Martin

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HAROLD DEAN RAYMAN, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative, in care of the Bates Law Firm, PO Box 305, Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305, or filed with the Third Judicial District Court, 201 W. Picacho Avenue, Suite A, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

DATED: September 15, 2015.

/s/Bryn Davis
Bryn Davis
Personal Representative of the Estate of Harold Dean Rayman, Deceased

PREPARED AND SUBMITTED BY:

BATES LAW FIRM
PO Box 305
Las Cruces, NM 88004-0305
(575) 524-8585
(575) 524-1895 (Fax)

/s/Lloyd O. Bates Jr.
Lloyd O. Bates Jr.
Attorney for the Estate

Dates: 09/18, 09/25, 2015

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

Case No. D-307-DM 2015-876
Judge: James T. Martin

Ana Luisa Ortega, Petitioner,

v.

Hijinio Baiderasr, Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUIT

TO Hijinio Baiderasr, Respondent:

Take notice that a lawsuit has been filed against you.

The subject of this lawsuit is: Petition for Dissolution of Marriage

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

Ana Luisa Ortega
PO Box 1519
Las Cruces, NM 88001
575-449-1915

WITNESS the Honorable James T. Martin, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 11th day of August, 2015.

(Seal)

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

BY: Mary E Apadaca
DEPUTY

Dates: 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 2015

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Case No. D-307-CV-2014-00569

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff,

v.

FRANCES V. SAUCEDO AND CARLOS SAUCEDO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will on **September 30, 2015 at 1:30 pm**, outside the front entrance of the Third Judicial District Court, 201 West Picacho Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005, sell and convey to the highest bidder

for cash all the right, title, and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 190, ENTRADA DE SIERRA SUBDIVISION PHASE 1, in the City of Las Cruces, Doña Ana County, New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on August 10, 2007, in Book 22 Page(s) 291-293 of Plat Records.

The address of the real property is 7498 Monte Verde Place, Las Cruces, NM 88012. Plaintiff does not represent or warrant that the stated street address is the street address of the described property; if the street address does not match the legal description, then the property being sold herein is the property more particularly described above, not the property located at the street address; any prospective purchaser at the sale is given notice that it should verify the location and address of the property being sold. Said sale will be made pursuant to the judgment entered on July 8, 2014 in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of \$153,450.74 plus interest from May 1, 2014 to the date of sale at the rate of 4.375% per annum, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee, publication costs, and Plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance, and keeping the property in good repair. Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this sale may be subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other condition that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, at the time of sale, this sale will be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Special Master and the mortgagee giving this notice shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to rights of redemption.

Jennifer Taylor
Special Master
Ancillary Legal Support Inc.
Post Office Box 91988
Albuquerque, NM 87199
Phone: 505-433-4576
Fax: 505-433-4577

Dates: 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 09/25, 2015

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Cause No. D-307-CV-2015001779
Judge James T. Martin

RICARDO SILVA and AMADA SILVA, Plaintiffs,

v.

HEIRS OF ALBERT MALOOLY, and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFFS, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO: Any and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs

I, Claude Bowman, Court Executive Officer of the Third Judicial District Court in the County of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, do hereby cause to be issued this Notice of Pendency of Suit, for the purpose of service of process on any and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs by publication.

The names of the Plaintiffs, Defendants, and the Court in which said cause is pending and the civil cause number are set out hereinabove.

The Defendants against

whom service by publication is sought to be obtained are any and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs.

The general object of this action is to quiet and to set at rest the title of Plaintiffs in and to the lands described herein against any adverse claims and that all claimants be barred and estopped from having or claiming any lien upon, any right or title to the estate of Plaintiffs in and to said lands, or any portion thereof, adverse to the Plaintiffs.

The property which is affected and concerned by this pending action is located in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

Lot 23, Del Cerro Estates Plat Number Two, a subdivision in the county of Doña Ana, State of New Mexico, as shown and designated on the plat thereof, filed in the office of the County Clerk of said County on April 23, 1975, as Plat No. 808, in book 12 at pages 12 and 13 of Plat Records.

The name of the Plaintiffs' attorney is as follows: Karen E. Wootton of the CARRILLO LAW FIRM, P.C., 1001 E. Lohman, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001, (575) 647-3200.

Any and all unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to Plaintiffs, against whom constructive service is sought to be obtained, are hereby notified that unless they file a responsive pleading or motion with this Court within thirty (30) days after the date of the fourth and last publication of this Notice, judgment or other appropriate relief will be rendered in such suit against them by default.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this 31st day of August, 2015.

(Seal)

Claude Bowman
Court Executive Officer

By/s/Joe M. Martinez
Deputy-Joe M Martinez

Dates: 09/04, 09/11, 09/18, 09/25, 2015

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

No. CV-2015-01476
Judge: ROSNER

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

vs.

SOCORRO MORALES, JOEL ZUBIATE, 1998 MERCURY COUGAR, WHITE; VIN: IMEPM6046KH603661; NEW MEXICO LICENSE PLATE NO. LXF 790; Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

To: SOCORRO MORALES, the above named Respondents.

1. The City of Las Cruces, New Mexico, seeks to forfeit all interest you may have in the following described motor vehicle:1998 MERCURY COUGAR, WHITE; VIN: IMEPM6046KH603661; New Mexico Plate No. LXF 790.

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

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

CITY OF LAS CRUCES

By: Robert A. Cabello
Robert A. Cabello
Assistant City Attorney
P.O. Box 20000
575-541-2128
Attorney for Petitioner

WITNESS the Honorable Mary Rosner, District Judge of the Third Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico and the seal of the District Court of Doña Ana County, this 21st day of September, 2015.

(Seal)

Claude Bowman
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

BY: M. Elena Hayes
Deputy

Dates: 09/25, 10/02, 10/06, 2015

STATE OF NEW MEXICO DOÑA ANA COUNTY THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

NO. D-307-PB-2015-00084
HON: Driggers Douglas R.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOAN RAABE-ASPREY, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed as (Co-)personal representatives of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned (Co-)personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the District Court of Doña Ana, County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 201 W. Picacho Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005.

Dated: Sep 21, 2015.

/s/John Gilbert
John Gilbert
9902 Devonshire Dr.
Huntersville, NC 28078
704-453-1336

/s/Marissa Gilbert
Marissa Gilbert
9902 Devonshire Dr.
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SUBMITTED:

ESTRADA LAW, P.C.

By/s/Michele Ungvarsky, Esq.
Michele Ungvarsky, Esq.
4611 Research Park
Circle #A-112
Las Cruces, NM 88001
575.556.2462
Attorneys for the Estate of Joan Raabe-Asprey, Deceased.

Dates: 09/25, 10/02, 2015

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT DOÑA ANA COUNTY

No. 15-0229

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF David C. Brandhorst, Deceased.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Doña Ana County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 845 N. Motel Blvd., 1-201, Las Cruces, NM 88007.

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David S. Zeemont
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Las Cruces, NM 88007
575-523-0913

Dates: 09/18, 09/25, 2015

The Las Cruces Convention and Visitors Bureau Event Sponsorship Applications

The Las Cruces CVB is soliciting applications for their event sponsorship program. Program guidelines and eligibility requirements are listed below. For more information, contact the CVB at 575-541-2444.

1. Applications for sponsorship of events or projects for tourism-related activities are only being accepted.
2. One can either download an application from explorelascruces.com/event-funding or pick one up at the CVB, 211 N. Water St.
3. To be eligible, all applications must be received by the CVB no later than 5:00 PM on October 22nd.
4. All applicants will be notified if their request has been accepted by November 20th.
5. Proposals must be complete and include all of the requested documentation. (e.g. strategic plan, budget, marketing plan, list of prospective sponsors, estimated room nights, etc.)
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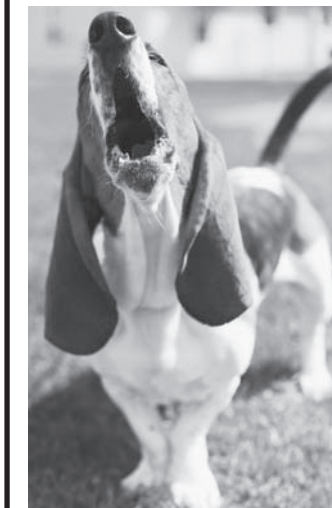
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Are you feeling sleepy? You're not the only one

How you doing, sleepy head? Are you feeling tired? Even when you'd been up for a couple of hours today, were you ready to take a nap? Turns out, you're not alone.

While sleep is often considered a "passive" activity, more and more research shows getting sufficient sleep is more than just rest; it needs to be an essential aspect of health promotion and chronic disease prevention in the public health community.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the New Mexico Department of Health (NMDOH), not getting enough sleep leads to chronic health issues, including Type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular

disease, obesity and depression.

It turns out that people across the country are not getting enough sleep. According to 2009 data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System, more than a third of American adults say they are not getting a full seven hours of sleep each night. The sleep deprivation results in self-reported poor concentration, memory difficulties and even performance issues at work.

Too little sleep affects every aspect of a person's life, particularly on the job, which can potentially be dangerous for the sleep-deprived individual as well as others. An estimated 317,000 traffic crashes involved large

trucks in 2012, according to CDC reports. Among those, 26,000 truck drivers or passengers were injured, and 700 were killed. Those crashes can be prevented by training that addresses seat belt use, distracted driving and drowsy driving.

So how much sleep does a person need? The CDC says it depends on your age. Newborns need 16-18 hours a day. Preschool aged children need up to 12 hours daily while school-aged kids need at least ten hours a day. Teens, meanwhile, need nine to 10 hours and adults as many as nine hours.

If you're not getting those recommended hours, there are some changes you can make for

the better. It's all about practicing good sleep hygiene – the fancy term for good sleep habits.

The CDC and NMDOH have a short list of small changes you can make for big changes for your energy level:

- Go to bed at the same time each night and rise at the same time each morning, including weekends.

- Make sure your bedroom is a quiet, dark and relaxing environment, which is neither too hot nor too cold.

- Make sure your bed is comfortable and use it only for sleeping and not for other activities, such as reading, watching TV or listening to music. Remove all TVs, computers and other "gad-

gets" from the bedroom. Be sure to limit screen time before bed.

- Avoid large meals before bedtime.

It's important to practice good sleep hygiene, but if your sleep problems persist or if they interfere with how you feel or function during the day, you should seek evaluation and treatment by a physician, preferably one familiar with assessing and treating sleep disorders. Before visiting your physician, keep a diary of your sleep habits for about ten days to discuss at the visit.

For more information on sleep and sleep disorders, visit the Center for Disease Control site at www.cdc.gov.

PET BRIEFS

Pitbull mix named Pet of the Week

Meet Kelsi, a friendly and lovable Pitbull mix who adores going on walks and playing tug-of-war. Kelsi also loves the rain. She loves to jump in puddles, but promises not to get you wet – unless you want to jump in puddles with her. Kelsi says she hopes to one day become a meteorologist because if she can predict rain patterns, she'll be able to jump in puddles all over the world. Help her find her forever home today.



KELSI

Kelsi has been at the Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley, 8551 Bataan Memorial West, for approximately ten months. For more information, call the shelter at 382-0018.

Fashion show fundraiser

Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary, in partnership with Project Mainstreet, will hold the Animals and Their People Fashion Show from 3:30 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, between Hadley and Las Cruces Avenues on the Downtown Mall.

Dress up your pooch and yourself and enter this community event. Discounts are available at Safe Haven Thrift Store for contestant styling. Prizes will be provided for different categories. The event will also feature vendors, doggie disco, beer, wine and food.

Entry fee is \$4. This family event benefits the pets at Safe Haven awaiting adoption.

For more information, visit Safe Haven on Facebook or call 541-4942.

"Howling Halloween" Cruces Canines Event

"Howling Halloween" Cruces Canines event, a people and pet social, will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1, at Andele's Dog House, 1983 Calle del Norte. Well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome to attend. Everyone is invited to socialize with animal people and their furkids. The \$5 admission fee helps animals through Humane Society of Southern NM programs and services. Amanda Lopez-Askin, local animal advocate and Student Regent on the NMSU Board of Regents, will be the event emcee. Music will be provided by deejay Mike Sheppard. The Muertos Ladies will appear in costume and be on hand for photos with fur friends. Dog owners are invited to dress up their pet in a costume or with an accessory and celebrate the holiday early. Ribbons, door prizes and raffles are part of the event. For more information, contact jean@hssnm.org or 522-2529.

Blessing of the pets

Trinity Lutheran Church, partnering with Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary, will hold a pet blessing service and pet adoption opportunity starting 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, on the front lawn of Trinity Lutheran Church, 2900 Elks Dr.

The Las Cruces community is invited to bring pets, leashed or in a carrier, for a blessing by Pastor Jerry Reynolds. Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary will have pets available for adoption from 10 a.m. 1 p.m. For more information, contact Pam Crume at 523-4232.

Foster homes needed for animals

Fostering can be a rewarding way to enjoy the companionship a pet provides without having the commitment that goes along with it.

For more information, call Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary at 527-4544.

Adoption center seeks volunteers

Are you retired and want to share your skills? Why not volunteer at the Cat's Meow Adoption Center, 2211 N. Mesquite St. You can help save a life by fostering a cat in your home while waiting for the next available space at the adoption center. Do you have fundraising and grant writing skills? Do you have a few hours a week to help with cat care? These are just a few ways your help is needed. The center is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. For more information, call 386-6938 or visit www.thecatmeowlascruces.com.

APA seeks old sleeping bags

ACTION Programs for Animals is seeking comforters or old sleeping bags to help offset the cooler evening temperatures.


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Vista College's mental health awareness recognized by Kognito

Vista College has been awarded a Certificate of Excellence by Kognito, a leading provider and innovator of mental health and suicide prevention

programs for higher education, for its outstanding performance in executing its mental health awareness program. The award acknowledges the col-

lege's best practices and commitment to creating and sustaining a culture of support for students, primarily veterans, in the 2014-2015 school year.

Vista College launched Kognito's Veterans on Campus Training in Octo-

ber 2014 on all of its campuses. To date, 333 staff and faculty have gone

through the training – an online, interactive learning experience helping faculty and staff to understand the needs, experiences and cultural issues affecting student veterans. By engaging in role-play conversations with virtual student veterans, users get hands-on experience managing challenging conversations, gain important skills in recognizing signs of psychological distress and learn how to connect students to appropriate resources.

A recent national study by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) reported that 31.6 percent of college students felt so depressed they found it difficult to function. As a result, many colleges and universities are proactively training staff and faculty, as well as students, in how to support such students.

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The fifth annual Disability Employment Job Fair will be held 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7, at the Las Cruces Convention Center, 680 E. University Ave. For more information, call 524-6135.

FREE WELL BEING WORKSHOPS

Well Being Wednesday will be held at 1 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month in the Well Being Room at the Good Samaritan Social Center Building, 3011 Buena Vida Circle. Each free workshop lasts about an hour. Topics of discussion will focus on the six areas of the Well Being Wheel, which include: physical; emotional; social; occupational; intellectual; and spiritual health.

On Wednesday, Oct. 7 Julie Maager and Pilar Amerman, senior living managers with Good Samaritan Society – Las Cruces Village, will give a workshop on “Assisted Living: Information you need for your next move.”

For more information, contact 556-2179 or prodgers@good-sam.com.

MINDFULNESS-BASED STRESS REDUCTION CLASS

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) class will be held in the spring of 2016 at Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 Montana Ave. The eight-week course includes seven, two-hour evening classes and one, all-day Saturday workshop. The course will be taught by nurse Gerri January. Cost is for materials only. For information or to sign up, contact Gerri January at gerrijanuary@gmail.com.

SUICIDE SURVIVORS GROUP MEETS

Suicide Survivors, a free, peer-led group, is open to any adult survivor of suicide. Facilitated by the Southern New Mexico Suicide Prevention and Survivor Support Coalition, the group meets from 4:30 to 6 p.m. the first and third Monday of the month at the Center for Grief Services, 209 E. Montana Ave.

For more information, call 635-6265 or email margaret.short@lpnt.net.

RECOVERY GROUP

Art of Recovery, a support group for adults in recovery from mental illness, meets from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at The Bridge, 2511 Chaparral St. The group matches those in need of support with volunteers.

For more information, call 522 6404 or send an email to bridge@nmsu.edu.

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Breast Cancer Support Group of the Community Foundation of Southern New Mexico meets from 10 to 11:30 a.m. every fourth Saturday of the month at Memorial Medical Center, 2450 S. Telshor Blvd., West Annex Building.

Monthly programs vary, with information related to breast cancer and the pursuit of wellness.

No registration is required. Meetings are free and are open to all who have been touched by breast cancer.

For more information, call 524-4373.

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Monday meetings begin at 6 p.m. at Mesilla Park Community Church, 3101 S. Main St. For more information, call Don at 650-1625.

Friday meetings begin at 6 p.m. at First Evangelical Free Church, 1435 Pecos St. For more information, call Steve at 639-3550.

For more information on the program, visit www.celebraterecovery.com.

LOW VISION SUPPORT GROUP

The Low Vision Support Group meets 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

For more information, call 528-3000.

T'AI CHI CHIH

T'ai Chi Chih sessions taught by Rose J. Alvarez Diosdado are at 8:45 and 10 a.m. every Monday, 8:45 a.m. every Tuesday and 11 a.m. every Wednesday in the Blue Room at Senior Circle Center, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., behind the Walgreens on the corner of Lohman Avenue and Roadrunner Parkway.

Through July, get a daily cup of T'ai Chi Chih sunshine at an outdoor class held 9 a.m. every Thursday at Young Park, 1905 Nevada Ave.

For more information, email rositaad4@gmail.com or visit www.taichichih.org.

TOPS GROUPS MEETINGS SET

Take Off Pounds Sensibly Chapter 219 meets from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Thursdays. The support group assists members in achieving and maintaining healthy weight-loss goals.

For more information and location, call Doris at 524-7461.

TOPS Chapter 381 meets every Thursday at Trails West Mobile Home Park, 1450 Avenida de Mesilla. Weigh-in is at 10 a.m. and the meeting runs from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. All are welcome. For more information, call Jackie Sloan at 649-8477.

TOPS Chapter 390 meets 5:45 to 7 p.m. Thursdays at Morning Star United Methodist Church.

TRANSPLANT SUPPORT GROUP

The Southern New Mexico Transplant Support Group meets 6:30 to 8 p.m., the second Thursday of the month at MountainView Regional Medical Center, 4311 E. Lohman Ave., in the conference room located on the right side at the entrance to the cafeteria.

For more information, call Susan at 496-2627.

SOUTHERN NM DIABETES GROUP MEETS MONTHLY

The Diabetes Educational Support Group meetings

are held from 10 to 11:15 a.m. the third Thursday of each month at Natural Grocers, 3970 E. Lohman Ave.

For more information, call 522-0287.

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ADULT DIABETES EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP

The Adult Diabetes Educational Support Group meets 6 to 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month at MountainView Senior Circle Association, 3948 E. Lohman Ave., Suite 1, in the Game Room.

For more information, contact the Southern New Mexico Diabetes Outreach at 522-0289, or snmdo@snmdo.org or visit www.snmdo.org.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

The Alzheimer's Association New Mexico Chapter will have a support group meeting at 11:30 a.m. every Thursday at Uno's Pizzeria Grill, 2102 Telshor Court. For more information, call Jan at 522-7133 or Michael at 382-5200.

STROKE GROUP FOR SURVIVORS

Stroke survivors and caregivers share their experiences at support group meetings at 1 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Munson Senior Center, 975 S. Mesquite St.

For more information, call 522-2625.

BIKE AND CHOWDER

All levels of recreational bicycle riders are welcome to join in bike rides four days a week, beginning at the Mesilla Plaza. Summer rides start at 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Coffee and/or food is available after the rides.

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<p>'14 CHEVY CRUZE</p> <p>\$223/mo*</p> <p>used sk#P13729. \$17999 Sale Price, \$2000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 84 months.</p>	<p>'12 CHEVY MALIBU</p> <p>\$232/mo*</p> <p>used sk#P13833. \$15999 Sale Price, \$2000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 72 months.</p>	<p>'13 HONDA CRV (AWD)</p> <p>\$291/mo*</p> <p>used sk#P13837. \$22999 Sale Price, \$2000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 84 months.</p>	<p>'12 CHEVY CAMARO CONVERTIBLE</p> <p>\$340/mo*</p> <p>used sk#P13849. \$26811 Sale Price, \$2000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 84 months.</p>
<p>'12 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE</p> <p>\$346/mo*</p> <p>used sk#GC5008A. \$27999 Sale Price, \$3000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 84 months.</p>	<p>'15 CHEVY TRAVERSE LT</p> <p>\$399/mo*</p> <p>used sk#P13792. \$31999 Sale Price, \$3000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 84 months.</p>	<p>'13 JEEP WRANGLER</p> <p>\$420/mo*</p> <p>used sk#P13769. \$33999 Sale Price, \$3000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 84 months.</p>	<p>'12 DODGE CHARGER SRT8</p> <p>\$455/mo*</p> <p>used sk#BK1780A. \$35999 Sale Price, \$3000 Down, 2.99% APR, OAC @ 84 months.</p>

BUDGET \$ BUYS

- '10 Ford Focus **\$9,999***
- '11 Chevrolet Impala LS **\$10,499***
- '08 GMC Envoy **\$10,900***
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- '08 Ford Edge **\$14,999***
- '11 Ford Fusion SEL **\$15,995***



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<p>'12 KIA FORTE</p> <p>\$10,999†</p> <p>4Dr, 5sp, AC, CD Player! Used #VW9915B.</p>	<p>'08 FORD EDGE</p> <p>\$10,999†</p> <p>Used #A13707A1.</p>	<p>'08 ACURA TSX</p> <p>\$11,999†</p> <p>4Dr, Automatic, Cruise Control, Leather Seats, Power Windows, Power Locks, Sunroof! Used #A13641.</p>
<p>'11 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA SE</p> <p>\$11,999†</p> <p>4Dr, Automatic, Cruise Control, Power Windows, Power Locks! Used #A13804.</p>	<p>'07 CADILLAC CTS</p> <p>\$11,999†</p> <p>Automatic, Leather Seats, Power Seats! Used #A13648.</p>	<p>'09 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA TDI</p> <p>\$13,999†</p> <p>Automatic, Cruise Control, Leather Seats, Power Windows, Power Locks! Used #VW9879A.</p>

BUDGET \$ BUYS

- '07 Mini Cooper "S" **\$6,999***
- '07 Honda Civic **\$7,999***
- '11 Chevrolet HHR **\$8,999***
- '06 Chrysler Pacifica **\$9,999***

†Tax, title, license and dealer service transfer fee additional. Sale price includes all applicable factory incentives. Not everyone will qualify. Subject to prior sale. On select models. With approved credit. See Dealer for details. *See Sisbarro for complete Best Test details. When all factory maintenance as recommended by original owner's manual is performed by Sisbarro. 133-point certification of mechanical components, power accessories and electrical systems to ensure working order at time of purchase, does not assure overall condition or future roadworthiness of vehicle. Lifetime powertrain coverage only on vehicles five years from most current model year includes engine (except for carburetor and gasoline/diesel fuel injection components) front wheel drive, rear wheel drive and transmission. 72-hour exchange for vehicle of equal value. Sales volume based on most recent Polk Cross Sell data.

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